

OBITUARY.

Edward Higgins.

Edward Higgins, a prominent citizen and business man of Fort Fairfield, died Thursday, Nov. 21st, at 3.30 p. m. Early this last spring he had a slight shock which laid him up for several weeks and all summer long he complained of pains in his head. October 20 he was stricken with apoplexy which paralyzed his right side and rendered him speechless. Four weeks later pneumonia set in and caused his death.

The funeral was held Sunday at 1.30 p. m. at the Reformed Baptist Church, preceded by a prayer at the house, Rev. C. S. Hilyard officiating. The pall-bearers were L. S. Kinney, William Wright, Barry Anderson, James Wilcox, Charles Churchill and Clinton White. Many beautiful floral offerings were made by friends and relatives, among these being Dr. and Mrs. Hutchins, Mrs. W. H. Scott, F. E. Peterson, James Wilcox, James Paul and also one from the Reformed Baptist Church, of which the deceased was a member. Interment was made in Riverside cemetery.

Mr. Higgins was a native of Nova Scotia, the son of James and Hannah Higgins, and was born in 1860, making him not quite 59 years of age at the time of his death. At the age of 16 years, he began his apprenticeship as a blacksmith in Halifax, and at 20 he went to Boston to work at his trade. Four years later he was married to Frances Ella Tripp, and to this union were born six sons, five of whom are living. After his marriage he moved to Meductic, N. B., where he began business for himself as a blacksmith and wagon builder. For 16 years he continued in business there, when he lost everything he had by fire. After this staggering blow he moved to Fort Fairfield, where he carried on a successful business until his death.

Mr. Higgins is survived by his widow, Frances Ella Higgins, and by five sons: Arthur A., Clarence B., Clyde F., Leslie W. and Hugh E. Higgins. Arthur A. resides in Portland. Clarence B. is a physician, recently an interne in a hospital in Salem, Mass., but now returned to Fort Fairfield, where he will remain and practice this winter. For a time during the great war he was a member of the English Royal Flying Corps. Clyde F. was for 3½ years in France in a Canadian contingent and saw his share of fighting, attaining to the rank of Sergeant Major. He is now in the automobile business in Boston, where he returns Thursday. Leslie is in the United States service and at present stationed at Fort Ontario, New York. Hugh E. is at home.

Mrs. W. H. Scott, of Worcester, Mass., and G. A. Tripp, of Oldtown, a sister and brother of Mrs. Higgins, were present at the funeral and have since returned to their homes.

Mr. Higgins was a faithful, earnest Christian man, straightforward and honest in all his dealings, respected and trusted by all. He will be greatly missed in his church and in the town. The sorrowing widow and family have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community.

Dow Kelly.

At the military hospital, St. John, on Oct. 28th, Dow Kelly, of Millville, N. B., succumbed to pneumonia. Deceased was twenty-eight years of age and leaves a mother, now Mrs. Amos Knox, two brothers, Oran and Walter, of Millville, and sisters, two married and living in South, and Mrs. Elwood Sleep and Mrs. McIntyre, of Upper Hainesville, N. B., and a large number of friends and relatives to mourn their loss. The funeral service was conducted at Millville by the writer.

I. F. KEIRSTEAD.

Mrs. George Newell.

At Mapleton, on Nov. 16th, Augusta, wife of George Newell, in the 58th year of her age. Sister Newell has been in poor health for several months, but she bore her suffering patiently. Only a few days before her death, her daughter, Mrs. Fleming, of Maine, who came to visit her, was suddenly taken with pneumonia and succumbed to that disease. This sorrow hastened the end of Sister Newell's life, as her heart was in a very weak condition at that time. Mrs. Newell is survived by her husband, Geo. Newell, two sons, Harry, of Millville, C. W. Palmer, in the American Army, now in France, and two daughters, Mrs. Jardine, of Millville, and Mildred, at home. The funeral service was conducted by her pastor, I. F. Keirstead.

Mrs. G. Frederick Plummer.

Chorenia L., widow of the late G. Fred Plummer, died at the home of her son, Robert L. Plummer, in Fort Fairfield on Friday, Nov. 22nd. Mrs. Plummer is survived by three sons and two daughters: Ashton, of Unity; Harry, of Presque Isle; Robert L., of Fort Fairfield; Mrs. Albert Palmer, of Waterville, N. B., and Mrs. F. W. Foster, of Fort Fairfield. She had suffered from Bright's disease for about two years and a short time before her death had a slight shock which evidently hastened the inevitable end.

The funeral was held Sunday, Nov. 24, at 3 p. m. at the home, being conducted by Rev. T. F. Jones, assisted by Rev. O. J. Hoffman. On Monday her children took the remains to Hartland, where they were met by loving friends and conveyed to Waterville, N. B., Mr. and Mrs. Plummer's old home. Here, after a short service at the grave conducted by Rev. H. Harrison, she was laid to rest by the side of her husband.

Mrs. Maria B. Baker.

Mrs. Maria B., widow of Richard B. Baker, who for 30 years resided at Fairview Ave., Malden, Mass., passed away Tuesday morning, Oct. 8th, at the home of her son, Albert E. Baker, Knollin street, after a few days' illness following an apopleptic shock, aged 68. Mr. Baker died in 1911. Deceased was born in Woodstock, N. B., and had resided here nearly 40 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church. She is survived by three sons, Albert E., Richard E. and Alton, and a daughter, Mrs. G. M. Chisholm; also a sister, Mrs. Elbridge Estey, of Woodstock, N. B.—Malden Evening Times.

CHURCH.

We are to have what a creedless church. By men will not be asked articles of faith, but a willingness to men, which will be all necessary for membership in "world" church. According to this idea it will make no difference whether one is a Christ-denying Unitarian, a presumptuous Universalist, nor even a mild skeptic, just so he is willing to subscribe to the doctrine of a universal brotherhood. What a foolish, Christless program is being outlined by some who would be leaders in religious affairs!—Gospel Banner.

THE BOY WHO WON.

The first applicant for the position of office boy at Barclay & Hinman's was not attractive in appearance. His nose was crooked, and his mouth was big. His jacket was too large and his trousers too short. There were holes in his stockings and his shoes were not brushed.

"What is your name?" asked the man at the desk.

"Martin Barry, sir."

"Where do you live?"

"No. 10 Veteran Court."

Veteran Court boys were not in demand. Martin was dismissed.

As he passed out to the street he spied a crumpled bit of green in a step corner. It was a dollar bill. He put it in his pocket and went back into the store. For an hour Mr. Hinman was busy with boys. Martin waited. As soon as the last applicant had gone he approached the desk.

"Did you lose this?" he asked.

The merchant ran through his pockets. "I must have," he decided, "for I had one when I came in. Where did you find it?"

Martin told him.

Mr. Hinman eyed him keenly, and recognized him as the first applicant.

"Have you had any experience as office boy?" was the query.

"No, sir."

"Suppose I should hire you, and should want something done that you didn't know how to do."

Martin looked straight at the questioner. "I'd do it the best I could, sir, and the next time, perhaps, I'd do it better." The position was his.

"I knew," said Mr. Hinman in relating the story, "that a boy who would return a dollar to a man whom he had every reason to dislike, and wait patiently a whole hour to give it to him, was too honest and faithful a boy to miss. I'd trust Martin Barry with a million dollars."—Selected.

BUT ONLY ONE MOTHER.

Most of the other beautiful things in life come by twos and threes, by dozens and hundreds. Plenty of roses, stars, sunsets, rainbows, brothers and sisters, aunts and cousins, but only one mother in all the wide world.—Kate Douglas Wiggin.

"A man can be serious without being sour."