

in Christ, we are of all men most miserable." This hope will not be dashed, because "Christ is risen from the dead." The victory was His; therefore, thanks be to God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Easter time will lose its value and significance to us unless it deepens our conviction in the immortality of the soul, in the resurrection of the dead, in the triumph of our Lord over death and the grave, and in the entrance into the felicities of life eternal of every one who liveth and believeth in Him.—Northwestern Christian Advocate.

#### WORDS OF HOPE AND PROMISE.

Upon the tomb's dark walls bereavement reads: 'I am the resurrection, and the life; he that believeth on me, though he were dead, yet shall he live.' "Marvel not at this; for the hour is coming in which all that are in their graves shall hear His voice and come forth." "Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept." How beautiful these words make graves appear! Mother, father, could all the floral charms of nature add such glory to the little mound? Mourning children, could garlands of lilies and roses so beautify the resting-place of sainted mother as these heavenly words of hope and promise? Today why should we seek the living among the dead? Our vanished loved ones are not in the dust of our cemeteries. They walk with God in white. As shone the angel faces and the angel robes, so shine their faces and their white-robed forms in light. We walk alone for a while. There are empty places in home and church; there are empty chairs and empty arms; but there is light still burning where they were; a light in the mourning mother's arms; a strange, sweet light in the home; something like a glory in the very air, as though angels had swept past on gleaming wings and left a train of white from earth to heaven. Oh, seek ye the living among the living! Lift up your sad faces toward the light, toward the smiles which are falling from heaven, and let this Easter-time be full of faith and hope and praise. "Why seek ye the living among the dead?" Jesus and His own are "alive for evermore."—Bishop Frank M. Bristol.

One may lose the blessing of entire sanctification by giving way to doubts and unbelief. It is by faith we stand. Whatsoever ground we gain by faith we hold by faith. By unbelief we lose it. He who walks on the water by faith, goes down as fear supplants his faith. One may also lose the blessing of holiness by failing to confess it. In the same degree that profession becomes indefinite, the experience becomes indefinite. Doubt lies at the bottom of this want of confession. Satan is ever ready to accuse a saint of God. But to hold his ground he must keep fully consecrated to God and confess out boldly all that God does for him. "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death."—Rev. 12:11.

#### REVIVAL THOUGHTS.

He whose mind dwells with delight upon the prospect of a revival of religion is sure to grow in grace.

When two or more persons in any community desire a revival with such fervency as to be willing to pay the price they are almost certain to obtain what they desire.

Any revival which does not reduce the sinfulness of the community is of very little value, and this may generally apply to the church people as well as to sinners on the outside.

A holy zeal for the salvation of men may be shut up like a fire in the heart for a time, but if it is properly fed it is certain to burst into a flame before many days.

The best workers we have ever known in a revival effort are the men and women who know the Holy Ghost and have sense enough to let him work as he pleases, always being sure to co-operate with him in every respect.

The father who has lived before his family in such a manner as to make it hard for him to talk to his sons or daughters about their eternal interests should at once repent and seek their forgiveness, and when he does this a revival will have already begun.

More souls have been converted in a revival than in any other way, and he who hopes to see great gatherings without the revival methods is doomed to disappointment, and may be held responsible to God for the loss of souls who might have been won for God and heaven had he been more faithful to the methods so richly owned by the Holy Ghost.

If one method does not attract sinners to hear the gospel try some other method, but be sure that all of the methods tried are of divine appointment. Satan never plays a shrewder game than when he can induce some one to attempt to win men to Christ by some of his methods.

Meetings by the hundreds have been killed, murdered outright, by the lack of resources on the part of the leader. We have seen meetings of several weeks where there would be scarcely any variation in the invitations or in the conduct of the entire meeting. He who closely follows the Holy Spirit will not be left without some variety of method in conducting a series of meetings.

"Has someone seen Christ in you today? Christian, look to your life, I pray; There are aching hearts and blighted souls  
Being lost in sin's destructive shoals.  
And perhaps of Christ their only view  
May be what of Him they see in you;  
Will they see enough to bring hope and cheer?  
Look to your light—does it shine out clear?"

#### OBITUARY.

L. Ruth E. Brown.

On Monday at 3.30 a. m. the 12th inst., Ruth, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Brown, of Green street, Woodstock, N. B., was called to be with Jesus. About a year ago Ruth was found to be afflicted with diabetes, but untiring care and skill had been successful in combating the disease until she was taken with the flu. The one disease worked against the other and proved fatal. Besides her father and mother, one brother, Dr. J. F. L. Brown, of this town, and two sisters, Mrs. Allan Sewell, of Devon, and Miss Flora Brown, of the Fisher School staff, of Woodstock, survive.

The funeral service was held at the home on Tuesday at 3 p. m., conducted by Rev. L. J. Alley, assisted by Rev. F. S. Todd (United Baptist). The following day the remains were taken to Middle Southampton and laid at rest in the family lot. The floral tributes were many. Ruth was 11 years and 9 months of age. To the sorrowing ones we extend our prayers and sympathies. L. J. ALLEY.

Mrs. Finley McDonald.

Mrs. Finley McDonald passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George Brown, at Seal Cove, N. B., on March 18, at the age of 88 years. She survived her husband but seven months and two days.

Mrs. McDonald was converted in 1863, and became a member of the Free Christian church Baptist Church at Seal Cove, which church later joined with the Calvinist Baptist Church, which formed the United Baptist Church, of which she was a member at the time of her death. She was taken with an attack of the epidemic which has passed through this Island, and being near her 89th birthday she had not the strength to rally from it. She was very patient in the last hours of her suffering. She leaves to mourn, two daughters, Mrs. C. E. King and Mrs. George Brown, both residing at Seal Cove; also one brother, John Wells, of Lubec, Me.

The funeral service was held in the United Baptist Church, being conducted by Rev. W. B. Crowell assisted by the writer, Rev. John E. Hewson being present also. May God bless the bereaved ones.

C. R. HAGERMAN.

#### NOTICE.

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 3 will convene with the Church at Seal Cove on April 5th (D. V.), continuing over the Sabbath. Let us make these meetings times of refreshing and victory by a large delegation, much intercession, complete obedience to the Spirit, and the propagation of the doctrine of entire, instantaneous sanctification definitely received as a second work of grace, as per Scripture.

P. H. GREEN, Secy.

The need of mankind is so deep seated that it cannot be reached by legislation, not even by education. Only regeneration and entire sanctification are sufficient to meet the deepest needs of us all.