

## OBITUARY.



MRS. MARY SEELEY

We are sorry to record the death of Mrs. Mary Seeley, of Durant, Oklahoma, which took place on Wednesday, Sept. 6th, 1923. Sister Seeley was born in Hodgdon, Me., Aug. 7th, 1847. She was one of six children of the late Mr. and Mrs. Abram Gerow, all of whom are now dead. Sister Seeley at the age of 16 married Mr. Ralph Seeley, of Waterville, N. B., where they reared their family of five children, three sons and two daughters. They afterwards moved to Fort Fairfield, Me., where they made their home for about ten years, and then moved to Oklahoma, where Mr. Seeley died in 1912. Here also Prof. Seeley, their eldest son, died last March.

Our sister was converted when only a child and in after years united with the Free Christian Baptist Church at her home in Waterville. In after years when the Holiness movement was quite prominent in New Brunswick she made a complete consecration of her life to God and readily united with the Holiness people. On moving to Durant, Okla., when the Nazarene Church was organized in 1909, she went in the church as a charter member and was true to its doctrines to the end.

Sister Seeley lived an active life at home and in the church until her last illness of about six weeks, which resulted in her death. To be associated with this strong Christian character was an inspiration to the unsaved as well as the Christian for she was always very positive and clear in her decision in choosing the right way and uncompromising in condemning evil. Her daily life was an example of faith, patience and thoughtfulness of others and truly she must have responded to the call of the Master in Luke 4:13-9: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he hath sent me to heal the broken hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord." This scripture shows her field of labor in each line of work here mentioned, giving out the gospel message of full salvation to the unfortunates in the slums, giving a cup of cold water in the name of Jesus to the destitute sick, going behind prison bars declaring fearlessly the wonderful plan of full salvation, say-

ing "the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth from all sin." These words she repeated over and over many times the night she was dying. In these neglected and needy fields she was always willing to go in obedience to the Divine call, and how her face beamed with joy and gladness as she taught the people of God and His wonderful plan of salvation. This writer was associated with Mother Seeley five years in the jail work and truly her life of firmness, promptness and activity was a great inspiration of helpfulness. She did not wait for impressions but was always ready to meet the opportunities when given to help others. She was a woman of remarkable faith and prayer. Three or four years before the plans were made for building of the new court house, she requested that we all blend our petitions together to a throne of grace for a sanitary place for the prisoners to stay, and how she thanked and praised God over and over for the answer to that prayer as they now have a clean, sanitary place. The old jail was so small and unclean, that many times it would be so crowded that we could scarcely have room to hold the service.

Mrs. Seeley, who had spent most of her life in girl rescue work for the Girls' Rescue Home at Pilot Point, Texas, was recently hurt in a fall while at Pilot Point, later taking pneumonia and she never fully recovered from the injury and illness. She was seventy-seven years of age, but physicians said her death resulted from weakness due to her injury and sickness.

Hers had been a life of usefulness and she will be greatly missed in the work which she had volunteered to do. Being a pioneer of this country, she had done much in building up the spiritual welfare of the country, and had been the cause of saving many girls from a sad plight. Sister Seeley selected Rev. 14-13 as the text for her funeral and well can this scripture be applied to her life. Her two daughters, Miss Abbey Seeley, Mrs. Mary Shaw and her son, Dr. Seeley, of San Angelo, Texas, faithfully attended her bedside in her sickness and death. The deceased is survived by two daughters, Miss Abbie Seeley and Mrs. Geo. M. Shaw, both of Durant, and two sons, Dr. A. H. Seeley, of San Angelo, Texas, and Mr. Linwood Seeley, who now lives in Fort Fairfield, Me., besides other relatives and a large circle of friends to mourn their loss.

Funeral services were conducted at the First Baptist Church Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The services were conducted by the Rev. J. T. Roberts, of Pilot Point, Texas. Burial at Highland Cemetery. How sadly she will be missed in the home circle and the vacancy cannot be filled but the loved ones can say with David, I shall go to her. You can not call her back, but you know where to find her. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. Psalm 116:15.

MRS. KATE PHILLIPS.

Durant, Okla.

Cameron Benson.

Once more the death has visited our community and taken as its victim Cameron Benson, aged 13 years, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Benson.

The deceased was stricken with appen-

dititis and although he was taken to Calais, Maine, and given the best medical aid, his case proved fatal and he passed from this life Wednesday, Sept. 19th.

The remains were brought home to Seal Cove on Thursday and the funeral service was on Sunday, Sept. 23rd. The service was conducted by the writer, assisted by Mr. Crowell, of Grand Harbor, Mr. Archer, of North Head, and Mr. Gibson, of Minto, N. B. The floral tributes were beautiful, showing how highly Cameron was esteemed by his many friends. To his sorrowing parents and many friends we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

H. E. MULLEN.

## A BOY'S RELIGION.

If a boy is a lover of the Lord Jesus Christ, though he can't lead a prayer meeting, or be a church officer, or a preacher, he can be a godly boy, in a boy's way and a boy's place. He need not cease to be a boy because he is a Christian. He ought to run, jump, climb and yell like a real boy. But in it all he ought to be free from vulgarity and profanity. He ought to eschew tobacco in every form and have a horror for intoxicating drinks. He ought to be peaceable, gentle, merciful, generous. He ought to take the part of small boys against large ones. He ought to discourage fighting. He ought to refuse to be a party to mischief, to persecution or deceit. And, above all things, he ought now and then to show his colors. He need not always be interrupting a game to say he is a Christian, but he ought not to be ashamed to say that he refuses to do something because he fears God or is a Christian. He ought to take no part in the ridicule of sacred things, but meet the ridicule of others with a bold statement that for things of God he feels the deepest reverence.—Selected.

## WHY NOT COPY THE ARCHANGEL?

John Hutchinson, the religious editor of the Rochester Post-Dispatch, wonders why it is that persons in the churches who love so dearly the Epistle of Jude, because it advises them "to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered unto the saints," don't read on in the same apostolic letter to the place where it says that Michael, the archangel, did not dare bring "a railing judgment" against even the devil, but left him for the Lord to rebuke. How is it, this onlooker asks, that so many of the orthodox feel perfectly justified in treating brethren in the church worse than Michael would treat Satan? Isn't an archangel a good example for an ordinary or even an extraordinary human Christian?—The Continent.

Forty millions heathen die every year. They are dying at the rate of 100,000 a day!

There are 1,000,000 heathen in the world.

Each missionary is responsible for 1,000,000 souls.

In China there is one ordained minister to every 1,000,000 souls.

Christians are giving at the rate of one-tenth of a cent a day.

Men learn in suffering what they teach in song.—Spurgeon.