

OBITUARY.



REV. J. H. COY

Rev. J. H. Coy died at his home on Albert street, Woodstock, N. B., early Tuesday morning, Aug. 28th, of heart failure. Although Mr. Coy had been failing somewhat in health for several years his passing was unexpected, and came as a great shock to his many friends.

He was born at Nashwaak, York Co., 77 years ago, and had been a minister of the gospel 52 years, coming to reside in Woodstock 33 years ago. He was twice married, his first wife, who pre-deceased him over 15 years ago, was formerly Miss Lydia Corey, of Kings Co. Seven children were born to them, namely: William, of California; John, of New Bedford, Mass.; Charles, of Quincy, Mass.; Mrs. Frank Shay, of St. John; Mrs. A. C. Tibbets, of Hamden, Me., and Miss Annie, professional nurse of Boston. One son, Frederick, died more than 20 years ago. Mr. Coy's second marriage took place in October, 1909, when he was united to Mrs. Angelina Ackerson, of Bridgewater, Me., who survives him.

He was converted when he was 14 years of age and when he grew to manhood was ordained to the gospel ministry in the Baptist denomination. In the year 1883 the subject of sanctification being prominent, he accepted it and confessed publicly that he had received the blessed experience. When the Reformed Baptist denomination was organized in 1888 he was present, and on June 29th, 1889, he was accepted as a minister of the new denomination and was pastor or several circuits and churches, at Millville, Meductic and Hartland circuits, and St. John, Woodstock, Calais, Seal Cove and Roy-alton churches. On account of heart trouble he did not take the pastorate of any church of late years, but supplied at times for other pastors and also acted as an agent for the New Brunswick Bible Society.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Aug. 30th. Prayers at his late residence, at 2.30 p. m., followed by a service at 3 o'clock in the Reformed Baptist Church. Rev. L. J. Alley was the officiating clergyman, who used as a text Acts 11-24. Revs. H. H. Cosman, C. S. Hilyard, H. S. Dow, P. J. Trafton, E. W. Lester and Licentiate Leslie Sears, assisted in the services. The pallbearers were: B. M. Colpitts, Chas. O. Mutch, Geo. McClas-

key and Robert Harding. The children present were John, Charles, Annie and Mrs. Tibbits

L. J. ALLEY.

Note.—Sister Coy expresses her thanks to the choir of the church as also all who sent flowers and helped in any way in their affliction.—L. J. A.

John Hudson.

John Hudson died at his home in Grand Falls, N. B., Sept. 1st, after a lingering illness. He leaves to mourn a wife and five children, namely, Catherine, Christian, John, Mrs. Ernest Kelly and Edward.

Funeral was held at the home of the deceased, Rev. J. R. Millar officiating.

Singing by the Presbyterian Choir assisted by Leon Cogswell, of Fort Fairfield, Me.

The flowers were numerous and beautiful. Interment was made at Baptist cemetery.

Mrs. Margaret Bragdon.

Our community was saddened Tuesday morning, Aug. 14th, when the news was passed around that Mrs. Bragdon had passed away. The deceased had been a sufferer with hardening of the arteries. This with old age proved too much for her strength. Mrs. Bragdon was 74 years of age. She leaves to mourn her loss two sisters and one brother. Mrs. Fred Creighton, Mrs. Samuel McClunky, and Wilmot Wright, all residing in Boston; also four children, Arthur and Asa, of Woodstock, N. B., James, of Montana, and Myles, of Lower Southampton, N. B., with whom she resided at the time of her death. To the sorrowing ones we extend our sympathy. The service was conducted at the house by the writer.

L. J. SEARS.

Mrs. Almira Mitchell

Almira, the beloved wife of Mr. Frank Mitchell, passed to her eternal reward on the morning of Aug. 2nd, 1923, in the 67th year of her age. She is survived by her husband, and one brother, Geo. Bailey, of South Devon, and two sisters, Mrs. J. A. Porter, of St. John, N. B., and Mrs. Isaac Lawson, of Mt. Hope, N. B., also other relatives and many friends. Sister Mitchell has been in poor health for a number of years and much of the time has been confined to her home and part of the time to her bed, but she has always endured her affliction patiently, believing that all things worked together for good to them that love God. She was always ready to offer praise to God as she had opportunity in his house. Her faith made her triumphant in life and in death and she is gone to be with Jesus. The funeral services were held at her home at Devon by Rev. H. S. Dow, assisted by Rev. Wetmore, and also in the Church at Penniac, where her remains were laid to rest in the cemetery there.

"See there be no sermon without three R's in it; Ruin by the fall; Righteousness by Christ, and Regeneration by the Spirit. Preach Christ for awakening, Christ for comforting, Christ for sanctifying. God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ."—Rowland Hill.

AN INFALLIBLE SPECIFIC.

The health of a church is dependent upon its responsiveness to its mission of proclaiming the gospel of Christ. Fill a congregation with a sincere passion for souls enlist it in direct, active missionary enterprise, place the members before the world with work to be done for the Master and they are driven to dependence upon the gospel as alone the power of God unto salvation.

When New Testament evangelism is to the fore, relationship recedes. Such fads as federation and open membership are forgotten. Strife, envy, jealousy find no foothold in the evangelistic church. While continuously restless to preach the gospel and enlarge its usefulness, it is blessed with the contentment which always comes from honest endeavor and solid achievement.

This is not only common sense theory, but we have only to lift our eyes to the field to see it proving itself in practice. Where Christ is lifted up, where Christians devote their real resources to His service, His blessings rest most obviously.

Knowing and acknowledging these truths as we do, how slow we are in applying them! Has dissension crept into the fold? Some of the members have been left with too much leisure; enlarge the work assigned them. Is there a decline in attendance or in spiritual power? Stir up the fires of evangelism. Teach, preach, feed the hungry, minister to the distressed, engage in community services, but, above all, enlist every Christian in some work of bringing others to Christ that will drive them to their Bibles and lead them to study God's word, eager to become firmly grounded in the faith, not for the sake of self, but for the sake of bringing the Christ they love and serve to others.—Christian Standard.

Love and Faith are two wonder-workers. Without them the Church is dead and formal, merely a self-improvement club. Love warms the heart and faith lends its cheer and finds the way to Jesus, who loves a faith that can be seen. Mr. Moody used to say quaintly, "Faith has elgs." Not only that, but faith had a strong back and willing hands.

"All that a man hath will he give for his life," said Satan. But he spoke falsely, for since the world began, there have been many things that every true man has held more precious than life, and the list of these things grow longer in the light of each succeeding generation."

"There is nothing purer than honesty; nothing sweeter than charity; nothing brighter than virtue; and nothing more steadfast than faith. These united in one mind form the purest, the sweetest, the richest, the brightest, and most steadfast happiness."

"He who will fly, as an eagle does, into the higher levels where cloudless day abides, and live in the sunshine of God, must be content to live a comparatively lonely life."—Mueller.