

OBITUARY

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord.—
Revelation 14-13.

Annie Eliza Wallace

Mrs. Annie E. Wallace, daughter of the late Eliza and Joshua Marney, and widow of the late Joseph Wallace, after a short illness, on August 30th, 1939, passed, we believe, to a "Better Land."

Mrs. Wallace was 71 years, 2 months old. She was married to the late Joseph A. Wallace with whom she lived in Jonesport, Maine, for nearly 50 years. She was a faithful member of the Reformed Baptist Church, a dutiful wife and loving mother.

Those feeling their loss are four daughters, Mrs. Eva Dobbins, Mrs. Ida French, Mrs. Vina Faulkingham, all of Jonesport, Me., and Mrs. Flora Walker, of Island Falls, Me.; also three sons, William Wallace, Jonesport, Me.; Edgar Wallace, Mt. Desert Light Station, Me.; and Kenneth Wallace, Portland, Me.; also nineteen grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sept. 2nd, at the Reformed Baptist Church, the pastor, Rev. E. R. Bradley, officiating.

Profuse floral tributes and an unusually large congregation silently bespoke esteem for the deceased.

Interment was at the Greenwood cemetery, Jonesport, Me.

Prayers and sympathy are extended the bereaved.

E. R. B.

Deacon Alfred George Good

The Reformed Baptist Church of Moncton has sustained a great loss in the passing of Brother A. G. Good. For forty-five years he was a faithful member of the church and was clerk and deacon most of the time. He was well known throughout the city as a man of sterling qualities and kind disposition. He adorned the doctrine of Christ by his exemplary life. The end came on Sept. 14th, after eight months of illness and suffering which he patiently endured. He was tenderly cared for by his wife and daughter, Nellie, R. N.

The funeral was held from his late home Sept. 16th, conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. Dr. Ramsay, of St. John's United Church. There were many floral tributes attesting the esteem in which he was held.

In addition to his wife, Brother Good is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Robert MacRae and Miss Nellie Good, R. N., and one son, Cecil Elroy Good. Also surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Lyla Coughlin, Arlington, Mass., and Mrs. A. L. Bubar, Saint John.

May God comfort the sorrowing ones.

H. M. KIMBALL

THE OBLIGATION

Two of every three human beings have never even heard the name of Christ. If He be the way of life, and He is, then these all are in the valley of the shadow of death; if He be the truth, then these are groping in hopeless error; if He be the Saviour, then these are not saved. If Christianity is true, then all Christians are bound to propagate it; if it is not true, then it should be abandoned.—Religious Digest.

WHO TAUGHT THE FLOWERS?

In a contemporary magazine we find the following:

"Many flowers close their petals at night for two reasons: to prevent the night winds blowing the pollen away; and to keep out insects which would prevent pollinization."

"Marvelous!" must be our reaction. Yet this is only one of the ten thousand manifestations, in botany, zoology, chemistry, physics, astronomy, that there is somewhere profound wisdom. There could be no design without a designer. The designer of all that is good in the universe we call God.

The ancient Egyptian worshiped the sacred bull and many other degrading objects. The Babylonians, in at least a part of their idolatry, showed better taste. They worshiped the sun, moon and stars. The Christian worships the Maker of all. He marvels at the One who made all the vast host of heaven, and the wing of the butterfly, and with the poet exclaims, "God of the universe, God of my soul."—Sel.

ANOTHER VIEW OF THE WORLD'S RELIGIONS

It is interesting to note that the Christian religion is the predominating faith of the world. When we read of the vast Oriental religions, we sometimes think that ours does not equal them in that measure. Basing the number of the human race at 2,000,000,000, the estimate of numbers is made in a novel way to secure accuracy. This system shows that 38 of each 100 are Christians; 19 Confucians and Taoists; 12 Hindus; 11 Mohammedans; one a Shintoist and one a Jew. This shows that Christianity has double the number of the next two highest religions. It literally covers the face of the earth. It has followers in every country of the world save one. At the present time we may grow a little pessimistic, but you ought to see the followers of the other systems.—United Presbyterian.

QUARTERLY MEETING DISTRICT NO. 1

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 1 convened with the Church at Middle Southampton, Aug. 31st to Sept. 3rd. The first service was held on Thursday evening and was in charge of the President, Rev. F. A. Anderson, who brought a stirring message from Ps. 25:12, his theme being, "God's Choice for Man's Moral Condition," closing the meeting with some fine testimonies.

The next service was held Friday evening, with a goodly number gathered for a preaching service, the message being brought by S. G. Hilyard from Acts 5:2, his theme, "Reason for Defeat."

The business meeting was held Saturday p. m. at 2.30. President F. A. Anderson in the chair, who read scripture found in I. John 3:1-16, followed by prayer.

S. G. Hilyard was appointed secretary pro tem. Minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

Roll call of ministers found following present—Rev. L. T. Sabint, S. G. Hilyard, F. A. Anderson, E. R. Watson and P. J. Trafton. Rev. H. C. and H. E. Mullen were absent at the Young People's Rally at Toronto.

Delegates were present from Woodstock, Victoria Corner, Millville and Green Bush.

Then followed election of officers: President, Rev. E. R. Watson; Vice-Pres., F. A. Anderson; Secretary, S. G. Hilyard; Treas.,

E. R. Watson; Highway Agent, P. J. Trafton. Devotional Committee—Sister Sabine, Sister Lloyd Wright, Sister Anderson, with Brother Anderson.

Letters were read from Hartland, Victoria and Fredericton. Verbal reports were received from Woodstock, Millville, Royalton and Meductic.

Date and place of next Quarterly left with officers of present Quarterly favoring Fredericton church.

Vote of thanks extended to church and people of Middle Southampton for fine entertainment.

Motion report of Devotional Committee be adopted.

Motion to adjourn with prayer by Rev. P. J. Trafton.

Brother P. J. Trafton brought an inspiring message Saturday evening from Mark 9:23, using as a theme, "God's Challenge to Believe in Him."

Sunday morning Love Feast was in charge of Brother Watson, who spoke from Ps. 71:15, which was followed by a blessed time of praise and testimony.

S. G. Hilyard brought the message at 11 a. m. from Rev. 3:4.

At 2.30 p. m. Brother L. T. Sabine preached a helpful message from Gal. 5:22, putting stress on the "Fruit of the Spirit."

The closing message was delivered by Brother Anderson. Is. 59:1, 2. This was a powerful message and deep conviction was on the meeting.

The attendance was small at this Quarterly, but God's blessing was felt and we feel it was a profitable time.

S. G. HILYARD

"AND"

Acts 1:8 is chosen as a text for two kinds of sermons, or the first half is chosen for the one kind—the discussion of the need and possibility of the reception of the Holy Ghost—and the latter part is used as the basis for a setting forth of our responsibility for world evangelism. Certainly no fault can be found with such treatments of the two ideas.

However, it is good to remember that these two seemingly very different subjects are most closely and vitally connected—in this verse connected with an "and." In the great plan of God the one, the giving of the Holy Ghost to the disciples, is but their preparation for the great work of the evangelization of the world.

The inferences must then be two:

First, he that goes to witness before he has received the Spirit goes without the qualification which the Lord has promised to supply.

Second, he who has received the Holy Spirit has not received this wondrous Gift and gift—Gift because He is a person, gift because He brings the experience—to be used for selfish ends but to be the Abiding Presence and a renovation and a power for witnessing, evangelism and missions.

You are to receive the Holy Ghost that you may with heat and power spread the great gospel. The one part is preparation; the other is accomplishment.—Free Methodist.

It pays to preach to the poor.—Christianity grows quickly in India. This is because the gospel is first preached to the poor. When Christianity is given first to the poor, it rises and permeates the rich. When Christianity is preached first to the rich and powerful, the reverse is true.—Selected.