



TWO GIFTS

"Here is a dime to put into the collection," said Marie's father as she started for Sunday school.

"That's more than anybody else will give," said Marie. "Why can't I put in five cents and keep five myself?"

"Oh, give it all," laughed her father, "and here's another one for yourself."

So Marie skipped off to Sunday school feeling very rich and very generous. "See what I have," she said, opening her purse as soon as she went in. All the children whispered, "Oh Marie is going to put in a whole dime today."

Marie did not do much in the songs and opening exercises. She was too busy showing her dime to the children who came in late. When at last the offering was taken she did not hear the prayer that was made, asking God to bless the money and help it to do good for his sake. She was wondering if the children in the older classes knew how much she put in.

At the same time, in another Sunday school, a little girl was giving her offering. This little girl's name was Josie, and she did not wear the dainty clothes and live in as nice a house as Marie did. She did not have a father who gave her dimes to spend and to take to Sunday school, because her father had to work hard all day long to earn money enough to buy the poor, cheap food and clothing that they had. She had never had a whole dime, and she very seldom had a penny.

On Saturday afternoon she was walking along the street, and looking down she spied a penny lying on the sidewalk. With a little cry of joy she stooped down and picked it up. "Oh, what shall I buy with it?" was her first thought. "It would buy a nice new lead pencil, or a piece of candy. Oh, it would buy many things that it is hard to choose."

Just then she thought of Sunday school. Most of the other children put pennies into the basket when it came around, but she had had one to give only two or three times in the whole year. Now she had one of her very own, and it took only a minute to decide that she would give it to Jesus. "Our teacher told us that our pennies would help give Sunday schools to children who do not have any," she said to her mother when she carried the penny home. "I'd lots rather do without the candy to help some other little girl have a Sunday school as nice as ours. Wouldn't you?"

"Yes, I would," said her mother heartily. "If everybody were like you, there would not be any children without Sunday school."

Josie's eyes shone happily as she slipped into her place on Sunday and when she dropped her precious penny into the basket, and the superintendent had asked God to bless the offering, her heart was full of joy to think she could help spread the Gospel.

Two little girls in two Sunday schools that Sunday had each put money in the basket. Which one of them do you think gave a real offering to Jesus?—In Christian Observer.

WEDDINGS

Sawyer - Beal—On Sunday p. m., March 14th, in the Reformed Baptist Church, Beals, Maine, Philip Robert Sawyer, of Castine, Maine, and Elizabeth Irma Beal, of Stonington, Maine, were united in marriage by the writer. The bride is the daughter of H. Vinton Beal and his former wife, Mildred, now deceased. Mr. Beal was once a resident of Beals, but now resides in Stonington, Maine.

The bride recently graduated as a nurse from the Bangor Hospital, while the groom is in Coast Guard service, now stationed on Martinicus Rock, off the coast of Maine. In spite of a very stormy day the wedding was largely attended. We all join in wishing the young couple a long and happy married life.

H. C. Mullen

Trites - Grady—A wedding of much interest to the community took place on February 27th, at the Reformed Baptist Parsonage, Sussex, N. B., when the pastor, Rev. R. K. Nicholson united in marriage Miss Helen Irene Grady, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Grady, of Sussex, and Weldon Emerson Trites, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Trites, of Apohaqui. May God bless this young couple.

BIRTHS

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Mullen, at Havelock, N. S., a son, Daniel Rubert, on March 12th.

Born—to Rev. and Mrs. George Sanders, at the Toronto General Hospital, a son, George Frederick, on March 9th.

Born—to Rev. and Mrs. Leslie Hicks, a son, Gary Leslie, on March 8th.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Percy J. York (nee Alma Tilley) died in Houlton Hospital, Feb. 2nd, age 70 years. She is survived by her husband, two sons, Charlie and Claude; three daughters, Nita, Annabelle and Gladys; two brothers, William and Percy; and one sister, Mrs. Harley DeLong, St. John, N. B. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. John Quigg.

DeVERNE MULLEN'S SLATE

Mar. 31—April 11 — Free Methodist Church, Brantford, Ont.

April 13—25 — Nazarene Church, London, Ont.

May 5—16 — Nazarene Church, Elmira, N. Y.

May 18—30 — Lake Avenue Nazarene Church, Rochester, N. Y.

ADVANCE NOTICE

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1954 ALLIANCE AND BEULAH CAMP MEETING

Long before Spring weather arrives, inquiries come concerning dates of Alliance Sessions and Beulah Camp Meeting.

This year's Alliance meetings will be held on June 30th., July 1st. and 2nd. Beulah Camp dates for this year are July 2nd. — 11th. Evangelist for this year is Rev. Gordon Wisheart, of Kitchener, Ontario.

This year's Camp will be a special event as we celebrate the 60th. anniversary of the founding of this great Camp Meeting.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Grace Colpitts, widow of the late Bert-ram M. Colpitts, passed away at her home in Woodstock, N. B., on Saturday, March 6th, after an illness of more than four months.

Born at Temple, York County, in 1872, Mrs. Colpitts was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Hillman. She resided in Woodstock the greater part of her life. A member of the Reformed Baptist Church, she had always taken an active part in church work. Mrs. Colpitts had also been an active member of the Hospital Aid of the Carleton Memorial Hospital since its organization.

She is survived by two daughters: Mrs. Gladys Price, Canterbury; and Mrs. Mabel Cox, Woodstock; two sons, Hedley Colpitts, Fredericton, and Ewart Colpitts, Woodstock; one sister, Mrs. G. A. Grant, Temple; also ten grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held on Monday, March 8th, with prayers at the home, St. John St., and the service at the Reformed Baptist Church. Rev. H. S. Dow, cousin of the deceased, officiated, assisted by the pastor of the church, Rev. B. M. Hicks, and Rev. J. A. Owens, of Millville. Members of the Hospital Aid attended in a body.

The pallbearers were: George B. True, Merrill Hillman, Arthur Everett, Edward Mutch, Fred Brown and Frank Hillman. Interment was in the family plot at Jacksonville.

The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful testifying to the high esteem in which Mrs. Colpitts was held.

The community of St. George and interested parties everywhere were shocked to hear of the death of Mrs. Neil Pratt (nee Celia Ingals) on February 28th. Mrs. Pratt passed away only a few hours after she was admitted to the General Hospital at Saint John for treatment.

Mrs. Pratt leaves to mourn, besides her husband, two small children, Sandra, aged four, and Deane, aged two; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hartford Ingals, Grand Harbour; a sister, Arlene, and brother, Alison, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Pratt, parents of Neil, who are caring for the children, several other relatives and a large circle of friends.

The funeral service was held from the United Baptist Church, St. George, and was largely attended. Floral pieces formed a complete bank across the entire front of the Church.

The writer was assisted by Rev. MacDowell, United Baptist; Rev. Cann, of Seal Cove, and Lic. Sam. Guptill, of Grand Harbour. The St. George United Baptist choir sang selections at the home and church, and a male quartette sang very beautifully, "Sunrise Tomorrow."

Interment at the Rural Cemetery, St. George.

Our sincere sympathy to the bereaved families.

F. A. Dunlop

The funeral of the late Mrs. Thomas Craig was held Feb. 22nd from the Barker's Point Reformed Baptist Church. Rev. H. R. Ingersoll conducted the service and was assisted by Commandant William Hargrove and the Gospel Trio. Interment was at Harvey Station.

She leaves to mourn her passing, her husband; two sons, Donald, of Niagara Falls, Ont., and Ellis, at home; one sister and two brothers.

May God's grace prove sufficient to those who mourn.