

**PLEDGE**

Toward Paying for Balmoral Farm.

On or before June 1st, 1905, I promise to pay to the Treasurer of the Reformed Baptist Missionary Board \$2.50, to pay for one acre of the Missionary Farm, situated near Paulpietersburg, South Africa.

(Signed)

Cut this out and sign it and mail it to the Rev. S. A. Baker, Hartland, N. E.

**BALMORAL FARM.**

Number of acres previously acknowledged 418.

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| Amount                             | \$1045.00 |
| S. H. Clark, . . . . . 1 acre      | 2.50      |
| J. Rice Watson, . . . . . 1 "      | 2.50      |
| Miss Nellie G. Hart, . . . . . 1 " | 2.50      |
| Mrs. Fred Nutter, . . . . . 1 "    | 2.50      |

**Highway Acknowledgements.**

Miss Laura Hartt, Dec. 1906; Mrs. Jeremiah Hillman, June 1905; Mrs. Lyman McMillan, Jan. 1906; Howard C. Smith, Nov. 1906; Simon McLeod, Dec. 1906; Mrs. G. C. Jones, Dec. 1905; Mrs. A. M. Dibble, Dec. 1906; Mrs. Ida Morgan Keirstead, April 1907; Mrs. Geo. B. Porter, Sept. 1904; Mrs. David Bryden, Jan. 1907; Miss Annie Blaney, Dec. 1906; E. S. Baker, Pasadena, Cal., Jan. 1907.

**DIED.**

We are sorry to hear of the death of John Dibblee in Siam. He was a son of Sister A. M. Dibblee, of Mercer Settlement, who is deeply afflicted. His mother had a letter a few days before the announcement of his death stating he was well. Sister Dibblee has not as yet heard the particulars of his sudden death. We extend to her and the remaining members of the family our sincere sympathy.

**TESTIMONY.**

Jesus saves me just now from all sin, and I mean to serve him while my life shall last and I expect to praise him with dear ones in heaven around his throne forever.

With love to all God's dear children,  
MRS. WALTER WILSON, St. John.

**TEMPERANCE WAVE SWEEPING ONTARIO.**

Toronto, Oct. 25.—(Special)—Officials of the Ontario Alliance state that from every part of the province is coming encouraging news of an uprising public sentiment against the barroom.

In forty municipalities the local option agitation has taken more or less definite form. In many the matter has gone through council and will be submitted to the people on January 1st.

**TOOK HOT WHISKEY FOR A COLD.**

Robert Blackdall was suffering from a cold and took hot whiskey. While under the influence of the beverage he began shooting on the street, one bullet hitting Dan Taylor, but fortunately without fatal results. The affair occurred in St. John.—Yarmouth Light.

There never was a more temperate army than that which marched under my command from Modder River to Bloemfontein. Nothing but good can result from so many soldiers being brought together in an arduous campaign, when they see how splendidly our temperance men have borne up against the hardships and dangers they have had to face.—Lord Roberts.

The last issue of the Religious Intelligencer was sent out on the 25th instant after being published over fifty years.

**CORRESPONDENCE.**

Dear Young People:—How many unnumbered blessings you have! I wonder if you think of them all? Here young girls are betrothed to men, old or young, as their fathers or elder brother (if the father is dead) fancies. They seldom have much to say about it at all and often the bargain is made without their even being asked about it. This is all so very different from the way the girls at home are used. I often think of this text "The tender mercies of the wicked are cruel." If these girls do not consent to the match they are beaten until they do. If they run away it is only to be brought back again. There seems no way out of it at present as the bargain seems to be more the matter of cattle than if the daughter will be happy or not. How different with the daughters of Christian America? There the well being of the child is first considered, as a rule, and if otherwise I think those patients must be going back to heathendom on that special subject don't you?

Recently we had our first christian native marriage. Over one hundred persons were present and even the old heathen head men whom I asked about it, thought the vows were very nice indeed. In fact it was a very solemn time and impressed the people favorably I am sure. Everything in connection with Christianity is practically quite new to these people. Some of them hate us and though they do not say so in as many words we feel the deep subtle bitterness.

Now why do I tell you young men and women this? So you will pray for these young people. Here the men young and old think it rather a disgrace than otherwise to carry a burden if they have a wife or sister to carry it for them or even though the girls be no relation they sometimes make them carry things for them. One night several girls were here and a young man going their way, also came along. Hearing many words being used and wondering what all the fuss was about I enquired the cause. The indignant young lady told me he wanted her to carry his knob kenies and sticks. She refused hence the fuss. A Samuel is still busy with the little new church at his kraal about ten miles away. The girls and women have got most of the grass cut to thatch the roof but not enough for the sides yet. When Bro. Keirstead comes I expect Dr. Sanders will be taking him out there to let him see our first out post. It is situated on the banks of the Pongola river on a side hill, a pretty place where wild buck hide in the numerous stunted thorn trees. It is said a very old Crocodile has his home in a deep hole in the river bed. I asked u Samuel, who has lived there all his life, "Have you ever seen the Crocodile." He replied "No, but he is there." There are several of these cruel reptiles in this part of the Pongola.

Two new ones, one woman, one girl, are putting on European dress for the first time. The girl seems to have rather a clear path before her as her brother is willing she should be a follower of Jesus No more for this time.

Ever yours in Jesus,  
E. SANDERS.

MILLVILLE, October 25, 1905.

Dear Highway,—These last days are full though very trying and not at all easy as good-byes must be said, but we feel the power of prayers that are being offered for us at this time and appreciate them and we feel the strong pressure of the everlasting arm around us giving us the courage we most need.

After waiting for a year, unable to secure passage, some of the dear brethren I fear, doubted my call, but I can thank the Lord that He gave me patience and faith to hold steady while He was unfolding his plans—and now that we are at last to set sail—and the "promised land" ahead it seems almost too good to be true.

This past year while visiting the different churches and getting acquainted with the people they have endeared themselves to me. Sweet memories of these associations shall linger with me in the days that are to come while laboring in dark Africa. Had I been permitted to go over a year ago I should not have had such a tender feeling of love for our people. The many kindnesses from them I cannot enumerate but they have been recorded in heaven. Am indebted again to the sisters of the Hartland church and Mrs.

Brewer the dressmaker, for making me a very serviceable shirt waist suit, for travelling. Mrs. Amanda Boyer for a steamer cap and Mrs. Handy Nevers for a beautiful sofa pillow. Mrs. Norris Brown, of Lower Brighton, presented me with a beautiful painting 18 1/2 x 26 inches, a good sample of her skillful hand work, and Mrs. Drias Downey, of Newburg, a quilt. For all these gifts we are very grateful.

Now probably our next letter will be written on the steamer and posted at the first port, which will be Cape Town. May the benediction of heaven rest upon all the dear ones in the home land.

My faith is that as the result of your efforts and prayers and our consecrated labor we may have many trophies to lay at the Master's feet from dark Africa. Also that the workers in the home land will have victories beyond previous years for contributing to the support of new missionaries in the foreign field.

Yours in His service,  
IDA MORGAN KEIRSTEAD.

AMHERST, October 23, 1905.

Dear Highway,—I feel as though I should write a few lines to your readers from this part of the field. Praise the dear Lord for salvation that keeps us sweetly saved amidst all the changing circumstances of life. As you will see by this letter I am in the town of Amherst and the battle is on and we are going to win for we are all on the victory side. Hallelujah! Glory to Jesus he never lost a battle and he never will, and it is for us to live low and exalt our Saviour and by his power and our consecrated lives he will build up his own cause. As you will see by the report we had a quarterly meeting in this place and it was a time of victory, the only trouble it did not last long enough, but I find that our quarterly meetings are seasons of great victory and I believe that everyone should avail themselves of the privilege of attending our quarterly meetings and I am pleased to note that the interest in quarterly meetings on District No. 2 is increasing. And now brethren we are just at the dawn of another grand rally of the church of Christ against the powers of darkness as Rev. Dr. C. J. Fowler is expected to be in this town November 3—12 to hold convention for the salvation of sinners and the sanctification of believers, and I trust that all those who believe that the blood of Christ cleanseth from all sin will try to attend this convention and those who can not come pray that the powers of hell may be broken in this town and that precious souls who are now held captive may be liberated for this is the will of God. F. H. G.

**A SOLDIER'S LEGACY.**

A young soldier stationed at Malta wrote home to one of his former companions and toward the end of the letter were these words: "George, you know I am a soldier in the army on earth, but I want you to know that I am also a soldier in the army of Heaven—the greatest army of all. You know we used to say our prayers together sometimes. I pray now, because I believe in prayer more than I did then. I would have nothing to live for if I did not believe in prayer. Please tell all my old chums what I say." This soldier was one of those killed in the South African war.

**LIQUOR LARGELY RESPONSIBLE SAYS CLERK MANNING.**

Boston, Oct. 17.—"It might interest the public to know," remarked Clerk John P. Manning of the Suffolk superior criminal court, in submitting his annual report for publication yesterday, "that nearly 90 per cent of the cases that passed through our court last year were for drunkenness. This supports the argument I have always clung to namely, that rum is at the bottom of all kinds of crimes and vice."

Japan, with practically the poor laws as Great Britain, has only 24,000 paupers, while Great Britain has 100,000. A Japanese statesman, being asked to explain this difference in results, replied: "The Japanese drink tea; the British drink alcohol."

**QUARTERLY MEETING.**

The Fifth Quarterly Meeting of the Second District convened with the church at Amherst, Tuesday evening, September 26th and continued until the 29th. A large delegation was present and the meeting opened with a shout of victory.

Wednesday, 10.30 a. m., service was led by Brother E. Peel, of Oxford. 2.30 service was led by Brother O. Trites. At 7.30 preaching by Rev. Z. B. Grass from 1 Cor. 1-10.

Thursday, 10.30 a. m., service was led by Brother B. Maddison. 2.30 service was led by Licenciate A. F. Tanner. At 7.30 preaching by Brother C. F. Rennie from 1 John 1-7. Good attention was given all through the service. One backslider was reclaimed.

The first business session was held Friday at 10.30 a. m., President Licenciate F. H. Grass in the chair.

The officers chosen for the ensuing quarter were:—

- A. F. Tanner, president.
- F. H. Grass, secretary.
- Sister G. Harrop, Highway agent.
- B. Maddison, treasurer.

Ministers present, Rev. Z. B. Grass, Licenciate A. F. Tanner and F. H. Grass. Rev. M. S. Trafton was absent.

Delegates present, Moncton church, Sisters Harrop, Tuck, Fawcett and Grass. Lutz Mountain church—Brother O. Trites, Brother and Sister Bruce Maddison.

Westchester church—Bro. L. Colwall, Sister D. Teed.

Oxford church—Bros. E. Peel and Brother Rennie, Sister Brannen. Amherst church Brothers Lock and Campbell. Sisters Innis, Pugsley, Lock, Crowe and Grass. Church reports fairly good. A vote of thanks was given to Brother Rennie and others of Oxford for their liberality to the Amherst church and a vote of thanks to the people of Amherst for their hospitality in entertaining the delegates to the quarterly meeting. Also to the Railway for reduction in fare. The quarterly meeting passed a hearty vote of thanks to Brother J. Bullock for the great interest he manifests toward us as a people. A subscription was opened for the benefit of the Amherst church.

Next quarterly to meet at Westchester church. Brother C. F. Rennie preached the closing sermon from John 17-17.

F. H. GRASS, Secretary.

**DID JOHN WESLEY PROFESS TO ENJOY THE BLESSING OF ENTIRE SANCTIFICATION.**

Have we any proof that Wesley ever professed entire sanctification?

Ans. This question is often answered negatively by those who are not believers in this doctrine. We will let one answer who has never professed the grace, though he believes in the doctrine and defends it as he defends all the fundamental tenets of the Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he is the chief editor. Says Dr. Buckley: "This question reappears from time to time as though of great importance. We know of no record of his explicitly professing or saying in so many words, 'I am entirely sanctified'; no record of uttering words to that effect. But we no more doubt that he habitually professed it than that he professed conversion. The relation John Wesley sustained to his followers and to this doctrine makes it certain that he professed it, and almost certain that there would be no special record of it. 1. All Wesley's followers assumed him to be what he urged them to be. Before they were in a situation to make records his position was so fixed that to record his descriptions of his state would have been unthought of. 2. He preached entire sanctification, and urged it upon his followers. 3. He defended its attainableness in many public controversies. 4. He urged and defended the profession of it, under certain conditions and safeguards; made lists of professors; told them they had lost it because they did not profess it; and said and did so many things only to be explained upon the assumption that he professed

to enjoy the blessing that no other opinion can find support." We will add that his voluminous Journal is a record, not only of his inward life, like that of David Brainerd, but of his outward activities. Hence no valid argument against Wesley's profession of holiness can be based on its omission from his Journal. We think that Dr. Buckley's argument is a piece of unanswerable moral reasoning.—Dr. Daniel Steele, in *Christain Witness*, September 24, 1903.

**VALUE OF EXPERIENCE.**

The value of a definite religious experience cannot possibly be over-estimated. Especially is it true when the entire atmosphere is full of doubt; when skepticism, under the guise of investigation has crept into our pulpits, and intellectual culture, is being given a seat in the synagogue, above spiritual life. When the authenticity of the Word of God is questioned by those who minister at his altars, and seats of learning become the breeding places of unbelief in the simple gospel of Jesus Christ; when the efficacy of his sufferings and death is questioned, and the cleansing power of his blood is denied. In the midst of such confusion, and contradiction, blessed is the man who knoweth in his heart, by the witness of the Holy Ghost, that he is saved from his sins, and his faith is firmly fixed in the Rock of Ages.

How strong, and restful the faith of those men who have a deep and pungent conviction for their past sins; who, illuminated by the Holy Spirit, beheld the sinfulness of their past transgressions, wept, and lamented over them; hated, and forsook them all, confessed to God, and, beseeching mercy in the name of Jesus Christ, received a conscious forgiveness, with the witness of the Spirit that they were born again, and have rejoiced in the conscious fact of all sins forgiven. And going forward in Christian experience have discovered within themselves the remains of sin; who taught of the Spirit, have looked into the deep depravity of their own heart, and who applying to Christ, with implicit faith in his atoning blood, have been cleansed from all sin, and filled with the Holy Ghost, who according to Scriptures have become temples of God. "As God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people." How firm the foundation beneath such souls. With what restful security, that can look out upon the tempest-tossed ocean of humanity that, distracted by question, doubts and fears, surges about them.

Blessed is the preacher of the gospel, whose ministry bring those who here him, into such an experience.

Definite preaching, definite seeking, and definite, clear, conscious experience is the need of the hour. Let no one who reads these lines be satisfied with any thing short of a clear experience of full salvation. Jesus Christ witnessed by the Holy Ghost.—Pentecostal Herald.

**THE HOLY GHOST.**

Mr. Wesley taught that one reason why the third Person of the Trinity is called Holy Ghost or Holy Spirit is found in the truth that one particular office of the Spirit is to make men holy. If this is a true conception, and the more we study the Bible the stronger is our belief that this doctrine is true, in what kind of a dilemma is the man who denies the possibility of being made holy? From our standpoint he appears as a man who denies, not so much the ability of man to make himself holy, for all admit this who do not believe in salvation by works, but it is a denial of ability of the Holy Spirit to do the work for which he was particularly sent into this world. How much short of infidelity is such a denial? What more could an infidel deny? Either the Holy Ghost can or cannot do what he came to perform. If he cannot, we are of all men most miserable; if he can make us clean and pure we have only cause for rejoicing.—Wesleyan Methodist.

A salvation army soldier once asked a gentleman travelling on a train if he was a Christain, he replied I am the president of a theological college; well said the young soldier I wouldn't let that hinder me.