

PLEDGE

Toward Paying for Balmoral Farm.

On or before June 1st, 1906, 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)

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

BALMORAL FARM.

No. of acres previously acknowledged, 490. Amount, \$1,225.00.

- Phillip B. Hurlbert, \$2.50
- Mrs. Paul M. Taylor, 5.00
- Chas. True, 2.50
- Mrs. Chas. True, 2.50

A sister writes:—

Dear Highway,—Although not a member of the Reformed Baptist church, yet I am interested in the Balmoral Farm. I have been watching THE HIGHWAY to see how you were getting along raising the money. It seems to me to be a good investment for the Lord. I think you will need to use all the self-denial and sacrifice possible and raise the money speedily. My means are very limited, and our own missions need money also, but I enclose one dollar to the editor of THE HIGHWAY to start a dollar fund, with the prayer that God will multiply every cent to a dollar, and if your faith takes in more we will praise the Lord. Add a dollar to this fund. If you think you cannot join in the dollar fund start one at 75 cents or 50 cents.

We thank this young lady for this suggestion and hope there will be a generous response to her appeal. Let 100 persons send us a dollar each for Balmoral Farm today.—Ed.

A CORRECTION.

By some error on the part of the secretary, or the printer, the Hartland Missionary money don't appear in the missionary treasurers report in our yearly Alliance Minutes. It should read:

- Missionary Society, \$36.91
- Mission Band, 26.32
- Sunday School, 10.00
- Emergency Fund, 10.95

Making a total of \$84.18 given by the Hartland church.

The treasurer's total is correct as it shows \$73.23 more than the amounts credited.

MISSIONARY CHRISTMAS BOX.

The box that the people have so generously contributed for will leave Montreal on the Str. Melville for Durban South Africa on the 20th, and if all goes well it will reach our missionaries by Christmas. It is well filled with nice things that cannot but delight those receiving it. We may give a list of contents in our next issue.

PRESENTATION.

The ladies of the Woodstock church and congregation presented Sister Trafton with a nice silver fruit basket as a token of their love for her. She left for Nova Scotia on the 6th instant.

OTHER DENOMINATIONS.

Rev. Z. M. Miller attended the Quarterly meeting at Royalton and assisted in the services.

Rev. A. Hartt was present at the re-opening of the Mercer Settlement church.

The 18th anniversary of the Woodstock church comes on the same day of the week it did when organized, Saturday, November 3rd, 1888.

The Wesley church of Lowell, Mass., has united with the Evangelical Association.

CORRESPONDENCE.

PAULPIETERSBURG, Natal, South Africa, Aug. 27th, 1906.

To the readers of the Highway, Greeting in Jesus name,—We trust you are all in health and continuing to prosper in all things and rejoice with you over the victories in the homeland.

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us" 1 Sam. 1-12. Samuel had just been the means through God of bringing about one of the most glorious victories in the history of Israel. The Philistines had come out against them but in this case they looked to the right source for help. Cease not, said they to the prophet: to cry unto the Lord our God for us that He save us out of the hand of the Philistines, and Samuel took a sucking lamb and offered it a burnt offering wholly unto the Lord and cried unto God for Israel: and the Lord heard him. He always hears us when we keep our selves a burnt offering upon His altar and humble ourselves before Him.

Now notwithstanding Paul's admonition to "leave behind the things which are behind," we believe it is some times helpful to review the past victories in as much as it causes our hearts to overflow with gratitude and praise and inspires our faith to look for greater victories in the future.

As we review our work of the past year both at home and in the foreign field surely we can say as did Samuel: "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." The victories we have gained have also been brought about by those at home and the workers in the field here unitedly crying unto the Lord for help and depending upon Him alone for victory.

The prospect for lengthening our cords and strengthening our stakes in this dark land was never as bright, we think as at present. And yet we must depend upon God alone for victory in the future. We would here repeat the request of Israel: "Cease not to cry unto the Lord" for the work and workers here that God may visit this land with mighty power and salvation.

Since our last letter we have done some kraal visiting and the two last Sundays have been out in different places assisting the native workers in holding services. Week before last we were with u Josepha, about six miles from here in the direction of Paulpietersburg. In company with him we visited some kraals on Saturday, talked what we could, sang and prayed with the people. One old man seemed to be real angry because after singing we knelt and prayed in his kraal. He came along where we were, sputtering. A native christian present who was evidently a visitor put his hand over his mouth to stop him from scolding. We were quite encouraged by the two services on the Sunday following. At the first there were seven men present besides two women and a number of children. In the second there were over twenty grown persons mostly men. The Lord gave us greater freedom in speaking isizulu than we have ever had before and u Josepha, we thought, preached and prayed in the Spirit and did well for one so young in experience. Some of the men said they wanted to believe. Of course we could give you a dark side of the picture here also. The number we saw or met going to or returning from beer drinks was larger than that which attended our services but we are praying and looking for God to begin working among these who are so bound by the devil. Nothing is too hard for Him.

Last Friday we were upon the mountain ten miles from here, kraal visiting. We called at one kraal where the news of salvation seemed very strange and new to the people. The women placed their hands upon their knees as they often do and stood thus stooped, staring us in the face and laughing while we sang and talked to them, but seemed quite interested. Soon the head man said to us: "hamba kahle" (go nicely) which we understood as a polite invitation for us to go. At each kraal we visited they begged us to give them a bunch of hair from our horse's tail to make bracelets of.

The services on this mountain yesterday were good. u Petros, u Aaron and some other native Christians were present to assist us and we felt the Holy Spirit was present working among the people. We enjoy very much the visits of the HIGHWAY into our home and rejoice that

it is soon to come weekly but like all other good things it has faults. It made us to say in our alliance letter, that we felt humbled to think God has used us the very best of His children, when we ment to count ourselves the least, but we forgive you.

Yours in the work,

I. F. KJERSTED.

KNOXFORD, Car. Co., N. B., Oct. 11.

Dear Highway,—I suppose it is about time for me to write a few lines from this part of the vineyard. We are at least settled on our new field of labor, and can report victory through Jesus. We have found the people in general very kind and thoughtful, and we believe, that although the church is small and weak, it has a few courageous ones. The salt of the earth men and women God can depend on, so we feel strong. "Strong in the Lord and the power of His might."

Brother Hartley has manifested a deep interest in the welfare of the cause and the needs of their pastor; and Brother Beckwith, a deep spirited man with the cause at heart always on hand to help bear the burdens of the church.

On our arrival here we were cared for by Brother Jones and ever since we have found them anxious to do all in their power to help. In fact we might go on and name almost all the people as showing a desire to help in any possible manner.

We just closed the Quarterly meeting and can truly say it was a season of great blessing and encouragement. Brother Archer preached the truth with great power. Brother Gravinor was there to back it up and drive it home more solidly.

We are marching along the highway of holiness and find that all His ways are ways of pleasantness, and all His paths are paths of peace since we gave up our will and made the complete consecration. Glory be to Jesus! I am living in Canaan now. Praise God for the trials! Praise God for the victory! Praise God for everything! My soul says hallelujah, my will is the will of my God. We expect a year of victory. Brethren, sisters, pray for this part of the vineyard. It is a very needy field.

Yours in the Master's service for life,
P. L. COSMAN.

MERCER SETTLEMENT, Oct. 10, 1906.

To The Highway,—Brethren, God is marvellously blessing us on this part of the field. On Sept. 28th, the date of our convention, our friends began to make their appearance with joyful hearts and happy faces, and on that night Evangelist A. Hartt, whom God had used about seventeen years ago to preach the gospel of full salvation; to this people was present. We were all delighted to sit and listen once more to the old warrior as he told us of the efficacy of the blood of Christ. On Saturday night Z. B. Grass presented the word to a larger audience with good results.

Saturday night the weather looked very threatening but Sunday it was fine and clear, and with hearts filled with love and with bright anticipations a large number—some from St. John, Moncton, Amherst, head of Mill Stream, and all the adjoining counties—gathered with us at the church, with Brother John Bullock in charge of the singing, Jessie Grass at the organ and full choir in attendance. Our services for the day commenced with the breaking of bread. We enjoyed a love feast; indeed the love of Christ flooding our souls we shall never forget it.

The re-opening of the church was at two o'clock by Rev. Z. B. Grass. After delivering a very forcible address he presented the financial needs, when very readily and cheerfully the audience responded until they had exceeded our request which was one hundred dollars. This with a present from Mr. Bullock of fifty hymn books, we retired to partake of a sumptuous supper with happy hearts.

Sunday evening Rev. Z. B. Grass again by the power of the Holy Ghost, presented the word to a large audience after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. Then we entered into a song and praise service which lasted until after midnight when we returned to our homes feeling that this indeed was a feast of fat things.

Rev. Z. B. Grass and wife and a number of the delegates, remained with us until the following Wednesday, having two services a day, the power of the Holy Spirit being marvellously manifested, re-

sulting in the reclaiming of wanderers, conversion of sinners, sanctification of believers and the upbuilding of the saints. At this date the work still goes on; we have had two services a day until date. Brethren, God is wonderfully manifesting His power in Mercer Settlement. There is rejoicing in the community as fathers and mothers, sons and daughters are yielding to God. All glory be to Jesus both now and forever. Brethern pray for us.

Your brother in the Master's service,
F. H. GRASS.

Oct. 8th, 1906.

To the Highway,—I have been long expecting my family whom I trust will soon come to help us in the work. The fields are white. I have seen grain stand thicker on fields than here, and unless some law is enacted to prohibit coming and taking away our worthy members, our churches will suffer, (see marriage column, Ed.) also the dreadful fever for the West will soon have all our young people away, upon whom we expect the responsibility of the church to rest.

Our work is opening up well before us, and our health is good. We are having delightful weather. Meetings are well attended, and we enjoy preaching the word. We are looking forward to a quarterly meeting, beginning Nov. 22nd at Port Maitland, when we expect a number of brethren and sisters to attend. We assure them a hearty welcome. Be sure and come, come over and help us.

Respectfully yours,
A. H. TRAFTON,

Dear Bro. Baker,—The work is going on very well. Had a grand meeting at Kingsclear last night Oct. 11th. The power of the Lord came down, five precious souls seeking full salvation. Expect to have baptism in Marysville Sunday.

Yours for Holiness,
G. B. TRAFTON.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

The 39th Quarterly Meeting of District No. 1 convened with the church at Royalton, N. B. on Thursday Oct. 4th, 1906, at 7.30 p. m., with a social service led by the pastor.

Friday evening preaching by Bro. H. C. Archer, followed by a social service.

Saturday 10.30 a. m. Bro. J. Gravinor led a prayer service.

At 2.30 p. m. the business service was held. In the absence of the president Bro. Gravinor took the chair and called the meeting to order.

Bro. H. C. Archer was then appointed Secretary pro tem.

The roll being called the following ministers and delegates were found to be present:

Ministers—Revs. J. Gravinor, H. C. Archer and Lic. P. L. Cosman.

Delegates—Sister S. Dow, Hartland; Bro. H. Nevers, Victoria; Sister G. A. Somers; Fort Fairfield, Bro. and Sister E. Higgins and Sisters F. Kimball and J. Carr; Royalton, Bros. G. Hartley and Beckwick; Middle Southampton, Sister J. Gravinor.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved, after which the following officers were elected:—President, Rev. J. Gravinor; Secretary, Rev. H. C. Archer; Treasurer, G. A. Hartley; Highway Agent, Lic. P. L. Cosman.

The president then appointed Bros. Hartley, Margison, Beckwith and Cosman a devotional committee.

Rev. Z. M. Miller, of Blaine was then invited to a seat in the Q. M.

Letters were then read from Bros. G. B. Trafton and S. Greenlaw, saying that they were sorry that they could not attend the meeting.

Reports were then read from the following churches, Hartland, Millville and Marysville.

Hartland says—Bro. Archer became pastor of the church after Alliance. He preached the truth with much acceptance. All our services are well attended and are seasons of much blessing. The Sunday school is interesting and well attended. Mission work is being carried on with renewed energy. The praying band holds service nearly every Sunday in some of the surrounding districts, and report victory in all their meetings.

Millville says—We are pleased to be able to report victory of late. We have been repairing the church here. It is a union house, formerly owned by five dif-

ferent denominations, but now by two, viz, R. Baptist and United Baptist. Our services are good so we thank God for past blessings and take courage.

Marysville says—Our church is prospering under the labors of Rev. G. B. Trafton. The interest started last winter in the special meetings is still manifest. To God be all the praise.

Royalton reported by delegates. They report Bro. Cosman settled on the field and doing good work. Interest is good and increasing. Sunday school well attended.

Fort Fairfield reported by delegates. They said: Meetings are good and well attended. Bro. Trafton is faithful in preaching the truth to us. At present we are building a church which is well underway.

Middle Southampton reported by Bro. Gravinor. Not many left here now, but what few there are remain true to God and intend to press the battle. Sunday school is good.

Woodstock church reported by delegate. Our services are good and well attended. Bro. Baker is well liked and preaches the truth to us. Sunday school is good.

Lower Brighton and Victoria reported by pastor. Although few in these places, yet we are pushing the battle against sin, and intend to be true to God and holiness.

The secretary then called the attention of the meeting to the fact that the Quarterly meeting was without a constitution and by-laws, and it was resolved that the secretary make inquiry in reference to this matter and report to next meeting.

The following resolutions were then submitted to the meeting and passed:

Resolved, that hereafter the officers be appointed in first or second meeting.

Resolved, that provision be made at each Quarterly meeting for the Lord's Supper to be administered.

Resolved, that one evening of each Quarterly meeting be devoted to the missionary work.

Bro. Gravinor then invited the Quarterly Meeting to meet at Middle Southampton for next meeting.

And it was resolved that said meeting be held there, date to be left with church and notice to be given in HIGHWAY.

The following resolution was then presented. Whereas Brother and Sister Coy are passing through deep affliction in the recent death of their beloved son. Therefore Resolved, that we as a Quarterly Meeting desire to express and extend to them our heartfelt sympathy in their bereavement.

This resolution was carried by a standing vote and secretary was instructed to send copy of same to Bro. Coy.

The meeting then expressed itself in reference to so many of the pastors being absent, and it was resolved that we strongly urge that in the future they be requested to make a special effort to attend, letting nothing but sickness or death prevent them.

The devotional committee's report was then read and adopted.

Saturday night, preaching by Rev. Z. M. Miller; Sunday 9.30 a. m., love feast, Bro. Gravinor; 10.30, preaching, Bro. Archer; 2.30 p. m., preaching, Bro. Cosman; 7.00 preaching, Bro. Archer.

All these services were well attended and were seasons of blessing.

H. C. ARCHER, Secy.

NOTE:—Personally we were pleased to have the opportunity of meeting with the people in this place again. We were kindly entertained in the home of Bro. P. L. Cosman who is nicely settled at Knox-ford. Bro. Cosman is well liked by the people and is doing a good work among them. We were pleased to find an increasing interest.

H. C. A.

CHARTER MEMBERS.

The charter members who were present at the organization of the Reformed Baptist denomination at Woodstock, November 2nd, 1888, are cordially invited to be present at the 18th anniversary of the organization of the Woodstock church, which will be celebrated by a three days meeting beginning Friday evening, November 2nd, and continuing over Sunday. Those intending to be present please send your names to the pastor, Rev. S. A. Baker, Woodstock, N. B., at as early date as convenient.

Joseph believed and obeyed God and gathered the grain and laid in a good supply, and when famine came upon the people they went where food could be found and met the conditions and got the blessing. The people didn't go because they liked Joseph, nor the price asked, but because of their need. Beloved if we have the food on hand the time will come when the hungry people will come for it.