

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 Paupiersburg, South Africa.
(Signed)

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

BALMORAL FARM.

Number of acres previously acknowledged, 461. Amount, \$1152 50
Miss Irene Hamilton.....\$2.50

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Mrs S C Page.....\$2.00
C. K. SHORT, Treasurer.

Highway Acknowledgements.

Mrs S C Page, June 1907; Mrs Sarah Davis, April 1907; Miss Lila M Sanders, Feby 1907; Robert. Haines, Dec 1905; Mrs Simmons Lunn, June 1907; Mrs James Scovil, Dec 1906; Mrs W E Veysey, April 1906; Mrs Annie Christie, Feby 1904; Mrs Calvin Cann, May 1907; Rev II H Cosman, Dec 1906; Vinton Delaney, July 1906; Miss Eva A Perkins.

MARRIED.

At the residence of Miles Barnes, Fort Fairfield, Me., by Licenciate P. J. Trafton, on the evening of the 12th instant, in the presence of a number of invited guests, Otis W. Ames to Levina E. Barnes, youngest daughter of Benjamin Barnes.

DIED.

At Caribou, Me., on the 7th instant, of cancer of the stomach, Mr. James A. Page, aged 73 years, leaving a wife, five daughters and two sons to mourn their loss. Mr. and Mrs. Page had spent over fifty years in their married life together, and this is the first break in the family. He had the privilege of having his entire family about him to minister to him during the last days of his sickness. The daughters are Mrs. J. R. Carle, of Sprague's Falls, Me., Mrs. Marion Little, Houlton, Me., Mrs. S. A. Baker, Hartland, N. B., Mrs. C. A. Scovil, Grand Manan, N. B., and Mrs. A. S. Beacom, of Caribou, Me. The sons, Mr. S. C. Page, Caribou, Me., and C. W. Page, of Green Ridge, Me. Mr. Page was one of the early settlers of Caribou, there only being two stores and seven houses in the then little village, and was early identified with the church and Sunday school work. During his last sickness he became fully submissive to the divine will and bore his severe suffering without a murmur or complaint and peacefully passed into rest.

Died at Geary, March 31st, of consumption, Mrs. Charles Cochrane, aged 46 years and 9 months, leaving a sorrowing husband, four sons and one daughter to mourn their loss. The deceased sister was a Christian, a devoted wife and true mother. "Our loss is her gain." The funeral services were conducted by the writer in the Baptist church at Geary.

G. B. TRAFTON.

BEULAH AND RIVERSIDE.

People all over the country are planning already about Beulah and Riverside camp meetings. Mr. S. C. Page of Caribou, Me., and the writer expect to visit Beulah Camp Ground to locate two or three cottages or a large dormitory to be erected in May.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TOPSFIELD, Maine, March 31, 1906.
Dear Editor,—While looking over THE HIGHWAY just now I was impressed with the sister's plea for holiness preaching and my heart was led to echo that call, not only for my own sake for I have found the way and as I walk in it I am learning every day how precious a way it is to walk in and how quiet God can keep the trusting soul amid all of earth's conflicts. It is so sweet to know that when we trust in God and have our mind staid on Him he will keep us in perfect peace. But the nearer I live to Jesus the more heart hungry I get for the precious souls around me. When I see old men and women and young men and maidens dishonoring themselves in the sight of God and men, when I see little children with their pure, innocent faces and think that unless some power intervenes they will follow in the same paths, then am I indeed sad and "my soul is disquieted within me." It is true that we do sometimes have sermons or essays, but they are so weak that they only cloud the way for honest thinking men and women and sooth the conscience of others; so perhaps the people themselves are not so much to blame as they might be for "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed, etc." Romans 10th chap., 14th verse. It is not only in this place but we can count at least nine settlements in about forty miles where the gospel is not preached and is not wanted except by a few. Of course who ever undertakes to preach the gospel will meet with opposition, but if God is with us who can oppose, against us is not He stronger than they. When I think of all these things and know of some places where there are two or three ministers in a small part of the vineyard I am tempted to wonder if they have considered Romans 15, 20. Don't think I am finding fault brethren. The Lord has laid this on me for over two months and I must leave the results in His hands.

Yours in the bonds of love,
MRS. FRED L. HOUGHTON.

PAUPIERSBURG, Natal, South Africa, Feb. 26th, 1906

Dear Highway,—Feb. 15th was an interesting day at the Balmoral Mission. In James 5 we read: "The husband man waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth and hath long patience for it until he receive the early and latter rain." In like manner the missionaries here have had cause for the exercise of patience in waiting for the arrival of their freight from Vryheid. God always rewards patient, trustful waiting on the part of His children, under whatever circumstances it may be. So He did in this case by sending along the first load of our freight on the above named date.

I wish you could have seen the children almost dance with joy as the boxes were opened and some of the things which they had been waiting for, with long patience, sent by loved ones across the ocean, were brought to light. Some of the larger children seemed also to be equally delighted in having a spring bed to sleep upon again and in beholding the things they had been waiting for so long. At the present date all our freight has arrived but one trunk, a box and barrel, which must be at Paupiersburg. We expect them to be sent in a few days. Since the arrival of our goods we have been busy unpacking and putting things to rights. The floor has been laid in our room and we are ready to put the others down. A board floor is a real luxury after living for sometime on the mud with dried native grass for a carpet. We trust we shall be able to preserve the wooden floor by using the white ant cure freely, otherwise it would soon be eaten up by these busy little creatures. I think it must have been of this species of ant that Solomon was writing, when he said: "Go to the ant thou sluggard, consider her way and be wise." They are very aggressive, always at work making things worse. Only by constant watching in every corner of the house can one keep them from doing damage.

I should think a dozen natives have been here this morning with fowls and wood to sell. We paid for the fowls 12, 18 and 25 cents each according to size and gave salt and sugar in exchange for some of them. The natives coming in this way give us an opportunity for doing

mission work without going away from home. But of course Kraal visiting needs also to be done and we are looking forward to the time when we shall have acquired the language sufficiently to enable us to take up this work.

Our meetings are still good, though many cannot attend at present because they have to remain at home to watch the gardens. One man told me recently he had finished the matter of believing and was very happy because he had the Holy Spirit with him. Two more say they want very much to believe and have been praying earnestly for strength. A Petro, a young man who was baptized a few weeks ago, has a very bright experience. His face fairly shines. He says the Holy Spirit is with him all the time and he is so happy he has to tell others about the Lord. So the work is going on. Praise the Lord! Let us continue to pray unitedly that God may pour conviction on this people in this district until many will be saved and other districts will also be moved. Love to all the saints.

I. F. KIERSTEAD.

GREYS MILLS, April, 8th, 1906.

Dear Highway,—I want to praise the Lord and Saviour for the power of the precious blood to cleanse, and for his keeping power. I am so glad the comforter is come with his abiding presence, and I am saved and kept for which I praise the Lord. Brother Lester is with us and souls are being saved. We have too prayer meetings a week, and an evergreen Sunday school, with about 50 scholars praise the Lord for his work here.

Yours in Christ,
H. N. BEESLEY.

Dear Highway,—I am proving that God blesses those who love him, Jesus saves and sanctifies me, and is keeping me true. We are looking for a good time at "Beulah Camp Meeting."

Yours in Jesus,
F. L. BEESLEY.

Dear Highway,—I want to tell you what the dear Lord is doing for me, down here in the Indian Territory. Truly God is no respecter of persons but in every nation, them that love him and worketh righteousness are accepted." This evening finds me wholly saved by the precious blood of Jesus. God's sanctifying power is thrilling and filling my soul. Bless his dear name, forever. We have a few faithful saints in this place. We had a holiness band and worshiped in a tabernacle. The time came when we wanted a church organized and our pastor organized one. Some of the band did not believe in churches, so would not let us worship there any longer but turned us out. We have all out-of-doors to worship God in now. We are having special meetings now in a tent, and on the street, God is blessing us in saving precious souls. We have bought a piece of land and will build a church soon. There is not much money but lots of faith. If the saints who read this would like to give some money to help build this church, they can send it to me and I will acknowledge it in THE HIGHWAY.

Yours in Christ,
MRS RALPH SEELEY, DURANT, I. T.

Dear Highway,—Just a few words. First I say "Praise the Lord for he is good for his mercy endureth forever." This winter has been somewhat of an evangelistic winter. The Lord has seen fit to use me in a number of places outside of my own work to help win souls for him, and while the work has been hard and trying on the physical yet I thank God for all the privileges and for the many souls he has let us see seek the kingdom of God. To the brethren that have asked me to help them when I found it impossible I would only say that I would gladly have shared labours with you but could not, but I have been in prayer for you for God's richest blessing to be upon you. At the present writing I am in Fort Fairfield where I have been for the last ten days, and the Lord has wonderfully blessed. God has honoured the truth and every altar call has found seekers at the altar. Fully fifty souls have sought and found God for pardon or purity. I have my last service with the church tonight, the 12th, as far as I

know. The hall where we have held the services, except on Sunday, was so crowded last night that we thought it advisable to carry the meeting in the large hall for tonight. We are sorry to leave the work at this stage, but have stayed four days beyond our intention and now feel that we must return to our loved field and take up our regular work. I thank God for the kindness on the part of my church in letting me carry on so much outside work, yet I feel God has and will bless them as he has their pastor in this conquest for souls. The word tell us we are one body and if one member suffer all suffer, then surely if one member prospers we all prosper. We certainly rejoice with the church that God planted here last fall amidst many trying conditions. God has wonderfully prospered until their influence for holiness is felt not only in the town but many parts adjoining and now they are we believe in a deeper revival spirit than they were in last fall's convention. Surely God hath done marvelous things. Our work in St. John we feel is blessed of God and our faith reaches out to him for future blessings. I would like to earnestly entreat all who will to join us in earnest prayer that God will heal and restore not only to our church but to the whole work our dearly beloved brother, C. K. Short. Brethren and sisters I entreat let us linger long before God that he may grant us this the burning desire of our heart. We now as a people look towards Beulah. Oh that God may pour out his spirit upon us that when we shall gather it shall indeed be a pentecost. We thank God for the many words of victory from all parts of the field.

Yours in the work for God,
M. S. TRAFTON.

FORT FAIRFIELD, Me., April 12th, 1906.

Dear Highway,—A few lines to let you know how we are getting on here. God has been with us in the "spirit of revival" ever since our meetings last fall. We commenced special meetings the 26th of March. I was alone the first week, then Rev. M. S. Trafton came to my assistance. We have been here for nearly a month and I could not rightly estimate how many have knelt at the altar as I have not kept any record, but I am sure that there have been more than fifty. Sunday, the 8th, was a wonderful day, held the meetings in Memorial Hall, it was well filled at the morning and afternoon services, and crowded in the evening, there were more than a score of new and definite seekers. Bro. Miles has been used of God. The brethren and sisters have stood nobly by the work. A number of young men have come out. Men that have been long years in sin have found the joys of Salvation. Hallelujah.

This town has been stirred as never before. Praise the Lord.

We were rejoiced to have with us on Sunday night a Brother Pastor from Andover seeking the blessing of sanctification. Glory.

We are in God's hands, and will continue the meetings until he wants us to close. I am enjoying the work, I feel weak of myself but I know that God is strong and mighty. Brethren pray for us.

Yours in the work for souls, saved, sanctified and kept by the power of God.
LICENCIATE P. J. TRAFTON.

HOLDERVILLE, April 11, 1906.

Dear Highway,—We are engaged in special meetings here at present, and can report victory, the meetings are good, and well attended considering the state of the roads. The work is being revived, professors are being aroused, and sanctified, and the young people are giving their hearts to the Lord. On the 6th instant five young men knelt at the altar and afterward testified that Jesus saved them, and they have been praising God ever since, and others are under deep conviction. Praise God for the privilege of preaching the gospel full and free, that saves to the uttermost, and having the experience, and telling others they may have it too, the way grows brighter the further I go.

Yours in the Master's service,
E. W. LESTER.

FORT FAIRFIELD, April 13th, 1906.

Dear Readers of the Highway,—Thinking a letter from Fort Fairfield would not be a miss, I thought I would write and

let you know of the good work going on here.

God is doing a glorious work, sinners are being saved and believers sanctified. The pastor began special services here March 26th, he was alone during that week and over Sunday. On Monday April 2nd, Bro. Myles Trafton came up and has been with us since holding his last service last night April 12th.

There were many who arose to testify that they had been blessed during this series of meetings. By being brought from sin and darkness to the glorious light of life in Christ Jesus and some going on to complete consecration of their life to the service of the master and being wholly sanctified. While others who had been on the way long are now rejoicing in the presence of the Holy Ghost in their hearts, and are happy in the thought that Jesus has come into their hearts and lives to abide. Pastor and people have been greatly blessed by helping in the cause and by seeing the results of the work. God help us to shout and get a blessing if we do not see any results.

The whole town is stirred, many old people have come to the meetings who have not been to a religious service for years. We have a large attendance of young men who are not church goers, they come regularly and give good attention. Many are under conviction and we are praying that they may come out into the light.

The meetings will continue indefinitely. Whether God will send someone to assist the pastor or not we do not know, but we do know that God is with us to honor the work and with God on our side we have nothing to fear.

Since the beginning of the work last fall our little band has kept true to God. The adverse gales that have shaken us have only planted us more securely and today we are strong in the power of His might.

Glory and honor be to his matchless name. We give the glory all to God. We are resting under the blood of the crucified one. And are kept by power divine.

Bro. Seeley and his son from Blaine were with us last night. (Blaine is 100 miles from here) here tonight at 4 o'clock. It was nearly eleven when meeting closed and they drove home after that. Bro. Seeley can still shout and has more to shout over now than ever in that his son has come out on the Lord's side. Pray for us that the good work may still go on.
S. B. CHARLTON.

BEALS, MAINE, April 12th, 1906.

Dear Highway,—I thought a word from this remote corner might be of interest. Personally we are enduring an attack of lagrippe. Hope to be better in a few days. However, our faith in God is strong. Other friends fail us, but God never. It will soon be Alliance and Camp Meeting season. Will the executive favor me with the dates as I must arrange for special rates soon. Love to all the brethren.
A. L. BUBAR.

MARYSVILLE.

The Lord has wonderfully poured out His Spirit upon us. Thirty have been baptized and others are to be baptized. Twenty-six have united with the church. Brother and Sister Pierce left on Monday April the 9th to attend their annual meeting at Providence, R. I. Our meetings this week have been powerful. The fire came down. Praise the Lord.
G. B. TRAFTON.

HIS OWN FAULT.

Most of us pray every day, "Thy will be done." Reader, have you ever seriously considered whether you really mean it when you pray that petition?

It is said that one of his friends once came to Martin Luther and said: "Everything goes against me; none of my wishes are fulfilled; my hopes are shattered; my plans all miscarry." "That is your own fault," replied Luther.

"My own fault! How is that?" "Why, you pray every day, 'Thy will be done,' and God is doing His will. If you do not wish it so, then you would better pray, 'My will be done.' But as long as you pray God's will be done, you have to be satisfied when He does according to your prayer."—Sel.