

CORRESPONDENCE.

PAULPIETERSBURG, Natal, South Africa, Dec. 9th, 1907.

Dear Friends,—“The entrance of thy word giveth light.” This text is so true of our work here. It is not so much sermons—a simple presentation of the truth is by far the better way, but giving them the word of God that counts most. Long ago we began teaching in our class meetings, texts, and getting these new converts to use these when they gave their testimonies or were talking to the hearth. Of late it has been my precious privilege to take the early comers on Wednesday and teach them further in Bible before the general class comes off. Sometimes I have two or three but more often eight or nine and most of these are our workers. For several weeks Lydia has been staying with us partly for treatment (she had pleurisy) but now purely for the study of God's word. Never have I seen so hungry a soul for the Word. She seems never to tire, everything is so full of interest and it is one of my greatest pleasures to teach her with as many others as I can get, daily. She is getting new light. The word is giving her greater understanding of how a Christian should live etc. We have heavenly settings together in Christ Jesus and he is very near.

This work God himself gave me at a time when I needed it most for as Dr. Sanders was so miserably ill there could be no kraal visiting nor extra meetings from our side of the house and my soul longed to do something. Then God gave me this in direct answer to prayer and I feel each day is golden and so precious for I know not how long she may be able to stay here.

My work looks small as I only reach two or three at most four per day but in Lydia I may yet reach tens, yes even hundreds for she is a real evangelist and has the work intensely at heart. Then my Wednesday class reaches the other evangelists and this helps to keep them prepared for their work. This like the Master when he blessed the bread and gave to his disciples who in turn gave to the multitude. He gives the heavenly bread to me I to these and they in their turn to the raw heathen. Pray much that this work of God may accomplish all He wishes.

Yours in Jesus,

MRS. H. C. SANDERS

BEALS, Me., Jan. 27th, 1908.

Dear Highway,—I am glad to be able to report victory in our work in this place; wanderers returning, sinners crying out to God for salvation and the church very much strengthened.

My son, P. L. Cosman came home with us from the Quarterly Meeting held in Calais and since that time, we have been in special meeting every night and sometimes in the afternoon. His labours have been very acceptable to our people he has been able, by the power of God upon his preaching to hold the crowds notwithstanding the fact that meetings are being held in the other churches about us at the same time. I am sorry he feels it his duty now to return to his own field of labour as I know could we continue the meetings the work has just begun. How ever as he has left his horse in Woodstock and promised to get back at a certain time I cannot insist on his staying. But will under God do the best I can to carry on the work.

Yours in Jesus,

H. H. C.

PAULPIETERSBURG, Natal, South Africa, Dec. 16th, 1907.

Dear Highway.—It hardly seems possible that two months have elapsed since I last wrote but such is the case. Many things claimed my attention last month and as I do not like to hurry when writing for the Highway, I neglected, and now, like people who get out of the habit of going to church and doing many things they ought to do, I find it all the greater undertaking to write this month, as duties seem to multiply instead of growing less.

Before this reaches you of all the year, will have come and gone, and a new year will have been entered upon with all its responsibilities and privileges. We trust it may be a Merry Christmas and a very happy and suc-

cessful New Year to all the readers of the Highway. Our prayer is that you may be enriched in Christian experience and in power to win souls for the Master if you are already in the way to a greater measure than any past year of your lives, and if you are still unsaved this can become the best year in your experience thus far if you will yield to the tender touch of the Holy Spirit upon your hearts and let Jesus enter to reign as Lord and King for all time to come.

We rejoice to learn that revivals are coming upon some churches already in answer to fervent prayer and faith, but we know our God is able to do greater things for us if we are willing to take the additional light which he is ever willing to flash upon us and live up to it. The Lord help us to do it. So shall we advance in the knowledge and favour of God and in power to help men.

Well, we are about through plowing in our gardens for this year and have quite a lot of our weeding done. Our early corn is well under way. In less than a month if everything continues favourable we should have plenty green corn to feed our native help. We now have plenty of Irish potatoes and some corn for ourselves. The present prospect is that our gardens will bring us in more this year than any year in the history of the mission. For these temporal blessings we praise God who is ever mindful of our needs.

The spiritual part of our work is going on quite well, though the past two Sundays the weather and circumstances have been against us so the reports from services on the out stations have not been quite up to the standard. Some of the believers, however, are being instructed in the way of the Lord more perfectly, and thus are becoming rooted and settled in His love, so the prospect is they will soon be efficient workers. Lydia is a very faithful student of the word and we believe she also has the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Others are also anxious to learn.

We regret that it is necessary for Dr. Saunders and family to leave us soon for a rest at home but we have no doubt they will be a blessing to many while there and will be used in greatly strengthening the work in this land also. We hope you all will be so blessed that you will decide to lengthen the sords and strengthen the stakes, here by sending other new missionaries with them.

We shall do our best, if spared, to carry on the work during their absence. We feel insufficient for so great responsibilities but know you will double up on your prayers for us and the word and we know that the God who used Shanrgar, in the days of the judges, in slaying six hundred Philistines with such a homely and unthought of weapon as an ox gord can and will use the smallest and most unworthy of His servants, who follow Him whole heartedly, in winning great victories in His name.

Your Brother in Christ,

I. F. KIERSTEAD.

BRAZIL LAKE, N. S. Jan. 22nd, 1908.

Dear Highway,—As I mentioned in my last letter of my intention to visit Nova Scotia to assist Bro. Trafton I arrived at Sandford on the evening of Dec. 14th and having visited that place 16 years before to attend Alliance and remembered the old stopping place of Bro. and Sister Jesse Eldridge and drove to their home where I received a most cordial reception and was very kindly entertained during my stay in that place.

I found the meetings being pushed forward by Bro. Trafton, Lester and Nickerson, and a number of delegates to Quarterly meeting.

The Sabbath was a day of much victory and power and God came down our souls to greet.

Owing to special meetings not being closed at Port Maitland we did not put in a united special effort at Sandford but I remained with them and held some meet-

ings through the next week and over Sunday and a good time was enjoyed by all. The Christmas Festivities passed off quietly with some kind remembrance in cash and a very kind invitation at the home of Bro. and Sister Josiah Rodney for dinner and tea.

On 19 inst. I came to Port Maitland supplying for Bro. Trafton at Cedar Lake in the afternoon and spent the evening at Port Maitland when Bro. Trafton gave the right hand of fellowship to seven persons after which a social time was enjoyed and the Lord's Supper partaken of.

On New Years day feeling led of our Blessed Lord we again visited Cedar Lake and put up at the home of Bro. and Sister Alfred Wetmore when we were kindly entertained for a three weeks stop in that place. Although the weather and roads were much against us God was present and souls were blessed and believers sanctified.

“Of course the Devil raged” When the sons of God came together he always puts up his finger board station his out posts and brings forth his strongest points to thwart God's plans but in spite of us his station plans God's power prevailed and some that held in the past suffered by being betrayed by false shepherd and starved for want of old time freedom to get back to Fathers fold. Entered in by the door of the shepfold and get the old time victory into their souls again “Hallelujah”

“To God be all the Glory” and we trust that the work at Cedar Lake will result in much good and we predict for this in the near future a nice little place in which to worship God under this our own vine fig tree.

We want to especially thank the Brothers and Sisters of Port Maitland for their assistance in the meeting. And may Heaven crown all their labor with success.

On 21 instant we came to above place and opened special meetings for a few days.

Am undecided at this writing just what is ahead for me but expect to return to N. B. and visit Lower Kingsclear, Gears and any other place God may call in near future.

To all the Saints Greetings for New Years.

Yours under the Blood,

HARLEIGH CLARK.

MERRITT—Sea Side, Me., passed away January 17th, of Paralysis after a sickness of 10 weeks. Capt. William H. Merritt aged 69 years who leaves a widow one sister, and one daughter, although he could not speak he would hold our hand and the tears would flow, while we talked to him of Jesus whom he loved. Services held by the writer.

REV. C. S. HILYARD.

SEA SIDE, ME., Jan., 21, 1908.

Dear Highway,—A few lines from us to-day we wish to express our regret for not being able to attend the quarterly meeting at Calais on account of family care but we wish to say we are enjoying the Lords blessing, and trying to do what we can in this place for the cause of God, our hearts are made glad because God is blessing you in so many parts of the field, and all we need is to be true to God wherever we are and he will honour us.

Yours in Him

REV. C. S. HILYARD.

HARTLAND, N. B., Jan. 29th, 1908.

Dear Highway—The meetings here continue with good and increasing interest. Since last writing several have been reclaimed and others sanctified. Brother H. Smith, of Calais, was with us over Sunday and rendered good assistance in the services. Brother Morell is still with us. We intend to push the battle and expect greater results in the future. Brethren pray for us.

Yours saved and kept,

H. C. A.

OHIO, N. S., January 13, 1908.

On the evening of the 11th death came to the home of Bro. Lewis Tedford aged 54 years, and removed him to the land of the blessed. He leaves a wife and three children, two sons and one daughter to mourn the absence of a kind and loving husband and a faithful tender parent. His illness was short, only six days of bronchial pneumonia, which appeared fatal from the first. His life was one of usefulness, which shone out upon all that had to do with him, and that ment every man in Yarmouth, as he had been

collector for fifteen years. He was converted when young, the seed of the word was planted in a good and honest heart. After hearing the Gospel of full salvation he believed and entered in and got the white stone having in it a new name written that none knew save him who received it.

He joined the Reformed Baptist church at Port Maitland, being a charter member. After moving to Ohio made it his spiritual home with the church at Brazil Lake. Although living six miles away he was always there to fill his place and to uphold the hands of the pastor by his presence and support him spiritually and financially.

At our last meeting three weeks before his death he gave a testimony never to be forgotten. 1 Peter 1:4-5. Without any uncertain sound declared the Blood cleanseth.

I shall miss him, our hearts blended in holy love, our loss is his gain. We bow submissively to our heavenly Father's will. Funeral at Port Maitland service by pastor.

A. H. TRAFTON.

Dear Brother Baker,—Enclosed please find P. O. money order for renewal for the HIGHWAY. I enjoy it very much. God bless you: I have been in special revival work for the last three months. I am having a grand time. Souls are being saved and sanctified. I am having glorious victory in my soul, because I have overcome him through the blood.

Yours truly,

(REV.) Z. M. MILDER.

Jan. 30th, '08.

DIED.

TABBOTT,—South Addison, Me., passed away January 3rd of Spinal Meningitis “Nellie” age 4 years only child of Mr. and Mrs Willard Tabbott. Funeral services by the writer.

REV. C. S. HILYARD.

KEIRSTEAD,—Our aged Bro. Thomas Keirstead died at the home of Mrs. J. J. Hale, Grafton on the 22nd inst, aged 87 years. While he had been failing for some time, he had but little suffering, passing peacefully away under the tender care of his two daughters Mrs. J. J. Hale and Mrs. George Vanwart. And as the writer visited the home he felt to thank God that our aged brother had a comfortable home with every need supplied. Brother Keirstead was converted when 20 years of age, and early in the holiness movement he received the blessing of entire sanctification, and united with the Reformed Baptist Church at Woodstock Dec. 30th, 1889. He held meetings in different sections of the country after he gave up work, always being zealous in the work of the Lord. It can be truly said of Brother Keirstead that he was cheerful, faithful and zealous in his christian life. Salvation was his constant theme, he talked of little else. His only son, Freeman died 14 years ago and his wife about 11 years ago. His remains were placed beside those of his wife in the Grafton cemetery.

“I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous for saken, for his seed begging bread.”

ACKERSON,—Died at Newburg Junction, N. B., on January 19th 1908. Amelia J. age 58 years, wife of Nehemiah Ackerson, leaving a husband three daughters, Mrs. H. Dickinson, Mrs. Chas. Robinson and Mrs. M. Noble, also one son Thomas to mourn their loss. Sister Ackerson had been a devotee christain for a number of years, having been converted some 30 years ago and united with the F. B. Church. Later when the gospel of Full Salvation was preached in that place she accepted the teaching and received the experience of sanctification, united with the R. B. Church at Lower Brighton, of which she remained a worthy member until she was called home. For a number of years she had been in poor health, but amid all the suffering which she endured, she was always hopeful and fully resigned to the will of the master, and thus lived a victorious life.

Her last sickness was very short as she was only confined to her bed three days. But she was ready and sudden death to her was indeed sudden glory. To the family we extend our sympathy, especially to the son who at present and at the time of his mother's death was very sick.

The funeral service was held from her late residence and was conducted by the writer assisted by Rev. S. A. Baker.

H. C. A.

REST.

There remaineth, therefore, a rest to the people of God; a rest from storming and struggling, a rest from holding on to God, resting in the arms of our Beloved. A child in its mother's arms is not fully resting while it persists holding on to her, not letting itself simply sink down into her arms. Jesus said “Learn of Me for I am meek and lowly in heart and ye shall find rest unto your souls.” To enjoy the rest of faith we must cross the Jordan into the land of Canaan. It is so much easier living there than on the other side of the Jordan. There we cease from our own works letting God have full sway of us and work through us. When we are on believing ground it is easy to believe. We are not worrying about not having faith trying to strain ourselves up to it. We live in the atmosphere of faith. Trusting is like breathing when the lungs are all right. Praise the Lord.

Hallelujah, hallelujah,  
Hallelujah to the Lamb.

For I've crossed the river Jordan,  
And live in the Promised Land.  
For they give to God the glory,  
They who live in Beulah Land.

R. P. P.

MISSIONARY REST FUND.

Dear brethren and sisters, a letter just to hand dated Dec. 16, from our Missionary H. C. Sanders informs me of his intended trip home and will doubtless be on his way home now in a few days as according to his instructions, we have cabled him six hundred dollars as a passage money. We feel very grateful to God for putting it into the hearts of so many to respond to our appeal of the past for money sufficient to recall our missionaries on furlough. We are led to believe that a years furlough will be economy in money and in preserving the health of our missionaries for, we trust, many years of future service in South Africa. We have now over five hundred dollars and we trust there will be a hearty response from churches and communities not yet heard from.

Any who may be holding money that has been collected, as we know of in one case, will now please forward the same at once as we have already forwarded the amount needed. By mistake Miss Ena Harvey was credited with two dollars in last issue, when it ought to have been five. We have now on hand including following list. Five hundred and sixteen dollars and seventy cents. We trust that others will respond promptly.

Miss Ena H. Harvey (corrected) . . . \$5.00  
A friend . . . . . 1.00  
Grey's Mills S. S. . . . . 1.00

The following has been collected for the “Missionary Rest Fund” by Amelia A. Lockhart, Mercer Settlement church.

Rev. F. H. Grass, . . . . . \$1.00  
Mrs. F. H. Grass, . . . . . .50  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert, . . . . . 1.00  
Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Hayes, . . . . . 1.00  
Mrs. Ira C. Me. cer, . . . . . .25  
Mr. Geo W. Robertson, . . . . . 1.00  
Mrs. R. Huggard, . . . . . .25  
Mr. Wm. Carson, . . . . . 2.00  
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Miss Hattie B. Marr, . . . . . .25  
Mr. W. Cleveland, . . . . . 1.00  
Mr. C. Riedle, . . . . . .50  
Mr. Robert Howe, . . . . . .30  
Mrs. Geo. Hayes, . . . . . .50

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REV. M. S. TRAFTON.

While we have many letters commending the HIGHWAY, we had one last week whose breath came direct from the North Pole.

Mrs. (Rev.) A. C. Thompson of Caribou Me., died recently we have not heard the particulars of her death.

A soul cannot be regarded as truly subdued and consecrated in its will, and as having passed into union with the Divine will, until it has a disposition to do promptly and faithfully all God requires, as well as to endure patiently and thankfully all that He imposes.—T. C. Upham.