

The King's Highway.

And an Highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The Way of Holiness:

The wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein. Isaiah 35:8.

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Quarterly Meeting.

The 45th Quarterly Meeting of district No. 1, was held with the church at Geary, commencing Thursday, June 24th. Preaching by Rev. J. H. Coy, from Rev. 1; 7: followed by a testimony service, a good meeting. Rev. P. J. Trafton preached Friday evening from Heb. 12; 14: This meeting closed with several at the altar. Business meeting Saturday 2.40 p. m. President P. J. Trafton at the chair, Sister Emma Estabrooks at the organ. Prayer by Rev. J. H. Coy.

Ministers present J. H. Coy, S. A. Baker, G. B. Trafton, and P. J. Trafton. Delegates, Woodstock, Mr. S. A. Baker. Marysville, Hanford McDonald, John Mitchell. Penniac, Charles Goodspeed, Isaac Lawson. Fredericton, G. W. Hyde. Geary, Franklin Carr and Salatiel Carr.

Officers elected as follows. President, Rev. G. B. Trafton; Secretary, Rev. P. J. Trafton; Highway Agent, Rev. S. A. Baker; Treasurer, Franklin Carr. Devotional Committee, Rev. J. H. Coy, Reuben Smith, Franklin Carr, Charles Goodspeed. While the Devotional Committee were out there was singing and testimony.

Reports of churches. Woodstock reports victory in all the services, increase in membership in Sunday School good and bright outlook for the future. Marysville. The church is in a good prosperous condition, several additions, meetings spiritual and helpful. Fredericton missions reports victory in their meetings, held a convention, Rev. S. A. Baker assisting the pastor. God put his seal on the effort, souls were saved and believers sanctified wholly. Looking toward the building of a new church in the near future. Penniac regular services kept up, pastor faithful in his attendance at his appointments and presenting the truth. Geary reports by letter, a few faithful ones still holding on and they feel encouraged for the future. P. J. Trafton spoke in connection with the work at Fort Fairfield. Several brethren spoke encouragingly of the work along several lines. Brother Baker spoke in connection with the Sunday School work. Brother Coy spoke in reference to the work on his circuit. Sister Baker spoke in connection with the mission societies in the churches.

Report of Devotional committee:—Preaching Saturday 8 p. m., Rev. S. A. Baker; Sunday, 9.30 a. m., Love Feast, led by Rev. J. H. Coy; 11 a. m., preaching, Rev. P. J. Trafton, 2.30 p. m.; preaching, Rev. G. B. Trafton; Song Service, 7.30 p. m.; 8 p. m., preaching Rev. S. A. Baker. Report adopted.

Resolved that the next quarterly meeting be held with the church at Marysville, the date to be left with the pastor of the church.

The business session closed with a praise and testimony service.

Resolved, that we express to the members of the church and the people of the community, our appreciation of their kind hospitality in entertaining the quarterly meeting.

Resolved that we extend to Brother Franklin Carr a vote of thanks for the use of the ground on which to pitch the tent, and lumber to furnish seats.

Resolved that we extend a vote of thanks to Miss Emma Estabrook for presiding at the organ during the meetings.

On motion, Resolved that this quarterly meeting express to Brother Coy our sympathy in his sad bereavement, in the death of his beloved wife, praying that He who said, "Lo, I am with you always" may be his stay and comfort in his loneliness.

A good congregation assembled Saturday eve and listened intently to a stirring sermon by Brother Baker from 1 Thes. 5:23, 24.

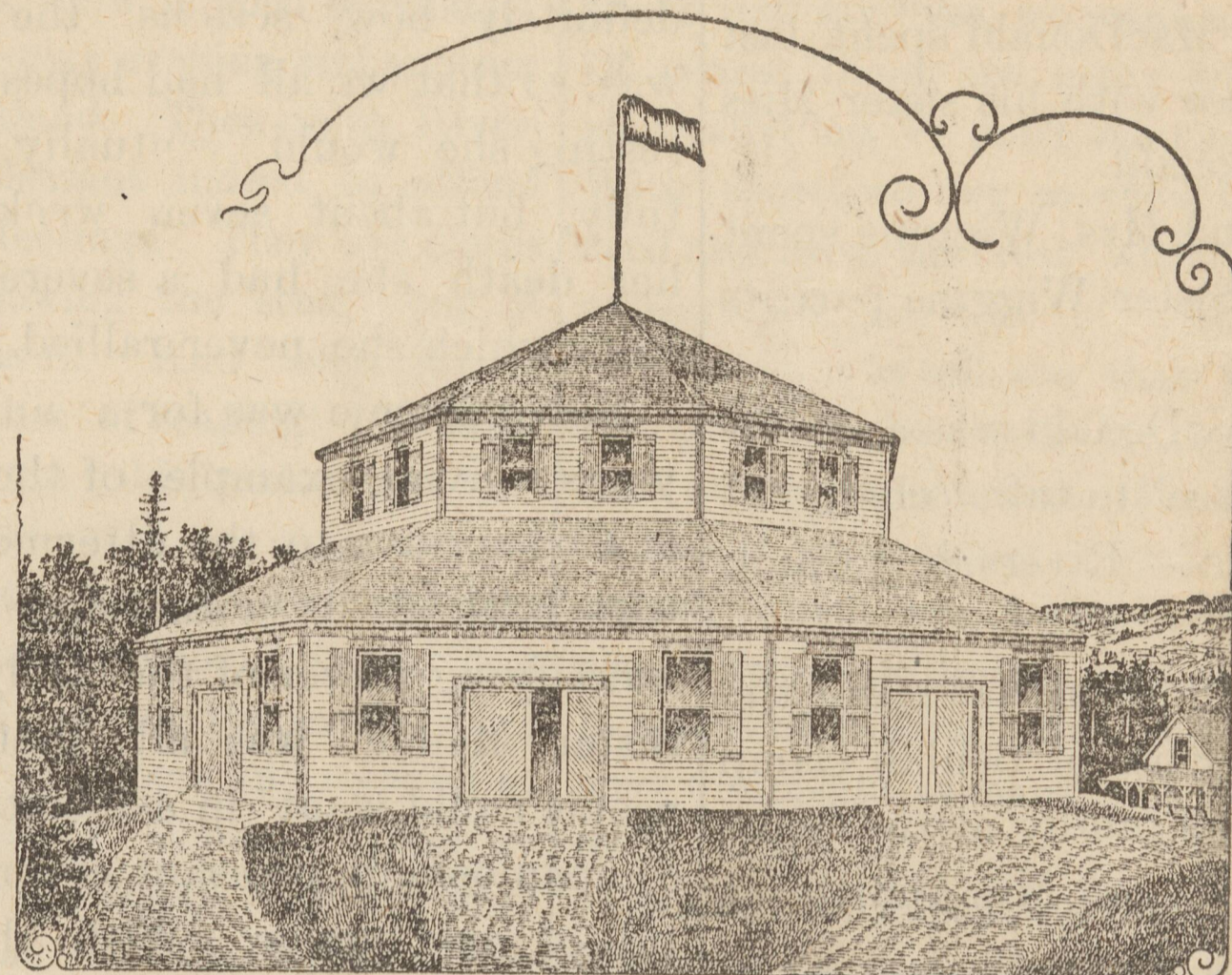
Sunday was an ideal day. There were good crowds who listened intently to the word. The brethren preached well. Several were at the altar. This was a profitable quarterly meeting; to God be all the glory.

The old Alliance tent was used for the meetings. It served the purpose much better than if we had the church.

P. J. TRAFTON, Secretary.

Thirty-seven counties in Prohibition cases had no criminal cases on the court docket in 1905. Thirty-five counties have no prisoners in jail.

RIVERSIDE CAMP MEETING, AUG. 7 to 17th.



The Camp Meeting at Riverside, Me., will begin this year on Friday evening, August 7th, and continue till the 17th.

Riverside is pleasantly situated on the Bangor and Aroostook Railway near Robinson's Station, 27 miles north of Houlton, Me., and within a few miles of the towns of Bridgewater, Blaine and Mars Hill, Me., and only a short drive from Centreville, Tracey Mills and Royalton, N. B. Hence easily reached from all parts by team or railway, as six trains daily pass the grounds and stop there when necessary.

Board \$3.50 per week or 75c per day.

Rooms 50c per day. Berths for men 25c per night.

A large barn accommodating over 50 horses, and hay at low rates.

A GRAND MEETING IS EXPECTED.

All Ticket Agents on the B. & A. Railway from Millinocket to Caribou, inclusive, will sell tickets from their stations to the Camp Ground and return at the rate of one fare for the round trip—good from Aug. 5th to 18th.

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Dr. Adam Clarke's Experience of Sanctification.

Norwich, England, March 29, 1784.

—Rev. and Very Dear Sir: Since I was justified, I have, in general, expected and prayed for that inestimable blessing, a heart in all things devoted to God, which, soon after I received pardon, I found it to be indispensably necessary; but meeting with little encouragement in my pursuit after it, I obtained it not, and so spent that time in offering a maimed sacrifice, which, if I had been encouraged and rightly directed, might have been spent in serving God with a perfect heart and a willing mind. I continued mostly in this state or at most advancing very slowly, till I came to this kingdom when you ordered me into the Bradford circuit. Here the good Lord was pleased to give me a sight of the unspeakable depravity of my heart, and one time in particular, in such a measure, that the distress I felt was as painful in sustaining, as it would be difficult in describing. I suppose at that time had there not been a sea between me and my native country, and want of money to have carried me there, it is probable I should have made a speedy departure from the work in which I was engaged. I regarded nothing, not even life itself, in comparison of having my heart cleansed from all sin, and began to seek it with full purpose of soul. Thus I continued looking for it, and frequently in much distress, till December, 1782, when I opened my mind to a local preacher, who, I had heard, was a partaker of this precious privilege; from him I received some encouragement and direction, and so set out afresh in quest of it, endeavoring with all my strength, to believe in the ability and willingness of my God to accomplish the great work.

Soon after this, while earnestly wrestling with the Lord in prayer,

and endeavoring self-desperately to believe, I found a change wrought in my soul, which I endeavored, through grace, to maintain amid grievous temptations and accusations of the subtle foe, who seemed now determined either to spoil me of my confidence, or to render me as miserable, by reiterated temptation, as I was when mourning the inbeing of this infernal offspring; but indulgent Saviour continued to support and encourage me, and enabled me with all my power to preach the glad tidings to others, so that I soon saw more of the effects of the travail of my Redeemer's soul than I had ever seen before. Glory be to God through Christ! Amen! But to this day I am in a strait between two, and fear almost constantly rests on my mind of denying it, lest thereby I should forfeit what I have received, or grieve the blessed Spirit; and again, I am afraid to affirm that it is done, lest I should deceive myself in a matter of such great importance.

When this is considered, dear sir, you can easily perceive how much I stand in need of your advice and direction. I know, indeed, that, from God, knowledge and wisdom are to be received, and that he gives to all liberally, who ask such a blessing from him. But, again, I remember a sentiment in one of your sermons in which you inform me that God usually helps "man by man." This I believe to be exactly right, and therefore entertain a hope that if you will be so very kind as to spend a few minutes in directing one concerning these things, the good Lord will make your advice abundantly profitable, and I am sure will reward the labor of love.

Our congregations in this circuit are in general enlarged, and several, through the mercy of God, are much quickened. O, may God abundantly increase the flame, till it becomes universal, for Jesus' sake. Several of

our people in this city have no great affection for the doctrine of entire sanctification. However, whether they will hear or will forbear, we declare it upon them, well knowing that unless we do this, we preach not the whole gospel of God. Some, who had before denied it, are now not only convinced of the attainableness of it, but are earnestly contending for it, and some have received a token of good. Gloria Deo. Earnestly praying that the Lord God may be your sun and your shield, and that he may make your latter days still more useful than the former, and spare you many more years for the profit of his people, and give you every degree of grace to prepare for eternal glory, I remain, very dear sir, your unworthy though truly desirous of being, in all respects, your obedient son in the gospel of our common Lord.—Adam Clarke.

Cheerfulness at Table.

An old lady, who looked as though she might have belonged to the "Sunshine Society" all her life, was asked by a friend for the secret of her never-failing cheerfulness.

Her answer contains a suggestive lesson for parents.

"I think," said the clever old lady, "it is because we were taught in our family to be cheerful at table. My father was a lawyer with a large criminal practice; his mind was harassed with difficult problems all the day long; yet he always came to the table with a smile and a pleasant greeting for everyone, and exerted himself to make the table hour delightful. All his powers to charm were freely given to entertain his family.

"Three times a day we felt this genial influence, and the effect was marvelous. If a child came to the table with cross looks he or she was quietly sent away to find a good boy or girl, for only such were allowed to come within that loving circle. We were taught that all petty grievances and jealousies must be forgotten when meal time came, and the habit of being cheerful three times a day under all circumstances, had its effect on even the most sullen temper."

"Much is said and written these days about 'table manners.' Children (in well-bred families) are drilled in a knowledge of 'good form' as to the use of the fork and napkin; proper methods of eating the various courses are descanted upon, but training in the most important grace or habit a child must have, that of cheerfulness at table, is too often neglected.

"The Orientals had no family ties of affection until they began to eat at a common table. Let the gathering at meal time be made the most happy hour of the day, and the influence on the children may be beyond estimation."—Table Talk.

Bradford Torrey: The secret of success lies in the man and not in the stuff he works on.

"To have what we want is riches, but to be able to do without is power."

Preach or perish; teach or tarnish: evangelize or fossilize.—Phillip Brooks

When life's all love, 'tis life; aught else 'tis naught.—Sidney Lanier.

"The desire to be known of men is destructive of all true greatness."

A good death is better than a bad life.—John Huss.

"Truth divided, like an animal cut through the middle is dreadfully mangled if not entirely destroyed."

Timely Advice From The Pen Of A. B. Simpson In "Living Truths."

"For the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets." (1. Cor. 14: 32.) This clearly means that the Holy Spirit does not overrule our individual judgment and carry us off our feet in wild and reckless incoherency, but he holds his messages subject to our sanctified judgment and will, and permits us to act as rational and responsible beings, speaking or keeping silence as may seem to us most unto edification.

This teaching bears very distinctly upon some of the ideas we often hear expressed about abandoning ourselves to God. God does not ask us to give up our sanity and become mere passive subjects of hypnotic influence, either from himself or any other being. He has given to us our own rational nature and he acts in harmony with it. If we give ourselves up to spells and influences, irrespective of our judgment or reason, we are just as likely to be taken possession of by evil spirits as by good. This is the very way in which the trance medium in clairvoyance and spiritualism becomes possessed with the spirit of Satan. This has sometimes been resorted to in what is known as trance evangelism, and we have been some of the fearful victims of this delusion. It is right to wait upon God for the fulness of his blessing, it is right to wait with an open heart and a listening ear, but God will never blame us for vigilance in proving the spirits and "discerning things that differ." If he has anything to say to us he will give us ample time to be sure that he is saying it. The Spirit of Christ is "the spirit of love, and power and a sound mind."

It has been well said, that the element of proportion is indispensable, both in natural and spiritual things. The atmosphere we breathe depends for its wholesomeness upon the exact proportions in which the different constituents are mingled in the air. A little more carbon, a little more hydrogen, or a little more oxygen, would bring death in a single instant to the whole human race. It is precisely so with the gifts of the Spirit. The spirit of love alone will make us sentimental, unless it is mixed with power and wisdom. The spirit of wisdom alone will make us cold and hard, unless it is mixed with love. The spirit of power alone will run all the trains off the track, unless wisdom stands at the engine and directs the way. We have all seen Christian workers who suffered from such deformities and disproportions. God give us the blended fulness of the blessed Holy Ghost, the holy tact of the Master, who "increased in wisdom and in favor with God and men," and "the spirit of love, and of power, and of a sound mind."

"Isn't it lovely?" asked a young girl as she held up a beautiful, elaborately embroidered table mat. Her friend acknowledged it, and said: "It must have taken a long time to embroider it." "Indeed it did," was the almost triumphant reply. "Why do you know, I kept an exact amount of the time I spent on that cloth, and it aggregated nearly four weeks, allowing eight hours each day." Later in the conversation the fact was developed that this young lady had given up a class of young girls in the primary department of a mission Sunday School because she "simply had no time in which to prepare the lesson."—Christian Standard.