

CORRESPONDENCE.

FOUR FALLS, N. B. Jan. 2 1909.

Dear HIGHWAY;—Among the seekers for holiness at Four Falls is a Bro. who was telling me yesterday morning of his purpose and trials. Twenty-six years ago he had religion, but did not seem able to hold out, and now that he is again a christian he says, "I intend to have this full salvation or I don't want any." His father is an old Church of England man about 80 years of age, and in the habit of talking to himself when chopping in the woods. The son heard him remark, Well, so Ira is gone with the New Lights. But I will get as far into heaven as he will. Ira's wife has also her opinion and gave it in answer to the husbands question; "What do you think of the religion of those people at the Falls?" She replied "Their religion is all right but you can't get it. You won't be able to trade horses any more if you should get what they have.

I told him, however, that he would not want to trade horses any more if he gets the blessing of full salvation.

Jan. 4th.

Since writing the above Bro. Ira has gone in and sought and found the blessing of full salvation. The text that says, "Him that honoreth me I will honor" has proven true in this mans case. Thus far there have been seeking the Lord as a result of Ira's influence. A son, a nephew who lives with him, and the old father.

These three knelt side by side at the altar. "God be merciful to me, a sinner," prayed the old man. "Oh, Lord, you know how that when Ira prayed I did not stay in the house. Lord, forgive me."

The old man declared after leaving the altar that his soul was filled with joy.

My testimony today is that Jesus saves and sanctifies and keeps me every day, I will also write my experience;

Three years ago my wife and I were converted under Rev. P. J. Trafton's preaching. Then one year ago last September we invited the Praying Band from Fort Fairfield, and I received the blessing of full Salvation. In January 1908 we decided to have prayer meeting. The first meeting we had was at our home and then we began holding them in the "Orange Hall" we saw that there was an interest in the meetings and that people was hungering and thirsting after salvation. Then in the month of February we drove to Fort Fairfield and invited Bro. Fred Wright to come and hold a three days meeting and it lasted six weeks and a half, and God blessed us wonderfully in the good work. In March there were nine baptised and the 3rd of May four more were baptised, on May 13th the Church was organized with a membership of eighteen.

Yours trusting in the Lord.
AMMON A. TURNER.

LUDLOWVILLE, N. Y. Jan. 18th, 1909.

Dear Editor of HIGHWAY;—We are happy to report victory in the name of the Lord. We have been holding special services for nearly six weeks at Lansenville, our out appointment with blessed results. We never found a church so responsive to the truth. Many have been sanctified, others reclaimed and a number converted. The work is going on and there is deep conviction on many of the people. There is no trouble about the prosperity of a church, when pastor and official board go in for the "second blessing properly called." Near by are two other sanctified Methodist preachers, who are pushing the bottle for the Lord and we are planning to help one another in the work. In my experience of thirteen years in the pastorate I have found the greatest hindrance to the cause of Christ are worldly and ungodly men of financial power on the official board, who not only oppose Holiness but have little sympathy with revival work. Only entire sanctification can enable a fellow to stand up against such conditions and preach the whole truth without fear or favor. What a revelation there will be at the judgement day when compromising preachers will give an account of their stewardship! Never were the forces of evil so subtle as to day. It requires as much faith to be true to God as it did in Paul's time or Wesley's.

It rejoices my heart to know the Reformed Baptists are pressing the experience of Holiness. In must win in spite of all discouragements and opposition, the

majority say we believe in Holiness, but, now would it be improper to ask such an one if he has the experience, or if he be a preacher, "are you getting anyone into the experience?"

The Devil finds little fault with people who believe in holiness but never testify to it, or preach it so as to lead anyone into the blessing. We find little difficulty to get people who are walking close to God in the justified state to accept the blessing of entire sanctification. The most spiritual receive it gladly, They become so weary in wrestling with the "old man," they are glad to hear the good news that he can be cast out. Wrong ideas of the doctrines and prejudices are quickly driven out of the honest mind by the strong, clear and loving presentation of the truth. Backslidders, weak professors, and ungodly men, will oppose anywhere and everywhere, but God honors the truth. It is glorious to be on the firing line, where Jesus the captain of our salvation ever stands. I hope some day to visit the province and preach on the Jacksonville and Hartland circuit where I began my ministry. We desire the prayers of all HIGHWAY readers for the establishing of Holiness here.

Yours in Jesus.
W. E. SMITH.

FORT FAIRFIELD, Me.

Dear HIGHWAY—I do so much enjoy your visits; every part of the paper is interesting, so much so, that I usually read it right through without stopping. I love to read the letters from the brethren and sisters in the different sections, and I suppose they might like to hear through your columns how I am getting on.

The Lord has been blessing us and fulfilling all his promises, as we have met the conditions. We have been having victory although a number of our people have gone away, but through their scattering we believe the fire will be kindled in the sections to which they have gone.

The friends were very kind in remembering us at Christmas. The gift gave me a very fine pung which I prize very highly, also presents in cash, etc. Truly our lot has been cast among generous people. The praying band is doing grand work at home and in other sections. Praise God, the work of Holiness is spreading.

I went to assist Rev H C Sanders at Hartland, on the 4th, and remained two weeks. I enjoyed the work. God gave us some clear cases of Sanctification and several were reclaimed; Bless the Lord. I expect to open at Perth on the 29th, Lic F T Wright will assist me. We will hold for ten days at least, and as much longer as God will direct. Pray for us. I am glad that God is calling some more of our young men. A great work is before us, then let us hold up the "blood stained" banner of Holiness, for this is the world's need.

Wishing all your readers a happy 1909, I am, yours washed and cleansed in the precious blood,
P J TRAFTON.

NORTH HEAD, Grand Manan,
January 26th, 1909.

Dear HIGHWAY;—As it has been some time since I have reported through the HIGHWAY, a few words might not be out of place.

Perhaps the readers of the HIGHWAY do not know of my whereabouts. I am here, as the heading of this denotes, on this island of the sea. I came here in answer to a call from this church and Seal Cove, to become their pastor. We have not had much winter yet till now. Today looks the most like a Carleton County snow storm of any I have seen up till now. We have not used sleds, all bare ground and considerable mud. We have had a lot of rain but no big freshets as on the St. John river, for none of our rivers are more than from two to four miles long. We have only had zero weather once this winter, then but a few

hours. As a rule it is from 10 to 20 above, and for one used to climbing the snow drifts of Carleton and York counties for 30 years with the thermometer falling from 10 to 30 below it only seems a baby winter to me. Still I am well suited with it. The climate agrees with me fine; I have not had a real cold-all winter so far, and was only laid up four or five days with the Grippe. But there is considerable sickness on the Island, and some deaths of both young and old. Among the number Mrs. King of Seal Cove, of paralysis; only sick four or five days. She was an old lady and mother of Edward King of that place. John Dixon of this place, second son of Bro and Sister William Dixon, died suddenly of quinsy, leaving a widow and four children to mourn the loss of a kind husband and father. Also Mrs. Harrington of Whale Cove, and an infant child of Mr and Mrs H H Griffin. Sister Scovil is better, and Sister Emery Jordan is holding her own; we are hoping for her recovery.

Spiritually things are not as prosperous as we would wish, but I find myself in the midst of kind Christian people who seem determined to hold on to God, and full Salvation at any cost and we are hoping for victory in the near future. It is needless for me to say that I am very lonely having so recently lost my dear wife, but I have the presence of the dear Master with me all the time.

Our next Quarterly Meeting is to be at Seal Cove and I take this early opportunity of inviting any of the dear Saints to come over and help us. Your Brother, saved and kept,
T H COY.

WOOD ISLAND Grand Manan,
Jan 4th 1909

With the beginning of the year I feel like writing you a letter. I feel like repeating the words of the Psalmist when he said "O. give thanks unto the Lord for he is good for his Mercy Endureth forever." Then again, "What shall I render unto the Lord for his benefits toward me?" I answer as David did, "I will take the cup of Salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord."

Just a word in regard to your columns. How we appreciate you and look forward with joy to your coming. Well we might term you a paper bringing good tidings and great joy to all who will accept the teachings thereof. Now seeing we have a paper of this sort coming into our homes. Let it be the aim of each one of its Subscribers to do all in their power for its advancement and improvement. As there is no time better than the present. With the New Year before us let us begin at once.

It will help the Editor in his work and if we have the joy of the Lord in our heart it will not impoverish us any by letting others know it. Trusting that the close of 1909 may find you in many homes where you hitherto have not been. Also that you will soon become a weekly visitor.

I remain as ever one of your readers.
MRS. EUGENE WILCOX.

In closing let me say I find in Christ a satisfying portion and rejoice in a Salvation full present free and complete.

APTHEROPE, N. H.

Dear HIGHWAY;—I am well in body and soul, bless the Lord he keeps me from evil, and sanctifies me wholly and fills me with the Holy Ghost, and he has a little place for me here in the church and Sunday school. We are studying the history of the church in the Acts, the church wrote no history until it received the gift of the Holy Ghost, this is the poured out blessing, properly called being filled with the Holy, "And they were all filled" and all through the history of the church, Holy Ghost is used, I think we ought to use the Bible name. The church can not write history unless the Holy Ghost is in it, conflict and defeat is not history, establishment and progress is history, there is no progress in the divine life un-

til the Holy Ghost comes in and fills all the vacuum that is in us. Men are substituting names and things for the divine person and the power. The Holy Ghost has a personality of his own, just as much as the Father and the son, He is the executive of the Father and the son to carry out the will of the Trinity. The will is in John 17. 1st, Kept from evil. 2nd, Sanctified through the truth. 3rd, that they may be one. 4th, That they may be with Him. 4th, That they may behold his glory. Well bless God forever, "For this purpose He was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the Devil, and consolidate all believers in one faith and love, I want this will and this purpose carried out in my life, Don't you?" The church that is filled with the Holy Ghost will write history, and the man or woman who is filled with the Holy Ghost will leave their impress on this old world.

Yours in the faith
GRAHAM BLANEY.

COLLINA, Kings Co. Jan. 1909.
MRS S. A. BAKER.

Dear Sister,—Your favor of the fourth to hand, the paper received with thanks. The missionary meetings are prospering and the Lord is blessing us in our work.

I had the pleasure of attending the quarterly meeting at Mercer Settlement, we had good meetings and the Lord was with us.

I am feasting with the Lord these days praise His dear name, He keeps me and the fire is burning in my heart, praise God.

MRS. W. S. BEALS.

Opportunity.

Opportunity is the doorway to success. Many people fail to succeed in life simply because instead of opening the door themselves they wait to see if some wind of fortune will not blow it open for them. No one succeeds in this life without effort and struggle because no life is successful which does not accomplish the greatest good that it possibly can. Many people, however, expect success to come without a struggle and so remain inactive, letting the greatest opportunities remain unheeded until it is too late. Then from such parsons, one who has done his best in life often hears the excuse, "If I only had your opportunities." The sentence usually remains unfinished because the fact is that if the slothful person had the opportunities of which he speaks he would accomplish nothing, for opportunity is useless without energy and diligence in the person himself. Indeed, a person may make his own opportunities. While other young men were doubtless pleading a lack of opportunity Abraham Lincoln made use of his though they seemed to be insignificant and as a result became president.

Not only do we see examples of negligence and procrastination regarding temporal matters, but we see many such examples concerning things of eternal importance. If one does not make himself sure of eternal life by a daily walk with Jesus Christ under the constant guidance of the Holy Spirit, no amount of temporal possessions or accomplishments can make life anything but a failure. Persons are often heard excusing themselves for their sins on the ground that their surroundings prevent them from living a righteous life. But if such persons had the determination that Paul had when he purposed to go to Jerusalem through bonds or even death awaited him, they would find that their circumstances would be powerless to keep them from the blessings of salvation. Not a few Christians fall short of the good they might do by neglecting the means that God has provided to make men powerful to do good. Few Christians pray as much as they should, few seek the blessing of a clean heart and few even among holiness people have read through the bible or even know what books it

contains. All these things lie within the power of every Christian under ordinary circumstances. For lack of these things Christians find themselves unarmed before their enemies and weak in the service of God.

Beloved heaven is not gained by thoughtlessness and neglect. Let us then exercise ourselves so that by a zealous life for God we may show forth Christ to the world, Then when we have passed through the gates into the new Jerusalem, we will have all eternity in which to rest from our earthly labours.

M. S. BLAISDELL.

After God's Own Heart.

What calling can be higher than that of pastor or shepherd of the flock of Jesus Christ? To lead and feed and guard the immortal souls of the people, and lead them on at last to the heavenly fold. Oh pastor, an angel may well desire thy glorious task.

How varied must be the gifts of the pastor. He must enter the home of the rich with dignity and look the great in the face as a man under authority from God. He must enter the home of the poor in the spirit of cheerfulness and brotherly love that will disarm all fear and give him a glad welcome. He must meet the strong as their "equal" not of himself, but as the representative of his Lord. He must meet and handle with tender care, the weak, so that they will turn to him for help and guidance in their distress. He must have a brave soul, a tender heart, and a strong hand.

The pastor must stand against excitement or rashness; he must think before he speaks, and guard against favoritism or partiality. He must be shepherd of all the sheep, with special care for the most unworthy and stumbling sheep. He must know how to rebuke, not to kill, but to cure; to reprove so as not to drive souls from him, but to draw them to him. The pastor should know all of his flock, and, as far as possible, their natural bent and individual needs—touch them all, help them all, and bring them on the heavenly way.

The pastor ought to be a neat, clean man in dress and personal appearance. The human sheep do not want to follow a sloven, dirty man. He must dress respectably and appear at ease among the people, both within and without the church. He must cultivate habits of good taste in all things. The pastor's task is an endless one. His work will never be done until his dead hands lay on his breast. He may rise early and tramp until late, but there will be poor sheep yet waiting for his footsteps and voice.

Save us from a lazy, careless, vulgar pastor, full of jests, rude jokes and rough laughter.

The pastor ought to have a good home in which to rest his tired body, a comfortable study in which to read, think, prepare and pray. He ought not to be burdened with care for the support of his family, lest he be diverted from the care of his flock. House him comfortably, support him well and give him an opportunity to make full proof of his ministry. Give him sympathy and confidence and brotherly love. Stand by him and he will grow and become a power among men for good.

The pastor ought to be cleansed from all sin in the blood of Christ, and filled with the Holy Ghost. He ought to walk with God. He ought to be in close, communion with Christ. All his outward life ought to reveal the pure heart within. Oh, for pastors after God's own heart. They must bear with the people and lead them, prepare the way for revival, take care of the young converts, bear the brunt of the battle with unbelief and worldiness. Let us pray for true pastors from the Lord, and then sustain them in their God-given work.—Rev. H. C. Morrison.

The devil keeps the great mass of professed christians in the repair shop.

Is yours a fight within, or an aggressive war against all manner of sin.

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