

Correspondence

QUARTERLY MEETING.

Dear Editor:—

Florenceville,
March 11, 1911.

Last evening we had the pleasure of attending a meeting of the Royalton praying band at the home of Mrs. Jas. Buchanan and her son Frank, Centreville, two miles from the village.

It commenced to rain about the time the people would be starting, and threatened to be a wet night. It being a drive of about seven miles from Royalton, some, who otherwise, would have been present, were unable to come.

But the Lord was present and blessed us as he only can bless. We had a glorious sitting together and was only sorry when we had to say good-night.

None of the neighbors came in, just why we do not know. It may have been the unpleasant weather, or they may not have known of the meeting.

The Royalton Brethren and Sisters, under the care of Sister Ella Slipp, have become in reality a band of workers. They are striving steadily and patiently to sow the seed of the "Kingdom," wherever they can find opportunity.

They are planing for special services in the near future, and we pray God that they may be instrumental in spreading holiness all through this section of the County.

Pray for them and remember us in your prayers in this place that we may stand true to God.

Yours in the Faith,
S. B. CHARLTON.

Norton, N. B.,
March, 21st, 1911.

Dear Highway;—

I thought I would write a few lines to let you know that we are still in the "Great Battle" between sin and We have just closed our Quarterly Meeting. The meeting was a great blessing to the church here. This church is not large in quantity but it is large in quality, and strong in the Lord, and in the "Power of His Might." We are trusting for victory, all over the field. We had Bros. Wiggins and McCutcheon at the quarterly meeting, and their preaching was a great blessing to the village. The people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits." Jesus Christ came to manifest God to this world. This is the knowledge of God that may be revealed by the Holy Ghost to the pure in heart. There are none but the pure in heart that see God. I thank Him for giving me a pure heart, "A heart from sin set free, a heart that always feels thy blood so freely spilt for me."

Yours in the Faith,
T. W. MOSES.

Paulpietersburg, Natal,
Feb. 7th., 1911.

Dear Highway;—

Two happy believers, widows from Samuel's field, followed the Lord in baptism here at the station last Sunday. These women who were the wives of one man were converted, we trust during August of last year, as the result of some meetings which Bro. Chawn and the writer held near their home at that time. One of them is remaining with us at the Station to study for a month, as they have finished weeding their gardens. U Maria is the new name taken by the one here and UJoana by the other. Please remember to pray for them.

We are having very dry weather now. No rain to speak of for over two weeks.

All well here and feel like praising the Lord for His continual care and blessing.

Yours in His Name,
I. F. KEIRSTEAD.

The Quarterly Meeting of district No. 1 convened with the Woodstock church on the evening of the 16th inst. Rev. E. W. Lester of Millville conducted the service. By a vote of the ministers and delegates present it was decided to hold a business session on Friday afternoon. The President and Secretary being absent Rev. H. C. Archer took the chair and Rev. S. A. Baker was appointed Secretary pro-tem. Ministers present: Revd's. M. S. Trafton, H. C. Archer, E. W. Lester, S. H. Clark, H. S. Dow, S. A. Baker, and Licentiates Russel Norris, Leonard Sabine, H. C. Mullin.

Delegates, Woodstock—C. S. True and Dr. J. E. Jewett.
Millville—A Sharp and B. R. Burt, Charles Palmer, Mrs. Palmer.
Lower Hainesville—A. Chute, Mrs. Foreman and Ruth White.
Fredericton—D. F. Knight and Glazier Currie.

Four Falls—Licentiate Russel Norris, Sisters Hetherington and Shorey.
Hartland—Chas. Carr, B. M. Cox, Mrs. D. H. Nixon, F. M. Boyd, Mrs. F. M. Boyd, H. Seeley and Dolph Nixon.
Lower Brighton—B. Richardson, B. W. Brown, Mrs. B. W. Brown, Melvin Hovey, Mrs. Hovey, Mrs. N. R. Brown and M. L. Noble.

Perth—Miss Edna Larlee, Mrs. D. Hanson, Mrs. E. Lovely.
Maple Ridge—Henry Hoyt, F. Blaney, Mrs. Blaney.
Victoria—E. H. Cox, Mrs. E. H. Cox, Howard Cox.
Rosedale—W. W. York, Mrs. W. W. York.
Royalton—Geo. H. Hartley.
Gordonsville—Frank Pelkie and Mrs Pelkie.

River de Chute—Mrs. Clare.
Nortondale—Mrs. Stewart.
Upper Hainesville—Mrs. Bert Brawn.
The following officers were elected for the ensuing quarter:
Rev. H. C. Archer, President.
Rev. S. A. Baker, Secretary.
C. S. True, Treasurer.
D. F. Knight, C. S. True, Rev. H. C. Devotional Committee, B. R. Burt, D. F. Knight, C. S. True, Rev. H. C. Archer.

Rev. H. Smith, W. W. York, Mrs. York and Mrs. J. W. Greenlaw were welcomed and given seats in the quarterly meeting.
Revd's. S. A. Baker, M. S. Trafton and B. R. Burt, were appointed a committee to consider the needs of the Meductic and Southampton Circuit. After consultation the committee suggested that the quarterly meeting request Rev. Henry Smith to supply the circuit until the meeting of the Alliance.

The devotional committee's report was received and adopted as follows:—
Preaching Friday evening by Rev. M. S. Trafton.

Saturday at 10:30 social service led by R. Norris.
Preaching at 7:30 p. m., Rev. S. H. Clark.

Sunday 9:30 a. m., Love Feast, led by Lic. H. C. Mullen.

11 a. m., Preaching Rev. E. W. Lester.
2 p. m. Sunday School.
3 p. m. preaching Rev. H. Smith Dow.
7 p. m. preaching Rev. S. A. Baker.
7 p. m. preaching in the Methodist church by Rev. E. W. Lester.

The report from the churches were good. Woodstock reports, work prosperous.

Fort Fairfield condition encouraging. Caribou Mission doing grandly. Special meetings now being conducted by Rev. P. J. Trafton.

Good work at Rosedale under the labours of Sister (Dr.) Sanders.

Royalton, spiritual condition good. Sister Ella Slipp is doing excellent work.

Fredericton is making good advancement.

Lower Brighton on the "Victory Side."

Victoria, spiritual condition good. Many greatly helped in the special services.

Maple Ridge reports: "The Lord is with us."

Four Falls, without Pastor but sustaining regular services. Have been helped much by visits of Dr. Sanders.

Millville, services well attended, like Pastor E. W. Lester much. Meetings are times of refreshing.

Perth. Have much to praise God for and are doing it.

Hartland Pastor has been sick. Dr. and Sister Sanders have rendered excellent help in supplying. Meetings good.

Gordonsville meetings well attended. Received much help through supply during Pastors sickness. Meetings always helpful.

The following committees were appointed by the Quarterly Meeting:

To report on "Sunday School work" D. F. Knight, Mrs. J. E. Jewett, Mrs. D. H. Nixon.

To report on "Foreign and Home Missions," Mrs. S. A. Baker, Mrs. E. W. Lester, Miss Edna Larlee.

To report on Quarterly Meetings, Revd's. E. W. Lester, S. H. Clark, Glazier Currie.

The Quarterly Meeting voted to hold the June meeting as a "Tent Meeting" at Geary.

The preaching at the Quarterly Meeting was good and much enjoyed by those present.

Rev. M. S. Trafton preached a strong helpful sermon from Rom. 12-1.
Rev. S. H. Clark preached an excellent sermon on Saturday evening from the 15th. Psalm

Licentiate Handley C. Mullen gave a fine address in opening the "Love Feast" Sunday morning, using as a foundation I John 4. A large number of testimonies were given interspered by stirring choruses. It was an excellent meeting.

At 11 a. m., Rev. E. W. Lester proved himself a good workman and won his congregation while he preached from Jer. 6:16.

Rev. H. Smith Dow preached at 3 p. m., from Heb. 2:2 and 3. He also won the hearts of his congregation as he faithfully preached the word, "The Great Salvation."

The writer preached in the evening from 2 Peter 3:18. This was the closing meeting and continued until 10 p. m.

The attendance was good and a deep interest was manifested through the entire Quarterly Meeting and many testified that they were much helped.

A letter was received from Rev. J. Gravinor expressing his regret that because of the poor condition of his health he was unable to be present.

S. A. BAKER,
Secretary.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

The Quarterly Meetings for District No. 2 convened with the Reformed Baptist Church at Norton, March 14-19. Ministers in attendance:—Rev. W. B. Wiggins, Rev. T. W. Moses, Lic. H. W. McCutcheon.

Rev. G. B. Trafton was prevented from attending on account of illness.

The meeting opened Tuesday, March 14th, at 7:30, with a song service. Preaching at 8 p. m. by Rev. W. B. Wiggins; Text St. John 4:42. Brother Wiggins spoke very forcibly and in his usual clear way.

Wednesday 2:30, Devotional service.

8 p. m., preaching by Rev. W. B. Wiggins; Text Mark 1:3. Bro. Wiggins spoke feelingly. The Holy Spirit was present. A large audience. ...

Thursday 2:30, Devotional Service.
8 p. m., preaching by Lic. H. W. Mc-

Cutcheon; Subject, The Gospel of Christ. Rom. 1:16.

Friday 2:30, Business Session.

Reading of the Scripture by the President, Rev. T. W. Moses; Prayer by Rev. W. B. Wiggins.

Minutes of last meeting read and adopted.

Delegates: Mr. and Mrs. Cosman, St. John; William Carson and Early Harmer, Norton; Douglas Robertson and Mrs. A. F. Tanner, Mercer Settlement; Mrs. W. S. Beals and Cosby Ridly, Upper Springfield; H. M. McCutcheon, Lutz Mountain.

Favorable reports—written and verbal—were received from the following churches: St. John, Gray's Mills, Norton, Upper Springfield, Moncton, Lutz Mountain, Amherst and Westchester.

Rev. W. B. Wiggins gave a very graphic report of the condition of a number of the churches in this district.

Suggestive and helpful addresses on matters pertaining to the working of the churches were given by Rev. W. B. Wiggins, Rev. T. W. Moses, Lic. H. W. McCutcheon, William Carson, E. T. Harmer and others.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—

President, Rev. T. W. Moses.
Secretary, Lic. H. W. McCutcheon.
Treasurer, Mrs. E. T. Harmer.

This session closed with prayer by Rev. T. W. Moses.

Preaching at 8 p. m. by Lic. H. W. McCutcheon. Subject: Controversy between Christ and Satan. Matt. 10:34. A large audience. God's power was evident.

Sunday 10:30, preaching by Lic. H. W. McCutcheon. Subject: Holiness a necessary and essential characteristic of God's children. Deut. 14:2. God was truly present.

Preaching at 3 p. m., by Lic. H. W. McCutcheon. Subject: "The Soul." Psalm 6:3. A big crowd of many beliefs present. The Holy Spirit impressed the message. The saints were made glad.

Preaching at 8 p. m. by Lic. H. W. McCutcheon. Subject: "Hell." St. Luke 16:23. A big crowd of unbelievers present, but the saints were strong.

The speaker was greatly helped by the good singing, and wonderfully assisted by the pastor during all the services.

The church at Norton is young in existence. It being scarcely two years since its inception, but it has good material and a number of strong and faithful members as William Carson, E. T. Harmer, Chas. Murphy and others. They are united in all things for God. Bro. Moses is very faithful in all his duties and exceedingly beloved by his people.

H. W. McCUTCHEON,
Secretary.

SOME LESSONS ON FAITH.

By Rev. P. J. Trafton.
My next meeting was to be on an island, about nine miles direct from the main land, but about thirty miles by the route I should take. A part of this stretch of water, at certain times of the year, is very rough. I had made inquiries and found that the owners had provided a staunch vessel with a trusty captain and crew. I went on board with my baggage. Some thoughts would arise as to the possibility of a storm, or the wind might blow, and in that event there would be heavy seas; I brushed these all aside I had faith that we would come through alright. It is a grand thing to let "Faith" triumph.

This is the way one must do when they get on board the "Old Gospel-ship Zion." God is the owner of the line and has provided a vessel that is sea worthy; although she has passed through many storms and battled with the elements, yet not a plank has been broken, nor a bolt started. Jesus is the Captain on board, Heb. 2:10.

He is perfectly conversant with the laws of navigation, understands thoroughly the whole route, and has made provision for every emergency. Let us have perfect faith in our Captain.

Again: We have a competent Pilot on board, John 16-13. He is thoroughly acquainted with the chart, knows the channel, so we need not fear being run aground or left stranded on some unknown bar or reef of rocks. Sometimes the sea is smooth, at other times tempest tossed. Sometimes the old ship sails in strange waters, and we may be a little fearful, but let our faith not waver, the pilot understands all waters, knows all about the cross currents and tides. Some get into trouble by thinking they can run their own vessel but the best thing for us to do is to give the pilot complete control and keep our hands off the steering gear. "Have we Faith in God."

There were some on this trip that I could not fellowship, because their language was not the best and they used the filthy weed. They were in the cabin and so to enjoy myself I started for the upper deck and found the air bracing and clear. Thank God for the "higher life." 2 Cor. 7-1. I am dwelling on the mountain, Where the golden sunlight gleams; O'er a land whose wondrous beauty, Far exceeds my fondest dreams.

Sometimes there are unforeseen difficulties that arise, i. e., temptations, trials and testings, when one is in the very centre of his will. He has not promised to so save us that we will never have these trials and testings; but he has promised to deliver us out of them all, if we will only trust him. "Glory." 1 Cor. 10-11; James 1-2; 1 Peter 4-12, 13. We usually run into these, when we are least expecting them. To illustrate: On my return journey, we were coming up the river and it looked as if we should soon be at the desired haven; when all of a sudden the boat began to slow down and soon stopped, with the engine still working and the propeller revolving. I began to wonder what had happened, and on enquiring found that we had run into a saw-dust bank, right fair in the channel. This saw-dust is continually shifting by the action of the tide. The engine was reversed, but to no purpose, the action of the boat swiveling first one way and then another, only settled it farther down. It is always best to be quiet. Ps. 46-10. What was to be done. It would not be any use to throw one's baggage overboard and jump into the icy water; that would mean to perish; but now many people there are, who are doing the very thing, spiritually speaking. What should we do? There were other vessels farther up the river; would it not be wise for us to get into one of these; but on closer observation I found that these were frozen in the ice, with no power within, and held to wharves by strong ropes. How many though are doing this very thing, because everything is not easy, and difficulties arise, they proceed to leave the "Old Gospel Ship" and get on others that are near at hand; such as Christian Science, Millineal Dawn, Unitarianism, Mormonism, Cooneyism, etc., but, behold! They are frozen in the ice of cold formality, tied to the world and without any Holy Ghost power within. What shall we do? Be patient and wait. The tide was coming in, and in the course of time we were floated off; The engine started, we moved away and were soon at our destination. Do this in time of trial. Still keep your faith in the Captain and crew. Do not fuss and fume, there is a way out; go down on your knees in humility before God, and the tide will rise and float you off. Ps. 40-1; Isa. 40-30, 31; 1 Peter 1-7, 8, 9.

"God sees no difference between a high-toned and a low-toned sinner."