

Correspondence

Sandford, N. S., Aug 11, 1911.

Dear Highway:—

We greet you from across the bay and in a sister province from what we were in our last report.

Having accepted a call from this circuit to become pastor for the next Alliance year we left Beulah at the close of Alliance and went to Perth and made ready for the change.

It was our privilege while in Perth to spend one Sunday with the people at Easton in the morning and two evenings with the church at Perth. The last evening at Perth the Brothers and Sisters and friends gave me a table offering of \$18.00 to which three dollars was added next morning, making in all \$21.00. We appreciate the kindness of all in Perth and trust God will bless them with all spiritual blessings.

We left Perth on the morning of July 17th, driving to Fredericton by team and thence by boat to Beulah Camp Ground, where we had the privilege of listening to Bro. Walker over Sunday. On Monday we met Mrs. Clark in St. John and on July 25th took the boat for Digby, N. S. Mrs. Clark took the train to visit her sister in Berwick, and I took my team and drove down the coast to Sandford, arriving there on the 30th inst. The drive down the coast was a most beautiful one; the weather was dry and hot but the beautiful breeze which came off St. Mary's bay gave the atmosphere most delightful.

On the arrival of my household effects the kind ladies of Sandford took charge of putting things in order and making our home in readiness for my wife and babe on their arrival on August 8th.

On that same evening the sisters of the church had planned for a reception and invitations were sent to all the members of the circuit. A number of Brothers and Sisters and friends came and greeted us for the first time in our new home. After refreshments were passed and an address of welcome given and prayer by Bro. Harris of the Salvation Army, the kind friends took their departure leaving us the better off by cash and goods to the amount of \$12.00 for which we wish to express our thanks.

Since arriving here it has been our privilege to visit all the churches on the field, and we find in each place faithful ones keeping true to God and Holiness. At Brazil Lake they have started a Sunday School. Bro. Nicholson is Supt. and a good interest is manifested. At Cedar Lake there have been no meetings for about a year, yet we were greeted by a good congregation. We missed a number of the dear saints that were there 4 years ago, among which were Bro. and Sister Bethune, but God has called them up higher. I find this field large and needy and only through Christ can we accomplish anything for Him.

Brothers and Sisters pray much for us and the work on this Circuit. It is my desire that God may use me in this place for the salvation of sinners and sanctification of believers.

S. H. CLARK.

Marysville, York Co., N. B.

August 12th, 1911.

Dear Highway:—

I drop a few lines to you this morning, to tell you that I am walking in the King's Highway, and enjoying the experience it gives to all those who have counted all but dross, that they might walk there. It is a High way; a way cast up; a way out of which have been gathered the stones; and the Redemmed walk there. The Bible tells us it is the way of Holiness; therefore it is a clean way; a pure way for no unclean thing shall pass over it; the carnal mind does not exist in this way, neither can tobacco users find the filthy weed there.

Isaiah tells us, that no ravenous beast shall go up there on; that makes me think that it is a safe way; there can't be any growlers or snarlers, or fighters in this way then; Bless God, I feel that I'm in a pretty good path; Hallelujah. And then it says, that the lame man leaps like a hart; this gives evidence of freedom; there are no people in all the world who appreciate and enjoy freedom like the ones who have been lame, and bound by sin. Glory be to the name of our God; for the marvelous freedom we have provided in the plan of redemption. The way is very pleasant, for the "Glory of Lebanon, and the excellency of Carmel and Sharon are given unto it," "the wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for it, and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose. Oh! how many hearts are longing for this better way; and when they hear about it they are glad; and how many deserts have been turned into the flower garden of Jehovah. Hallelujah. Now after all "the redeemed of the Lord shall return and come to Zion, with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads; they shall obtain, (i.e. have it in their hearts), joy and gladness and sorrow and sighing shall flee away." Thank God.

If you want to find me, you can go to Mt. Zion, and walk up Sanctification Avenue; I have an inheritance there among those who are sanctified by Faith. To Jesus Christ and his precious Blood, be all the glory.

Your Brother,
FREDERICK T. WRIGHT.

Havelock, Digby Co., N. S.,

August 21st, 1911.

Dear Highway:—

Again I would like to report through your columns.

Now, there may be some who are wondering where I am; well, the address at the head of this letter will tell you where I am geographically, and the words of the songs will tell you where I am spiritually. "You need not look for me down in Egypt's sand, for I have pitched my tent far up in Canaan land; And I'm living in Canaan now, I'm living in Canaan now."

I'm living in Canaan now, I'm glad to tell, I'm feeling well, I'm living in Canaan now.

So if you cannot come over to the beautiful land of N. S. to see where I dwell on earth, nothing can hinder you from giving o'er your doubts and fears and crossing over into the beautiful land of Canaan where I dwell spiritually. Thank the Lord! I have been home since August 1st, having, after camp-meeting, spent a few days at Grand Manan; a time which I enjoyed exceedingly. The people there used me admirably and I am glad that I ever met them.

I have accepted a call from the New Tuskent Church, which is three miles from my home, to become their pastor for the coming year. I have started into the work with no other expectation but victory and success, and the Lord has already been greatly blessing me in the declaration of His word.

I have utmost confidence in the Word as the means by which souls shall be convinced, convicted, converted, and sanctified. We are anticipating a quarterly meeting here in the near future, and if possible some special services to continue indefinitely, as the Lord directs.

We desire the prayers of God's people that we may receive an outpour from the skies upon this needy field, to result in the conversion of many sinners and the sanctification of believers.

My whole heart is in the work and my daily petition is that the coming year may be a very fruitful one among all our churches.

I am so glad that the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but MIGHTY through God, so if we use them according to requirements we can win victories. Amen.

Yours in His Service,
HANDLEY MULLEN,Norton, N. B.,
August 16th, 1911.

Dear Highway:—

I thought I would give you a short report of our work here.

Since coming back from Alliance I have visited the Head of Millstream and also preached there on August 6th, to a very attentive audience, and at the close of the meeting several rose for prayers. This church has given me a call for part of my time. At Case Settlement we have good gatherings and interest is good. At Norton the services are well attended and the outlook is encouraging for victory in the future.

Yours saved and kept,
T. W. MOSES

THE MAINE CAMPAIGN

September will be an interesting and important month in Canada because of the Dominion elections, but across the border, in the State of Maine, a campaign is going on and becoming intense which is of international importance, because of the influence the result may have upon other States and Provinces. The State is being called upon to indicate by ballot whether its people desire the Prohibition Law to be re-enacted or repealed. The very fact that all the rum forces of the State and nation are urging repeal is a tribute to the value of the law. Both the friends and enemies of the law are manifesting great activity. Amongst the temperance forces Miss Anna Gordon, vice-president at large of the W. C. T. U., has organized 25,000 school children into a Young Campaigners League. Songs and parades are being used by them in the campaign. The issue will be awaited with much interest.—The Wesleyan.

Among the Jews ten families in a community were allowed to build and maintain their own place of worship, how many families of saved Menonites would it take to maintain a place of worship and support their pastor if each one would give the tenth? If ten families would give the tenth to the pastor would he not have just as much as the average of the members, even after he himself had given his tenth likewise? Why do we then hear occasionally of pastors who quit the ministry and leave their flock on the plea of inadequate support? Is the ministry to be blamed or the laity, or both?

People whom the Lord has been blessing with more or less means, or a good paying job, and can then be careless or indifferent as to the support due their pastor, their shepherd, the Lord's servant, are robbers. To such God says, "Behold the hire of the laborers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth: and the cries of them which have reaped (the prayers of the faithful pastor, his wife and children) are entered into the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth." James 5:1-6.

What then shall such a pastor do? Why, "Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord." v. 7, 8. "Grudge not," v. 9. "Swear not," v. 12. "For we must all appear (be made manifest R. V.) before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad." 2 Cor. 5:10.

Then the miser who "hath done" evil will get his sentence, as well as the self-sacrificing, liberal saint his reward and the neglected faithful servant his crown. There everything will be squared up justly.

MARRIED.

At the Reformed Baptist Parsonage, Woodstock, N. B., on August 23th, by Rev. H. C. Archer, Frank B. Hamilton and Miss Maplet V. Palmer, both of Rosedale, Car. Co., N. B.

DEATHS

The death of Mrs. Mary E. Estabrooks occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. George A. Nevers, Grafton, N. B., on Sunday, August 27th. She was 85 years of age and leaves the following children: Mrs. Geo. Nevers, Grafton, N. B., Mrs. W. C. Watson, Victoria, B. C., Mrs. James F. Alcorn, Snohomish, B. C., Clarence and Rainsford of Gibson, N. B., Wellington, of Marysville, N. B., and Albert of Oromocto, N. B. Also one sister, Mrs. William Alcorn of Snohomish B. C., and one brother, David Logan, of St. John, besides a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn their loss. The deceased was the widow of the late Turney Estabrooks, who died some 17 years ago. She professed religion when quite young and united with the F. C. B. Church, of which she lived a worthy member, her life being one of much usefulness to those around her and one that always revealed the true spirit of the Master. For the past three years she has been a great sufferer, yet she never complained, but was always cheerful and bore her suffering with Christian fortitude. During her illness she would often speak of the time when she would be at rest, and considered her departure as going home and often expressed a desire for that time to come. Thus, when the end came all she had to do was to bid her friends good-bye, and closing her eyes, the soul took its flight to that home prepared in the many mansion realm above. The funeral service was held on Monday and was conducted by Rev. H. C. Archer. The remains were then taken to Grafton by train, where interment took place in the Sunny Bank Cemetery. Maritime Baptist please copy.

Died at Greenbush, N. B., on August 13th, after a lingering illness, John Thompkins, aged 64 years, leaving a wife and two children, Mrs. Gibson and Osbourn Thompkins. Also five sisters and one brother, Mrs. Geo. Hillman, Mrs. J. Glaspie, Mrs. Wallace Hoyt, Mrs. Chas. Grant, Mrs. I. Dickinson and David Thompkins. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. H. S. Dow of Hartland.

Died at Marysville, York Co., on July 30th, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William White, age 4 months. The service was conducted by Lic. F. T. Wright assisted by Rev. Mr. Berry, Methodist pastor and Rev. Mr. Thomas of St. John. Interment was made in the United Baptist Cemetery.

Died, at Woodstock, N. B., on Sunday, August 27th, Kathline, infant daughter of Harry and Mary Dickinson aged 5 months. Burial took place at Meductic.

AN EARLY BAPTISTRY

The Christian Herald says: Recent excavations on the summit of the Mount of Olives have brought to light the foundations of a church house dating from about 320 A. D. In a floor of the building is a baptismal font. The correspondent says: "In the middle of the floor of the south transept is a depression about four feet square, the bottom of which stands some two and a half feet below the common level of the transept's floor, with a gently rising rim around the opening. This must have served as an immersion pool or trough for baptism." This is another instance in which the spade has shown itself an ally of sound interpretation of the Bible. Although the world's scholarship, in all denominations, has practically conceded the Baptist claim of immersion as the original and only baptism, an occasional confirmation such as this is worth having.

He best knows his rights who can sometimes give them up.

ENTIRE SANCTIFICATION

Is it a definite work?

By General Booth.

The doctrine of entire sanctification is not altogether of good repute in the world. Many deem it heretical and nonsense. And it supposes a life of holiness and a cross of confession that are agreeable to carnal minds and the current associations and customs of the day. From these facts there is a natural tendency, in many convicted minds, to gloss some of these features, and even to give it the name of No-name.

But, beloved, beware! To be ashamed of Christ or His words is so shameful a transaction as to make the Lord ashamed of us His followers, before the Father and the Holy Angels.

The experience is a definite experience. It is not mere growing in grace—that will come. It is not trying to do better or be better, or feel better, but is a definite, distinct gift as clearly offered, and to be as clearly apprehended, and to be clearly received and realized as pardon. Purity is not desiring to be pure.

The experience has definite bounds. It is not mere justification. For if one sin is forgiven, all are forgiven. There is a sort of sanctification that is wrought at conversion. But even this is no sliding scale affair. It is as distinct and well-defined within itself, and in its relation to entire sanctification, as the moon is in itself and in its relation to the sun.

That first sanctification is the superb work whereby we "become as little children." The heart—the great moral centre—is brought back to a spiritual state and relationship, exactly like that of a child to its father. All the guilt of a life of sin is sanctified away by the blood of Jesus.

Conviction for entire sanctification is a definite conviction for a definite work—in whatever form it may come, and however befogged the relation of the mind thereto. The heart clearly apprehends that it is burdened and needs to have something done for it.

The faith for entire sanctification is a definite thing. It is not that life of faith which the converted person grows in the grace of which he is already possessed. Yet the two are not antagonists, but friends. They are not identical, or lost in each other. The faith for the second sanctification immediately follows a definite parting from sin, in all purpose and in all necessary outward form, and a complete devotement of every living power to God, forever. When this faith is exercised, it is specific and complete. Its office is distinct and complete. It embodies a special, distinct and completed movement of the will. It is clean-cut, precise, perfect or entire trust, reliance of the heart on Jesus, by which it appropriates His all-sufficient blood for the distinct work that is in hand.

Then the answering voice of our dear Lord is raised in the seeker's behalf: "I will; be thou clean." Not partially clean, almost clean, but clean.

The work is instantly and perfectly done. It is immediately done, and well done. The heart is cleansed, entirely sanctified, and stands complete in love! Hallelujah!

Then the Spirit definitely testifies that the work of entire satisfaction is wrought. It gives a new and intelligible testimony, not to some other work, nor to an indefinite work, but to the definite work of entire sanctification.

Now, let us forever cease all jumbling. If we are sanctified wholly by the blood of Jesus, let us give a clear testimony to it. And be sure to honor God by definite work on the line of holiness. Justification, blessings, and works—everything—should be taught on the line of holiness.

—From "Holiness Readings."