

HEART TO HEART TALKS

With My Patrons and Friends.

It is now over three months since I was laid off from work in the mill, but thanks to my friends I have been so far enabled to keep along without going into debt. As I have done the best I can, I am not ashamed to say that it has been the extra amount over and above the amount of their subscriptions sent me by tried and trusty friends whose sympathy was worth something more than the salutation—"How are you getting along, Martin," that has tidied me over.

It is this that has kept my courage up when I have often got nothing but contemptuous scowls or cold indifference from men, calling themselves gentlemen in the big hotels and some of the business houses when I asked them to buy a paper—gentlemen so gentle and refined, so smirking and self-satisfied that they have had their hearts refined away completely and think of nothing but their own pleasures. But, thank Heaven, I sell enough to friends to come to a dollar a week, which is something for me, but not enough to keep one of these nice gentlemen in cigars for one day.

Although I have not had steady occupation I have not been idle. I kept two stoves of my own going through the cold weather and attended to another institution. Lately I took another place, but I find that I shall not be able to attend to it.

While buck sawing and splitting wood is the last ditch for a man with one hand I am willing to do all I can at it—but there is a limit.

As to the coming summer I don't know what I shall do, now that the mill is burned, either for wood or work, but with all the wood saved it has cost me about \$20 extra for wood thus far.

I thank those old friends heartily who have been so prompt in remitting when I most needed it and the several new subscribers and new advertisers that I have received; and while Jordan is a hard road to travel I hope I have sufficient friends left who will keep the road in a condition so as I can travel it for a few years yet.

The friends who have sent in since last issue are David Richards, Nashwaak Village, \$1.00; H. H. Veysey, North Lake, York Co., 50cts.; Thos. Kent, St. George, N. B., 35cts.; Fred B. Butler, Butler P. O., Queens Co., \$1.00; Rev. Wm. Morrissey, Bartibogue Bridge, \$2.00; Geo. A. Inch, city, \$1.00; J. A. Pearson, Peel, Car. Co., 50cts.; A. L. Hitchings, Caribou, Aroostook Co., Maine, \$1.02; John Foster, Kingsley, York Co., 35cts.; John Adams, Wisely, York Co., 70cts.; Mrs. L. O'Leary, New Maryland, \$1.00; Felix McGurr, Oro mocto, \$1.00; Nellie Downing, Marysville, \$1.00; Mrs. L. McLean, Marysville, 35cts.; J. B. Moore, Box 23, McAdam Junction, 35cts. I also thank my friends for patronizing me so well on the Cammack poem.

Although my paper is small and only published monthly and I cannot at all times refer to my friends, and often when I do the notices are crowded out, I don't forget them, living or dead,—their prosperity always gives me happiness and their misfortunes sorrow. Many friends and acquaintances of mine during the past few months have passed away to the great un-

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known and among them the loss of such old and well remembered friends as Mrs. Edward King, Mr. David McCashion and Mrs. David Essansa, has occasioned me a genuine pang of regret. I wish also to extend my heartfelt sympathy to my good friend Mr. Howard Richards of Boiestown in his recent sad bereavement.

THE IRREPRESSIBLE CONFLICT.

"Inasmuch."

My lady's poodle rests on down,
Eats daintily, and, sated, sleeps;
An infant in an archway lies
On frosted stone, and starves—and weeps.

My lady's pets receives his friends
In curled and tasselled dignity;
The babe has but a cotton frock—
The cast-off rag of Charity.

My lady's pet is very ill
(The luncheon was too rich for him),
And white capped nurses lave his brow
And wait upon his lightest whim.

Methinks my lady must have heard
The story of that ancient plea—
"I saw Thee not an hunger'd, Lord;
Athirst, or sick, when saw I Thee?"

And hark! An echo from the past
Rings down through all eternity—
"Ye did it not to these, my lambs,
And so ye did it not to Me!"

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