

"On coming here last Dec. 1, I was told that the doors of the church had been closed for two months, and the church was divided, Sunday school also closed; and in fact, things were in a miserable condition every way. I did not intend remaining here when I first came, but only to preach a couple of sermons, and then I planned to go east to Vermont, to assist Bro. Vance with some revival meetings. Since the dear people here in whose hearts was the love of God thought it my duty to remain with them, and take the whole of the work here, I agreed to stay with them three months, which time expired March 13, and during that time things have assumed a different color. The church is again united and working well; the Sunday school has an average attendance of 45; and prayer meetings are well attended and fraught with life and interest. I conducted two weeks of revival meetings, during the winter, which was a time of soul-refreshing, and eight professed to find Christ, and some of them are candidates for baptism and will unite with the church. Also a number who had grown cold in the church and took no interest whatever are now full of life and love for God and the church. I have been engaged by the church for another year, and we look forward for better times in the church by the blessing of God.