

CORRESPONDENCE.

EATON, N. Y., Dec. 27th 1901.

Dear Editor of the HIGHWAY.—As it has been some time since I have written to the HIGHWAY you may think that I have lost interest in you; such is not the case. Every copy of the HIGHWAY is warmly welcomed at the parsonage, and is opened before any other paper. By the heading of this letter you will notice that we have moved since last writing. The change took place last fall.

Our conference met Oct. 2nd, in University Avenue church, Syracuse, N. Y., Bishop Fowler presiding. The session was a very interesting and profitable one. The Bishop's sermon on Sunday was the greatest I have ever heard. He ranks among the great preachers of America. His grasp of truth and power, of oratory are certainly marvelous.

Before going to conference I had decided on a change. Although I had the opportunity of returning to W. Eaton had I thought best. I desired to come to Eaton in view of the educational advantages I would enjoy here. The appointment was made. We moved on one Friday and the next Tuesday I was in school, a month late but eager for the work. Thus I have been preaching two or three sermons a Sunday and taking full theological work besides attending funerals, wedding etc. The Lord has strengthened me for the work and my health was never better than at present.

We have an excellent charge. Eaton is only 2½ miles from W. Eaton, on the O. & W. R. R. Has a population of six or seven hundred. Here we have three churches, Baptist, Congregational and Methodist. An excellent spirit exists between the churches and Union services are held every month. I came here not as a stranger as I had preached to the people before and was personally acquainted with many of them. Already we have had many tokens of appreciation. The interest in our services is increasing. Our class and prayer meeting are well attended and are seasons of blessings. There is one old man in the church of whom I must speak particularly. When young he was an awful drinker and a scented fighter. When about 24 he was gloriously saved and afterwards sanctified. God has kept him all these years and at the age of 72 his face beams with the joy of the Lord. His Amens and Hallelujahs are an inspiration to me. I sometimes think he would make some of the cold Methodists uncomfortable by the way he extols the blood of Jesus. His life is a strong rebuke to sin. The most godless in this village are ready to admit that Rodney Hamilton is a Christian if ever there was one. Only yesterday I went into his little shop and he said come in brother I am having a comp-meeting here, so we had a good time together in prayer and praise. Such a man in the church instead of being a thorn in the flesh, is a mighty help and inspirator to a pastor.

Our Xmas tree held on Xmas Eve was a pleasant event. A short programme was carried out and numerous presents distributed; the pastor and family being generously remembered.

About the school I am attending, it is a Baptist institution, one of the oldest and best in the denomination. I am in Theological department of Colgate University. The university has upwards of 400 in all departments and is the most heavily endowed institution of its size in U. S. The Spirit of the school is excellent. Far less pride and rowdiness here than you will find at some little schools that go by the name of universities. The professors are able men, some of them having more than an national reputation for scholarship. Of course being a Methodist and a stranger I naturally felt a little diffident on entering but the warm Christian greeting of the boys soon made me feel at ease. Moreover I found here several Canadians from N. B. and P. E. I. One of the first men I met was Bro. Buchanan who had attended Normal School with brother-in-law, W. L. Tracy. I soon became acquainted with Messrs. Campion and Erb, who graduated at U. N. B., the year after Mr. Tracey entered that institution. The atmosphere of the seminary is truly religious. Every class is opened with prayer and there is an elevating influence in all the work. We have the privilege of hearing the best men from Harvard and other institutions who come to our school to lecture. I hope to



A LETTER FROM SOUTH AFRICA.

410a POINT ROAD, Durban, Natal.

Nov. 28th, 1901.

Dear Young Friends:—At last your missionaries are in Africa, and while Faith and Paul are so young their mother and I must do all their letter writing, I think if you should see them, they would already have much to tell you. Their first adventure, on arriving in Durban, was a ride in a rickshaw, like this photograph. There are over a thousand such carts in this city, all drawn by Zulu men or youths. These through the streets seven days in the week, and carriage horses are not very common.

Mr. Suter, the missionary who teaches us the Zulu language, has recently returned from a visit to some mission stations. At one of these he baptized a score of converts, among whom was a girl twelve years old. When he asked her what it meant to follow Jesus, she thought a while and replied: "to follow Jesus is to

graduate at Drew, our own institution in New Jersey. I feel to thank God for the privileges he has given me here. I recognize the fact that head knowledge amounts to little unless we know God, but a pious ignorant man who speaks disparagingly of education can do little good in the world. I prize above all else the knowledge I have of God in Christ Jesus. I thank God I am not afraid of his will. I would rather have the will of God done in and thro me than anything else. When the Lord sanctified me he anchored my soul. The grand verities of religion I believe in with all my heart. The speculation of doubt and rationalism do not trouble me because "I know whom I have believed." I sometimes feel that I am a poor exponent of the doctrine of full salvation, but I would not give it up for a good deal for had I not yielded to God I tremble to think where I would have been today.

May the Lord bless the Holiness movement in N. B. Love to all the brethren. Yours in Jesus,

W. E. SMITH.

Dear Highway:—Some of the dear friends may be glad to hear from Robie, at least, we feel like mingling our praise and thanksgiving to God with yours, for all the blessings of the past year, and especially for those we are enjoying just now.

It is a present salvation, a glorious salvation, and a full and free salvation; that brings souls to Christ, believers into the experience of sanctification, and our own hearts into union and fellowship with the great High Priest of our profession. Glory! God has been showing us our privileges in Christ, ambassadors for Him, how we ought to appreciate our calling. We have been holding a ten-days meeting in California, N. B., five or six miles from here. God has honored our efforts, and a goodly number have been converted or reclaimed.

We have, perhaps, startled some people with our songs of victory along the road, and in the meetings too, perhaps; but we had it in our souls, and it would sing out.

Conviction is on the people, and we believe the good work begun there is to go on. We mean to do our part, the Lord opening the way for us. We held an interesting meeting at Aroostook Junction, Tuesday night, Jan. 7th. Eleven from Robie were present. A number rose for prayers. We believe the good seed was sown, and we are trusting God with results. I wish to add my testimony right here. God is blessing my soul. I am learning of Him the way more perfectly. The blood cleanses, and His Spirit sanctifies me just now. Hallelujah!

BERTHA A. VARNEY.

leave all we loved in our old life." Though so young, yet she was a bright Christian, Mr. Suter said.

He told us, also, of a heathen chief whose daughter is a Christian. At first her father opposed her, but later said to the missionary: "I wish my two sons were like my Christian daughter; and, I too, would like to be a Christian, but I fear that my people would laugh at me." A short time after this he came again to see the missionary, and said: "I now wish to become a Christian, will you give me the medicine to make me one?" This seems ridiculous to us, but this dark heathen really believed that doctors' medicine could change his sinful nature.

Let us thank our heavenly Father that we all know of the Great Physician, who can cure the sin-sick soul. And don't forget to pray for these who sit in heathen darkness.

With Xmas greetings to all, I am,
Ever your friend,
H. C. SANDERS, M. D.

MEDUCTIC, N. B., Jan'y 15th, 1902.

Dear Highway:—Just a few lines from this place to say that the work goes on here about as usual. We are attending to the regular work. Our services are well attended, and are seasons of blessing. At this place we held a missionary meeting, on evening of Jan. 7th, assisted by Bro. G. B. Macdonald, and at the close a society was organized with seventeen members and a good staff of officers. We expect to organize others on the circuit, in the near future. We spent a few days during Christmas times, at Moncton, which passed very pleasantly. We found Bro. and Sister Greenlaw well and enjoying the work. Bro. G. is well liked by the people, and is doing good work for the Master. My testimony is—saved and kept by the power of God.

Your brother in work.

H. C. ARCHER.

MONCTON, Jan 10th, 1902.

Dear Bro. Macdonald,—I thought I would pen you a few lines and let you know that we are yet in the land of the living. And are alive and doing well. My health has not been very good since coming here, but have been able to attend all my regular appointments, and God has blessed the efforts put forth. We have seen backsliders reclaimed; sinners saved and believers sanctified since coming to this field, and the work moving steadily on. We feel that we are in the will of God and in the place he would have us be.

We are well cared for by the churches on this circuit. We were well remembered Xmas. Santa Claus brought me a fine pilot cloth overcoat, and a purse of eleven dollars cash beside several other things of less value. Mrs. Greenlaw got several gifts consisting of money, silverware and articles of clothing etc. We feel very grateful to them for such tangible proofs of their love and confidence. We are praying that we may be so filled with the Holy Spirit, that we may minister to them faithfully of the rich things of the Kingdom. Wishing you and all the dear brethren prosperity.

We remain your brother and sister in Christ.

S. GREENLAW, AND WIFE.

My address is Hartland, Carleton Co., N. B. But I am living in Canaan now, and the fruit of the land tastes good this morning. Hallelujah! Dear readers of the HIGHWAY, as I have been sick and not able to be out for ten days, I thought I would like to tell you how wife and I spent Christmas. In the Gospel by Luke, chap. 24, verse 13, you will find our invited guests, and to the praise of the good Lord, we had those at dinner, and it would have pleased you to see them enjoying it. When dinner was over, we all knelt down, and five of them asked the giver of all good to provide for all such. One of our invited guests, a deaf and dumb friend, was sick and unable to

attend, but a box was filled and expressed to him, and the dinner is over.

Will our readers do likewise?

A. THORNTON.

Dear Highway—I wish to remind you that God is wonderfully blessing us in this part of the field. Although since last Alliance several of our members were led toward the shiloh brethren, yet we have been able by the blessing of God to raise our indebtedness and our prayer meetings are good and Sabbath school a success, also I am having victory at Baily's Mistake, where I go to preach about every Sabbath afternoon returning home for the evening. We are looking forward to a visit from our missionary Bro. Coy. I have constant victory in my soul.

Yours in the work,

Z. B. GRASS.

WORK AT WOODSTOCK CONTINUED.

The special meetings in our church have continued with blessed results. Since we last reported, there have been quite a number converted, some reclaimed, and some sanctified wholly. During the week of prayer there were 24 converted, and so far this week, there have been 10 converted. And so the good work goes on. To God be all the glory. Hallelujah!

W. B. WIGGINS.

EVANGELISTIC FUND.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Dec. 24th 1901.

Mrs. Wm. Everett, Burnt Land Brook,	\$ 4.00
St. John Church,	\$10.00
	\$14.00

E. COSMAN, Treasurer.

The above is all the Evangelistic Committee has received for our field Evangelist. The Alliance engaged Bro. G. B. Macdonald for their field Evangelist. He has laboured since the Alliance as such, and done good work and has received fourteen dollars. Now brethren is that using our Evangelist right? I am sure you all will say no. The churches have been requested to pay a certain amount, each of them. Now brethren I hope before the next issue of the HIGHWAY we will have at least one hundred dollars to acknowledge. Let every one say I will give to the fund, and do it immediately, also the churches. The pastors of the churches ought to bring this to the notice of their congregations, and secure the amount the are requested to give.

E. C.

CHRISTMAS GIFTS.

We wish to acknowledge the kindness of the church and congregation at Seal Cove, for a Christmas gift of a silver Waltham watch, which I appreciate more than mere words can express; also their gift to Mrs. Baker of a sum of money, we are kept under obligations to the people of this pastorate for their many kindnesses to us. Several of our members at North Head also expressed their good will by presents, among them a nice rattan rocking chair from Brother and sister McLean, and a fine turkey without which the Christmas dinner would not be complete, was the gift of Sister Bancroft, a fruit cake the gift of Sister Fearagle filled its place in our bill of fare, and many other gifts of a practical character from several members of the churches to which we minister, and from friends in St. John and Lowell Mass, for all of which we wish to express sincere thanks.

S. A. BAKER.

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Highway Acknowledgments.

Mrs. Abram Thurston, Sandford, N.S., Dec 1902; Chas A Hoyt, Millville, N. B., Dec 1901; Mrs H J Brown, Clear Lake, Wash, Jan 1903; Mrs George Dawe, Ont. Dec 1901; Miss Bertha Lewis, Moncton, Dec 1901; Mrs Chas James, Moncton, Dec 1902; Miss Alice Wolverton, Mich, Dec 1902; E A Hartley, Centreville, Sept 1902; Mrs Sarah Tedlie L Brighton, Dec 1902; Elias Belyea, Round Hill, Dec 1901; Mrs Richard Rogers, Medford, May 1902; Mrs Elijah Estabrooks, Fredericton, Dec 1902; Timothy W Smith, Mapleton, Dec 1902; Mrs John W C Grant, Houlton, Jan 1903; W H McLean, North Head, May 1902; Emery Jordan, North Head, Dec 1902; Sydney Bancroft, North Head, July 1902; L C Watt, North Head, Dec 1902; Nathaniel Beal, North Head, July 1902; Mrs Fred Nutter, Woodfords, Dec 1901; Mrs Geo Berry, Sussex, July 1902; Mrs Wm Cosman, Vancouver, Dec 1902; Mrs Woodford Wright, Upper Southampton, Jan 1903; C P Phillips, Greenbush, Dec 1902; Mrs Wm Nason, Nackawick, June 1900; Mrs M Durham, Sheridan, Jan 1903; Mrs D C Grass, Wasset, Dec 1902; R Cann, Brenton, Aug 1901; Mrs H Sabean, New Tuxedo, Dec 1902; Chas Watt, Castalia, Jan 1903; M McNeil, Durham Bridge, Dec 1901; Mrs W E Carter, W Pembroke, Dec 19 2; Miss Augusta Smith, Hampton, Oct 1901; David Irvine, jr, Knoxford, Dec 1902; Miss Amelia Simonds, Azgyle, Dec 1901; Mrs J R Reid, St John, Dec 1902; G F Case, St John, Dec 1902; E Cosman, St John, Dec 1902; Dr E O Cosman, Minneapolis, Dec 1902; John Kimball, St John, Dec 1902; Mrs S A Fowler, St John, Jan 1903; Miss A Seelye, St John, July 1902; Miss Maria Scribner, St John, March 1902; Mrs Leigh Goodrich, Goodrich, Jan 1903; Mrs Geo P Sherwood, Norton, Jan 1903; Mrs P S Gogin, Moncton, Jan 1903; Edward Hillman, Greenbush, Dec 1902; A L Baird, Hartland, July 1902; Mrs Jessie Shaw, Hartland, July 1902; Mrs A A Tracy, Hartland, Dec 1902; Mrs M H Miller, Hartland, Dec 1902; Mrs Dorien Gray, Hartland, May 1902; Mrs G R Burt, Hartland, Dec 1902; Mrs M E Thornton, Hartland, Dec 1902; A Thornton, Hartland, Dec 1902; G M Shaw, Hartland, April 1902; Joseph McGee, Somerville, Dec 1901.

Ministers and Churches.

Pastor M. S. Trafton reports 'the interest good in the work at St. John, and encouraging prospects for the future. A freewill offering taken for the benefit of the church last Sabbath, Jan. 5th, amounted to fifty dollars.

Pastor S. A. Baker is faring well on his circuit, as you will see in another column. He is about commencing special services which, we trust, will secure great victory for God and the churches.

Pastor C. H. Archer is doing well on his circuit, though the recent rise of water having prevented crossing, leaves him under a disadvantage in his work.

Assisted by Evangelist G. B. Macdonald he organized a Missionary society at Meductic recently, which bids fair to do good work.

G. B. Macdonald is assisting Pastor W. H. Sherwood at Calais. We will report in next issue. We hope Calais church with its pastor will be made glad by the enjoyment of a good extensive revival. It will come if prayed down.

We see by report of Pastor Z. B. Grass that Lubec church is doing well.

The Hartland circuit remembered their pastor in the gift of a new suit of clothes, a very suitable and much appreciated gift. The people of this circuit know how to do a good thing, and they are modest in doing it. They bring the pastor under great obligation by their kind thoughtful attention. God bless them.

We have no trace of Rev. J. H. Coy. Probably his report will turn up next issue. We hope he will not forget the church at the Mercer Settlement, it needs help. Let the brethren pray for the faithful there, and those who can, go as well as pray. We had better not talk of church extension until we look after the ground already occupied.

We are looking for report of victory in the work in Nova Scotia. We hope God is leading Bros. Allaby and Hilyard to success in the work.

SOME TIME.

Some time, when all life's lessons have been learned,
And sun and stars forevermore have set;
The things which our weak judgment here has spurned—
The things o'er which we grieved with lashes wet—
Will flash before us, out of life's dark night,
As stars shine most in deeper tints of blue;
And we shall see how all God's plans were right,
And how what seemed reproof, was love most true.

And we shall see that, while we frown and sigh,
God's plans go on as best for you and me;
How, when we called, He heeded not our cry,
Because His wisdom to the end could see;
And as wise parents disallow,
Too much of sweet to craving babyhood,
So God, perhaps, is keeping from us now,
Life's sweetest things, because it seemeth good.

And if, some time, commingled with life's wine,
We find the wormwood, and rebel and shrink,
Be sure a wiser hand than yours or mine,
Pours out this potion for our lips to drink;
And if some friend we love is lying low,
Where human kisses cannot reach his face,
Oh! do not blame the loving Father so,
But bear your sorrow with obedient grace.

And you shall shortly know that lengthened breath,
Is not the sweetest gift God sends His friend,
And that sometimes, the sable pall of death
Conceals the fairest boon his love can send.

If we could push ajar the gates of life,
And stand within, and all God's working see,
We could interpret all this doubt and strife,
And for each mystery find a key.

But not to-day, then be content, poor heart!
God's plans, like lilies pure and white, unfold;
We must not tear the close-shut leaves apart:

Time will reveal the calyxes of gold.
And if, through patient toil, we reach the land
Where tired feet, with sandals loose, may rest,

Where we shall clearly know and understand,
I think that we shall say, "God knew the best."

—AUTHOR UNKNOWN.