

Mrs. L. Wilson
Dear Love

THE KING'S HIGHWAY.

PLEDGE

Toward Paying for Balmoral Farm.

On or before June 1st, 1906, I promise to pay to the Treasurer of the Reformed Baptist Missionary Board \$2.50, to pay for one acre of the Missionary Farm situated near Paulpietersburg, South Africa.
(Signed)

Cut this out and sign it and mail it to the Rev. S. A. Baker, Hartland, N. B.

FREQUENT PRAYER.

Prayer is the key to open the day, and the bolt to shut in the night. But as the clouds drop the early dew and the evening dew upon the grass, yet it would not spring and grow green by that constant and double falling of the dew, unless some great shower at certain seasons did supply the rest; so the customary devotion of prayer twice a day is the falling of the early and latter dew. But if you will increase and flourish in works of grace, empty the great cloud sometimes, and let them fall in a full shower of prayer. Choose out seasons, when prayer shall overflow like Jordan in time of harvest.—Bishop Taylor.

LYING VANITIES.

Whatever the inducement was that caused Jonah to take ship for Tarshish instead of Nineveh, as he was commanded of God, he evidently saw to be "lying vanities" when he saw in the true light. "They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy." Jon. 2-8. So the man has ever found who forsake the work of God for temporal gains or pleasures or ease. A man called of God to the exalted position of a preacher of the gospel should never let any inducement cause him even to look back, remembering our Lord's awful declaration, "No man having put his hand to the plow and looking back is fit for the kingdom of God."

NO SUBSTITUTES WILL DO.

There is no substitute that will take the place of obedience with God, and yet how many people are endeavoring to get around the thing made plain to them to be the will of God, offering God some service, or gift, as a substitute. How utterly fruitless is all this effort. "Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward part: For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it." Psa. 51; 6:16. Brother: Stop, and meet the requirement, it is great folly to offer a substitute. If God wants you at Nineveh, don't try to go to Tarshish.

The Churches, Which are Enduring.

As far as we now know about all the churches which are standing the test of wordliness surrounding them are the sein which the experience of holiness has so effectually weaned the members from all love of the world that they are untouched by the temptations from the world and if our estimate of the situation is correct there is a lesson for those pastors who do not seek with all possible energy to lead their people into this experience.—Wesleyan Methodist.

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If a preacher goes to the place of his choice, instead of the place God appoints him, he will make a lot of trouble for himself and for others. A whole ship's crew could not row Jonah to land, but were compelled to throw him overboard to save their own lives and the ship.

CORRESPONDENCE.

PAULPIETERSBURG, Natal, South Africa, June 15th, 1906.

Dear Highway,—We wish to join with others in adding our congratulations to your editor and wife, at the recent anniversary of their marriage, and pray they may be spared, if it can be our Father's will, to celebrate their 50th anniversary and that the coming years, may as the past be full of good works for the master, winning many precious souls from sin, and leading others into the blessed experience of full salvation.

Bro. and Sister Sanders and family left us yesterday for a five days stay among the people at the Pongola. They will have the opportunities, they have long wished for, of preaching to the hundreds who do not come here.

We are praying that as the result of this work many trophies may be won for Jesus. We are glad to be able to make it possible for them to go, and fill the place here, as best we can. We are managing nicely to understand the people and they us, though it is most a puzzle sometimes. One woman came this morning to have a tooth extracted. After I performed this for her, and applied medicine in the cavity, which they always want, she went on her way rejoicing. A man came for medicine which was given him, this pleased him greatly. The wants are numerous, some say they come to beg, they will want a piece of cloth, thread or a needle to patch their blankets etc. while some want a sweet potato. Every piece of cotton or wool cloth is readily disposed of in this way, so nothing is thrown away.

Many of our friends wish to know something of the native rebellion in this Colony. No doubt others get reports through the home papers, and know that Bambata one of the chiefs, has been hiding in the thorne forest for some time with many followers, and causing much trouble. The last telegraphic report says "a big fight took place in the bush Sunday June 10th, which began at day break and lasted until dusk. The estimated losses of the enemy, at least 350. Bambata escaped though his horse was shot, and reports say he is wounded, his bandolier and pistol which he dropped were taken. Five horses shot and two taken. The enemy appears to be absolutely demoralised. One European killed and several seriously wounded." Amid all those troublesome times, our Father has verified his promise through us, and kept us in perfect peace. We know the dear ones in the home land are holding us up in the arms of faith in prayer, and that the everlasting arms are around us. Our work has not been hindered in the least by this disturbance, and the natives around here are very quiet. But we hope this trouble may end very soon. Others have fled to the towns and cities for protection but we have stayed at our post, believing this to be our duty, and as we have trusted our Father in the past, we still trust Him to carry us through safely. We are having ideal weather, scarcely any frost, no rains and during the day it is much like summer weather at home.

We praise the Lord for his great goodness to us and for the privilege of working for him in this dark land.

Yours in Jesus love,

IDA M. KIERSTED.

HARTLAND, N. B., July 28th, 1906.

Dear Highway,—Perhaps a word from us would be in order at this time. After leaving Beulah we went back to Grand Manan and spent a few days in getting our things ready to move. On Sunday 15th inst. we had the privilege of meeting again with the churches and preached to them the word, the Lord wonderfully blessing us all. On the 18th inst. we took our leave from them, but we shall always be indebted to the friends on the Island, for their kindness to us while we were laboring among them, and shall never forget the love and friendship which existed between pastor and people. We left the boat at St. Stephen and after shipping our goods we started with the team across the country for a three days drive coming via: Lawrence and Harvey Station and then to the St. John River. Here we had the pleasure of meeting some of the friends, and former co workers, at Southampton, Greenbush and Meductic. Leaving the last named place on Saturday morning we arrived here in

the afternoon a little tired after driving in the heat so far, but we enjoyed the drive very much as the country is very beautiful through which we passed. We are very busy these days getting things settled in the home and also attending to the duties of the pastor as well. On the afternoon of 27th inst., about fifty of the friends here gathered at our home to welcome us to their midst, among whom were two old saints of God, Sisters Boyer and Miller, aged respectively 88 and 85 years. We were much pleased to meet these sisters again as also so many of our old friends and also to meet some for the first time. The sisters having brought their baskets along well filled with good things, soon began to spread the tables on the lawn and soon all present were invited to sit down to an enjoyable meal. After supper the praying band having brought their small organ along with them started to praise God in song which was joined in by all present. We have hardly yet got started in the work here but wish to say that we are glad to find so strong a band of workers in the churches. Personally we are enjoying salvation full and free.

Your Brother in Work,

H. C. ARCHER.

PAULPIETERSBURG, Natal, South Africa, June 4th, 1906.

Dear Highway,—No doubt a description of a christian burial in this dark land would be of interest to you. Maria, one of our christian women last Friday, lost one of her twin babies, which was about two months old. She accidentally lay upon it while sleeping at night and killed it. So a man was sent to Dr. Sanders to find out our laws of burial. A cloth was provided by Sister Sanders to wrap the remains in; instructions were given and the native returned home to dig the grave and make preparations for the funeral. On Saturday morning Dr. Sanders and the writer went up to preach to the people and perform the christian rites. The little grave had been dug in the centre of the kraal and they had killed a goat and were dressing it when we arrived there. Upon inquiry we found it is a native custom to always kill an animal of some kind on the occasion of a death. Some pots were made ready and in one was placed the quarters of the goat, together with the head and hoofs, to cook. The contents of the stomach was then emptied but they did not seem to think it necessary to wash them, the digested food that remained, we suppose, was to answer the place of spice. The stomach was cut up and with the liver, heart and lungs put into another pot. The head man, grandfather of the deceased, then asked the Dr. what was to be done with the rest of the meat. He seemed to have an idea that the christians disposed with it in a different way from the natives. A native christian present informed him that the cooking and eating of meat has nothing to do with a christian burial. So the intestines were cut up and with some fat divided among the women. They did not take the trouble to empty the contents but placed them near the fire to roast. The head man then asked the Dr. what was to be done with the gall and was told he could throw it away or do as he wished. We learn that at heathen weddings an animal is killed and the gall is taken care of and some weeks after they return and burn it; thus it plays an important part in the ceremony. We suppose, according to heathen customs, it must have some place in their burial ceremony also. The people being then gathered we went on with the service. After singing and prayer the Dr. spoke a few moments. The writer then followed with a few words after which each christian present, including the mother of deceased, testified or exhorted the people. The little one was then wrapped in a native mat made of grass and placed in the grave after a few rags had been thrown in the bottom. A goat skin on top completed the covering. The tin box the baby drank from was then placed in the grave and after the usual christian burial service had been read and benediction pronounced the grave was filled up. The Dr. afterwards explained to them that the child would have no further use for drinking cups. This is the first christian burial in this place so we can't wonder that the people are not entirely free from heathen notions. The outlook for the success of the work

is continuing to brighten. A young man and boy were baptized yesterday and they, with a girl who was baptized before, were taken into the church. Thirty-five were present at the services and fourteen partook of the Lord's supper.

Swart Boy, the father of u Martha, whose kraal is in sight of our house, was here to church for the first time since we arrived, and said he desired greatly to believe. We ask you to unite with us in prayer that real conviction may take hold of the people and that many may "be turned from darkness to light and from the power of satan unto God." We are having victory in our souls. The precious blood cleanseth from all sin and the Holy Spirit abides.

Yours in holy love,

I. F. KIERSTED.

NORTH HEAD, Grand Manan,

July 27, 1906.

Dear Highway,—We are here on this field of labor, in the providence of God. Arrived here from St. Stephen Thursday, 19th. Kind friends met us at the wharf. The churches here and at Seal Cove seem to appreciate our coming. We had good representative congregations on Sunday 22nd, and we believe the day was very profitably spent. The people are very kind to us, and already we are beginning to feel at home among them. We were sorry to part with the many friends at Beals. The spiritual ties, which, during the past three years have bound us to them, have been very strong and sacred and it was only after much prayer and quiet waiting upon God to know His precious will that we gave up the pastoral care of the people at Beals. We trust that a better and wiser man can be secured by them, and that the work we relinquished there may be pushed on with greater success. We trust the way may open that we may visit them again in their Quarterly conference in September.

We are arranging to move here soon. Pleasant and comfortable rooms have been secured and we trust that ere long we shall be in a position to take hold of the pastoral work with a measure of success.

Mrs. Bubar and Miss Rita are well. They send greetings to all their friends.

Yours in Gospel bonds,

A. L. BUBAR.

THE CHRISTIAN'S STRENGTH.

I crossed the ocean on a powerful steamship, which weighed more than 20,000 tons, and pushed her way against wind and wave at the rate of over twenty knots an hour. I could not see the propelling force; that was hidden deep down in the glowing furnaces, helped constantly with fresh coal. That illustrates the spiritual life of every strong, healthy, growing Christian; his strength is measured by the inward supply of Divine grace. The spiritual force and progress of a growing Christian prove that his life is hid with Jesus Christ. Happy are you if your neighbors who can see you every day can know by your outward conduct that your inner life is fed by an unseen Christ.—Cuyler.

"RIGHTEOUS OVER MUCH."

Depends on the kind you have.

There are two kinds—Man-made and Christ-made. Tremendous difference.

The Counterfeit; any is over much.

The Genuine; can never be over much. Many do not know the two apart; hence they flippantly talk about "too much religion."

Sure sign they know not the Christ kind.

The more you have of that, the better.

The more you have of it, the more you want.

That is the evidence you have of it.

Then you will want to spread it.

Spreading it is the condition of keeping it.—Selected by E. S. Dunham.

People who really love Jesus and each other, and delight in the fellowship and service of God, are not clamoring for half hour sermons, and short testimony meetings. They rather wish they could "dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

Rev. Aaron Hartt and wife expect to be at Riverside Camp Meeting.

HOW TO KNOW GOD.

"Be still and know that I am God."

One of the reasons why men do not know God, is that in this world of clatter and activity he cannot get them still enough to speak to. We are too restless and impatient. This is not the stillness of indifference, but of attentive, patient listening. It means the bringing under of the human, so that the divine may be known. It is the only way to really know God. When we are still before him, all our doings are stopped; all our noise has ceased; all our fussing has come to an end, and we are there to receive—not something to use, but a knowledge of himself, as he makes his presence real banishing doubts and fears and cares and pouring himself by the Holy Ghost into the soul with floods of divine glory, without hindrance on our part. This is indeed the place of "holy quietness" where and when God does his greatest work in the soul. Beloved, "Be still and know God."—Sel.

SOUL SAVING.

It is said of the learned John Smith that "he had resolved to lay aside other studies and to travail for the salvation of men's souls, after whose good he most earnestly thirsted." Of Alleine, author of the "Alarm to Unconverted Sinners," it is said that "he was infinitely and insatiably greedy of the conversion of souls, and to this end he poured out his very heart in prayer and preaching." Bunyan said, "In my preaching I could not be satisfied unless some proofs did appear in my work." "I would think it a greater happiness," said Matthew Henry, "to gain one soul to Christ than mountains of silver and gold to myself." If I do not gain souls I shall enjoy all other gains with very little satisfaction, and I would rather beg my bread from door to door than undertake this great work." Doddridge writing to a friend remarks, "I long for the conversion of souls more sensibly than anything besides. Methinks I could not only labor, but die for it with pleasure."

We thank God that all can have an experience so well founded, that even the flood swollen streams of temptation, wordliness, fashion and affliction of every variety, cannot even shake. The conditions are; "Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them," Luke 7-47. Cometh, heareth, doeth.

A great many people are tempted because they love that which they are tempted to do so well that they put themselves in the way of the temptation. "Drawn away of his own lust and enticed," James 1-14.

Some people circle around a loved sin as a little miller about a burning lamp, until they fall into the fire. They give their life for the thing they love.

The reproaches that accompany the experience of holiness, is the only reason that many hundreds do not seek "the pearl of great price". They think the price is too great.

Entire Sanctification, is the great blessing that every truly justified soul is yearning for.

A testimony meeting without real heart in it is weariness to the flesh, and drought to the spirit.

The man who possesses what he preaches, and testifies to, will make those to whom he speaks feel that the thing is true, without trying. He who preaches and testifies that which he possesses not, will reveal his emptiness by his trying to convince the people that he has the blessing.

The Holy Spirit in a man testifies of his presence, for his power will be manifested. Heart speaks to heart.