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WOODSTOCK, N. B., FEB. 15, 1908.

POLITICAL REFORM.

A convention was called by the Protestant clergymen of Woodstock on the 11th inst, in connection with the moral and social reform movement. A circular letter was sent to all the Protestant ministers of Carleton county asking their personal attendance and co-operation, with two lay delegates from each pastorate. To which call a strong representation responded and passed resolutions unanimously condemning the present system of bribery and corruption practiced in political elections, and pledged themselves to do all in their power to do away with these demoralizing practices which are certainly a blot on the character of the country.

COMMISSIONER COOMBS.

Commissioner Coombs, the head of the Salvation Army in the Dominion of Canada, visited Woodstock on the 13th inst, and preached in the Reformed Baptist church at 3 p. m. to a large and deeply interested audience.

He took for his text James 4-14, "What is your life?" and dealt with it under the following headings: 1st, Is your life a converted life? 2nd, What sort of a life ought your life to be? 3rd, What sort of a life can your life be? 4th, What sort of a life shall your life be? 5th, Is your life a holy life; have you been saved from the remnants of the carnal mind?

It was a plain, practical, logical and scriptural discourse which was listened to by those present with marked attention. Several came to the altar.

In the evening he gave a lecture at the opera house illustrated by moving pictures.

MISSIONARY REST FUND.

We trust the friends who still feel like helping us in giving our missionaries a much needed assistance will forward the amount the Lord prompts them to give to me at once, as we have already forwarded the passage money and need more than we now have to meet it. We have now about five hundred and twenty-five dollars and we need at least eighty more.

Miss Lizzie Jonah \$3.

M. S. Trafton, Treas.

MINISTERS AND CHURCHES.

The Fort Fairfield Praying Band spent Sunday, the 2nd inst. at Blaine, Me., and enjoyed a good day.

Brother S. Harleigh Clark has returned from Nova Scotia and is now assisting Rev. H. H. Cosman at Beals, Me.

Can we raise six hundred dollars to put an evangelist in the field for 1908? A suitable man and his wife can be obtained who will work among our churches and also in new fields, if that amount of money can be obtained for the purpose.

The 1st district quarterly meeting will be held with the church at Woodstock March 12-15. We wish to make it a good old time holiness meeting, and cordially invite a full delegation from all the churches in the district. All the ministers are especially requested to attend.

The Meductic Union Praying Band are pressing the evangelistic work with fervent zeal.

Rev. G. B. MacDonald went to Grand Manan on the 7th inst.

Licentiate P. L. Cosman returned from Beals and has taken up his work again at Royalton.

Pastor S. A. Baker received six persons into the membership of the Woodstock church on the 2nd inst. and baptised three persons on the 9th inst.

Rev. P. J. Trafton closed his special services at Fort Fairfield on the 2nd inst. He gave the hand of fellowship to two new members. He will assist Rev. G. B. Trafton at Marysville in special meetings.

Rev. Henry Smith reports good meetings at Calais. A holiness cottage prayer meeting is being held at St. Stephen. Last week it was held at the home of Sister R. M. Dow.

Rev. H. H. Cosman reports his work as encouraging, and he is gaining ground. His son, Licentiate P. L. Cosman, made a good impression upon the people during his visit to Beals. Brother Clark arrived there on the 8th.

Sunday, the 9th inst, was a good day at Millville. Pastor S. Greenlaw was unable to get to his other preaching stations on account of bad roads. This has been a hard winter for pastors of large circuits.

Rev. C. S. Hilyard had the misfortune to lose, in the late storm, his fine gasoline boat that so many had the pleasure of sailing in while attending Beulah camp meeting last summer.

Rev. J. G. Nickerson is assisting in revival services in the vicinity of Boston, Mass. He will return to Yarmouth the last of this month. He will not continue pastor there any longer; his people have given up the Yarmouth mission.

Rev. A. W. Morrell has been giving an interesting series of illustrated sermons at Hartland, which large audiences have enjoyed very much.

The special meetings at Hartland still continue with good interest. Bro. Archer has been laid by with a bad cold, so he could not attend the meetings on Sunday, the 9th inst, but is better now.

We are glad to learn that Rev. A. L. Bubar has so far recovered as to be able to resume his pastoral duties.

Rev. J. H. Coy came home from Lower Southampton on the 12th. Sister Coy arrived home from Bangor on the same date. Her health is improved, but not so fully as desired.

The interest in the special meetings at Hartland continues good. Rev. A. W. Morrell will remain until the 22nd inst, after which he will assist Pastor S. A. Baker at Woodstock.

We expect that Dr. and Mrs. Saunders and family are starting on their home voyage from South Africa by this time. They will make their headquarters at Port Maitland, N. S.

they will keep house and it is hoped that their friends in Nova Scotia can lend them such articles of furniture as they will need during their stay, and only having to buy such things as they will need to take with them when they return to Africa. Pray that they may have a safe passage home.

OBITUARY

It is with sadness that we record the death of our brother, Sidney Bancroft, who died at his home at North Head, Grand Manan, on Feb. 8th at noon, 1908, in the 65th year of his age.

Our brother had been failing in health for some time, but recently a renewal of his physical weakness was accentuated by a severe attack of la grippe, and serious symptoms developed rapidly, and in a few days, in spite of the most skillful treatment, he succumbed to the power of death.

His funeral service was held at his home on Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 11, a large congregation of sympathizing friends being in attendance. The service was led by the writer, and he was assisted by Rev. G. B. MacDonald, both of whom made very suitable and appropriate references to the life and death of our late brother. We laid his body to rest in the cemetery at North Head in the hope of a glorious resurrection.

Brother Bancroft was born at North Head, Grand Manan, August 4th, 1843. He professed religion in 1865 when in his 22nd year, and soon after was baptized by the late Rev. J. T. Parsons and united with the late Free Baptist church. In April 1866 he married Miss Margaret Redmond, sister of Mr. Thomas Redmond of North Head. From this union there were born three children, all of whom are now dead. Mrs. Bancroft was a very estimable christian woman and was very highly esteemed. Her death took place on Feb. 21st, 1890, and was a great blow to our late brother.

In the year 1892, Aug. 24th, Brother Bancroft was married again to Miss Mary E. Clark, of Woodstock, N. B. And now his sudden death comes as a crushing blow to our sister who mourns the loss of a good and faithful christian husband. We extend to her our sincere sympathy in her sad and sudden bereavement. His death also leaves an only sister, Mrs. W. E. Tatten; an uncle, Mr. Stephen Thomas, both of North Head, and a large number of other relatives, all of whom mourn their loss sincerely.

Brother Bancroft's religious experience extends over a period of 45 years. He first united with the Free Baptist church, remaining a member about 25 years, but after the dis-fellowship which their Annual Conference brought about in 1888, removing all who professed holiness from the sympathies and privileges of the church, his mind was led to think favorably of the holiness people. After the death of his first wife, which made a profound impression upon his feelings, he, after much prayer and study of the Word, decided to unite with the Reformed Baptist church at North Head, which he did on Feb. 1st, 1891, when he and seven others were given the right hand of fellowship by Rev. S. A. Baker, the pastor.

He never once regretted his decision and action. During the past 17 years his union and fellowship with us have been a great strength to the church, both spiritually and financially.

And now the end has come. His life has been exemplary in every christian sense. Of rare goodness of character, of unselfish disposition, patient with all, of strong faith, of great wisdom, of wise judgment, of rare spiritual discernment, of deep affec-

tion, of simple and unaffected piety, his life was an unanswerable argument in favor of the transforming power of grace and the blessedness of the presence of the indwelling Christ.

We all will miss him. His kindly smile, his cheerful greeting, his helpful words of testimony—these and many other expressions of a noble and pure manhood, have had an uplifting influence over our lives. He leaves behind in all our memories an enduring monument of true christian fidelity. Heaven now is his eternal home.

A. L. BUBAR.

[THE HIGHWAY joins in sympathy with those bereaved by the sudden death of Brother Bancroft and regret the departure of a true friend and brother.—Editor.]

DIED.

MOREHOUSE.—It is with sad hearts that we record the death of Mrs. Alfred Morehouse, of Zealand Station, age 27 years.

Sister Morehouse went to the Victoria Hospital and passed through a surgical operation on Tuesday afternoon Jan. 21st. And passed away on the following Sunday morning at 1 o'clock, Jan. 26th.

She leaves a sorrowing husband, and her father and mother; (Brother and Sister Arthur Chute, of Lower Hainesville,) one brother one sister and a large connection of relatives and many friends to mourn their sad loss.

Sister Morehouse professed faith in Christ when a mere child, and lived a consistent christian life, and was fully prepared when the end came.

The funeral service was held in the home, and the remains interred in the Cemetery near Zealand Station.

May the God of consolation comfort and bind up the broken hearts of these mourning friends who have the heart felt sympathy and earnest prayer of many of God's dear children.

BEALS ISLAND, Feb. 10 1908.

Dear HIGHWAY.—I think my last letter was from Brazil lake, N. S. where I arrived on Jan. 21st holding meetings through that week over the Sabbath and up to the 29th inst. and on that date set in one of the worst storms it was ever my experience to witness. I remained at Brazil until Feb. 4th. when the storm was still raging. Our meetings were good in that place on the Sabbath and a good congregation and a deep interest seemed to be taken in the meetings especially on the part of the young people. Altogether I enjoyed my trip to Nova Scotia and cannot but feel that God honored my feeble efforts for the helping of some souls nearer the kingdom.

During my stay at Brazil Lake I was very kindly entertained at the home of Brother and Sister Joseph Eldridge, leaving them on the morning of the 4th inst., I came to St. John and spent two evenings with Brother M. S. Trafton. Brother Trafton is pushing the battle in the demonstration and power of the Spirit backed up by a band of zealous workers he gives no uncertain sound to sanctification as a definite second work and at his altar were those seeking the experience.

While in St. John I received a call over the telephone from Brother Cosman to come to his help and as I had asked for the way to be opened up definitely, I took it as from the Lord and started en route for Beals. I spent Friday evening in the home of Sister R. M. Dow, St. Stephen, where with Brother Henry Smith we enjoyed a real feast of fat things with a number of the brethren and sisters.

Sister Dow felt led of the Lord to open her home for a cottage holiness meeting in St. Stephen, and this we believe was in answer to prayer by Brother Smith. This being the first of the meetings, we predict a future work for holiness in that town that

God alone can reveal.

We arrived here at noon on the 8th inst. and found Brother Cosman and family enjoying health, and full of ambition and zeal for the extension of the Master's kingdom, with a good band of workers. The Sabbath was a day of deep consideration on the part of the unsaved, and so will pitch into the work with Brother Cosman for an indefinite period.

Yours in the faith for souls,

S. HARLEIGH CLARK.

POLITICAL PESTILENCE.

"I said in my haste, all men are liars." People who are outside of the political broil, and viewing both sides, are coming to the conclusion that had David lived in New Brunswick at the present time he would say, after calm reflection, "all politicians are liars," according to their talk of each other. Isaiah said, "But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt." In his prophetic vision he must have seen a New Brunswick political campaign, for it is certainly something of the rankest at present, when no man's name nor reputation which is in any way connected with politics is at all regarded. It is high time that the church of Jesus Christ should shake herself clear of this rottenness, and every branch of it stand shoulder to shoulder to inaugurate a rule of righteousness. We are glad that there is a slight awakening, and right thinking people are getting heartily sick of the awful state of things that now exist.

NOTICE.

The quarterly meeting of District No. 2 will convene with the church at Moncton Tuesday, March 10th. Will any who think they can attend please let me know at once so that we can make arrangements as to half fare certificates so I can make definite announcement in the issue of Feb. 29.

REV. M. S. TRAFTON.

Highway Acknowledgements.

Mrs S W Shaw, Dec, 1909; Robson Gibbs, Jan, 1911; Mrs Daniel Beal, Dec, 1907; Thos E-sty, Dec, 1908; Mrs Wm Tedlie, Dec, 1908; Miss Elizabeth Wiley, Feb, 1909; W H Clark, Jan, 1908; Mrs L S Kinney, Sept, 1908; Mrs G S Cosman, Dec, 1906; Miss Etta Ackerson, Aug, 1908; Mrs W C Gray, June, 1908; Mrs Jarvis Hoyt, Feb, 1909; Mrs Frances J Knollin, June, 1907; George P Bower, Dec, 1908; George Draper, Dec, 1908; Mrs. S. J. Brown, Oct, 1908; Mrs. R. M. Dow, July, 1908.

Miss Ivey Hale

Woodstock, N. B., Feb. 12.—Word has been received of the death in Enderby, B. C., at the residence of her uncle, F. H. Hale, ex-M. P., of Miss Ivey Hale, daughter of the late Geo. Hale of Grafton. Deceased was a trained nurse by profession. She was the last survivor of the family, her parents and sister having pre-deceased her.

MISSIONARY BOX, DR SANDERS

Mrs. Paul Burt Taylor.....\$10.00
Mrs. S. J. Brown.....2.00

A STARTLING REQUEST

There is a church out in the West which had a faithful sexton named Robertson, who for many years looked after the dusting of the pews and the ventilating of the sanctuary. But Robertson departed this life and the congregation mourned. About a week after his demise, the prayer-meeting was being held, when the pastor, a notoriously absent-minded man, finding the room unpleasantly warm, turned to a prominent member and said with gentle distinctness:

"Brother Blank, will you kindly go below and ask Robertson to turn off the hot air?"