

December 30, 1913.

THE KING'S HIGHWAY

Correspondence.

Dear Highway,—Some time has elapsed since I have written to the Highway. As I remember the warm greetings of the brethren at Beulah Camp Meeting, it seems to me that I had thought of writing oftener than I have since Alliance. So as we have again reached the Christmas-tide, the anniversary of the birth of our blessed Lord, it seems to me that no time is more fitting than this for me to write a few words.

First of all I should give my personal testimony. I am glad to say that I am living in the land of perfect love, Jesus sweetly saves, sanctifies, satisfies and keeps me. I am glad Jesus said, *My peace I give unto you, not as the world giveth give I unto you, let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.* It was as he spoke of that Heavenly Guest, the Holy Ghost, the Comforter, that he was to send in fulfilment of the Father's promise, and the word of prophecy, *But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel, and it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.* I believe we are living in the Holy Ghost dispensation, when God, through the agency of the Holy Spirit, is not only in his office of detective, tracing out the sinner and causing many to turn from sin to righteousness, but he also brings comfort and peace to the believer. As he takes of the things of Christ, and reveals them unto us, do we not gird on new strength as the blessed Holy Spirit comes to us with such messages as these?

So shall they that fear the name of the Lord from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift a standard against him (Is. 59, 19). And again, likewise, the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities, for we know not what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. (Rom. 8, 26. And we think of the words of the Master in that wonderful prayer in behalf of believers. We can well afford to trust God with sweet confidence and believe His word that They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint. (Is. 40, 31.

Hallelujah to Jesus for such a wonderful salvation. I am glad that in the atonement provision was made whereby we may walk in the highway of holiness. I firmly believe that the baptism of the Holy Ghost is for believers only, and that blessing is bestowed subsequent to regeneration; that we have the proper rendering of Acts 19, 2, reading thus: *"He said unto them, have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?"* and that the conditions requisite to the obtaining of this wonderful gift are simple as in the work of the atonement. Saint Peter, to encourage believers, says unto them these words of assurance: *For the promise is unto you and to your children and to all that are afar off, even as many as our God shall call. (Acts 2, 39.)* The sacred writers attest that the Holy Ghost was to be given to those who believe on Christ. The gift of the Spirit was not limited to the Apostles. Notice the breadth of the promise—"if any man think," "he that believeth on me," "they that believe on him," should receive. Praise God for such a wonderful plan of redemption. Provision has been

made in the atonement not only for actual sin, but that we should also be delivered from the power and dominion of sin, for we read in the blessed word that *He would grant unto us that we, being delivered out of the hand of our enemies, might serve Him without fear in holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our life.* It was in the divine plan from the beginning, it was prophesied and in due time Christ, as a fulfilment of these, came in the form of a babe and in every detail of his life and finally through His death and resurrection, met all the requirements of divine justice since by the deeds of the law no flesh is justified. *Seeing, then, that ye have trusted after that ye heard the gospel of our salvation, in whom also after that ye believed ye were sealed with that Holy Spirit of Promise which is the earnest of our inheritance,* let us fear lest we grieve that Holy Spirit of God whereby we are sealed unto the day of redemption, believing that indeed *It is written, eye hath not seen nor ear heard, neither hath entered into the heart of man the things which God hath prepared for them that love him; but God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit, for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.*

Let us, then, dear fellow workers, extol Christ and magnify the precious blood, for it is indeed by the blood that the guilty soul obtains pardon.

Not all the blood of beasts,
On Jewish altars slain
Could give the guilty conscience peace
Or wash away the stain.

But Christ, the Heavenly Lamb,
Takes all our sins away,
A sacrifice of nobler name,
And richer blood than they.

Scripture affirms that *If we confess our sins He is faithful to forgive our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness*—making the work of Christ a twofold work even in this Scripture, so that with holy boldness we can testify to heart cleansing, *For this is the will of God, even your sanctification. (1. Thess. 4, 3.)*

Truly the enemy has haunted me through the past year and seems to have me cornered up most of the time; circumstances are such with me that I seem to be bound; but the word of God is not bound, and I believe it is having free course and being glorified even in me in my present position. Many opportunities come to me to proclaim the blessed news of salvation, and I am seeking to improve all in the fear and love of God and have the joy of seeing many surrender themselves to Jesus.

So with all best wishes for Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year to all Highway readers, and praying that the power of God may be manifest in every branch of his vineyard,

A. G. PETERS,
French Missionary.

Campbellton, N. B., Dec. 22, 1913.

Dear Brother Baker,—Enclosed please find renewal for the Highway, which we enjoy very much. It is good. We enjoy reading of the good work being done, and like to keep track of the workers. I am slowly improving in my health, and my soul is on the wing, hallelujah! I still have the second blessing. Amen.

REV. Z. M. MILLER.

Hartland, N. B.

Dear Highway,—It is with pleasure we again report the kindness of the saints and friends of this place, who met at our home on Tuesday evening, Dec. 16th. The time passed very pleasantly in conversation and singing.

Before leaving, however, Brother S. H. Shaw, on behalf of those present, in a pleasant speech presented myself and wife with cash and goods to the amount of thirty-one dollars. Others who were not present have sent in their donations, which makes the total amount forty-two dollars. Truly, this people do show forth their faith by their works. Yours in Jesus,

P. J. TRAFTON.

Dear Highway,—Enclosed please find my renewal for another year. We enjoy reading your clean pages so much, and the notes from dear old New Brunswick that I shall always be interested in, especially the holiness work. Praise the Lord for full salvation. I am going through with Jesus. Your sister in the love of Jesus.

ADELIA H. GORDON,
Leeds, Me.

Dear Highway,—We are still pressing the battle at Gray's Mills in the name of the Lord. Brother Hilyard will be with us on January 4 (D. V.) Pray for the work here. God has a faithful little band of his children that are looking, praying and trusting him for victory. I wish to thank the friends at Gray's Mills and Holderville for their kind remembrance of me and mine at Christmas, in a gift of thirty dollars beside other articles. "My needs He has pledged to supply." I can truly say that since I came to Gray's Mills my needs have been supplied, for which I praise God.

W. W. HOWE

Dear Highway,—Brother Hilyard has been with us over two Sundays and was a great blessing to us. We began at Millstream, intending to continue for some time, but the attendance was small, being in the holiday season, so we discontinued them for the present.

Brother Hilyard preached the word with power. We are still in the battle for God and holiness; our churches are alive, and God is honored in all of our services.

The people of Mercer Settlement church met at Brother Secord's and after spending a pleasant social time, presented us with twenty-one dollars, for which we give praise to God.

(REV.) T. W. MOSES.

SHE BOWED HIM OUT

A certain young society man decided to propose to a Christian girl. He felt he conferred no little honor upon her, and was confident of a favorable answer. He cautiously prefaced his declaration, however, with a few questions; for he had no intention of "throwing himself away." Did she love him well enough to live in a cottage with him? Was she a good cook? Did she think it a wife's duty to make a home happy? Would she consult his tastes and wishes concerning her associates and pursuits in life? Was she economical? Could she make her own clothes? etc. The young lady said that before she answered his questions she would assure him of some negative virtues she possessed. She never drank, smoked or chewed; never owed a bill to her laundress or tailor; never stayed out at nights playing billiards; never lounged on the street corners and ogled giddy girls; never "stood in" with the boys for cigars or wine suppers. "Now," said she, rising indignantly, "I am assured by those who know that you do all these things, and it is rather absurd for you to expect all the virtues in me, while you do not possess any yourself. I can never be your wife." Then she bowed him out. —*Epworth Herald.*