

July 15, 1913.

Correspondence.**NOVA SCOTIA TRIP.**

Dear Bro. Baker:—

I have only time for a few paragraphs as regards my visit to N. S., but I am pleased to say that I greatly enjoyed meeting old friends and visiting places where I had preached a number of years before. Eighteen years had passed away since I preached at Port Maitland and Cedar Lake; and I missed a number of those who were earnest and godly workers in the church in those days. But they have only gone before to the "Better Land." They lived holy lives and died well, in the hope of heaven.

I do not wish to write the feelings of sadness and joy that co-mingled in my heart as I visited the homes where I was gladly welcomed. They are too sacred to me to publicly express. I was pleased to greet old friends at Brazil Lakes, Sandford, Port Maitland and Cedar Lake.

I am glad to say that I found the churches in these places in a good spiritual condition, as indicated by the prayers, songs and joyous testimonies of the saints. I was very much pleased that God was raising up the children of the saints to take their places in the ranks. At Cedar Lake the beloved brothers and sisters were greatly encouraged, as they have a new church in which to worship, which they expect to complete this year. Much of the conditions of these churches is due to the faithful and untiring labors of Bro. S. H. Clark, who as pastor of this circuit, has encouraged the saints to progressive effort. I was glad to learn that his labors among them were much appreciated. He has done well. I have much more I could write, but it will keep till another time.

Yours in Him,

W. B. Wiggins.

S. S. Scotian at Sea, near Harve, France.
June 30th, 1913.

Dear Highway:—

It does seem so strange for me to be so far away from our people at this time of the year, as while many of you are meeting at Beulah and thus enjoying the services and the friendship of God's people, I have been on the Atlantic. But even here we have had the presence of the Master with us, and have enjoyed the association of the children of God who have been companions with us in this ship for the past week. We left Montreal on the 21st inst., at midnight, and thus spent the first day, Sunday, on the St. Lawrence. It was indeed a very pleasant sail the day being fine, and we also enjoyed the services held in the large dining hall. At noon on that day we stopped at Quebec to take on passengers, and again at Father Point that night at 12 o'clock to land the pilot, this being the last stop, and then began the sail of more than 3,000 miles across the sea.

It would be hard for me to express in words, to those who have never taken an ocean trip, the beauty and enjoyment of such a trip, especially if one is so fortunate to escape the malady of seasickness, as the writer happened to do, having served his time in that particular line early in life. We were greatly favored with good weather as we only had about two days of rough water, and very little fog. We passed through the ice region, with the tem-

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perature at 35 degrees, Faht., on Wednesday, 25th inst., and although having received word by wireless from another boat that we would likely meet much ice, we were extremely fortunate as we only sighted one iceberg about 6 o'clock on that day.

This was indeed a great treat to all the passengers as it was at a safe distance from our ship being about five miles to the north. There are about 500 passengers on board, of which 200 are delegates on their way to the convention. These represent some 35 states and provinces. We also are favored with the presence of Mr. W. C. Pierce of Chicago, International Secretary, who is well known to many of our people. There are also in the party some 40 ministers coming from different parts of the United States and Canada. There are also several missionaries on board who after attending the convention will return to their respective fields of labor in Africa, Japan and other places, as the case may be.

Yesterday, Sunday, was a grand day. There were four services held at the same time, 10.30 A. M. In the dining hall Rev. Dr. Shepard, of St. Louis, Mo., preached to about 250 people. There was also a service held in the steerage by some of our company. In the lower dining hall an Episcopal service was held, and also in the ladies' sitting room a Roman Catholic service. Thus every person on board were privileged to attend some service at that hour.

At 3 p. m. the Sabbath School service was held, and in the evening at 8.30 a service for song, prayer and testimony. There were services held each day for Bible study, prayer and also conferences on different features of the Sunday School work.

Personally, I am enjoying the trip and feel much refreshed in body and strengthened in soul.

From Havre we go to Brussels and then on to Zurich and return via Paris to London.

Remember us in your prayers.

Yours in Work,

H. C. ARCHER.

THE HIDDEN LIFE.

We live our inmost lives alone:
At best we are but little known,
And even those who know us best
Have probed to find within our breast
That secret place, that hidden source
Of Life's expression. But, of course,
They probe in vain. The life lived there
No mortal soul may with us share.
Deep in the confines of the heart
Where all Life's mighty issues start,
There is a hidden sphere, unknown
To others—there we live alone.

Alone! Alone! We long in vain
For sympathy to ease our pain;
For some heart that can understand,
But no! How wisely God has planned
To keep Life's center and its throne
Reserved to Him, and Him alone:
We turn to God, and, seeking, find
What friends, however, good and kind,
Gave not. He understands and feels
He every bleeding heart-wound heals;
The realm we occupied alone
He fills: Our lives to Him are known.

—Grace Howe Burby In Wesleyan Methodist.

THE NATION'S DRINK AND TOBACCO BILL.

In spite of what it costs to live, the nation continues to spend more and more for tobacco and drink. If we have to economize, we will reduce the preacher's and the teacher's salary, keep the children out of school, or perhaps wear cheaper clothing. But use less tobacco, beer and whisky? Never! Rough calculations made from figures just made simply by the Department of Internal Revenue show that every man, woman and child would have to consume annually four gallons of whisky, two-thirds of a barrel of beer, two hundred cigarettes, one hundred cigars, and five pounds of chewing and smoking tobacco to take care of the enormous quantities of these articles the nation is consuming yearly. When one considers the great number of people, particularly women and children, who have no share in this consumption, some idea is suggested of what a drain these items are upon the individual purse.—*Southern Christian Advocate.*

AT ANY COST

It is said that Bishop Hedding of New York once addressed a missionary candidate thus: "Have you considered that you will have to go away from home and friends, and be among strangers and enemies?" "I have," replied the young man. "Have you considered that you must leave your native land, with all its institutions and privileges, and be a foreigner in a strange land, where everybody will regard you with suspicion and prejudice?" "I have considered it all," said the preacher. "Have you considered that in that land your health may fail, you may be prostrated by malarias and fevers, you may die prematurely by disease or violence?" "Yes," continued the young man, "and if I had a thousand lives I would give them all to Jesus. Bishop, please don't ask me any more questions, but send me, send me!" —Howard W. Pope.

"Out of suffering have emerged the strongest souls; the most massive characters are seamed with scars; martyrs have put on their coronation robes glittering with fire, and through their tears have the sorrowing first seen the gates of heaven."

Moncton, July 11.—George Skeffington, former chief of the I. C. R. police, has been appointed special inspector to travel on immigrant trains on the Intercolonial for the protection of young women and girls against agents of the "white slave" traffic.

The Intercolonial is the first railway in Canada to appoint such an official and this action will be generally commended as in line with the action of many ecclesiastical bodies in Canada and as carrying out Premier Borden's pledge at the last session of Parliament.

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