

CORRESPONDENCE.

Kilburn, N. B., June 19, 1918.

Rev. S. A. Baker:

Dear Sir—Enclosed find my renewal for the Highway. We enjoy reading its pages very much.

The dear Lord has been very precious to me through these years of anxiety and sorrow, and I find his grace sufficient for every time of need. Praise his dear name.

Your sister in Christ,
MRS. JOHN W. GRANT.

MY TRIP TO CALAIS.

I was very glad to respond to a call from Brother Clark to supply for him for two Sundays, as we had only stayed over night once on that part of our field since coming from Africa. Then we were made sad when we saw our church closed and windows broken out. But so glad to see such a transformation which has taken place there. We are sure Brother and Sister Clark were just the right ones for Calais. They have done splendid work, and are, we believe, appreciated. The outside people speaking very highly of them as neighbors and church workers.

We found good congregations, a number of young people who are taking hold of the work. They have a mission band, a missionary society and a good Sunday School. Deacon McWilliams and family who have stood true, even when things looked dark, are a good help, we feel sure, to the newer members. It was a pleasure to meet old friends and school mates in St. Stephen and Milltown as well as Calais, who gave me a warm welcome and made my visit a very pleasant one.

May the Lord continue to pour out upon the people there His richest blessings and that many more precious souls be saved and believers wholly sanctified.

I. M. K.

Dear Brother Baker:

Enclosed please find my renewal for the Highway. I would like to say that I am enjoying Salvation. Things are looking encouraging at Norton. We have received five into the membership of the church. We have had our annual business meeting and have given Brother G. B. Trafton a call to remain our pastor for the coming year.

Hoping to see you at Beulah, I remain,
Yours under the Blood,

C. L. MURPHY.

Norton, N. B.

GREAT REASON FOR THANKSGIVING.

This meeting of the Alliance should be devoted to thanksgiving when we consider the great mercies and blessings of God upon us as a people.

The Alliance should ask the secretary to write a series of articles, giving the history of the origin and progress of the Alliance during the past thirty years.

At the beginning of the holiness movement in New Brunswick, one of the prominent ministers who opposed it prophesied the end of the movement in three years. Others have grown grey in waiting for the end.

"But the end is not yet, praise the Lord."

JOHN THE BAPTIST.

There are two things that have caused us some thoughts in reference to this wonderful evangelist and probably the editor himself might give us all some further and enlarged thoughts concerning this man of God. First he was not what we might call a learned man. He had not been brought up in the high schools or colleges of the day in which he lived. When he got the call from his Master to preach he was out in the wilderness. Was he a tanner, a hunter or what occupation did he engage in. It is said he had a leathern girdle about his loins; he might have done something at that business and he might not. We would presume he was not an idler out there; he would be busy at something no doubt.

We might almost wonder that the Lord should call an illiterate man as John was to be the messenger sent to prepare the way of the Lord. His clothing was of camel's hair, a leather girdle around him and his meat was locusts and wild honey. He had to roast the locusts for his daily meals, and he had to get the honey out of the rocks most likely.

John the son of Zacharias was the voice of one crying in the wilderness, saying prepare ye the way of the Lord. This humble man of God was sent as the forerunner of the Saviour of the world. He said he was not worthy to unloose the latchet of the shoes of his Master.

It seems when the Saviour called His disciples he did not get them from among the educated. He took several of them from among the fishermen and he would conclude that they all were men not highly educated.

In the early days of Baptist preachers in this province there were many ministers with but a limited education as far as the schools were concerned who accomplished much as evangelists. The Lord wonderfully blessed their labours, and we can say among the Reformed Baptist ministers quite a number are from different callings in life. God has called them to leave all to preach his gospel, and we don't think we would be saying too much if we should call them able and powerful preachers of the truth as it is in Christ, and our prayer is that the Lord of the harvest will send forth more just such faithful laborers into the harvest fields.

The learned Apostle Paul in writing to the church at Corinth told them that he came not with excellency of speech. His speech and preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom. Paul was a man of learning but in preaching Christ he seemed to choose to lay aside those things and preach the Word in the way he describes.

And now I am coming to the second thought in reference to this wonderful evangelist, John the Baptist, not John the sprinkler, or John the pourer, but John the Baptist—JOHN THE BAPTIST. There is something far reaching in the title Baptist and it would never have been attached to his name had he not followed a mode or way of baptizing that led to the giving of that title to his name. He commenced in the wilderness of India preaching repentance for the remission or forgiveness of sins and there came many from different

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der-estimate the value of the other scriptural doctrines, but the camp meeting is a special gathering attended by great numbers of unconverted people, and church members, and only a short time to deal with them, and conversion is the greatest need of the unconverted, and entire sanctification is the great need of the converted people. So any thoughtful person can see the wisdom of keeping these most essential doctrines to the front—far to the front—in the camp meeting. So a meeting with a different doctrine presented at every succeeding service could not possibly effect the results desired.

Let our motto and ruling purpose be—
Salvation First.

places confessing their sins and were baptized of him in the Jordan in the River Jordan. It was then that Jesus came from Galilee to Jordan unto John to be baptized of him. John did not seem at first willing to administer the ordinance feeling his unworthiness, but Jesus said to John, "Suffer it to be so now for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness," and Jesus when he was baptized went up straightway out of the water. There was no sprinkling or pouring. John was a Baptist. Matthew speaks of him as a Baptist, and so does Luke in his gospel. Jesus was baptized in the River Jordan and should not all believers in Christ follow Him in this act of righteousness and be baptized? "Know ye not that so many of us as were baptized into Christ were baptized into his death. Therefore we are buried with him by Baptism into death that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father even we should walk in newness of life." For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection. There can be no question in reference to the mode of baptism as administered by John the Baptist and the Apostles in the early day of the Church. Christ in his commission to his disciples just before his ascension told them to teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

Philip must have been instructed to preach baptism to the Eunuch of Ethiopia for 'when they came to a certain water they went down both into the water, both Philip and Eunuch and he baptized him.'

Should not all evangelists and all preachers preach baptism as part of the commission given by the Great Head of the Church. All should be Baptists, yet how few there are in the world that are following the teachings of the Scriptures in reference to that part of Christian duty and it may be that this is one reason why the Chastening Hand of the Great Governor of the Nations is now uplifted, the requirements of His Word being set aside.

B. N. GOODSPEED.

The life that is held by God, possessed and inspired by God, will be delivered from all trembling uncertainties.—J. H. Jowett.