

QUARTERLY MEETING:

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 1 convened with the church at Victoria, Sept. 7th. The first meeting was a prayer and social service, led by the pastor, H. C. Mullen, who read for a scripture lesson Psalm 36. Friday morning was a social service led by Rev. F. T. Wright, reading and communicating on a portion of Col. 1. Friday p. m. preaching by Rev. P. J. Trafton from Heb. 12:14. Friday evening preaching by Rev. W. B. Wiggins, B. A., from Mark 1:31. Saturday a. m. prayer and social service. Saturday p. m. the business session was held, H. S. Dow in the chair. H. C. Mullen was appointed Sec. pro tem. The roll call found present the following ministers and delegates:—Ministers, Revs. H. S. Dow, W. B. Wiggins, F. T. Wright, P. J. Trafton, H. C. Mullen and I. F. Keirstead. Revs. H. H. Cosman and Henry Smith were with us a while on Friday.

Delegates: Hartland Bros. B. M. Cox and Ziba Orser; Victoria, Thomas Tilly and wife; Gordonsville, Mrs. Frank Pelkie; Meductic, Mrs. T. Dickinson.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Pres., H. C. Mullen; Secy., B. M. Cox; Treas., Mrs. Shaw; Highway Agent, H. S. Dow. The Devotional Committee appointed by the chair consisted of Bros. Orser, Somers and P. J. Trafton.

Reports were read from the following churches:—Woodstock, Hartland, Meductic and Fort Fairfield. These reports were all encouraging and bespoke hope and expectancy. A communication was read from Brother Melvin Tompkins, the Secretary of the last Quarterly Meeting, expressing his regrets that he would be unable to be present, having removed to the West. Some verbal reports were given. Brother Dow reported that the work at Perth was to be reorganized, and he would give them a preaching service Sunday afternoons. They had already started a prayer meeting. A vote of thanks was tendered the people of Victoria for their hospitality in entertaining the Quarterly Meeting. Saturday evening was a very searching and helpful meeting. H. S. Dow preached the word with unction from Sol. Songs 2:15. "Take us the foxes, the little foxes that spoil the vines." He showed how the church was in a figure compared to a vineyard. The foxes spoiled the vines and hindered fruitfulness. He then proceeded to show that it was usually the seeming small things in our lives that hindered fruitbearing. The social service following was unique in that nearly every one followed out the figure of the little foxes, and many pranks of the mischievous little fellows were mentioned. Brother Frank Kimball said that the foxes were especially fond of eating up our liberty and testimonies, but further stated that they would not come near a fire. The hint is very plain! Keep the fire burning! This meeting ran till 10.30. Sunday was a day full of blessing and victory. The house was crowded all day, many coming from long distances. The love feast in the morning was something more than usual. It was a feast indeed. Among those present were those aged veterans of the holiness movement, Brother and Sister S. H. Shaw. Brother Shaw though bent

with years and faculties failing, seemed to enjoy the meeting heartily. It was indeed touching to see him march and shout and sing. This meeting ran till 11.45, then Brother Wright gave us a condensed sermon, rich and to the point. Brother I. F. Keirstead was the preacher of the afternoon, and gave an excellent sermon from Rom. 8-9. Brother Dow brought the message of the evening from Matt. 7:24-27. One seeker bowed at the altar at each service of the day. The meetings all through were pervaded by the Spirit's power. It was a grand meeting.

B. M. COX,
Secretary.

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 2 convened with the church at Grey's Mills on Thursday, Sept. 25th.

Opening service Thursday evening 7.30, led by Rev. G. B. Trafton, who spoke from John 15, dwelling particularly on the necessity of abiding in Christ in order to become fruit bearing Christians.

Friday 3 p. m.—This service was led by Sister Helen Sterritt, who also spoke from John 15, bringing to us the truth of the abiding power of the Holy Spirit in the heart and life of the fully surrendered Christians.

Friday 7.30 preaching by Rev. W. W. Howe from Matt. 18:11-12.

Saturday 2.30 p. m. Business Session. Meeting opened with Scripture reading and prayer. Sister Ella M. McCarthy was elected Secretary pro tem. Minutes of last meeting held at Norton on May 29th read and approved. Roll was then called, the following responding: Ministers, Rev. G. B. Trafton, Norton; Rev. W. W. Howe, St. John. Delegates: Moncton, Sister W. A. Hopper; Mercer Settlement, Brother Noah Hicks; Norton, Sister C. Murphy; Brother B. McKenzie, Grey's Mills; Brother S. H. Bradley, Sister Helen Sterritt and Daisy Williams, St. John; Sister Ella M. McCarthy.

Resolved that Sister Rogers of Grey's Mills, Brother and Sister Matthews of Norton, and other visiting brothers and sisters be invited to seats at the Quarterly Meeting.

Officers elected for quarter—President Rev. G. B. Trafton; Secy., Sister Ella M. McCarthy; Treasurer, Brother T. H. Bradley; Highway Agent, Rev. W. W. Howe. Devotional Committee appointed as follows: Brothers B. McKenzie, S. H. Bradley, Noah Hicks, Sister W. W. Patterson and Rev. G. B. Trafton.

Moncton Church reported by letter. Services well attended, the prayer meetings times of power and refreshing. Pastor and people working together in harmony and pressing forward with faith in God. Expecting soon to hold some special services, which they are praying and expecting will be blessed of God to the salvation of souls. The letter also contained an invitation to hold the next quarterly meeting with them. Sister Hopper spoke briefly, confirming the written report. We regretted very much the absence of Brother and Sister Baker. They were missed in the services. We hope to have them with us in our next quarterly meeting.

Brother Noah Hicks reported for Mercer Settlement. Rev. G. B. Trafton preaches there twice a month. Services good, num-

bers small, but there is a good opening for work as there are quite a number of young people who need to be won for the Master. S. S. well attended and work generally in good condition.

Norton Church reported by Sister C. Murphy and Brother B. McKenzie. The services are times of refreshing. Sermons by pastor, Rev. G. B. Trafton good and much appreciated. This church also feels the need of work to win the young people, especially the need of a S. S., which they hope to organize soon.

Grey's Mills—Brother S. H. Bradley reported the Lord has been blessing the church. Numbers small, but services good. S. S. regular, fair attendance. The Missionary work in good condition. This Society feels very grateful that two of their members, Sisters Alice and Helen Sterritt, have been called of God to the work in South Africa. Work at Holderville encouraging and well sustained, pastor and people working in harmony and pressing on to greater things in the Master's service.

St. John Church reported by Sister Ella M. McCarthy. The work is progressing under the leadership of Rev. W. W. Howe. The services are well attended and are times of real blessing and victory to God's people, and some of those who came in are feeling their need of salvation. The work which the church has begun in Carleton is growing and hungry souls they are hearing the gospel of full salvation. The missionary work is being carried on vigorously. The reports from the churches were adopted.

Rev. G. B. Trafton and Rev. W. W. Howe spoke briefly of the helping and extending the work in Salem and other places that need help and encouragement.

Devotional Committee reported as follows: Saturday 7.30 p. m., Sister Helen Sterritt. Sunday 10 a. m., Love Feast, Brother B. McKenzie. 3 p. m. preaching, Rev. G. B. Trafton. 7 p. m. preaching, Rev. W. W. Howe.

Sister Helen Sterritt being called on, told of her call to Africa and expressed her joy in the Lord and complete consecration to his service.

Resolved that the quarterly meeting recommend to our General Missionary Society that they render all the help possible to our sisters in preparation for their work.

Resolved that the next quarterly meeting be held at Salem early in December. While thanking the Moncton Church for their invitation it seemed best to meet with one of the weaker churches to whom it might bring blessing and encouragement. The thanks of the ministers and delegates were expressed to the Grey's Mills church for their hearty welcome and generous entertainment of the quarterly meeting.

The meeting closed with a season of testimony and prayer.

Saturday 7.30 Social Service led by Sister Helen Sterritt, who spoke from I. Tim. 6:6 to 12.

Sunday the last day of the feast was truly a day of good things. Early in the forenoon autos began to arrive, bringing friends from Norton, St. John and other places until it seemed like camp meeting on a small scale.

Brother B. McKenzie led the Love Feast
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