

QUARTERLY MEETING.

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 3 convened with the Church at Beals, Me., April 1-4.

On Thursday a delegation of fourteen arrived by boat from Grand Manan. Our brethren came filled with the Spirit and were a great blessing to us all.

The first service was held on Thursday evening when Brother Moses spoke from the text, "I am the door."—John 10:9. Brother Moses spoke well. It was a good service. Friday at 2.30 Brother Hilyard had charge of the service. Our brother turned over the service to the leadership of the Holy Spirit and it was a time of much liberty, of joy and rejoicing in the power of Jesus to make us children of God by faith in our Saviour's shed blood. Friday evening Brother Clark preached from I. Thes. 2:18, "But Satan hindered us." This was a practical message, showing us how persistently our soul enemy labors to hinder the church from being at her best.

On Saturday afternoon at 2.30 the business meeting was held. Service opened with singing and prayer. Brother Alley read for a scripture lesson Acts 6:1-8, Acts 1:20-26. The report of the last quarterly meeting read and adopted. At the roll call the following ministers were found present: Rev. L. J. Alley, Rev. T. W. Moses, Rev. S. H. Clark, Rev. C. S. Hilyard, Rev. M. Ella Slipp.

From the churches the following delegates were present:

Beals—Brother Eli Beal, Mrs. Annie Simmons, Mrs. L. J. Alley.

Two Islands—Mrs. Eugene Wilcox.

Seal Cove—Mr. Wm. Benson, Mr. Henry Benson and son, Moody, Mr. Louis Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wilson, Mr. Charles Foster, Mrs. Jesse Randall, Sewall Hilyard, Misses Pearl Hilyard, Florence Foster and Hilda Ingersoll.

The following officers were elected:

President—Rev. L. J. Alley.

Secretary—Rev. M. Ella Slipp.

Treasurer—Mr. F. W. Beal.

Highway Agent—Rev. C. S. Hilyard.

Devotional Committee—Brothers C. H. Beal, Henry Benson, Rev. L. J. Alley.

Brother Clark made a plea for the Highway, urges that every family should take it.

Beals Church reported to be in good spiritual condition. Sabbath services and prayer meeting well attended, also Sunday School in good condition. Blessing in every service.

Pembroke—The pastor, Brother Moses, reported for the church. Roads blocked; unable to have services until last Sunday; fed by the ravens; church praying.

Callais—Brother Clark reports. God supplying the needs; God minding the sparrows; not as strong as would like spiritually; has many testimonies in prayer meeting; work encouraging; souls saved; family altar restored; need special services; believes there is victory ahead.

Jonnesport—Spiritual condition fair; attendance small; Sunday School small; God has supplied pastor's needs. Pastor trusting for victory.

Norrrth Head—Brother Hilyard not able to go there since Feb. 1st on account of severe storms. During special meetings held with Brother F. W. Foster as evangelist things went well at first, hardened

up toward the last. Brother Hilyard not pastor there, only supplies.

Seal Cove—God wonderfully blessing the church, as strong spiritually as it has ever been; services well attended, attendance on the increase; having a good time; special meetings good, some fruit of the services here (delegates); good strong preaching the cause; power of the Holy Ghost in young people's meeting; Brother Henry Benson has class of twenty or twenty-five young people; has been lately elected as their teacher for life; Brother Wm. Benson indorses report of the brethren: "Report of brethren correct; half not told."

Two Islands—Reported by Sister Wilcox. Church small but a few true to God. In special meetings Brother Hilyard preached the truth; mighty convictions; people had to get saved or reject God; some got truly saved; Church wonderfully quickened; God's presence and power is mightily manifested in the services. Three or four of the members who have on them the burden of souls often stay after the close of the service until midnight wrestling in prayer—hence the great and manifest power of God in their midst, and the genuine conversions.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to the brethren of Beals for their very kindly and generous hospitality shown to the visiting pastors and delegates.

The next quarterly meeting was invited to meet with the church at Seal Cove. Date of meeting left with the church.

Song and praise and testimony was the principal feature of this meeting and we rejoice together as we listened to the glad report of God's wonderful work among His people.

On Saturday evening at the opening of the service Brother Hilyard brought a strong plea for the Highway. Preaching by Sister Slipp. Text, Rev. 2:4, "Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.—Matt. 26:22, "Lord, is it I?"

Sunday morning at 9.30 we had an interesting session of the Sunday School. At 10.30 Brother Moses led the love feast speaking from John 3:1, "Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us that we should be called the sons of God." Brother Moses enjoyed liberty. It was a good service. On Sunday afternoon at 2.00 Brother Clark brought us an Easter message, Luke 24:34, "The Lord is risen indeed." Brother Clark preached to a full house and God blessed the glad message to our souls. A testimony meeting followed giving glory to God for his wonderful power to save.

Preaching at 6.30 by Brother Hilyard Num. 11:29, "Would God that all the Lord's people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his Spirit upon them." This was a great sermon full of unction and power. Two souls were at the altar, one claiming the blood of Christ for pardon, and one for cleansing. After this followed a testimony service in which liberty and fellowship and praise united to make glad the hearts of God's children and we trust the heart of our God.

Thus came to a close our quarterly meeting which all felt had proved a rich blessing both to the church and to the visiting pastors and delegates.

We are looking forward with prayer

and expectation to our next quarterly meeting to be held at Seal Cove.

M. ELLA SLIPP,
Secretary.

EASTER PROGRAMME FORT FAIRFIELD SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Sunday School called to order by Supt. Song by School—Jesus is all the world to me.

Prayer by I. E. Kilcollins.

Teachers then took their classes and the next fifteen minutes were devoted to study of the lesson after which the following Easter programme was given:

Recitation, "Welcome"—Joe Pearce.

Exercise, "Jesus Lives"—Mrs. Dow's class.

Recitation, "Easter Herald"—Albert Kinney.

Reading, "An Easter Symphony"—Miss Mildred Todd.

Song, "The Old Rugged Cross"—By School.

Recitation, "A Glad Word"—Edward Dow.

Reading, "On Resurrection"—Mrs. Clarence Pearce.

Recitation, "When God Speaks"—Janet Eglar.

Recitation, "Crown Him King"—Frank Pearce.

Recitation, "The Call of Easter"—Marion Elliott.

Recitation, "The Heart of a Rose"—Ruth Dow.

Then some very interesting remarks on Easter were given by the pastor, Rev. H. S. Dow.

School was closed with prayer by Rev. F. T. Wright.

MISSIONARY MEETING.

The St. John Missionary Society held its monthly meeting Friday evening, April 2nd. After singing and a season of prayer there was scripture reading by the President, Mrs. Foley.

Dues and usual collection amounted to \$12.50.

The following programme was carried out:

Reading—Mrs. C. Beazley.

Recitation, Miss Frances Saunders.

Singing.

Reading, Miss McCarthy.

Special Easter offering for Foreign Missions, \$40.00.

Reading, Mrs. Stegman.

Reading, Miss Helen Cosman.

Recitation, Mrs. Stanley.

Reading, Mrs. F. D. Foley.

After the programme, the meeting was thrown open for testimonies and we had a time of rich blessing. The testimonies seemed overflowing with praise and gladness for the wonderful salvation provided for us, and all expressed a determination to let the Lord have his complete way and be faithful in his service. It was a hard service to close. The presence of God was so manifest and the saints rejoiced in the Lord. The meeting closed with prayer and benediction by the pastor.

When a person's mind is preoccupied with thoughts of the world they are thereby unfitted for thoughts of salvation for the sinner, and hence cannot offer the prayer that prevails.—Selected.