

CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Highway:

No doubt a report from the meeting at Waterville would be of interest to many of your readers.

On Feb. 20th Brother Ziba Orser with two other brothers of the Hartland Praying Band, went over and held an all day meeting. The attendance was large and the blessing of God apparent, so they left an appointment for the writer for Tuesday and Wednesday nights, so accordingly we went over not expecting the meetings to continue any longer, but as the crowds came and the Spirit blessed, it seemed the proper thing to continue, so meetings were appointed for all that week and over the following Sunday; and still the people came, and still the interest grew, till we had gone over the second Sunday; and then it seemed more apparent still that we should continue. On Friday of the third week Brother P. J. Trafton came to our assistance and was with us to the end, excepting a few days one week during which time he was at Woodstock for the all day meeting on Good Friday, and the last meeting of the series which was on Friday April 1st. So the special meetings which began for a few days ran for six whole weeks every night but Saturday night and two Monday nights.

During this time over thirty seekers bowed at the altar of prayer, a good many claiming the experience desired. A goodly number were blessed and helped who were not forward for prayers. There were a few definite cases of conversion and at least half a dozen wholly sanctified. Some persons confessed that they had been in doubts about our teaching because of misunderstanding it, and were now to a much more favorable attitude and thus much good seed was sown.

A large company of young people were in attendance and gave marked attention to the message. It was easy to preach because of the presence of the Spirit, and conviction was resting upon the people. Brother Trafton's messages were full of power and the old time fire and things were often made pretty hot for the devil or anyone too much in favor with him.

Partly as a result of this meeting a Reformed Baptist Church of nine members was organized on Thursday night, March 31st. The following officers were elected on Thursday night, April 1st: Deacons, Ernest Brooks and Chester Culberson; Clerk, Mrs. Judson Kearney; Treasurer, Mrs. Norris Tompkins.

Some who compose this new church were already Reformed Baptists, being members of churches elsewhere. We omitted while summing up the results of the meetings to mention the fact that on Easter Sunday seven candidates were baptized by the writer assisted by Brother Trafton. Three of these joined the new Church, one who intended to was detained on account of illness, others may unite later. This new church is taking up the work with a regular service on Sundays and a prayer meeting on Friday nights, and will start a Sunday school soon. We prophesy a bright future for this little vine if proper pastoral care and attention be given it. Long may it live to shine for God and hold up the banner of full salvation.

H. C. MULLEN.

THE GOOD ACCEPTED, THE BEST REJECTED.

People readily take to that form of preaching which deals only with temporalities that stops short of the spiritual, where faith in the word of God, containing God's promised blessings must be exercised. Here is where that which appeals to the natural mind is accepted, and the supernatural is rejected. The sad end of the way to many.

INDISCRIMINATE PULLING UP.

Men may be good, but badly warped and twisted in their judgment, and childish. It can truly be said of some, they are good, they mean well, but they are unsuited— for places they aspire to. All good people are not good leaders. We have seen children who could pull weeds in a garden, but they pulled everything in sight—the part of the job they understood was to pull things up, and there was nothing left. Any man can pull up and tear down, but it requires a trained workman to build up.

A MODEL CHURCH

How beautiful that church must be
Where Watchful is the porter,
While Prudence has the oversight
And Patience the exhorter;
Where Harmony conducts the praise
And Reverence the worship,
While Loyalty ascribes to Christ
The undisputed Lordship.

Humility pervades the place,
And Piety, sweet, smileth;
While Purity her fragrance breathes,
And Gentleness beguileth;
Simplicity adorns the walls,
And Grace, all captivating,
Benevolence is prominent
While Zenal is operating.

Here Mercy wears her diadem,
And meekness conquers fiction,
While Truth exerts its influence—
Joy adds her benediction.
Here Righteousness is placed on guard,
And Faith is ever active,
While Goodness evermore abounds
And Christ is all attractive.

O Lord, restore the Church to this,
Her primitive position,
And let us take on earth the bliss
Of this divine condition.

—Selected.

"Purer than the purest fountain,
"Wider than the widest sea,
Sweeter than the sweetest music,
Is God's love in Christ to me.
Why love me so?
I do not know;
I only know
That nothing less than love divine
Could save this sinful soul of mine."

"The church which boasts of a great membership may set the pace in your city but the church filled with the Holy Ghost leads the way to glory."

"To merely bestow what we don't miss is to miss the whole point and purpose of giving."

WHY I GO TO CHURCH ON RAINY SABBATHS.

I attend church on rainy Sundays because:

1. God has blessed the Lord's day and hallowed it, making no exceptions for hot or cold or stormy days.
 2. I expect my minister to be there. I should be surprised if he were to stay at home on account of the weather.
 3. If his hands fail through weakness I shall have great reason to blame myself unless I sustain him by my prayers and presence.
 4. By staying away I may lose the prayers which may bring God's blessing, and the sermon that would have done me great good.
 5. My presence is more needed on Sundays when there are few than on those days when the church is crowded.
 6. Whatever station I hold in the church, my example must influence others. If I stay away, why may not they?
 7. On any important business rainy weather does not keep me at home, and church attendance is, in God's sight, very important.
 8. Among the crowds of pleasure seekers I see that no weather keeps the delicate woman from the ball, the party, or the concert.
 9. Such weather will show me on what foundation my faith is built; it will prove how much I love Christ. True love rarely fails to meet an appointment.
 10. Those who stay from church because it is too warm or too cold or too rainy frequently absent themselves on fair Sundays. I must not take a step in that direction.
 11. Though my excuses satisfy myself, they still must under go God's scrutiny; and they must be well grounded to do that.
 12. There is a special promise that where two or three meet together in God's name he will be in the midst of them.
 13. An avoidable absence from the church is an infallible evidence of spiritual decay. Disciples first follow Christ at a distance, and then, like Peter, do not know him.
 14. My faith is to be shown by my self-denying Christian life, and not by the rise or fall of the thermometer.
 15. Such yielding to surmountable difficulties prepares for yielding to those merely imaginary, until thousands never enter a church, and yea think they have a good reason for such neglect.
 16. I know not how many more Sundays God may give me, and it would be a poor preparation for my first Sunday in heaven to have slighted my last Sunday on earth.—Frances R. Havergal.
- "Oh for a passionate passion for souls
Oh for a pity that yearns;
Oh for the love that loves unto death
Oh for the fire that burns.

Oh for the pure prayer that prevails,
That pours out itself for the lost;
Victorious prayer in the conqueror's name
The Lord of Pentecost."

"That great throng of redeemed souls
in heaven will not be made possible
through the moving picture show crowd of
church members."