

QUARTERLY MEETING.

The quarterly meeting of District No. 1 convened with the Church at Royalton, Sept. 8-11. The weather was ideal, and a good quarterly meeting was enjoyed. The meeting opened Thursday evening with a social meeting led by Rev. J. H. Coy. The next meeting was on Friday p. m. No other minister being present at the opening of the service the pastor again asked Brother Coy to bring a message which he did. This was followed by a good testimony meetings. On Friday evening Rev. E. W. Lester preached a strong and stirring message from the words, "Forever, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven." Ps. 119:8-9, emphasizing that it was settled that we must be born again, and that we must be made holy before we can enter heaven.

Saturday evening preaching by Rev. H. S. Dow. Subject, "God's call to holiness," I. Thess. 4:7. Some points were: Not a question whether John Wesley taught it or not, but it is God's call. He has called us to possess it, to live it, to promote it.

The business session took place on Saturday p. m. as usual. Rev. I. F. Keirstead occupied the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Roll call found present ministers: I. F. Keirstead, H. S. Dow, H. S. Mullen, H. C. Mullen, E. W. Lester, J. H. Coy and Licentiates Mrs. I. F. Keirstead, Mrs. H. S. Mullen and Brother Ray Hagerman.

Delegates: Woodstock — Brother and Sister B. M. Colpitts; Hartland, Ziba Orser; Marysville, Brothers Frank, Bruce and Morley Mitchell and James Lester; Peniac, Charles Goodspeed and Wm. Mitchell; Fort Fairfield, F. T. Kimball and Christian Hudson; Perth, Robert McCrae; Fredericton, Brother and Sister L. A. Morrell; Royalton, Sister Keirstead and Sister Silas Burt.

After the roll call the election of officers took place which resulted as follows:

Rev. I. F. Keirstead, President; H. C. Mullen, Secretary; J. H. Coy, Highway Agent Mrs. Cecil Ireland, Treasurer.

A devotional committee was appointed consisting of Sisters Morrell and Keirstead, Frank Kimball with Pastor Keirstead as chairman. Reports were read from the following churches: Woodstock, Hartland, Fort Fairfield, Royalton, Fredericton, Marysville, Waterville and Victoria. These reports were all inspiring and helpful and showed interest and progress. It was commendable that so many churches reported by letter but there should be more.

Verbal reports were given by Rev. H. S. Mullen, Ray Hagerman, Brother Robert McCrae and Brother Robert Lunn.

Both Brother Dow and Brother McCrae gave a detailed account of conditions at Perth. Brother McCrae said there was yet a little vine there and a few leaves left on the tree and what was left were still holding on the Lord and expected to be true. On motion it was recommended that Brothers Dow and McCrae be a committee to look after our interests in Perth. At the request of Brother McCrae it was decided that the next quarterly meeting shall convene at Perth on December 8th. The usual vote of thanks was tendered the people

of Royalton for their hospitality. Motion to adjourn.

The report of the devotional committee was as follows: Sunday morning, Love Feast led by Sister Morrell. Preaching at eleven by Mrs. H. S. Mullen. Preaching in the afternoon by H. C. Mullen and again in the evening by Evangelist F. W. Foster, who had been in special meeting there a week before the quarterly meeting began. The program was duly carried out and the services all day were well attended, the house being packed at all these services. In the evening four seekers bowed at the altar, two of theme seeking the blessing of a clean heart. Brother Foster preached a strong and convicting sermon from Heb. 9:27, "It is appointed unto man once to die, but after that the judgment." He summoned the scientist, the statesman, the warrior and the financier, but all alike stood powerless before the monster death. On Sunday afternoon and evening an offering amounting to a little over two hundred dollars was given toward the porsonage that is in process of erection at Royalton. This was another good and profitable quarterly meeting.

H. C. MULLEN, Secy.

THE HARM OF FLATTERY.

The editor of a magazine at an evening reception pointed out to a friend a young man whose vanity and affectation made him ridiculous to everyone. "There," he said, "is the victim of one successful poem and its admirers. When he was twenty he wrote some verses which hit the popular fancy. His friends pronounced them a perfect lyric, and publicly announced the writer as the great poet of the nineteenth century. The man has never been able to equal it since. He gave up his profession and devoted his whole time to scribbling poetry. He is arrogant, vain, worthless. His life ruined by ill-judged praise."

"Praise," says an old writer, "is like the powerful durg, helebore. A drop given by a wise mediciner instils strength into the weak. But too much inflames the blood and maddens the brain."

Many a modest, sensible schoolgirl through the flattery of her companions or boy admirers, becomes a silly woman, utterly useless in the world's work, for which her better qualities would fit her. —Youth's Companion.

THE BIBLE READING BILL.

A bill has recently passed in the Georgia Legislature and been signed by the governor which requires that a chapter in the Bible shall be read every day in all the public schools of the state. This is good news. It is time that Illinois Protestants were waking up and demanding that this Book of all books should again be read in our public schools. The decision of the Roman Catholic supreme court judge, who ruled some years ago that it was a sectarian book and therefore it was unlawful to read it in our public schools, should be overthrown. The Bible readings would go far to lessen the criminal tendency among the young and would act powerfully in restrain vice.—The Free Methodist.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Brother Baker:

Enclosed find renewal for the Highway. We would not be without it for twice the money. I am glad to be able to testify to the saving power of Jesus, and I know he is abundantly able to keep what he has saved. All honor to his precious name.

Yours in his name,
ABRAHAM CRONKITE.

Temple, N. B.

Dear Highway:

Just a line saying that God has wonderfully blessed me since coming here to school. My testimony is that Jesus still saves and sanctifies me wholly. Glory to his name.

There never has been a time in my saved and sanctified experience that I have felt like shouting the victory as much as I do now when we see what the enemy of our souls is doing to precious unsaved souls. May God help me to stand true for holiness of heart.

Yours in His service,
LESLIE SEARS.

Wollaston, Mass.

Dear Highway:

We are very glad to report that God is very real in all of our services. We had quite a surprise last Sunday evening. We had been praying and asking God to send the unsaved to our meetings, and Sunday evening about thirty came into our service who were not accustomed to coming, and I had the blessed privilege of preaching to them. How the Holy Spirit did help me preach the truth to that company! And I believe they are coming again.

Your brother in Christ,
T. W. MOSES.

OUR NEED OF SYMPATHY.

Human sympathy is ever exceedingly precious, but there are points in our spiritual conflict in which we can not expect to receive it. To each man there are passages in life too narrow for walking two abreast. Upon certain crags we must stand alone. As our constitutions differ, so our trials, which are suited to our constitutions, must differ also. Each individual has a secret with which no friend can intermeddle; for every life has its mystery and its hidden treasury. Do not be ashamed, young Christian, if you meet with temptations which appear to you to be quite singular. We have each one thought the same of his trials. You imagine that no one suffers as you do, whereas no temptation hath happened unto you but such as is common to man, and God will with the temptation make a way of escape, that you may be able to bear it. Yet for the time being you may have to enter into fellowship with your Lord when He trod the winepress alone, and of the people there was none with Him. Is not this for your good? Is not this the way to strength? What kind of piety is that which is dependent upon the friendship of man? What sort of religion is that which can not stand alone? Beloved, you will have to die alone, and you need grace to cheer you in solitude.—Spurgeon.