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OUR MINISTER IS PREACHING BETTER

While these may be rare expressions, they may be uttered occasionally without a thought of the minister's side of the question.

It is more than possible that the minister has been looking into the spiritual condition of his people, and applying himself to adjust his sermons to the people, according to their spiritual condition. He by careful study of his people whom he has previously estimated too high as to their ability to assimilate scriptural truth as Paul found the Corinthians, when he considered their spiritual condition. He said: **And I, brethren could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ.**

So as wise builders ministers like physicians with their patients, must study to know the spiritual condition of his people. And feed them according to their ability to assimilate the great truths of the gospel.

Yes, the minister is preaching more to the enjoyment of the people, possibly more helpful to the people, but they think it is an improvement in their preacher, when in fact the minister has discovered their true spiritual location and is working on a lower level and yet, not necessarily compromising truth, nor lessening the quality, but using spiritual milk, instead of spiritual meat, perhaps also in smaller portions. Viz., sermonettes instead of fully developed sermons. The minister may have discovered that some of his hearers were professing cream and living skimmed milk, which had been kept until it had changed, and really thought they had the best quality of cream, but when put to the test, it would not whip up into real spiritual joy and gladness. Being a wise workman he sought to know the fact, which when he found, he quietly set himself to help the dear self-deceived person. Having supposed the people already knew and enjoyed heavenly things, he talked of them, but they soon revealed the fact that they knew nothing of these things, and came to the conclusion that their pastor was dreamy and visionary. But the Holy Spirit reveal-

ed the difficulty and the minister adjusted himself and his talks to the needs of his people, and they saw he was improving. Brethren, let us **study to show ourselves approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.**

So that all our ministers constantly improve in our preaching by seeking to know the needs of the people to whom we minister, and know that people who really live cream will not be satisfied with skimmed milk sermons, and people who live skimmed milk, cannot bear cream until they are patiently strengthened to that condition.

ROYALTON MISSIONARY MEETING

The Royalton Monthly Missionary meeting took place on Wednesday evening, 19th inst., Mrs. I. F. Keirstead presided, a short programme was given:

Singing—"We'll work till Jesus Come."

Scripture Lesson—Psalm 55.

Prayer led by Mrs. B. Burke.

Singing—"Fullness of salvation."

Minutes read and approved.

Letter from Mrs. Sanders read and address by Mrs. Keirstead.

Reading—Mrs. Wm. Crawford.

Dues and Offering.

Singing, "I'll go where you want me to go."

Benediction by the pastor.

TO THE BEST.

When Jesus said to Nicodemus, "Ye must be born again," he said this to a high grade man. Nicodemus was one of the top class, not only intellectually but morally.

Had Jesus simply said this to such a class as the "woman at the well" represented, people would naturally say, "Sure enough! Well may such people be exhorted to repent and be admonished that they must have a change." But Jesus said it to the best man and the lesson, of course, is that the best need to be born again; that none are so good as not to need it, and none so bad that they may not have it.

It is quite the thing these days to have even the so-called evangelical pulpit declare that all are the children of God and about all that is needed is for men to appreciate this fact, join the church and "keep out of jail" and they will come out all right.—The Christian Witness.

GET ALL YOU CAN—BUT!

Get all you can without hurting your soul, your body, or your neighbor. Save all you can, cutting off every needless expense. Give all you can. Be glad to give; and ready to distribute; laying up in store for yourselves a good foundation against the time to come, that ye may attain eternal life.—J. Wesley.—Sel.

OUR LORD'S WARNING.

"Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Matt. 7-16.—ravening—"propensity for prey or booty; the act of plundering or seeking prey; hence, unjust exaction." This sort get all they can, and try to get your pledges for more. Ever see em?

MARRIED.

Mullen-Sullivan.

At the Reformed Baptist parsonage, New Tusket, N. S., on Oct. 17th, Mr. Judson Mullen, of Havelock, N. S., to Ella Sullivan, of Easton, N. S. The ceremony was performed by the writer, assisted by Rev. E. W. Lester, of Marysville, N. B.

PERLEY W. BRIGGS.

MacCallum-Berry.

At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Berry, Cameron street, October 24th, 1921, by the Rev. S. A. Baker, Miss Eva Berry and Mr. A. K. MacCallum, of the C. N. R. shops, Moncton

MacCallum-Bradley.

At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Berry, Cameron street, October 24th, 1921, by the Rev. S. A. Baker, Miss Mary Ethel Bradley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Hamlin Bradley, Gray's Mills, Kings Co., and Mr. George E. MacCallum, of the C. N. R., Moncton

These happy young people are spending two weeks visiting Montreal, Toronto, London, Ont., and Niagara Falls. They will reside at Moncton, N. B.

A GOOD SERMON.

"That was a good sermon," said a parishioner to the wife of his minister, as he passed out of the church, referring to the sermon her husband had preached.

"I am glad you enjoyed it," she said.

"I didn't say I enjoyed it," he replied.

"I said it was a good sermon."

The best sermons are not necessarily the ones we enjoy the most. They are the sermons that stir the conscience and disturb us in our complacency.

A parishioner once complained to a famous preacher that his preaching was interfering with his business.

"Sir," was the reply, "it is the business of the church to interfere with people."

Moses had to interfere with the Israelites more than once. Elijah was denounced as the one who "troubled Israel." John the Baptist had to disturb the conscience of his hearers. Paul preached a gospel that interfered with certain lines of business, and not all his hearers were honest enough to say his sermons were good.

A good sermon is not necessarily the one we enjoy; it is the one that helps us to be better.—Watchword.

"The microscope and telescope reveal hitherto unknown worlds. If we had finer spiritual sense, we would have a revelation of hitherto unknown spiritual worlds."

"The Son of God when on earth was more distressed at the unbelief of his professed followers than at the opposition of his enemies. What an awful thing was unbelief as he saw it. Let us have it banished from our hearts forever. It has no business in the heart of a follower of Jesus."

Brethren who have no bank account but a will to do, are better than those who have a bank account and no will to do.