

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 1 convened with the church at Woodstock on Thursday December 4th, 1924.

The President Rev. E. W. Lester had charge of the first meeting, and a helpful service was enjoyed.

Friday afternoon, Rev. Perley Briggs led a social service. The presence of the Holy Spirit was there and the saints were quickened and helped.

Friday evening Rev. H. S. Dow, brought the message from Jude 20, "Building up yourselves in your most holy faith" etc. This was a very helpful message. Bro. Dow showed us that we must have a good foundation on which to build. Must be justified freely and sanctified wholly. Some of the traces of the old life follow us, such as Covetousness, love of ease, conceit, murmuring, dispondency, and such like. We must build up ourselves by seeking grace to overcome these weaknesses, so we may become liberal, industrious, humble, trustful and cheerful.

Saturday at 10:30 a social service was led by Rev. I. F. Kierstead, again all present were blessed by our mutual faith and fellowship with the Father and His Son Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Saturday at 2 p. m. the business session was opened. The following officers were elected Rev. L. J. Alley, President Rev. I. F. Kierstead, Secretary; Rev. I. M. Gierstead Highway Agent; and Brother Howard London, Treasurer.

Rev. L. J. Alley Brothers Mutch and Somers and Sister S. Haden Shaw were on the devotion al committee.

The Roll Call found the following ministers present, Revs. E. W. Lester, Perley Briggs, L. J. Alley, H. S. Dow, I. F. Kierstead and I. M. Kierstead. The churches of the District were fairly represented by delegates and encouraging reports were given, some churches reported by letter.

Resolved that the Quarterly meeting extend to Rev. H. H. Cosman, who was present, a welcome to take part in our deliberations. Also resolved to extend to him our deepest sympathy in the great loss of his companion.

Resolved that we extend to Sister W. B. Wiggins an expression of our sympathy in her sad bereavement.

The great evil of the use of cigarettes was strongly spoken of by Rev. B. Colpitts. He earnestly exhorted the Churches to be instant in season in warning and teaching against this latter day plague of society. This is one of the evils which is striking at the very taproot of our civilization, in as much as its use has become prevalent both among boys and girls. Where are pure mothers to come from in the future, if the girls of the present generation polute their blood by the virus of cigarettes? Where shall we get men to direct the affairs of our nation if boys smoke until they lose the sharp edge of their wit and ambition? The devotional committee reported; preaching by Rev. I. F. Kierstead. Saturday evening. The message was from Heb, 6; 1. Leaving the principles and doctrines of Christ, let us go on unto perfection." Love feast Sunday 9:30 a. m. led by Brother Harry Foster, who substituted for Sister S. Haden Shaw. and Rev. H. H. Cosman substituted for Rev. I. M. Kierstead at 11 o'clock Text from Rev. 2;4. "Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love". The Lord graciously helped our Brother to bring a helpful message.

At 3 p. m. Rev. E. W. Lester preached on Holiness, Text Heb. 12; 14. which the people greatly enjoyed. Three were at the altar for the se-

cond work of grace. Rev. Perley Briggs brought the message in the evening on "the second coming of our Lord". Text Matt 24; 27". But as the days of Noah were so also shall the coming of the Son of man be. "This brought great blessing to the saints. A grand testimony meeting followed which was reluctantly closed at a late hour.

The Q. M. regretted that both the Pastor and his wife were laid aside through sickness. Sister Alley was unable to attend any of the services and Brother Alley was confined to his home all day Sunday. The meetings however were good, many testified in the power of the Spirit and all present felt that the Lord gave us a very profitable Quarterly Meeting for which we praise our Heavenly Father, and trust the Church at Woodstock was strengthened and each member encouraged on the way. Trust that this refreshment from the Lord may extend to other churches.

The Q. M. accepted a kind invitation from the Fort Fairfield Church to meet with them on the first Thursday in March.

Resolved to send Greetings to the Church in which Rev. S. H. Clark is Pastor and to thank them for their cordial invitation to meet with them in June.

I. F. Kierstead, Sec'y.

OBITUARY.

MRS. ANNIE L. COSMAN

Passed peacefully from this life to the Home Eternal, Annie L. Watson wife of Rev. H. H. Cosman of Ludlow, Maine, Thursday October 30th 1924 after an illness of two weeks of pneumonia.

Sister Cosman was born at the Narrows, Queens County New Brunswick, June 30th 1850, daughter of the late James and Mary Watson of that place.

She professed religion at an early age and united with the Free Baptist Church of her native town, but after becoming the wife of Horatio H. Cosman, then a young minister she united with the different Churches in his pastorates.

Sister Cosman possessed a pleasant personality and was a remarkably deep religious character, kind to the poor and always ready to help the needy.

She was beloved by all that was privileged to know her. And much of brother Cosman's success as a pastor was due to her faithfulness to duty and devote Christian character.

Brother and sister Cosman celebrated their Golden Wedding 29th of last March, over 100 of their friends met with them and a very enjoyable day was spent.

Besides the husband who deeply mourns the loss of a devoted and loving wife, she leaves two daughters Mrs. Emma Perry who recently moved to Idaho, Mrs. Jenny Cahoon of Santa Cruz, California. ev. P. L. Cosman, pastoh of a church in Pascoag Rhode Island, William an adopted son who is a merchant in Grand Manan, New Brunswick, five grandchildren two of whom were living with their grandparents, and have the sympathy of the community in their great loss. One sister, Mrs. Margaret Watson of Santa Cruz, alone survives her.

The funeral was held from the little Baptist Church that they had both so faithfully ministered to for four years, beautiful flowers were there in abundance, showing the loving thoughts and the esteem in which she was held. The Rev. E. B. Lester of Hartland, New Brunswick a life long friend of the family preached the sermon. Prayer was offered by Rev. Chase of Houlton, Rev. Clark Hartley read the Scripture. Rev. B. C. Bubar, Evangelist Walsh and Bernard

Patton pastor of the Baptist Church of Linneus were also present. Rev. Lesters text was found in 2nd Timothy 4th Chapter 6th verse, "I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith" which was very appropriate, the church choir sang two beautiful hymns, "Sometime we'll Understand" and "The end of The Way."

Mrs. Maria Britten Cowan.

Mrs. Maria Britten Cowan, wife of the late Charles Cowan, passed to her eternal reward Tuesday, Dec. 2nd, after an illness of five weeks of pneumonia at the age of 76 years. She leaves to mourn their loss, four sons and three daughters, Arthur with whom she lived, and Wesley, of Royalton; Thomas and Hustis, of Blane, Me.; Mrs. Woodford Burt and Mrs. Frank Weade, of Royalton, and Mrs. Ernest Jones, of Presque Isle, Me.

Mrs. Cowan was born in Wakefield, Car. Co., and early in life professed faith in the Lord, was baptized and united with the Baptist Church, and has ever since lived a consistant Christian life, and loved by all who knew her. She prayed for her family until almost the last, but longed to depart and be with Jesus. Her nurse heard these words, "Soon going to be with Jesus, visit that beautiful." The funeral service was conducted by Rev. I. F. Keirstead in the R. B. Church. Her body was laid beside that of her husband in the Royalton cemetery.

STUDENTS' FUND.

We wish to impress upon the minds of our people the importance of the Students' Fund. We must remember that our young people who are studying of r the ministry are making many sacrifices. It would be very easy for us to help our students if we all would put forth an extra effort toward this good cause. The successful business man carefully studies any proposition that is brought to his attention inviting the investment of his money. He decides in favor of that which is safe, and gives promise of good returns in the future. Are the children of this world wiser in their generation than the children of light? What better investment can a careful, thoughtful steward of the Lord make than to put his money at work to assist our young people who are preparing to preach the gospel in their struggle to obtain an education?

"There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth, and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty.

"The liberal soul shall be made fat; and he that watereth shall be watering also himself."—Prov. 11:24-25.

Previously acknowledged\$48.75
Brother Sabine 1.00

M. ELLA SLIPP,

Treasurer.

Grey's Mills, N. B., Nov. 25th.

It is told of a very successful evangelist that he spent several weeks every summer in special and peculiar prayer and waiting upon God preparatory to his revival work in the following fall and winter. He called it his summer revival. He recognized the secret that revivals begin in the heart and are born of prayer.