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EDITORIAL.

God's way is best, but it seems hard for man to submit, for pride seems to dominate the life, and man would have God in debt to him. We read that in the last day they shall say unto Jesus: Have we not prospered in thy name? and in thy name done many wonderful works? and in thy name have cast out devils? He will profess unto them, I never knew you, etc. Jesus did not deny their plea, but it was not enough. The fact is that we cannot work the works of God, unless we have the Spirit of God and deny the Divinity of Jesus, and the power of His blood to cleanse from sin, or the Holy Spirit to sanctify and fill the soul, so that we are holy in our heart and ambition. So many are trying to do church work, etc., etc., thinking by so doing they will grow into favor with God. They toil day and night, preach and say prayers, attend all the church fairs and entertainments, bake cakes and beans, wait on tables, etc., and all the time make fun and sport over things spiritual. Surely the natural man wants to climb up some other way, but that way will not win the approval of God. He has said, "Be ye holy," and we cannot be holy without we partake of His nature, and the power of His nature given full sway in our lives, will be to the exclusion of sin and the life of holiness; then we shall have power to do the work of God because we are filled with His Spirit, and our doing then will be from the motive of love within.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Highway:

It has been a long time since I reported through your columns. It has been in my mind to do so for some time. We are now located at Seal Cove, Grand Manan, and have charge of the Seal Cove and Wood Island churches. We find here a loyal band of workers who have the cause at heart. The regular preaching services have been well attended since my coming, and the blessing of God manifest. Thus far the prayer meetings have not been so

well attended on account of the very busy season, a consequence of the large run of herring, but still the meetings have been real good and seasons of blessing. We are here for business and mean to press the work of God with all our hearts, and look forward to times of refreshing from the Lord.

It takes a little time to understand the needs and to get under the burden of the work, but we are doing that and God is going to help us. Every succeeding year should be better than the last, so we want to make this year and this pastorate the most successful.

I look back with some satisfaction upon the last three years spent at Beals, Maine. It may be of interest to some should I give a brief review of the work there. We took up the work at Beals in July, 1922. The church had been pastorless from the preceding November, but the people had worked hard to keep the interest up. In the November following our going there, we put on special meetings, having for evangelist Dr. A. L. Whitcomb. His preaching was deep and scriptural and his ministry faithful, but no great results were apparent. The following October (1923) we began special meetings with Brother and Sister H. S. Mullen as evangelists. This matter lasted over seven weeks. The first five were a hard pull, with very small results but with much prayer and holding on, the break came. About thirty-five were forward in one altar service. Over a hundred were at the altar during the whole series. As a result of this revival, thirty-four were baptized and about thirty joined the church. The ages of those baptized ranged from eight to eighty. I baptized and received into the church a man of eighty and my own daughter of eight. The majority of those baptized were young men and women.

Later we baptized eight at Jonesport, and in the summer of 1924 baptized four more at Alleys Bay, one of these being also a man of eighty, a cousin to the one before mentioned. Out of the revival at Beals grew the Mission at Alleys Bay, a community about two miles from the Beals church. An old store was renovated and made into a place of worship. The meetings were owned and blessed of God. A Sunday school was started and two week-night meetings held besides a Sunday evening meeting. Quite a number were converted in the meetings at the mission, among them the last mentioned old gentleman, who had never made a profession before in his life. Another man, a backslider for years, was gloriously reclaimed and his wife converted. The brothers and sisters at Alleys Bay stood by the pastor and the meetings nobly and their faithfulness was rewarded. There is yet a great future for the work there if they remain faithful.

In the Spring following the revival at Beals, we engaged Rev. M. E. Baker, of Indiana, for a meeting, hoping to see many of the new converts led into the blessing of entire sanctification, but this meeting seemed to be an entire failure from every angle. The people did not attend and the devil outdid himself to arouse other interests and distractions. God knows all about this and He can place the blame and settle up the accounts.

One of the great setbacks to the work at Beals was the inefficiency of the heating plant. This was a cause of much anxiety to both pastor and people. Many schemes were suggested to overcome the difficulty, but finally the church decided that the best thing would be to blast out the solid ledge under the church and install a pipeless furnace. Some thought it could not be done without tremendous expense, and others were doubtful whether it could be done without wrecking the church. Brother C. H. Beal was the leading spirit in attempting this job and seeing it through. He offered to put the furnace in at his own expense if the church would pay for the blasting out of a place to set it. This he carried out according to agreement at a cost to himself of \$248.24. He not only did this, but when the job was finished and there was still a deficit of \$212.44, he also paid this out of his own pocket and balanced the accounts.

The job of blasting was a big undertaking, but something had to be done and this seemed the best way out. It was accomplished with very little damage to the building. The cost of the basement apart from the furnace was \$489.06. Of this amount \$201.62 was paid by the Sewing Circle. Three brethren, namely, Alonzo Alley, Avery Beal and Estin Alley, contributed \$25 apiece. The furnace proved a complete success, and has made a new and comfortable church in all weather, and will be a blessing to generations to come. Some difficulty has been experienced with water running into the basement, there being no way to arrange for drainage, but this will yet be entirely overcome.

Mrs. C. H. Beal presented the church with a fine platform carpet at a cost of \$96.85. It was also during my stay at Beals that F. W. Beal donated to the church a beautiful piano at a cost of \$500. They have now at Beals as fine a church plant in every way as can be found anywhere in any community of its size. The last year of our stay we had only two weeks of special meetings, that being this last spring. Brother Stillman Mullen did the preaching. The church was edified, but we saw no definite seekers. All through my ministry there the regular services were well sustained, and at times the presence of God was very manifest. One good feature that I shall not forget was the communion service. No place that I have ever been have I seen the interest taken and the respect shown for the communion service, nor the same proportion of the church remain for the sacrament. This was always a delight to me. I am safe in saying that I was able to close my three years' ministry with the confidence of every member of the church. The longer we worked together and the better we knew each other, the deeper the fellowship became. The work at Beals is beset by many difficulties that require much patience and grace, but God is able to bring it through. We pray that God may richly bless and use the succeeding pastor. We can thank God for our ministry at Beals if for nothing else than the deeper hold we gained upon the Word of God. Circumstances drove us to Bible study, with the result that we learned more Bible than in any six years before, and we became more thoroughly fixed in the simple