

found impression upon our minds, coming as we verily believe first handed. And now it should be our motto to do what we can for the salvation of those who sit in heathen darkness.

Yours in His service,

S. G.

Island Falls, Me.

Dear Brother Trafton and Highway Readers:

Just a line to say we left Beulah on Aug. 28th and had the privilege of being with Brother Hagerman Sunday evening, the 29th inst., at the old battlefield in Calais and of clasping hands again with many of those I had helped to the Lord Jesus and buried in the waters of the St. Croix River. We surely enjoyed the privilege. Brother Hagerman is giving the people a full and uncompromising salvation and must surely meet with blessed results.

We arrived home at Crystal Sept. 1st and put ourselves in battle array for Sunday, the 5th, when we met a good house and many good people, but our stay was of brief duration, for with two delegates from Belvidere we left on the 9th inst. for Millville, "the land of our nativity," to enjoy a quarterly meeting from the 9th to the 12th, and truly God was present in much power and Holy Ghost conviction. We also enjoyed meeting many of the old time saints whom we have known from youth up; we found many had crossed over. Brother Trafton since that Sunday over 20 years ago you and I spent there, while many heads are blossoming for the change that awaits them. We did what we could to bring the message of salvation and all our brethren preached well, but we could feel the change the hard hearted and indifferent devil has brought upon the people in the past 20 years. Surely he is causing them to harden their hearts and stiffen their necks, but a good meeting was enjoyed and the saints blessed. We bespeak for Brother Sabine a prosperous year. As for my health I am much better and trusting God for a fine winter's work. Pray for us and our work.

Yours for souls,

S. H. CLARK.

Fredericton, N. B.

Dear Highway:

I am just back home from my trip to Westchester and Moncton.

I enjoyed my short stay at Westchester very much indeed. I had a very comfortable and pleasant home while there with Sister Colwell, but received much kindness from others and made to feel welcome among them. We have not a large number of church members there, but I judge they are not inferior to any. Their courage and determination to keep themselves pure and push the battle of the Lord is wonderful, though without a pastor. They are building a fine little parsonage which they expect to finish this fall. We believe there is a splendid field of labour in that district for some man who has a passion for souls and feels called to visit among the people. Let us pray for these dear ones who are now holding the fort there without a leader. We supplied for our people in Moncton two Sundays. The last Sunday also going

to Lutz Mountain in the afternoon, where we had a good congregation.

We still have a faithful people at Moncton, though they have been sorely tested in the sickness and death of their two last pastors. We believe they will come forth from their testings as gold tried in the fire. I cannot speak too highly of the very kindly manner in which I was entertained in the home of Brother and Sister Grass while there. Many others also made me welcome and I very much enjoyed their hospitality and fellowship. Eugene has gone to act as a permanent supply for this church the rest of the year. He will take up studies at Mount Allison, coming to Moncton the end of each week and returning Monday. May the Lord graciously help these dear people in this critical time of their church life.

The Lord saves me fully and fires my soul with His love.

Sincerely yours,

I. F. KEIRSTEAD.

Hartland Mission Station.

Dear Home Helpers:

You will be interested to hear of the further developments in Lydia's section. I was present at their service yesterday, and counted fifty in the small church. The Lord was with us in wonderful power. Filimona and Martha were given the opportunity to express their desire of returning to us. Then about a dozen of their little flock arose one after another and said: "Ngi ya nikela ebandhleri." I give myself to this church. Filimona proposes to get a letter from the Dutch church, dismissing him and his flock.

I was impressed with the note of joy that they expressed, and gladness that they were coming in with us. I think they realize that they now will be better taught and cared for. They are hungry for God, reminding me of the trees on the edge of a grove, leaning outward towards the light.

25th

Today we had our "Big Sunday" with baptism of eleven bright converts. Our large church was full, and sixty odd partook of communion. One infant was presented to the Lord. Its father, Manota, was baptized today, taking the name Job. He has been a seeker since our first coming to this district. Another of the eleven taken into church fellowship today is Mohlalani, now known as Lena.

She is a wife of Maridundu, and lived on this farm when we first arrived. As I was about to baptize her today there flashed in my mind a recollection of her as a witch doctor, walking along through the high grass, singing, "I am called by a bird." But now she is so very earnest and happy in responding to the call of her Saviour.

Another baptized, Marikobiana, is the young daughter of one of our church members who also was a witch doctor. Soon after our arrival here she came asking for medicine, as a certain pain was giving her much distress. Later she saw me and said, "That pain was from the spirits trying to enter and make me a medium. Now I have yielded to them and the pain is gone.

This is even so as these natives have learned to recognize pains in shoulders, etc., as probably caused by spirits who

desire to use them as mediums.

Four candidates were from Jesina's section across the Pivaan. One other was ready for baptism, but her heathen husband refused to let her come.

Timoti is here from our Utrecht Church. His report is just fair. One even wonders that he does so well, alone and so far from any spiritual help and teaching. There are six, he says, asking for baptism, but just now two of these are away. So, later, I will hope to visit them.

Yours in Jesus,

H. C. SANDERS.

THE PROCESS OF INTIMATE FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD.

At the close of the service this morning an earnest Christian brother complained to us that his sense of God's presence with him and of His favor upon him was not satisfactory. He said he had prayed much over the matter, especially of late, said he had often thought of going publicly to the altar of prayer, and that he he was especially anxious that we should join with him in prayer to the end that he might obtain the intimate friendship with God that he desired. We told him that it was possible to obtain pardon from God for all past sins, and that with such a pardon God would give clear and satisfactory witness of His Spirit, witness so clear and definite as to amount to "assurance." But the brother, a stranger to us, said he had found and now enjoyed such assurance. Then we told him that **sanctification** is a definite work accomplished in the heart of the believer by the Holy Ghost and that such an experience is knowable and enjoyable. But he said he had also obtained this experience and that he was clearly in its enjoyment now. Then we told him that it is possible for an earnest, pure hearted Christian to pray and wait in faith before God until "times of refreshing" come upon him, and that he is entitled to blessings and special outpourings of divine grace. But this brother said he was also familiar with this possibility and that he found no great difficulty in "praying through" to such seasons of blessing and refreshing. But he went on to say that in spite of all these things he felt that he did not know God in the intimate and continuous sense that he should. He said that he had had very definite answers to prayer, but that in the main he was accustomed to pray in general terms and then when things happened one way or the other he was accustomed to say that God answered his prayer. But he declared that he was especially anxious to understand God better, to know Him more intimately and vitally, and to be able to find His will more quickly and to have more sweet and blessed communion with Him.

By this time we had seen and heard enough to be convinced that the man was in dead earnest and that his heart cry was commendable and a mark of genuine piety. So we said, "You are on the right road to reach that intimacy with God that you desire. Your very desire is a means of preparing you to have your desire fulfilled. What you want is not to be obtained in a moment at an altar in a public service. It is not to be obtained instan-

(Continued on Page 8)