

MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENCE.

Hartland P. O.,
Via Paulpietersburg,
Natal, So. Africa,
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Dear Homeland Friends:

We do praise the Lord for the cooler weather. You cannot imagine what a relief it is to us physically, for the continuous intense heat is a strain on the heart and nerves. We are so grateful that our winters are so favorable, though we do have some real hot days, even in the winter, and always the noon hours are quite warm enough to suit us. Our coldest days are only delightful and bracing. Africa is certainly a remarkable country for heat and sunshine.

Today has been delightful—an ideal day for kraal visiting, but I had a long ride yesterday (about 16 miles) and was not able to go out again today. I went to Jostina's farthest outpost and had a service with her people as she was not able to go so far. I felt well repaid for the Lord gave us a good service. Two heathen women expressed their desire to become Christians, but seemed afraid to take a definite step toward the Kingdom of heaven. They are quite young women, both married, and their faces were very sad and showed the hunger of their hearts. My heart yearned over them with a great pity and love for their souls, and for all in that section. They were formerly Mateu's little flock before he went with the Zionists, and of course their disappointment in him and the division in their number has had its sorrowful effect upon the work there.

One dear old soul stood up and confessed her lack of humility and before she finished her testimony the tears were running down her face. Her honest testimony brought conviction to other hearts and so the Lord worked in our midst and I believe their souls were helped by the words of Jesus from Matt. 18. By the grace of God may we live according to His Word. We know He is able to make all grace abound toward us.

The clouds were heavy and a few drops of rain falling when I left at 4 o'clock for the homeward ride, but the Lord cared for me and there was no real shower until I had entered our own house at 6 o'clock. Helen had returned before me and also the others who were out. We trust the blessing of the Lord on His own Word to bring forth the increase as He alone can do.

When we were in Durban we found a new Zulu hymn book in which are many of our dear old hymns translated and they are a great blessing to us. One is "Bringing in the Sheaves," and it is especially sweet to our hearts. Dear ones, if we would reap with joy, we must sow in tears, for it is he who goes forth with weeping who returns bringing his sheaves. May the Lord give us a weeping heart as we labor for souls.

I was at the chief's kraal the Sunday before. He was home and came to the meeting for a while. He seemed very willing for the meeting, but his wife seemed to be the only earnest one present. A number of elderly men and some women were there, but most of them seemed quite satisfied with their heathen

ways. We know that the entrance of His Word gives light and we pray that they may be given the desire to seek God. They asked for more meetings and the chief thanked me very much for coming, presented me with more meat and said when he has "more time" he is coming here "to ask some questions about the Bible." Aloni had meetings there yesterday.

We are expecting Faith home from Zululand Wednesday. Her farewell service will be on Sunday and I am sure God will make it a blessing. She will sail next week, on May 13 (D. V.) for England, so when this letter reaches you she will be almost, if not already in your midst. We do praise Him today for it.

May it be a wonderful Alliance and Camp Meeting is our prayer. We remember the departed ones and trust that God will greatly strengthen those who are bearing the burdens and responsibilities of the Home and Foreign Work. Pray for us that we may stand in our place around about the Camp and see the glory of God.

Yours in Him,
ALICE F. STERRITT.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Eugene Wolverton

The death of Mrs. Eugene Wolverton took place at Community Hospital, Fort Fairfield, Maine, on June the third. The deceased had been in poor health for a few months before her death. Her passing away comes as a great blow to the home, for she leaves a family of small children, besides a number of brothers and sisters. The service was held at her late residence and interment was made at Ortonville, Victoria Co., N. B., Rev. F. T. Wright officiating. To the husband and relatives we extend our sincere sympathy.

Mrs. John Rogers

The death of Mrs. John Rogers took place at her late residence at Fort Fairfield, Maine, on June 6th. Mrs. Rogers had been sick for about five weeks. She had been a long resident of this town and was about sixty-five years of age. The deceased was a member of the United Baptist Church, at which place of worship the funeral service was held.

She leaves one son, Mr. Elton Rogers, with whom she lived; Mrs. Randolph Stockford, of Portage Lake, and Mrs. Henry Rogers, of Caribou, Me; also two brothers and one sister. Mrs. Rogers was often seen at the place of worship. Rev. F. T. Wright officiated and interment was made at the Harvey Hill cemetery. May God bless those who mourn.

Harold Godsoe

Benton, N. B.—The death of Harold, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Godsoe, occurred on Saturday, June 19th. The funeral service was held at the home at ten o'clock Sunday morning. George A. Rogers officiated both at the house and at the grave. The baby was laid at rest beside his little brother in the Benton cemetery.

George G. Gray

It becomes our duty to report the passing of another old land-mark, not

only in this town and Church to which he belonged, and held the office of deacon since its organization, but an old and respected brother of the Holiness movement in the person of George G. Gray, who departed this life June 12th, 1924, leaving to mourn one daughter, Mrs. A. J. Rempel, of Vancouver, B. C., and one sister, Mrs. L. E. McFarland, of this town; three grandchildren, Miss Eugenie E. Taylor, a trained nurse of Boston, who was with him the last weeks of his life, and gave him most tender care; Kathleen Gray of Lowell, Mass., and Carleton McLaughlin, of Vancouver, B. C., and a host of friends to mourn. The funeral was held on Monday afternoon, the 14th, from his late residence to the Reformed Baptist Church, and was largely attended, the writer in charge speaking from I. Thessalonians 5-23, assisted by Rev. J. H. King, of the United Church of Canada. The floral tributes were many and beautiful.

He was laid to rest in the beautiful cemetery to which he had given its name, Greenwood, and a portion of it to which he had given much care.

Brother Gray was a good man, his name and character was above reproach. If he had lived until the 21st of next July he would have been 89 years of age. "An old man and full of years."

He was among the first in this part of the country to embrace holiness, and lived in the experience of it for about 40 years, and when the brethren and sisters were disfellowshipped they did not disfellowship him because he was of a quiet nature, yet as he had often said, "If you turn them out I'll go too," and has stood by and with the holiness cause ever since.

E. W. LESTER

Hartland, N. B.

Helen Beatrice Tapley

At the Victoria Public Hospital, Fredricton, N. B., after months of intense suffering, Helen Beatrice, beloved wife of E. A. Tapley, passed from this life Saturday, June 12th, at 12 o'clock p. m., in the full consciousness of her acceptance with her Lord, aged 46 years 10 mos. She was converted in the year 1922 under the labors of the writer, and was baptized in 1924 and united with the Reformed Baptist Church. She leaves to mourn their loss, beside her husband, two sons, Earl, at home, and Willis, of Saint John, N. B.; four daughters, Mrs. E. C. Godette and Mrs. David Sherman, of Toronto, Ont.; Marguerite and Grace at home; her mother, Mrs. Joseph Green, of Birmingham, Eng., two sisters, Mrs. Herbert Hitchcock, of Fort Fairfield, Me., Mrs. Vincent Moosst, Birmingham, Eng., three half sisters and one half brother, all in England.

The funeral was held from the home Monday, June 14th, at 3 o'clock p. m., the writer officiating, assisted by Rev. I. M. Keirstead. A large number assembled to pay the last tribute of respect. The floral tributes were numerous and beautiful. The DeLong quartette rendered two appropriate selections. Interment was in the Rural Cemetery Extension. To the sorrowing ones we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

P. J. TRAFTON