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So, brethren, we are glad to report victory in the name of our Lord.

One other thing to notice in passing. The consecration of our people to the cause of holiness has been grandly exemplified in the line of giving. Our pastor's salary has been cheerfully met, and all other financial calls, in connection with our church work have been responded to in a way that astonished us all. No murmuring, no complaining, no criticism, everybody just willing and glad to do all they can. These and many other things which one could mention are a witness and a proof that we are still on the main line of full salvation, heading for the City of the Great King.

In closing allow a personal testimony. We have been laid aside and confined to our room and bed for over nine weeks with a severe attack of intestinal lagrippe, which tested the medical skill of our doctor, but, praise the Lord, through all these long weary days of distress and weakness of body there has never been a single doubt of our acceptance with God. We have proved the promises true, and always felt that we are resting safe and secure in "the everlasting arms." God has been very good to us, the prayers of His saints have been effectual, and as I have had one of the best nurses in the city (my wife) and one of the best doctors, I can now say I am on the road to complete recovery. Thank the Lord! I expect to be out in a few days and mingle again with those who "worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness." Amen!

A. L. BUBAR.

Milltown, Me.

Dear Brother Trafton:

I am enclosing my renewal for the Highway. It helps to keep me ever praising my Saviour who has done so much for me. When I am sad he makes me glad; he's my friend. Praise His dear name I will also say.

Brother L. J. Sears and family are to leave us very soon. May God bless and direct them as I am very sorry to have them go so soon.

Your sister in Christ,

MRS. ADAM E. DOW.

Perth, N. B.

To the Saints in Christ, Greeting:

I feel it my duty as well as privilege to report through the columns of our paper, the way the Lord has been blessing and leading since I last wrote. As for blessings rich and grand. As for leadings, definite and sure.

It was my privilege during the latter part of April to meet with the church at Westchester, N. S., for a few days meeting. I found a faithful crew of workers. Despite the fact they have had no regular pastor for years, they are pressing ahead. They have a fine church building, and are building a new parsonage this year. Best of all, they have two prayer-meetings a week, and two services on Sunday, besides a good Sunday School. These people deserve credit. I got blessed preaching to them, and have reasons to believe that they appreciated the word as it was preached. A few were at the altar for

definite help. How God wanted to save people in that place. But the pull of this old world is terrible today. I'm thinking we need to exhort sinners to "strive to enter in" lest while they are waiting for God to move them to tears, and work a miracle before their eyes, they hear the cry, "Behold the Bridegroom cometh!"

We came back to Perth and entered into a meeting here with Brother Miles Trafton as evangelist. We are on our second week now. Some are getting a real experience of "holiness by faith," we believe, who have always found it very difficult to "jump off" after they had come to the end of themselves. Another cheerful thing about this meeting is, some who never have had anything are finding it out. We are expecting them to go in for something real during these meetings.

We feel very fortunate to have Brother Trafton with us at this time. He has had experience in some things that we need to have made clear to us as a people just now. I refer to this "Jesus only" sect, and modern "tongueism." Brother Trafton deals with these things as a friend of man and a lover of truth.

He also is giving us some wonderful sermons on clean, clear, definite, sane, real, scriptural holiness.

We trust this meeting will result in much good.

Just a few more days and camp meeting shall be in progress. I hope to meet many of the saints there. May God give us a great meeting.

Yours in Christian fellowship,

FRASER DUNLOP.

THOUGHTS ON CAMP-MEETINGS.

The editor has asked me to write on the subject of camp meetings. He did not specify any particular phase of the subject; if he had it would have made my task easier, but he has left that to me. The theme as a whole is a large one and would my command.

Turning the matter over in my mind, take more time and space than I have at trying to decide what way to approach it I found myself asking some questions, so I finally decided I would discuss these questions as they presented themselves to me.

1. When and where did the idea of a camping ground first originate. Perhaps the starting point may have been back in Israelitish times, when they observed the feast of tabernacles, and left their dwellings and went out and dwelt in booths made from branches of trees. Again we see something akin to a camp-meeting when the people of Judea flocked to the wilderness to hear the preaching of John the Baptist, when forgetting everything else they centered their interest on spiritual things. Coming to modern times, Sanford's Cyclopaedia is authority for the following: "The first meeting of the kind is said to have met in Kentucky, on the banks of the Red River, in 1799, and was in charge of a Methodist and a Presbyterian minister. These meetings were introduced into England in 1807 by the Rev. Lorenzo Dow. The Wesleyan Conference did not approve of them and William Clowes and Hugh Bourne were expelled for holding them."

From those early days the idea gradu-

ally gained headway until in more recent years they have been held by many denominations.

2. Are Camp-meetings worth while? This question has come to me more than once. They must have been found so else they would have ceased long ago. But the answer depends altogether upon the question of what would be worth while. What some would call a success, others would call a complete failure. They are a success only when they bring the desired results. In our case nothing but the presence and blessing of God that fruits in the conversion and sanctification of souls can make them a success.

3. What must be humanly contributed to make them a success?

Prayer is one of the great essentials, but there must be harmony, cooperation, faithful preaching of the truth, and a real devotion to the interest of the meeting. I mean by this last that Christians who go, should go to camp-meeting. All other interests will have to become secondary and hearts and minds be centralized on the one object.

4. What can make them a failure? To make it a pleasure resort. Go to be entertained. Go to eat and drink and sleep and chat. Go pleasuring, boating and riding and not attend the services, and when you do, come lagging in about half an hour late. To be critical and not move up to the preaching and promptings of the Spirit, fail to go forward yourself and keep others back too. Grieve away the Spirit by these or other forms of worldliness or neglect so that He no longer anoints and blesses.

5. What things should be guarded at camp-meeting?

Beware lest other attractions draw away and absorb your interests. Something pleasant could be found to engage every minute and leave a very small place for God and the main purpose of your attendance there. You will meet with people even at a holiness camp that care no more for God and salvation and holiness than a heathen, they are there because it is a convenient place to spend a few days and because the crowd is there. You will have to guard against the adverse influence of this element, and help to make it so hot for them that they will either get saved or feel very much out of place. This is a good place to lose out spiritually, so guard against letting others do all the praying and testifying, and thus rob your own soul by failure to press in and get blessed. Do not think the meeting can go on just as well without your pushing, for your influence will be felt in one way or the other. Go in to get blessed and be a blessing. If you do this you will make advancement in divine grace and will come away feeling good and with a desire to come again.

H. C. MULLEN.

Praise and Trust.

Praise is very closely related to confidence and trust in the Lord. It is the soul who trusts that praises. Praise is an outward indication of trust. When the heart trusts, the lips sing. Trust inspires praise. But the enemy will try to stop the outflow of praise, and this will react on the heart and weaken its trustfulness.