CORRESPONDENCE

Seal Cove

Dear Brother Trafton:

Please find enclosed Postal Note for renewal of the King's Highway. We have had the "Highway" coming to our home ever since it was first printed, and we would not want to be without it.

> Yours truly, MRS. WILLIAM BENSON.

> > West Jonesport, Me.

Dear Brother Trafton:

Please find enclosed my renewal to the Highway. We are glad to have Sister Slipp with us again, and enjoy the messages from time to time.

Your sister in Christ, MRS. ALICE NEWBURY

Fort Fairfield, Me.

The annual business meeting of the Fort Fairfield Praying Band was held Tuesday evening, Dec. 28th, after the prayer meeting. Rev. F. T. Wright acted as chairman. The following officers were elected: and how and alleged beauty

President—Eugene Kimball. Vice President—Burrel Kimball. Sec. and Treas.—Mrs. Annie S. Higgins.

Song Leader—Burrell Kimball. ANNIE S. HIGGINS, Secy. and Treas.

Burtt's Corner, N. B.

Dear Brother Trafton:

Please find enclosed our renewal for the Highway. It is a good paper. We love to read it, we look forward to its coming. praise the Lord for the good reading; it helps us along, bless his name.

> Yours in Him, MR. AND MRS. MEDLEY WHITE

> > Island Falls, Me.

Dear Highway:

God is still blessing my soul and the joy bells of glory are sounding forth the praises of Bethlehem's Babe in my heart. We were very kindly remembered by the members of our church at Belvidere during the Christmas time with many tangible proofs of good will that added to our purse and pantry. The Christmas exercises and tree given by the Sunday School were carried out, the children doing their part splendidly.

We were also very kindly remembered by our friends at the Crystal Church with a purse of \$19.50, for all of which we say, Thank you with our whole heart.

S. H. CLARK

Hartland, N. B.

Dear Highway:

We were very kindly remembered by our people on this circuit at Christmas. In addition to many gifts from individuals. the people of Hartland Church and congregation made us a generous donation in cash just before Christmas, and also Waterville remembered us in like manner when the people of that place met us at the; home of Chester Culberson and gave us a liberal donation consisting of cash and goods, for which we are very gratefful to them and the dear Lord. I am enjoyiing my work here among these people and am keeping quite busy at it.

Last week I preached four times on Sunday, attended four prayer meetings and one missionary meeting during the week. I drove about thirty miles and walked about twenty. I made thirty pastoral calls; read several chapters in my Bible, also read considerable in religious papers and the preachers' magazines, and read one good book through, and spent much time in prayer. I believe that it pays to keep busy for God. How is that for one week?

Yours for Jesus and the cause of holiness, H. S. DOW.

A NOTE OF THANKS.

First, let me say, "Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift," and "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son." Jesus has been very precious to us this Christmas season. We never appreciated the gift of God to mankind more than we do these days. Surely it was the best, greatest and most heroic gift we know anything about.

Secondly, we want to thank our many friends for their thoughts of us this season. I don't think we ever received so many cards and booklets before as we have this year. As we grow older we feel our friends are increasing so that is encouraging. We thank you I'm sure! God bless you.

Thirdly, I want to tell the readers of the Highway of the people of this circuit and thank them too for their many kindnesses shown towards their pastor and family.

Tuesday, Dec. the 21st, was the pastor's birthday. Unknown to him a sing song was arranged for at the parsonage, so along about 7.30 the folk began to gather from Royalton and Knoxford Churches. In they came, arms loaded with chickens, butter, eggs, etc. A very pleasant evening was spent in song, and Just a line this morning to tell you, a good season of prayer, but before they went home they thought they'd have to do something else, so they took an offering and presented it to their pastor as a birthday gift. The next day a team drove in the yard and it was quite well loaded with goodies for the horse to eat. The pastor's horse has to eat as well as he, so the deacons here don't forget that. Well. time rolled on and they just kept it up. sending in and bringing in until after Christmas was ended. I have been just figuring up how much did come in, and it is no small sum. Just let me say here, the members of the Royalton Church who are away living elsewhere don't forget their pastor at Christmas either. Well, how much do you suppose it has been? Remember we are few in number up here. My special offering at Knoxford and gifts of money and other things from the Knoxford, Royalton and Wicklow people has been about eighty dollars and some have given hints that "the end is not yet." Well, glory.

> We thank these dear people, one and all. We cannot thank them enough. Our thanks go beyond words. May God richly

bless them is our prayer.

We are having good meetings in all the places. Both the preaching services and prayer meetings are times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord.

Wishing all a happy and prosperous New Year will say good-night.

Pray for us. Pray for us.

H. S. AND MRS. MULLEN.

P. S.—Let me say, we thank God for a people that will stand by their pastor with their pocketbooks, presence and prayers. H. S. M.

THE CLOSING YEAR.

Now, the year is quickly passing, How the last days seem to fly! As our thoughts turn, sadly, backward, For those speeding days we sigh.

But they leave a message with us, Full of hope and full of cheer; "Though the past is gone forever, Comes apace a brand new year."

"Grieve not for the days now passing, Swiftly with the march of time. Chances new for life's improvement Are the New Year's gift, sublime."

Glancing back upon the pages Of this year's record book, Let us note the frequent errors And, into the future, look.

In the open New Year's volume, Every page is clean and white. Let us pray for grace and wisdom 'Ere we, on those pages, write.

May our gracious heavenly Father Wisely guide each faltering pen; So that none of last year's errors Shall be written o'er again.

—В. М. В.

A HEART TALK BY FAMOUS MISSIONARY

I feel more and more the inadequacy and comparative insignificance of all human accomplishments, whether in a minister or a missionary, and the unspeakable, overwhelming importance of spiritual graces—humility, patience, meekness, love—the habitual enjoyment of closet religion, a soul abstracted from this world, and much occupied in the contemplation of heavenly glories.

Here I cannot help digressing from the subject to myself. You know not, my dear sir, you cannot conceive, how utterly unfit I am for the work in which I am engaged. I am, indeed, a worm, and no man. It is a wonder that I am allowed to live as a missionary among the heathen, and receive an undeserved support from the dear people of God—from many who are poor in this world, but rich in faith. Yet I feel necessity laid on me to remain here, and try to do a little something.—Andoniram Judson.

WHERE BLESSINGS COME FROM.

An aged paid, known for their contentment, affection and happy Christian lives, were asked, as they spoke of many joys that had been their portion, "Have you, then, had no clouds in your sky?" "Why, yes! Where else could all the blessed showers come from?"—Reformed Church Record.