

## MINISTERS AND CHURCHES

The people in general are appreciating very much the speaking and singing of Sister Hazel Mullen. She has been for several weeks engaged with Rev. H. S. Dow in special meetings at Lower Brighton and Gordonsville.

Rev. H. S. Mullen has returned to his home in Royalton, Car. Co., after holding successful evangelistic services, with Rev. H. E. Mullen at Port Maitland and Sandford, N. S.

Rev. H. S. Dow is now engaged in special meeting at Waterville, Car. Co., Miss Hazel Mullen is assisting him. He will begin a campaign at Victoria, Car. Co., on Dec. 29th, and Rev. F. A. Dunlop will assist him.

Lic. Hollis Kimball and wife did not go south. They are visiting his wife's parents for the present at Havelock, N. S.

Mrs. I. M. Kiedstead is not very well of late, and her son, Licentiate Eugene, is having considerable trouble with his eyes.

Miss Faith Sanders is still engaged in the work at Salem, Kings Co. She plans on spending Christmas with Rev. and Mrs. I. F. Kierstead at Fredericton, N. B.

Rev. H. C. Mullen received two into the membership of the Church at Saint John.

## PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Ingersoll and son, Mrs. A. L. Bubar, Mrs. F. D. Foley, of Saint John, attended the Quarterly Meeting at Moncton.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Bradley, of Gray's Mills, Kings Co., Mrs. Wilbert Hayes and daughter, of Mercer, Kings Co., Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Trites, Berry's Mills, West. Co., Mrs. Walter M. Steeves, Hillsboro, Albert Co., Miss Blanche McDonald, McKees's Mills, Albert Co., attended the Quarterly Meeting at Moncton.

Miss Helen Mullen, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Mullen, of West Saint John, was operated on for appendicitis at the Maritime Sanatorium Thursday night, Dec. 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Alward, Mr. Mont Thorne, Mrs. Samuel Burgess, Mrs. Clark, Willard Carson, of Salem, Kings Co., and Wilfred Blakney, of Havelock, Kings Co., attended the Quarterly Meeting at Moncton.

Mrs. F. H. Lock, of Amherst, N. S., attended the quarterly meeting at Moncton. Her daughter, Grace, who has a situation in the C. N. R. Offices, returned with her for a short vacation.

Thomas Loft, of Fredericton, has returned to his home in England.

Miss Grace Good, who has been a patient at the Moncton City Hospital, was able to be taken to her home Saturday, Dec. 10th.

Mrs. A. L. Berry, who has been a patient in the Moncton Hospital, was taken to her home Thursday, Dec. 15th.

The last word from Brother H. C. Mullen's daughter was that there was good hope for her complete recovery.

## NOTES

Please consider the Highway and send your renewal at once.

Save on other things and give to the Lord's work.

When you send your renewal enclose a gift to the Highway Supplementary Fund.

Make our treasurer, Rev. H. S. Dow, Hartland, N. B., glad by sending the amount of your pledge or an offering for the new Dormitory.

Don't forget Mission. Remember Rev. I. F. Kierstead, Fredericton, is the treasurer.

Rev. H. C. Archer, North Head, N. B., is treasurer for the Ministers' Fund.

## A SURPRISE

Havelock, N. S.

On Thursday evening, Nov. 24th, at the close of the prayer service we were taken by surprise, when about thirty-five people, members of the Church and friends, made a rush for the parsonage. We were indeed glad to

have them come to spend a social evening, but when Sister Douglas Mullen presented us with thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) collected by Miss Florence Mullen for a new suit, it certainly was a great surprise, and a welcome one as well. After a pleasant social evening was spent, the ladies served refreshments of cake and hot cocoa. We certainly appreciate the thoughtfulness of these people and say thank you, but come again.

L. J. SEARS

## GENERAL MISSIONARY FUND.

Mrs. Mary Frizzle (native).....	\$100.00
Mrs. J. W. Moore (native) .....	15.00
Mrs. W. R. Carson (native) .....	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Hayes .....	5.00
Mr. Israel Craig .....	1.00

I. F. KEIRSTEAD, Treas.

233 Aberdeen St., Fredericton, N. B.

Note.—We thank all who have so generously contributed to the support of our Mission work at home and abroad during the past year. Can we not speed up the harvest of souls by more earnest prayer and giving? "The King's business requireth haste."

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

I. F. K.

## CHRISTMAS THOUGHTS

"Christmas comes but once a year,

But when it comes it brings good cheer."

This is but a simple little rhyming couplet I learned long ago when but a child, but its sentiments have not been lost throughout the passing years. It contains a lot of truth for a large part of the world, and the pity of it is that it could not be true in all the wide world.

To every Christian heart Christmas is a time of special thankfulness and joy and heart warming. Sad to relate, many bearing the name of Christian do not seem to grasp the spiritual significance of this yearly festival. They appear to see only a time for revelry and mirth, and instead of its being to them a time for deeper spirituality and adoration, it is spent in worldliness and sport, with no thought of God and His great gift to mankind.

Since God graciously saved my soul I have ever felt the day too sacred and holy to spend in mere selfish pleasure and sport, but my soul has rather craved sweet fellowship with Christ my Saviour, and I have wanted to gather with the children of God to worship Him. It seems to me that all Christians should hunger to meet in the churches to praise and adore the greatest Giver and the greatest Gift. Oh, how our hearts ought to swell with holy rapture as we remember the song of the angels, and their announcement to a world of sorrow, "Behold I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people." How can our hearts be cold and joyless when we think that "unto us is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

While the little children may not fully sense the full meaning of Christmas, they should be taught that it is more than just a time to give and receive presents. They should be told of the great Gift of God to humanity, and have their minds directed to the fact that but for Jesus, there would have been no Christmas. Some people are doubtful about teaching their children to believe in a Santa Claus, but I can truly say that it never did me any harm, and I should not like to have taken out of my life the joy of my

youthful Christmases. They were the brightest spots in my life. The spirit of the season has been centralized and personified in Santa Claus, and why not under this name and in this way as well as any other.

This Christmastide should bring to us as a nation great cause for rejoicing. All our great empire is at peace. No roar of cannon rends the air, no sword is unsheathed. The year has been blest with plenteous harvests and no pestilence has swept the land. There is food and raiment for all. It seems fitting that there should be a special time each year, when our minds should be turned from self to the needs of others less fortunate along life's pilgrimage, and Christmas offers us just such time.

There are some poor and unfortunate in almost every community to whom Christmas will not bring much cheer, unless someone brings the cheer to them. This is a real good time to remember the word of Jesus, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." If the wealthy should remember and practice this, they would find a richer joy than they have ever found by giving handsome presents to rich friends that have no need of them.

Just a few days ago I was looking at a toy for sale marked \$22.00. I thought no doubt that would be bought for some boy that would have it torn to pieces in a few days, while some other children would not have enough food to satisfy their hunger, much less have the pleasure of any toys, while the price of this almost useless article would be the price of more than two barrels of flour that would supply the need of some discouraged and toilworn widow or unfortunate man. In many instances those who receive fine gifts need them the least, while real worthy objects of charity could be found if looked for, by means of which blessing would be brought to the giver as well as the one given to.

To all the Highway readers we would wish a very happy Christmas—a Christmas made happy first of all because of a real and personal knowledge of that Christ who was born in Bethlehem, and because He has come to dwell in your hearts forever.

H. C. MULLEN

Port Maitland, N. S.

Dear Brother Trafton:

Our meeting at Sandford came to a close on Sunday evening, Dec. 4th. In many ways this was a hard battle. While Satan did not seem to attack us in ways as he does many times, yet there seemed to be a spirit of indifference settle down upon the people to such an extent that many would not so much as come to hear the truth; others that did attend seemed unmoved. Nevertheless, several got saved that had never before made any profession; others were reclaimed and quite a number sanctified, for which we praise God and take courage. Our own people stood by the meetings loyally with their prayers and financial support, which are essential as ever in the work of Holiness.

Brother H. S. Mullen did some fine preaching. He seemed to be at his best every night. May God bless him and use him in his work to help win many other precious souls for Jesus. We thank God for all His blessings and pray that His work here may continue to progress, and these who have been helped during the revival meetings may keep true.

Yours for precious souls,

HARTLEY E. MULLEN