

afternoon at 2.30. Rev. H. S. Dow elected chairman pro tem. Prayer offered by Brother Whitten. After the reading of the minutes the Roll was called, the following preachers being present: Revs. E. W. Lester, H. S. Dow, F. T. Wright, L. T. Sabine, Stillman Mullen, George Rogers and Lic. Hollis M. Kimball.

Delegates at Quarterly Meeting from Woodstock: Mrs. C. P. Phillips, Mr. C. P. Phillips, Hartland; Mrs. Ziba Orser, Mrs. W. P. McMullen, Royalton; Mrs. Frank Weade, Victoria; Mrs. Thomas Tilley, Mrs. H. Elliott, Millville; John Sabine, Upper Hainesville; Mrs. Charles Knox, Meductic; Mrs. Tart Dickinson, Marysville; Velma McPherson, Vinton Clark, Fort Fairfield; Frank Kimball, Mrs. F. T. Wright, Perth. Miss Bessie Watson, Gordonsville; Marguerite Duplissey, Freida Clair.

Officers elected: President, H. S. Dow; Vice President, Stillman Mullen; Treasurer, Frank Clark; Secretary, H. Kimball; Highway Agent, Rev. L. T. Sabine; Devotional Committee, Brothers F. T. Kimball, C. P. Phillips, Burt Nixon, Rev. H. S. Dow.

Written reports were read from Fort Fairfield, Hartland, Marysville, Fredericton, Victoria, Royalton, Belvidere, Woodstock, Gordonsville, Lower Brighton. These reports were encouraging, and showed that the churches were standing true to Holiness. Verbal reports were heard from Millville, Woodstock, Fort Fairfield and Marysville.

On motion the invitation of the Crystal Baptist Church was accepted to meet there the next quarter, Sept. 5-8.

Brother Dow, of the tent committee, reported saying a tent 40 x 60 ft. could be purchased for about \$360.00. A number of the brethren spoke of the urgency of putting a tent in the field this summer. It was moved that the purchase of a tent be left with the executive.

A vote of thanks was also extended the Hartland Church for their hospitality.

Saturday evening Brother L. T. Sabine brought a helpful message from Acts 2. Sunday morning Love Feast was led by Brother Frank Kimball.

The time was taken up to the full in songs, prayers and testimonies. An old-time Love-Feast. Preaching at 11 o'clock by Stillman Mullen from Acts 7:55. He emphasized the need of a clear vision by God's people. The Lord's Supper was administered at the close of this service.

Sunday afternoon Rev. E. W. Lester was the preacher, his text being found in Matt. 27:42. This service was characterized by the freedom and blessing of the Holy Spirit.

Sunday evening the preacher was F. T. Wright, who spoke from John 14:16 and Romans 8:22-23. He very clearly showed the need of the Comforter in order to be a successful Christian. This service closed with a large number of rousing testimonies. The Quarterly Meeting seemed to be a great source of strength and inspiration to the Christian people who attended.

Respectfully,

HOLLIS M. KIMBALL,  
Secretary

It is a coal from God's altar must kindle our fire; and without fire, true fire, no acceptable sacrifice.—William Penn.

No boy is well prepared for rough climbing, unless he is wellshod with Christian principles.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Millville, N. B.

Rev. P. J. Trafton:

Dear Sir: Enclosed please find amount to pay on our Highway subscription. We enjoy its clean pages very much and feel we cannot get along without this paper.

Thanking you very much for past favors, we remain,

Yours truly,

H. C. AND MRS. GREENLAW

Eastern Nazarene College

Dear Highway Friends:

At the closing of the school year we wish to acknowledge the receipt of \$73.60, which was the balance of the money in the Student Fund. We wish to express our sincere appreciation of the help which you have given us financially during the year. Work has been very scarce during the winter and more than once the money came as an answer to prayer. We feel greatly indebted to the people who are thus helping to make it possible for us to prepare ourselves for the work to which the Lord has called us.

We have finished our school year with the blessing of God upon our souls. We are more than ever determined that the theme of our message to the world shall be, "Holiness unto the Lord."

Yours in the Master's Service,

HARVEY J. S. BLANEY

SEWELL G. HILYARD,

ARTHUR OWENS

ERNEST R. BRADLEY

Marysville, N. B.

Dear Brother Trafton:

Just a few lines to say that the Lord is still with us and is crowning our efforts with blessing and victory.

On Sunday, the 16th, we baptized seven candidates and took twelve into the church. On the coming Sunday we expect to baptize three or four more and take several more in the church.

As a whole our work is progressing real good. We are looking up and expect still greater things in the future.

Yours for a clean church,

S. A. MULLEN

## "TRY THE SPIRITS"

Rev. S. H. Platt, A. M.

In the Christian life so much is dependent upon the direction of the Holy Spirit, that we can scarcely overestimate the importance of some reliable criteria by which to discriminate the suggestions of the Holy Spirit from those of our own hearts, and from those of the Tempter.

We are told in John 16:4, His sheep "know His voice." If this be true, there must be some characteristics of that voice which can be apprehended and recognized by the sheep. These characteristics are:—

1st. There is no uncertainty in its utterances. Its tones are never disguised either by accident or purpose. Friends sometimes imitate the tones of strangers or others in order to test the power of recognition of those whom they attempt to deceive. But His voice never assumes what belongs to another.

Neither are His words ever equivocal. No double meaning can be attached to them. Nor are they mere sound without substance, or emptied of authoritative significance by weak-

ness of expression. He never says, "Perhaps it would be well to do this or that, or to refrain from doing,"—but always—positively "Do!" or, "Do not!"

2nd. If simulation or any other element of uncertainty (causing honest doubt) is present, His voice never requires recognition without giving time for investigation. Hence, great haste in a suggested duty, unless the voice be recognizable at once as His, is proof that the suggestion is not from Him. He is not a hard Master, demanding obedience in advance of rational conviction of obligation.

3rd. His voice always issues from an open door of His Providence, i. e., where there is a real suggestion of present duty from Him, there is always an opportunity corresponding with the suggestion. His voice and providence work together. Hence, an urgency to go immediately in a way not open cannot spring from the impulses of His Spirit.

4th. His suggestions always correspond with the principles of His Word.

Upon a certain occasion the writer positively promised a congregation that the meeting would be closed immediately after another short prayer. As soon as the prayer was concluded, a brother rushed across the platform and begged permission to exhort, which was promptly denied, very much to the chagrin of the brother, who was greatly offended, because the "Spirit commanded him to talk." But the writer could not see how or why the Holy Spirit should desire him to falsify his word before the congregation. Hence, he regarded the suggestion to exhort as proceeding from a "Zeal not according to knowledge," rather than from the Spirit of all truth.

Such are the characteristics of His voice, which, if carefully noted, and judiciously applied, will solve nearly all questions of duty.

Beloved, "Try the spirits," whether they are of God.—Heart and Life.

## DID NOT GO WHERE THEY WERE.

"I've been in India for many a year, and I never saw a native Christian the whole time." So spoke a colonel on board a steamer going to Bombay. Sometime after, the same colonel was telling of his hunting experiences, and said that thirty tigers had fallen to his rifle.

"Did I understand you to say thirty, Colonel?" asked a missionary at the table.

"Yes, sir, thirty," replied the officer.

"Because," pursued the missionary, explanatorily, "I thought perhaps you meant three."

"No, sir, thirty," this time with emphasis.

"Well, now, that's strange," said the missionary, "I have been in India twenty-five years and I never saw a wild live tiger all the while."

"Very likely not, sir," said the colonel; "but that's because you didn't know where to look for them."

"Perhaps it was so," admitted the missionary, after a moment or two of apparent reflection; "but may not that be the reason you never saw a native convert, as you affirmed the other evening at this table?"—Tract.

Believe not half you hear, and repeat not half you believe. My uncle used to say: "When you hear an ill report about any one, halve it and quarter it and then say nothing about the rest."—Spurgeon.