# MINISTERS AND CHURCHES

Rev. and Mrs. L. T. Sabine, of Millville, N. B., received at "Table Offering" at Lower Hainesville, Sunday, Nov. 10th, amounting to \$20.00. They feel grateful indeed toward these people for their kindly remembrance of them.

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Rev. F. A. Dunlop, of Seal Cove, N. B., is assisting Rev. H. E. Mullen in special services at Sandford, N. S. Brother Emery S. Cosman is supplying for Brother Dunlop.

Brother Emery S. Cosman, of Saint John, N. B., will assist Rev. H. E. Mullen in special services at Port Maitland, N. S., in the near future.

Rev. L. T. Sabine, of Millville, held a baptismal service on Sunday, Nov. 3rd.

The evangelistic services at Lower Brighton, Car. Co., are progressing well. Rev. C. S. Hilyard is preaching excellent sermons. Miss Hazel Mullen's singing is inspiring as usual. The people are being fed and strengthened as they listen to the messages. Many have seen their need and some are requesting prayer. The meetings will continue the present week at Lower Brighton.

Rv. P. J. Trafton visited Salem, Kings Co., Tuesday and Wednesday, Nov. 26th and 27th.

W. R. Carson, of Norton, Kings Co., held service Sunday morning and afternoon, Nov. 24th, at the Reformed Baptist Church, Salem, Kings Co.

#### TENT FUND

Marguerite Trafton	\$10.00
Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Churchill	50.00
Viola Churchill	5.00
Rev. F. T. Wright	12.53
Mrs. Charles Knox	5.00
Thomas Martin	10.00
Lois Hersey	5.00

## P. J. TRAFTON

### QUARTERLY MEETING

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 2 will convene with the Church at Westchester, N. S., beginning Thursday evening, Dec. 5th, to continue over the following Sunday. Will the churches please send letters and let there be a good attendance of delegates. Begin now to pray for the meeting.

#### PERSONALS

Brother Wm. E. Vesey, of Millville, N. B., has gone to Montreal for a surgical operation. Please remember him in prayer.

Miss Muriel Lester, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Lester, of Woodstock, N. B., has gone to Arlington, Mass.

Miss S. E. Case, of Saint John, N. B., is spending the winter in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Alward, Mrs. S. Burgess, of Salem, and Mrs. Carson, of Havelock, Kings Co., were callers in Moncton Saturday, Nov. 23rd.

Mr. Oliver Trites, of Berry's Mills, West. Co., spent the week end, Nov. 23rd and 24th, in Moncton.

Alex. MacCallum, of Nixon, Albert Co., is visiting relatives in Moncton.

## A SOOTHSAYER'S EXPERIENCE

The history of the China Inland Mission abounds in testimonies to the power of prayer. In the book, "I Cried, He Answered," F. M. R. tells the experience of a converted soothsayer who found that the power of God was sufficient to save him from sin and from the chain that opium had bound him.

One very interesting case in a village eight miles from Kaoping, China, is that of a fortune teller. He had heard the gospel for some years. He and his wife both smoked opium. He reads well, and studied the New Testament. There he found that God would answer prayer, and save people from their sins. He determined to break off opium by prayer; they had no money to buy medicine, and though he suffered much, he got rid of the habit entirely.

Later he induced his wife to do the same, praying with and encouraging her, till she also won the victory. Then his mind became troubled about his fortune telling, for he felt he could not be a Christian and continue to deceive and terrify people. He made his living chiefly by telling poor ignorant mothers that their precious baby boys were under a malignant spell, which would destroy them, but that he would save them if they paid him well and obeyed his instructions, which most were eager to do. He spoke to his wife, but she discouraged him, saying: "We are poor enough now, but if you give this up we shall have nothing." He said: "God says He will give us what we need, if we seek righteousness, and this fortune telling is unrighteous. I ought not to do it." But she could not trust, and her lack of faith hindered him. Towards the close of the year he felt that he must give it up. She said: "What shall we do for New Year's?" He replied: "God will provide." For many days nothing came in, and they were living from hand to mouth till their last cash was gone. Then, in the last days of the year, a man who wanted some important papers written, called him in, and he did the work so well that he handed him 2,000 cash (about 85 cents), sufficient to buy what they would need for the New Year holidays, lasting about two weeks, when no business is done. He went home joyfuly, saying: "See what God has given us. Shall we not trust Him fully?" But the 2,000 cash were soon spent, the food eaten, and again want stared them in the face.

Year's will not forsake us now, if we continue faithful to Him."

"If I could see two pints of grain in the pot, I would trust him, but the pot is empty, and we have nothing."

"Will you really trust Him, if he puts two pints of grain in the pot?"

"Yes, but where is the grain to come from," "I do not know, but God does."

They went to bed hungry that night, but he still prayed and trusted. Next morning they were surprised by a call from an old friend living miles away, whom they had not seen for years. There was a native doctor of some repute, living in the village, and the friend had brought his sick boy to be treated.

"Can you take us in for a day or two, old friend?"

"How can we?" the wife whispered. "We have no food for ourselves and certainly none to offer them."

"God will provide," answered the husband. "Come in, friend, and welcome!" The visitor turned to his cart, carried the sick boy in, laid him down, returned to the cart, and brought in a large basket of flour and a big bag of grain. "You will cook for us and for yourselves, please." The husband looked at his wife, but said nothing.

For three days they shared the visitors' food, till the sick boy had improved so much that they prepared to return home, taking medicine to complete the cure. The cart was brought to the door, the boy stepped into it, and the father followed. The host lifted the basket of flour, now half full, and the bag, which still contained more than a peck of grain, to place them on the cart. "Keep them, old friend; they are not worth the trouble of taking them back; we have plenty more at home. And many thanks for your kind hospitality." The visitors left.

"Now will you trust God, wife?"

"I will, indeed, and serve Him too. I'll unbind my feet at once." She did so, and came with her husband to the Christian services.

He is working hard at any kind of honest labor, including field work for a Christian farmer. Everywhere he testifies to what God has done for him.—The Christian.

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P. J. TRAFTON, Pres.

## **RECEPTION AT CRYSTAL, ME.**

On Tuesday evening, Nov. 12th, the good people of Crystal and Belvidere met at the parsonage and gave us a fine reception. There were about sixty or sixty-five present. The ladies served refreshments. A very enjoyable evening was spent. We dismissed with prayer. The people remembered us with about \$7.00 worth of goods and \$26.00 in cash. Previous to the reception they gave us grain, vegetables and \$28.00 in cash, besides putting in a new cook stove in the parsonage kitchen.

God bless the people of this vicinity. We shall do our best as we labor among them for the advancement of God's kingdom.

> Yours in Christ, REV. AND MRS. GEO. A. ROGERS

Seek ye the Lord, while he may be found. Call ye upon him while he is near. Isa. 55:6.

"Blessed is that man who can shine in the darkness around him!"-Free Methodist.

"Go and tell some fortunes, and buy us some food," said she. But he answered.

"The God who provided for us at New

#### TROUBLERS IN ISRAEL

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"When Ahab saw Elijah, he said unto him, art thou he that troubleth Israel? And he answered, I have not troubled Israel; but thou and thy father's house, in that ye have forsaken the commandments of the Lord."

The Jews accused the Apostles of being the cause of all their troubles :-- "They drew Jason and certain of the brethren unto the rulers of the city, crying, these that turn the world upside down are come hither also."-Acts 17:6.

Nero accused the saints of being the cause of Rome's great fire. While Rome was burning, Nero fiddled and danced; the fire swept over Rome for nine days. The result : the saints were fed to wild beasts; wrapped in skins of wild beasts and worried to death by dogs; dragged through the streets; hung on poles and saturated with oil and set on fire as torches to light up the streets.

Such is the case, that holy people stir the fury, the carnal mind, the "old man;" so much so that the hatred against holiness becomes bitter and determined. "They that will live Godly shall suffer persecution."-2 Tim. 3:12. -Sel.