

MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENCE

Hartland M. S., Paulpietersburg,
Natal, South Africa

Dear Highway Friends:

Again we must apologize for the long intervals between letters. For the last three months I do not think I have been home for the average of two whole days per week with the exception of the last quarterly. Our plan for the quarterly is twenty-four meetings in eight days, but seldom do we have a quarterly with less than thirty. I do not believe that we have had a quarterly that we have not had at least one session that lasted from four to six hours, and some times there are many such protracted meetings, either business or evangelistic during our quarterly.

Five converts were baptized and received into membership on Communion Sunday. We have had three couples married by Christian rites for which we are glad, as they thus shut the door to polygamy. Among these was one of our young preachers from Filimon's section.

We are also glad to state that we now have Samuel moved over on to our new Government grant at Netungwini, and Paulina and Philip moved to Moelman where the church is to be opened next Sunday. These are two victories for which we are very grateful as there were very many difficulties to overcome in both situations, but now we have two nice little churches, both built of stone and with grass roof, and in each place, one of our best native workers. We feel that every effort is worth while.

Last Sunday was Big Sunday at Entungwini where one of the best congregations I have seen there welcomed Samuel to his new charge. A number from this side went over: George, Miss Alice Sterritt and I were there. I spent Saturday night at Altona, but returned Sunday night to Hartland. The week before Miss Alice Sterritt and I visited Badaza and Kipunyawo. This was my first visit to Kipunyawo, and although this is not a regular outpost we had over eighty present in the meeting and a splendid service. They had a prayer service after we left and one man gave himself to the Lord. We left early because I had to return to Hartland that night. We arrived at Altona about five-thirty and after having a good wash up and supper I started my homeward journey, arriving home at ten-thirty, and although we had a hard day the supper revived me and I was not too tired. That week end was the hottest we have had in this part of Africa for a good while, even the nights are warm, but very beautiful because we had the moonlight.

The week end before quarterly we spent at Filimon's section having meetings Friday, Saturday and Sunday. These were well attended, the first being Johanisi's wedding party where I preached to a large crowd, both heathen and Christian, who listened very attentively. This was in the open air. Saturday and Sunday we held our meetings in the Church. Saturday one man gave himself to seek the Lord, and on Sunday two women, and many who prayed for healing of the body received definite touches from the Lord. Again we returned Sunday night.

I am not going into details regarding the other visits made since last reporting, but I have been blessed in ministering to the flock in the following places: Moleman twice; Utrecht, Grootspuit, and Altona several times. We have much in the work to encour-

age us. On the whole things are going well. There are hard and disappointing things but the victories are many and far outnumber the discouragements.

We need your prayers and when I say we, I mean both white and black. Our native evangelists are bravely facing their problems and making sacrifices. We have a splendid band of native workers. Every one of our white workers have their hands more than full. We, as well as the Sterritt Sisters are having calls night and day to minister to the sick and dying, and need your prayers that our health may be maintained so that we may carry on to His glory. I might give you an example of the amount of energy required. After Miss Alice Sterritt, driving to Badaza and back that hot Saturday, the following day to Kipunyawo and back . . . another extremely hot day; on Monday morning before she was up she was called to a hard case which took all day Monday and all the next night, in her endeavor to save a dying woman. Again and again coming home tired out and just ready to drop into bed we are called out for just such hard cases. I have had to leave a meeting and drive twenty-five miles to see an injured man, returning at midnight to be present for the next day's meetings. Just in bed after a hard day and a messenger arrives announcing the fact that a party is on the way with an accident case. What is true of Hartland is true of Altona. We are not asking for sympathy or pity for we came, not to be ministered to, but to minister to these needy people, but we do claim an interest in your prayers that each needy case may be ministered to in the best possible way, and the greatest possible number be reached.

We are rejoicing in the possibility of a car and believe it will mean much to this work here. The majority of our outposts can be reached and worked to a much better advantage by car. We thank you for your interest in our work and the way you have supported us. We rejoice with you in the victories which you have had in the Homeland during the past months and pray that the Lord may richly bless you in your special revival efforts this winter.

Yours for souls,

D. M. MacDONALD

CORRESPONDENCE

Fort Fairfield, Me.

Dear Brother Trafton:

I am enclosing money order to apply on my Highway.

Yours very truly in His service,

LEONARD W. HUTCHINS

Killam's Mills, West. Co., N. B.

Dear Highway:

We wish to report victory this morning. Jesus is very precious and the blood cleanses. Hallelujah. Our meetings at the Head of Millstream closed Sunday night, the 27th. We started in for three Sundays and went on over five and it looked like another week would not have been amiss. We had a gracious time with those dear people—between thirty-five and forty sought the Lord either for pardon, reclamation or sanctification. The pastor, Rev. S. A. Mullen, had three baptisms and expects to receive several into church membership in the near future.

Our last meeting was a gracious climax, at least six claimed victory and the saints were greatly blessed. It did us good to hear such

shouts of victory. Old time salvation brings the same results as it ever did. We appreciated very much the way the church stood by us and the truth we tried to present. We are glad to be with Brother Mullen again in the work. He has a large field and is working hard. Mrs. Mullen was with us over the last two Sundays at the Head of Millstream but went back to N. S. the 28th. We are now at the above address, began the evening of the 28th. We covet your prayers for us here that we may see our hearts desire in the salvation of souls.

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, I am,

Yours for souls,

H. S. MULLEN

P. S.—We are open for calls after Christmas. Any where, any church or school house or brush arbour.—H. S. M.

212½ North St.,
Calais, Maine

Dear Brother Trafton:

Enclosed you will find P. O. Order in payment of my Highway subscription and also one dollar from Mr. Frank Mylan.

Wife and I are well and the work is going about as usual. Attendance keeps about the same.

We moved again last week. We have a good house this time; equipped with furnace and bathroom. This is our first attempt at housekeeping since last spring.

For the last five weeks we have been going to Marion, Me., for a meeting each Thursday night. It is 37 miles from here. Interest and attendance have been good. They have a nice little church, but have never had a regular pastor, and for several years have had practically no services. Although the folk seem ignorant about real salvation they are hungry for the Truth. Last week between 50 and 55 were present and more than 15 hands were raised for prayer.

We are also holding services on Sunday afternoons at Meddybemps, Me. That is about 14 miles from here. Last week was our first service. I preached, or rather gave, a short but straight message from the first Psalm. Six raised their hands for prayer. They want us to keep going while we are in Calais. We plan to give them an afternoon service every Sunday as long as possible. We have two services and Sunday School in the church here each Sunday and during the week we have Young People's Meeting and two prayer meetings. All these services keep us quite busy.

I think I have about covered the ground of news for this time.

Trust you and all the family are well. May the Lord continue to bless you in His work. Pray for us.

Yours for His will,

ERNEST R. BRADLEY

Dear Highway: Westchester Station

Just a little note saying we are comfortably settled on our new field of labor. Since coming here we have felt and seen the workings of the Holy Spirit in our midst.

There has been a few at the altar seeking God; while all did not get through, some found God in His saving power. There seems to be an increasing interest prevailing among some that have been in the background for some time. We trust and pray that while the waters are troubled they will step in and be made whole.

We are endeavoring to form a Men's Bible