

QUARTERLY MEETINGS

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 2 was held with the new church of Killam's Mills on June 2nd to 5th inclusive.

The first message Thursday evening was brought by Rev. P. J. Trafton. He used as his theme the words found in John 2:10. "Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine and when men have well drunk then that which is worse but thou hast kept the good wine until now." The message was direct and helpful and a profitable testimony service followed.

Friday at 2.30 p. m. a prayer and praise service was held, Brother I. F. Kierstead giving the message from Luke 18:1: "Men ought always to pray and not to faint." A fine spirit of prayer prevailed in this meeting. Friday evening Rev. C. R. Hagerman was the preacher of the hour, using as his text the words in I. Samuel 26:21: "I have sinned." The speaker showed the difference between a confession springing from real heart repentance and one rung from an individual by the force of circumstances.

Saturday morning was given over to the Sunday school convention.

Saturday afternoon at 2.30 the business session was held. Rev. P. J. Trafton, the President, in the chair. Meeting opened by scripture reading and prayer. The minutes read and approved.

The Roll Call found the following ministers present: Revs. C. R. Hagerman, S. A. Mullen, P. J. Trafton, I. F. Kierstead and Lics. E. S. Cosman and Howard Robinson

The following delegates represented the churches of the district: Misses Helen and Hilda Doyle from Westchester, Sister Locke and Sister Verna McArthur from Amherst. From Moncton Sister Westley Weir and Sister Mildred MacDonald.

Head of Millstream—Sister Mrs. Leslie Hayes.

Saint John—Sisters Stanley and Foley.

Lower Millstream—Brother Noah Hicks and Sister A. Taylor.

Salem—Brother Fred Lutz.

Killam's Mills—Brother W. C. Graves.

Grey's Mills—Brother S. H. Bradley and wife.

The following officers were appointed:

President—Rev. S. A. Mullin, Vice-President Rev. P. J. Trafton; Secretary, I. F. Kierstead; Treasurer, Brother Fawcett; Highway Agent, Rev. P. J. Trafton.

The following Devotional Committee was appointed: Brothers Westley Wier, Noah Hicks and H. S. Bradley.

The following churches sent in encouraging reports: Westchester, Moncton, Killam's Mills, Amherst, Upper Millstream, Lower Millstream, Saint John and Grey's Mills. This business session was interspersed with songs of praise and testimonies. Special mention may be made of a young people's society, organized at Killam's Mills. Fine meetings are held with good attendance each week.

Brother Howard Robinson is highly spoken of as a teacher in the community. He preaches at Killam's Mills once each Sunday when the pastor is absent and also assists the young people in their services.

On Saturday evening an evangelistic service was held. The preacher, E. S. Cosman brought an encouraging message from Matt. 25:9. "And the door was shut." Three seekers were forward to the altar and we trust got through to victory.

Sunday morning at 9.30 a love feast, lead by Brother H. S. Bradley, proved to be a season of "refreshing from the presence of the Lord." Many beautiful testimonies were given. The saints rejoiced in the salvation of the Lord. Following this service a message was brought by Rev. I. F. Kierstead from Hosea 6: 3: "Then shall we know if we follow on to know the Lord, His going forth is prepared as the morning, and He shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain upon the earth." The congregation well nigh filled the church, about two hundred being present and the blessing of the Lord was upon the service.

In the afternoon at 2.30 another preaching service was held, Rev. P. J. Trafton being the preacher. His message, built around the text: "The very God of Peace sanctify you wholly and I pray God your whole spirit, soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calleth you who also will do it," was a soul-stirring message. The Holy Spirit made the word effective, and sixteen readily responded and came forward to the altar, most all seeking sanctification and soon testified to the blessing. Two of these seekers and finders were from Amherst, two or more from Snider Mountain, some from Moncton and the rest live around about Killam's Mills. That service will long be remembered as one of the most powerful services we have been in for years. Many other hearts beside those who responded were without doubt wrought upon by the Holy Spirit. We trust that such may yet yield themselves to the tender, wooing voice of God calling them away from a life of sin and worldly mindedness to a life "hidden with Christ in God."

Rev. C. R. Hagerman brought the closing message Sunday evening after the male quartette had, under the power of the Spirit rendered two helpful selections. The sermon was based upon the words of Saul in I. Samuel 26:21: "I have played the fool." The preacher showed very clearly the foolishness of sinning against God and our brother man, and the sure end of ruin it leads to. When the invitation was given four responded and came to the altar seeking salvation. During the afternoon and evening the building was filled to capacity. Further mention should be made of special songs or duets rendered by the following: Brothers E. S. Cosman, Benett Cockrine, Norman Trafton and his sister, Marguerite, Sister Hilda Doyle and the Graves sisters of Killam's Mills. The people of Killam's Mills, even those not members of our church, showed themselves to be large-hearted and hospitable. God bless them! It was the opinion of the writer and others that this was the best quarterly meeting we ever attended.

As no invitation came in for the next quarterly meeting in September, it was left with the President and Secretary to find a place where it may be held. Let us unitedly seek God's direction in the matter. Where He leads we'll follow.

Respectfully submitted,

I. F. KIERSTEAD, Secy.

THE QUARTERLY MEETING OF DISTRICT NO. 3 CONVENED WITH THE CHURCH AT WOOD ISLAND, JUNE 2 TO 5.

Thursday evening the message was brought by Lic. H. S. Wilson from Rom. 9-21. This

was a very stirring message and God did surely bless in this service and gave us two seekers at the altar.

Friday evening the message was brought to us by Lic. Fred Anderson from the text found in Isaiah 52-1. This was another great message and God met with us again in this service and gave us another soul at the altar.

Saturday at 3 p. m. the business session opened with scripture reading by Lic. H. S. Wilson from St. John 10th chapter. Prayer by Lic. F. A. Anderson. Singing "The Lord is my Shepherd." Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Roll Call found the following ministers and delegates present: Rev. Dr. Sanders, Rev. F. A. Dunlop, Lic. H. S. Wilson, Lic. F. A. Anderson. Delegates: Seal Cove, Henry Benson and Clayton French; Alley's Bay, Gilbert Alley and William Bruce; Jonesport, Mrs. Arnold Beal and Leola Barnes; Wood Island, Herman Anderson and Lillian Greene.

Moved and adopted that we extend to all brothers and sisters a privilege to take part in all deliberations.

Election of officers: Pres., F. A. Dunlop; Vice-Pres., H. S. Wilson; Secretary, Leola Barnes; Treasurer, Eugene Wilcox; Highway Agent, Rev. Dr. Sanders.

Devotional Committee—Charles Beal, Henry Benson, Eugene Wilcox, Jesse Beal, with the pastor, F. A. Dunlop.

Report of churches read and approved.

Brother Fred Anderson gave a verbal report of the work at Black's Harbor which was very encouraging.

Moved and adopted that we accept the invitation of the Jonesport Church for the next quarterly to be held the first Sunday in September.

Moved and adopted that we extend a vote of thanks to the Wood Island Church for their entertainment during the quarterly. A short address was given by Brother Bruce from Alley's Bay. Brother Sanders also gave a wonderful talk on Standing True.

Report of the Devotional Committee brought in and accepted. Moved and adopted that we adjourn.

North Head—To the Quarterly Meeting at Wood Island:

Dear Brethren: By the goodness of the Lord we are glad to report our Church is active in the different branches of work. There is preaching Sunday morning and evening by Dr. Sanders or Mrs. Sanders. Important truths are stressed and the invitation is often given for any who will, to come to the altar for pardon or sanctification. The prayer meetings are good, bringing a blessing to those who attend. The Sunday School is keeping up very well. A public missionary meeting is held monthly in which a program is often given. May God richly bless you in the Quarterly Meeting.

EDWIN REDMOND (Clerk)

Seal Cove: To the Quarterly Meeting convening with the Church at Wood Island, Greetings:

It is with grateful hearts to our Heavenly Father for his blessings and care we write this report. Our Church work as a whole is in a fairly good condition, the Sunday services are seasons of blessing. Owing to the busy season our prayer meetings are not as well attended, but we find God is with us each time we meet together in His name. Our pastor is faithful in bringing the messages, and we