

CORRESPONDENCE

North Head, Grand Manan, N. B.
Dear Friends:

"Love is the fulfilling of the law". The supreme test of all religions in the world is love.

The religion of Jesus Christ is the only religion of the world that loves and lays itself out for others. And Jesus said, "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one for another." John 13:35. Thus we have the great distinguishing fact and principle between the religion of Jesus Christ and other religions. And to impress this fact he gave a new commandment, that we ought to love as he loved. "That ye love one another, as I have loved you."

The above is a quotation from a sermon by Rev. E. A. Ferrgerson and is true.

We, as Holiness people, profess to have this love and to be following on to know more and more of the kind of love Jesus had for others, especially those in heathen lands who have had so little light or none at all.

In these days of "Hard times", when much distress prevails everywhere, instead of us doing less, it seems we should do more, instead of giving less we are called upon to make a larger effort and give more.

We must not "Grow weary in well doing for, in due season, we shall reap if we faint not". Right here, let me say kindly but earnestly, we must not faint now. There may be much to discourage and little to do with but, that precious Jesus did not fail us. He did not draw back when tried before Pilate and the cross loomed darkly before Him, He did not draw back He loved His own even unto death. He did not faint, when the time to grow weary came but, accomplished our salvation. What love!

In the early days when you sent forth your first foreign missionaries, many said, "We will hold the ropes, while you go down." And, bravely have you done so all these years. Will we grow weary now in these depressing times or will we say "In the name of our God we will set up our banners?" meaning we will make a new effort and go forward?

Africa has felt these hard times too. Many young Dutch farmers out there, have gone bankrupt. Depending on their sheep to make their living and price of wool so low, and expenses high, they have gone to the wall.

To add to this, in the part where our work lies, last summer a drought brought shortage of crops, food had to be bought. Then unemployment added to this distress and, when the native men went to obtain work, in the coal mines etc., work was scarce or there was none. Poor men! No work means, no money. No money means, no corn to feed his family. Who can help him at such a time? He goes to your missionaries to ask help in his great time of need, and these have always helped by advice, work or a loan, to tide over his starving family. It is a blessed privilege, for there, as here, "A friend in need is a friend indeed", and, while the missionary ministers to the temporal wants he has found an open door to the heart of this needy heathen man.

One day, years ago, a young woman who had but started to become a Christian, and was a stranger to our people, came to Dr. Sanders in great distress. This is her story. She had been left, by her husband, for several years, to care for herself and her two young children. A drought had caused her garden to fail and her corn did not last the winter through. In fact

she sought work but found little she could do as she must care for the children. Borrowing from her neighbours, only gave a little help as they needed as badly as she did. Then a last hope came to her, "I will go ask the Umfundisi at that new church where I went lately, I have heard he is of great kindness and does help some. I will see if he will lend me a load of corn till I can pay it back."

Timidly she came about 14 miles and, after duly inquiring into her case, finding she had had very little to eat for several days and nothing at home, she was helped with 35 or 40 lbs. of corn.

Years after, she told me this and added "If he had not given me that corn I would have starved and my children. He saved our lives". She is Jessina Mtshali, and has been one of our most successful evangelist women for years.

This summer rains, sufficient to get plowing done and planting for early green corn, should have well set in by the last of September, but so little fell that, even the grass for pasture became scarce and little could be planted till well at the end of the planting season in late December. This will bring another short crop, I fear. Also people will have to buy old corn for two to two and a half months after the time their early food should have been ready to eat, making distress and anxiety, for it is a famine condition.

Our African work spiritually, is advancing and the several new places opened up during the past two years, are going on well, souls getting saved right along. More money is needed to carry on this and to reach out to do more.

"You do not test the resources of God till you try the impossible" F. B. Myers.

"God loves with a great love the man whose heart is bursting with a passion for the impossible"—William Booth.

Dear friends the things that seem impossible to us are as easy for God to accomplish as for us to breath. I am sure He will never fail us, let us not fail Him nor fail those in the foreign field. Let us "Hold the ropes" still, steady and strong for it means success if we do, but failure if we do not.

How can we? "Prayer changes things."
MRS. H. C. SANDERS

Lower Millstream, Kings Co., N. B.

February 22, 1932.

Dear Highway:

Some time has elapsed since I have given any report regarding the work on this large and needy field. And truly the need is great. Much opportunity is afforded here to do work for the kingdom of God and the salvation of souls. We find doors opening to us on every hand. But there is more here now than any three men can care for in the way it should be cared for. We want and need very much the assistance of several co-laborers during the spring and summer months.

The result of the effort put forth in these new openings is very gratifying indeed. Never have I seen any better and more lasting results than the results of the meeting held at Killam's Mills last fall. Every last one that was baptised and taken in the new church is doing fine. The prayer meetings are largely attended. From sixty to seventy-five generally are present. On the 7th when I was there in the afternoon over a hundred were present. I am there every two weeks. Brother Howard Robertson preaches there and has charge of the prayer meetings when I can not be there. He is a great help in the work, and is gaining as a preacher too. Last

week a praying band was organized for the young people.

In behalf of the church I take this privilege to thank all who have helped in the erection of this new church. Only fifteen or sixteen days from the time we laid the sills we were in it for an all day meeting. In all only \$26.00 was paid out for labor. While though the inside is not completed as yet, yet it is a comfortable place of worship. Over two hundred can be comfortably seated. And we have seen over three hundred crowded in while car after car load of people turned away.

Brother W. R. Carson of Norton, presented the church at Killam's Mills last week with forty new "Best of All" song books. This was very much appreciated by the church.

The work on the other parts of the field is much the same. We are looking forward in some parts for special meetings. We covet the earnest prayers of all of God's people for this needy field.

Yours in the Master's service,

S. A. MULLEN

Island Falls, Maine.

Dear Brother Trafton:

Please find enclosed cheque for Seven Dollars. We have enjoyed reading the Highway very much for over thirty years.

May Heaven's rich blessings rest upon you and the work.

Your Brother in Christ,

B. M. BELL

Coldstream, Car. Co. N. B.

Dear Editor:

I am enclosing the sum of Three Dollars to renew my subscription for two years.

A living faith in an Infinite Savior is still my most precious possession. The prayer of my heart is that my words, thoughts, and acts may be such as are pleasing in His sight.

Yours truly,

MRS. HARRY J. SHAW

Yarmouth, N. S.

Dear Brother Trafton:

We are sending you a Post Office Order for our renewal of the Highway. We feel that we could not do without it; we get blessed as we read it's clean pages.

Yours in Christian fellowship,

MR. AND MRS. P. B. HURLBERT

North Head, N. B.

Dear Friends:

Friday night Feb. 5th, a most interesting Missionary Meeting was held. It was the regular monthly meeting, and the nice programme was arranged and carried out by the young people of the Sunday School. The following is the programme: Opening Hymn; Scripture Reading by Mrs. H. C. Sanders; Prayer by Rev. H. C. Sanders; Musical selection by the Sanders family; Reading, Isobel Tatton; Recitation, Alice Bass; Recitation, Annie Beal; Duet, Bruce Stanley and Judson Sanders (saw and mouth organ); Reading, Fay Brown; Reading, Alma Bass; Solo, Earl Worthen; Recitation, Anna Williams; Solo, Alda Stanley; Quartette, Bruce Stanley, Edward Johnson, Charles and Norman Sanders; Offering; Closing Hymn and Benediction.

MRS. H. C. S.

If wrinkles must be written upon the brow, let them not be written upon the heart. The spirit should never grow old.—James A. Garfield.