

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Highway:

We are glad to report victory here at Listerville School House in which I have been holding special meetings for a fortnight. I started meetings on March 4th and stopped on April 17th. We had large crowds, good spirit and good order, and God has been blessing us. Many were under conviction, and four came up to the altar for conversion. This is a new field and I have been going back and forth these two years. The people of this community are thanking the Lord for the work that has been done, and hope that it may continue. I have travelled through Maine holding cottage meetings and visited homes of sickness and death. I am rejoicing in the Lord's work doing His will and preaching His gospel to the saving of lost souls. Praise His precious name. Our Sunday School has grown to a membership of 45 to 50 and is still growing. We have four classes and we have a prayer meeting every Wednesday night. The increasing interest seems to call for more services, but prevailing conditions called for a halt. We are still praying and believing for greater results yet. In closing we would ask the prayers of the Highway and thanking God for the victories won, the glory given, and the promises yet to claim and be fulfilled.

Yours for Holiness.

J. A. GORDON,
Royalton, R. B. Church.

PASSED DUE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

On Tuesday night December 26th, 1933, during the annual Christmas concert held by the Sunday School, the members and friends of the Reformed Baptist Church, Calais, Maine, presented their pastor, Rev. E. R. Bradley, a Christmas offering amounting to \$11.60.

Again on the evening of February 5th, 1934, a good delegation assembled at his home and presented a much appreciated donation of groceries, etc., also some gifts in cash, amounting in all to about \$15 in value.

During the cold weather when wood was scarce and expensive, Messrs. A. E. Ripley, Frank Mylan, and Hazen Smith, each helped to replenish their pastor's fuel supply by remembering him with a gift in wood.

Early last fall Mr. A. Tyler gave a load of wood to the church also one to the pastor, and Mr. George Barnes kindly offered the service of his truck for hauling the same.

The scarcity of work, which has caused a small circulation of currency, makes these gifts a sacrifice on the part of many participators. They are appreciated. May God repay each giver in blessing.

REV. AND MRS. E. R. BRADLEY

25 Russell Street,
W. Somerville, Mass.

Dear Highway:

In one of Brother Dow's notes in the last Highway he made mention of Brother W. E. Smith having rounded out forty years in the ministry. I learned that on Easter Sunday he was to preach at the evening service in the W. Somerville Nazarene Church for Brother DeLong to commemorate the fortieth anniversary of his initial attempt to preach. So I went over to the service.

He took for his text those familiar words of Paul which was the golden text for our Easter Sunday School lesson: "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God."

He spoke of the resurrection of Jesus as a

well proven fact by the words of Holy Writ, as well as from other sources. Of Paul using this as a figure of the soul that is dead in sin being raised to newness of life in Christ Jesus through the redemption purchased on Calvary. And having been spiritually resurrected he enjoins them to seek the things that are above.

Seek the better things in this life which are only found by a close walk with God and in so doing will attain to the "things which are above where Christ sitteth at the right hand of God."

Brother Smith's message was well received. We always count it a privilege to hear him preach.

Knowing that he had many friends among the readers of the Highway I thought they would enjoy hearing from him in this way.

So while I was writing thought I would speak of our own services for the day. I was compelled to remain home from the morning service because of a cold, which was somewhat of a disappointment to me.

A sunrise prayer meeting was announced to begin the day. I understood there were 21 present. Those of our own family who were present at the regular morning service had the pleasure of meeting an old friend, Mrs. P. J. Trafton of Port Maitland, N. S., who was visiting her daughter and Brother M. S. Trafton who live in Cambridge. They were at church with her. Our pastor, Rev. O. C. Grisnold, called upon Brother Trafton to pray after which the pastor preached. Brother Trafton has been preaching for a mission at Central Sq. Cambridge, for some time back. I get to hear him occasionally, but not as often as I would like, for the years are taking their toll and we have to admit we cannot do what we once could.

Our Sunday evening service was a special Easter programme. Music appropriate to the day and a sermon by the pastor.

Yours in Him.

S. B. CHARLTON

Apohaqui, N. B., April 2, 1934

Rev. H. S. Dow,

Dear Brother:

Enclosed you will find one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) for my paper. We greatly enjoy reading its pages from time to time.

May the Lord richly bless you in your work as Editor.

Respectfully,

MRS. EVA M. TAYLOR,
Apohaqui, N. B.

Royal Oak, Mich.

Mr. Dow:

Dear Sir: I am sending my renewal for the Highway. I enjoy reading its clean pages and I would not like to do without it. Jesus saves and keeps me as the days go by.

Yours truly,

FRANK BURPEE

LAST WORDS OF ATHEISTS

Thomas Paine, who rejected all religion and whose last utterances were in anguish of a soul in despair, cried out, "My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken me?" I would give worlds, if I had them, if the "Age of Reason" had ever been published. Oh, Lord, help me! ** Help me! Stay with me! It is hell to be left alone!"

Edward Gibbon, the noted infidel and author, upon his death-bed said, "All is now lost; finally, irrevocably lost. All is dark and doubtful."

Thomas Hobbes, the atheist and philosopher, as he was drawing near death, said

"I am about to take a leap in the dark." And his last audible words were, "I shall be glad to find a hole to creep out of the world at."

The last words of the atheist Mirabeau: "My sufferings are intolerable; I have within me a hundred years of life but not a moment's courage. Give me more laudanum that I may not think of eternity."

Voltaire's dying words were, "I am abandoned by God and man! I shall go to hell!"

Of Sir Francis Newport it is reported that in reply to an infidel companion he said: "There is a God, I know, because I continually feel the effects of His wrath; that there is a hell I am equally certain having received an earnest of my inheritance there already in my breast; that there is a natural conscience I now feel with horror and amazement, being continually up-braided by it with my impieties, and all my iniquities, and all my sins brought to my remembrance. Why God has marked me out for an example of His vengeance, rather than you, or any one of my acquaintance, I presume is because I have been more religiously educated, and have done greater despite to the Spirit of grace. O that I was to lie upon the fire that never is quenched a thousand years, to purchase the favor of God, and be reunited to Him again! But it is a fruitless wish. Millions and millions of years will bring me no nearer to the end of my torments than one poor hour. Oh, eternity, eternity! Who can discover the abyss of eternity? Who can paraphrase upon these words, forever and ever?"

Lest his friends should think him insane, he said: "You imagine me melancholy, or distracted. I wish I were either, but it is part of my judgment that I am not. No; my apprehension of persons and things is more quick and vigorous than it was when I was in perfect health; and it is my curse, because I am hereby more sensible of the condition I am fallen into. Would you be informed why I am become a skeleton in three or four days? See now then. I have despised my Maker, and denied my Redeemer. I have joined myself to the atheist and profane, and continued this course under many convictions, till my iniquity was ripe for vengeance, and the just judgment of God overtook me when my security was greatest, and the checks of my conscience were the least."

As his mental distress and bodily disease were hurrying him into eternity, he was asked if he would have prayer offered in his behalf; he turned his face and exclaimed: "Tigers and monsters! Would ye give me prospect of heaven to make my hell more intolerable?" Then, with a failing voice, he cried, "Oh, the insufferable pangs of hell!" and expired.—D. L. Cooper in the Prairie Pastor.

PROSPERITY IN PALESTINE

With a surplus of four and a half million dollars in its treasury; with an increase of 100 per cent in two years in its exports, and a thirteen per cent increase in imports; with new industries to the number of 2,500 having a capitalization of \$25,000,000, and employing 20,000 workmen; Palestine is declared by the High Commissioner, in his report to the Mandates Commission, to have no unemployment, to be in a position to sustain further immigration, and to be generally in a sound economic condition.—*Alliance Weekly*.