

MINISTERS AND CHURCHES

He that goeth forth and weepeth bearing precious seed shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.—Psa. 126-6.

Dear Brother Dow:

Just want to say all fairly well. Work going good, two at the altar Sunday night and one a week ago Sunday.

H. S. MULLEN

Lic. Bennett Cochrane has returned to Ottawa, to Amnesley College to resume his studies.

A letter from Fredericton says the work is going well. Brother Watson the pastor, baptized two on Sunday night and received three into the membership of the church.

Rev. C. R. Hagerman is open for a call to pastoral or evangelistic work. See his letter and address where any church can reach him by letter. Brother Hagerman is a good preacher and has been successful as a pastor and should be in the work.—H. S. D.

Lic. F. A. Anderson, pastor of Black's Harbor church, has resigned from his duties as pastor there and is open for a call.

A word from Rev. H. C. Archer states that he is able to be out and take his work again after his recent illness.

Rev. L. T. Sabine has resigned as pastor of the Marysville Church and is open to consider a call for work.

The special meetings which were to be held in Hartland this month, have been postponed until after the Quarterly Meeting the 1st of March, on account of the severe cold weather.

Rev. J. A. Owen and family have all been sick with la grippe. He was unable to attend his appointments Sunday, Jan. the 4th. They are better now.

PERSONALS

We hear from Woodstock church that they have been having considerable sickness among their members. Ellis True is very sick with pneumonia and Roland Fox and Banford Colpitts have both undergone surgical operations very lately, but are making satisfactory recoveries.

The interest in their Sunday School has been affected some by the sickness of so many but is keeping up very well and their meetings are good. Let us remember the sick ones in prayer.

The interest is good in all the services. Sister Blanch Young led the Young People's meeting Sunday morning, Jan. 28th.

Brother Charles Hoyt remains much the same. He is confined to his bed. Let us pray for our brother.

Brother Wm. Wiggins is able to be out of doors now.

S. G. HILYARD

QUARTERLY MEETING

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 2, will convene with the church at St. John, N. B., on Thursday evening at seven o'clock, March 8th, continuing over Sunday the 10th. All churches in this District are requested to send delegates and reports.

M. McBRIEN, District Secretary.

AGED MINISTERS FUND

Mrs. Walter Steeves\$2.00
H. C. ARCHER, Treasurer.

HIGHWAY SUPPLEMENTARY FUND

Lic. H. S. Wilson\$1.00
Mrs. F. R. Flewelling 2.00
H. S. DOW, Treasurer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The S. S. Convention of District No. 2 will convene with the Church at Saint John, March 9th at 2.00 p. m. Will the Sunday Schools please send delegates.

R. H. PARKS, Secretary.

MISSION FUND

"For God loveth a cheerful giver." II Cor. 9:7.

Fredericton M. S.\$10.00
Crystal Church 20.00
Marysville M. S. 4.80
Fredericton Self-Denial Class 13.85
Seal Cove S. S. (N. W.) 25.00
Wood's Harbour Church (Faith)50
Mrs. Walter M. Steeves, F. M. 5.00
Mrs. Walter M. Steeves, H. M. 5.00

CORRECTION

In last issue the amount of \$8.00 credited to Rev. I. M. Kierstead should read: A Friend per I. M. Kierstead.

L. T. SABINE, Treasurer.
Marysville, N. B.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The 22nd session of the Reformed Baptist S. S. Association of District No. 1, will meet with the church at Woodstock on Friday night March 2nd. Would like to have a report from every school in the District and in good time, Please!

B. M. COLPITTS, Secretary.

QUARTERLY MEETING

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 1 will be held at Woodstock, March 1st to 4th. Will all the churches please have their reports ready and as far as possible send the required number of delegates.

HARVEY J. S. BLANEY, Secretary.

STUDENT'S FUND

We want to thank you for your kind response.

Previously acknowledged\$5.00
Mrs. Walter M. Steeves 2.00
S. G. HILYARD,
Secretary-Treasurer.

A FULLY EQUIPPED MINISTRY

An institution, in order to prosper, must have a firm base from which to operate. For instance, the solidity of the British Empire depends upon the security of its base. If that were shifting the Empire would fall to pieces and each Dominion would shift for itself. That base is England. She has lately proven herself sound, financially and morally. From the fact that she has recovered herself and paid her debts, as far as possible, has given her such prestige in the world, that in case of war other nations would seek to become her ally, and her colonies generally would feel safe within her fold.

The missionary movement, in order to prosper, must have a secure home base—secure financially as well as spiritually. We might turn all our resources into the missionary channel, and neglect evangelism, Sunday Schools, pastoral support; and the result would be failure all round.

Now the grand basis of the whole church is the ministry. The ministry make the church what it is. If it is weak, the church goes down; if it is

aggressive, everything has to move; if the ministry is able to teach the people, you have a flock that is fat and flourishing, and well grounded in the truth. Give the church a capable ministry and it just has to forge ahead; finances will come, people will draw near, revivals will break out.

One of the great subjects of Isaiah's prophecy is what is called the "Ideal Servant," whom God was going to raise us. The Servant, no doubt, is the Messiah; but He is typified by the ministry. God is going to do three things for Him: He will give Him a call to do service; He will give Him an endowment for service; He will lead Him through a training that will make His service effectual in results. A call to preach is not enough to make a preacher; an endowment of the Holy Ghost is needed, giving power for service. Nor is the endowment sufficient: there must be the filling up of the treasure-house of the soul and mind. Jesus said to His disciples, "Every scribe which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old." Even under the Great Master, Jesus, it required a three years' training before they could be trusted into the regular work. They received their endowment afterward, because the Spirit could not be given before the atonement.

Now as the ministry is the basis of the church, so also the Seminary is the basis of the ministry. What we need is not so much a merely educated ministry, but one that is thoroughly grounded on the word of God, and can expound its truths and mightily convince the hearers of its depths and richness. Without this knowledge the Spirit has only our religious experiences to draw from. The baptism gives the Spirit full control of us, but the training puts into His hands the sword of truth. He inspires and uses only what is given to Him.

I have often made the statement before gatherings of Holiness people, that the Holiness church whose ministry becomes as profound in the Scriptures as they are in religious experiences—that body will become the church of the future. It will either crowd out other denominations not so equipped, or simply swallow them up. The world is more hungry than we suppose for Bible preaching, in which the speaker is able to take his hearers into the depths of the inspired word, and unfold to them things they did not know were there.

Keep the School going; keep it pouring forth a stream of young preachers that can feed your souls, and the church will soon begin to feel the vigour of a new life.—G. A. Mitchell, in Christian Standard.

LEAVES, PLANTS AND ROOTS

Here is a remedy for the ills of flesh and spirit, composed of leaves, plants and roots, which, if taken without a wry face, will make any person respectable and happy.

- Leave off smoking and drinking.
- Leave off chewing and snuffing.
- Leave off swearing.
- Plant your pleasures in the home-circle.
- Plant your business in some honorable employment.
- Plant your faith in truth.
- Root your habits in industry.
- Root your feelings in benevolence.
- Root your affections in God.
- For directions, see the Holy Scriptures.—True Temperance Banner.

You must expect very frequent and agonizing conflicts with Satan.—Finney.