

CORRESPONDENCE

Hartland, N. B.

Dear Highway:

Christmas time draws near again, bringing a feeling of deep gratitude in our souls for the mercies of God. Other countries are rocked with war, and hearts are filled with suspense and anxiety, while we have been largely spared. People have been driven from their homes suffering cold and hunger, while we can enjoy the comforts of home and the warmth of our firesides.

The spirit of Christmas looks down on a troubled world, the nations have not yet learned the meaning of the Angel's song, and we only catch its meaning in our individual hearts where Christ is enthroned. We give Him the praise for the peace He gives: "Peace I never knew before."

Our work goes on much the same as usual. We feel God's presence near and feel like marching on in obedience to His command. The people on this field have kindly remembered us in a special way, several times during the fall months. One evening the ladies of the Hartland Church gathered at the parsonage, bringing with them materials for sewing, and spent the evening making garments for the children, and a quilt top. Later on the brothers as well as the sisters gave us a real surprise. We had been absent from home for the first part of the evening and on returning found the house full of people, who later on presented us with a purse of money and other gifts.

At Victoria we have been holding cottage prayer meetings since the cold weather began. At the close of one held at the home of Brother and Sister Frank Clarke, Mrs. Mullen was presented with a lovely new quilt, and on Thursday evening, Dec. 7th, after the meeting at Brother and Sister Farnham's we were favoured with a generous donation of cash and groceries. The people too of Lower Brighton have contributed potatoes and packed us a big jar of splendid butter.

We are thankful to these dear people who have helped us from the kindness of their hearts. At this time when money is scarce and prices are climbing, these gifts have been very acceptable and while we receive them gratefully, we long to impart to them the better gifts, even the enriching of their spiritual lives. In these days of perplexity and unrest, how we thank God we ever sought and found the Christ, and how we yearn to point souls to the Star which sheds its wondrous light in every seeking heart. We wish all our brothers and sisters a Blessed and Peaceful Christmas.

H. C. AND MRS. MULLEN

Port Maitland, N. S.

Dear Highway:

I want to report the latest happenings on this field. The first item is concerning some repairs that have been made recently. The former pastor, Rev. P. J. Trafton, had the parsonage painted outside and some repairs made inside. We have continued by making repairs inside. We joined our neighbors in building a new fence on the northwest side of the parsonage. Mr. and Mrs. Southworth paid for the material and for part of the labor on the new fence. The church building at Sandford was in good condition except the roof on the southwest side. A little over a year ago the roof was repaired in first class order under the supervision of Brother Oscar

Sweeney. The church building in Brazil was badly in need of repair outside and in. We have started at the top first. A new chimney was built a short time ago. This fall, under the supervision of Brother Sweeney, with other help, a fine fireproof roof was put on both sides of the church at Brazil. This job amounted to about one hundred dollars. Lumber on the church lot was cut by hired and donated labor to go to pay for the material for the roof. Even the pastor had his hand in when it came to the lumbering part. We hope to do more repair work on the Brazil Church in the spring. The Port Maitland Church has made a big move forward in its building and repairing program. The roof on the southwest side was repaired this fall, also the gable end at the back. The material for this was donated by the late Hugh Churchill a short time before his death. Our faith reached out to the point where we began to build a steeple. Mr. Leslie Williamson gave us a substantial sum to help build our new steeple. This was given in memory of his aunt, Mrs. Hattie Haskell, one of the oldest members of the R. B. Church here, and her husband, the late Riley Haskell. The people and pastor allowed their faith to take another step and enough paint was bought to give the front and two sides of the church two coats of paint and the back end of the church one coat. Mr. Harry Sinclair was the head painter. The men donated their labor. Our members far and near have made contributions toward this good work. Our repair work at the Port Maitland Church has amounted to two hundred and seventy-five dollars or possibly three hundred, and the best part of it is, the fact that it is all paid for except about thirty or thirty-five dollars. We hope to do more work inside later. We wish to thank through the Highway all those who have given so liberally of their cash and labor.

The next item of interest was the surprise the people of Sandford, Yarmouth and Port Maitland gave us on my wife's birthday, Nov. 20th about fifty-five or sixty of the friends came in the evening with a present of a fine lace table cloth and ten dollars. Besides this donation we have received about seven dollars worth of meat, butter and vegetables this fall. These people certainly know how to make the pastor and his wife feel that they appreciate their labors. We say a big "Thank you," and a heart-felt "God bless you."

The last item is not the least. It is the most important of all because it is in the spiritual interest. We held a revival campaign at Brazil this fall from Oct. 1-22 under the faithful and efficient ministry of Miss Miriam Sanders. Miss Sanders seemed to arise in the strength of the Lord. Her messages were close and searching, but tender and inspiring. Some were reclaimed, saved or sanctified. I baptized two in the Lake at Brazil on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 22. Our revival campaign at Sandford was held from Oct. 29th-Nov. 19th. Rev. H. S. Dow proved (like he always does) that he was an able minister of the Word of God. What wonderful truths were made so plain, what privileges were made unmistakably clear, and what responsibilities were shown to be ours who stood in the great gap between God and a lost world. A ministry like Brother Dow's is bound to bring permanent results to any church. We didn't see as much as we desired in visible results and yet we saw some who got definite help at the altar. Brother Dow's ministry was again enjoyed at the Quarterly in Port Mait-

land. His closing message and the spirit of the service came the nearest to an old-fashioned service that I have seen for months. My faith is looking to God for victory. Holiness is the truth we are entrusted with. Let us be true to our trust.

Mrs. Rogers and I wish our Highway Editor and our readers a Peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Yours in Him,

G. A. ROGERS

Dear Mr. Dow: Amherst, N. S.

Please find enclosed Post Office Order for the renewal of the King's Highway, which you were so kind as to forward to me. I greatly appreciate this paper and find in it a great source of inspiration and I want to go deeper into the things which God has in store for me and be ready when the test comes.

Yours in Him,

DOROTHEA K. RUSHTON

Norton, N. B.

Dear Brother Dow:

Please find enclosed \$2.00 for renewal of my Highway, 50c for Supplementary Fund. Yes, I love to get the Highway. It surely brings good news to me in my lonely hours. Oh, yes, through all my sorrow I can say, Jesus understands, and His grace is enough for me. I wish to thank all the kind friends who have remembered me with the lovely cards and letters I have received, showing their love and sincere sympathy for me. Yes, I do praise the Lord. I can sing, "Jesus, Lover of My Soul, Let Me to Thy Bosom Fly." The Lord is blessing and keeping me. Praise His name.

Yours in Jesus' Love,

MRS. FRANCIS HAYES

Dear Brother Dow:

Truro, N. S.

Enclosed please find two dollars for my Highway. I could not get along without the Highway. You of course know we are living in Truro now. I get the paper. It is always sent on from Amherst to us but is later getting here, so you will kindly send it direct now. It comes in Jean's name, but please put 56 Walker St., Truro, on it hereafter.

I trust you are well and can come and see us; always pleased to have any of our R. B. ministers come.

May God abundantly bless you in your good work.

Yours in Christ,

MRS. GORDON DOYLE

Norton

Rev. H. S. Dow:

Dear Brother in Christ: Enclosed find \$1.50 to pay for the Highway, which is due. We are much pleased with what it contains, and I am sure it will be a blessing to those who take advice from it, and may the blessing of the Lord be upon you in your endeavours to send forth the message of salvation and its working power in the lives of men and women.

I remain, yours enjoying Eternal Life.

W. K. CARSON

Dear Brother Dow:

Enclosed find \$4.00. My mother's subscription is due and she always paid in advance. Will you please change the address and hereafter send it to me, as mother dear is no longer with us, but, oh, I cannot do without the Highway. Why, I've grown up with it,