

CORRESPONDENCE

Woodfords, Maine.

Dear Brother Dow:

I am inclosing Post Office Order to pay for my Highway, which I enjoy reading very much. It has been coming to our home ever since we were small children, and one of my dear mother's wishes was that we continue to take this good paper.

I pass it on to others, hoping they may be blessed and encouraged as we are by reading it.

MRS. THOMAS M. BUTLER

Dear Bro. Dow:

I am sending you a line to ask you to please change my address on my paper to 1537½ Marcelina Ave, Torrance, Calif.

We are well and still trusting and serving the Lord. My sister-in-law, Miss Mary Carr, is well and still around. She was 82 in December. Hope you and family are all well.

Yours truly,

MRS. FRANK CARR

Penniac, N. B.

Dear Bro. Dow:

Enclose Postal Note for \$2.00, subscription for Highway. I am truly glad and thankful to have it in our home, and enjoy the contents the editor selects most carefully. Am having opportunity of proving father's promises this winter. Never one fails. They are rich and full. Praise Him.

Sister in like precious faith,

MRS. GEO. I. WILLIAMS

Seal Cove, N. B.

Dear Christian Friends:

Many months have passed since we have reported from this field by letter, months that have been filled with blessings. Since our last writing our good people have continued to give us their support and co-operation, as well as load us with gifts of various kinds, making this year among them one which has been indeed enjoyable. We are sincerely appreciative of the numberless kindnesses shown us, and pray for grace to render faithful service to these whom we have learned to love.

We wish to give a brief report of our special meetings both at Seal Cove and Wood Island.

Meetings at Wood Island began Jan. 19th, and continued over Feb. 12th. In this campaign we had as evangelist Lic. A. D. Cann who preached the Word effectually. The ministry of our brother was greatly enjoyed by the people of the church and community, as well as those from Seal Cove, and the Spirit owned the truth by creating old-fashioned conviction in the hearts of many. About thirty seekers were at the altar, and most of them prayed through to victory. We appreciate the meeting, and the ministry of Bro. Cann, not merely because of the immediate results, but also because most of the converts are keeping true to the Lord.

Our revival services at Seal Cove began Feb. 16th, and continued over March 12th. In this meeting we had the privilege of having as evangelist, Rev. J. W. Turpel, of Summerside, P.E.I. Exceptionally large crowds attended these services, and all seemed to enjoy the ministry of our evangelist. Bro. Turpel proved himself an able minister of the New Testament, possessing all the qualities that are to be desired in a man who has the responsible task of imparting the message of God to eternity-bound men. There were a number of seekers at the altar, but the results in this respect were not as large as we had hoped for. However, we are deeply thank-

ful for the blessings received and the victories registered, believing there are more to be enjoyed.

Our prayers ascend to God for all the sister churches and members of the household of faith.

May the Lord grant us a mighty and widespread outpouring of His Spirit.

Yours in the bonds of love,

B. C. and MRS. COCHRANE

THE LAST COMMAND

By Rev. W. M. Smith

In a great many places in the Scriptures we find the word, "Behold." It is not generally known that this word has the same meaning as the word, "attention," as used in military tactics. We know that when the captain rings out the word "attention!" every soldier fixes his eyes on the captain, and, closing his ears to every other voice, he waits for the command. Looking around to see what the other fellow is doing, or disobedience of any kind is not tolerated.

In the 24th chapter of St. Luke, and 49th verse, we hear the great captain of our salvation, Jesus Christ, in His resurrected and glorified body, ring out that word, "Behold!" Attention! to His disciples, and follow up with the command, His last command, to wait till they received the "Comforter," the "Promise of the Father." He had told them that they were to spread the Gospel throughout the world, but they were commanded not to preach till they had received the Comforter, whereby their hearts would be "purified by faith," as in Acts 15:9. You will see by these words of Peter that the primary object of His coming, and the need of our receiving Him, The Holy Ghost, "The Abiding Comforter," is not that we may have "power," or "power for service," but that we should be "purified." Peter's experience proves that.

I have been a Methodist for nearly sixty years. I am glad that John Wesley had the experience of "Perfect Love," and that he was instrumental in leading thousands of others into the experience. I am glad that he had the "Comforter," "God with us," as he left this world. But my heart has been grieved to think how the church let down the bars to those who were "groaning" after a clean heart, but not willing to obey the last command of Jesus. The "groaners" generally manage to side-step the issue, and steer clear of the plain command of Jesus. That is all any sinner does.—The Sky Pilot.

CHRIST IS RISEN

"Christ is risen." That phrase became the password of the fellowship of the Resurrection. Whenever Christians met one another the happy greeting was "The Lord is risen." And the joyous answer came back, "He is risen indeed."

So, in the subsequent centuries, because Jesus broke the bonds of the tomb:

There have been fresh adventures of the human spirit.

There have been new crusades against embattled wrong.

There have been daring excursions across the frontiers of knowledge.

There has been costly devotion to freedom's cause.

There has been tireless struggle for justice and equality.

There has been heroic martyrdom for faith.

There have been undaunted endeavors for a world of peace and good will.

"Good morning! Christ is risen." So we greet one another this Easter Day.—Selected.

THE SECOND BLESSING

The birth of the Spirit brings pardon; the baptism with the Spirit, purity.

The birth of the Spirit justifies freely; the baptism with the Spirit sanctifies wholly.

The first removes the guilt of sin; the second, the pollution of sin.

The first represses inbred sin; the second removes it.

The first keeps the old man" under; the second "casts him out."

The first gives spiritual life; the second, spiritual purity and power.

The birth of the Spirit gives peace with God; the baptism, the peace of God.

The first takes us out of the world; the second cleanses the world all out of us.

The birth of the Spirit brings submission to Christ; the baptism crowns Him in our hearts without a rival.

The first introduces us into the kingdom of heaven; the second establishes the kingdom of heaven in us, and eliminates all there that opposes it.

The first sows the heart with the Christian graces; the second roots up the weeds that would choke them.

The first begins the works of cleansing; the second "sanctifies wholly."

The first delivers from the Egypt of sin; the second puts us in possession of the Canaan of perfect love.

The first cures the outward eruption of actual sin; the second effects the double cure of its inward leprosy.—Selected.

THE CONDITIONS OF REVIVAL

Did you say you wanted a revival in your community? Do you want to see some one joyously saved? If you really do, then take hold and work for it. Prepare the way of the Lord. Live your religion. Talk it. Preach it. Deliver awakening sermons. Stir up the people. Cause them to see the heinousness of sin.

Baxter said a faithful preacher would make the people quarrel either with him or with their sins. It is to be feared some ministers do neither.

Christ's ministry was a sifting ministry. On the day of his greatest popularity he preached his severest discourse, uttering truths so stern that "from that time many of His disciples went back, and walked no more with Him."

Study this divine example. Be kind and faithful. Reason fearlessly. Urge sinners to repent. Summon professed Christians to holier living.

President Finney, in his old age, when reviewing his wonderful evangelistic career, declared that if he had his life to live over again, that he would "go through the churches, not preaching to sinners, but calling upon professed Christians to be righteous."

Here is something to think about. True righteousness in a church is more persuasive to sinners than evangelistic appeals.

Get right before God. Keep unspotted from the world. Cultivate a spiritual mind. Be true in secret. Pray much. Reason reasonably with the unsaved. Inaugurate some new work for God. It is in the line of activity that we become most interested.

Revivals begin by somebody being revived. Let that somebody be yourself. Use the means. God honors means. He employs agents, and would just as quickly employ you as anybody in inaugurating the greatest revival you have ever witnessed.—Michigan Christian Advocate.