

Howlandridge (Upper, Lower and Middle Hainesville), Clover Hill, Springfield, York Co., Wiggins Mills, Briggs Corner, Scotch Lake, Scotch Settlement, Jewett's Mills, and many other bye roads and settlements.

Also 12 days at the Beulah Camp Meetings; also 4 days at the Maritimes Convention of the United Baptists at Woodstock; also 2 days at the District Convention of the United Baptists at Andover.

I finished up the six months' work on Nov. 15th. I made 5902 calls or visits, distributed 921 Bibles, 678 Testaments, 5430 portions of Scripture, making a total of 7029 pieces distributed of which 205 pieces were in the French language. During this year's work I found 66 families without any Bible or Testament, and many very poor and destitute families and many poor children. To all these was given a Bible or Testament or a portion of the scripture. The total value of all my distribution amounted to \$1058.76. This was the second best of my ten summers' work.

The Bible is supernatural in origin, divine in authorship, human in penmanship, infallible in authority, infinite in scope, universal in interest, eternal in duration, personal in application. Dig it up, write it down, pray it in, live it out and pass it on, know it in the heart, store it in the heart, show it in the life, and sow it in the world.

S. H. BRADLEY,

Bible Colporteur

WHAT SAITH THE SCRIPTURES

By S. J. Shields

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom" is a Scripture admonition worthy of the closest attention. To have one's mind and heart stored with Scripture truth makes a great bulwark against the inroads of the enemy, and wonderfully fortifies the soul against his subtle attacks. Jesus met the tempter by quoting Scripture to him. It is well for us to do the same. Hence the necessity to have our minds and hearts stored well with the precious Word of God.

One of the promises of Christ to His disciples was "He will bring all things to your remembrance whatsoever I have said unto you." This promise is surely applicable to us in present times as much as to them in that day; and as we read the word of God, He thus speaks to us; hence we need to read the entire Bible (and it is well to read it through often) so that the Holy Spirit can "bring it to our REMEMBRANCE." We cannot "remember" what we never read or heard, but it is possible to remember anything we have once read or heard, and the more we have read or heard anything the more readily do we remember it. And as there is something in the Precious Word of God to fit into every part or incident of our lives, is it not wise, sane and necessary that we read and study the entire Word, that it may be in our memory to be recalled to us by the divine Spirit at any opportune time?

"What saith the Scripture?" "Abram believed God, and it was counted to Him for righteousness," and we are the children of Abraham by faith in Jesus Christ, so let us "Trust in the Lord and do good; so shall we dwell in the land, and verily we shall be fed." See Psalm 37:3. In these times of stress and strain it is surely good to have a foundation to build our hope for the future

on when everything earthly seems giving way. As one poet puts it, "When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay." Hallelujah.

"What saith the Scripture?" "Delight thyself also in the Lord, and He shall give thee the desire of thine heart." See Psalm 37:4. Is it still to be relied upon? Has not Jesus told us "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My Word shall never pass away?" and has not the Scripture elsewhere said, "His truth endureth to all generations?" Psalms 100:5. But how shall this be brought about? How shall I obtain the desires of my heart? Does not the Scripture give further instructions in the 5th verse of the 37th Psalm where it says "Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass." Often victories that God had intended to give have been lost by one trying to bring it about in some way not the Lord's. Our way must be committed to Him, and the way He will lead is often the very opposite to what looks to us to be the way to victory, hence the need of trusting Him implicitly in the midst of every seeming defeat, for "He maketh even" the wrath of man to praise Him, and the remainder of wrath "what He cannot so make to praise Him "He will restrain." It looked like sad defeat to all Joseph's expectations, and what God had indicated would be, when he was enslaved in Egypt, but God knew the end from the beginning, and that His purposes were being carried out to a complete victory: and how wonderfully God did it. Could we even imagine a way so good and so sublime.

"What saith the Scripture?" Does it not say, "Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace." Contrast this with the Scripture, "I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree. Yet he passed away, and lo He was not: yea, I sought him, but he could not be found." Compare Napoleon, Voltaire, Tom Pains and others such with John Knox, Wm. Wilberforce, John Wesley and others. What a contrast! The end of the good man is blessed, is peace, is joy, but the end of the worldling is despair.

"There is a life above, where parting is unknown,
A long eternity of love, formed for the good alone;
And faith beholds the dying here translated to that glorious sphere."

and
"There is a death whose pang outlasts the fleeting breath,
O, what eternal horrors hang around the second death!
Thou God of truth and grace teach us that death to shun,
Lest we be banished from Thy face, forever more undone."

Awards of the Nobel prize to Germans furnish an interesting sidelight upon racial questions in that country, according to a quotation attributed to "Ultra," Havana, and the "Magazine Digest." Of the thirty-eight Germans who have been thus honored, the Jews, with less than one per cent of the total population of Germany, have furnished "no less than twelve" of the list. This is nearly thirty-two per cent of those adjudged worthy of special distinction for outstanding international service.—New Orleans Christian Advocate.

IS CANADA CHRISTIAN

Sir,—There is one point Mrs. Steeves has seemed to have forgotten in her description of the founding of the British Empire—namely, the tremendous change that came about in government and economic development as the direct result of the evangelical revival in the 18th century.

Historians of standing have all agreed that England was saved from revolution by the preaching of John Wesley and that, through his assistance in awakening "the soul of the people" reforms of a far-reaching effect were made.

Noticeably among these were the "Abolition of Slavery," "The Factory Act" and a host of others. And it was not only in England that these reforms had effect. The United States of America owes much of its desirable democratic cultural life to the evangelists, especially Whitefield, while in Canada Egerton Ryerson and his brothers and other "itinerant" preachers helped to remove the abuse of privilege for the Established (Anglican) Church, and laid the foundation of great educational work.

The democratic England we know is all the result of the demands made by the people for real democratic government. Laws are codified when there is sufficient demand, or when they have become customs.

When Canadians ask, not merely equality in the matter of material possessions, but leaders who will make laws founded on Christian Socialism, they may hope to see the desired changes in the present economic system.

The great laws in England were not made by politicians, or rather they were not handed out until the people, and a people with a change of heart, had demanded them.

The British Empire must be regarded for what it stands for in this day—not what it was in former times, before its Christian evolution.

After all, no one thinks of St. Paul as "Saul" the persecutor of the Christians—it is the Paul—the changed man that has gone down to history.

So it is with England and so—let us hope it may be with Canada, which now badly needs an awakening—and a Ryerson, George Fox or Wesley to tell everyone what is worth fighting for these days. I am not of the Methodist persuasion myself, but I give honor where honor is due.—K. S.

—Selected from a Vancouver paper and sent in by A. I. J. Ward.

COURAGE, PREACHER

"Paul thanked God, and took courage" (Acts 28:15).

Courage, preacher, do not falter!

It is still "Thus saith the Lord!"

Times may change and men may alter—

Changeth not the Master's Word.

"Go ye out to every creature!"

That's the word the Master said.

Can they know without a preacher

That for all His blood was shed?

Tell the news of sins forgiven,

Cancelled by the Saviour's death;

That to all new life is given

By the Spirit's vital breath.

—F. Littlewood