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EDITORIAL

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

In the light of present day conditions on the earth, the beautiful song of the angels sounds like irony.

When that heavenly choir vested with the glory of the Lord sang to the humble shepherds on Judean hills, Peace on earth, they evidently were not prophesying of a warless world. Our Lord in the days of His ministry upon earth, said think not that I am come to send peace on earth. I came not to send peace but a sword, for I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. And a man's foes shall be they of his own household. Hence the mission of Jesus to this world was not to establish peace at any cost, or peace by compromising with evil, or peace at the sacrifice of righteousness. He also said, ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, which has been fulfilled to the letter, and this poor old world is getting plenty of war this Christmas season.

Our Lord alone promised peace to His disciples and to those who follow Him. He said, Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth give I unto you. The world will be at peace with us while we live to please the world, as many church members do to save a little persecution and to get the support of worldly people. There seems to be two degrees of peace taught in the word, viz., being at peace with God, and having the Peace of God.

Paul wrote to the Romans: Therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God. That is, where once we were rebels against God, we surrendered, sought forgiveness and He had mercy on us, forgave us our sins, and we were reconciled, and were at peace with Him. When our Lord was about to leave this world by the way of Calvary, He promised His disciples that if they loved Him and kept His commandments, He would give them another comforter: The Holy Spirit to abide with them forever. And he seems to be referring to the Third Person of the Trinity when he says: Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you. John 14-27. It was this peace that the prophet sang about when he said: Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace who's mind is stayed on thee, because he trusteth in thee. The Apostle Paul also describes this gift of Peace as a person. He

says, and the Peace of God which passeth all understanding shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. And again to the Colossians, Let the Peace of God rule in your hearts, etc. We think it is this peace that the individual heart enjoys when that rebel which the apostle calls the carnal mind, which he says is not subject to the law of God, has been crucified, driven out, cleansed or purged away by the baptism with the Holy Ghost. And the Spirit reigns, or rules within without a rival. That peace which is not dependent on outward conditions or circumstances; but is dependent on our heart attitude toward God. It is the peace which is essential to tranquility of mind and happiness of soul. That peace which the prophet says flows like a river (continuous). That peace which the apostle couples with holiness, in his letter to the Hebrews: Follow peace with all men and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord. That is the Peace that the angels sang about, which we may all enjoy in spite of wars and strife, wreck, and ruin, because of sin all around us. This is the Peace which the editor of the King's Highway wishes all our readers to enjoy, with the season's greetings.

H. S.D.

"There comes to my heart one sweet strain:
A glad and a joyous refrain:

I sing it again and again,

Sweet peace, the gift of God's love.

"Peace, peace, sweet peace,
Wonderful gift from above;

Wonderful, wonderful peace,

Sweet peace, the gift of God's love."

THE FIRE OF THE HOLY GHOST

It is the fire that prevails. For fifty years the facts of the gospel were complete, but no conversions were recorded. Pentecost registered three thousand souls. It is the cause that sets men ablaze which wins converts. Gladstone's fiery passion routed Parliaments and slew the giants of oppression. Wesley, Whitefield and General Booth wrought wonders by the fire kindled of the Holy Ghost. Men ablaze are invincible. Hell trembles when men kindle. Sin, worldliness, unbelief, hell, are proof against everything but fire. The church is powerless without the fire of the Holy Ghost. Destitute of fire, nothing else counts; possessing fire, nothing else really matters. The one vital need is fire. How we may receive, where we may find it, by what means we may retain it, are the most vital and urgent questions of our time. One thing we know, it comes only with the presence of the Spirit of God, Himself the Spirit of Fire. God alone can send the fire. It is His Pentecostal gift.—Samuel Chadwick.

JOY COMETH IN THE MORNING

Light after darkness, gain after loss;
Strength after weakness, crown after cross;
Sweet after bitter, hope after fears,
Home after wandering, praise after tears.

Sheaves after sowing, sun after rain,
Sight after mystery, peace after pain;
Joy after sorrow, calm after blast,
Rest after weariness, sweet rest at last.

Near after distant, gleam after gloom,
Love after loneliness, life after tomb;
After long agony, rapture of bliss:
Right was the pathway leading to this.

—Francis R. Havergal

CORRESPONDENCE

Marysville, N. B.

Dear Highway Friends:

Having completed over four months of service in evangelistic work, and believing that you may be interested in a report of our activities during that time, we shall endeavour to give you a brief outline of our meetings with the various churches where we have laboured since Beulah.

Our first meeting was with Rev. F. A. Anderson and the church at Maple Ridge. We began there on Sunday, August 4th, and continued over Sept. 8th. Although these services were held during the summer and harvest season, the people attended well and were attentive and responsive to the truth. The consistent support of the pastor, and the careful and respectful hearing of the people, combined to help us as we tried to preach and sing the message of full salvation. In numbers, the results of this meeting, in respect to seekers, were not what would be considered outstanding, but we believe some received definite help from God, and are still enjoying and testifying to His saving grace. During our sojourn in Maple Ridge we were most kindly entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Barbour. These kind people spared no pains to make our stay with them pleasant and comfortable, and we left feeling greatly indebted to them for their hospitality. We were further privileged in being in the homes of many people of the community, and were without exception, treated with friendly kindness. We cherish many happy memories of fellowship and labour in this first of our evangelistic meetings.

On Sept. 9th, we travelled to Hartland to join hands with the pastor, Rev. H. C. Mullen, and the church of Hartland in our second campaign. From the beginning, we felt the blessing of the Lord upon the services, and it remained and increased throughout the four weeks of the meeting. The Victoria Corner people joined in the battle with as much zest and spirit as if the meetings were being held in their own church, and they were a strength to us throughout the meeting. We were ably supported in labour by the unsparing cooperation of Brother and Sister Mullen, who in turn were joined by a band of earnest people of faith, who prayed until the fire fell! Each meeting was preceded by an intercessory service in the vestry, and while we preached and sang, and worked over our messages through the day, we felt the mighty influence of praying that prevailed. In some of the services of this series, there were manifestations of the blessing and power of God which shook the foundations of Satans' kingdom, and brought to glorious deliverance those who were in bondage to sin. Unforgettable scenes were stamped upon our hearts, and we feel a well-spring of praise springing up now as we remember the workings of God in these services. The parsonage was our home during this meeting, and we indeed felt very much at home. The skill of Brother Mullen as a salmon fisherman, and the ability of Sister Mullen as a cook, combined to provide some sumptuous meals. The people of the church also invited us to their homes and entertained us hospitably.

On Oct. 7th we travelled back Millville way for another meeting with Brother Anderson. Our field of battle was Nortondale, and here we continued until Nov. 3rd. In this commun-