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CORRESPONDENCE

Woods Harbour, N. S.

Dear Highway:

I feel that a few lines at this time would be in order from this part of God's vineyard. We are being blessed in these churches at Wood's Harbor. We had quite a lot of sickness during the winter months, and some times our attendance was small, but God blessed us by giving us all along the line new seekers. We have a good attendance now and at Woods, we are looking forward to our special meetings in May, expecting greater blessings and more of our people, especially the young folk giving their heart and lives to God. At Shag the Lord has blessed us very much. There we were holding services in one of our brother's houses and they were not very well and it looked as if we would have to give up our meetings until we could use the tent and then looking forward to cold weather again we did not see any place to worship in sight. But folks began to pray, the Spirit began to work and God has opened up a way. We have a hall for a year in a good locality and have had two services in it to date, a dedication service the twentieth. We give God the praise and glory for it all and mean by His grace to work harder believing that in this place we are going to see His work advanced. Everything looks encouraging and we believe that we have got the devil on the run, so we covet the prayers of all the readers of the Highway that God shall break down the wall of defence of the enemy, that we may continue to march on and possess the land. We are looking forward to Beulah, of seeing our friends and once more renewing our fellowships until that day when there shall be no more parting. Glory to His precious Yours in His service, name.

B. D. PRICE

Dear Highway Friends:

I wish to take this opportunity to report the work in this part of God's vineyard. We can truly say that as a church we have enjoyed the blessing of God in our Sunday services and prayer meetings, the latter were held in the homes since Christmas.

Brother and Sister B. C. Cochrane came to help us in special services on March 9th and remained for five Sundays. The town gave them a very good hearing so that it was necessary to increase the number of seats after the first Sunday. We appreciate the attendance and help given by Brother H. E. Mullen and many of his people from the Fort, also those coming up from Hartland.

God honored His Word and brought deep conviction on many of the town. Many went as far as to acknowledge that God was dealing with them and some were willing "to do many things," but "went away sorrowful" from the closing service. There were a goodly number that heeded the call of God and knelt at the altar for salvation, reclamation or entire sanctification. A few of these services will stand out in my memory and I believe that of the church as great meetings when God was graciously near with power and blessing.

We appreciate very much the good fellowship and unstinted labours of our brother and sister in the Lord and feel that we have had a revival in our Church and once more the town of Perth has had presented a gospel that can save from sin and sinning. We ask an interest in your prayers that God may help

these from falling and continue to bless His work in Perth.

Following the closing service April 6th the pastor was taken by surprise and greatly delighted when the treasurer of the Church, Brother H. McCrea, on behalf of friends in the Church and of the church, presented him with sufficient money to purchase a suit of clothes.

During our Easter service Sunday evening, April 13th, the pastor extended the right hand of fellowship to three candidates whom we know will be a great help to us in our S. G. HILYARD work here.

Beals, Maine Dear Brother Dow:

Enclosed pelase find my renewal for "The King's Highway." I do enjoy reading it, and would not want to do without it. About the first thing I look for is the "Missionary Correspondence," for I love to read the letters from our dear missionaries in Africa.

I'm finding it a great comfort to trust my all in His loving care. Jesus never fails. I find in these times of testing that He is all He has promised to be, and meets every need of the heart. I'm so very thankful for the blessed hiding place in Jesus.

He is keeping me, Safely keeping me 'Mid the shadows, or the bright sunshine He is keeping me by power divine. Praise His Name! In Christian love,

MRS. ESTEN L. BEAL

Dear Brother Dow: Perth, N. B. I am sending a report for the Highway and a few items.

Rev. S. G. and Mrs. Hilyard accompanied by Rev. B. C. and Mrs. Cochrane and Mrs. Herbert McCrea, motored to Marysville Monday, April 7th, following the special services in Perth.

Rev. S. G. Hilyard spoke at the prayer meeting in Marysville Tuesday evening, April 8th. Yours in His Service,

S. G. HILYARD

LESSONS FROM LIFE

One day at school I gave some hickory nuts to a first-grade boy. At the noon hour I saw him using a rock to crack some of them. He was sharing them with another little boy.

While trying to crack one nut, I noticed he accidentally hit his finger a hard blow with the stone. Tears were starting but just then he looked at the other boy, then over toward me, and suddenly a smile took the place of his expression of pain, as he said, "That didn't hurt; I'm six years old."

Some grown folk get their feelings hurt so easily. They whine, fuss and bawl around, magnifying their sores. They hunt everywhere for sympathy because they feel they have been unjustly treated. More often than not, the thing called mistreatment was unintentional. Even though abuses by others really may be painful ought we not, like the boy, be "too big" to lament and pout about it; and old enough to refuse to take offense? -Ernest R. Zehr.

The Religious Digest sponsors the report that for more than four years not one prisoner in the Ohio penitentiary has been able to quote the Lord's Prayer or the Ten Commandments.—Selected.

THE PLACE OF PRAYER

Rev. P. C. Bennett

It has been truthfully said that, "Prayer is the Christian's vital breath," but it would seem that many Christians are "short of breath" these days, and are not able to accomplish very much for God or His cause. They "get out of breath" working for themselves, and attending to the ordinary affairs of life. Some are so short of breath that they cannot get to the house of God more than once on Sunday, even when the distance is reasonable, and the pastor urges. Likewise some, are so out of breath that they cannot get to the prayer meeting. And yet others are so "all in" when they get to the service or the prayer meeting, that their actions emphasize the text, "He giveth His beloved sheep," while they forget, that they were never told to take that literally, in the House of the Lord.

We need revivals, but they cannot come unless we have this "vital breath" and are able to "breathe" on the dry bones in the valley where we live, for such can never live except the Church can cry, "Come from four winds O breath and breathe upon these slain that they may live."

Is your vital breath as good as it used to be, or are you afflicted like many others with "shortness of breath," and the pastor has to spend most of his time trying to get you up to "par" spiritually. There is a speedy recovery for such a condition, when folk take the prescription of the Great Physician; take it faithfully and to the last drop. Pastor James Smith, author of "Handfuls of Purpose" speaking on Spiritual Breathlessness, says among other things, "This spiritual asthma is the result of diseased respiratory organs, brought on by breathing the foul air of worldliness, and neglecting the fresh and healthful air of secret prayer and holy fellowship with God. A man not filled with the Holy Ghost will always be a breathless man. Breathless men make poor workmen. "Be filled with the Spirit" (Eph. 5:18). A careful reading of Rev. 2:1-7, and also 3:1-6, would greatly aid many folk who are afflicted in this way.

As the old prophet breathed into the breathless child, so we too, need the Breath Divine to revive our spirits, and bring us back to a place of normal spiritual health and vigor. Well may we pray with the poet,

"Breathe on me Breath of God; Fill me with life anew, That I may have what Thou dost love, And do what Thou Would'st do."

"If radio's slim fingers can pluck a melody from night, And toss it o'er a continent or sea, If the soft pedalled notes of a violin

Are blown o'er a mountain or city's din If songs like fragrant roses are culled from thin blue air

Then how can mortals wonder that God answers prayer."

The chief of police of Los Angeles recently told the police commission that it was his opinion that prohibition would return unless the present liquor situation is changed. During prohibition ten per cent of the police were required to handle drunkenness; it now requires sixty per cent.—United Presbyterian.