

CORRESPONDENCE

Dear Highway Friends,

The Reformed Baptist Young People's Rally of Districts 1 and 5 was held in the Union Baptist Church at Millville, October 4 to 8 inclusive, having as the special workers Lic. and Mrs. Hicks of Royaltown, N. B.

Stirring messages were given by Lic. Hicks and a great blessing was received by all. Special singing was rendered by Mrs. Hicks, The Smith Trio and the Owen's Trio along with several other solos, duets and trios.

Miss Nina Smith, of Port Maitland, N. S., who is our out going missionary to Africa was present at the rally Friday evening and spoke a few words to the congregation. After the other expenses of the rally were paid it was decided to give Miss Smith \$25.00 towards her passage to Africa.

In the business meeting held Saturday afternoon Karl Gorman was re-elected president, Bernard Mullen was elected vice-president and Anna Graham as secretary-treasurer.

Young People and others were present from Royaltown, Fredericton, Caribou, Presque Isle, Fort Fairfield, St. John, Port Maitland, Woodstock and various other places.

The blessing of God was upon the services, therefore the rally was a profitable one and we are hoping for even a better rally next fall if Christ tarries.

ANNA GRAHAM, Secretary-Treasurer.

Dear Highway Friends:—

During the last three Sundays of August we were privileged to have the Mullen Trio with us for Special Services. We enjoyed their ministry both in word and song and feel that the church as a whole was strengthened and blessed by the meetings.

The attendance was good throughout the two weeks and the people supported the work financially in a wonderful way.

There was around twenty at the altar either seeking to be saved or sanctified, which included several from nearby Atkinson, and as a result of this, we have re-opened the work there and are holding a service for the people each Sunday afternoon in the schoolhouse, in which the Lord is blessing.

On the last Sunday afternoon we had a baptism, and five candidates followed their Lord in baptism.

The church was filled for the closing service, which seemed hard to dismiss because of the many needy souls present who still turned a deaf ear to the Word. The service was closed by several numbers in song by the Mullen Trio.

Last week we again had two special services, one with our superintendent and wife; and the other when Miss Smith paid our church her farewell visit before leaving for Africa. God seemed to bless especially in this service and the people again responded in a wonderful way financially.

The attendance in our regular services is still good and we are looking for more results both from these special services and in our own regular services, because there are still many outside the fold. We would close with a note of praise for all God has done for us.

In His Service, A. L. and MRS. STAIRS.

ERADICATE BREEDING PLACES

There is not a city, town, or hamlet in the Nation which could not strike a telling blow against the forces of lawlessness within 48 hours if its people had the will and determination to eradicate the breeding places of crime. The law enforcement agencies in the land, with few exceptions, are thoroughly competent and capable. They are willing to do their job if they are unshackled and supported as they should be by an aroused citizenry which will book no interference and tolerate no alliance between the upper world of officialdom and the underworld of corruption.

Similarly, the youth problem in crime would disappear quickly if each parent and adult recognized his responsibility and made an honest effort to do his duty.

—From a speech by J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, at Washington, D. C., May 18, 1950.

THE PURPOSE OF TRIALS

Faith never expects to learn deep lessons without deep difficulties, therefore she is not surprised by strange and dark providences. How many are apt to say, "My temptation is peculiar;" but we should remember that it is the peculiar aggravations which make a trial effectual, and should not forget the word, "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man" (I. Corinthians 10:13).

Our faith is greatly strengthened when we are brought to see that no arm but God's can help, no wisdom but His can guide, and no love but His can satisfy.

God has settled in Heaven certain trials of our faith which will as surely befall us as the crown of glory be given us at Christ's Appearing. God's purposes of grace are a golden chain, not a link must be missing.

When a trial comes upon me, let me look upon it as sent for a peculiar blessing. If I receive it thus I shall not consider "how heavy it is," nor ask, "When will it be removed?" but "how much advantage shall I gain through it? How shall I turn it to the best account?" —Home Friend.

DOOM OF THE SOFT

We are not accustomed to regard softness as being such a dreadful thing. Ease-loving, self-indulgent, comfort-loving people are oftentimes quite nice and amiable. We should never dream of classing them with drunkards and revilers and thieves and the rest. And yet the doom of the soft is the same as that of the drunkard and adulterer—he shall not inherit the kingdom of God. All the calls of the gospel are calls to hardship, to sacrifice, to battle.

The cross was the most terrible, agonizing instrument of torture that the ancient world contained. The call to the Cross, was the call Christ continually issued. "If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me." Luke 9:23. —Selected.

I Know The Thoughts That I Think Toward You, Saith The Lord, Thoughts Of Peace, And Not Of Evil . . . Ye Shall Seek Me, And Find Me, When Ye Shall Search For Me With All Your Heart.—Jeremiah 29:11, 13.

OBITUARY

Mr. Ernest Williamson, aged 83 years, passed away to his heavenly reward on the 30th day of September, 1950.

He was a Christian gentleman and although not a member of the Reformed Baptist Church, he attended the services of the same very regularly. Our loss is heavenly gain.

To the sorrowing ones we extend our sympathy.

A SANCTIFIED SPIRIT

A sanctified spirit is a pure, tender, soft, humble, Christ-like spirit, one that is free from anger, malice, flattery, self-praise, self-seeking, and pride in every form. Sin not only corrupts the soul, but it also hardens and incrusts the affections with an icy coldness, puts a stiffness in the voice and manners, and dries up the fountain of tenderness. Without tenderness of spirit, which is the very heart of Jesus, we shall be failures as to soul-winning. We may be straight, may preach eloquently, be able to unfold prophecy, and explain the first and second works of grace, but unless we have this tenderness of spirit, our message will lack the melting quality, the heart-piercing pathos of the dying Jesus and burning flame of love. —J. M. Hames.

WORDS

Forgive me, Lord, for careless words  
When hungry souls are near:  
Words that are not of faith and love,  
Heavy with care and fear;  
Forgive me for the words withheld,  
For words that might have won  
A soul from darkened paths and sin  
To follow Thy dear Son:  
Words are such mighty things, dear Lord,  
May I so yielded be  
That Christ, who spake as never man,  
May ever speak through me. —Spiritual Life.

ON WITH THE MESSAGE!  
ON, ON, AND ON!

On with the Message! On with the Light!  
On to the regions still shrouded in night.  
On to the nations which never have heard;  
On with the life-giving, soul-saving Word.  
On with the Message! Message of pow'r  
Message to meet ev'ry need of the hour  
On with the Message o'er land and o'er sea;  
On with the Truth that can set sinners free.  
On with the Message! Carry it on.  
Millions in darkness still pray for the dawn.  
Millions for whom Christ's own blood did atone  
Die in their darkness, unreached, and alone.  
On with the Message! Haste thee away;  
Soon cometh night, haste thee while 'tis day.  
On with the Message, by love's passion stirred;  
On till each creature of Jesus has heard.  
On with the Message; Strive more and more;  
Soon will the days for proclaiming be o'er.  
On to all lengths, to where none have yet gone—  
On with the Message! On, ON, AND ON!  
—Wesley Duewel.