

Church and District News

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT, DISTRICT NO. 1

Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting Convened
at Fredericton, Sept. 6—9, 1951.

Rev. B. M. Hicks brought the message in the opening service. Rev. Wm. Morgan preached Friday evening.

On Saturday afternoon at 2.30 the regular business session was held. Rev. H. E. Mullen read Scripture from Psalm 40. Prayer was offered by B. M. Hicks. B. M. Hicks was appointed secretary pro tem. The election of officers was as follows:

President—H. E. Mullen.

Vice-Pres.—H. E. Anderson.

Secretary—Mrs. Owens.

Treasurer—Bro. L. Woodworth.

Highway Agent—H. E. Anderson.

Reports were read from Meductic, Fredericton, Marysville, Blissfield, Doaktown and Woodstock.

The nomination committee was appointed consisting of Bro. Esty, C. Cochrane and Mrs. Cronkhite and brought in their report.

Motion to adjourn.

Prayer by H. E. Mullen.

Rev. J. A. Owens was absent, because of the special services being conducted at Norton-dale.

Rev. F. A. Watson did double duty preaching both Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon. Bro. Cecil MacDonald led the love feast Sunday morning and Rev. H. E. Anderson brought the morning message. Rev. R. H. Nicholson brought the closing message Sunday evening. The services were blessed of God and the preaching was good.

B. M. HICKS,

Sec. Protem.

QUARTERLY MEETING REPORT

The Quarterly Meeting of District No. 2 convened with the church at Head of Millstream.

On Saturday afternoon at 2.30 the business meeting was opened by Rev. A. Stairs acting as president. Rev. P. H. Green was elected as vice-president. Roll Call found the following ministers present: S. W. Ingersoll, P. H. Green, A. Stairs. Delegates: Mr. Parlee, and Mr. Butler from St. John; Mrs. Hannah Hayes from Millstream. Letters from the following churches were read: Saint John, Amherst, Westchester. No verbal report was given.

The opening message of the Quarterly was brought by S. W. Ingersoll, speaking from the text, "Behold the man." Friday evening, Bro. Green brought an inspiring message from the life and character of Gideon. Bro. Lawson Saunders, on Saturday evening, based his message on the text, "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith." On Sunday morning following a short Sunday School session, the love feast was led by Mrs. Blake Hayes. The preaching services of the morning, afternoon, and evening were in charge of S. W. Ingersoll, L. Saunders, P. H. Green respectively. One soul sought pardon in the afternoon service.

The Quarterly was indeed profitable, and we thank God for the blessings and the victory realized.

S. INGERSOLL,

Secretary.

NEWS FROM LONDONDERRY, N. S.

Dear Highway Friends:

Greetings in the Master's name. We are enjoying God's blessings here with the good people of Londonderry.

We have been fortunate in having Dr. R. J. Dixon as evangelist from September 18th to the 28th. We greatly enjoyed Dr. Dixon's soul stirring messages each evening and all day Sunday. He also conducted morning sessions of Bible study which proved very helpful and enlightening to all who attended.

We are glad to report victory in the meetings. Several sought the Lord at an altar of prayer to be saved or sanctified. God's blessing was upon every service and we believe that God's children were built up in the holy faith.

Pray for us here that God's work may continue to go forward and heaven be made richer because of the efforts put forth in His service.

Yours in the Master's service,

E. H. and MRS. CANN

FROM PRESQUE ISLE, ME.

Dear Highway:

A very special service was held a few Sunday nights ago, when a beautiful Pulpit Bible was presented to the Church in memory of Mrs. Mrs. W. C. (Anna) Kierstead, who passed away last February, by members of "The Friendship Club" (her neighbours) who attended the service in a body.

Two new trays of glasses were added to our Communion Set, and were presented to the Church by Brother and Sister Wilmot Jordan and their daughter, Mrs. Shaw; also a pulpit lamp, by Brother and Sister Jordan.

A new wine coloured velvet drape was also donated to the Church by Brother and Sister Eldon Grass for a window back of the platform.

We have a wonderful group of people. God bless them each one.

The Presque Isle Church have had the happy privilege of enjoying Miss Grace Sanders for a few weeks. Her messages have given our people wonderful inspiration and a broader vision of the needs of our missionaries and the dear people amongst whom they work. We certainly thank the Lord for sending her our way.

Our group of mission workers have met together for the purpose of packing boxes for Africa, etc.

She has also given our Sunday school a great vision and we are now in great hopes of meeting our Mission Budget.

The ladies of the Fort Fairfield Church met with those of the Presque Isle Church at the parsonage in honor of Miss Sanders' birthday. A sweet time of fellowship was enjoyed, and many nice gifts were received by our sister.

A ten-day period of revival meetings has just closed, with seekers weeping their way to the altar for salvation or sanctification. Our evangelist was Rev. Bona Fleming, whose great messages were wonderfully blessed of God. We were blessed to see the young and older ones meet daily for prayer prior to the services; also many times, at the evangelist's plea, rise in a body to meet up front and pray under the burden for souls. Our church has been strengthened spiritually, and Sunday we extended to twelve the right hand of membership.

H. O. and MRS. McGEORGE

A PRAYER FOR MASTERY OVER DISAPPOINTMENTS

By A. S. London

Our Heavenly Father, save us from being mastered by disappointments; make us bigger than things that are permitted to come into our lives. We pray that Thou wilt teach us how to handle disappointments skilfully.

Help us to meditate on the meaning of the word disappointment. The prefix dis denotes separation from. Used in connection with the word appointment, it simply means separation from our appointments. We pray to teach us the lesson from every appointment that we have missed.

Grant unto us wisdom to see the lesson that God is teaching us through every disappointment that comes into our lives. Whether an unfilled hope, a frustrated ambition, the failure of something we have tried to do, the death of a loved one, or our plans thwarted in a lifetime goal—help us to have peace and comfort, without bitterness.

Help us to leave our disappointments, by "forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before" (Phil. 3:15). Oh, we pray to help us drop our disappointments, to leave them, forget them, and be saved from brooding over them.

Save us from dragging our disappointments around with us day after day. May we commit our ways unto the Lord, trust also in Him, and leave the happenings of the day in the hands of Him who knows and cares.

We pray for the philosophy of the old colored lady who arose in the morning with a great burden on her for the day; but, with a simple trust in God, she said, "Lord, Ye ain't a'gonna' let anything happen today that You and me can't settle together, will Ye?" As one has said, "Nothing just happens to a Christian." "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee." Make us big Christians. Amen!—Herald of Holiness.

WHEN THE POWER FELL

About three in the morning as we were continuing instant in prayer, the power of God came mightily upon us, insomuch that many cried out for exceeding joy, and many fell to the ground. As soon as we recovered a little from the awe and amazement at the presence of His Majesty, we broke out with one voice, "We praise Thee O God we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord."—John Wesley.

LOOK FOR GOD'S THOUGHT

Look for God's thought in all the incidents, circumstances, and objects of your daily life. Do not stop at the outward; penetrate to the inward and eternal. Beneath that bitter physical suffering there are stores of divine fortitude and grace. Beneath that trying dispensation there are celestial compensations. Beneath those sweet family ties there are suggestions of love and friendship which can never grow old or pass away.—F. B. Meyer.

ARE YOU REMEMBERING OCT. 28TH, HOME MISSION SUNDAY?

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THE LORD A LIBERAL OFFERING
FOR HOME MISSIONS.

Send the offerings immediately to Rev.
G. Symonds, Perth, N. B.