

## THE GO-PREACHERS.

Rev. S. W. Schurman Continues His Article.

Continuing the letter of week before last let us consider the more local phase of this so-called Go-preacher sect.

### THE METHODIST PREACHER AT HIGHGATE.

In the letter written by a correspondent from Highgate reference was made to the Rev. P. A. Fitzpatrick's visits to that place and his attendance at the meetings held by Messrs Cook and Allen. The inference was to the effect that Mr. Fitzpatrick did not approach the speakers in the correct manner; but this does not agree with the statements of those who accompanied him there. However, the same action may quite easily be viewed in two different ways and therefore let it be granted that the attitude assumed by the Methodist pastor could so be construed—by the Cook friends as offensive and by the friends of the preacher as all that might be expected of anyone. There is this to be said, however, that the purposes and motives of the visiting preacher were above reproach. And if because of knowledge of and some experience with the missions of this "no-sect" sect he were seemingly over-zealous his error should be graciously condoned by those in whose interests (the people of Highgate) he was spending his efforts.

### COOK AND ALLEN, GO-PREACHERS?

It is not the purpose of the writer, nor was it the purpose of the Methodist minister, to criticize the work Messrs Cook and Allen have done in this county. Our purpose is to forestall a repetition of the work they—at least one Cook—have done elsewhere in this province, (Smithtown). In this province the so-called go-preachers have proved themselves what Dr. Shearer said they were, "amischievous sect". We have here in Hartland a lady who says there is no doubt but that she can identify the Mr. Cook who has worked in this county as the Mr. Cook who, associated with a Mr. Snadden and was a worker with the go-preacher sect in Smithtown. It is noted that their work there had a tendency to break up homes and mar the work of the churches. And that they taught doctrines, after that they gained the confidence of the people, contrary to the accepted teachings of the local denominations cannot be fairly questioned. One of their pet doctrines was "Trine Baptism" (three immersions) and they practised what they taught. One or more of their followers who had been immersed and members of a Baptist church in Smithtown, was thus re-baptized. Cook and Allen have not, so far as we can learn, taught any new or foreign doctrines around here as yet, but this, says Dr. Shearer, is the Go-preacher way: "First to worm themselves into the affections of the people, then to teach their peculiar doctrines."

### GO-PREACHER DOCTRINES.

Above we notice their doctrine and known practice of "Trine Immersion" (three baptisms). They undoubtedly also teach a modified mormonism, and to substantiate this I have a letter before me stating that one lady who had become a go-preacher follower, near Moncton, was informed that she should not consider herself the wife of her legal husband alone but must be a wife in common, thereupon she left them and returned to her home. They further teach that houses of worship, paid pastors, etc., are an abomination in the sight of God.

In closing, for since the go-preachers have left the country, I will not write more concerning them, I would like to address a few words to the people of Highgate and people living in such

more out-of-the-way districts regarding religious services. There can be no question but that they have a good reason for complaint on account of the lack of handy religious services. However it does seem that if these people were really anxious to attend such services they could well drive into Hartland at least once in three months, and they would be welcomed. That is, it seems this could be done as easily as to come for some more ordinary purposes such as election speeches, poultry shows and any common entertainments, as for these some frequently do come and it would not cost them any more than it would to attend these same affairs and they might go back better fitted for life's duties.

The people in many of these places are to be congratulated on their Sunday schools. And it would be a good Christian act if some of the churches by the river would give their pastors a day off to visit these good people in the back districts. If these people would turn out on a week night I am sure the pastors would be glad to go and visit them with the common gospel without money and without price.

Yours,

S. W. SCHURMAN.

### A Word for the Clerks.

Nineteen hundred and twelve years ago Christmas meant peace on earth, good will to men. It still means that to many people. But to many others it brings ill will, bad temper, nerves, worry and scurry.

You spend some time in the stores the week before Christmas. In the turmoil of tardy shopping your gifts are likely to be mislaid. Even if they prove acceptable, you have put new wrinkles into the faces of girls who have toiled long hours for days or weeks at top speed. Query, how much peace and good will has your gifts added to the world?

The salespeople with whom you come in contact are not all that your shopping touches. There is the scrambling army of expressmen and mail clerks and carriers. There is the pathetic underworld of workers in the candy and notion factories, down to the conscript bands of children whose pattering feet are down in to the whirl of the machine.

The world should have learned a lot of things in 1912 years. In most ways it has. When you compare the life of the Bethlehem shepherd, under the starry sky and the wind of the morning, with the Christmas shop girls trying to wait on a dozen snapping customers at once, the shepherd of the year one seems to have fared the better.

The plain fact is that during the fortnight before Christmas thousands of working people must suffer serious injury to health, because of prevailing principles of never doing to-day what you can put off until to-morrow.

Why not buy your Christmas gifts to day this week?

You will find fuller stocks. You will find those stocks fresh, clean, unhandled, unpressed. The merchants will shake hands with you and give you intimate tips on bargains. The clerk will smile her sweetest.

Then you can say Merry-Christmas with a cheery heart. You can feel that you have done what you could for a Christmas that shall be like that of Bethlehem for peace, good will, and ordinary humanity and common sense.

Never find fault because a newspaper fails to give every scrap of news, if you are one of the people who never give the editor any information. An editor isn't a mind reader or a medium but he gets his news the same way the milkman gets his milk, by pumping. This is true especially of that class of item known as "locals." Rightly they are not "puffery" or "tally" but simple personal mention given for the benefit of the local readers, and if you have a friend or relative visiting you, let us know and we will be glad to give the item proper notice. Put any bit of news, worth printing in the way of pencil pushers.

## A Winter Fair for New Brunswick.

J. B. Daggett, secretary for agriculture, returned yesterday from Amherst, N. S., where he attended the Maritime Winter Fair.

"The time is near at hand when Frederickton, as the central point, will be the place for an annual winter fair for New Brunswick," said Mr. Daggett to The Gleaner. "The exhibitors from northern and central New Brunswick exhibiting at Amherst at the present time are under a distinct disadvantage."

Mr. Daggett was much pleased with the Amherst show, which he said was the most successful ever held. The greatest advancement he noticed was in dry poultry. There was over 3000 birds in the poultry exhibit and New Brunswick was well represented. There was a fine exhibit of fruit, the sheep and swine departments were up to and better than the average while the seed grain exhibit was the best in history. New Brunswick's representation from points north of St. John was not large.—Gleaner.

### Glassville Induction.

On Tuesday evening, Nov. 26, the Presbytery of St. John met in the Presbyterian church at Glassville for the purpose of inducing into the pastoral charge of that congregation, Rev. James Colhoun, late of Derwick, Ireland. The members of Presbytery present were Rev. H. M. Manuel, of Florenceville, who presided and inducted; Rev. R. J. Miller, of Richmond, who delivered an interesting and inspiring address in which he set forth the work of the Christian ministry, and exhorted the minister to the faithful discharge of his duties; also Rev. Frank Baird, of Woodstock, who clearly set forth the relation of the people to the minister and charged the congregation to encourage the minister by their support and co-operation in every good work.

On Thursday evening, Nov. 28, a large number of people assembled at the manse and gave expression of the warm feeling with which they welcome their new pastor and his family.

The Glassville congregation was vacant for eighteen months. In June last Rev. Mr. Colhoun, while on vacation, visited this province and preached for one Sabbath in Glassville. The people at once fixed their minds upon him as their choice for a pastor, and proceeded with the call. Both the minister and congregation are to be congratulated on the outcome of these efforts. The field is an extensive one, offering splendid opportunities for pastoral work, especially among the larger number of young people and the splendid recommendations which have come with the new pastor predict for the congregation a very prosperous future.

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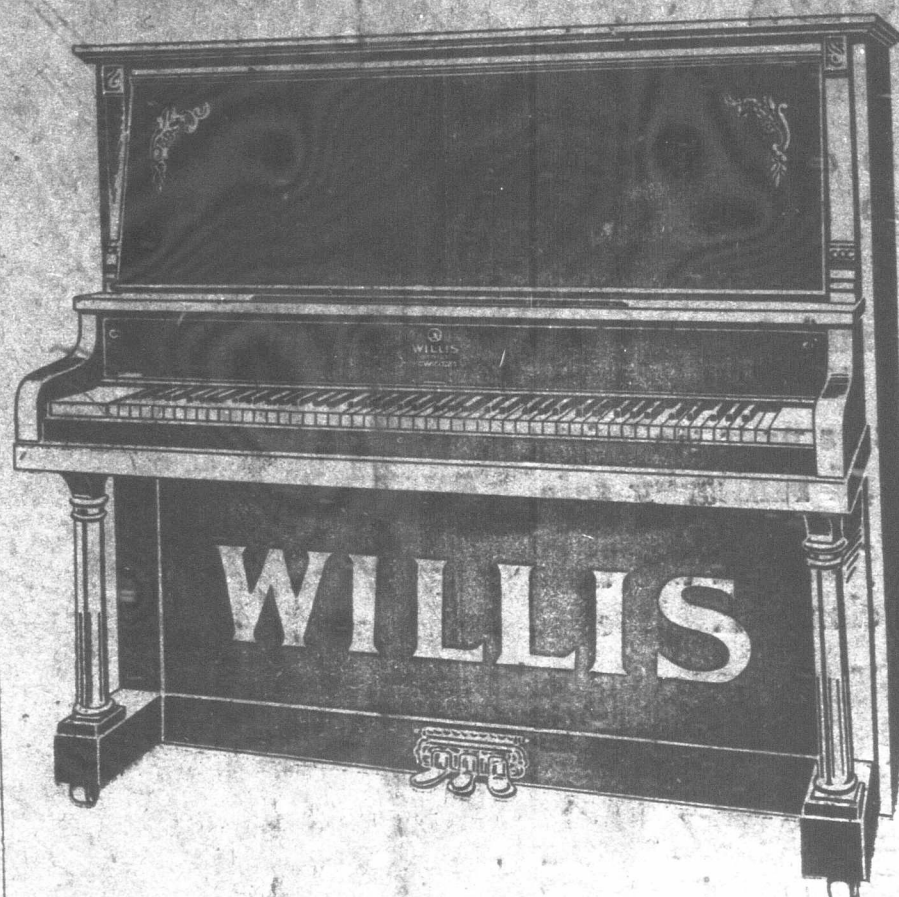
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Candidates are invited to call at The Observer office. We can offer some helpful suggestion—perhaps. Anyway we want to meet personally each one who enters the contest so that we can be sure of no misunderstanding, but of course it is not absolutely necessary.

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