

bodily strength I have expended for the salvation of souls in the Upper Ottawa, which I believe the Lord has blest in adding a goodly number to the Redeemer's Kingdom. To the Lord be all the praise, for I have done no more than my share, and I fear I have come far short of that. Your future prosperity will very much depend on your generosity for the support of the preachers of the Gospel. I beg and pray that you will see that they are delivered from the cares of this life, and not 'muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn.' If you have the will, God will give you the means."

Many pastors to-day, who did vacation work while at Woodstock, can look back with pleasure upon the preliminary conversation with Deacon Tucker before going to their fields on the Upper Ottawa. We recall his exposition of the prophecies of Isaiah, especially the 60th chapter. How he would look up from his large well-worn bible, saying: "I believe from my heart that the 60th of Isaiah throughout is a key to the glorious Gospel of the Son of God. The whole chapter is to be interpreted spiritually or nearly so. The brass of the Old Testament has become gold in this Gospel dispensation, the iron silver, the stone brass, and the wood iron. The true Israel are now all righteous, and the watchmen see eye to eye." Then, straightening himself in his chair, he would say with strong emotion: "For my part, as far as I have studied the Word of God, I have not found anything which leads me to believe that there will be a better day than the present," etc. His Bible study was never aided by any man's notes or comments. His manner of life was that of a strict Puritan. Many to-day sit in judgment upon the age of the Puritans as being more repelling than attractive, and, therefore, unsuitable to the present rising generation. The very opposite of this was true of the man about whom we write, and who was a good specimen of a Puritan. As a proof of this we refer to the testimony of one of his most intimate friends, Rev. J. S. Ross, now of Casper, Cal.

In a letter to the *Canadian Baptist* of Oct. 24th, 1884, Mr. Ross states:—"The spirit and principles of religion were exemplified each day in Mr. Tucker's life. The Bible class he taught on each Lord's day was well attended and instructive. Nearly all the young men who listened to his teaching were converted to the Saviour and became members of Baptist churches.