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Letter from Rev. Isaiah Wallace.

DEAR EDITOR:—We left Mechanicville, N. Y., on Monday, Nov. 26, accompanied by our son, Rev. W. B. Wallace, who kindly came down to meet us. After a three hours' ride through the beautiful Valley of the Mohawk and Hudson Rivers, we reached the City of Utica, famous for its broad asphalt streets, splendid residences, ornamental trees, attractive lawns, philanthropic institutions and extensive manufactures.

The day after our arrival here was Thanksgiving. In the United States the observance of the day is more general than in Canada. Many of those who fear God assemble for devout worship and multitudes of others observe the day as a season of feasting, sport and reunion of friends. In Utica three of the five Baptist churches, viz., the Tabernacle, Park and Emmanuel, held a union service in the Emmanuel church. The three pastors, Wallace, Busfield and Barner, all took part in the service. The attendance was large notwithstanding the day was very rainy. The preacher was Rev. W. B. Wallace of the Tabernacle Baptist church. He used as a text, Matthew 25:40—"Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." In his sermon he showed most forcibly and conclusively that the best manifestation of thanksgiving to God, is the uplifting of humanity by kindly words and acts. The whole service was truly impressive and helpful. The leading singers of the Tabernacle church were present and contributed much to the inspiration of the service. Many dear friends, whose acquaintance we formed during previous visits, at the close of the service greeted us most cordially and expressed their pleasure in seeing us among them again.

On the first Sabbath after our arrival here, we heard in the morning service Rev. Dr. C. S. Rhodes, District Secretary of the American Baptist Missionary Union, for the State of New York, who gave us a strong and instructive address on China

A SOLDIER'S FOE

Knocked Down by Unsuspected Enemy.

Coffee so affects the brain and nerves that proper nutrition is interfered with and the final ending is frequently nervous prostration.

"During the Spanish-American war, I went with my troop to Chickamauga," says Lieut. J. G. Talbot of Springfield, Ill. "If there is any one place on earth where one drinks more coffee than another it is in the army. It is a soldier's 'back bone,' and I can assure that I drank my share. After several months of hard drilling my health gave out, the chief cause being coffee, bad food, over-exertion and heat."

On the advice of the surgeon, I tendered my resignation and with my heart full of regret and my nervous system shattered, I returned home. Almost the first thing the doctor whom I consulted advised me was to quit coffee. That was the first intimation I had that coffee had anything to do with my condition. The next thing was "what shall I drink?"

My wife's mother used your Postum Food Coffee and knew how to make it right, so I tried it and grew very fond of it. My nervous trouble soon left; my old time health came back, and that Fall I gained so in flesh that the boys on returning after "muster out," hardly knew me. Quitting coffee and using Postum did wonders for me."

as presenting a most desirable field for missionary operations. He represented China with its 400 millions of inhabitants, as the only nation that has lived all down through the ages. While other ancient nations of the earth, as the Roman, Grecian, Egyptian and Assyrian had their day and declined, China has maintained her prestige and power, and now excites the admiration of the world for her marvellous resources, commercial, material and intellectual. He spoke of the one million Chinese young men who go up annually for examination for University Degrees, many of whom are eager to hear about Christianity. In closing he gave a most convincing appeal urging the churches to give generously to send the gospel to the teeming millions of China, and especially, in view of the fact that the leading minds of the nation regard with favor and freedom from prejudice, the missionaries sent to them by the Protestant churches of the United States. Dr. Rhodes is a fine specimen of a Christian gentleman. For nine years of his early public life he followed the Legal Profession. He afterwards entered the Christian ministry and filled several pastorates successfully. For the last five years he has done a grand work for God and the Baptist denomination in the important sphere he now fills so efficiently.

In the evening the large audience room of the Tabernacle church was filled to its utmost capacity to hear a sermon by the pastor on "The Search of the Doukubors." After giving a very graphic description of the Doukubors and their recent exhibition of fanaticism, he announced for his text, 2 Chron. 15:2—"If ye ask Him, He will be found of you," and gave a most forcible sermon on the importance and character of the true search for Jesus. It is most pleasing to us as parents to find our youngest son enjoying even in a larger degree than during our former visits, the confidence and love of his people. He is now completing his seventh year as pastor of the Tabernacle Baptist church and has during his pastorate seen most gratifying results following his ministry. The seating capacity of the main audience room of his church has been enlarged and is still filled with devout worshippers. As indicative of the high esteem in which he is held in the City of Utica and throughout the State of New York, he has been appointed president of the Baptist Pastor's Conference of the State, is one of the Board of Directors of Colgate Theological Seminary and has been requested to act as one of the Examiners of Rochester Theological Seminary.

On Monday last I attended a Conference of the Ministers of the Oneida Baptist Association, held in the Baracca Room of the Tabernacle Baptist church. There were fifteen pastors in attendance. The morning session was occupied in gaining information through the District Secretary, on various phases of Foreign Mission work. Dr. Rhodes evinces remarkable familiarity with the work he represents. At the close of the morning session the ministers dined together in the city, and met again at 2 p.m. The subject for discussion in the afternoon was "How can we best gain the attendance of the men at the preaching and prayer services of the churches. Many views were expressed and much interest evinced in the discussion of this question. The consensus of opinion seemed to be that pastors can best secure the attendance of the men in the public services of the church by faithfully preaching Christ and in every possible way rendering the services attractive, and at the same time doing all in their power privately, by their manly and sympathetic bearing, to convince them that Christianity is good for the men as well as for the women. These fifteen pastors impressed me as intelligent consecrated men of God, ambitious to do all in their power to advance the Redeemer's Kingdom in their respective churches. It occurred to me however that fifteen of our average pastors in the Province would not suffer in comparison with them. One of these, Rev. Mr. Douglas of Clinton, N. Y., told me that he was a class-mate of Colgate, N. Y., with my friend, Rev. D. O. Parker, formerly of Berwick, N. S., and the high regard he cherished for Mr. Parker for his many noble qualities.

These notes have grown beyond what I planned when I commenced writing, and I must close for the present.

With very kind regards and best wishes to you Mr. Editor and to my many friends who read your valuable paper, I am,

Yours cordially,
ISA WALLACE

Utica, N. Y., Dec. 3, 1902.

P. S.—In my previous letter the printer made me say "the united efforts of pastor and people would, almost invariably, result in the conversion of thousands," whereas I gave in my manuscript instead of "thousands" "the un saved." I. W.

Mouth Breathing.



Its Cause And Dangers

If you breathe through your mouth you are breathing the wrong way. Possibly you think there is nothing alarming about it. Now if a man should say to you, "Here is something that will congest the delicate tissues of the lungs. Breathe it in!" would you assent? If he should say, "Here are the subtle poisonous fumes that will endanger the bronchial tubes. Breathe them in!" would you do so? No, you would wonder that anyone should think you so foolish as to peril your life in such a way. Yet when you breathe through your mouth instead of through your nose, as Nature meant you to, you breathe an unwarmed air that will seriously injure your bronchial tubes and lungs; you breathe in unfiltered air that poisons the blood instead of purifying it; you breathe in, perhaps, the germs of some terrible disease. Is it so simple a trouble after all—this wrong breathing through the mouth? Mouth breathing is a sure sign of disease in the nasal passages. It means Catarrh, since, when you have Catarrh you cannot breathe through your nose. The tyrant Catarrh, closing up the nasal passages, compels you to breathe through your mouth. It is Catarrh that forces this dangerous mouth-breathing habit on its victim—that brings about the swift and easy descent hourly of thousands of poisonous disease germs to the lungs. Once there it will be an even chance whether you ever get rid of them. Your safety lies in acting now—now, before it is too late.

Is your voice husky?
Do you sneeze often?
Is your breath short?
Are you worse in damp weather?
Is your sense of smell impaired?
Does your nose feel closed up?
Is your mouth dry when you wake?
Do you have any pain in the head?
Do you often have to clear your throat?
Is it easier to breathe with the mouth open?
Do you have a stuffed up feeling in the chest?
Is there a feeling of soreness in your throat?
Does the mucus drop into your throat from the nose?

If you have some of these symptoms it means that you have Catarrh. Here

is the great truth for Catarrh victims—DELAY IS DANGEROUS. Cut out this advertisement to-day, mark your symptoms, write your name and address on the dotted lines, and forward it to Dr. Sproule, B. A., the eminent Catarrh Specialist, who will give you consultation and advice FREE. Address Dr. Sproule, B. A., Catarrh Specialist, 7 to 13 Doane St., Boston.

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ACCIDENT ON THE I. C. R.

A terrible accident occurred on the I. C. R., near Belmont Station between Truro and Londonderry, on Saturday last. It was just about noon that No. 25, generally known as the C. P. R. train, passed Belmont at a high rate of speed, and a moment later the engine left the track and plunged into the ditch, carrying with it the postal, baggage and second-class cars. The two latter telescoped bringing death or more or less severe injuries to a number of the passengers. Samuel Trider, the engine driver, an old and faithful employee of the road, was crushed to death under his overturned engine, while his fireman, Harry Campbell, was thrown some distance into a bank of snow and escaped unhurt. Five persons in all were killed, their names are:

Malcolm McLean, Newfoundland, a passenger.
William Kennedy, Newfoundland, a passenger.
W. B. McDonald, New Glasgow, a passenger.
John O'Toole, Newfoundland, a passenger.
Samuel Trider, engineer—leaves widow and four children.
William Waugh of Tatamagouche, a passenger.
Miss Croake, Halifax, a passenger on way to Boston.

"KING'S EVIL"

Those old English Kings made history. Those old English Kings were fast-livers. Those old English Kings got sick.

One disease became so common to them as to be called "King's evil"—a royal disease. It is now among us—the well known scrofula. Those old English Kings handed it down, spread it through the nations, and here it is.

Too bad Scott's Emulsion was not made in time for those Kings. Scott's Emulsion is a positive cure for King's evil—or scrofula. It heals the sores, adds strength and flesh and brings good health.

We'll send you a little to try, if you like.
SCOTT & BROWN, Chemists, Toronto

INJURED.

Twelve others were injured more or less seriously, but all are expected to recover. Their names are:

A. S. Belyea, postal clerk, St. John; Edward Bigney, passenger; Robert H. Brown, New York, passenger; J. Crandall, brakeman; Jas. Clairbourne, conductor dining car; Frank Deboe, Canadian Express messenger, Sussex, N. B.; W. K. Edwards, Dominion Express messenger; I. P. Hipwell, postal clerk, St. John; James Kavanagh, St. Johns, N.B., passenger; Robert J. Norton, Dominion Express messenger, Montreal; Samuel Taylor of Sackville, traveller for John Fisher & Son, Montreal; Wm. Vickers, passenger. The cause of the accident is unknown, but the most generally accepted theory is that something went wrong with the pilot of the engine.

Personal.

Bro. A. C. Berrie has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Manchester church, G. Saboro county, N. S. His address is Boston, N. S.

Rev. W. T. Stackhouse has completed his work on behalf of the 20th Century and after paying a brief visit to relatives in Kings Co., N. B., took train at St. John last Thursday evening for Winnipeg. Mr. Stackhouse will spend Christmas with his family in Winnipeg, and early in the year will enter upon work in Ontario on behalf of the Northwest work.

We are sorry to hear that Pastor P. C. Reed who has labored very faithfully and acceptably with the church at Hampton Station and adjoining places during the past summer has found it necessary on account of impaired health to resign and rest for a while. Many will join us in the hope that Bro. Reed's health may soon be fully restored.

Notices.

The next session of the Annapolis County Conference will convene at Annapolis Royal on December 15 and 16 next.

W. L. ARCHIBALD, Sec'y

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND
\$50,000.

Will subscribers please send all money from New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island to Rev. J. W. Manning, St. John, N. B.
All in Nova Scotia to Rev. H. R. Hatch, Wolfville, N. S.

"All communications intended for the Home Mission Board of N. S. and P. E. I. should be addressed, Pastor E. J. Grant, Arcadia, Yarmouth, N. S."

Investigation into the Russell (Man.) tragedy strengthens the belief that Mrs. Hartook murdered her four children, took poison and set the house on fire. Her apparent reason was a weary life.