

MISS FANNIE ESTABROOK

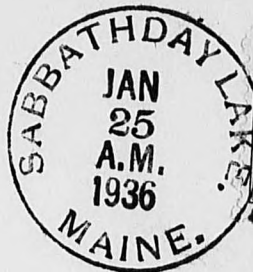
R. F. D. 1, BOX 88

PITTSFIELD, MASS.

Received check from
Sister Emma J. Neal
for loan in Hancock, 60.00
Sixty dollars.

Thank you very much
Fannie Estabrook.

Prudence A. Stickney.
Sabbathday Lake
Maine.



Sister Emma J. Keale.
New Lebanon,
New York.

"Shakers."

Prudence A. Stickney.
Sabbathday Lake
Maine.

Jan 24th

Dearlly Loved Sister:-

Elder Arthur's letter with your check enclosed, came yesterday, and I cannot tell you how grateful I feel, or how much I thank you for your generous gift. You and Elder Arthur have been so kind and thoughtful of us, in our time of care and burden, with so much sickness and death the past year, and another hospital case before us. So you can see what angels of mercy and love you have been. I hope we shall get straightened out sometime, and every one will be well. I have been in my room for six weeks with

Sciatica. It does not mend as fast as I want it to, for I feel caged, there is so much to do, and to see to. But every one is so good to me, and so helpful.

With all our cares and burdens, we strive to keep the old fashioned gospel, and of those who have taught us the way. How I would enjoy sitting with you two dear ones, and having a soul to soul talk. It would do me worlds of good, for there are so few of the older ones left, that we cling to them through everything.

Winter has set in with full force since Jan., came in. but we might as well take it and have it over. I hope dear your eyes are still on the gain. You must both be careful and live as long as I do. With many more thanks, and much love for you both
from

Your Faithful Sister

Prudence A. Stickney.

East Canterbury, N. H.
June 10, 1937.

Beloved Sister Emma:

I am keeping in touch with financial conditions at Sabbathday Lake and have all along been helping Eldress Prudence to keep out of debt.

At one time, you felt equal to giving her a helping hand and it was very much appreciated. I am asking if you could repeat the good deed.

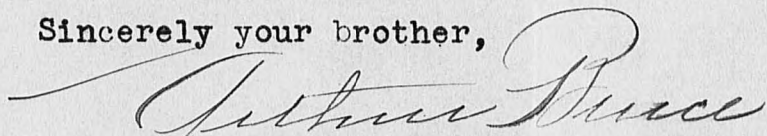
As you know, investments there are very, very small, income from all sources is at a minimum and expenses loom large.

Eldress Prudence needs help and I am willing to do all I can to help her. She is bearing a heavy burden and is worthy in every way.

Irving is with me in congratulating you on your 90th birthday. You are setting us a wonderful example of determination and steadfastness. It is up to us to follow as well as we can.

Both of us send love ~~to~~, and good wishes for, yourself and Sister Sadie.

Sincerely your brother,



Sabbathday Lake Shakers

MANUFACTURERS OF
FANCY GOODS

TELEPHONE, NEW GLOUCESTER, ME.
EXPRESS, NEW GLOUCESTER, ME.

Sabbathday Lake, Me., June 19th 1937.

Dear Sister Emma.

Your check came from Elder Arthur yesterday, and I could not keep the tears back, I felt so grateful, and to say I thank you seems very small indeed for your generous gift. I had told the sisters that I could run the family on what I had, but two weeks longer, and to be in debt is a crime to me, for in my young years, I worked to help pay debt at three different times, so it is a nightmare to me. I never mean to cry the burden of the Lord, but ever since the Alfred people have been here, it has been sickness, operations and hospital bills, and you know what that means. At the present

time we have one of the Alfred
young sisters in a Sanitarium in
Vermont, that the doctor thought
might be cured of her troubles up
there, but between you and I, she
will only be an invalid the rest
of her days. It is a shame, for she
is a very sweet, loyal sister that
every one loves, old and young. Her
bill is twenty dollars a week. I have
worried and planned, until I worked
all night in my dreams, going to
Portland trying to sell things to pay
our bills. I don't want to infer that
the Alfred people are a burden, for
they have been so good and helpful,
and try every way to do little things
to bring into the family, but as yet
no trade is coming in. They have
been unfortunate, that is all, and I
would not say anything to hurt their
feelings for the world, for we are a
very happy family.

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TELEPHONE, NEW GLOUCESTER, ME.
EXPRESS, NEW GLOUCESTER, ME.

Sabbathday Lake, Me., 19

Now I have entered my trials,
let me ask how you two dear ones
are? I know how brave you are, for
Elder Arthur has told me, Well
my dears, there will be no more like
you in this world, so take care
of yourselves and live as long as
you can. How I would love to see
you. Cant some one take their car
and bring you here? What a treat
it would be to my old eyes, for
of my companions I was brought up
with, have passed on, and left me.
We are having rain, and more rain.
It has been nearly impossible to get
our planting done, and if there is a
fair day, you cannot get on to the
ground, it is so full of water.

It is a strange season, and Roosevelt must be to blame for it all.

Our buildings need painting and some roofs repaired, and with your help, I think I can have the Laundry painted. I like to keep the buildings up, for people like to say we are dying out, when it is untrue. The Radio had a plan about the few old women that were left at Lebanon, and it made me so angry, that I wrote and told them what I thought about it. If this is God's work, and I know it is, it will be carried on, and it will not grow by crying it down. We need the faith of our fathers, and their words of hard labor for souls.

Well my dears, I guess I have said enough, so I'll thank you again for your generous gift and take in a heart full of love from

Your Faithful Sister

Prudence A. Stickney.

ARTHUR BRUCE
EAST CANTERBURY, N. H.



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New Lebanon

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THE CANTERBURY SHAKERS

EXPRESS AND FREIGHT
CONCORD

EAST CANTERBURY, N. H.

TELEPHONE
CANTERBURY—30

July 5, 1937.

Beloved Sister Emma:

I am enclosing an article taken from a Boston paper that may interest you. I think many will say "Amen" to the truth it contains, but what of the future? A few years from now will see changes we can hardly ~~dream of~~, and what about the people of that day? Isn't it well that the great work of Believers began when it did? I ~~think~~, think, and think some more and get almost bewildered. I am glad of my acquaintance with you and Sister Sadie. It is a bright spot in my life.

With love from Irving and myself, as always,
I am Your sincere brother,

Arthur Bruce

PRUDENCE A. STICKNEY
SABBATHDAY LAKE
MAINE



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TELEPHONE, NEW GLOUCESTER, ME.
EXPRESS, NEW GLOUCESTER, ME.

Sabbathday Lake, Me., Jan 26th 1938.

Dear Sister Emma.

Your generous check came today, and I am very grateful to you for your help, but I hope dear, it has not crippled you, for you surely have a heavy burden on your shoulders, and a mighty problem, and who will look after the interests of the home when you are gone? I think of all the few remaining brave souls, and talk to our dear departed saints about it, but the answer never comes back. How I would love to see you and talk things over, it would do my soul good, for there are none here that lived here in our early struggles, and they dont want to hear about it either. I think as you do, that it would be good for the head

ones to get together sometimes and
talk these problems over. You asked
about our doctors and hospital bills
that are unpaid. Eldress Harriet's
bill is \$475.29 then we have the
insurance on our Brick Dwelling in
February, and on the children's house
in the Spring. We work hard to pay
our bills, by going to all the fairs and
doing what we could, but the sickness
is what takes your profits, so there is
nothing left for repairs and painting
our buildings. Now don't let what I
write worry you, for we shall get along,
but it is good to have some one to talk
to, I just wish you were here, or I was
there, I try to "Carry On" and not complain,
for I would not discourage the young
people, for they are all willing to do, to
the last minute. I thank you again and
send my best love for you and Sadie, from
Your Loyal Sister
Prudence A. Stickney.

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FANCY GOODS

TELEPHONE, NEW GLOUCESTER, ME.
EXPRESS, NEW GLOUCESTER, ME.

Sabbathday Lake, Me., March 4th 1938.

Dear Sister Emma.

Your generous check came today. How good you have been to help us, and I thank you more than I can say. I went down to Portland yesterday and brought Genie home. She stood the trip very well, altho quite tired, and so happy to be at home. The other two are coming along well, and I hope another week I can bring them home. The young girl who was under 18 years I put into the hospital in Lewiston, as that is the only hospital where you can put them in as a State charge, for that has helped a lot, as she was there with a bad appendix that was attached to her kidney, and she has a bad knee from a fall. She was

there a mother but home now. So it seems now every one should keep well. Eldress Harriet has not looked as well since she has been here, as she does now, and she did have a terrible side on her. This is between you and me, that the Alfred people haveint seemed to grow up, they are like a lot of children, and seem to think money grows on bushes, for all they had such a hard time there. Well, I dont mean to complain, for they are so good in many ways, but I think you can understand what I mean. I try to take care of my health and not worry, for I must take care of my family. Do take care of yourselves, and live as long as I do. I want to thank you again, but I am afraid you are crippling yourselves, but dont do that. Much love for you both from

Your Grateful Sister
Prudence A. Stickney.