

# The King's Highway.

## An Advocate of Scriptural Holiness

And an Highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The Way of Holiness—Isa. 35-8.

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### REV. ALFRED COOKMAN'S EXPERIENCE.

(From Familiar Talks.)

"When just ten years of age, I realized clearly and satisfactorily the converting grace of God. I never shall forget the twelfth of February, 1838—the birthday of my eternal life."

Mr. Cookman's mind was first called to the subject of entire sanctification by the remark of his mother as he was about to leave his happy home to preach the gospel: "My son, if you would be supremely happy, or extensively useful in your ministry, you must be an entirely sanctified servant of Jesus."

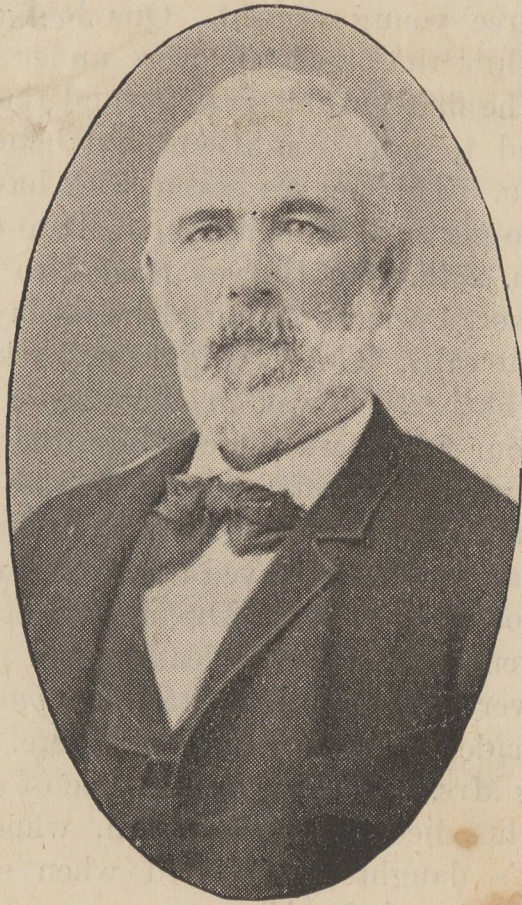
"Frequently," he says, "I felt to yield myself to God, and pray for the grace of entire sanctification; but then the experience would lift itself in my view as a mountain of glory, and I would say, 'It is not for me. I could not possibly scale that shining summit; and, if I might, my besetments and trials are such, I could not successfully maintain so lofty a position.'"

He was finally induced by Bishop and Mrs. Hamline, who were laboring in the vicinity, to seek the great blessing. "One week-day afternoon," he says, "after a most delightful discourse, he urged us to seize the opportunity and do what we had often desired, resolved and promised to do, viz., as believers, yield ourselves to God as those who were alive from the dead, and from that hour trust constantly in Jesus as our Saviour from all sin. I said, 'I will; with the help of the Almighty Spirit, I will.' Kneeling by myself, I brought an entire consecration to the altar, i. e., Christ. I covenanted with my own heart and with my Heavenly Father, that this entire but unworthy offering should remain upon the altar, and that henceforth I would please God by believing that the altar (Christ) sanctifieth the gift. Do you ask, What was the immediate effect? I answer, Peace—a broad, deep, full, satisfying and sacred peace. Still, I could not say that I was entirely sanctified, except as I had sanctified or set apart myself unto God."

The following day he ventured to tell Bishop Hamline of his entire consecration and faith in Jesus, and in the confession realized increasing light and strength. Prayer was proposed by Mrs. Hamline. Mr. Cookman says: "Prostrated before God, one and another prayed, and while thus engaged God, for Christ's sake, gave me the Holy Spirit as I had never received Him before, so that I was constrained to conclude and confess—

'Tis done! Thou dost this moment save,  
With full salvation bless;  
Redemption through thy blood I have,  
And spotless love and peace.

The great work of sanctification that I had so often prayed and hoped for was wrought in me—even in me. I could not doubt it. The evidence in my case was as direct and indubitable as the witness of sonship received at the time of my adoption into the family of heaven.



DEACON FRANKLIN CARR.



THE LATE MRS. FRANKLIN CARR.

One of our oldest members now living is Deacon Franklin Carr, of Geary, Sunbury Co., N. B. Brother Carr was born in Houlton, Me., in 1829, and is now in his 85th year. His mother, nine days after his birth, started from Houlton in the latter part of March, 1829, in a double horse sled, and drove to her home in Geary, a distance of over 90 miles. They traveled down the river on the ice, and to give a spice of adventure to this young traveller, the team at one place broke through the ice; but in due time they arrived safely at the home, where Brother Carr has resided ever since. When 23 years of age he married Elizabeth J. Smith, who was slightly younger than himself. They lived happily together for about 55 years, until the death of Sister Carr, April 21st, 1911. They had eight children born to them, four of whom are now living. Brother Carr was converted when twenty-six years of age under the labors of the late Revs. Thomas Connor and McKenzie, who conducted revival

Oh, it was glorious, divinely glorious!

"Need I say that the experience of sanctification inaugurated a new epoch in my religious life? Oh, what blessed rest in Jesus! what an abiding experience of purity through the blood of the Lamb! What a conscious union and constant communion with God! What increased power to do or suffer the will of my Father in heaven! What delight in the Master's service! What fear to grieve the infinitely Holy Spirit! What love for and desire to be with the entirely sanctified! What confidence in prayer! What illumination in the perusal of the sacred Word! What increased unction in the performance of public duties!"

This was the experience of a man of whom Bishop Foster said, on the day of his burial, that he was the most sacred man he had ever known. Entire sanctification was his theme, until he went "sweeping through the gates, washed in the blood of the Lamb."

meetings in the school house at Geary. Brother Carr has lived a steadfast Christian life ever since. At the beginning of the holiness movement in New Brunswick, Brother and Sister Carr were among the number who sought "the fulness of the blessing" and obtained this "pearl of great price," and at the organization of the Reformed Baptist church at Geary, by Revs. Wm. Kinghorn and John Gravinor, on January 26th, 1889, they became charter members and have been unwavering advocates of a definite second blessing and living examples of this great grace.

Sister Carr was a woman possessing strong intelligent personality, of a gentle disposition, always well informed on both religious and general subjects, and exerted an excellent influence in her home and in the community. She was converted under the labors of the late Samuel Hartt. Ministers and other Christian workers have always received a welcome in the home of Brother and Sister Carr and their family that they always felt was real.

In the death of Sister Carr, which took place in April, 1911, Brother Carr sustained an irreparable loss from which nothing for any great length of time diverts his mind. But few aged people receive as much care, kindness and attention from their families as he, which he always appreciates; but the tender consciousness of the broken tie is ever with him; but he, like one of old, is looking for a city where partings are no more. "For he looked for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God."

E'en down to old age all my people shall prove  
My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;  
And then, when gray hairs shall their temples  
adorn,  
Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be  
born.

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