

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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Editorial.

FOR PRAYERFUL CONSIDERATION.

Not that I speak in respect of want, for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content.

I know both how to be abased, and how to abound; everywhere and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.—Phil. 4, 11-12-13.

We find in these verses a mine of wealth.

1st. Contentment under all circumstances.

2nd. "Abased"—humbled without despondency.

3rd. "Abound"—great plenty, and not be inflated with pride.

4th. A courageous declaration, "I can do all things," etc.

SHARP POINTS.

If ye fulfil the royal law according to the Scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself, ye do well;

But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors.

For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.—James 2, 8-9-10.

To love one's neighbor as himself,

To have no respect to persons.

To keep the whole law in its spiritual sense,

Demands a pure heart filled with the Holy Spirit. He who commits one sin is a sinner, and is under condemnation.

PERSONALITIES IN CONVERSATION.

Keep clear of personalities in conversation. Talk of things, objects, thoughts. The smallest minds occupy themselves with persons. Do not needlessly report ill of others. As far as possible, dwell on the good side of human beings. There are family boards where a constant process of depreciating, assigning motives and cutting up character goes forward. They are not pleasant places. One who is healthy does not wish to dine at a dissecting table. There is evil enough in man, God knows. But it is not the mission of every young man and woman to detail and report it all. Keep the atmosphere as purely as possible, and fragrant with gentleness and charity.—*John Hall.*

The reader of the Highway who is paid in advance always enjoys reading it.

The more people pray the less they will be tempted to murmur.



THE LATE REV. JOHN GRAVINOR AND WIFE.

THE FOUNDERS OF THE REFORMED BAPTIST DENOMINATION AND CHURCHES.

Brother Gravinor was born in the City of St. John in February, 1831. His father was a young sea captain and was lost at sea shortly after the birth of the son. His mother died when he was two years of age. He was taken by a thrifty English family by the name of Buckston, who kept him until he was ten years of age, after which he went out of the city to learn carding and cloth dressing. When about twenty-five years of age he went to Waterville, Carleton county, where he met and married Sarah A. Snow, with whom he lived in happiness until his death. He was converted when about twenty-seven years old, under the labors of Rev. Mr. Allison, a Methodist minister. He was baptized several years later by Rev. Thomas Connor at Tracy's Mills, Carleton County, where he and his wife united with the F. C. Baptist Church. He was licensed to preach shortly afterwards at Tracey's Mills under the pastorate of the late Rev. G. W. MacDonald, and was ordained in October, 1872, at Lincoln, Sunbury County, N. B.

Brother Gravinor was pastor of several churches in Carleton County, while he was a member of the above mentioned conference. He embraced the doctrine of entire instantaneous sanctification when it was first preached in this Province by Rev. Aaron Hartt, and was a charter member of the Reformed Baptist denomination when organized at Woodstock November 3rd, 1888, and he preached, testified and exemplified the life of holiness unto the end of his life. "A good man, and faithful unto death," could be truly said of Brother Gravinor. He was elected President of the Reformed Baptist Alliance twice, and adorned his office as a minister of Jesus Christ.

The following account of Brother Gravinor's work was written by Sister Gravinor:

In the loneliness and sorrow which I am passing through I love to think of the years my dear husband and I spent together in the service of the Lord. I gave myself to the Lord when I was sixteen years of age. My husband was not a professed Christian when we were married, but was converted about two years afterward, and soon felt that the Lord was calling him to the work of the Gospel ministry, "and he was not disobedient to the heavenly calling," but went forward trusting in God, who was pleased to bless his labors. We went together in the work of the Lord. In some places we had to do about all of the singing, praying and talking at the beginning. Conviction would fall on the people, and they would cry to God for mercy, and souls would be blessedly saved, and come out shouting and praising God. Those were blessed times.

The Free Baptist conference sent my husband to Foreston as a missionary, and the Lord was pleased to bless his efforts with a blessed revival, and he had baptism for five Sundays in succession. On the fifth Sunday twenty-five happy converts were received into the membership of the church. It was a beautiful sight to see so many, both old and young, coming over on the Lord's side. My husband held revival meetings at Knowlesville; quite a number were converted; fifteen were baptized, and he held meetings at Connell, Carleton County, where he also baptized fifteen converts. The F. C. Baptist Mission Board sent my husband to Geary, Sunbury County. He was accompanied by Rev. Solomon Smith. Thirty persons were baptized during the services. Afterward we visited Geary and the dear Lord answered prayer in the salvation of souls, and my husband baptized twenty-five happy converts. About two years later we went to Geary again, and the Lord was pleased to pour out his spirit on the people and as a result fifteen were baptized, and we returned home praising God for answering prayer and saving souls.

Several years ago my husband felt that the