

OUR DENOMINATIONAL ORGAN, THE KING'S HIGHWAY.

We have spoken, and written several times regarding the necessity of more vigorous work through the Highway, by making it a weekly, with apparently little effect upon the people in a practical way, that is, by putting up the money.

The writer of the following article, taken from the "Herald of Holiness," puts the matter up with a trace of a fighting spirit, but it seems needful at times to hit things hard to attract the attention of men of "means." Well, they are quite able as a class, to withstand all such suggestions as to the disposal of their "means" if the writer of the article was "a man of means" he could probably understand it, viz: That "men of means" knows how, and mean to take care of their "means," whether they appear to be "mean" in the disposal of their "means," or not. For they have an idea that when it is found out that they have "means" that "means" will be used by all "means" to induce them to use their "means" for the purposes that some man means by any and all "means" to make go, but no matter what this editor "means" to do, "the men of means" don't "mean" by any "means" to part with their "means" for that purpose. So it looks to us as though we will have to turn from expecting the "men of means" as the source of help, and look to the "men and women of faith," and ask them to exercise their faith in prayer to God, who says "the gold and silver is mine and the cattle on a thousand hills." Men and women of real faith, whether they possess means or not, can always devise ways and means of accomplishing things for God, and his cause. So we appeal to the brethren and sisters of faith to **make the Highway** and its future success a matter of earnest prayer.

While the following article is not applicable to the Highway, as the Highway as a semi-monthly is well supported, it should now be made a weekly, which means much financial help.—This article from the organ of our Pentecostal Nazarene brethren may serve to stimulate action for the Highway.—Editor.

AN EASY TASK SELDOM DONE.

When we think how easily a church paper could be put upon a self-supporting basis if all the preachers and a few laymen in every church would be as faithful as some of them are, it makes us sad. Marvelous indeed is it that a thing so fundamentally necessary to the prosperity of any local church should have to eke out an existence of dependence and poverty. Instead of this the church paper should be strong in its support and absolutely independent financially, and able to spend money on illustrations or special features at any time it desired. A worldly paper can be supported by capital and have its income supplemented by appropriations of money until its income from subscriptions and advertisements can amply support it. When it comes to a religious paper generally it is a policy of "root hog, or die." Make your own way, or die and go the way of ten thousand other ventures of religious journalism.

We have never been able to understand

why some men of means do not endow some of our religious papers and enable them to do the wonderful work which stands out before them, but which they can not think of undertaking. If our people of means can not be made to see this marvelous opportunity and help the religious papers to do this work, there is only one other way left for it to be done. That is for the preachers to wake up and determine to see that their papers are supplied with the necessary money to launch out into every channel of usefulness and broader work opening to them.

It would be an easy task if the church members and the preachers felt the necessity and would take the trouble to undertake it. What a few have done and are doing is a proof of what might be done if the many would undertake the work. The trouble is the want of a conscience in the matter. If our people realized the tremendous influence of the church papers, and yet the great handicap under which they labor, they would be easier to be persuaded to begin the great work. Then if they only understood the limitations under which they labor and the increased usefulness and power the papers could have if furnished with the means to enlarge their scope, the preachers would gladly and quickly come to the rescue and run up the subscription lists to a point where the papers could do what they desired without subsidy of any kind. This would be the thing to do.

We came across an account in a religious paper of what one man did, which illustrates what might be done if the people would wake up and take hold each in his own way. A Sunday School superintendent on one occasion was seen to take up his church paper and hold it before the Sunday school, giving the name of the paper and telling of the rich bill of fare it contained each week. In the preaching service that followed the pastor took up the same line of work by saying, "There is a mighty fine article in this week's B—— upon this subject," etc. He talked of the article in a way that made many want to read it and by so doing awakened a decided interest in the paper.

Other pastors take a bundle of papers into the pulpit with them on Sunday morning, show them to the people, and distribute them among them. They make a talk on the duty of the members taking the paper and urge its claims upon them. They follow this up in their round of visitations and solicit subscriptions and get a fine list of them. The pastors must keep the matter before their people, look after renewals, and make their church paper a matter of personal obligation as much as the preaching of the Word. Any pastor who does this can greatly help along the church paper, and if all would do this very soon we would have no further trouble about the support of the church paper. Brethren, will you please do this and help to increase the subscription list of your own church paper? Is it not a reproach to us that we can not be peculiar in this matter from other churches, as well as in our message and in other respects? Should we drift into the same channels of neglect in this matter that the other denominations have so long been in? Is it not wrong

in us, when we have such a grand call and such a message to proclaim to the world? Should we not be peculiar in that our church paper would be the best supported paper in any denomination in the land?—Herald of Holiness.

TOO SMART TO UNDERSTAND.

Paul Rader.

The heading of this editorial is very strange, but it is nevertheless true of some lives. They have gone forward in the critical scientific study of our day and have wholly unfitted their minds and hearts for the workings of faith; they are like the mole that digs beneath the roots, and yet blinded to all above him and about him.

There is more to life than the acquisition of knowledge, and this "more" is the revelation of Jesus Christ. Men who specialize on acquisition are very likely to scoff at revelation. Men who do all their own getting as far as knowledge is concerned are very apt to dwarf the faith that trusts in a God to get things for them.

Dr. Thomas Hyslop of the great West Riding Asylum in England, said a few years ago to the British Medical Association "the best sleep-producing agent which his practice had revealed to him was prayer. I say this," he added, "purely as a medical man. The exercise of prayer, in those who habitually exert it must be regarded by us doctors as the most adequate and normal of all the pacifiers of the mind and calmers of the nerves. But in few of us are functions not tied up by the exercise of other functions. Relatively few medical men and scientific men, I fancy, can pray, few can carry on any living commerce with God; yet many of us are well aware how much freer and abler our lives would be, were such important forms of energizing not sealed up by the critical atmosphere in which we have been reared."

To me, this is one of the most pitiful statements I have ever read. Here is a man whose very life is supposed to have been trained to see, and yet he admits he is blind. This is more than a blind spot, this is a blind life. Let us pray for the intellectuals of our day, digging at the roots of knowledge and blinded to all that life really holds; for God's Word says, "This is life eternal, that they might know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent."—Good News.

THOUGHTS FOR SOUL WINNERS.

"On the day of Pentecost Peter was not preaching in front of the people and wondering whether they would like it. He was preaching to them."

"We can never heal the needs we do not feel. Tearless hearts can never be the heralds of the Passion. We must pity if we would redeem. We must bleed if we would be the ministers of the saving blood."

"Good nature is the very air of a good mind, the sign of a large and generous soul, and the peculiar soil in which virtue prospers."