

CORRESPONDENCE

Woodford, Maine

Rev. H. S. Dow:

Inclosed you will find my renewal for the Highway. This good paper has been coming to our home for much over thirty years, and how dear it was to our precious mother! She wanted her children to have it in their homes and sister and I surely enjoy it.

MRS. THOMAS M. BULLER

Westmoreland, N. H.

Dear Brother Dow:

I am sending in renewal for the King's Highway. These are trying times in which we are living but we can praise the dear Lord through it all. He gives us good health and plenty and best of all He has saved us from sin. Praise His precious name. Am late in sending this but trust it will be accepted.

MRS. V. H. BECKWITH,

Plaster Rock, N. B.

Dear Mr. Dow:—

Enclosed please find \$2.00 for my renewal to the Highway and the Supplementary Fund. I feel I could not do without my Highway and I look forward to every copy of it. I am

Respectfully yours,

(MRS.) W. E. McDAVID

Head of Millstream

Dear Brother Dow:—

Please find enclosed renewal of the Highway. We still enjoy the pages of this paper, and also enjoy the blessing of the Lord, that maketh rich and addeth no sorrow.

Yours in His name.

A. HENRY HAYES

Head of Millstream, N. B.

Nov. 8, 1935.

Dear Brother Dow:—

Heard your message Monday morning over the radio. It was splendid. One of the best I have heard over the radio. Too bad that we don't get more like it. When we get a chance to preach Holiness I believe we should. May God bless you. Keep on preaching Holiness.

Yours for Truth.

H. E. MULLEN

Dear Brother Dow:

Just let me say our work is going on well. God is working and blessing. People are finding their way to the altar and to God in both our prayer meetings and preaching services as high as six at a time. We give God all the praise and glory.

Yours for Holiness,

H. S. MULLEN

MARRIED

Deane—Beal

A pretty wedding took place on Monday evening, October 21st, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Beal, when their eldest daughter, Dorothy Freedomna, was married to Robert Deane, both of North Head.

The ceremony, under a beautiful arch of Autumn leaves and flowers, was performed by the writer in the presence of about sixty invited guests. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served by the bride's mother.

The happy young couple left by steamer Tuesday morning for their honeymoon trip to various parts of United States. We join in wishing them many happy days. L. J. SEARS

TRYING TO LIVE THE SANCTIFIED LIFE WITHOUT THE BLESSING

By Rev. W. Edmund Smith

The Good Book says, "Out of the heart are the issues of life". I heard an evangelist say recently that a person cannot be better in the outward life than he is at heart. This is true so far as God is the judge, for he is a discerner of the thoughts and the intents of the heart, and with him motive determines the moral quality of the act. But in relation to our fellows we may be far better outwardly than we are in heart for there are many things that conspire to hold evil propensities in check.

It is far easier for a bully to be patient and kind to one his physical superior than to one whom he can kick around at will. He will take slurs and insults from the former without resentment for the fear of physical harm holds his temper in check, but this temper flies in an instant towards the one who is afraid of him.

The law while it cannot transform the inner life can induce a fear that holds the lawlessness in check. Self-interest on the part of a politician, a preacher or a business man will enable him to smile at interruptions and even insults. Here is a clerk who is called to wait on rich lady who asks to see some material for a dress. The clerk takes down web after web of cloth only to be told that none is satisfactory. He becomes inwardly exasperated at the fussy woman and feels like telling her some things, but he remembers his job is at stake and that this lady has wealth and occasionally is a good customer, and so he swallows his rising temper, and when she tells him, after fussing around an hour and looking at many kinds of material, that she will not purchase today but merely desired to see what he had on hand, that clerk smiles most graciously and says "I am delighted to show you our line of goods, and when you get ready to buy come and see us". But when she goes out he frowns and says within, "Thank the Lord she is gone. I hope she will never come back again. What a nuisance she is? The lady goes out and says to herself, "That clerk is certainly a most amiable young man. I like him very much".

Just as a person can put a clean garment beautiful and comely over clothing that is far from clean, so a person can put on a nice exterior through motives of fear, personal advantage and pride.

But God looketh at the heart and "as a man thinketh in his heart so is he". With God we are no better on the outside than we are within. And it is a hopeless task to try to live a holy and a sanctified life without a holy heart. That is what some are trying to do today. They may be good people so far as respectable living is concerned. They may be even quite pious. They may be very legalistic to the point of not even shaving on Sunday. They may be magnifying many, many things they do not do. They seem to think that holiness is a matter of negative goodness. "I don't swear, I don't lie, I don't steal, I don't!, I don't!, I don't!" How they can pile up the negatives till they become excellent Pharisees! But they have no real glory on their soul; they carry no real burden for souls; they are beset with inner doubts and fears they dare not face; they feel many carnal uprisings and lack real heart victory, and yet they will rise on the test, "Saved and Sanctified".

O yes they don't live the worldly church and the dry pastor and preacher they do not care for. They may go to a holiness church and even preach in a holiness pulpit. But what of that if the glory has departed and the joybells cease to

ring, and the grace ceases to flow! That person is in the most subtle bondage who tries to live holiness when they have either never experienced the holy baptism or have lost the glory. They have to endure the reproach without the joy; they have to keep up appearances when the inside makes protest.

There is nothing in an empty profession. An old factory that had long since ceased to produce still stands there and over a certain building is the sign "Power-house. But there is no power. An old hotel that once gave refreshment to the traveler still stands there although the windows are boarded up, but above the door is the sign "Refreshments for man and beast".

Merely putting up a sign does not make a man a merchant. He must have the goods within; keeping up the sign after all the goods are gone is no benefit; it disappoints the person who comes to buy but finds there is nothing within. I heard of a person who professed holiness being waited on by another who expressed a desire for the blessing, but the one to whom she came, in honesty had to confess "I once had this blessing. I am still regarded as 'one of them', but I must confess that I have lost the victory and the glory, and I have need that you pray for me that I may be restored to holiness of heart".

It is sad to have people come asking for three loaves and we be found completely out of bread. How easy it is to know those who in the church have the real blessing! The pastor does not have to ding at them to come to the early morning prayer service. They are there praying and groaning and shouting for victory for the day; they are found at the means of grace and the boost and shout and lift. I have this conviction that in the average holiness church not more than one in ten really has the glory and the fire and the joy that are inseparably connected with entire sanctification. Ten such members in a church of one hundred make an atmosphere that is far different from that of the average church. But the crowd will stand up on any and every test. Saved and sanctified backslidden and satisfied. This condition explains why it is so hard often to have a revival in a holiness church. It is so easy to imagine because we don't have church suppers and don't believe in dancing or any of these worldly amusements the Philistines engage in, that we are the chosen of the Lord. We are rich and increased in goods and have need of nothing. It was to the holiness churches of Asia Minor the Holy Spirit brought the message of reproof and condemnation. He rejoiced when he found a few that had not defiled their garments. But the exhortation to all the churches was "Repent and do the first works."

If we are to rise above this old world and sin and keep victory over the devil and our own natural appetites and desires we must have the indwelling Holy Ghost. How can a water-mill run without water? How can a Christian be what he ought to be without the Holy Ghost? God wants to make our soul like a watered garden, "The joy of the Lord is our strength". We may be very good Pharisees without the blessing but we cannot be channels of blessing without the indwelling of the Holy Ghost. I remember when we once lived in rural towns in N. Y. State and in the parsonage would be a pump that always had to be primed before it would function. You had to pour half a pail of water in to expand the packing on the plunger before the water would flow; Now we live in a house where we turn the faucet and the water gushes. Once it was very hard for me to praise the Lord. I remember when only a boy candidate attending district conference in the

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