

THE HERALD'S PULPIT.

"The Way Which Seemeth Right," A Sermon Preached by Rev. J. C. Berrie of Gibson.

"There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death."—Prov. 14—12.

Of all mistakes men make or can make none are of such vital consequences as those which affect their spiritual and eternal interests, therefore mistakes about religion are the most serious and fatal. Yet in no thing are men led so easily where predisposition and prejudice move them to neglect, or approve the only means of salvation and follow after a shadow that has the mere appearance of right about it, and in nothing do so many deceptions manifest themselves among men as in religious opinions upon their fellows or themselves. I am bold to say that there are more self-deceived men in the world than deceived by others, especially in religion.

Hence it is you can find as in olden times many who give all attention to the dogmas of men, to outward show and ceremony, forgetting that the Master saith: "God requireth truth in the inward parts and will on no account pass one into the kingdom of His grace who is devoid of it, however perfect his creed or complete his ritual." Friends we talk loudly against this state of things in others, let us look well at home, for verily if it should be put to us, "Let him that is without sin amongst you first cast a stone." I fear we should have to leave, as did the Jews of old, the Master and the guilty one alone, for there is as much to be feared from our seeming disregard of ritual as from ritual itself. For if any trust in the absence of ritual, or anything short of a personal Christ, they make to themselves an idol and profane the temple of God thereby.

There deceptions are practiced upon the noblest part of man, or as an old divine has said, "The God in man," or as another "The Minister of God in man." That is conscience, which acts in man as the quicksilver does in the barometer, rising and falling as the man is holy or sinful, often indicating the approach of sin, but, alas! men heed the storm-glass and provide against the storm, whilst against sin, few make even a preparation to resist, mind less to determine to keep it out of the heart. Indeed conscience is in man much as law is in the world, for the punishment of evil doers and the praise of them that do well. You cannot break the law, but it will punish you sometime. You cannot commit a wrong and conscience hold her peace, for it ever cries, "this is the way walk ye in it," pointing by the Word of God to the Way of Wisdom.

However, to avoid her men adopt the course indicated in the text, they follow the way that seemeth right. The word seemeth means an idea, a semblance and usually implies an inference of the mind as to the probability of a thing being so, and thus it is sinners are always resting on mere ideas instead of the solid ground of satisfaction, being able to say confidently, "I know whom I have believed."

We may now endeavor to find out some of these ways. There comes the sinner who chooses the way because so many travel in it. The way of worldly ease. He says if you condemn me, you condemn more than half the world, for I am no worse than they. Let me ask you, what would you say to that? The man who pleaded such a justification before a judge? You would say "condemn them all." "Seest thou not then thyself under the curse." If a man wants to cheat in business he does it under the plea of a custom of the trade, and if you try to show him the error of such doing, he only meets you with "Everybody in our trade does it," and if he can but find a list of great names to place on his side, he is sure it seemeth right. Better meet a highway man who professes to rob than such a wolf in sheep's clothing, and if such be here, I warn you that the end thereof is death to your reputation, character, and soul, for to cheat one must lie and all liars have their portion with the rest of sinners. Another has a lust calling for gratification and says "How is it I am made as I am, if I am not to do as I do?" I am not my own creator, thus he sins to satisfy the lust because the way seemeth right. Eve hearkened to the tempter and she saw the fruit was good for food, a natural want supplied and much to be desired to make one wise. Why did God create one with a thirst for knowledge, if I am not to obtain it when I can. It seemed very right to get it so easily. This same principle moved Adam when he excused himself upon the ground, "The woman who thou gavest to be with me, gave me and I did eat." You gave me the natural bias by which I was readily influenced by her."

Another class go upon quite another tact, they boast their few sins and many virtues, and dexterously turn both you and themselves from the heart altogether to the outside life. This did the Pharisees covering up the bones with very white sepulchres. I never want to look into your heart as God looks to be certain how many of you thus impose upon conscience. It is enough to look into myself. And though your sins are not known to the world, either by the newspaper or the public punishment of the gossip's tongue, nor even imagined by evil thinkers themselves, but what then? I ask! Is it because you hate sin any the more, or love God so much better than the rest of your fellows. Not unlikely it costs you more to commit

public sin than private, for often character and business come aid together, and again few of us like to be hated, so we look so fair and are so foul. It often happens when a man is hardened in heart and grows very wicked, he is the best outside. Like Cain give a costly sacrifice and thinks thereby to hide the pride of his murderous heart, says long prayers and wears a sad face, thus goes "the way which seemeth right."

Then there are those who desire to help Providence saying "the end justifies the means." Rebekah is a type of this class. Had not God promised before the birth of her sons "The elder shall serve the younger." Here was a chance not to be lost. There can be no harm for me to practice deception upon my husband, he has a common interest with me in the lads and this, my favorite, is in danger of not getting the birthright-blessing. Besides, God's promise will not be fulfilled if something is not done quickly. Therefore she took "the way which seemeth right." Mark the end. Her favorite son is estranged, her name is lost to history. A mention of her nurses death and a silence about her own speaks louder than words, and tells the story of God's displeasure. Abraham seemed to argue thus when he suppressed the truth before the Egyptian King.

Next comes a class increasing in fear, amongst us. Those who pride themselves in being better than some members of the church. Of course they always select the best attributes they can find—No! Not just the reverse—and contrast the conduct of some weak, defective character with their own, then hide behind their own superior graces. Not infrequently they turn upon you sharply with the question "How are we to know which church is right for all seem to have many defects?" So we do not go to any because we cannot find one that is perfect, thus it seemeth right to stand apart. These persons forget that if they formed a perfect church according to their ideal, the first defective thing in it would be themselves. Mark the perfect man! Where?

Yet another plea. I have not time to attend to these matters just now, my family demands all my attention for the scripture tells us "That he who provides not for his own household is worse than an infidel." Such persons cannot attend a prayer service on a week evening, there is not any money in it. Nor do they believe in revivals, for they draw away the minds of their employees from business duties. Further, they are so poor, though they have enough and to spare if the truth be known. Hear ye the word of the Lord—I Tim. 6, 16.11. "But Godliness with contentment, is great gain. But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition." Also verses 11 to 19 and James 1, 1-6.

Above all these ways sinners use I find another very common one. It looks so much like the right and proper way. It appears like counting the cost and due consideration, that which the prophet puts into the words: "Tomorrow will be as today and far more abundant." This the men of Athens said. "We will hear thee again on this matter," that which Felix chose: "When I have a convenient season I will call for thee." This is a well beaten path to death. You see it looks like doing nothing in a hurry. The child says to his mother "I will serve God when I am a man." The man says to his minister "I will serve God in my hoary hairs," and the old man says to his children "Don't fear, there is time on a death bed to pray Lord remember me," and thus go the way which seemeth right, and first they late it ends in death. The fact is, men cannot face sin as sin in its own garments, they must be one describes call evil good as Micah presents the case "And they may do evil with both hands earnestly; the price asketh and the great man he uttereth his mischievous desire and so they wrap it up," Micah, 7, 3.

Thus an ambitious king cannot rob a neighboring state, but he must call it adjusting boundaries. When men commit sin they clothe it in something not so bad and save conscience by the persuasion "that the way seemeth right."

Indeed, men color, model and fashion their wicked doings after something not so bad. So after all there is not a good name for sin, but we must whilst living in it, disown it, and as Satan and all his servants no livery but what they are ashamed of, so they borrow from the Lord's more house soft raiment that they may seem right. There is only one robe in which the sinner can appear before God.

As Thy Blood and Righteousness My beauty are, my glorious dress; 'Midst flaming worlds, in these arrayed, With joy shall I lift up my head.

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"You hold that this inmate is sane, do you?" a lawyer asked.

"I do," was the firm reply.

"Why are you so sure?"

"The man," the witness said, "goes about asserting that he is 'Santa Claus.'"

"And," said the lawyer, "you hold, do you, that when a man going about declaring he is Santa Claus is a clear proof of his sanity?"

"Why?"

"Because," said the witness in a loud, indignant voice, "I happen to be Santa Claus myself."

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned, marked on the envelope "Tender for Construction," will be received at the office of the Commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway, at Ottawa, until twelve o'clock noon of the 14th day of February, 1907, for the work required for the construction, in accordance with the plans, profiles and specifications of

the Commissioners, for the following sections of the Transcontinental Railway, viz:—

(1) District "A."—From a point designated on the plans of the Commissioners at or near the City of Moncton, in the Province of New Brunswick, westerly to the boundary between the Provinces of New Brunswick and Quebec, a distance of about 50 miles.

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(3) District "B."—From a point designated on the plans of the Commissioners, at or near the Quebec Bridge, easterly for a distance of about 150 miles.

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Plans, profiles and specifications may be seen at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Commissioners at Ottawa; also in the offices of the District Engineers concerned, viz.:—Guy C. Dunn, St. John, N. B.; A. E. Doucet, Quebec, P. Q.; and S. R. Poulin, North Bay, Ont.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made in duplicate, and on the printed forms supplied by the Commissioners. A separate tender must be submitted for each section.

Tenders shall not be in any way entitled to rely upon the classification or any other information given by any person on behalf of the Commissioners, and before submitting any tender, bidders should make a careful examination of the plans, profiles, drawings and specifications, and read the forms to be executed, and fully inform themselves as to the quantity and quality of materials, and character of workmanship required; and are understood to accept and agree to be bound by the terms and conditions contained in the form of contract, specifications &c., annexed to the form of tender.

Each tender must be signed and sealed by all the parties to the tender, and witnessed, and be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank of the Dominion of Canada payable to the order of the Commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway, as follows:—

For Section No. 1, District "A," \$75,000.
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For Section No. 3, District "B," \$225,000.
For Section No. 4, District "B," \$75,000.
For Section No. 5, Districts "C" and "D," \$225,000.

Any person whose tender is accepted shall, within ten days after the acceptance thereof, furnish such additional approved security as may be required by the Commissioners; sign the contract, specifications and other documents required to be signed by the said Commissioners; and, in any case of refusal or failure on the part of the party whose tender is accepted to complete and execute a contract with the said Commissioners, and to furnish the additional approved security within ten days after the acceptance of the tender the said cheque shall be forfeited to the Commissioners as liquidated damages for such refusal or failure, and all contract rights acquired by the acceptance of the tender shall be forfeited. The cheques deposited by parties whose tenders are accepted will be deposited to the credit of the Receiver General of Canada as part of the security for the due and faithful performance of the contract according to its terms. Cheques deposited by parties whose tenders are rejected will be returned within ten days after the signing of the contract.

Attention is called to the following clauses in the form of contract:—

"All mechanics, labourers or other persons who perform labour for the purposes of the construction of the works hereby contracted for shall be paid such wages as are generally accepted as current for competent workmen in the district in which the work is being performed, and if there is no current rate in such district, then a fair and reasonable rate; and, in event of a dispute arising as to what is the current or a fair and reasonable rate, it shall be determined by the Commissioners, whose decision shall be final."

"This agreement is subject to the regulations now in force, or which may at any time hereafter be in force during the construction of the works hereby contracted for, made under the authority of the Department of Labour, and which are or shall be applicable to such works." (The schedule of Minimum wages determined upon by said department will form part of the contract.)

"The contractor shall, in connection with the whole of the said work, as far as practicable, use only material, machinery, plant, supplies and rolling stock manufactured or produced in Canada, provided the same can be obtained as cheaply and upon as good terms in Canada as elsewhere, having regard to quality and price."

"The contractor shall conform to the fire regulations adopted by the Commissioners; and also to the laws and regulations respecting fires in the different Provinces wherein the work is being performed."

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By order, P. E. RYAN, Secretary.

The Commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway, Ottawa, Jan. 5th, 1907.

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This competition is open to Canadian architects who have been resident in Canada for one year or more.

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Department of Public Works.

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