

all for my own benefit. The sufferings I endured were for this faithful sister, and my own family, as well as many others, has taken the liberty to call her "Old Ann," instead of what she was called of old, "Holy Ann." But you see how mistaken the friends, as well as the enemies, of Christ were. It is not worth while talking about all the scandal that came upon the church of God through the carrying of those messages. But I am taught of God to explain the whole matter.

The first thing that caused reproach was a verse of the word of God, carried to a respectable hotel-keeper. The words were these: "Be ye also ready, for, in such an hour as ye think not, the Son of Man cometh." It was thought that I must have gone out of my mind, or else a sensible woman, like unto me, would not visit a bar-room. But I say here that the bar-room gentleman was very kind to me, and so was his partner. May God bless them.

How God Lead Me These Forty Years.

At the age of twelve years I was truly converted to God, and never entirely lost my first love; but I was of a doubting disposition, and a great reasoner. I loved my own way, and did not like to be conquered; and scarcely ever was in any undertaking. It took great grace to keep me, for I was naturally inclined to be sulky and of a proud spirit. I often had to say, with the poet,

"Pride, that busy sin,
Spoils all that I perform."

I prided in my church relationship, in my family relationship, and above all, in my good name, a Christian child. I felt flattered, when well spoken of; but when frowned upon, could do very little, for there was a great deal of self about me.