BRONCHITIS AND CONSUMPTION. Letter from Dr. Crane. HALIFAX, N. S.

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Dear Sir,-From a general knowledge of the prominent ingredients of your Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites, I formed such a favorable opinion as to be induced to recommend it to my patients as preferable, and more convenient than my own prescriptions of the Hypophosphities. For several years I have continued to prescribe it, in many cases with very bendficial results. Since, upon solicition, you kindly afforded me a more intimate knowledge of the composition of your Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites, I have used it freely in my practice, both in diseases of the Chest, as Consumption and Bronchitis.&c., aud infantile diseases of the prima via, or Stomach apply the whole subject to members of and Bowels, with eminent success, considering it superior to any similar preparation yet offered to the public. Thanking you for your kind information.

I remain, yours truly CHANDLER CRANE, M. D.

## Correspondence.

For the Christian Messenger.

ON SMOKING TOBACCO.

By way of introduction to the remarks which will here be offered, concerning the prevalent and pernicious habit of smoking tobacco, it may be well to mention, that they are partly intended for young persons, but most especially for members of churches, who by such membership profess, and are generally considered, to belong to the higher grades and walks of the christian you; which ye have of God, and ye are life. It is scarcely probable, that many among mere worldly persons, who are seeking their enjoyments in sensual appetites and courses, and have for any consider rable time been indulging in the baneful custom, will be much impressed or improved by any thing here advanced. Yet possibly, some few even of these, may be hereby led to rational and prudent, if not religious reflection, and abandon the babit.

sensible person will commit the absurdity

of saying, that tobacco is at all needful for bodily health, it has often been shown, by the best medical and other experience and authority, that in all the three forms in which it is used, it is injurious to the bodily system; and especially in chewing and smoking, deranges and impairs the body; and according to the extent in which it is used, inevitably shortens life. Such must necessarily be the effect, for this plain reason, that the same experience and authority have shown the incontrovertible fact, that it is poisonous to the animal frame. It is styled by physicians a narcotic poison. One skilful and eminent physician, after many years observation and study, as to the effect of tobacco on the human body, has publicly given the following results of his experience :- "The habitual use of tobacco, is a most fruitful source of disease. It paralyses, or lowers down the power of those nerves on which life depends. The blood does not fully undergo that change in the lungs, which respiration is designed to effect, and goes to the heart impure and purple. The heart las not its orginal power to send it forward in its circulation through the body; and an impure sluggish circulation is the consequence, which predisposes to almost every disease to which the human system is subject. Among the diseases thus caused are palsy, inveterate nervous headache, palpitation of the heart, disease of the liver, indigestion, ulceration of the stomach, and piles. Individuals often experience annoying and sometimes alarming symptons, the result of tobacco, which render them infirm and wretched, while they are altogether ignorant of the cause." He mentions the following, as some of such symptoms ;--- ' giddiness, pain in the head, palpitation of the heart, faintness and gnawing of the stomach, neuralgic pains, trembling, loss of strength, loss of recollection, starting in sleep, &c." He states that he had " been called to prescribe for a great many persons, whose diseases spontaneously disappeared on their discontinu-

ance of tobacco." Many other physicians have given simi-

lar opinions, as the results of their experi- several others to the mental power. We found that a few drops of it on the tongue of a dog, caused death in less then an hour.

An eminent French physician has very "tobacco contains a poison," and that many other injurious effects from its use, " the most constant are, -fibrillar tremblings, a general congestion of the superficial vessels, stupor, and tetaniform contraction of the muscles of the abdomen. He further says,-" Among the effects of tobacco-smoke upon man, may be mentioned, in small doses it produces palpitations, troubles of vision, and more especially a decrease of the memory."

Now, with all this indubitable evidence of its pernicious effects, let us, on the ground, and in the light of scripture truth, churches; First, as to their bodies, and second, with reference to the mental and moral qualities of their immortal spirits, and their religious obligations and duties, on those most important points, as scripturally declared.

Not only mere worldly persons, but many in church membership, while admitting their responsibility to their Creator and Judge, as to their souls, yet by their conduct relating to their bodies, seem to think that these exclusively belong to themselves; and that they are at liberty to act with them, according to their own will and pleasure. This is an utterly false and most delusive and dangerous notion, as every one who professes to be a scriptural christian ought to know; and also to feel convinced, that he is fully responsible for the rational and religious care and use of his bodily organs and powers, as he is for his mental and moral faculties. Do any require scripture proof for this assertion? Here it is, in express and repeated terms

"What? know ye not, that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost, which is in not your own? For ye are bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies living sacrifice. holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."-"I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection." "Let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spir.t, perfecting holiness in the fear of God." It any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy; which temple ye are." (1 Cor. vi. It must be taken for granted, that no 19, 20; Rom. xii. 1; 1 Cor. ix. 27; 2 Cor. vii. 1; 1 Cor. iii. 17.)

Now ye members of churches, and others, professing a holy christianity, who are undulging in the destructive habit here exposed, viewing the liberal meaning, and plain fitness, and authority of these divine announcements, what possible vindication or excuse can you form, for your sensual and sinful indulgence? Ye can find none which will bear the test, either of scripture or reason, or the common principle of selfpreservation. Ye are defiling and destroying the "temple of God;" and withholding from him, that full service ye are bound to render; and therefore manifestly fall under the express and awful condemnation of those divine exhortations and commands, By these ye are judged now, and will be finally judged and condemned, if ye persist in the vuinous habit; for He who will be your judge, has expressly declared,-" he that receiveth not my words, the same shall judge him in the last day ;" and will render to every man according to his deeds.

Let us now view the evil habit, with reference to the christian duty of the rious, rational, and most useful employment of the mental faculties. It is well known, that there is an intimate and constant sympathy between these and the bodily organism, though the causes of it, and the nature of the connection between them, are, in a great degree, mysterious and unknown. If the body is, for any long time, seriously disordered, the mind, almost invariably, becomes, if not positively imbecile, yet more or less weakened and depressed; and the memory, judgment, and other faculties impaired. It is also true, that extremely severe and protracted mental sufferings, disorder and weaken the body, and hasten death. The medical statements which have been given, mention the memory being benumbed, and the person becoming stupid, through the use of tobacco. It is indeed perfectly evident, that the described effects on the body,-" nervous headaches, and tremors, palpitations of the heart, giddiness, and some of the other symptoms specified in those statements, will, and do produce the injuries abovementioned, with

ence. Some of them have experimented know that the habitual sot and drunkard, in the use of the extracted oil of tobacco, and those addicted to the use of opium, often, on several of the inferior animals, and have or almost universally, sooner or later, become imbecile in mind, and in some instances quite insane. Tobacco has qualities which produce similar effects, though in lesser derecently made a report to a medical society grees. In the use of this poisonous drug, in that country, in which he states, that as well as by the strong drink and opium, irregular and unhealthy excitements and agitations are produced, which injuriously affect the regular operations and currents of natural life; and also the rational and judicious perceptions of the mental endowments. Christians are scripturally warned and enjoined, to "abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul." They are commanded to deny themselves, "all ungodliness and worldly lusts;" to "mortify the deeds of the body;" and to love and serve their God, " with all their heart and soul, and mind and strength," and to "glorify Him, in their bodies and spirits, which are His." The professor of christianity, who indulges in the use of tobacco, cannot, and does not comply with these divine injunctions and commands; but violates the letter and spirit of every one of them -What better can be said of that use, than its being the gratification of a "fleshly lust," a merely low sensual indulgence, seeing, that so far from its being requisite for the nourishment and support of life, it is always positively injurious to the body, and actually shortens life. And what is even far worse, it debilitates and otherwise injures the mental faculties; and as to both body and spirit, is directly contrary to divine warnings and commands. It therefore renders the offenders, liable to the recorded awful sentence; " If ye live after the flesh, ye shall die," meaning, as scripture explains, that " Second death " which is "everlasting punishment;" and corresponding with the scripture before cited,-"If any man defile the body,—the temple of God,-him will God destroy."

> Many other evil consequences attend the sensual and upnatural indulgence, especially may be mentioned, the expense; for which the offender incurs the guilt of wasting the property of his Lord and Master, entrusted to him, merely as a steward, to be employed, as scripture declares, only for good and useful purposes. He further sins, by exhibiting a corrupting example to others, especially the young, who are chiefly in this way, led unto the baneful practice. Sceing their seniors, and especially their fathers following it, they naturall conclude that it is perfectly harmless, and umblameable, and now, even mere boys are frequently seen, forming the destructive habit.

Surely enough has now been shown, to admonish and alarm all professing our holy and benevolent christianity, who are involved in the evil, especially ministers and members of churches; and to convince them of the sine they are thus committing against their God, and righteous Judge, against their own bodies and souls, and also as to others, by their pernicious example.

Religion, reason, regard to health and life, benevolence, and every other good motive and consideration, demand that they immediately abandon the corrupt and corrupting habit.

JOHN G. MARSHALL.

For the Christian Messenger.

ENDOWMENT OF QUEENS CO.

BILLTOWN, Oct., 24, 1872. Dear Bro. Selden .-

Enclosed you will find a list of the names of those who contributed towards the Endowment Fund of Acadia College, during my late tour as College agent.

The first column shows the total amount given, in cash and notes of hand-the second column indicates the cash paid

I should have forwarded these particulars at an earlier date-only that I had hoped to complete the canvass of the County of Queens before doing so. But as I cannot do this for several weeks yet, I will now forward this list, hoping to be able to add to it at an early date.

Permit me to say, that on going to the people of Queens County for the College, the County; and I feel sure I shall not be when I visit the remaining parts of the Counties in the Convention will contribute as largely in proportion to their numbers and wealth. If so, the next Convention will find Acadia College comfortably sus-000 dollars.

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For the Christian Messenger.

IN MEMORIAM.

WILLIAM H. MORSE,

Died at Weymouth, Digby County, Sept. 25th, aged 76 years. Bro. Morse was in his youth favoured with the ministry of the Rev. Thomas Ainslie, and dated his first religious impressions from the Gospel preached by that earnest and faithful servant of God. Several years ago Brother M. was baptized on profession of his faith in Jesus Christ as his Lord and Saviour, and united with the Baptist Church at Bridgetown, and continued a worthy member of the same to the time of his death. Till enfeebled by disease and prevented by the infirmities of age, he was a constant attendant on the services of the sanctuary, and took delight in the worship of God, the preaching of the Gospel and fellowship with the church. He was liberal and punctual in contributing to the support of his Pastor, and did not forget the interest and cause of Christ elsewhere. In his protracted and severe illness Bro. Morse I expected a libe al response, and I was not | patiently submitted to the will of God, disappointed, as far as I have yet visited expressed strong confidence in the atonement and love of Christ, through whose merit alone he entertained a firm and com-County. I only hope that all the other forting hope of eternal life. May the faithful companion of our friend and brother in the Lord, and his affectionate children be comforted in their bereavement by the assurance entertained that he is entered tained by an Endowment of at least 100,- inte perfect endless rest ! And may we all most earnestly seek an inheritance with the saints in light. Absence from the

Province at the time prevented the pastor of the church to which Bro. Morse beonged from seeing him in his last hours, and attending his remains to the house appointed for all living. Love however prompts this brief and necessarily imperfect nemorial. His end was peace and his record is on high-Com. by Rev. George Armstrong.

## Religious Intelligence.

The Egyptian Vicerory has given a valuable building site in Cairo for a Protestant church to be erected by subscription among Englishmen.

The Hindoos of Bombay are subscribing liberally to build a pagoda in London, where their countrymen there resident may worshop the great gods Vishnu and Siva. If the project is carried out, the archbishop of Canterbury will doubtless see in it the first step toward the fulfilment of prophecy that Oriental-born inhabitants of London may yet heathenise England.

A DISCOVERY has been made by Dr. Grant of the American Mission at Cairo in the shape of a Hebrew MSS. portion of the Bible. It was found in a synagogue in the neighborhood of Cairo, reported to have been built 45 years before the second temple was destroyed. It was carefully deposited in a niche in the wall, ten feet above the ground, and had to be secured by means of a ladder. Portions, at least of this MSS. which still awaits proper examination, are supposed to be very

Professor Zilgeuz is the only Roman priest in the German empire who has been converted to the evangelical faith. He has recently published an account of his conversion. In it he tries to show his former teachers and friends that he has not lost his Christian faith, but that he has found in a Church "where faith and conviction, conscience and Christian freedom may at the same time find room." He also says : "The evils of the Roman Church are so many and great that to contend against them successfully. a firmer foundation must be sought for, than the basis of the Old Catholics affords.

A FUNERAL WITHOUT A CORPSE. - A news

A Catholic girl in New York lately espoused the Hebrew faith and a German gentlemen the same day. Her parents thereupon took a coffin, with her name and age inscribed on it, carried it to the cemetery, and buried their daughter, to all intents and purposes.

If this girl had lived a century or two ago, in almost any other country, a like ceremony would not have been so empty,or rather, the coffin would not.

A large gothic iron church was recently entirely finished and set up complete in New York city, and then taken down, and packed on a ship chartered to take it to Lima, Peru. The church, with an organ built by George Jardine & Son, entirely filled the ship. The church and organ cost over \$100,000, and is paid for by the Peruvian Government.

Rev. D. Whithington, of Newbury, once gave a charge to a church in about the follewing words: " I charge you to treat your minister as he deserves; and if you treat him as he deserves, he will deserve to be treated as you treat him."

Zion's Advocate publishes the following incident of denominational courtesy :

The new struggling Baptist Church, just established in Edmunds wishes to acknowledge the act of Christian fellowship on the part of the Congregational Church of Whiing. The latter church having bought a large communion set for their need, tendered their old, of nice ware, to the new Baptist Church of Edmunds. It was a most friendly act and a most acceptable gift to their Christian brethren of another denomination, and shows that even where there cannot be church fellowship it need not be a bar to the heartiest Christian fellowship.

The next volume of the Lange Commentaries is to be on the Psalms. The friends of the American Bible Union will be gratified to learn that the editors of this great work have found Dr. Conant's version of the Psalms so much superior to every other that they have adopted it as their text, and have displaced the text of the common version. They have already made the necessary arrangements with the officers of the Union, baving paid a considerable sum for the use of Dr. Conant's stereotype plates.