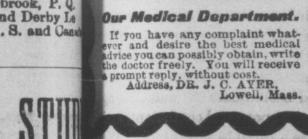
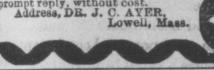


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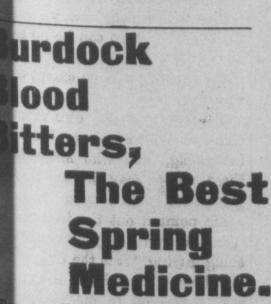
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is the medium through which the inner life, but absorbs its elements sowing is done. THE GOOD SEED -Vs. 25, 38 from the air, and earth and water.

The gool seed are "the children of So grows the kingdom of G d f om ingness to do God's will. the kingdom," those who in heart within, but it absorbs into it all the belong to the kindom, are filled forces of education, science, wealth, with its spi it, and living to its organization, commerce, discoveries, heaven. -D.m. Presbyterian. principles

5. The branches may represent 1. God's children are seed ; they the various divisions and portions are the means of increasing the of his kingdom in different countries disciples; through them the whole and in different methods of work, world is to be filled with the fruits all filed with hs credife; and in of the Spirit and the children of the soul, the various faculti-s it the kingdom. A dead church does controls, the vari us directions of religious development, in thought,

2. Seed produces fruit after its feeling, work.

kind. Imperfect Christians tend 6. The birds of the air may refer to multiply imperfect Christians. to the fact that Christianity gives Every error or fault of ours is sh-lter to the weary, the wandering, doubly evil; it injures ourselves, and the oppressed.

7. The individual application THE FIELD SOWN .- Vs. 24, 38. points to the small beginnings of The field is the world. This world divine grace; a word, a thought may is Christ's world, and the sowing of prove to be the little seed which

eventually fills and shadows the THE TARES AMONG THE WHEAT. whole heart and being.

-Vs. 25, 26, 38, 39. But while 8. This parable is full of hope for men slept, i. e., at night, in secret. all Christian teachers and workers His enemy. The wicked one, the who are apt to be di-couraged at devil. He was the original source the smallness of the seed they plant of evil among men. He seeks to and its often unnoticed growth

THE PARABLE OF THE LEAVEN.

in them, in order to make them as bad as himself and thus destroy the Spake he unto them. To the kingdom of God. It is a part of peop e on the seashore. The kingthe great conflict between good and dom of heaven is like unto leaven. evil. Sowed tares among the wheat. Leaven among the Jews generally The interpretation. The tares consisted of a lump of old dough. are "the children of the wicked Like our yeast, its object was to one," who are filled with his spirit, ferment the bread. Which a woman live according to his principles, and took. The three measures of meal, are under his control. They often | equal to one ephah, was equivalent resemble the good till the fruit to a little over a bushel, more begins to appear, but they are as nearly four peck and a half. This diff rent as wheat and tar s, as was a large quantity to be transthistles and roses. We must expect formed by a very small quantity of to find bad men in the church, in leaven.

every reform, in every good cause. Applications. 1. This parable We distinguish tares from wheat relates, not to the outward, visible by the fruit. Some of the worst increase which the kingdom is things pose as virtues at the begin- destined to undergo, but to the ning, but results will tell. Brought inward transformation it will effect torth fruit then appeared the tares It operates silently, but with conalso. When the grain is headed stantly increasing pervasiveness till out; there can be no mistake then. the whole mass of mankind, all But all through their existence hearts, all nations, all business, there was a difference in the inner social life, and political institutions, life; and the diff rence in the shall be transformed.

good seed which Jesus sowed in the 3. The plant represent the out him to ask God for what he wan's, more ekepticism and agnosticism ward organ zed kingdom of God, but it is heard to lead him to want than all the Ingersol's and Putnams

> easily be established. Atter years more difficult to learn the true inwardness of prayer which is a will-

Teach the children to pray, Thy will he done on earth as it is in

## A Life Saved by Self-Control

The dinner was just finished, and several officers were sitting round the table The conversation had not been animated, and there came a lull, as the night was too hot for small talk. The major of the regi ment, a man of fifty five, turned to wards his next neighbor at the table, a young subaltern, who was leaning back in his chair with his hands clasped behind h s head. The major was slowly looking the man

over, from his handsome face down, when, with sudden alertness, and in a quiet, steady voice, he said :

Don'tmove, please, Mr Carruthers, want to try an experiment with you. Don't move a muscle.

All right, major, replied the uba tern, without even turning his eves; hadu't the 'east idea of moving, I assure you. What's the game? By this time all the others were istening in a lazily expectant way. Do you think, continued the major, and his voice now trembled a little, that you can keep absolutely still for say, two minutes, to save

your ife? Are you joking?

Quite the contrary, was the quiet reply, move a muscle and you are a dead man. Can you stand the strain?

The subaltern whispered Yes, and his face paled slightly.

Burke, said the major, addressing an officer, pour some of that milk into a saucer, and set it on the floor here just behind me. Gently, man! Quiet!

Not a word was spoken as the officer quietly filled the saucer, walked with it around the table, and set it down where the major had indicated. Like a marble

No SWEARING ALLOWED -The young man told of in the following 4 It grows not only from its of willfulness and wickedness it is story for the Lutheran World was made f the right kind of stuff for a oldier. Would that we had more such fearless n s:

> The above notice was writen in a good plain hand, and stuck up on the wall of the barrack room by the corporal in charge. He had been convert d shorily before. At first the men laugned. He had been a rough character, he would not keep it a week, etc But the Lord kept h m, and among o her results the notice was stuck up. The men respected him, he was consistent. he was brave, and the order was obeyed.

spection. A great general was coming. There was washing, scrub- C GATES, SON & CO., bing, polishing. Many paintings, pictures and papers were taken off disapproval.

No Swearing Allowed. Corporal, your you'd better stow that thing away. No, it is there to stay, and I'll take the consequences.

I caught the general's eye. Who is the corporal in charge here?

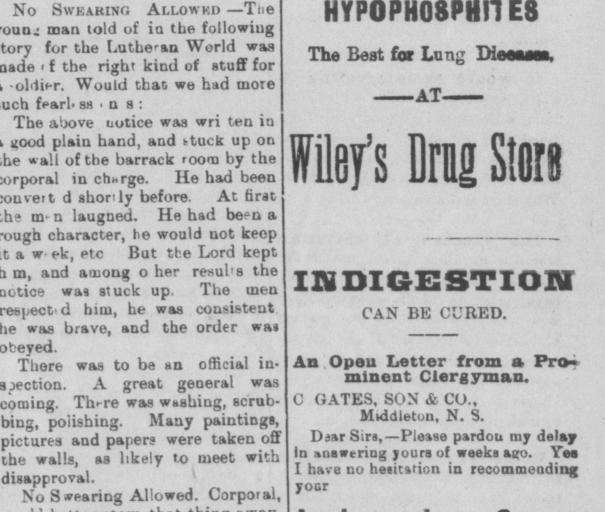
I am, sir, stepping forward and aluting.

Did you put that placard there? Yes, sir.

Do you enforce it?

I do, sir. The general stretched forth his hand-to tear it down? No, but to shake hands with the corporal. you, and that the same rule was to use this in any way you please. enforced everywhere.

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