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A little while be brave, stand fast, Day breaks, the trouble soon is past; Those who endure are crowned at last. MARIANNE FARNINGHAM.

The Sin ot Covetousness

REV. B. WANVALKENBURG.

"And covetousness, which is idolatry" (Col. 3:5). This is the declarathe Apostle Paul. It is elsewhere defined to be "an inordinate desire for sins. It is productive of more evil trust in riches to enter into the kinga man, corrupts him, damns him, allies all things to enjoy. him to the devil, and, if persisted in, will ultimately destroy soul and body is classed or catalogued by the sacred written," and this was sufficient. For forever in hell. It is positively forbidden in the Decalogue, and through- ally considered most abominable, such a word of God in the Holy Scriptures. out the Scriptures Jehovah fulminates as theft, drunkenness, seduction his threatenings and denunciations adultery and fornication. But, says to successful warfare with the evil one. against the indulgence of this sin. We one, you would not have us understand propose to notice some of the most that covetousness is as heinous a sin be successfully resisted is constant prominent cases of covetousness men- as those above mentioned? Most em tioned in the Holy Scriptures. Because phatically we would. We do not think idle soul falls into the snare of the of the covetousness of Achan, who it would be extravagant to say that it devil. One who is busy in selfish "took of the accursed thing," the is a worse sin, productive of greater pursuits is no better off than the idler. army of Israel were smitten by the evil, than any of those sins mentioned But the Christian whose time is all men of Ai, and suffered an inglorious by the apostle. God hates all sin, but taken up in doing good is on safe defeat. And Achan and his family, the covetousness of the soul he abhors. ground. The fiery darts of Satan and all his possessions, were stoned to There is a woeful neglect on the part shall not harm him. When the enemies death and burned with fire. "So the of the ministry in denouncing this of Nehemiah suggested to him that l.e. Lord turned from the fierceness of his soul destroying sin. Once in a while should come down and engage in a wrath." Through covetousness Gehazi, a minister is heard presenting covet- parley about the best method of prothe servant of Elisha, ran after ousness in its true light. Not long cedure for the good of all parties his Naaman, the Syrian, with a lie in his ago a presiding elder had the courage reply was, "I am doing a great work mouth, and returned to the prophet, to tell the people what bad company I cannot come down." So may every and, in order to hide his covetousness, covetousness keeps. He took the busy man answer the solicitations of told another falsehood. And the position, and correctly, too, that it evil. It is a good thing to be so busy leprosy of Naaman clave to him, and was as mean as adultery, and that the about well-doing as to have no time to his seed forever. "And he went members of the church were guilty of for parleying about doubtful things out from the presence of Elisha, a covetousness, and it was but little Let the mind be occupied, the heart leper white as snow.' Covetousness thought of. Ministers should lift up be full, and the hands busy every day slew Naboth, and gave his vineyard to their voice like a trumpet, and show King Ahab, and the blood of Ahab and the people how the Bible talks about Jezebel to the dogs. The case of Balaam stands out con- Christ suffers because of covetousness, spicuously in the Scriptures as a warn- because those who profess to be the fortified by a good character, to be ing against covetousness. He sinned followers of the benevolent Jesus withagainst convictions of duty, through hold from the treasury of the Lord be actively employed in doing good. the love of worldly gain, and for filthy what justly belongs to him. Will a Satan will not abandon his purpose to lucre's sake, he would have cursed the man rob God? Yes, men will steal ruin our souls even then. Having Tarmies of the living God; but was from the Lord. God says, "Ye have done all these things, we must be compelled by the power of God to robbed me." "Wherein have we vigilant. As the sentinel watches for bless them. Covetousness had blind- robbed thee?" says the covetous soul. the approach of the enemy, and does ed him, mind and heart, that he saw And the Lord replies, "In tithes and not give way to slumber for a moment, not the angel of the Lord in the way, offerings." Mr. Finney says, "It is so must we watch against the prince to withstand him; but the dumb brute robbery in the highest sense of the of this world. One unguarded moment saw the heavenly messenger, and speaking with man's voice, forbade the madness of the prophet. Through his take the money of his employer and selves by constant vigilance, we must counsel, the Israelites were tempted spend it on his own lusts and pleasures. realize our helplessness. Pray as well to sin, and in consequence were I mean that for a man to withhold as watch. Pray without ceasing. punished by a plague, by which many from God is a higher crime against Pray everywhere. Behold the Christhousands perished. And finally he him than a man can commit against tian warrior clad in panoply of truth suffered a violent death on the field of his fellow-man...... And the church battle. Jude, in his epistle, speaking of from the world, never will be able to false teachers, says, "They ran greedily go forward, without these continual after the error of Balaam for reward." The Apostle Peter, in his second Christians, and the churches generally, epistle, speaking on the same subject, take the ground, and hold it, that it is says, "And through covetousness, just as much a matter of discipline for shall they with feigned words, make a church-member to deny his stewardmerchandise of you; and again, "A ship as to deny the divinity of Christ; heart they have exercised with covet- and that covetousness, fairly proved, ous practices, which have for- shall as certainly exclude a man from saken the right, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son scope. of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness." The Saviour also condemns the doctrine of Balaam in the following words, "But I have a hast there them that hold the doctrine him and resisting his assaults they every one they saw to plan for a second of Balaam, who taught Balak to cast a invite his advances, make room for his attendance. stumbling block before the children of entrance, and entertain him cheerfully. Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto But they know not what they do. idols, and to commit fornication." They are not aware that they are pre-This case of covetousness is referred paring for themselves a dark future. tures, and ought to be a terrible a man soweth that shall he also reap." warning to all covetous persons. We Our Lord is our model in everything. do not think there are many ministers. If we study His life, we shall learn of the gospel guilty of this awful sin. how to meet the a iversary. He was What a spectacle such a man must fortified against the devil by inward present to all good and benevolent purity. He said, "The prince of this beings in heaven and earth. What ! world cometh, and hath nothing in an ambassador of Jesus, preaching a Me." When Satan tempted Jesus he They thought that if they could go to body; he tells every man the truth and full and a free salvation without money found nothing in His spirit which re- a concert or party at night, it could does his duty by himself, his family, and without price, he covetous? What sponded to his evil suggestions. So not do them any harm to be at church and his neighbors; his word is as good a contradiction, what an incongruity, pure and guileless was His inner life after sunset. They decided that they as his bond. and every man, woman,

the Lord of life and glory for a few, We are told that the air is full of The attendance was increasing every pieces of silver, and then went and germs of disease. When science first week. Strangers, seeing the direction hanged himself, and went to his own suggested this fact many were alarmed of the browd, followed. It became

place. Through covetousness the for their safety, but later the wise men the most popular church in the city. - a young man who came running to Jesus told us that if the physical system is Cathedral Record.

refused eternal life, and "went away, in good health, disease germs may be serrowful," rather than sell all his disposed of with comparative impunity. | Some Women's Wicked Content-

earthly possessions and give to the In a perfectly sound body there is poor. Ananias and Sapphiri were nothing to respond to the outward also guilty of this sin, and kept back conditions which produce disease. The part of the price of the land, and lied secret of successful battle with microbes unto the Holy Ghost, and fell dead at is good physical conditions. Let the the apostle's feet from the visitation of | body have a fair chance, and it will the wrath of Almighty God. How fight its own battle. Do not abuse important that we remember the the digestive organs, and they will words of the Saviour, "Take heed and take care of the germs that may lurk beware of covetousness, for a man's in food and water.

life consisteth not in the abundance of In like manner the secret of successthe things he possesseth." Our prayer | ful battle against Satan is good spiritshould be, "Incline my heart unto thy | ual health. A pure heart will resist testimonies, and not to covetousness." temptation with comparatively little Paul, in his first letter to Timothy. | difficulty. Christ was pure, and even

says, "But they that will be rich fall we may be pure also. He was free into temptation and a snare, and into from sin, but we have all sinned. Yet many foolish and hurtful lusts, which the blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth drown men in destruction and perdi- from all sin. Through His atonement tion. For the love of money is the and by the power of His Spirit we may root of all evil which while some be so transformed that Satan shall coveted after, they have erred from find nothing in us. The propensities the faith, and pierced themselves which respond to the solicitations of tion of the Almighty, by the mouth of through with many sorrows." Let evil may be crucified. Inward purity your conversation be without covetous- produced by the Holy Spirit which ness and be content with such things I dwelleth in us is the sure fortification earthly possession." This sin had its as ye have. The Saviour said at one against the wiles of the devil. Without origin in the fall of man, and is one of time to his astonished disciples, "Chil- this we may strive in vain to resist the most debasing and soul-destroying dren, how hard it is for them who him. He is more than a match for us. Our Lord used the "sword of the than all other sins; indeed, it is "the dom of God." Let us, therefore, trust Spirit" also. Satan came to Jesus at root of all evil." Covetousness sinks in the living God, who give thus richly a time when human nature would be most likely to crave the things he had

It will be noticed that covetousness to offer, but He responded, "It is writers with those sins that are gener- every temptation of the devil there is Familiarity with the Bible is essential Another means by which Satan may.

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a positively wicked thing. For in-

First-That young woman's content. school, has settled down in a home idling away her life.

Second That girl's contentment is in question was sorely pressed for five -has a position engaged for next year ligious work ! And there are scores that man five pounds.' " of women who stand ready to take the secular work she would relinquishwomen who really need the money for the support and help of dear ones. Third--That woman is wickedly contented who has a gift from God-of

many calls and so few to fill them. The Lord break up this wicked contentment of thousands of our Methodist young women ! And if he shall

The Answered Prayer.

The Rev. Archibald G. Brown tells thrilling story of how God can answer prayer. He says, "Some years , ago I was getting up one morning,

, and standing before the looking-glass, there suddenly and unaccountably "That sweet virtue, contentment," rushed into my mind the recollection is the way it is put. And a very nice of a brother minister I had known putting of it, too. But there are times 'years before, and something said to when contentment is not a virtue, but | me, 'You must send that man five pounds.'

"I thought about the matter on the way downstairs. It seemed to be a ment is wicked, who, having finished dangerous thing to run against an impression like that, and so I got five where she is always welcome, but not pounds and posted it to the brother needed, where she is reading a little minister who lived eighty miles away. and working a little, but practically Some time afterwards I heard that just at that particular juncture the minister

wicked who is a teacher or stenographer pounds. In his trouble he got up early and went into the vestry of his but who does not need to teach or do church, so that he might not be disoffice work-could just as well engage turbed, and wrestled with God in in some special religious work, even prayer to help him out of his difficulty. though that work gave her only her And so while he was praying for five support. For there are so many and pounds in a place eighty miles away, such wide-open doors in lines of re- so nething said to me in London, 'Send

> thing, and the world in a Christian is quite another thing.

An old Scotchman is said to have singing, or playing on instruments, or remarked to his pastor : "I'm nane of speaking, or writing-but who has the speakin' sort, but, brither, I'll tell settled down to use her talent for ye this, there is never a Saturday night herself or for the occasional pleasure but my gude wife an' me has oor bit o' of friends. Every gift of this kind prayer together that the dear Lord can be abundantly utilized in special will bless the preacher an' take him Christian work, where there are so sufely through the morrow." Are we surprised to know that this pastor went back to his work with new zeal and hope?

A Christian in the world is one



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and hour.

"Watch and pray," said Jesus to this abominable sin-how the cause of His disciples, "that ye enter not into temptation." It is not enough to be familiar with the word of God, and to term." It is an infinitely higher crime may cause our ruin. And when we than for a clerk in a store to go and have done all we can, and guarded ourcomplete :

"Undaunted to the field he goes; Yet vain were skill and valor there, Unless, to foil his legion foes, He takes the trustiest weapon, prayer

"I hus, strong in his Redeemer s strength, Sin, death, and hell he tramples down Fights the good fight, and wins at length Through mercy, an immortal crown." Chris. Advocaie.

How a Church Was Filled.

parish were poorly attended. People neighborhood came under criticism. thought they could not come out,

The vestrymen talked the matter village, I asked, 'Is he a man of over. Their talk resulted in a pledge means?

to each other that they would never 'Well, sir,' the farmer replied, 'he Some men give place to the devil. absent themselves, willingly, from the hasn't got much money but he's few things against thee, because thou Instead of fortifying themselves against evening service, and they would urge mighty rich." 'He has a great deal of land, then ? I asked. The parents talked it over. They 'No, sir; he hasn't got much land found that their children were not in neither, but still he is mighty rich." the habit of spending the evenings re. The old farmer, with a pleased smile, ligiously or profitably, and they de- observed my puzzled look for a moto in several other places in the Scrip- They do not believe that "whatsoever termined to set them the example of ment, and then explained :

egin to answer in your heart, dear reader, this prayer born out of a heartbreaking vision of the great need, write to Miss Jean Scott, 257 Jarvis Street, Toronto, and find out about these thousand urgent calls, and how you might plan to help meet them. That such a great need exists should fire you with a holy discontent with anything less than an active reaper's part in this great ripe harvest field.-Pacific Advocate.

Twelve most Popular Hymns,

In order to ascertain the hymns most in use among English-speaking Christians, Dr. Louis F. Benson cbtained a copy of all the leading hymnbooks and carefully compared their contents. He collected together ninety-eight hymn-books.

'Rock of Ages, cleft for me,' proved to be the chief favorite, for it was found in more of the hymn-books than any other-ninety-seven out of ninetyeight.

According to this test the following is a list of the most popular hymns, the figures at the end of each line showing in how many hymn books the hymn appears :

Rock of Ages, cleft for me (97). All praise to thee, my God, this night (96).

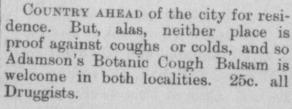
When I survey the wondrous cross

Jesus, lover of my soul (95). Jesus, I my cross have taken (94). Sun of my soul, thou Saviour dear (94) Awake, my soul, and with the sun(93) Hark ! the herald angels sing (93). Abide with me; fast falls the eventide (92).

Nearer, my God, to thee (92). Jerusalem, my happy home (92). How sweet the name of Jesus sounds (92).

A Rich Man.

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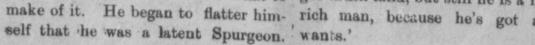
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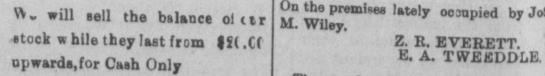
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