

TEMPERANCE

Son's Points for Some

An exchange has collected the following concerning the noted, and with some, the notorious state of Maine. Those who fear, or hope the people of that commonwealth will repeal their prohibitory law can find in the following encouragement, or discouragement as the case may be;

SAVINGS ACCOUNTS IN MAINE.

On October 30, 1909, an investigation showed that in the state of Maine there were in existence fifty-two savings banks, with savings deposits amounting to \$88,567,027.66. At the same time there were shown to be forty trust companies in Maine with savings deposits amounting to \$19,969,056.46. There were also thirty-five building and loan associations with total savings deposits amounting to \$3,560,587.88. And the reports on the national bank situation for November 16, 1909, showed that there were at that time seventy-seven national banks with savings deposits amounting to \$14,719,635.42.

In other words, the total savings deposits in all the banks of Maine last fall amounted to \$126,806,309.42, or a per capita sum of \$181.15 for every one of the 700,000 inhabitants of the state.

In some of the license states of the Union, where much is made of the financial benefit of saloons, if a community can make anything like such a showing in savings deposits as the state of Maine it will be time for the state of Maine to consider the advisability of the repeal of the prohibitory law.

Governor of Maine Vs Committee of Fifty

The following telegram is in response to a telegram asking if the Citizen's Defense Committee's statement about Maine is true?

Augusta, Maine, October 15, '10.

To the Constitutional Amendment Association, St. Louis, Mo.

Prohibitory Constitutional Amendment has not been repealed. Prohibitory and all laws equally enforced, observed and respected. Moral stamina of our people known everywhere. Illiteracy a minor quantity. One half of our people live in their own homes. Deposits in saving banks one quarter larger than number of voters; per capita savings more than \$181 valuation increased 33 per cent in the last ten years; built eleven hundred miles of steam railroad in twenty years; 400 miles of electric road in ten years; school building for every forty children, and church for every four hundred souls.

BERT M. FERNALD, Governor.

Take a Sheep.

A farmer once employed a young man to labor upon his farm without knowing anything of his habits. All too soon the farmer found that his new hand was addicted to drinking alcoholics, and this habit interfered with his usefulness.

'John,' said the farmer to the man, 'I give ye one o' my best sheep if ye'll give up drinkin' while ye work for me.'

'It's a bargain,' declared the man. A grown son of the farmer, over-hearing this agreement, looked up and asked, 'Pa, will you give me a sheep, too, if I will not drink this season?'

'Yes,' replied the father, 'you may have a sheep.'

Then the little boy spoke up and said 'Pa, will you give me a sheep, too, if I'll not drink?'

'Yes, son, you shall have a sheep, also. After a moment's pause, the little boy turned to his father and said, 'Pa hadn't you better take a sheep, too?'

'I dunno, I dunno,' the farmer replied doubtfully, and then suddenly concluded, 'I declar' I'll try it and see.'

The old gentleman was heard afterwards to declare that he made the best investment of sheep that season that he ever made in his life.—League Journal.

URN ABOUT IS FAIR PLAY.

The wife of a saloon keeper said, in a tone of almost despair, to her negro wash woman: "If the town goes no license I will not be able to pay you any more. I do not know how we can live ourselves." The generous hearted colored woman sympathetically answered; "Dont you worry, honey. If your husband has to shut up his saloon, my husband won't be able to get drink, and we will have plenty, and you can come and do our washing."—The Citizen.

MISSIONARY

Our Sermonette

Why should the church evangelize the World —Mat. 28: 19, 20

To evangelize the world means, in the language of Christ, to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. We should do this for several reasons: (1) For the glory of God. It is the glory to God to save lost men. The preaching of the gospel is the means he has laid down of saving them. It reflects greater glory to save men, than for God to have made the worlds. (2) For the vindication of the divine honor. Sinners are dishonoring God by breaking his laws. Salvation saves them so that they will obey where they have been defying his precepts and honor. (3) The church should evangelize the world because Christ commanded it. It was the last command he gave. We have no right to stop to question its wisdom or halt through timidity or cowardice. (4) The church ought to evangelize the world because of a real compassion for the lost. Souls are dying all about us. If we realized what the second death means we should be up and eager to save them. (5) The church should do it because there is no one else to do it. God has seen fit to save the world by his church. The angels might have had the task given to them, and we are certain they would have been glad to do it but God has seen fit to give this great work to his church—those who themselves have been saved, from sin.

HER TRIBUTE TO A WARRIOR.

A modest heroine whose name is unknown, but whose fame deserves to be heralded to the ends of the earth has been discovered by the Boston Transcript.

A sick soldier on furlough was sent to Mount Mansfield, Vt., to fight for his health. Arriving at the hotel on the summit, he found all the rooms taken except one, and that was the poorest in the house. He did not complain, but, as he was obliged to lie in his bed the greater part of the day, the outlook was cheerless to him.

A New York schoolmistress had the best room in the hotel and had engaged it long in advance because of the grand view to be had at the windows. As soon as she heard of the soldier's assignment she went to the clerk and asked to be moved from her room and have the sick soldier placed in it. She stipulated that her giving up the room for his sake be kept a secret from the soldier, and that he should be left to think that some guest had departed and left it vacant.

She left all her pictures, tiles, and little knickknacks that adorned the room, to make it look as homelike as possible, and she took the meaner room with its cheerless outlook repaid by the thought that the sick man could lie in his bed and look down into the valley where Stowe nestled or watch the distant mountains with their changing shadows.

Home Missionaries in Korea

A missionary of Seoul, on the way home from a service outside the East Gate, overtook a couple of women with Bibles and hymn-books tied about their waist climbing over the hills. On asking one of them, whom he recognized, where they had been, she replied, "Over to that village," pointing to a cluster of houses in the valley below. Although the hill was rather steep, the women did not seem to notice it, and when we stopped, after some puffing on my part, I asked their ages. The one said sixty-six the other sixty! "Does not this walking tire you?" I asked. "O No," they replied, "for we go so often, and much farther than this." "O you are Bible women!" "No; we go to read and pray with the women, for we want them all to know of our happy faith was the answer, with such bright faces as carried conviction of their joy. With such home missionaries, is it any wonder Korea is becoming a land of Christians?—Missionary Herald.

Bishop Hall said: "Those who defer their gifts to their deathbed, do as good as to say: 'Lord, I will give thee something when I can hold it no longer. Happy is the man who is his own executor.'"

If every Christian in America would give one extra cent a week for missions it would double the present missionary force at work.

Why Every Believer Should Be Wholly Sanctified.

REV F H HOOSE

Because, 1st—God commands it. "Be ye holy; for I am holy." God never requires impossibilities.

2d. It is God's will. 'For this is the will of God, even your sanctification.'

3d. Christ gave himself to the church for this object. "Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it; that he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word." Also Titus 2:14.

4th. Christ prayed for it. "Sanctify them through thy truth; thy word is truth."

5th. The Holy Ghost was given to induce as well as sustain the experience.

6th. The Scripture was given for this purpose. "That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

7th. It is the only way by which fallen man can be restored to the likeness and fellowship of God. "And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness."

8th. This was to be the chief work of the ministry. "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry; for the edifying of the body of Christ."

Please note that these different offices were not created for the salvation of the unsaved. A sanctified Spirit-filled church would be the great attraction—would be the soul-winning church.

9th. It was made the object of inspired prayer. "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly."

10th. It is the only way to get rid of the carnal mind which "is enmity against God."

11th. Complete provision has been made for its accomplishment. See numerous commands, exhortations, prayers and promises in God's word.

"Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises; that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature."

12th. It is a great preventive of backsliding. Surely every child of God should greatly desire it if for no other reason.

13th. Without it we cannot properly represent Christ to the world.

14th. Until experienced Satan has a vantage ground, for the "Old man" is a near relation of his.

15th. Without it there is not complete faith. 'Beloved if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence towards God.'

16th. Until it is realized there is not perfect freedom from fear. 'But perfect love casteth out fear.'

17th. There can be no filling with the Holy Spirit without it. The temple which he fills must be clean. He cleanses before he fills. He cannot abide where sin is allowed. The 'body of sin' cannot dwell in the same heart with the Holy Spirit.

18th. 'For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.'

19th. Without this second work of grace, the first work of grace—the new birth—will have been in vain. God forgives that he might cleanse. He saves from the penalty of sin, that he might sanctify from the being of sin. He blots out our transgressions, that he might make us meet for our inheritance.

"Therefore leaving the princip

les of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection'

20th. It is the only way to realize the uttermost salvation.

21st. There is no complete soul rest in this life without it.

22d. Until it is more generally experienced by the church and manifested in lives, there will not be any widespread conviction for sin among the unsaved.

The salvation of the world is largely dependent upon the sanctification of the church.

23d. Without it there cannot be true church unity or interdenominational harmony. "That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee."

24th. Only thus may we have fullness of joy and permanent peace.

25th. Not until then are the eyes fully opened to understand the deep things of God as revealed in his word.

26th. This experience, bringing the will in harmony with God's will makes prayer and communion with him a delight.

27th. It is the "experience" which makes us "meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light. In other words our fitness for heaven.

28th. It is the absolute requirement for entrance into heaven for "without holiness no man shall see the Lord."

29th. It gives us a heaven to go to heaven in.

30th. It is an experience through which Christ "is able to keep you from falling and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy."

Ye Shall Be Holy

A man may be a true Christian and yet not be wholly sanctified; but no one can be a Christian who for any cause whatsoever except ignorance does not feel the need of being wholly sanctified.

If a Christian either in word or in his inmost heart says, I have all the religion that I need; I am as nearly like the Lord Jesus as it is possible for any one to be in this imperfect world; I have as close fellowship with God as my business will permit me, he will surely lose peace with God, and the light within him will become darkness.

Never was there a time in the history of the church when scholars, men themselves needed to take a stand against attacks from outside foes. Never in the past was so much money needed to put into all the fields that are ripe unto the harvest.

But much more important and necessary to the church is holiness. O that all the members were fully consecrated to the Head of the church in order that he might save us from all unrighteousness, and unite us as one people, who would be zealous of good works. Christians, if they were wholly given up to God and were pure in heart, would soon exercise such an influence over the world that all opposition to the Gospel and to Christianity would come to an end. The Word of the Lord would then run have free course and be glorified.—Translated from The German Christian Advocate.

Entire sanctification is the setting apart of the whole being to God, a consecration of all we have and are, not to a church, or to a creed, or to a work, but to God on the part of men, and the purifying of the heart from all sin and filling with the Holy Ghost on God's part.

The Widow's Prayer Answered.

A minister who preached in a country village in England told his wife that he was going to drive in his buggy into town on business, and he would be able to buy for her what she needed but could not get in that small village. She made out a list of things for him to buy in the city. When he reached the town he put his horse and buggy in the stable of the hotel and went to where the large shops were to execute his wife's commissions. In passing a bakers shop he noticed a large loaf of fresh brown bread in the window, along with cakes and sweetmeats. He was particularly fond of brown bread, so he went into the shop and bought the loaf. But when he came out of the shop it was raining hard, and he opened his umbrella. Then he exclaimed. 'How foolish I have been! I cannot carry this great loaf of bread with me to all the other shops and hold my umbrella up at the same time. What can I do with it?'

Near by was a small cottage, and the thought came to him, 'Give the loaf to whoever lives in that little cottage. He opened the gate and, going into the yard, he saw an old woman filling the kettle at the well. He called out, cheerfully: 'Good afternoon! I wonder if you will be so kind as to relieve me of this loaf? I am very fond of brown bread, but I find I cannot manage to hold it and the umbrella also, along with the other parcels I shall have when I get through with my shopping. The old lady took him inside the house and showed him that she had set her table for supper, but had nothing in the house to eat or drink except a pinch of tea leaves. She said with tears in her eyes: I prayed to God to send me something to eat, and when I lighted the fire, and I was just filling the kettle when you came into my yard and offered me this beautiful loaf of bread. It was the Lord himself who got you to buy a loaf which you could not carry to your home, and then He whispered to you to bring it to me.

There is no need too great or too small to bring to our Father in heaven. But we must be sure that he is our Father in heaven. As many as receive Him in their hearts and believe on His name, to them gives He power to become the sons of God. And then all that belongs to Christ becomes theirs. Happy is that people who can say from the heart: 'The Lord is my strength, and God is my Lord.—The Christian.

Yet Not Alone.

We must all die alone. Human hands must release us from their grasp, when we enter the valley of the shadow. Human faces must disappear from our eyes when we enter the mist.

'I can not see you,' said a dying man, when his loved ones stood by his bed. So will it be with every one of us. But in his deepest solitude we need not be alone, for if we belong to Christ we can say, I am not alone, for my Saviour is with me. If human hands have lost their grasp upon us, his hands will hold so much more firmly. When loved human faces have disappeared from our sight, his face will shine upon us in all its heavenly glory. His everlasting arms will enfold us and fold us to his bosom. Thus the loneliness of death will be overcome through his divine fellowship.—Translated from The German Christian Advocate.

People generally do the most for the one they love the best; this accounts for so much selfishness. Let God circumcise your heart to love Him with all your heart, and selfishness will be all gone, you will be ready even to lay down your life for Him and for others, for Jesus says, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.—Pentecost.