

MISCELLANEOUS.

[Written for the Religious Intelligencer.]
FAMILIAR PAPERS ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.
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RESULTS OF FAITHFUL LABOUR.

We are told that man was created in the "image and likeness of God," and that the object of his creation was, that he might "know, love, and serve God, and be happy with Him forever." We are also told, and we know by experience, that man lost that likeness; fell from that state of perfection and happiness, and became subject to all the miseries and trials he now endures.

And again we learn that instead of being left alone in his misery, to bear the just punishment due to his guilt; "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

This is the plain story of the Bible. From numerous passages of Scripture it can be proved that we are all sinners, yes, even the youngest child in our schools, we know, partakes of Adam's nature and Adam's transgression.

The mind of the child, then, is not that pure, innocent and beautiful thing it is sometimes represented to be; so far from this—revenge, cruelty, and passion, are frequently exhibited before they could possibly be acquired by intercourse with the world. Still while we know that the mind is depraved, it is yet soft and tender, and thus capable of receiving any impression that can be made. The affections too are easily managed, and the habits of after life can be carefully formed. The natural propensity to vice can be checked; and a right direction given to the feelings and impulses of the heart. How necessary, considering these things, that proper teachers be selected for the young, even more capable ones, than for older scholars. The teacher who has the pleasure of teaching the youngest class, has a double privilege, and double responsibility too; for to him, or her, it is given to make the first impression, and to teach the first steps to happiness.

As we consider the importance of Sabbath school teaching in regard to its results, the first thought that strikes the mind is the value of the soul, in exchange for which, Christ has declared that if we gain the whole world, it will be no profit.

Millions of these immortal souls are now connected with evangelical Sabbath schools; and to promote the improvement and to train these, is the important work of the teacher. Perhaps if the only object gained by Sabbath schools were a better state of morals, and a guard against evil company, the results would be momentous; but more than this is sought, and more than this is found to be the result of the faithful teacher's labours. From the Sabbath school society has in thousands of instances been supplied with its most useful members. From the Sabbath school the church has again and again refilled the places of those who have gone to Heaven. And from the Sabbath school too have gone forth many of those, who have been instrumental in "turning many to righteousness," namely, preachers of the Gospel. A great many scholars become teachers, and in their turn teach others the beautiful lessons they learned themselves, perhaps in the same class. And in every situation in life, the converted Sabbath school scholar, the one trained and watched over with anxious solicitude, for whom prayer was daily offered up—and who was affectionately and successfully invited to come to the Saviour, no matter where he may be placed, his influence is felt, and that influence is exerted to win others to Christ.

St. John, 1862. BEULAH.

AN INCIDENT IN GERMANY.

A widow, the owner of a tavern, had sold her property, to spend the last days of her life with her daughter in the country. All the furniture and other moveables, with the exception of a few things, had already been sent off, and the departure was to take place very soon. At this time a friend, accompanied by a son of eighteen years, visited her one night to bid her farewell. Mother and son were taken by the widow through all the rooms in the house, that they might see the whole premises once more. When the party entered a small chamber, the son saw a book, in a dirty leather binding, lying on the floor, the leaves rolled up and torn. He took it up, and read the title: "The New Testament of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

It was the first time in his life that the young man read the title of this book, for he was the son of Jewish parents. His mother was a widow. Some years ago he would have rejected this book, because he then looked upon the Christian faith as superstition, which learned Christians, even the preachers, could take for a truth merely through custom; so that he resolved not to read any Christian books, lest he should unconsciously be impressed by their contents and be convinced. But now he had come to think that he might take the best thing from other religions too, without changing his own faith, and that he possibly might learn something from the book he had just found. The owner of the house presented him with this book, which he took with him. Most wonderfully was the mind of the young man struck, when he read in the New Testament the discourses of Jesus! How surprised was he when he found that Christ referred to the prophets, and from them condemned the conduct of the people! In the depth of the night, frequently, besides other occupations, and particularly on Sundays, he read in the New Testament; and very often his dear mother sat near him, listening with pleasure as he read aloud from this precious book. However, years passed away, and the young man continued to be like a reed shaken with the wind.

Still his thoughts were kept to the Word; and after a time the mercies of the Lord came unto him, so that he did not remain unfaithful; but was enabled to cry by faith, like Thomas: "My Lord and my God." Believing in the holy Trinity, he is now a partaker of the righteousness of God. He rejoices in the profession of this faith, and the reading of the gospel is always a comfort to his soul, always now refreshing and strengthening him.—*Bible Society Record.*

THE PROFESSOR WHOSE PIPE WAS STRONGER THAN GOD!

OR, TOBACCO HINDERS SANCTIFICATION.

Just returned from addressing an audience of Methodist friends here in Jamestown. The subject was sanctification to God, unreserved and complete, touching the whole man. We urged sanctification as *heartily* as the great Wesley ever did. We told them that habitual wrong-doing of any kind was in direct conflict with all acceptable prayer for this spiritual attainment. "Brethren," we inquired, "how are you daily employed? Are you manufacturing, selling or using tobacco? Are you patronizing deadly drugs and drinks, and swelling the curse of intemperance? If so, we beg you to change your course. You live in *known sin*, and your prayers for 'the higher life' are worse than vain, for they are an abomination at God's throne. Renounce every wrong practice, and even suspicious one; and then you may pray for sanctification consistently and with a better grace." We had unusual freedom among these dear brethren, and it was an hour of marked solemnity and tenderness—a feast of Christian love.

As I withdrew to the vestibule, a well-looking brother approached me, under very strong excitement of mind. "You have struck the nail on the head once," he said, in trembling, fearful tones. "You have struck the nail on the head," he said again in a louder voice, and sobbed like a broken-hearted child. "Tell us, brother," we said, "what you mean." After a while he replied: "I have been praying for sanctification five or six years. There has always been in Achan in my soul—always something in my way; and you are the first that ever told me what it is. It is *my pipe*. When I have been praying in my closet for the blessing, something has raised me suddenly from my knees, and I have run to the mantle-piece for my pipe! *My pipe has been stronger than God!* And when reading the Bible, in my family devotions, I have often cut short the exercise, and before I was aware, have run for my pipe. My pipe has been stronger than God!" he said again; then, straightening up with the dignity of a man, wiping the tears from his eyes, raising his hand, and looking upward, with much eloquence he exclaimed:

"The dearest idol I have known,
Whate'er that idol be,
Help me to tear it from thy throne,
And worship only thee."

Then, suiting the action to the word, he drew his meerschaum from his pocket, dashed it down indignantly upon the steps of the church, and, like the baptized cunuch, went on his way rejoicing. We hope this dear man obtained the blessing to which he aspired; and we parted there, and, as Banyan said of a pilgrim, "we saw him no more."—*Anti-Tobacco Journal.*

THOU ART MINE.

"Thou art mine!" Oh, word of gladness,
By a Saviour's lip addressed,
Antidote for all life's sadness,
Balm of Gilead for the breast;
Life and joy and peace combine
In those accents, "Thou art mine."

"Mine, though legion foes assail thee,
Sorely pressing thee to yield;
Mine, though heart and flesh may fail thee,
I am thy defence and shield;
Let the powers of hell combine,
Thou art safe, for thou art mine."

"On the cross I died to save thee,
And my life-blood was the price;
Could I now let Satan have thee
After such a sacrifice?
He will fight ere he resign,
But he knows that thou art mine."

"Heed not man's contemptuous smiling,
Shrink not from the worldling's sneer;
If thy Master be reviling,
Who are thou, that thou shouldst fear?
On thy side is power divine;
Thou canst smile, for thou art mine."

"When thou crossest Jordan's billow,
Sinking in the last dread strife,
And upon a dying pillow
Swiftly ebb's departing life,
Round thee shall my presence shine;
Fear thou not, for thou art mine."

"In the day of my appearing,
When accusing voices rise,
Then look upward, without fearing,
Hear my voice from yonder skies;
Seest thou not my mark, my sign?
Know'st thou not that she is mine?"

"Child of God! the night is wasting,
Stand thou oft upon thy tower;
Watch thou, for the day is wasting,
And thou knowest got the hour
When the crown of life is thine,
On thy brow for aye to shine;
Then thou may'st perchance divine
Half the bliss of being mine."

A PENITENT BOY THIEF.—A London city missionary says: A young thief called on me one day, and said, "If you please, Sir, I want to give up stealing, and will do anything you tell me for the purpose of getting an honest living." Upon inquiry, I found that he had attended open-air services; and, according to his own statement, on one occasion he picked a gentleman's pocket, but had been very unhappy since then. I succeeded in getting him into a reformatory, where he manifested true signs of repentance. But he was soon taken seriously ill, and had to be taken to Guy's Hospital, where he died in the month of November. I visited him there, and found that he had not forgotten what he had heard at the open-air services, and that the Holy Spirit had enlightened his mind, which led him to see and feel his lost condition in the sight of a holy and just God. And he was likewise led to see Jesus as the only Saviour of sinners. At one of the visits I paid him, he said, "O my dear mother, she was the first I robbed. I cannot forgive myself, but I believe God will forgive me, for Jesus Christ's sake." I endeavored to ascertain from him what caused him to rob his mother. In reply, he said he did

it to purchase tobacco. Although he was not quite fourteen years of age, he used to spend threepence, and sometimes sixpence, a week, in tobacco. He gave me his box, his pipe, and the remains of the tobacco, and asked me to try and persuade his bad companions to give up smoking and stealing, and to take warning from him, for he brought himself to the grave through stopping out all night. I believe this thief died a true penitent. I was with him at his last moments, and his end was peace. At the request of his mother I attended the funeral, and conducted a service in the room where the corpse lay. Some of his companions in crime were present, and the scene was most solemn. I trust his death may be made the life of many.

STONE WARE.

RECEIVED ex Andrew Jackson, 480 dozen stone ware Jugs, all sizes; Butter Jars, with covers, all sizes; Stone Churns; Water Jars; Bean Pots; Preserver Jars; Ginger Beer Bottles, etc. In stock, a large supply of Milk Pans, Flower Pots, Cream Crocks, &c., wholesale and retail. H. ROBERTSON, King square, may 22.—ip

FISHING TACKLE.—Just Received at 90 Prince Wm. Street, Fishing Rods and Reeds; Fishing Lines and Hooks; Fishing Bait and Flies; Fishing Baskets and Boxes; Sinkers &c. For sale low by Z. G. GABEL, may 7.—wvi

1862. NEW GOODS.—CLOTHING—CLOTHING STORE, 11 North side King Street.—R. HUNTER having completed his Spring and Summer Importations, per Royal Mail Steamers, via Boston and Portland, and Packet Ship Lampedo, from Liverpool, now offers for sale at unusually low prices, wholesale and retail, for Cash or Approved Payments, his large and well assorted stock of CLOTHING, Gents' Furnishing Goods, &c., comprising in part CLOTHS, of all descriptions, and in all fabrics, cut and made up on the premises in the best manner and in the most fashionable styles.

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A prime assortment of Mispick Wollens, constantly on hand. The largest and best assortment of Ready Made Clothing in the Province, Domestic and Imported.

The whole comprising every article in the line suitable for Country Trade, on sale at reasonable terms. may 28.—wvi

THOS. R. JONES.

Skeleton Skirts.—We have lately received a new and complete assortment of these goods, viz., 200 dozen ladies' Diamond Embroidered; 100 do Tape Cladding; 150 do Diamond Cladding; 30 do do White; 75 do children's do do; 50 do do Tape Isabella; which, with a former stock of nearly 500 do, will be offered at tempting prices, wholesale and retail.

ENNIS & GARDNER.

FLOUR ON CLOVES.—Opened this day, some choice patterns, worthy of an inspection. ENNIS & GARDNER, may 28.—wvi

FLOUR.—Landing ex "Herald" and "New Brunswick" 500 barrels Extra Western and Canada Flour; 20 barrels particular Family Flour. For sale by JACOB D. UNDERHILL, 4 South whf. may 20.—wvi

NEW GOODS.—Mantles in great variety, of the newest styles and fabrics; Scarfs, Shawls, quite new; a large assortment of Hats and Bonnets; Fancy Dress Goods, newest textures; Parasols; an immense stock of Flowers; Sewed Work; Stamped Muslin, for braiding; Window Netts, very low price; a case of Bonnet Fronts; Mantle Cloths; Photographic Albums; a variety of Fancy Goods. Further importations by steamers and sailing vessels, which, with the above, will be sold low for cash.

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