THE COST OF HIGH LIVING.

Eighty-eight million gallons of whiskey were made in the United States last year. Who drank it all?

Fifteen billion cigarettes were manufactured in the United Sates last year. Who smoked them all?

Thirty-two million pounds of snuff were manufactured in the United States last year. Who did all the sneezing?

Two hundred and twenty million pounds of smoking tobacco were made last year. Who had all the pipe dreams?

Eight and a half billion cigars were made in the United States last year. Who made all the smoke?

Half a million packages of chewing gum were manufactured last year in the United States. Who worked their jaws?

Twenty thousand moving picture theatres paid \$25,000,000 for films last year, and 11,-000,000 persons saw the moving pictures. Where did they get all the dimes and nickels?

Ten billion copies of newspapers were printed in this country last year. Who took time to read them? One hundred and sevnty thousand clergymen preached in two hundred and twenty thousand churches last year, and the congregations of all denominations numbered forty million. Who went to church?

It is interesting to know what is going on in this country—the things that people are doing and who are doing them—and why.—Leslie's Weekly.

CHANGED BY PRAYER.

It was in prayer meeting when she asked, "Why is it, pastor, that if you begin to pray for one you do not love, very soon you come to have an altogether different feeling towards him?" The prompt reply was, "Because prayer brings you into oneness with God, and then you see this unloved one as God does, and God loves everybody." That's about right. He loves the unlovable; we don't. We love one as full house. At 7 p.m. the church was again long as he is worthy of it; when he is not worthy we cast him off. It is certainly very fortunate for us that "He hath not dealt with us after our sins." If he had done so there would be nobody to enjoy it. God is trying to kill all his enemies. We had better try to do the same with ours. But let us use the same weapon he does—love.

If we are now hating anybody, the hate may hurt us more than it does the hated one. Begin to pray for him, and directly our hate is all gone, and it may the enmy too is gone, and we have a friend instead.—Presbyterian Ad. vance.

FOR A NATIVE WORKER.

A sister sent five dollars to assist in paying the salary of a native worker in our South African missionary work, and agrees to pay \$2.50 per month from this on for the same purpose. We are in pressing need for this department of our missionary work at the present time; in fact, we need money for every phase of the foreign and home mission work. In a recent letter from Dr. Sanders he speaks of several things he needs money for. Beloved, let us "bring all the tithes unto the Lord's storehouse;" don't hold back from the Lord's work. Let us give, and he says he will pour blessings upon us from heaven. Let us prove him. He asks us to test him on this line.

Ministers and Churches.

Rev. I. F. Kierstead supplied for Rev. E. W. Lester on the Millville circuit on the 7th inst.

Sandford, N.S., church sent the generous sum of \$50 for the "Balmoral Farm Fund."

Beals Island is suffering again from diphtheria, eight families being quarantined, including Brother C. S. Hilyard's family. He desires the prayers of the brethren and sisters.

Rev. P. J. Trafton is continuing the special services at Victoria, Carleton county. Rev. E. W. Lester assisted him from the 4th to the 8th inst. Five persons have been baptized, and a considerable number have started in the Christian life.

Sister Ella Slipp, pastor of the Jonesport, Me, church, sent \$20 as the gift of her little church and Sunday school to the Balmoral Farm Fund. This ought to stimulate all the other churches to do likewise. This little company of the Lord's people are going to work to remodel their church building at a cost of several hundreds of dollars.

The Moncton church is gathering up their gift for the Balmoral Farm Fund.

Brother F. W. Foster and Brother and Sister Mullen arrived at Fredericton on the 13th. Sunday was a splendid beginning in our services, a good congregation being at the morning service. Brother Foster gave us an excellent and stirring sermon from 2 Chron. 15 2, "The Lord is with you, while ye be with him; and if ye seek him he will be found of you; if ye forsake him, he will forsake you. All were delighted with the gospel in song by Brother and Sister Mullen. At 2.30 p.m. the Susday school gave as excellent temperance programme, it being temperance Sunday. There was a record attendance at the school. A selection sung by Mrs. Baker's class of young people, entitled "We'll turn our glasses upside down," and a temperance selection by Brother and Sister Mullen, were especially enjoyed. At 3.30 Sister Mullen preached an excellent sermon to a filled with people and Brother Foster preached a telling sermon from "The Lord's Prayer," making a fine impression, and again Brother and Sister Mullen won their way to all hearts in gospel songs.

MANY DISEASES TRACED TO SMOK-ING.

Dr. John Aikman, of Rochester, N. Y., gives in the Ne wYork Medical Jouprnal the results of experiments to determine the effect of smoking on the circulation. He suggests that the great increase in circulatory diseases during the last hundred years may be attributed to smoking.

"The effect on the pulse of smoking but one cigarette was marked, writes Dr. Aikman, sixteen out of twenty-seven subjects showing an increase of more than eight beats a minute. In some cases the rise was spectacular and came on in one or two minutes or almost as soon as the pulse was taken. Of the twenty-seven cases all gave an increase, except four, and two of the four had an abnormally high pulse at the start.

"The results show that cigarettes often do cause a marked rise in pulse, make the pulse irregular, and cause a change in blood pressure, the effects being more marked if the smoke is inhaled."

Do you want your boy to use them?

THE SLAVERY OF THE CIGARETTE.

By Henry M. Hall.

Young America—the boys of the present generation are our hope for the future prosperity of our republic. Of the trinity of evils that seem to assail our boys and young men in this eventful era, are cigarettes. The cigarette takes perhaps the foremost rank with drink and drugs. Three great men, perhaps the greatest geniuses and investors of the United States, unite with thousands of other men in portraying the deadly influence of cigarette smoking. Mr. Thomas A. Edison, Mr. Luther Burbank and Mr. John Burroughs. The first named gentleman, among other things, says: "The boys must be educated so they will know why cigarettes are bad for them. Boys through cigarettes train with bad company. The cigarette drags them down. The history of almost any criminal proves that he is an inveterate cigarette smoker. Boys go with other smokers to the pool rooms and saloons. Hence, if we educate the mto the dangers of smoking, we have performed a service."

Burbank says: "Cigarettes are even more damaging than cigars, and their use for young boys is little short of criminal, and will produce in them the same results that sand produces in a watch—destruction. Several of my young acquaintances are in their graves, who gave promise of making happy and useful citizens; and there is no question whatever that cigarettes alone were the cause of their destruction. No boy living would commence the use of cigarettes if he knew what a useless, soulless, worthless thing they would make of him."

John Burroughs, the eminent naturalist, agrees with these views of the evil effects of cigarette smoking.

Mr. Henry Ford, the successful automobile manufacturer of Detroit, will not engage any man to do his fine work, if he indulges in tobacco, particularly in this form. Mr. Ford gives in a recent pamphlet published against what he calls "The Little White Slaver," testimony of many other eminent men against cigarette smoking. He says: "Cigarette smoking is acquiring a hold upon a great many boys in the United States."

Other automobile manufacturers say: "Boys who smoke cigarettes we do not care to keep in our emplay. Our object is, first, to help men and boys. Second, we believe that men who do not smoke cigarettes or drink make better automobiles than men who do."

The Cadillac Motor Car Co. says among other things: "We find cigarette smokers invariably loose in their morals, untruthful and less productive than cigarette abstainers." We allow no cigarette smoking about the plant, and will not hire men that we know use cigarettes."

And yet we are asked to send them to our dear boys at the front.

"He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker." Prov. 14:31. There is yet to be found a man who, out of love to God, lays his first fruits on the altar who will oppress another man in poverty and need.—G. C. Morgan.

The best investment is what you put into direct Christian work, time, money, talents.

Have you sent in your subscription for the Balmoral Farm Fund?

Have you renewed for the Highway?