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EDITORIAL.

CRITICISM.

Criticism in the common use of the term, is to judge unfavorably. This is rarely done after prayerful investigation of the case in hand.

If we would stop and read Matt. 7-1 and 2: "Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you a gain."

After a few moments consideration we would speak with care.

Bishop Taylor once said of one who had criticised him, "I could stand the barking of many common dogs," but when a man of the standing of the one who at that time assailed him, he felt the thrust deeply.

It matters not how blessed the state of grace one enjoys, if they are wrongly judged they will feel it, but much depends on who, and what the person is, who is the author of the criticism, and before whom he makes the severe judgment and the way it is done, in public, private or in writing or print.

If this takes place among people professing entire sanctification, Jesus makes it certain, that whosoever thus judges, will receive the same measure he dealt out to his brother. What we wish to bring out is:

That the person who suffers unjust, unkind, or unbrotherly judgment has only two things to do about the matter—(a) to pray God to forgive and bless the person who has taken the judgment seat; (b) to be a better man and see to it that every criticism of his life, spirit, motive, or action, whether it comes from a wise man, or otherwise, saint, or sinner, shall be used as a means to lead him into deeper depths, and higher heights, of the love of God.

There were probably many stones thrown at Stephen which failed to hit him, but every stone that hit him brought him nearer heaven. So at last he saw Jesus, who had become so interested that He rose

to His feet, ready to take the hand of His servant, who had cut men to the heart with truth. The treatment ministered to Stephen proved the genuine quality of his religion to the world. With his wonderful prayer of eight words, "Lord, lay not this sin to their charge."

It has been said, "There are few clubs in the branches, nor stones under a fruitless tree." If we look at it from one viewpoint, criticism is a compliment, for there are so few men comparatively that do anything worthy of notice. Brother, if somebody gets after you with a thornbush, thank God that you have attracted some person's attention.

One with a clear blue sky between him and God has absolutely nothing to fear.

Stephen took time among the flying stones to give his testimony, when he said, "Behold I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing on the right hand of God."

TO REPEAL THE SCOTT ACT IN WESTMORLAND COUNTY.

Rev. H. C. Archer, of Fredericton, who is Secretary of the Executive of the Dominion Alliance for New Brunswick, has been in the city for a few days. While here Mr. Archer has visited several places in this county and he reports that petitions are already being circulated in the different parishes and he is sure that there will be no difficulty in securing 25 per cent. of the voters necessary to change the county from the Canada Temperance Act to the new Prohibition Law. When asked yesterday if it was necessary to secure these signatures, now that the Union Government had passed a Dominion Act to come in force on April 1st, 1918, he replied that he had made enquiries and found that unless this was done these counties would still be under the Scott Act. He reported that steps were being taken to circulate these petitions in the city and that soon the voters, both men and women, would be asked to sign them. Prohibition is working well in the counties where in force, and Westmorland cannot afford to be behind in the good work.—Moncton Times.

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THE OLD YEAR.

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Beautiful commendation.

The Church at Pergamos. Commended their works, recognized their situation, and faithfulness, but reproved for compromising on doctrines held by some of their members.

Thyatira. Commended for works, charity, service, faith, patience and works. The second works more than the first. But reproved for permitting erroneous teaching, which corrupted the church.

Sardis, had a name to live but were spiritually dead, but they had a faithful few.

Then came Philadelphia, a church of Brotherly Love, a church without rebuke, but was given a word of encouragement.

The Laodicean church had dropped out all that was "emotional" and was fearfully reproved for lukewarmness—wretched, miserable, poor, blind, and naked. "I counsel thee to (pay the price) to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear, and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve that thou mayest see."

Brother Pastors, let us measure by the things the Holy Spirit approves of, keeping all other things in their place according to their relative values.

As to the old year in world affairs, it has been a year of awful struggle, a year of awful carnage, of awful deeds, and testings quite beyond human endurance; of great disasters, and great achievements, but we gladly turn from it, and would draw a curtain behind up on 1917, with its unmeasured sufferings and human wreckage, and torn hearts, and look hopefully into a New Year, and pray that it might in its early months bring the glad news of world peace, even though it should require the return of our blessed Lord from heaven.

THE NEW YEAR.

It seems to us that all peoples will be peering into the New Year with intense interest.

God grant that it may bring healing to a bleeding world.

May it witness a world turning to God with a broken heart and contrite spirit.

May it bring world wide prohibition of the liquor manufacture and traffic, and all other enslaving and degrading forms of general sin.

May it also bring about the general abandonment of the filthy enslaving tobacco habit in all its forms; this may seem small, but it is one of the three great enslaving sins of the world—viz: Alcoholism, Tobacco and White Slavery.

Oh, Church of God, what shall 1918 be?

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