

A MINISTER WHO FAILED AND WHY.

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out that Christ ain't much more a Son of God than we be, when ye say that He was born liike any other man, and never really rose from the dead, that the miracles is all myth n' tradition n' folk-lore—whatever that may be—that they ain't nothin' in the atonement 'cept example n' teachin', that Christ was mistaken about they bein' a devil n' other things, n' when ye can't depend on what He said 'bout the futer of the impenitent—none of which has ben fetched into the church since ye come.

"Ye've jist preached a Johnny-be-good religion, n' ye've not made it clear what it is fer Johnny to be good, or what's a-goin' to help Johnny to be good, or how things is fixt so that Johnny can have peace here n' heaven hereafter, when he hain't ben good.

"Ye hain't told us sinners nothin' 'bout the Love and Grace of God that gave His Son to bear our sins in His own body on the tree, n' even when we've got down to the communion table, ye hain't showed us Christ Jesus evidently crucified before us."

At that my voice kind o' shook like, n' I couldn't say no more. N' Mr. Downs, he sort o'turned his head afay n' pulled out his hankercher fer somethin', n' went back to the parsonage, n' the next Sunday he read his resignation.

The brethring said I'd have to go to Presbity to speak fer the dissolution.

"No, ye don't," says I. "Ye sent me a year ago to push the call, n' now ye ain't a-goin' to send me to push the dissolution. I didn't get the Rev. Epton Downs fer ye, n' I'll have nothin' to do gittin' him away from ye."

So some o' the rest of 'em went, n' now it's all over n' we're tryin' to gather up the fragments that remain, that nothin' be lost, but we can't make out twelve baskets full. It's mighty hard pickin'.—Adapted from "The Christian Work."

ASTOUNDING FACTS!

Our annual tobacco expense would build four Panama canals.

A leech is instantly killed by sucking the blood of an habitual smoker.

Insurance companies estimate one-third of all loss by fire to be due to tobacco.

The tobacco habit was begun in America and has extended to every nation on earth.

Two thousand American boys begin the habit every day.

Our annual tobacco bill amounts to fifteen dollars per capita in America.

One and one-half million acres of American land are used to cultivate tobacco.

In 400 years the tobacco habit has fastened itself upon half the population of the world.

The manufacture of cigarettes increased 1500 per cent from 1902 to 1917.

Our tobacco bill is twice what it costs to maintain the United States Government.

There is enough nicotine in the average cigar to kill two men.

In Russia, Turkey and Persia, the use of tobacco has been at times punishable by death.

Among 412 young men examined by the naval enlisting officer at Peoria, Illinois, 298 were rejected.

Babies have been killed by breathing the tobacco smoe with which a smoker filled an unventilated room.

Dr. Clay reports the death of three children from the use of tobacco poultice applied to the scalp for scald-head.

"Prussic acid is the only substance more poisonous than nicotine."—M. Orfla, President Paris Medical Academy.

Clark College honors were granted in athletics and scholarship to smokers and non-smokers in the ratio of 16 to 58.

Scientific experiments at Ann Arbor found 24 to 44 per cent. less work done by muscle during the smoking of a cigar.

Tobacco has been known to produce a nervous condition similar to delirium tremens. Physicians call it tobacco tremens.

The ratio of the number of cases of color blindness in men to that of women is 50 to 1. Oculists say this is due to tobacco.

Six Canadian insurance companies find the mortality rate of smokers to increase in about the same proportion as that of drinkers.

One person working steadily for one hundred years could not count enough silver dollars to pay America's tobacco bill for one year.

The new slogan of the Anglo-American Tobacco Company is: "A cigarette in the mouth of every man, woman and child in China."

The Indians used to poison their arrows by dipping them into nicotine, thereby causing convulsions and often death from arrow wounds.

During nine years' study of students at Yale it was found that the lung capacity of non-smokers developed 77 per cent. more than that of smokers.

Statistics give the ratio of the number of smoking students having poor memory to those having poor memory who do not smoke at 38 to 1; lack of will power, 32 to 1.

The results of tryouts for football squads in a number of American colleges selected at random, showed 33 per cent. of tobacco users and 66 per cent. of non-users.

In the classification of Yale students by grades, tobacco was used by 25 per cent. of the class having the highest grades, 48 per cent. of the second, 70 per cent. of the third, and 85 per cent. of the fourth.

"Tobacco does not aid digestion, prevent lean people from getting too lean, nor stout people from getting stouter. It does not preserve the teeth, does not cure asthma, indigestion or any other disease. It does not do any of the beneficent things it is popularly believed to do. But we positively know that it causes heart disease, disease of the nerves and mucous membrane, and that it diminishes the possibilities of recovery from any disease." Dr. Matthew Woods, Philadelphia.

Look for the record breaking Missionary contributions in July 15th issue.

Life without thankfulness is devoid of love and passion. Hope without thankfulness is lacking in fine perception. Faith without thankfulness lacks strength and fortitude. Every virtue divorced from thankfulness is maimed, and limps along the spiritual road.—J. H. Jewett.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Dear Brother Baker:

I am dropping you a line to say we have six quilts made, one of them was made by Sister Clark's Mission Band girls, the others by the sisters of the church.

We are going to give five to Beulah and one for our future missionaries. The girls of Sister Clark's class have started another one for the missionaries. We are all well and looking forward to camp meetings, which will soon be here.

Praise the dear Lord for victory in my soul. He is sweeter than all the world to me.

MRS. G. S. COSMAN.

Dear Brother Baker:

Enclosed please find our renewal for the Highway. We always read its clean pages when it comes before looking at our other mail. It helps me when I read the testimonies of the brothers and sisters.

My testimony is that Jesus saves me from sin, and is keeping me by his power from being tempted above what I can bear. Praise his holy name for the cleansing blood and keeping power.

IRWIN C. BENSON.

Seal Cove, Grand Manan, N. B.

Sister Edith P. Deplissey in a letter says: I love the Highway as I do not get to any holiness meetings, it is the only food I get on that line. Oh, how I wish the ministers would write short sermons and have them printed in the Highway. I believe if they really knew how I would appreciate them they would do so, for I am hungering and thirsting for holiness meetings. Please pray for me that God will keep me true to him in these awful testing times.

GIPSY SMITH'S VIEWS.

There are others besides the Free Methodists who think it is wrong to hold fairs, festivals and such like devices for raising money to support the church. Among these are Rev. Gipsy Smith. He has not been backward in expressing himself upon the subject. The following is his view concerning the matter:

"I think it is a disarrangement when you have to have suppers to run your church's financial programs. The man who won't give fifty cents to God without being fed for it is not much of a Christian. When you have to have a supper to pay the pastor's salary, it is disarrangement. There are some churches that I could name that ought to have a stained glass window with a chicken in the center, or an oyster, and it wouldn't be a bad idea if we had special prayers made for the chickens and the oysters and a special day set apart in our saints' calendar, for they have built more churches and renovated more churches than anything else I know of. You show me a church that runs her financial policy on bazaars and suppers and I will show you a disarranged church. Do you think I would insult my mother by giving her a present that I had bought with the money that had been raised by a few friends coming to my home and paying for a supper that I had prepared? No, and I wouldn't insult God that way either."

Tearing boards from a building makes a very different sound than putting them on.