

Temperance Column

Wine is a mocker. Strong drink is raging; whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise. Proverb 1-20.

It seems that many countries are again doomed to a scourge of drunkenness. God only knows for how long a time. Countries that have had prohibitory laws and were profited much by them for several years past, are now returning to the legalized sale of liquor again. If we can believe newspaper reports, Iceland has very recently voted for the repeal of their prohibition law. The report says that in some districts the vote for repeal was approved by a ratio of more than two to one. I see also that the United States government is expecting a five hundred million dollar revenue in taxes from the legalized sale of liquor, in the first year after the repeal of their prohibitory law—the 18th Amendment. That means that the government expects the people of the U. S. to drink at least two million gallons of liquor, and that is not including what the bootleggers sell, nor the home brew, nor what the rum-runners handle, which will mean probably that the enormous sum of fifteen hundred million dollars will be spent for strong drink by the people of the U. S. in a year. It makes the heart grow faint when one thinks of this tremendous waste of money that could be used to evangelize the world. Besides what that will mean in suffering blood tears, wrecked homes and lives, characters and souls. It seems that the craze for money has caused nations and men to lose all sense of mercy or justice. The Apostle was surely right in saying that "The love of money is the root of all evil, which while some coveted after they have erred from the faith and pierced themselves through with many sorrows." Of course it is the depression that has made the change in the voters. They are told by the politicians that if the governments can collect a revenue in taxes from the sale of liquor, that the taxes on other things in general won't be so high. But it has not worked out that way in Canada, where we have had government-sale for several years now, for taxes and cost of living have increased and the governments are still running farther into debt. I read in a daily paper lately that Premier Geo. S. Henry, of Ontario, and Hon. H. C. Schofield have promised that at the next election they will go to the voters of Ontario with a beer and wine policy that will satisfy all. That sounds just like the cheap talk that politicians make. The Ontario government can't work miracles yet. I don't know of course what the nature of their policy will be, but I do believe that while they no doubt will find many in Ontario who are in sympathy with the legal sale of wine and beer, they will also find a host of temperance people who will vote against any form of legalized sale of intoxicating beers and wines.

H. S. DOW

THE CURSE OF GOD IS ON IT

Judge C. C. Featherstone of South Carolina recently denounced the effort to make it appear that prohibition was responsible for all the ills of the day. He said: "I remember before prohibition that all the courts were filled with cases of those charged with making and selling liquor illicitly. I consider the prohibition law far superior to any other system of dealing with the liquor traffic the state has ever had." And then he added, "The curse of Almighty God is upon liquor."

JANE ADDAMS' WORD FOR IT

Jane Addams, founder and superintendent of Hull House, Chicago, says:

"Here around Hull House we used to watch whiskey and beer being left at saloons by the drayload. The poverty and suffering from drink were appalling. There is such a difference now that it seems like another world. Our poor are moving away into better places. The whole standard of life is rising for them. Drinking has decreased, and so has our work of rehabilitating families to deal with. The stuff folks get now makes them uglier, but its evils are offset by the difficulties of getting it. I would not see the old system again for anything."—Pentecostal Herald.

"There is no sound authority for the claim that restoration of the breweries will aid business; in fact, the best economists are a unit in declaring that the beer industry will act as a depressant on other industries, particularly the soft drink and dairy industries."—Selected.

"Whiskey is expensive; it costs a man his dollars and his sense."—Selected.

A GREAT REMOVER

It is stated that alcohol will remove stains from summer clothes. This is correct. It will also remove:

The summer clothes.

The winter clothes.

The spring clothes.

The fall clothes—not only from the back of the man who drinks it, but his wife and children as well.

A good reputation.

A man's business.

A man's friends.

A happy look from children's faces.

A prosperous man to a pauper's grave.

A man from respectable society to the

A man from the highway of heaven to the penitentiary.
road to hell.—The Gideon.

The annual convention of the New Brunswick Temperance Alliance will be held in Fraser Memorial Hall, St. Paul's United Church of Canada, Fredericton, on Wednesday, Nov. 8th. The Executive will meet at 10 o'clock and the general sessions at 11 a. m., 2 and 8 p. m. All temperance organizations, churches and Sunday schools are invited to send representatives.

ALCOHOL IS—

A Disturber, causing contention, strife and disorder.

A Murderer—alias a life-giver—who deals out death.

A Kidnapper, stealing boys from their homes, and enslaving free men.

A Poisoner, whose victims die in dire delirium.

A Tyrant, ruling by a grasping habit that will not be thrown off.

A Traitor who daily betrays the flag of the land.

A Despoiler of health, happiness, home, country.—Sel.

The mightiest man that ever lived could not deliver himself from his sins. If a man could have saved himself, Christ would never have come into the world.

OBITUARY

Thomas V. Fawcett

On Sept. 26th the death of Thomas V. Fawcett occurred at the home of his sister, Mrs. Fred Lutz, Wheaton Mills. The deceased was 69 years of age. He is survived by his wife and two daughters, one sister and two brothers, also one half-sister and one half-brother.

The funeral service was on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 30th, at Fawcett Hill. Rev. Mr. Curry, U. B., had charge of the service.

Mary Hutchins

Mary Hutchins, aged 55 years, passed away at her home at Head of Millstream, on Oct. 12th, after a lingering illness. She is survived by one son, Carl, and one daughter, Mrs. Ambrose McWilliams, and five sisters. Funeral service was on Friday afternoon, Oct. 13th, conducted by the writer.

H. E. MULLEN

MARRIED

Mullen-Gavel

At the home of the bride's parents at Hillsdale, N. S., on Monday p. m., Sept. 4th, Miss Josephine Gertrude, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Gavel, was united in marriage to Mr. Edmund Leslie Mullen, of Easton, N. S. The marriage was solemnized by Rev. H. C. Mullen, a cousin of the groom.

A large circle of friends join in wishing the young couple a long and happy life.

H. E. MULLEN

Note.—In some way unaccountable this notice failed to reach the last Highway along with others. Will the parties please accept apology?—H. C. M.

MULLEN-GAVEL

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harris Gavel, Edmund L. Mullen, of Easton, N. S., and Miss Josephine Gavel, of Hillsdale, N. S., were united in marriage by H. C. Mullen, on the afternoon of Sept. 3rd, in the presence of the immediate family only.

H. C. MULLEN.

SAYINGS OF GREAT MEN

What maintains one vice would bring up two children. Remember, many a mickle makes a muckle; and further, beware of little expenses. A small leak will sink a great ship.—Franklin.

We shall never acquire any great capacity for joy, the blessed peace of God will never possess our mind and heart, as long as we shrink from self-denial.—A. March.

Earn all you can; save all you can; give all you can. This, I think, was John Wesley's saying. It embodies much of his shrewd sense and consecration. Some take firstly and secondly, but thirdly is too much for them; giving goes against the grain.—Spurgeon.

The moment you accept God's ordering, that moment your work ceases to be a task and becomes your calling; you pass from bondage to freedom, from the shadow-land of life into life itself.—H. Clay Trumbull.

Be good, get good, and do good. Do all the good you can; to all the people you can; in all the ways you can; as often as you can; and as long as you can.—Spurgeon.

There are two freedoms—the false, where a man is free to do what he likes; the true, where a man is free to do what he ought.—Charles Kingsley.