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EDITORIAL

The wicked shall be turned into hell with all the nations that forget God. Psalm 9-17.

It would be making the psalmist talk nonsense here in the words of the above scripture, to say that the word hell means the grave. It is true that Sheol the Hebrew word translated hell does in many places mean the grave or the place or state of the dead. But here it is very clear that the writer is speaking of punishment because of the character of those of whom he is speaking, viz., the wicked and God forgetting nations. The bodies of all men, the righteous as well as the wicked, go down into the grave so why would the Psalmist consign only the wicked to hell if he only means the grave? The word hell as used by Jesus in the New Testament signifies a place of awful suffering of fire and brimstone where the worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched. He used such terms as are intended to warn and powerfully instruct and terrify the most carnal man.

The above verse of scripture was strongly impressed on my mind a few days ago when I read in the papers of some radical changes that had been made in state laws of Maine.

Maine, which has had a prohibition law since 1851, before the Civil War, voted in their last election about 2 to 1 to repeal the 18th amendment; and also that good old state which had such a strong law to protect and preserve the Lord's Day, has in some municipalities quite lately voted to suspend that law so that Sunday may now be used as a day of sport, etc. Of course some will say that these laws were not enforced so why keep them on the statute books? The same may be said of all laws prohibiting crime of all kinds. Men still steal, and kill and rob their fellowmen in spite of the laws which say they shall not do such things. Then shall we vote to have these laws repealed and let criminals go free? You say no; let there be a better enforcement of our laws; and you are right, and that is what should have been done not only in Maine in reference to the prohibition and Sunday laws, but also in our own country. Instead of our government going into the rum-selling business, it should have put its strong arm to work enforcing the prohibition law when we had one.

But the politicians say, men want the rum and we need the revenue to pay the running expenses of our governments. So we will sell them the drink and take their money that

should go to feed, clothe and educate their families; and we will use it to pay the big salaries of other men who sit around and do nothing much but drink free booze and smoke expensive cigars, while little children all over the country and helpless women suffer for the necessities of life. It would be well for these law makers and also all the voters who put them in office to remember that God still has a lively interest in the welfare of the poor and needy and He will bring these God-forgetters into judgment, and also He says they shall be turned into hell. I know that there are many godly people both in the state of Maine as well as in our own Dominion who are greatly grieved over the present liquor law and the loss of the prohibition law; and because there seems to be so little that we can do at the present time. But let us not be discouraged, good people. Let us continue to cry nightly to our God who has promised to avenge his own elect who cry day and night unto Him.

Though He bear long with them, Luke 18-7. The nations of the world at the present time are getting a taste of hell in this life. In their distress and confusion in economic life many so called big business men have committed suicide. And the heads of governments are suspicious and afraid of each other, for while they run to and fro and hold peace conferences and talk about disarmament they are enlarging their armies and navies and getting ready for war which is sure to come when they get ready for it. It does not take much of an excuse to start a fight when men are ready. Only a crack of a pistol was needed to start the last world war, and all the nations were plunged into hell, for as one has said, "War is hell." And it comes when nations forget God as they are surely doing at the present time.

MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENCE

August 17, 1933

To The King's Highway

Family and Friends

Dear Friend: Greetings in His wonderful name, That name that brings victory and comfort to all the children of God. The name of Jesus. How wonderful it is to know Him and His power to save and to keep.

Since our last letter we have been called to pass through the valley, but in our sorrow and anxiety His grace and power has been with us. Praise Him.

On the thirteenth day of July a baby came to us a baby girl "still born". You can well understand our sorrow. In addition Faith was almost at the point of death but it has pleased God to spare her to us and we are trusting Him to restore her speedily to health and strength again. For a whole month she has been in a critical condition. We are trusting that she is out of danger now.

For three weeks we battled and prayed but then saw she must be taken to a hospital for although we had the Sterritt sisters and one of the best doctors in the vicinity, we seemed only to be marking time. Accordingly arrangements were made to take her to Durban where they could better handle such a critical case as hers had become.

We cannot say enough to begin even to show our gratefulness to the Sterritt sisters for their devotion and painstaking care of Faith at this time, all that a nurse or doctor could do was done but it required a hospital for the proper things to work with in such an hour. The spirit of de-

votion and love shown when all the strength was being used up in their care meant so much, words fail us to tell. Miss Helen was with us until she saw us on the train for Durban. Miss Alice spent a few days with us at first then left her sister to carry on here while she returned to Altona to attend to the work alone in the station and outpost.

I spent a week in Durban where I could visit Faith daily. The sisters took the children to their home and are keeping them until Faith is better. The children love them and are very happy there, as happy as it is possible for children to be, without their mother.

Since I returned we had our Big Sunday at Emtogwane and had a good meeting next Sunday D.V. we will have Big Sunday at Altona. We are going to have a meeting in Alfred Motulis tomorrow D. V. We are so glad to report good meetings and souls giving themselves to the Lord. Six gave themselves last Sunday at Paulenis church and good results are being had in most places.

The spirit of love and devotion shown by these natives is most gratifying and touching, when we are in trouble or sorrow. The first white funeral in this station, the first little grave, our first break all to sad sad, but we know that God "doeth all things well" and we say Amen to His will. We trust He can fit us to be better servants of His through our sorrow. He was made perfect through suffering, may we become more like Him is our prayer.

I am not going to tell of the kindness of the doctor here nor of the doctor and all white and black nurses in the hospital. I do want to mention the kindness of the stationmaster and railroad conductors in giving us a private compartment on the train to Durban without any extra expense and their kindness all along the way.

I trust to see Faith next week. I must return workers to their fields, one beyond Durban the others to Altona, and it will cost less to go by outo than to take the train, so I am expecting to go on Tuesday.

I trust you are all seeing victory in your fields in the Homeland. We are looking for news from Beulah next post. We trust that you are having a good camp at Riverside this week. Keep on praying, we have much to trust Him for—money to carry us through in these days and strength to push on as never before, for souls are looking for something real and nothing but salvation will satisfy.

We thank you all for your support in the past, both your prayers and money. We are sure you would think it was time and money well spent if you could see as we do—souls once in blackest darkness now in Christ and truly walking in light.

Yours in Him,

D. M. MacDONALD

ALCOHOL IS—

A Mocker, saying "Good Cheer," but leading men to prison.

A Cheat, receiving much value, but returning none.

A Liar, promising to warm and strengthen, but sapping life instead.

A Bandit, despoiling laborers of the profits of their toil.

A Debaucher whose haunt is hung with obscene pictures.

A Thief, robbing the till of every honest merchant.

A Corrupter, making mankind worse, and never better.