

Temperance Column

Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging. Whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.—Prov. 1:20.

THE SUCCESS OF REPEAL

The "Evangelical Messenger" has compiled some notes showing the success of repeal. They are interesting:

"There was a decline of 37,360,000 quarts of milk consumed in New York (in 1933; beer year) as compared with 1932 (dry). During 1934 there was a further decline of 59,160,000 quarts consumed.—Milk Research Council, Inc., New York City.

"The National Safety Council reports an increase of 29 per cent in the number of traffic fatalities in which 'drinking' drivers are involved, and 53 per cent in the cases involving 'drinking' pedestrians—Public Safety Magazine, February, 1935.

"It is estimated that during 1934 John Barleycorn was responsible for twenty-four traffic deaths every day of the year, with a monetary loss of nearly \$8,500 every minute.—American Business Men's Research Foundation.

"President Roosevelt was evidently mistaken when he said repeal would balance the budget. For the year ending June 30, 1935, there is a deficit of \$3,575,000,000. The total deficit since repeal aggregates over nine billion dollars.—Minneapolis Tribune, July 3, 1935."

LIQUOR AND DEATH ON THE HIGHWAYS

A report of the alarming increase of accidents and death in traffic appearing in a recent issue of the "Detroit News" has been sent to us by Mrs. Ray Fales of Detroit, from which the following statements are quoted. They refer to the city of Detroit, but doubtless could be duplicated in every large city in the United States.

"An increase of 180 per cent in Detroit fatal accidents among motorists who had been drinking has alarmed police officials.

"A comparison of 'drinking drivers' in motor vehicle accidents in Detroit during the 27 months since hard liquor returned, with an equal period immediately preceding repeal of the Prohibition Amendment, showed that:

"1. Drinking-motorist accidents have been increasing each year since repeal at an alarming degree.

"2. The 180 per cent boost in fatalities caused by imbibing drivers is out of all proportion to the 4 per cent rise in the general motor vehicle fatality rate of the city.

"3. Drinking drivers in injury accidents increased by 166 per cent, while the injury-accident total jumped only 12 per cent.

"4. More pedestrians, too, paid with their lives for a few drinks, the fatality toll rising by 3 1-2 per cent, while drinking-pedestrian accidents jumped by 82 per cent.

"5. The percentage of court convictions in drunk driving cases since repeal is slightly under the prohibition-era ratio, although there has been an increase of 110 per cent in arrests for this offense.

Police Commissioner Pickert said fatal accidents caused by drink have risen nearly three times above the prohibition era.—Wesleyan Methodist.

OBITUARY

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."—Revelation 14:13.

Mrs. Walter Travis

A wide circle of friends will regret to hear of the death of Mrs. Walter Travis at her home in Brookdale, on Friday, June 12th.

Mrs. Travis had been in poor health for some time and for several weeks she had been confined to her bed. She was a woman of fine personality and much esteemed by all who knew her, and her passing at the age of 48 years leaves a great blank in the home and community in which she lived.

The funeral was held from her late home on Monday afternoon, June 15th, at 2.30 o'clock. The large attendance of friends and neighbors bore testimony to the high esteem in which she was held.

The service was in charge of Rev. Dr. Craft, of Immanuel Church, Amherst. The Baptist and United Choirs sang "Abide with Me," "As the Day Breaks," and "What a Friend We have in Jesus." Misses Jean and Hilda Doyle sang very feelingly, "Sometime we'll understand," and Mr. Carl Messenger rendered a solo, "Have Thine Own Way." There were many beautiful floral tributes, also letters and cards of sympathy.

Besides her father, Mr. Robert Jones, of Tidnish Bridge, she is survived by her husband, four brothers and four sisters. Her brothers are William, of Amherst; Harold, of Stanley; Delmer, of Truro; Ardelle, of Springfield, Ill. The sisters are Mrs. John Rockwell, of Windsor, Ont.; Mrs. John Fish, of Lansing, Mich.; Mrs. Harvey Delaney, of Athol, and Miss Vera Jones, Reg. N., of Brookdale, who tenderly cared for her during her illness.

Much sympathy is extended to those bereaved.

Mrs. George Somers passed away at her home at Victoria Corner on Monday, June 1. About ten days previous she fell and broke her arm. She seemed to be recovering nicely, but on May 31st suffered a stroke and lived but a few hours.

The late Mrs. Somers was twice married, her first husband, Walter W. York predeceasing her about seventeen years ago. Her second husband survives as do one son, Gordon York, Rosedale, and two sisters, Mrs. W. P. Hatch, Auburn, Me., and Mrs. W. L. Purvis, Saint John. Two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Joseph York, Victoria, and Mrs. Samuel York, Hartfield, and several nieces and nephews also survive.

The late Mrs. Somers was a member of the Victoria Reformed Baptist Church, where the funeral service was held. Rev. J. A. Owens conducted the service assisted by Rev. O. W. Shaw, Lic. Ronald Noble and Rev. Lee Good. Music was furnished by a Hartland quartette.

Interment was made in the family lot in Victoria.

Brother Albert Babcock, one of the oldest residents of North Head, N. B., passed away on Tuesday, June 2nd, in the ninety-first year of his age. He was born at Wilson's Beach, N. B., May 3rd, 1846, and was the son of the late Rev. Freeman Babcock, a well known Free Christian minister. He was the last surviving member of a family of fourteen. He came to Grand Manan early in life and married Miss Althea Small, daughter of the late James Small, who predeceased him in 1892. Brother Babcock was converted early in life

and united with the Baptist Church—later when the Holiness work was established here, he was among the first to accept the teaching, and united with the Reformed Baptist Church and was a very consistent and worthy member, always in his place and ready to do all he could to further the work of Holiness. His sickness lasted over a period of months, but he was not confined to his bed only a few weeks. It was our privilege to have known our brother for more than forty years, having been his pastor on three different occasions. It was also our privilege to visit him often during his late illness, and always found him trusting in his Master and confident that He would be with him until the end. He leaves to mourn their loss, two daughters, Mrs. John Morrison and Mrs. Thomas Morgan, with whom he made his home during the past few years.

The funeral service was held on Friday and was conducted by his pastor.

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IS SANCTIFICATION GRADUAL OR INSTANTANEOUS?

Rev. William McDonald tells of the incident of an aged servant of the Lord who arose in a meeting and testified, saying, "I believe in a gradual work. I am expecting it gradually." The following conversation then took place:

"How long have you been seeking?"

"About seventy years," responded the old pilgrim.

"Have you received it yet?"

"No, I cannot say that I have, but I am seeking and trust God will give it to me before I die. This is my faith."

"Seventy years! and not received it yet. How much longer do you think it will require to gain this prize of perfect love?"

"I do not know. I am looking that God may give it to me."

"How much nearer does the blessing seem to you than when you commenced, seventy years ago?"

"I cannot say that it appears any nearer; but I am hoping and trusting that God will yet fully save me."

"Now, beloved, if I had been seventy years getting nowhere, in the gradual line, by the grace of God I would try the instantaneous, and see if I could not get somewhere.

He came to the altar as a seeker of heart purity, and when he arose from the altar he said, "As far as the east is from the west, so far has God removed my transgressions from me." The Lord had saved him by faith alone.—Herald of Holiness.

SEVEN SOCIAL EVILS

The famous preacher of Westminster Abbey, Canon Donaldson, declared recently that the seven social evils of the time are:

Politics without principle.

Wealth without work.

Pleasure without conscience.

Knowledge without character.

Commerce and industry without morality.

Science without humanity.

Worship without sacrifice.

"Instead of using science for the salvation of men, it is being used for their destruction," says Canon Donaldson.

"In the last great war the world was left pallid with terror at the things it had done. It now trembles with deeper terror at things that may come to pass."—Selected.

He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him betimes. Prov. 13:24.