

"Remember now thy Creator in
the days of thy youth."

—ECCLES. 12:1

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

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EDITORIAL

LIFE'S INCLINATIONS

"Incline my heart unto thy testimonies."
Ps. 119:36.

"Incline not my heart to any evil thing."
Ps. 141:4.

These scripture verses suggest two definite moral inclinations, the good and the evil. Our lives move in the direction of one or the other according to the dominant inclination within.

The proverb says that as the twig is bent so the tree is inclined. It is also evident that water runs in the direction of the slope. Similarly, the trend of our life today is an indication of our character tomorrow. "Life's tendencies are prophecies of its attainments." Man will remain as small as his ruling passion, and become as great as his legitimate, dominant desire. There probably was no harm in Lot pitching his tent toward Sodom, but that act was an index to his basic inclinations. The dominant bias of Daniel's heart was revealed by his praying toward Jerusalem. Every life has its master motive.

It is of tremendous importance that we have right inclinations. Christian and Pliable both fell in the Slough of Despond, but only Christian crawled out on the side of the Celestial City. His inclination was so strong for the right that nothing was going to stop him. There is no disgrace in **getting in** the Slough. Anyone might do that. Disgrace is attached when one **stays in**, or crawls out on the wrong side. A fall doesn't determine success or failure in life; it's our attitude to failure that makes or breaks us. A man needs only to succeed once—the last time he tries. It is important then, to have a strong, all-consuming passion for final good.

There is only one way to acquire an inclination to the good, and that is from God. We have heard about "the expulsive power of a new affection." The heart will be inclined to the good only as the malignant bent to sin is removed by the infilling of the Holy Spirit.

With the life of God in the soul, the inclinations will be Godward. The outward life will take on characteristics in harmony with the inward, for with the heart right, the life will be right.

May we as young people have our lives set in the right direction **now** while we **are** young, so that our loves will yield the best possible service to God and man.

GOOD RALLY ON DISTRICT NO. 4

The Young People's Rally of District No. 4 was held at Port Maitland, N. S., Sept. 13-16, with Rev. F. A. Watson as special speaker. Paul Mullen was our guest singer. Others assisting in the singing were Rev. and Mrs. H. S. Mullen, Mrs. Raymond Smith, Mrs. Ronald Sabine and Bruce Brigeo.

At a business meeting on Saturday afternoon the following district officers were elected: President, Rev. Ronald Sabine; vice-president, Jeanette Sears; Secretary, Muriel Smith; Treasurer, Lillian Smith. A very interesting talk was given to us by our president.

Sunday was a full day which started out

with a "love feast." Two seekers found help during the evening service.

All the services throughout the rally were good and many received spiritual help along their journey to heaven.

MURIEL SMITH, Secy.

SOCIETY LETTER

Royalton, N. B.

Dear Young People:

Before Beulah we had a few Young People's Meetings with good attendance and interest. Since that time we have been able to reorganize our society with four active members and seven associate members. Our officers are as follows:

President—Marion Jensen.

Vice-Pres.—Lona Wade.

Secretary—Dorothy Kimball.

Treasurer—Erma Crawford.

One of our members was saved just before Beulah Camp and another since. Many of our group have pledged to the self-denial fund, and we are praying that God will send a revival among our young people.

DOROTHY KIMBALL, Secy.

YOUTH IN ACTION

For our **Youth in Action** column today we reprint a few paragraphs from a recent article by Mrs. H. C. Morrison: **What About Our Youth?** The article is a challenge for greater interest in the young people of our land.

"We are in the midst of what is designated 'Youth Movement,' the object of which is to enlist the youth of our land in the service of the Lord Jesus Christ by having rallies to assemble our young people to hear discussed the things that pertain to a more wholesome, spiritual life.

The fact that these gatherings are being largely attended indicates the interest our young people are taking in such meetings, and they are eager to do what they may in order to better experiences and Christian activity. Our young people are alert, interested in what is going on; they are reading, thinking, and with proper leadership, would enter the kingdom of God and become powers for the moral uplift and salvation of the world.

If we can have meetings where the young will be glad to see their need, where they will become convicted of their wrongs, and be willing to put away their sins and give their hearts to the Lord, really knowing what it is to be "born again," this would mean something that would not only remedy the evils practiced among the young people, but would put them to work as soul winners to bring others into the fold of Christ.

Many of our young people have no religious influences to restrain them from the paths of wickedness. They have many things to encounter that those of us who are older did not have when we were young. And the fact that in the saloon, and worse, the restaurants, hotels, and drug-stores, in fact almost everywhere, they have access to strong drink, makes the pathway of youth hazardous indeed.

Let's do away with our criticism and pray

and work to rescue our young people from the avalanche of evil that seeks to engulf them on every hand. What our young people are today, will determine what our nation will be tomorrow. The prospect is not very auspicious, is it? Let's save our young people by getting rid of that which seeks their destruction—the Saloon! A bar to heaven; a door to hell!"

WHAT HOLINESS MEANS TO THE DAILY LIFE

"Be ye holy, for I am holy." I. Peter 1:16.

It means the most utter faithfulness.

The most transparent truthfulness.

The most decided honesty.

It means every word you speak perfectly true.

It means you never flatter or slander anyone.

You never try to convey a false impression.

That you are all through alike, in business, in religion, in the home life.

It means you set yourself to bring every thought into harmony with the will of God.

It means you will do to others as you would be done by.

It means purest chastity.

"Without holiness no man shall see the Lord."—Hebrews 12:14.—Selected.

JUST FOR TODAY

Why forecast the trials of life

With such sad and grave persistence,

And look and watch for a crowd of ills

That as yet have no existence?

Strength for today is all that we need,

For we never will see tomorrow;

When it comes the morrow will be today,

With its measures of joy or sorrow.

—Selected

SIN

A little sin will shake your trust and disturb your peace more than the greatest sufferings: yea, in those sufferings, your assurance and joy in God will grow and abound most if sin be kept out. So much sin as gets in, so much peace will go out.—R. Leighton.

THE WALK OF FAITH

We walk by faith and not by sight,

Faith leads us on through darkest gloom

And whispers, do not fear the night

For I will guide you safely Home.

Oh, blessed faith, thy comfort sweet

Doth keep us calm while billows roar

And tho' the angry waves are deep

We see the Beacon on before.

We wak by faith and not by sight,

God's promises are ever sure,

And faith will guide us through the night

Where fears and doubtings are no more.

Oh, weary heavy-burdened soul,

Have faith in God for He knows best,

And faith will cause your fears to cease

And bring sweet peace and perfect rest.

—Isabelle Pfaff