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drinking, bout, and prompt them to "testify "that they are utterly delivered from all the consequences of, as well as from the appetite for, strong drink; that they feel for it nothing but loarthing, and could leave it untouched though it flowed around them like water.

We have sometimes thought that a medical analysis of the stomach, nerves, and brain of these bold "testifiers" would give the lie to their words, and that while with God even the miracle of new-creating these vitiated life-organs is possible, too many mistake the temporary lull of a satiated appetite and the expulsive glow of a new affection, nev interests, new strength, and new purposes, for the complete destruction of that hydra-headed monster whom only the constant pressure of the Almighty Hand can reserve in chains all the final destruction of all evil, that good may reign triumphant and God be all in all. Smistaking, they are unaware of any further danger, cease to be watchful, do not look to the Almighty Hand, and, as an inevitable consequence, fall under the pressure of the Almighty Hand, and, as an inevitable consequence, fall under the pressure of or adden temptation, or before the resistless force of a returning appetite, which demands full compensation for the time during which it has been kept out of its own, and taking with it seven other spirits makes the state of that swept and garnished dwelling sevenfold worse than it was at the first.

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Suppose we assume, as do many of our modern philosophers, that because in the beginning "God made the heavens and the earth," they are therefore competent to fulfil their appointed revolutions and bring forth all the repeated wonders of seed-time and harvest without interference to the end of time, and so believing, request the withdrawal of the hand "which upholdeth all things by the word of its power," how long would it be before chaos had taken the place of the beautiful harmony of the universe! would it be before chaos had taken the place of the beautiful harmony of the universe? As in the natural realm of creation, so in that spiritual process which we denominate the new birth; and, therefore, while holding strongly to the old formulas of saintly perseverance, we believe it to consist in a constant persevering looking unto Jesus, rather than a dependence upon the most brilliant conversion as a thing of the past; and so to the daily prayer, "lead us not into temptation," we would add the oft-repeated caution, "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall."

But this digression is a sermon which any

"I always thought we were too hasty and reasonable writer expects the majority of his readers to skip. That they may be caught with guile, therefore, and in some sort forced to take in the thought in less officed to take in the thought was one of the converts only the take the fellow is, said another; the was one of the converts of the take the fellow is, and another; the was one of the converts of the take the fellow is and the fellow is and the fellow is and the fellow is and the fellow is an another the fellow is an anoth

earth no such spectacle of embodied selfishmes as that of a man daily blighting the lives of those living with, and depending the time and means on which they have a claim in sensal agratification or in the purchase of that low-horn and easily-carned popular theorem of the living which wins for the treater the reputation of "a good fellow." But the second is a much on the low-horn and easily-carned popular to the living which wins for the treater the reputation of "a good fellow." But the second is a most one serious consideration, because of the blessed truth of which it is an almormal development, i.e. that "the blood of Jesus Christ, that "the blood of Jesus Christ, and find not only pavlon and peace, but deliverance from the eight is addinces were mostly fresh ones, and not need the least of the living and post of the living and peace, but deliverance from the eight is power, our earnest temperance workers and exampled support of the living bout, and prompt them to "test is power, our earnest temperance workers and exampled support of the living bout, and prompt them to "test is power, our earnest temperance workers and the consequences of, as well as from the appetite for, strong drink; that they fee for it nothing but tortion, and the consequences of, as well as from the like water.

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"He's drunk!"

As in the olden times, there was no pitying sympathy anywhere for Ernest Adler.
The greater the adulation given to the
"reformed" orator, the greater the sense of
shame and mortification in those who had
given it; and still, as in the olden time, no
one seemed to see his own part in the exaltation of a very weak, temptable mortal to
the dizzy pinnacle from which it was so easy
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"What a shameful thing," said the President of the T.A.B. Society, to another of the committee, "just when we were gaining so much ground too; the Temper-ance cause will be thrown backward ten years by such an unfortunate occur-rence,"

rence,"
"I always thought we were too hasty in taking Adler up," said another, who had

What is the brain ?

The brain is a soft, gray and white mass nclosed in the skull. Of what is this white mass made? It is made of the same material as the

nerves.

What relation does the brain bear to the nerves which are found throughout the

ody?
The brain is the centre of the whole nerous system of organized life.
Do these nerves of the body connect with
the brain?
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the blood.

When alcohol is taken into the stomach hat immediately follows?

The nerves which are in the lining of the omach, telegraph instantly its presence to

Is this all?

It is not. The stomach rids itself of it as soon as possible, by sending it out of itself and mainly into the blood.

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What then becomes of it?

The disturbed heart, sympathizing in the nervous agitation, with its rapid strokes, forces it all over the body.

What effect has the alcohol as it passes through the body?

It irritates the inner surface of all the blood-vessels.

What portion of the blood-vessels does it.

What portion of the blood-vessels does it irritate most ?

It irritates most those portions that are ost tender and sensitive.

Where are the blood-vessels which are the

ost tender and sensitive located?

In the brain.

What is the effect of this irritation?

Always unnatural action and frequently seases, that embitter life and often de-

HINTS TO TEACHERS ON THE CUR-

(From Peloubet's S lect Notes.) April 1.—Acts 8: 14-25.

ILLUSTRATIVE.

It might have been ten months after the utterance of the remark which closed our last chapter that the name of Ernest Adler appeared in large letters upon the programme of a platform meeting to be held apon a certain evening in the town of B——. A large audience had gathered, for the speaker was very poular, and multitudes were always glad to hear what had to say.

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His rapid and eloquent, if slightly florid, and grace that mightly swayed an audience, and he was an adept in that fascinating art of drawing forth smiles or tears at will. His fine personal appearance, which, under the wos successful physicians, Sobriety and Happiness, he was rapidly regaining, added greatly to the effect of his words, as did also

Neunder.

2. True joy differs from false, as the spring sunshine differs from the lamps in a scene of midnight revelry.

3. The wonders of false religions excite astonishment and awaken curiosity; the wonders of Christianity are for the blessing of men and the saving of the soul from sin.

4. Verse 14. The Gospel makes snemies love each other, and breaks down the barriers which pride and nationality have built up.

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5. Verse 15. The great blessing for the Christian is the gift of the Holy Spirit.

6. Verse 18. Bad men think all men have as bad hearts as they.

7. One who knows the truth is not equal to one who loves the truth.—India Proverb.

8. Note the test of true conversion in the motives. The false convert ever seeks self-advancement; the true conversion the good of others.

good of others.

9. Verse 20. The best things can never be purchased—love, faith, truth; they can only

Do these nerves of the body connect with the brain?

They do. They run from every part of the body to the brain.

Is the brain supplied with blood like the other parts of the body?

It is; and some of the veins through which the blood passes are as fine as the threads of a spider's web.

How is the brain easily reached?

The brain is easily reached through the nerves, and through the stomach by means of the blood.

When alcohol is taken into the stomach when alcohol is taken into t 12. There is an unpardonable sin, because there is a sin which will not be repented of. 13 Ver. 24. They who mock at the mercy of God by their hypocrisy in such seasons of privilege, are in special danger of becoming aggravated sinners.—Taylor.
14. False repentance is sorrow, not for the sin, but for the punishment.

SUGGESTIONS TO TEACHERS.

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This lesson cannot be understood except by going back to the previous verses. There is much that can be taught here on the nature of true faith and conversion. The subject may be true and false conversion contrasted. (1) First contrast—of men. Philip and the believing Samaritans on the one hand, and Simon on the other. (2) Second contrast—of works, verse 14-17: the useless wonders of Simon; and the gift of the Holy Ghost, with its healings and casting out of devils, and saving of men. (3) Third contrast—of heart. Simon still selfish—believing with mind, and not with heart—and Philip and the apostles loving and serving Christ.

## POINTS FOR TEACHERS.

Be punctual in your class every Sunday at the appointed time.
 Make special preparations for your lesson, so as to be able to explain and il-

lustrate it.

3. Cordially greet each scholar, not only in the class but wherever you meet him.

4. Look after all absent scholars, and ascertain why they are absent, and secure their

certain why they are return.

5. Make special efforts to obtain new scholars, and encourage the members of your class to do the same.

6. Go home with a new scholar and get acquainted. Visit each scholar of your class often. Take an interest in him, and he will