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HOW A CLERGYMAN WAS CURED OF USING TOBACCO.

About forty years ago Mr. John Tap-pan, one of those genuine philanthropists for which Boston was noted a half century since, lived in an elegant mansion on Summer street. He had retired from active business, but had fitted up an office in his house, where he recived business calls. He was a scrupulously neat man and had a particular abhorrence of th use of tobacco in any form. He was as strong in his antipathy to its use as he was to the use of ardent spirits. The surroundings of his office were to the minutest particular indicative of the individual man. One of the leading avenues through which went out his benevolence was that of aiding indigent churches and helping impecuious clergymen. On one occasion a well-known clergyman of Vermont came to Boston to obtain aid for his church. He called on good old Deacon Proctor then a leading hardware merchant, and made known his wants. The good deacon took him to the residence of Mr. Tappan introduced him and left. On being invited to take a seat, the clergyman put into his mouth a huge quid of tobacco. Looking around to see where he should expectorate, he saw an open coal fire, but the bars of the grate were polished steel. This wouldn't do.

Next his attention was directed to a copper coal-scuttle, the outside of which share like hurnished gold, and it was heaped with cannel coal. Here was his opportunity, and he discharged his hibition from "wine and strong drink" stream of saliva, making a perfect cas-cade over the coal. Being relieved, he commenced to state his case, stopping in the character and functions of the commenced to state his case, stopping frequently to discharge his tobaccojuice. Meanwhile Mr. Tappan sat fidgeting in his seat, and finally interrupted the good clergyman by stating that he made it a rule never to give anything to an intemperate man, and, rising,

bowed the clergyman out.

Overwhelmed with grief and mortifieation, the good man sought Deacon Proctor, and burst out with the exclamation: "I have never been so insulted

in my life!" Deacon Proctor asked himto give an account of his interview with Mr. Tappan which he did, not dreaming that the tobacco had anything to do with his sudden dısmissal-

"Sit here," said the Deacon; will go and see Mr. Tappan." Arriving at the office, he found the windows wide open and a girl scrubbing.

Mr Tappan," said the Deacon, "you have hurt the feelings of one of the best of men, a devoted Christian, and, a faithful pastor. What does it mean?" Mr Tappan repeated what had happen-

ed, and pointed to the coal skuttle. "Why, sir, it will take a week to get this room purified." The deacon returned and smoothed

over the matter as well as he could, and

the dergyman took his leave. In just one year from that day the clergyman again made his appearance at the store of Deacon Proctor, and asked him to accompany him to the house of Mr. Tappan. Arrived there, the clergyman, looking hale, hearty, and clean, extended his hand to Mr. Tappan, exclaiming: "My dear sir you have been the means of breaking me of a vile habit, which I thought innocent, but which had got a hold on me I little dreamed of. From the day of my last interview with you I have never put tobacco in any form into my mouth, and, by the blessing and with the help of God, I never will again.

EXTRACT FROM A SERMON By the Rev. James Bickford. Preached by request, on the 25th of August, at the Temperance Hall, Blackfriars-road,

Lambeth Circuit, London. " And the Lord spake unto Aaron, saying. Do not drink wine nor strong drink, thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the tabernacle of the congregation, lest ye die: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations : and that ye may put difference be-tween boly and unboly."—Lev. x. 9-10.

But we have to deal with strong drink upon a broad and universal aspect. We take it in its odious sense; the being unnaturally excited, or so overcome by it, as that all moral feeling and Christian character are destroyed by its potent influence. Let us look at a few passages of Scripture bearing upon this point of conduct :- " Woah drank of the wine and was drunken." The sin of incest followed upon this melancholy indulgence. "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that puttest thy bottle to him and makest him drunken." Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging : and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise." "But they also have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way; the priest and the prophet have erred through strong drink, they are swallowed trough strong drink; they err in vision, tey stumble in judgment. For all tables at full of vomit and filthiness, so that

the is no place clear." Te New Testament is equally explicit in idcensures and denunciations of this pernious habit. "Take heed," saith the Savior, "to yourselves lest at any time " to yourselves, lest at any time

of the fleeh," drunkenness is included,"
"of which I tell you before, as I have also
told you in time past, that they that do
such things shall not inherit the kingdom
of God." These are indeed solemn words and ought to be deeply pondered by all British Christians.

Probably lust of drink—" strong drink"—is the damning sin of the present age. The consumption and waste conne therewith is perfectly appalling. The following calculation has been made of the yearly consumption in Great Britain alone:—40,000,000 gallons of spirits; 39,000,000 of wine and cider; 1,000,000,000 of malt liquor. The value of these has been put down at £150,000000 sterling. This gives £4 for each person in the kingdom, and £20 for each family. But this estimate is only part of the case. We must add £15,000,000 for the waste of grain; £60,000,000 for labor lost through intemperance; £25,000,000 for police, prisons, and asylums; making the awful aggregate of £300,000,000, as the drink bill of the United Kingdom.

The lust "was against the soul," St. Peter puts it among the fleshly lusts; and enjoins abstinence therefrom. His words are tender but authoritative : " Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul," The same principle of abstinence he enjoins in the words: "Be sober," (more correctly) "Do not drink, or do not gulp it down," "be vigilant, because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour."

The observance of the law of abstinence as laid down by God Himself in the 10th verse of the chapter before us, was to be a ests of the priestly order, as well as for the credit of religious worship, this propriesthood, it was further enjoined that this special enactment of abstinence should be generally known. "And that ye may teach the children of Israel all the statutes which the Lord hath spoken unto them by the hand of Moses." the specific conduct was guarded by a publicity, which would effectually prevent it might be hoped, a repetition of the sin of Nadab and Abihu in their quasi suc-

The existence of an official human priest hood has ceased to exist; and now Christ alone is the priest—"the high priest of our profession"—for the whole race of mankind. But under Him, nevertheless, there is an order of ministry whose sole business it is to "wait at the altar"—that is, Christ. The office of sacrificing is abolished; whilst that of serving continues. And his office must continue in the world so long as the Redeemer occupies the mediatorial throne, and therefrom administers the kingdom of his grace. He "hath the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars." Hence, the whole effulgency of the Spirit and the whole preaching power of his church are in his hands for the world's good. And he designs to convert the human race by the efficient use in his own "times or seasons, which the Father hath put into his ewn power." To be fitting instruments for so divine a purpose-" workers together with God"we must be habitually free from unnatural excitability—be "sober-minded" or "sober-bodied"—and ever possess our "vessel in sanctification and honor."

Among many of the most devout and earnest followers of Christ the conviction is beginning to be deeply felt that, at least one reason for withholding of those "showers of blessing" promised to the churches is found in the drinking customs which obtain in tens of thousands of professing Christian families as well as in the outside, ungodly world. And what about this yearly leakage-number many thousands in all churches-to do with this, and other causes equally to be deplored. Certainly, the principle of self-denial, as enjoined by Jesus Christ is ignored by this terrible, wasteful habit; and on the assumption that money is an entrusted talent from God, will it be possible to justify such an employment of it to Him, who will yet say to each of us, "Give an account of thy stewardship, for thou mayst be no longer steward?" O that God would arise in his great mercy and power, and remove all the obstacles which impede the salvation of the unsaved multitudes around us, and eventually fill the world with truth and holiness! Amen.

PROF. WM. WELLS says: "The great curse of Scotland is strong driuk. As we passed through the principal avenue of the old town of Edinburgh, on Saturday afternoon, which is a sort of general holiday previous to the austerities of the Sabbath, it was almost difficult to walk on account of the drunken men who encumbered the pavement or reeled against the passers by. Men, women and children seemed to be engaged in one wild revelry -mothers standing at the doors and bars of grog shops with children by the hand or in their arms.

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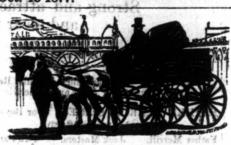
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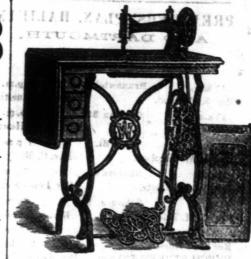
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