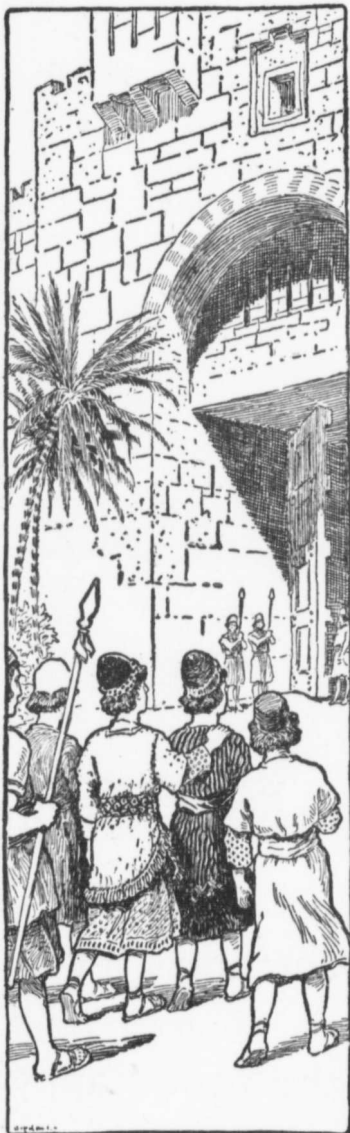


## TEMPERANCE

Daniel 1:8-20; Romans 14:21; I Corinthians 9:24-27



The great brass doors swung slowly open. Daniel marched in. He was a prisoner in the mighty city of Babylon.

He was not to be treated like a real prisoner. He and some of the other boys were to be trained to be the king's helpers. They should even be given the same food and wines as were served on the king's own table.

And there came the trouble. Daniel's father and mother had taught him that it was not right nor healthful for boys to eat and drink such things. But what should he do? Would he dare say "No" to the king's orders?

Daniel was brave and it did not take him long to decide. He went to the king's servant and said: "I pray thee try me and three of my friends for ten days. Let us have simple food and water instead of wine. See if we are not as strong as the other boys who drink the king's wine."

At last the king's servant con-