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WOLFVILLE, CHRISTMAS, 1883.

A SUMMER EXPERIENCE.

They sat in the shadow at even,
And talked in a over-like way;
He said something that sounded like
Heaven,

She murmured an indistinct nay.
He told her the summer was ended,
That their joy was nearing its close.
Her voice with the zephyrs was blended,
And she gave him a half-open rose.

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Next morning they met near the river—
"Some strangers," he said, "came last
night."

"Ah, indeed?" said the girl in a quiver;
"Do you know that young woman in
white?"

He stammered a little, then bravely.
"Oh, yes, we are promised to wed.
And the man, do you know him?" Then
gravely,

"We've been married since last
spring," she said.

Dr. Gordon on Intemperance.

REV. A. J. GORDEN, D. D.,
preached at the union service in the
Shawmut Church, on the approving
and reproofing character of Christ's work
After referring to the sin of Sabbath-
breaking, which, he claimed, is now
brooding over New England like an
eclipse, he spoke of the liquor traffic,
and said that, in 1879, Massachusetts
had derived from it \$500,000. She
not only gave her sanction to the busi-
ness, but thus made herself direct part-
ner in it. It is a question for Chris-
tians to consider. Shall Massachusetts
give her legal sanction to a business
that is the source of more sin and
crime and wretchedness than all other
causes combined? The voice of her
Legislature has said, "Yes," said he;
"and as from the gallery of the House
of Representatives I looked down upon
the crowd that were swelling the
cry, I saw every representative of the
alms and the saloon standing man-
fully to his post, and shouting, 'Down
with Prohibition and up with Licenses!'

"I saw the lofty and ingenious wares
politician there. I saw the sleek and
red-faced bar-keeper there. And, oh
'tell it not in Gath, publish it not in
the streets of Askelon!' I saw every
one of our evangelical denominations
represented in that anti-prohibition vote
by some eminent Christian layman.
There was the Baptist deacon, a staunch
sectarian, no doubt versed in all the in-
tricacies of close communion; so loyal to
his devotions that he would refuse the
cup to his own brother if he was not
baptized. But while he was so strict
about 'the cup of the lord,' here he was

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blantly officiating in the ceremony of
passing 'the cup of the devils' to its
thousand wretched and drunken com-
munities throughout the State. And
there was the eminent Congregational
layman, ready, no doubt, in the present
controversy, to stand square for 'eternal
punishment.' 'No drunkard can enter
the kingdom of heaven,' and there can
be no escape for him from the eternal
hell; but the rum-seller who makes the
drunkard must have no temporal pun-
ishment. No constable must visit him
with the penalty of confinement; no
sheriff must pursue him with fines, be-
cause he has made a few orphans and
widows. And there was the not less
eminent Methodist citizen, enjoying,
presumably, the sweet witness of the
Spirit; but when called to bear witness
for Christ against the greatest iniquity
that has ever cursed our earth, denying
his Lord, like Peter, all this I saw and
noted; and as I did so I imagined some
just and humane and conscientious
heathen sitting on this wretched spec-
tacle, and exclaiming,—

"Great God! I'd rather be
A pagan sashed in a creed outward,
So might I, standing in this pleasant land
Have glimmers that would make me less
forlorn."

We wish every Christian in the land
could 'read, mark, and inwardly digest,'
the above extract from A. J. Gordon's
Fast-Day sermon. Three representa-
tives of Christ's religion commanding
themselves and Christ to the consciences
of the world; reversing Christ's
miracle and legislating the Devil into
men. If they who failed to give a cup
of cold water to a thirsty man, or bread
to an hungry, or clothes to the naked,
or to visit the one in prison, came short
of the kingdom, what shall be the pun-
ishment of those who cry, "Lord, Lord,
and vot to—and thus do—put the cup
of fire to thirsty lips, take bread from
the hungry, clothes from the shivering,
and thrust men into prison? The mere
fact of a Christian profession places men
under a tremendous responsibility. The
more orthodox the creed, the higher the
type of Christian life, the more awful
the fall. Inasmuch as ye did this thing
to on o the least of Christ's little ones
ye did it unto him. Thirty pieces of
silver was the price paid eight or a hun-
dred years ago. What was the price
in 1881?