

a very real condition with reference to his own state towards God? For example: Our bodies, are they truly God's? devoted to His service? occupied in serving and pleasing Him? Our minds, are they exercised in advancing His Kingdom in our own hearts and in the world? Are we daily planning new ways of promoting His glory? Our means and time, are both these being spent in honoring the name of our God? How little regard, it is to be feared, is shown by those "who profess and call themselves christians" in these particulars. We are living, in too many cases, without recognizing the claims which our Creator, Redeemer and God has upon us. We want when we come to die "to die unto the Lord," and we should feel oh! so full of fearfulness and trembling if we thought that we should not, but in our lives we scarcely display the fact that we are to die, certainly too many of us, if in word or feeling we realize the glorious future of those who are Christ's, give no evidence that we are cognizant of the need of beginning the spiritual life while in the flesh.

Oh! brethren let it be with us to know the life which St. Paul knew "to live is Christ," and then indeed may we confidently assert with him "to die is gain."

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE SOCIETY is doing a good work in England, with remarkable success. Previously to its re-organization upon its present basis, some four years ago, there were but 400 abstaining clergy in England; now there are more than 4,000. There are also 4,000,000 of the laity of England total abstainers. The influence of such a vast body

of men and women of all grades of society must in time crush out the giant monster Intemperance.

SELF-INDULGENCE AT HOME.

The ghastly evil of intemperance appals men. We look for its sources in order that we may apply a remedy, but do we look far enough? Its first beginnings elude our search. We will find them often where we least suspect them. It is in the home and in the early training of our children where the mischief is often done. Self-indulgence ruins. Habits of self-restraint and self-denial are never inculcated. The appetite which now craves the pleasant delights of sweets will by and by, with intolerant impatience of all control, devastate and consume the soul with its lawless desires.

We do entreat parents earnestly to ponder this matter. Through their foolish fondness they may be sowing seeds of endless sorrow. Let the discipline of self-restraint begin in earliest years. Teach self-denial, not for its own sake, but for the sake of the good to be done and the evil to be overcome, and you will thus train the child in those habits of self-government which by God's grace will preserve him from the allurements and temptations which will meet him when he goes out into the world.—*Selected.*

THERE will be always differences of opinion among Churchmen. Each man will hold his opinion. He has the right to. Each man will seek, if he be an earnest man, to propagate it. He has the right to.

In all this there is no evil. The evil comes when they make parties