

THE LEAGUE FORUM

What Do You Think?

Inspiration is better than information.

Insight comes before foresight.

Short cuts in Christian work generally prove to be blind alleys.

A few good officers are worth whole shoals of poor ones.

The company a young man keeps will lead him either up or down.

Good workers seldom quarrel with each other.

Critics usually like to sit down when they talk.

Too many people in our day like to ride in the observation car.

If our Leaguers were judged by the same standards as a good business house, how would they be rated?

Pious sentiment will never build Churches or send out missionaries.

The demons, according to St. James, were thoroughly orthodox.

Consistency is the brightest gem in the crown of religion.

Lines of least resistance for policies, but the straight way of truth and righteousness for principles.

Your best opportunity is here and now.

The grace of God to be effective must be realized in our lives.

Holiness is vicarious.

False faith and formal works are both "dead" and ought to be buried.

Not what a man says, but what he does, counts in the markets.

I would rather meet a man with the faith of the good Samaritan than one with the faith of the Priest or Levite, even though not so scholarly or orthodox.

A man is getting right when he gets in to his own life to start reform.

How long since you made a good confession of your sins to God?

A man will see the world's need better when he sees his own right.

We won't succeed as Christian workers until we make our work our vocation—no resigning, and no whining.

Out of our deep spiritual visions flow the great enterprises and successes of life.

Peter was called "Rock." Rocks are most useful when properly carved and polished, set in place according to a plan, and when they stay in their place. What kind of "rocks" are we?

A man can't see the world's need rightly until he sees it through the Christ perspective.

The way to hold people is to interest them, and the way to interest them is to put some responsibility on them.

Timothy was one of Paul's best friends, and he gave him a big task!

The religion that will hold young people must have Christ for leader.

When God wanted a leader for the children of Israel he looked for a man with courage.

Faith is always the prime quality of heroes.

The New Testament does not recognize Christians who have no armour on.

A society that has good singing and poor praying is on the low level yet.

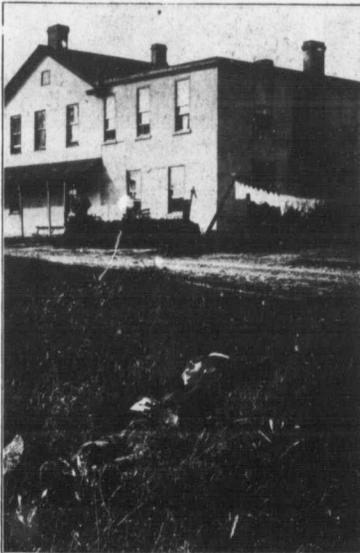
There is grace enough for everybody; it is the business of the Church to make it known and help dispense it.

The Lord's work cannot be done in a half-hearted way.

Happiness is not to be the end of life; it is a by-product.

"Ye are the salt of the earth." Salt is pungent, and not likely to be popular—yet people do not like to be without it.

ABOLISH THE BAR



A PROHIBITION OBJECT LESSON.

The hotel-keeper has this man's money. Question: What has the man got in return? Figure it out.

The Bible is best explained through a practical life.

To a poor man an ounce of bread is worth a ton of good wishes.

People with low aims seldom fail.

Great faith is known by deeds rather than by knowledge.

Not orthodoxy or heterodoxy, but helpfulness, must be the test of a man's religion.

Trusting is better than knowing. Jesus trusted the Father, and left some problems unsolved.

Scripture is fulfilled when a man shows its reality in his experience.

No matter how high optimism lifts its head so long as it keeps its feet on the ground.

Christ and not the Church is to be the magnet that will draw all hearts.

Christianity speaks to men as men, not to rich or poor, races or creeds. Go after everybody, and especially the one farthest away.

Christ loves the poor, because he lived mostly among them. "Much food is in the tillage of the poor."

Glasses won't help a blind man to see.

The way to forget your own woes is to get busy helping others.

Every worker needs a vision similar to that Isaiah had when he saw a God that completely eclipsed human agency and places of worship.

A power like that Isaiah saw would do more reforming the world in a day than human agency could do in a cycle.

Fear of Battle

Those who have been on actual battle-fields tell us that there is a point when fear almost overcomes them, but after a time all that is gone, and they glory in the fight. There is something of that feeling in connection with life itself. We shun hardship, and like ease. We like the crown but shrink from the cross. That view of life which makes it all rosy is false. There is so much of that talk. Give battle with evil, with low aims, and every form of wrong. As you do, you know there will be blows in return. Unpleasant things will be said. Some you thought were friends will prove untrue. Never mind, stand for the right. "Count it all joy when you fall into divers temptations." That is the soul meeting its environment. It does so with confidence, with the note of triumph ringing within. Drummond said: "Keep in the midst of life. Don't isolate yourself. Be among men, among things, and among troubles, and difficulties and obstacles." There is the same view of life. The majority of us are in hiding most of the time. We are afraid to give battle; afraid of criticism, afraid of gossip, afraid of failure. Take another, larger, view of life than that. Life is opportunity to fight for the Lord.

"Early Rising"

Have you ever noticed how often the Bible speaks of the early rising of its heroes and men of success? There is a good story about Turner, the famous landscape painter, in this connection. He was asked by some Lord to come out to his estate and paint special pictures. Turner went and was soon ensconced in the best spare room. The next morning when he appeared he was asked what he would