



Words for Workmen in the Lord's Vineyard

One main thing is to be often pointing at the way to Christ. They who expect to attain the end, by the immediate power of God, without using any such means as are within their reach, are proper enthusiasts.

Provincial Eccleslapan

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 12, 1868.

Missionary Anniversary.

The Anniversary Services of the Wesleyan Missionary Auxiliary Society for Halifax and Dartmouth are in progress this week. The Deputation consists of the President of the Conference, and the Revs. C. Lockhart and G. Gaetz.

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OBITUARY.

MR. GILBERT JORDAN, PORTLAND, ST. JOHN, N. B. Died, in Portland, St. John, N. B., on the 27th January, 1868, in the 60th year of his age, Mr. Gilbert Jordan.

PARLIAMENTARY.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY. The debate on the Address was resumed, and also some remarks by Mr. Blackburn, was read and passed. The House then adjourned.



The Family

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Temperance.

(For the Provincial Wesleyan.)

Dialogue on Alcohol.

BETWEEN A DOCTOR AND HIS PATIENT.

P. Doctor, can you account for the cause of

causes of so much drunkenness?

D. It generally originates from two causes—

either from the use of alcohol in the weaker

drinks called beverages and in certain domestic

preparations, or by its use as a medicinal agency;

from these profuse sources originates the first

desire for this needless stimulation, and thus

leads to the gratification of these desires by

stronger drinks.

P. Do the weaker drinks contain alcohol?

D. Pale ale contains 5 per cent., common ale

6 per cent., premium ale 7 per cent., cider 10

per cent., strong beer 7 per cent., sherry

wine 12 to 14 per cent., cherry wine 10 to 12

per cent., strawberry wine 8 to 10 per cent.,

currant wine 8 to 10 per cent.; raspberry, black-

berry, and, I believe, blueberry and peach wines

9 to 11 per cent.; grape wine 12 to 25 per cent.

P. Do you include what is popularly called

"tonic bitters" among the weaker alcoholic

drinks?

D. They have no curative properties, and are

simply intoxicating liquors dressed up in medi-

cal titles, for the chief active ingredient in

them is alcohol.

P. What of soda water?

D. That is unalcoholic, the pleasant taste is

due to the syrups used; and the gentle excite-

ment to the impression of the carbonic acid on

the stomach.

P. How are the stronger drinks produced?

D. By distillation, which extracts the alcohol

from the milder drinks in the form of steam, to

be condensed again into a liquid containing less

fluid matter, but a much larger per centum of

alcohol; by frequent redistillation absolute al-

cohol is obtained. When alcohol is distilled

from fermented grape juice or wine, it is called

brandy; from fermented molasses or cane

sugar, it is called rum; from fermented rye,

it is called whisky; or apple brandy; from

fermented malt barley, or rye, or corn, the fer-

mented liquor being nearly the same as the ale

and beer of commerce, it is called malt, rye

or corn whisky; from fermented malted barley

mixed with rye meal and hops, and afterwards

redistilled with juniper berries, it is called Hol-

land gin; when obtained from malted barley

mixed with rye meal, or potatoes, and afterwards

redistilled from turpentine, it is called com-

mon gin; when obtained from rye, it is called

black gin; and 25 per cent alcohol is found in

our mildest beverages and from 50 to 60 per cent

in those usually known as spirituous liquors.

P. That bad and dangerous fellow, Ailek

Hall, as the Scotch woman miscalled it, is al-

ways at the door wanting admittance.

D. He is all but omnipresent, like the Evil

One himself, and it is the wisdom of all to keep

him out, or drive him away, or origin him in the

flint of cold water.

P. Can you tell me the origin of this evil

spirit, alcohol, who are his parents?

D. He is produced from decaying vegetable

matter, it is the spirit which rises from the

death of the grains and fruits of the world. Wherever

sugar is found it may be transformed by put-

refaction into alcohol. And as starch may be

converted into sugar, the life-sustaining grain

of the world, corn, rye, wheat, barley, and also

potatoes and many other vegetables, may be

transformed into the ministers of Death.

P. Why, he is a real Proteus—or like Satan

himself