

Constraining Love.

REV. ALEXANDER MACLAREN, D.D.

The love of Christ constrains us... We do not usually pay much attention to a man analyzing his own motives...

Here he tells us that Jesus Christ's love to him was a great, strong, tender, irresistible love upon him...

First, where lies the power of Christ upon men? The love of Christ constrains us...

Secondly, what sort of life will this constraining love of Christ produce? I turn to the context for an abundant answer...

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Well did Matthew Henry say: "We do not trust God, but tempt Him, when our expectations slacken our exertions..."

Very appropriate are the words of a certain English writer who died about 1678, says: "Do thy part with industry, and leave the event with God..."

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Frank, Harry, Tom, and Ned. "Mamma, I get muddled over the Bible as often as I study..."

"Mamma, please may we go to Folly Dam bridge, and fish for the morning?"

"Please!" "Please!" "Please!" broke in three voices.

"On one condition only," answered Mrs. Marston, "and this condition has four strings to it..."

"All together," said Mrs. Marston, approvingly, "they make a charming and, I don't mind, perfect narration..."

"Oh no, mamma! Both are right. We were crossing, and the boys fell on the last plank..."

"Yes, my son. Don't you think it was a good way?"

"I hope they will," said Harry: "for old Mr. Rosser is always harping on the contradictions of the Bible..."

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Messenger and Visitor

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 1891.

IS REGARD TO DEACONS.

The New York Examiner in a recent issue puts forth a vigorous protest against the phrase, "Board of Deacons," which, it says, is coming to be employed with increasing frequency.

It certainly appears to us that, admitting the facts, the protest of the Examiner must be regarded as just and timely. For the deacons of a Baptist church to assume the functions of a ruling body is to assume the functions of a ruling body.

But on the other hand, if we are not mistaken, there is in this country at least, in connection with the diaconate, an evil quite the opposite in character of that to which attention has been called.

Now there may be perfectly valid objections against calling the deacons a "Board of Deacons," and there certainly are against their becoming a ruling body in the church.

What relationship the deacons shall sustain in any particular instance to each other and to the church is likely to depend in a large measure upon the pastor, and perhaps in a still larger measure upon themselves.

work, its needs, its difficulties, be frankly and prayerfully discussed by the pastors and the deacons, meeting together for that purpose. This should result in each deacon coming into intelligent and sympathetic relation with the various aims and enterprises of the church and with the pastor in his labors and difficulties.

General Booth's Scheme.

All the world knows by this time, either from having read his book or newspaper criticisms of it, what are the evils which General Booth has directed so much attention, and also what is the nature of the remedy by which he proposes to cure them.

There is much that commends Gen. Booth's scheme to our sympathy. We like his boldness. It is full of the daring, fearless, hopeful spirit of the aggressive, conquering Christianity which has already accomplished so many things that the world laughed at and declared to be impossible.

But it is not free from objections. To some it is a condemnation enough of the scheme that it is in alliance with the Salvation Army, which by many religious as well as irreligious people is simply detested.

But these objections may be all admitted and the scheme itself in all its essential features be adopted and defended. None of them touch anything that necessarily belongs to any of the remedies proposed by Gen. Booth for prevailing social evils.

Let all the interests of the church—its work, its needs, its difficulties, be frankly and prayerfully discussed by the pastors and the deacons, meeting together for that purpose.

put into operation without either him or the Salvation Army having anything to do with them, however valuable their help may be as an auxiliary force. Should the things proposed be done, and can they be done? Ought it not to be the case in every civilized community that every one willing to work should have work given to him with wages sufficient to maintain him until he is able to obtain more remunerative employment?

What should be the precise nature of such an organization in any given place must be determined largely by its special local peculiarities and the condition of the lower portion of human life as it exists there.

Did His Wife Go?

Mrs. Carey "regarded the mission as worse than a fool's errand," and "declared she would never go with her own consent." Mr. Carey took passage on board the Earl of Oxford, Indiana.

Correction for Year Book.

The Year Book omits some important items in connection with the churches. For example, the church at Westport, N. S., contributed from April 1890 until August, over \$80 towards the benevolent work of the denomination.

ALLOW me to endorse all the good words that were applied in the last number of the MESSENGER and VISITOR to Evangelist Whittier. I know him personally. There are evangelists and evangelists.

The Collection for Manitoba and North-west Missions.

As before intimated we have decided to ask the churches of our convention to take a collection for the Manitoba and North-west missions on the 2nd Sunday in March. For this purpose we are enclosing envelopes in which are enclosed circulars giving information concerning the work to all the churches.

Remember that we have promised our brethren in the West that we will assist them this year to the amount of \$1,500. Over half of the convention year has gone by and only a little upwards of \$100 has been received.

"The territory we have to cover cannot be fully grasped even by those of ourselves who have been longest on the ground. Population is scattered over a country a thousand miles long by four hundred wide.

Readjustment.

(3) The request embodied in the resolution is a reasonable one. I wish I could state the average income of our church members; but there are no statistics available that would enable one to do this.

I received a few days ago a contribution for this work with the accompanying statement: "It is the offering of an aged sister over 70 years old. The gift represents a number of years of cloth woven, or many hours at the loom, besides some sacrifices."

Manitoba Correspondence.

Last week I visited a country church situated on the Souris branch of the C. P. R., forty miles South-west from Brandon, to baptize for our student missionary at that place.

1. This important church will next September be calling a pastor, as Bro. Collinge, who is doing an excellent work, will then resume his studies.

2. I hope a view of this country church will undeceive the minds of those who have not a true estimate of this great country. All over the province and in many parts of the territories there are similar opportunities of building up churches.

I hope that the Lord of the harvest will direct the hearts of many of the young pastors of the east to the work in this great west.

Home Missions.

Home Missions, \$70
Foreign Missions, 45
North-west and Grande Ligne, 29

Petitions for Prohibition.

It is to be feared that the prohibition petitions are not receiving as much attention among us as they should.

How many have for their sole object the accumulation of money, and are bargaining their soul's best interests for that which, if not wisely used, will prove a snare!

various boards, presented to us. If self sacrifice is necessary that we may prove true in this crisis, should we not undergo it? The members of the Salvation Army are generally poor; but when they wanted \$25,000 for a special purpose, they raised it, without calling on others, by self-denial for one week.

Mr. Gladstone says, "I believe that the diffusion of the principles and practice of systematic beneficence will prove the moral specific in our age."

Proposed Amendment.

If I am permitted to be at the Convention in August, I would like to move the following amendment to the motion of Rev. C. W. Williams, found on pages 26-7 of Year Book, in regard to the readjustment of our Convention plan:

That whereas, the time has fully come for enlargement in every department of our denominational work, and whereas, we already recognize the North-west and Grande Ligne as having claims on a portion of our mission funds; therefore:

Resolved, That instead of the one dollar as at present, or the three dollars and sixty-five cents, as proposed, the churches be asked to contribute at the rate of at least two dollars per member per year, and that the distribution of funds be according to the following scale:

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Acadia College, 45
Ministerial Education, 10
Ministerial Aid and Relief, 10

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Day of Prayer at W.

The services at Acadia interest, on Wednesday last, Prayer for Colleges. Lectured at 11 o'clock, and singing held for one hour.

At 3 o'clock, a service by President Sawyer. After appropriate meeting, Rev. M. P. P. pereaux church, spoke indignantly, urging the impious element in education.

At the evening meeting, largely attended, a great number of the members of the church, and those who were present, were praying for their welfare.

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Comparing that time when we see in Montreal, if not the first Maritime Province, claim: "What hath God done?" By the help of ment. In 1856 the was engaged and the Under many difficulties ship was built, which monument of the Jones and others, Mr. living quite long enough for service. It may be interested in this from situated upon a portage that I owned fifty years ago has continued to years under the very Those ministers deserve none deserve it more.

BETTER AND BETTER.

PROF. H. G. MITCHELL.

The world is growing better! For a few it has been Oppressed by sin and error, And tious in its error, But Jesus, our Deliverer, Has come to save the way, And to the world grows better And better every day!

Selected Serial.

ELVIRA; OR, THE POWER OF THE GOSPEL.

A Story of the New Awakening in the Land of the Old. By Mrs. HUNT MORGAN. Author of 'Isabel,' 'Catharine and Bayonet,' etc.

CHAPTER XXXV.

What were you saying about a ghost story? I supposed the abadesa of El Agula, when a little time had passed in comments on her escape.

explanations, and when they had withdrawn, he said, lowering his voice— "I did not like to mention in presence of the seniors, but I discovered these rooms years ago, when I was looking for some safe retreat for La Eglantina; you know her, Don Ronaldo. The time and year after her is over now, and she is not afraid to be seen, that is, among my own people. I did not venture to tell her of yours coming here to-night; the secret is yours, not mine, and I have promised to serve you truly; but I have told her I think of leaving Spain, and she is willing, poor girl. She is not so bad as you think, seniors; she is all mine; but if Don Ronaldo will marry us, as he has often said ought to be done, she stays with me, that is, can be put straight, at any rate.

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Cuticura Soap advertisement with illustration of a woman's face.

Scott's Emulsion advertisement with illustration of a man carrying a large fish.

The Owen Electric Belt advertisement with illustration of the belt.

The Owen Electric Belt Co. advertisement detailing various ailments treated.

Advertisement for PISO'S CURE FOR THE BEST COUGH MEDICINE.

Donald Kennedy of Roxbury, Mass., says advertisement.

Two New Books advertisement for Famous Women of Old and New Testament.

Baptist Room advertisement with address in Halifax.

The Breath of Spring advertisement for Easter music.

Musical Societies and Boys and Girls advertisement.

The Canada Sugar Refining Co. advertisement for Redpath Sugar.

Gates' Acadian Liniment advertisement.

James Currie advertisement for Nova Scotia.

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ONE HOUR WITH THEE.

One hour with Thee, my God, when day-light breaks... Over a world Thy guardian care has kept; When the fresh soul from soothing slumber wakes...

THE HOME.

Hints for the Housewife.

AMERICA.—Six large oranges, one coconut, sugar. Peel and slice oranges, taking out the seeds; pare and grate the coconut, put them in layers in a deep dish, strewn every layer with powdered sugar.

THE FARM.

CATALOGUES.

About this time look out for seed catalogues which their gaudy colored covers in which each seedman claims to represent the largest establishment in the world, and to sell only the very best seeds.

after year, but novices must be careful how they read or they may order unwisely. There are those who can and ought to eat such things as milk and cream and gardeners will prefer to hold fast to those that have been well tested and have proved good.

MILK COWS.

The providing of milk for cities and large towns has become a large business, and is perhaps quite as profitable as ordinary farming. Much depends on the distance to market and the facilities for securing feed for the cows.

Restored My Health

For several months I was troubled with scurvy eruptions over the whole body. My appetite was bad, and my system so prostrated that I was unable to work.

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THE CONVICTION GROWS UP

steadily that we are already entering on a period when all that is not asbestos will be burnt up, when all religious institutions will be tried on new methods, and when all that are not inspired with genuine faith and love will be rapidly deserted.

HEALTH GIVING HERBS, BARKS, ROOTS

and Berries are in Burdock Blood Bitters which regulate all the secretions, purify the blood and strengthen the entire system.

MINARD'S LINIMENT FOR RHEUMATISM.

The nobleness of life depends on its consistency, clearness of purpose, quiet and ceaseless energy.—Ruskin.

A Great Event

In one's life is the discovery of a remedy for some long-standing malady. The poison of serofula is in your blood. You inherited it from your ancestors.

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The Universal Sentence.

Oh, if we could all go out of flower as gracefully, as pleasingly, as we come into blossom! I always think of the morning glory as the loveliest example of a graceful yielding to the inevitable.

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