

The Pulpit

A SERMON BY THE REV. IRA W. HENDERSON

Subject: Profanity.

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Preaching at the Irving Square Presbyterian Church, Hamburg avenue and Weirfield street, in the sermon, "Profanity," the Rev. Ira W. Henderson, pastor, took as his text Exodus 20:7, "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain." He said:

If there is anything that is disgusting it is unbridled profanity. And the prevalence of useless, pointless, unjustified swearing merits the attention not alone of the Church but also of the civil authorities whose duty it is to keep the moral atmosphere of this and every other community free of verbal pollution. The command ought to be obeyed and the civil law on the point ought to be enforced. The silly fool who spreads the germs of diphtheria or typhoid or smallpox, brought into the community will soon feel the iron hand of the law laid heavy on his shoulders and he ought very properly to be put under lock and key until sanity has returned; but any man without a sense of moral respectability or even elementary decency may saturate the moral atmosphere, in which we have to live and to rear our youth, with all manner of verbal disease and the average policeman will not smile or perhaps add to the sum total of uncleanness. The man who has such poverty of language and such an absolute lack of common sense that profanity is to him the one way to dignity and emphasize the expression of ideas, should be jailed with that other fellow who endangers our physical health. The third commandment has, we know from experience, a very practical and forcible application to this day. Nowhere may we escape the man of unwholesome speech. Men with gray locks and boys just out of kilts, men who should be writers and boys who must learn the discipline of language, if they are ever to amount to much in life, both and all are guilty of the most shameful depravities of speech. As things stand to-day, no man can rear a child with a pure mind. We walk our streets and curbs everywhere full of air and fall upon you. Does a horse balk that Almighty is invoked to move him, or a man delayed a moment he curses the fellow just ahead. It is impossible to sit by an open window on any prominent thoroughfare without being morally poisoned. Does the boss in the shop wish to hurry up the men the vilest of language is the means he uses to set speed to hand and mind. Not once but hundreds of times I have seen foul mouthed inspectors, overseers and gang bosses invoke the maledictions of heaven and hell upon poor dumb driven brutes made in the image of the Maker, lest forsooth they straighten weary toll bent backs to seize a moment's rest.

Of course these very men will tell you that they have no desire to dishonor God nor to offend our moral sensibilities. They lay it to habit, thoughtlessness and a hundred other causes. I am convinced myself that much of the swearing of the day is due to thoughtlessness rather than to wilful sin. And yet I have seen the same men take more liberties with the name of Almighty God than I would allow them to take or they would dare to take with my name—either thoughtlessly or wilfully.

Thoughtlessness is no excuse. God gave us brains and tongues, and it is our duty to exercise our wills and to use our tongues for the expression of worthy thought alone. Of course men don't think, that is to say, the most of them do not, for if they did swearing would go by the board to a short and sure death. To plead thoughtlessness in extenuation of sin is to play the baby-act. Men should think and cut the cursing out.

The third commandment has solid sense behind it, as have all of God's commands. The misuse of the name of God, or of the name of our Lord, profanity, swearing, cursing, all should be abhorred for several good and sufficient reasons.

Profanity is unnecessary, unmanly, indecent, immoral, ungodly. There are five good reasons why it should be put aside.

Profanity is unnecessary. A curse never prove a point. It rather demonstrated the paucity of thought of the swearer. Oaths never convince a person of the validity or strength of an argument, but they do show up the poverty of language of the man who uses them. Curses never made any workman do better work; they have, however, been the excuse for many a murder. Sense and no swear words will unravel many a perplexing problem. The name of God is to be hallowed not hoisted on the streets. The name of Jesus is worthy of reverence and veneration, its misuse damns not the man who misuses it, but the curse. There is no problem in life that can not be solved without curses. Sense, industry, wise reasoning and good judgment will settle any difficulty. Profanity is useless, unnecessary and wholly unprofitable.

The curse is unmanly. Many boys seem to have the idea that the one sure sign of manliness is to be able to swear with vigor, proficiency and volume. There never was a greater mistake in the world. Instead of being a sign of manliness it is a sure mark of moral instability and backwardness. It reflects small credit either upon the youth himself or upon the family whom he represents. For an educated youth it is a denial of the value of education and mental growth. In any man, educated or ignorant, it is degrading and altogether unmanly. Manliness is purity, efficiency, power, forcefulness. The curse is impure, inefficient either for expression or proof, powerless to do productive work, forceful in no way. By these tests it is unmanly.

Profanity is indecent. That which is decent is befitting, becoming, honorable. I will leave it to the judgment of the citizens of this or any city to decide how much swearing befits a normal, rational human being. Creatures of reason as we are, we find that the curse lies in the face of sober thought. Used as we are to logical processes we find the curse devoid of logic. Profanity reeks with sulphur and sends Satan to our hearts. It is utterly unbecoming and unbecoming.

To say that it is dishonorable is just to begin the damning count against profanity. The curse is without honor for it is used only to spread dishonor. It looks never toward God but rather uses His name to invoke the aid of the powers of hell. It is dishonorable from start to finish and indecency marks it as her own.

Believer, remember, heights of prosperity are safe, if only God be with you, and the vale of adversity is healthful to the soul, if God takes you down into it.—Gordon Hall.

THE GREAT DESTROYER

SOME STARTLING FACTS ABOUT THE VICE OF INTEMPERANCE.

Alcoholic Athletics—Why Abstaining Americans Defeated the Beer-Drinking Germans at the Last Olympian Games.

In the last celebration of the Olympian games at Athens signal honors to German contestants were very conspicuously by their absence, while our American athletes came home covered with glory.

German writers seeking to account for the failure of their fellow citizens, so far as we have seen, are unanimous and emphatic in placing the blame for their low standing in physical achievement on beer.

The tautness of muscle and the absence of superfluous flesh which marked the Americans, showed up in strong contrast to the soft bodies and weaker hearts of their Teuton cousins. And the explanation accepted in Germany is that the Yankees are abstainers, while the Germans drink.

Certainly increases in the world of science and the world of common observation of the discount-power of alcohol in material, physical, mental and moral values.

One who drinks does not always, perhaps not generally, become what we call a failure, but he does surely dull the fine edge of his utmost possibilities.

If we imagine two young men of precisely equal age, development, mentality, ambition and opportunity, in competition, it is absolutely certain that the one who drinks, albeit very temperately, is quite outclassed by the abstainer in fitness for the climaxes of endeavor, where the windings turn on small margins and the highest prizes hang.

The brewers, nowadays, are forcing down the alcohol-power of their product to the lowest possible per cent, possible, so as to sell more drinks to meet a given craze for stimulation, and so as to lighten the public odium earned by strong beer as an intoxicant. So, that the young drinker has a shade better chance to escape excess than formerly, and if he be content to compete only for rewards that are low and easy, beer is perhaps a lesser enemy than it used to be. But if he sets his purpose to measure with the high men where victory may throw in the last nerve beat, or leap in the last atom of nerve energy, he must go beerless into the lists.

In the herd the doctrine is: If drinking beer forbids the highest strength, cut out the highest strength. If drinking beer forbids perfect health, be satisfied with some health. If drinking beer puts the very best interest of your family in jeopardy, let them be satisfied with second best, or downward.

The personal drink problem of young men in these days is not of much matter as between success and failure as between success and success.—The New Voice.

Effects of Agitation.

The results of temperance agitation in the United States have been well summed up by National Superintendent Baker of the Anti-Saloon League in the following words: "Thirty-three millions of the people of the United States live in territory where the saloon is legally prohibited, and during the past twelve months two and a half millions of our people have abolished saloons from the territory in which they live. Kentucky, in the past six months, has driven the saloons from twenty-six counties by a majority vote in these counties, of upward of twenty-two thousand, and a population of one hundred and fifty thousand from the immediate presence of the saloon. Tennessee has extended the Adams law to the entire State, which means that within a short time the saloons will exist in only three or four cities. Alabama has just passed a county local option law, which, it is predicted, will abolish the saloons from all but three of the counties within the next two years."

Since these words were uttered Colorado's new local option law has been signed by Governor Buchtel, and the outlook is more optimistic than ever.

Carnegie on Drink.

Mr. Carnegie, in his book, "The Empire of Business," says: "The first most seductive peril, and the destroyer of most young men, is the drinking of liquor. I say to you that you are more likely to fall in your career from acquiring the habit of drinking liquor than from any or all the other temptations likely to assail you. You may yield to almost any other temptation and reform—may trace up, and, if not recover, lost ground, at least remain in the race, and secure and maintain a respectable position. But from the insane thirst for liquor escape is almost impossible. I have known but few exceptions to the rule."

Liquor and Poetry.

Herr Dehmel, one of the greatest living German poets of the "modern school," says: "I have attempted several times to write poetry under the influence of liquor, but the next morning it appears to me to be mere word play, monstrous fancies or confused unconscious reminiscences." It is needless to say that Herr Dehmel is now a total abstainer.

Florida to Be Prohibition.

A bill has been introduced to make Florida a prohibition State by constitutional amendment, and there is a fair prospect that it will pass.

Lowlands of Debauchery and Crime.

Beyond the circle of moderate drinking are the lowlands of debauchery and crime. And one great wrong in favoring the use of liquor is that the appetite it develops leads its victims into excess.

Virginia Nearly a No-Saloon State.

Eighty-six and eight-tenths per cent. of all the incorporated towns in Virginia are without saloons. Over two-thirds of the inhabitants of the State live in no-saloon territory.

Governor Burke Interested.

Governor Burke, of North Dakota, is prosecuting a vigorous campaign for the enforcement of the prohibition law in the capital city, the effect of which is being felt throughout the entire State. The temperance people are jubilant over the recent victories gained, and the fact that they now have a governor who proposes to enforce the laws without fear or favor.

Stragglers Patterns.

Quite stragglers patterns in motifs of chrysanthemums, carnations or five-pointed, starlike, floral figures are favorites, and thread designs are especially good just now.

Bolero Shaped Yoke.

The house gown that is cut with a bolero-shaped yoke, to which the body of the gown is gathered, is especially suited to the woman with slender figure.

Fashion Notes

New York City.—Present styles render a generous supply of guimpes absolutely essential to every girl's wardrobe. Here is a model that can be utilized for lace, for embroidery, for net or for lingerie material and which allows of a number of variations. In the illustration embroidered net is made with short sleeves that are held by bands of ribbons.

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The Vogue of Brown.

The vogue of brown and the desire for footwear not black, yet a shade more dressy than the prevailing tan color, account for the popularity of the new brown leathers. These are made up in all the pump and Oxford styles, but without any of the mixture of odd leathers in the same shoe which is so marked a feature in other colors.

Narrow Neck Ribbon.

The narrow neck ribbon that encircles the neck at the top of the collar, and tying at the back, is oftener of black velvet than anything else, though any color harmonizing with the accessories may be used if preferred. There is quite a fancy, too, for a black velvet ribbon worn about the neck and fastened with a handsome brooch with low-necked gowns.

Sun-Bonnets in Two Styles.

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above and below the elbows. But long sleeves can be substituted if better liked, and the guimpe can be either faced as illustrated or made of one material throughout. All sorts of pretty laces and embroidered nets are in vogue, while lingerie materials in themselves afford almost endless variety.

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Western Farm Values Increased.

The value of the farm lands along the Union Pacific increased by more than \$2,500,000,000 in the five years 1900 to 1905. The United States census figures gave an aggregate value for seventeen States in 1905 as \$3,241,782,864, while in 1900 it was only \$5,692,230,872. This is an advance of nearly forty-five per cent.

By States the percentage of increase vary from 119 per cent. for Wyoming to twenty-four per cent. for California. Other records are: Washington, sixty-eight per cent.; New Mexico, sixty-five per cent.; Texas, sixty-one per cent.; Idaho, fifty-eight per cent.; and Nebraska, fifty-seven per cent.

A recent bulletin of the Union Pacific Railroad shows that the hay and grain farms increased in value by \$785,500,000; live stock farms by \$1,000,000; fruit farms by \$32,000,000; vegetable farms by \$32,000,000, and general farm lands by \$165,000,000.

Colorado's sugar beet farms increased in value twelve per cent., and in Oregon the principal increase, fifty-eight per cent., is also in sugar beet lands. In Washington two-fifths of the income from the lands showing the greatest increase (seventy-five per cent.) is from fruit. Vegetable growing is the best payer in Montana; of the lands increased fifty-eight per cent. in value two-fifths of the income is from that class.

A Business Enterprise.

"The newspaper," says Bishop Fowler, "is a business enterprise and papers are made to sell. A business is conducted chiefly and primarily for the purpose of making money, and a man has as good a right to make a newspaper to make money as he has to sell dry goods and shoes for money. If he makes money by the process he is under some obligation to use the money and power for good purposes."

Stensland's Income.

A Chicago dispatch says: "Paul O. Stensland, the convicted bank wrecker now in the penitentiary at Joliet, will make more money during the next year of his incarceration than the salary of the Mayor of Chicago. He is trustee in 4000 deeds of trust upon real estate and his signature is necessary in order to release mortgages. All persons who are interested in them must go to Joliet and pay him \$5 for each release. In the coming year he will make \$20,000 from this source."

Egyptians Hoard Gold.

Lord Cromer states that Egyptians have a propensity for hoarding gold. A native, who recently died, left \$400,000 stored in gold in his house, and many of them possessed of wealth will borrow money at interest to conceal the fact. Large quantities of gold coin are annually melted in Egypt and converted into ornaments.

The Automobile Club of England, founded ten years ago, has 2900 members.

MRS. DE PASSE OF NEW YORK CITY

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MRS. ALINE DEPASSE.

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