

A Farmer's Religious View of Prohibition.

EDMUND COLLEMAN. As a great deal is being said on both sides of Prohibition I as a farmer, would like to give my views on the subject.

The whole world is dependent on the farmer for its living; it is they who keep in motion the great wheels of industry and it is the farm products that form the base and foundation for every business.

In taking up any subject no difference what we should look at it from a religious standpoint and take the Bible for our guide. My Bible teaches me temperance, but in no place can I find where God commands the preacher to preach Prohibition.

He commands Paul and the Apostles to "go out and preach the gospel unto all the world." Again in Romans 13:14 Paul says—"show shall they have in whom they have not heard and how shall they hear without a preacher and how shall they preach except they be sent, as it is written, how beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good things."

The preachers are not doing this when they preach Prohibition. If it is necessary for them to cause so much excitement, then the Bible must be wrong.

Let Cor. 14:33 "For God is not the author of confusion but of peace as in all churches of the saints." Every preacher that preaches Prohibition is degrading himself in the sight of God. Why? Because the great Jehovah did not intend the sacred pulpit for the discussion of politics.

The Bible says "cursed be the man who puts his trust in man." The preachers are asking the people to put their trust in them and in the meantime are forgetting the Bible; for they know very well, were they to take the Bible for their guide, they could not furnish them. Shame on the man who will stand in the pulpit and talk on any subject that he dare not open the Bible and read a chapter for fear the word of God will be in direct opposition to what he is saying.

Prohibition is not the work of Christ but the work of men. The word wine is used in the Bible 150 times and strong drink is spoken of 25 times. Unless we intend to discard the Bible entirely we have positive evidence that Christ used wine at the feast of the Jewish passover, and as this occurred in the month of April the wine used must have been fermented, for the period of the grape harvest and when the wine was made being in October, hence the wine must have been six months old when used at the feast and common sense will tell us that wine six months or older cannot be kept six months without becoming fermented and intoxicating. This explodes the theory of the Prohibition cranks, that the wine used in biblical history was not intoxicating. Here is a nut for the preacher to crack.

Solomon the son of David king of Israel says in Proverbs 31:67 "give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish and wine unto those that be of heavy hearts. Let him drink and remember his misery no more. Certainly strong drink does not mean wine as the Prohibitionists say. This is the word of Solomon. Are we going to give up our liberties and discard the Bible for the sake of these false prophets that are preaching Prohibition? If they are not "false prophets" why don't they take the Bible and preach the gospel. I have attended Prohibition lectures in the churches and the Bible was not opened. Yet they call it a religious measure. There are extremes to all things and Prohibition has been carried to the farthest extreme.

The fourth commandment says—"Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy." Are we doing this by preaching Prohibition, by holding political meetings in groves and churches on the Sabbath (for Prohibition is nothing more or less than political) pleading with men for the vote, debating the question of dollars and cents and telling some silly little stories? If this is religion what is sin? If such a sin can be forgiven what is the unpardonable? I have been a close observer of human nature and have come to this conclusion—that if parents would follow the advice given in Prov. 22:6 there would be less drunkenness, less wantonness, fewer robberies, and a better people.

"Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it." This covers the whole grand theory. The mothers of to-day are responsible for the government of the future. They who spend so much time in agitating the cause of the W. C. T. U. What good might be done by devoting their extra time to their children. The ladies that are excited over the Prohibition question may profit by reading the 14 chapter of I Cor. 34-35.

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