

THE IDLER.

Dr. Talmage Bids Young Men Shun His Company.

Gambling One of the Great Curses to Man—Its Blighting Influence Ruins All Who Gratify the Passion—Some Good Advice.

In his latest discourse Dr. Talmage especially warns the young people against the many pitfalls that are laid to ensnare the innocent, and points out the danger of associating with vicious persons.

Hardly any young man goes to a place of dissipation alone. Each one is accompanied. No man goes to ruin alone. He always takes someone else with him.

This is but one of the thousand proofs that evil associations blast and destroy. It is the invariable rule. There is a well man in the wards of a hospital, where there are a hundred people sick with ship fever, and he will not be so apt to take the disease as a good man would be apt to be smitten with moral distemper, if shut up with iniquitous companions.

We may, in our places of business, be compelled to talk to and mingle with bad men; but he who deliberately chooses to associate himself with vicious people, is engaged in carrying on a courtship with a Delilah, whose shears will clip off all the locks of his strength, and he will be tripped into perdition.

Go with burglars, and you will become a burglar. Go among the unclean, and you will become unclean. Many a young man has been destroyed by not appreciating this.

You will do well to avoid those whose regular business is to play ball, skate, or go a-boating. All these sports are grand in their places. I never derived so much advantage from any ministerial association as from a ministerial club that went out to play ball every Saturday afternoon in the outskirts of Philadelphia.

I warn you to shun the sceptic—the young man who puts his fingers in his vest and laughs at your old-fashioned religion, and turns over to some mystery of the Bible, and says: "Explain that, my pious friend; explain that."

Alas! a time will come when this blustering young infidel will have to die, and then his diamond flag will flash no splendor in the eyes of Death, as he stands over the couch, waiting for his soul.

beside the couch, says: "You must die; you have only half a minute to live; let me have it right away—your soul." "No," says the young infidel, "here are my gold rings, and these pictures; take them all."

Again, I urge you to shun the companionship of idlers. There are men hanging around every store, and office, and shop, who have nothing to do, or act as if they had not. They are apt to come in when the firm are away and wish to engage you in conversation while you are engaged in your regular employment.

What do you do for a living? "What do you do for a living?" If he says: "Nothing, I am a gentleman," look out for him. He may have a very soft hand, and very faultless apparel, and have a high sounding family name, but his touch is death.

A young man came to a man of 90 years of age and said to him: "How have you made out to live so long and be so well?" The old man took the youngster to an orchard, and, pointing to some large trees full of apples, said: "I planted these trees when I was a boy, and do you wonder that now I am permitted to gather the fruit of them?"

Again, avoid as you would avoid the death of your body, mind, and soul anyone who has in him the gambling spirit. Men who want to gamble, will find places just suited to their capacity, not only in the under-ground oyster cellar, or at the table back of the curtain, covered with greasy cards, or in the steamboat smoking cabin, where the bloated wretch with rings in his ears deals out his pack and winks at the unsuspecting traveler—providing free drinks all around—but in gilded parlors and amid gorgeous surroundings.

This sin works ruin first, by unhealthful stimulants. Excitement is pleasurable. Under every sky and in every age men have sought it. The Chinaman gets it by smoking his opium; the Persian by chewing hashish; the trapper in a buffalo-hunt; the sailor in a squall; the inebriate in the bottle, and the avaricious at the gaming table.

The human skin can endure heat of 212 degrees, the boiling point of water, because the skin is a bad conductor and because the perspiration cools the body.

reaction is deplorable and wicked. Look out for the agitation that, like a rough musician, in bringing out the tune plays so hard he breaks down the instrument. God never made man strong enough to endure the wear and tear of gambling excitement. No wonder if, after having failed in the game, men have begun to sweep off imaginary gold from the side of the table.

The whole world is robbed! What is most sad, there are no consolations for the loss and suffering entailed by gambling. If men fall in lawful business God pities and society commiserates; but where, in the Bible or society, is there any consolation for the gambler?

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ITEMS OF STATE NEWS.

SCRANTON, Pa., May 27.—Fire burned the mule barn at the Greenwood breaker, together with thirty-six of the mules stabled therein. The breaker was saved with much difficulty. The loss is \$15,000.

TAMAQUA, Pa., May 25.—Frank Jelly, an engineer in the employ of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation company, fell into a cage pit in No. 4 mine and was drowned. The body was found after the pit had been dragged several hours.

HONESDALE, Pa., May 25.—The dwelling of Thomas Grady, at Hawley, was destroyed by fire Sunday night through the explosion of a lamp. Mrs. Grady and a young grandchild were so badly burned that they died yesterday. Mr. Grady and another grandchild were slightly burned.

WEST CHESTER, Pa., May 25.—"Jacko" Thomas, the colored man who shot and killed Frank Ross, at Berwyn, on Christmas eve, was on Saturday sentenced by President Judge Waddell to six years in the Eastern penitentiary, dating from the 15th inst., upon which date he was convicted of manslaughter.

PITTSBURG, May 25.—Augusta Domagala, aged 78 years, entered suit yesterday against her son-in-law, Ludwig Sinder, aged 49 years, for breach of promise. The plaintiff alleges that her daughter, Mrs. Sinder, died last year, and a month later the defendant proposed marriage and was accepted. He now repudiates her, and is about to marry another woman. She asks for \$10,000 damages. Sinder is a machinist, and quite wealthy.

HARRISBURG, May 25.—Henry D. Thompson, who was shot in Lancaster by Bertha McConnell, of Costeville, it is said, will become totally blind. Since his return to his wife and family here he has consulted surgeons with a view to locating the ball in his head, but they were afraid to probe, because of the proximity of the wound to the optic nerve.

POTTSTOWN, Pa., May 25.—John Fryer, aged 18 years, of this place, was, it is believed, fatally injured by his brother, William Fryer. The two Fryers, with others, had just finished a game of ball, when William became involved in a quarrel with one of the opposing team and struck violently at him with a baseball bat.

PITTSBURG, May 25.—By an overwhelming vote the so-called Marion peace resolution has been adopted by the Window Glass Workers' association, and the end of the faction fight is in sight. The Marion resolution, which was presented by the Marion (Ind.) workers, gives the president and executive council supreme power, and takes the control of the organization out of the hands of the seven precincts of Pittsburgh.

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a poorly nourished horse when he is thoroughly tired? He may go faster for a few rods, but his condition is soon the worse for it. Better stop and feed him. Food gives force. If you are thin, without appetite; pale, because of thin blood; easily exhausted; why further weaken the body by using tonics? Begin on a more permanent basis. Take something which will build up the tissues and supply force to the muscular, digestive and nervous systems

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