### SATURDAY NIGHT TALKS

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COMPROMISE.

International Bible Lesson for Sept. 26, '09-(1 Cor. 10: 22-33).



The golden text for this lesson is as follows: "Let every one of us please his neighbor for his good to edification." This is supposed to be a temperance lesson in the scheme of the international committee, and the golden text is well chosen as

a keynote, though it is doubtful if its bearing will be recognized at first. Temperance, to most people means total abstinence from intoxicating drinks as a beverage and prohibition of the manufacture, sale, and use of the same by the government. But there is another large class of people who declare, with the dictionary, that temperance means the moderate use of anything, and that neither the Bible, medical science or human history support the total abstinence Both parties do agree that the abuse of intoxicants is a curse, always has been and always will be, and are a unit in the conviction that the use and sale should be restricted to the lowest possible point. There is a third class which stands for swinish gratification of all bodily appetite, but they are a small minority of society and need not be considered in this connection.

Radicals and Conservatives.

Here then, are the two parties, the radicals and the conservatives. The one class would banish alcohol from the face of the earth, knock in the head of every barrel, break every bottle, and destroy every form of intoxicant, used as a beverage, by every human being on this planet. The other class, would not make men virtuous by removing the temptation, but would educate, instruct and develop a race of men who would move as undisturbed and unharmed amid spirituous temptations as Daniel in the Lion's den. Both parties desire the same end. How can it be reached? Certainly not by maintaining a

pitched battle among themselves. Much of modern so-called temperance work is verbal abuse of the other side. Instead of bombarding the common enemy, the temperance agitators train their guns upon those who do not wear their uniform. The conservative calls the radical hotheaded, impracticable, fanatical. He is a disturber of the peace, a crank, a lunatic, a one-idea man. And the radical retorts in kind that the conservative is an old fogy, behind the times, gone to seed, obsolete, out of date, a drag on the wheels of progress, a heartless back number. We hear this from pulpit and platform, we read it in paper and magazinetwo forces ostensibly bent on righteousness, deliberately bombarding each other.

If the practical discontinuance of the evils of intemperance is the thing aimed at, why not bring to the campaign every available force. Why not use Love, and Light and Law against the foe, instead of putting love and law at loggerheads, each crying out against the other as a failure, and neither doing anything to fight the

Striking Illustration.

A recent incident is a case in point. A temperance orator known throughout the country as a radical prohibitionist has made a public announcement that henceforth instead of casting his influence in one direction, and in one direction only, he proposes to join hands with every man no matter how far along he may be in his conception of civic righteousness, who is honestly desirous of curtailing the rum power. He made the point very clear that he will not compromise with the enemy but he will compromise with the brethren. And he uses this illustration. When the sailor is out on the high seas with deep water under him, and no obstructions anywhere he can sail as he pleases. but when he is trying to make the harbor, in company with all sorts of craft headed for the same port, and there are reefs and shoals in addition, it is absolutely necessary to yield to others, to sheer off in this direction, and even back up possibly at times in order that he, and all his fellow voyagers may safely make the port. That is altogether a different spirit than hoisting the black flag, compelling every disagreeing captive to walk the plank, insisting that my way is the only way, and that all who dare to think differently are knaves or imbeciles. In other words, instead of antagonizing he proposes to compromise with those who now see things from a different angle than his, with the idea that possibly he himself may come to see that wisdom will not die with him, and that some other methed if it does not succeed, may at least have such a fair trial that everybody will be satisfied of its inefficien-Compromise! Not with the enemy, but with the brethren, that at least is a plan worth considering. Is not such compromise permitted?

#### Notes and Comment

Of Interest to Women Readers

FAMOUS WOMAN EXPLORER.

Miss Annie Peck Has Climbed the World's Highest Mountains.

Miss Annie Peck, of New York, has won fame wherever explorers are appreciated, as the most daring mountain-climber of her sex in the world. She is a star guest at the semi-annual ladies' night function of the Explorers' Club. At them it is the rule not only that a woman explorer shall be the guest of honor, but also that she shall have the privilege of the last word in describing what she has accomplished. She can't talk too long on the exclusiveness of mountain summit societies or the need of Browning and Ibsen cults in Africa to please the Explorers.

Miss Peck is amiable and if she can possibly avoid it never allows a mere mountain to stand in the way of her apearances. She has helped the Explorers' Club out before, and far from feeling any jealousy of her achievements it is said that just as soon as she climbs a new peak the Explorers



Miss Peck in Climbing Costume. get out their calendars and estimate by the hypsometer-which is not an instrument for putting people into sheath gowns, but has something or other to do with the profession of mountain climbing-whether she can reach New York in time to speak at the next ladies' night. The habit Miss Peck has of ascending mountains in the summertime is said to be more or less due to this desire on her part not to make the social season too arduous for her fellow travellers.

Miss Peck's statement that she prepares for her explorations by practical methods of dieting and exercise, that she has no special advice to offer the world, and that to perform her work only the perfect lungs and heart with which she is credited are necessary, together with comon sense and ambition finds a parallel in the statement of the other feminine explorer who shares the honors of the evening:

Some of the members got anxious when she ascended Huascaran in Peru and said she'd never get back in time, and if she didn't where could they get another woman explorer? However, Miss Peck was duly on hand at the last ladies' night with an array of films and statistics concerning the Peruvian mountain that fairly took the breath away.

Home School in Courtesy.

A friend of mine, noting that the little son of P household where she called, was constrained and embarrassed at the duty of admitting her to the house, decided to obviate a similar lack of ease in her seven-year-

old boy. She planned a game in which she was first the caller and he the host; then the positions were reversed. Thus he was unconsciously trained to perfect ease in receiving a guest, and at the same time enjoying the pretty play. As she varied the conditions under which the callers might find the members of the household, the lad became master of any situation, and could admit and receive a caller, or dismiss one in the absence of his mother, with equal ease .- P. B. B., New York.

To Keep Shoes White.

White shoes, which always are in favor in summer, will yellow with repeated cleanings. This trying period will be postponed indefinitely if the shoes are occasionally scrubbed off with a good soap and water before applying the cleansing paste.

It pays to buy shoe trees to slip into the shoes during the cleaning pro-

If a drop or two of bluing is added to the cleansing mixture, the shoes will be much whiter.



CANDY FOR BEES

It is One of the Best Winter Feeds for Honey Makers.

One of the best winter feeds, except sealed honey, for bees is plain sugar candy. If it is found that a colony of bees has not stored enough honey to keep them over winter it will be well to give them some candy for feed until blossoms come next spring.

Candy for bee feeding is made simply of sugar and water. To make it, dissolve granulated sugar in water and heat the mixture in a porcelain or granite vessel until it bolls. Keep up a good steady fire, but do not scorch the syrup or it will be of no use for bee feed. Stir the mixture until all the sugar is dissolved, but cease stirring after it is all dissolved. Greatest care should be taken when the syrup is cooked nearly enough, for it is then that scorching is likely to be

To determine when it has boiled enough, pour some of the syrup into cold water. If it hardens so that it is brittle and will easily break into pieces by bending, it has become candy and is ready to be taken off. It is then poured into greased shallow tin pans and formed into thin cakes. The cakes will have the appearance of rock candy if the work has been done right.

When done, these candy cakes may be hung in the hive for the bees to

feed upon. It may seem extravagant to feed bees on candy when they ought to have made enough honey for themselves, but some seasons it is impossible for a colony of bees to gather enough honey for a full winter supply, hence they perish of hunger before the coming season of blossoms. Many a colony of bees dies during each winter, and the wise farmer or bee keeper will see to it that each colony he keeps is well fed during the cold months. When a season of abundant honey-bearing blossoms comes the bees will pay him back in riches more than a hundred fold.

BEES STIMULATED BY FEED.

Nothing of More Vital Importance in Securing Satisfactory Surplus Than Healthy Colony.

There is probably nothing of more vital importance in securing a satisfactory surplus than having populous, healthy colonies at the opening of the flow, says a writer in Farm and Home. A strong colony will easily store twice the surplus of a medium one, and a weak colony during harvest is merely an ornament to the apiary. If the flow is late and some honey has been coming in regularly most colonies should, perhaps, of themselves build up and be ready for honey gath-Should, however, the flow ering. come early and outside conditions be unfavorable for rapid breeding, a good



beir-reeder. share of the apiary, if left to their own devices, may be utterly worthless as

far as storing surplus is concerned. There are times during which feeding to stimulate breeding may be desirable. One of these is before fruit bloom, and the other is in the interval between it and clover. Previous to fruit bloom there is not so much to be gained, but highly beneficial results can often be obtained by experienced beekeepers. Beginners wishing to try the earlier feeding should limit the test to a small part of the apiary.

Sweet Clover for Bees.

I should like to know when to plant sweet clover seed, asks a subscriber from Misouri. If planted in the spring will it bloom the same year, or will I have to wait a year? I want it for my bees to work on.

Sweet clover seed may be sown at almost any season. In the south it may be sown in February or March. It may be sown separately or with other crops. Many sow it with oats in the spring.

Being a perennial plant, not much blossoming can be expected from sweet clover the first season. However, if it is planted by itself in very rich and well-prepared soil, it will blossom some in the fall of the first year. If early blooming is desired, we would advise planting it in rows in rich soil and cultivate the first season. After it gets a good start it will need no cultivation.

Preparing Beeswax.

A reader asks how to separate the clear wax from old comb. Take a coarse muslin sack, put the comb in, mash it down and tie the sack securely; boil this in a kettle of sufficient size to admit of the sack being kept under the water, until the contents of the sack is soft. Then lift the sack a little, still keeping in the water, press between boards or in any convenient way; when the water cools, the wax will be on the top of the water in the kettle in a cake, and the cake will be very dirty looking on the underside; the dirt must be scraped off, and the clean wax reheated in clean water, when the "settlings" will sink to the bottom, and the wax will be on top in a cake when the water is cold.

## Short Sermons Sunday Half-Hour

Theme:

IS TRUTH ESSEN-TIALP

> \* \* \* By Smith Baker, D. D. + + +

Text: The words of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war was in his heart: his words were softer than oll, yet were they drawn swords .-Psalm Iv., 21.

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One of the most false and dangerous remarks heard in stores, shops and among the people is: "No matter what a man believes if he only lives right."

Every sober, intelligent person knows it is unphilosophic, unscientific and un-Biblical. To the superficial mind it is plausible, pleasing and influential. Such persons are captivated by it to the neglect of serious thought and to an external morality which becomes a substitute for reli-

It is at the bottom of the cry against creeds, dogmas, and doctrinal preaching. Men who are reasonable and intelligent upon other matters and demand that the most mechanical work shall be done according to scientific laws, repudiate the science of theology and the laws of the spiritual life, yea, the common laws of the mind as less real and less important than those of the stone mason or the house carpenter. Thus the conception of the Christian, among many persons, is only that of "a clean, good fellow among men." A trying to be as sweet and lovely as you can. Even some ministers preach no more than this and more of the people accept it as good gospel. The sense of accountability, responsibility and penalty, save to the State, is gone. Caesar and the ethics of social life have taken the place of Christ and the Bible as the law of life. Sweetness and light are substituted for spirituality and holiness.

This is what every serious pastor feels to be the great spiritual peril of the times-a substituting the present for the eternal and the love for man in place of a love for God, putting the second commandment before the first. The pastor of an evangelical church recently said to a man who made no pretensions to religious interest, "I don't care what you believe or if you don't believe anything, come into the church and that will make a better man of you." Even this amiable sinner said, "that was a theology too thin for him."

This becomes a sadder fact when it reaches up into the relation of ministerial standing, for here in the most sacred of all relations the importance of the truth is ignored, and we are called to recognize and fellowship men as Gospel ministers simply because they are good, sweet men, no matter what they believe. Said a college president, "We should not question a candidate for the ministry about his theology, but take him on his charac-

Bible is a dissolved book and no of men. longer authority," and we must recognize him as a Gospel preacher. He may teach that Christ was only the best of men and only divine in the sense that all men are any more so but not at all to be worshiped as deity and we must admit such a minister into our pulpits as a Gospel preacher. He may teach that the miracles were but myths with no historic value, yea, that there is no special supernatural in the Bible and we must fellowship Him. He may teach that regeneration is but the natural higher nature in man, and in no sense a supernatural work of the Holy Spirit, and we must recognize Him as 8 Gospel minister. He may teach that Christ never founded a church, or commanded baptism, or established the Lord's Supper, that these are only human institutions of man's creation, and we must fellowship Him as a religious leader.

Has a conservative thinker no duty to his own conscience? Ought one who believes the Bible is God's supernatural, inspired record of His love and plan for redemption of the world from sin through Jesus Christ, to fellowship as a religious teacher him who says the Bible is no longer authority? Ought a man who believes in the absolute defty of Christ, and worships Him as God to fellowship as a teacher one who denies all that? Ought one who believes in an objective atonement upon the Cross for the sins of the world, fellowship as a spiritual teacher one who denies it

These are becoming more and more serious questions with a large number of preachers. To many of us, the Bible and the deity of Christ and the objective atonement are facts as real and precious as God Himself. Are we to be considered narrow and bigoted and uncharitable because we say to men who reject them, "Go your way, that is your principle, but we cannot travel with you, your Bible is not our Bible, your Christ is not our Christ, your atonement is not our atonement, For us and our children you are not Gospel teachers"? Let such men be honest enough to go where they belong, but so vital are these truths and facts to us, that we cannot with policy to our conscience, recognize them as Gospel teachers.

## Of Interest to Women

Woman and The Ballot-Female Cry Of The Hour "Equality With Men" is a Plea Not for a Few, But for All Women-A Real Genius Rarest Among the Fair Sex.

Few things can appear more curious to a dispassionate observer than the foam of discontent seething up amongst women at the present day. Any discontent, if it be strong enough, will produce revolution; but a not uncommon result of revolution is a recoil into a more despotic absolutism than any that existed before the rebellion. It is possible that such a result will follow on the present revolt of womankind; meantime, coupled with another equally prominent feature of their sex in the present time, it is certainly one of the most curious of our social phenomena. We have studied it as such with some degree of ..ttention, and we have come to the conclusion that, despite the prominence of its school, it is not altogeth. Stands 10th in Pennsylvania. er so original as it believes, and it does not very clearly know what it actually aims at and requires.

"Equality with men," we are answered. But this is exceedingly difficult to define. Of course it is perfectly easy to pass jests upon, and concoct witticisms out of, such a subject; they suggest themselves by the mil-The harder effort is to avoid the attractively and facilely ludicrous side of the subject and write upon it seriously. All jests apart, it is something difficult to define—this equality with men that is the female cry of the hour. If equality in privileges be taken, equality in liabilities must be enforced also. Are women to go to this extreme?-to become soldiers if they become statesmen? We doubt they are prepared to reach this length; but unless they are, the desire for "equality with men" is only another phase of the desire for every privilege and the exemption from every penalty.

We can thoroughly sympathize with the impatience of a clever woman at seeing herself excluded from an arena of public life in which some masculine fools and many masculine mediocrities succeed. We are fully prepared to admit that here and there may arise a woman of such brilliant abilities that she would be fully capable of governing an empire or manoeuvring an army. But such women come once in five centuries; and this question is not of exceptional, but of all, women. The equality demanded is not for the few, but for the many. It is of the admission of the many to its rights and exercises that we have to treat; not of the admission of the two or three great women who may adorn a century, and who, be it noted, generally contrive to do well for themselves and rarely are participants in the cry of which we have heard so much in late years. Where real genius appears it levels sex; but this is at all times rare, in women rarest, and it is of the vast mass of "the general" that we speak. Maria Theresa, Catherine, Manon, Roland, Hypatia, Corinna, Sappho, will always make their own mark on the world's history; but the plea now raised is for the admission of all women-on the simple score of womanhood-to the A minister may teach that "the possession of the paths and thrones

Stencil Design.



Curtain Done on Icrim.

The Most Beautiful Women.

"When Rodin, the sculptor, was recently asked what country produced the most beautiful women," says an English periodical, "his reply was, 'All of them. Each country has its own beauty.' He added: 'What is beauty? No exact definition can be given. Those who most resemble the classic type are some of the Italian models from the South, and from Sicily, really the Greek part of Italy. These also have a peculiarity rarely found nowadays with us, that the second toe being longer than the big toe. One finds it invariably in Greek statutes. Another classic feature, the nose continuing the line of the forehead, is rarer. I once saw it in a young American woman, Miss D., who had produced it artificially by injecting paraffine to fill up the hollow at the bride of the nose. The effect was very ugly."

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