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SHAM.

Many people who would scorn to tell a lie are yet not above shams of various kinds. They forget that one may act a lie as well as tell one. Absolute truthfulness and sincerity in all dealings are just as much moral obligations as the bold and uncompromising "yes" or "no" in answer to a straightforward question. To put on the appearance of having what one has not, bears the same relation to an untruth as a state of continual bad temper does to murder. The degrees of guilt may vary, but the type of sin is the same.

There are shams of all sorts. The least reprehensible are those connected with dress; the most foolish are those prompted by social ambition. Pretentiousness is the chief characteristic of snobbishness. There are whole regiments of people who, without uttering downright falsehoods, try to give to others a false idea of their social status. They speak of persons with whom they are barely acquainted, in terms of affectionate and friendly interest. It is a melancholy fact that very many people are so far from being distinguished, and in this respect women are the worst offenders. Men see more clearly what is their rightful level, and the sterner realities of their lives lift them above such pettiness. It is only those young men who have no profession and a small independence, who devote their misplaced energy to social advancement. Such men are far worse than the veriest snobs that ever wore petticoats.

Another sham is that of aristocratic affectation. There is disgrace in poverty provided it is independent. And yet not only do some poor people pretend to be less poor than they are, but even rich ones pretend to be more liberally endowed with this world's goods than they are in reality, and would have it believed that their gold is unlimited. Along with sham wealth they have sham poverty. The latter is either a cloak of avarice or else it is adopted in pursuit of the fashion. Sham poverty is also the frequently adopted device of greedy people. Many of those who are always crying poverty would be quite comfortable if they would live according to their means, but they would rather sponge on their rich friends than cut their coats according to their cloth.

Another sham is that of aristocratic antecedents. Sham virtue, sham religion, sham charity, sham foolishness deserve to be denounced in unmitigated terms. Why should there be any shams or false pretenses? Society would be purer and happier without them. Could there be a revolution in favor of sincerity and truthfulness in all things, there would be fewer heart burnings, fewer pricks of conscience, and no shame at detection. Instead of these we should gain in proper pride and independence, and in increased trust and confidence toward our fellow-creatures.

SELF-MILKERS.

When we were a boy, father owned a cow which it was found necessary, after a few weeks of full feeding, to cumber with a complicated piece of neck furniture, to forbid her flicking surreptitiously and properly belonged to the stall. Self-milkers are not profitable. We have faith in the doctrine of rotation and the quick reconversion of farm products into the elements of new growth. But here was a case of reconversion so rapid as to be fatal to all the laws of economy. It suggested nothing so strongly as that rapid issue of government money, which finds immediate absorption among governmental officials, pensioned corps and car-buncles which feed upon a nation's bounty. Does the government really milk itself? and can no preservative be found in the way of neck machinery or other? No one honors our old soldiers more than we, and far be it from us to detract one iota from their gallantry or abate one dollar from pensions justly earned, but the line must be drawn somewhere, and either government will ere long become a self-milker. Widows, made such by the civil war, deserve a pension, and so likewise do those who were torn by shot and shell, as well as scores of others who from disease contracted, or other disability, are incapacitated for obtaining a livelihood. By all means pension the deserving ones, but be careful to discriminate between honest battle scars, and corns made by tight boots twenty-five years after the smoke of battle had cleared away.

The school law in Wisconsin requiring children of a certain age to acquire an elementary English education is a good one and should be adopted by every state in the Union. The law does not prohibit the instruction of children in their vernacular. This the parents are allowed to do, but it contemplates imparting to every child a knowledge of the language in which the business of the country is transacted. English is the recognized language of this country. The Czar of Russia presides over a people who speak one hundred and twenty different languages, and should the president of the United States be compelled to interpret like a number of tongues, he would have but little time to devote to the tariff question and the other knotty problems which are thrust upon him from time to time would not be unraveled this side of eternity.

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COMMUNICATION NO. 8.
Eaton Lebanon Express.
I wish in this communication to call the attention of your numerous intelligent and thoughtful readers to the moral side of this question, and show the inconspicuousness of tobacco using with our holy religion.
In the first place it may be necessary to define what we understand a Christian to be according to the teachings of Jesus and the apostles. According to Christ a Christian is one who loves God with all his heart and his neighbor as himself, and according to Paul, one who has been translated from the kingdom of darkness into the kingdom of God's dear son, one who has the love of God shed abroad in his heart by the Holy Ghost which is given unto him, one who is made free from sin and is fruitful unto holiness in order that the end may be everlasting life. A Christian is one who is consecrated to God, body, soul and spirit, for time and for eternity, one who lives for the glory of God and the good of his fellow-travelers to the judgment seat of Christ, and who expects to give an account for the deeds done in the body, who regards his time and talents as belonging to the Lord, according to Paul. "For ye are not your own, ye are bought with a price. There is glory in God in your bodies and spirits, which are his. Let no uncleanness have dominion over you. Whether you eat or drink, or whatsoever you do, do all to the glory of God." "Ye are the light of the world. Let your light so shine that others, seeing your good works, may be constrained to glorify your father who is in heaven."
According to these definitions of a Christian, he should be a pattern of holiness among men. He should be an example for others to follow. He should be able to say to others following me as I follow Christ. A Christian should be the best possible type of a human being in all his essential characteristics, physical, intellectual and moral. It should be his highest ambition to attain to that state of perfection that will enable him to rise higher and higher in the scale of moral excellence that assimilates him in nature to angels and saints upon him the image of his Maker.

If these are facts which none can deny, and which every child of God must admit, then the facts which I have shown in former communications on the subject of tobacco, renders it absolutely impossible for a man to be a Christian and use tobacco, except as other poisons, medicinally.
I have shown in former communications, I think, the following facts, viz: That tobacco is one of the most virulent poisons in nature; that its habitual use impairs health, shortens life and superinduces a long train of physical maladies; that it is filthy and disgusting in its nature and character; that it is a bad example to set before the young and rising generation; a fearful waste of money, costing the people of this nation more than one thousand million of dollars annually, and yet this vast amount of money is squandered and worse, is thrown away for the gratification of a vitiated appetite, which no person will have overcome the terrible resistance which nature makes to expel this poison from the system.
If these things are so, can a Christian pursue a course which he knows is injuring himself, destroying his own life, bringing on premature decay, setting a bad example for the rising generation, and using money for this vile habit that God has given him for a good and noble purpose, even to glorify Him and do good to his fellow beings? What answer will that man be able to give when called to account for his stewardship who has thus wasted his Lord's money, deprived his family of many of the comforts, convenience and necessities of life, rendering himself odious and disgusting to all with whom he associates. By his example he invites all around him to imitate a portion of his means in tobacco. He says to them by his actions, buy a pipe, spend a portion of your precious time in pulling away at the pipe or in chewing, and in spitting out this disgusting compound of poison and nastiness. Let it run down on your beard and into your eyes, and it will do you harm on your wife's carpet and andirons and on the stove and floor. These are but a small portion of the evils that flow from the use of tobacco.

Can a man that loves God and his fellowman indulge in this horrible and disgusting practice, when he knows his own family and his fellow-beings around him in want and poverty and the cause of God languishing for the means to carry it forward? Can a Christian deliberately persist in this vile habit and waste that which is his Lord's money. One reason why the wheels of Zion are clogged and sinners are not converted to God is on the account of this vile habit among church members. What a reproach to the cause of the Redeemer to think that men professing to love God and whom he commands to keep themselves pure and to let no uncleanness have dominion over them, and whose bodies should be a fit temple for the Holy Ghost to dwell in, should be polluted by the poisonous and reeking fumes of tobacco. A Christian should be a pattern of all that is pure and noble and praiseworthy among men. He should be foremost in every good word and work. He should be free from even the appearance of evil, and so live that when he is called to give an account of how he has spent his money, he may not be worse than the man who had kept it laid up in a napkin, and had spent it for the gratification of a vitiated and unnatural appetite that makes him more animal and less intellectual and moral in his nature.
Finally, after taking a careful survey of this question in all its bearings, we are forced to the following conclusions: First, that no man can be a Christian and use tobacco except as other poisons medicinally; second, that no man can be the best type of an American citizen and use tobacco; third, that it is a filthy, disgusting and expensive habit having a tendency to deteriorate and finally destroy the race; fourth, Congress should pass a law to prevent its manufacture, importation and sale. All of which is respectfully submitted.

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