WHISKEY MEN ANXIOUS THEIR CLAIMS STILL HELD UP

uspicious Transactions May be Shown Up at the Next Meeting of the Dispensary Investigating Com-mittee, Thirty Days Lence—New Board Represented as Having Violated the Resolution Regarding the Purchase of Glass—A Com-

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Columbia. S. C., March 25.
The next session of the dispensary investigating committee will be held here in about 20 days, after Messrs. Lyon and Christensen have made one more trip, which they are now about to start out on, to Louisville, St. Louis, Cincinnati and other whiskey centres in that section. Then the tug of war will come to show up some of the suspicious transactions on the part of certain whiskey houses. This promises to be one of the most interesting pessions the committee has yet had.

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Much anxiety is manifested on the part of the whiskey concerns interested in the \$80,000 worth of claims the committee is holding up pending investigation, and there is more or less general curiosity about when these claims are to be disposed of. What Mr. Lyon told a proprietor of a whiskey concern to-day who called on him at his hotel to ask that his claim be released, will serve to show the policy the committee has adopted toward this phase of the investigation.

"While I personally am satisfied from observation Mr. Christensen and I made on our recent trip North." he said, "that a number of the claims are proper and should be paid, still our sub-committee will not take the responsibility of rewill not take the responsibility of remainder of the committee to take the past have been fair and proper. We prefer for the remainder of the committee to take the past heard in good husiness."

The power of sin is poisonous, by fascination, and it is corrupting. It corrupts the mind, the feeling, the conscience, and the will. Sin is seen also in the power of habit. Habit is powerful even when not sinful, and when sinful it holds man to evil. "Again, sin gathers to itself the associations and influences of its own kind. Sin binds man in hopeless slavery. "If all this be true, you ask why this world is not a hell? Because it is the hear of the committee to take the remainder of the committee to take the past have been fair and proper. We prefer for the remainder of the committee to take the past have been fair and proper. We prefer for the remainder of the committee to take the past have been fair and proper. We prefer for the past have been fair and proper. We prefer for the past have been fair and proper. We prefer for the past have been fair and proper. We prefer for the committee to

the remainder of the committee to take their share of such responsibility." "Is the new board in good business shape, perfectly reliable and all that sort of thing?" the whiskey, man asked.
"So far as we have been able to discover the board is perfectly straight, and has shown a disposition to conduct the business in a manner it should be conducted. It is in really better financial condition than the old board, having some \$300,000 on hand with which to pay cash for its purchases on account of the other claims being held up."

The whiskey man wanted to know whether cash was being paid by the new board, incidentally mentioning that thousands of dollars could be saved by a cash policy, bills being discounted at 3 per cent.

board, incidentally mentioning that thoused and of dollars could be saved by a cash policy, bills being discounted at 3 per cent. Mr. Lyon was unable to say whether cash was to be paid or not; he really did not know whether the \$200,000 the board had was getting any interest from the banks. It has been urged before members of the committee that the new board has violated the resolution passed by the last legislature in reference to the purchase of glass. This resolution directed purchasing from the Carolina Glass Company for present needs, up to 30 days from the passage of the resolution, and prompt advertising for other bids, the advertisement to state quantity and quality. It is claimed that as the advertisement to board did put out and not mention quantity or quality, failed to meet the requirements of the resolution, and the board neglecting to award a contract at the quarterly meeting (the resolution requiring the contracts to be awarded only quarterly) meeting (the resolution requiring the contracts to be awarded only quarterly).

Along this line it will be of interest to not preach the power of our religion note the difference between the bids for glass contracts that were on file with the thorugh this power. has been blacklisted.

concern were put on the gridiron, has come in with a hid of \$2.70 for half pints.

34.10 for pints and \$6.80 for quarts. The company also offers a "new style" for \$2.75 for half pints, \$4.15 for pints and \$7.16 for quarts. Demijohns, which were selling at 24 cents each, and are yet selling to the dispensary at that price, are now offered at 21 cents each.

The Flaccus concern of Pittsburg, which the Carolina people bought out of the Way, according to the showing of the January hearing, has come in with this bid: half pints \$1.75, pints \$4.75, quarts \$8.48; 8-oz. Baltimore ovals \$3.25, 16-oz. same \$4.80, 32-oz. same \$8.75, brandy fours \$8.75; demijohns 24 cents.

The Eastern Bottlers Supply Company makes a bid of \$2.76 for pints and \$3.76 for quarts; flasks the same except in quarts, which are \$8.90.

Packham Brow and Cumberland Gloss Company, which are the same—and which put the Carolina concern out in the cold with the testimony of G. H. Packham put in a bid of \$2.76 for half pints, \$4.45 for pints and \$7.76 for quarts.

Now, as will be seen, the Carolina Company has come down from a monopoly of the business at prices above all others, when it did business several years with the dispensary to the extent of 200 cars at the first pour that if you are free in Chirst you not renounces in, and accept Christ; for your own sake, for God's sake, I beg you to come, simply saying,

"Out of my bondage, sorrow and night Jesus I come, Jesus, I come, Jesus I come to thee."

BY LIGHTNING IN PULPIT.

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Freacher Killed While Addressing His Congregation, Church Taking Fire.

Carson, lowa, March 25—While preaching to his congregation to-day, Rev. J. B. Lentz, pastor of a Latter Day Saints church, was struck by lightning, which caused his death within an hour. The holt was contained in the sum of the condition of the same and

looks as if the board was placed in the predicement of awarding the contract to a higher bidder or patronizing a black-listed concern. There are some however, who are wicked enough to think that the contract was deferred until the Carolina concern is the only one able to fill the orders, when it will be in position to elevate its bid slightly. All this might have been cleared up had the newspaper representatives been admitted to the sessions of the board.

of the board. These figures come from Mr. Lyon, who These figures come from Mr. Lyon, who calculates the difference between the bid the Carolina concern now makes and the contract it was operating on in January at \$2.9 a car for half pints, \$19.9 a car for lady patients. All forms of electricity pints and \$196.56 a car for quarts, a total difference of \$53,000 on the orders for 300 cars ahead the Legislature took away from the Carolina company.

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DR. HOWERTON'S SERMON.

He Preached an Able Sermon Last Night at the Union Service From the Text: "Verily, Verily, I Say Unto You, Whosocver Committeth W. M. STRONG, M. D., Sin is the Servant of Sin," etc.-A Large Congregation Hears Him.

It would be hard for any one to preach a more convincing and earnest ermon than that preached by Rev. J. R. Howerton, D. D., in the Second Presbyterian church yesterday at the union service. The large auditorium and Sunday school room were filled with attentive hearers. Dr. Howerton is always a strong, helpful preacher, and last night he seemed to have even more than his usual earnestness and power in preaching.

His text is found in John 8:34 and 36 verses: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin. If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free

In part he said. "You must have noticed while I was reading the passage from which this text is taken how wilfully the Jews misunderstood Jesus. They took what he said in a literal sense when He spoke in a figurative sense. They took what he said in physical sense when He spoke in

spiritual sense.
When Jesus spoke of their being in the Jews took offense. He oferred to a bondage far worse than my physical bondage. Make a man believe the guilt of sin, and it is easier to make him believe in the atoning ower of Jesus Christ. Make a man relieve in the power of sin, and it is easier to make him believe in the freefrom sin to be secured through

When Jesus Christ spoke to the Jews of the slavery of sin, and the freedom from sin to be found in Himfeeted in From sin to be found in Himself alone. He spoke a truth not only for that time, but for all time. He delivered a message for us as well.

It is to these two thoughts that I will be to these two thoughts that I will be to these two thoughts that I will be tall your attention this morn-The slavery of sin. 2. Free-in Jesus Christ. The slavery of is to be considered in its threefold nature: the guilt of sin, the power of sin and the environment of sin.

"Guilt makes the sinner deserving of the natural consequences of sin.

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"It is not the fear of wrath that 202 S. Tryon.

makes the sinner fear God. It is the consciousness that God is a just God that makes the sinner fear Him. It as not the fear of power that makes the sinner fear, God, but it is the consciousness of God's justice that

metes the sinner fear Him.
"Suilt drives the sinner away from God: it blinds the sinner to the love of God and to him God is only a God of justice. Gullt drives the sinner more and more into the slavery of

"Grilt destroys all restraints to sin; it destroys self-respect, shame and fear of public opinion, which are the only restraints to sin.

"The effect of sin on conscience is two-fold: 1. It deadens the conscience to sin. 2. It awakes the conscience to the awfulness of sin, which is far worse. Oft repeated indulgence in sin produces deadness to its danger; each commission of sin makes the next eas-There is finally, however, an

can, a world where none of these helpful agents are present-imagine God letting a soul alone and you have picture of a state worse than literal

"Blessed by God. Christ breaks the bondage of sin. Guilt makes the sinner deserving of the natural consequences of sin, but Jesus frees him

from this-takes it away. "Guilt hides the love of God, but Jesus tells of His love. He reveals to us a God whose own bosom is the refuge from deserved punishment.

ferred the matter until the June quarterly meeting (the resolution requiring the contracts to be awarded only quarterly); when the glass concerns throughout the country will be shut down, and none but the Columbia convern which is equipped with dispensary moulds, will be able to fill the orders. It is pointed out that the new board has deferred this business in the interest of the Carolina concern, which has been blacklisted.

board when it held its recent quarterly er of sin. Take His promises in faith er of sin. Take His promises in faith meeting.

The Carolina Glass Company, which the committee found selling in 100 crate lots at \$2.40 a gross for half pints. \$4.85 a gross for pints and \$8.65 a gross for quarts in January when officers of the concern were put on the gridiron, has come in with a bid of \$2.70 for half pints.

Take His promises in faith and overcome through Him. You may have conflicts after you trust Him, but from the day you transfer your allegiances from sin to Jesus you are free. You may have to fight, yes, but on the Lord's side.

the business at prices above all others, when it did business several years with the dispensary to the extent of 200 cars a year, to a blacklisted suppliant for business with a bid below all the others. It looks as if the board was placed in the predicament of awarding the contract to a higher bidder.

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The Funeral of Mrs. Grimes. The funeral of Mrs. R. N. Grimes was conducted from the residence yes-terday afternoon by Revs. H. K. Boyer and C. T. Willingham. A large number of the friends of the family gathered to pay their last respects. floral offerings were elaborate and pretty.

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