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**WHY SENTIMENT IS STRONG AGAINST THE SALE OF WHISKEY.**

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In a recent visit to several cities in which the "prohibition wave" has literally swept away the whiskey traffic, considerable inquiry was made as to the results and the effects of prohibition upon business in general. Almost every class of people were "sounded"—from bootblacks to the largest manufacturers in the south. In almost every instance there was a cheerful expression favoring the new conditions.

In Charlotte, where there has been prohibition for some time, and where the laws have been enforced almost to the letter, in keeping down the sale of whiskey in the drug stores by prescription, and in keeping out the blind tigers, prohibition seems to have been a blessing.

Charlotte's growth in the last year or so has been phenomenal in every way. The driving out more than three years ago of the saloons has not retarded street improvements; has not shut down the graded schools; has not lessened the work on the county roads; has not driven a soul from the city on account of overtaxation, as any one is aware; and Charlotte has today more paved streets; there have been more improvements in all lines of business; a larger number of buildings, shops and factories erected since the existence of prohibition than at any period in the history of the city.

Also, Mecklenburg county, of which Charlotte is the county seat, has more miles of well macadamized roads than any other single county in the south, and there is not a better class or more prosperous set of farmers in this glorious southland.

The roads are of such a class the farmer can drive to town from a distance of ten miles almost by breakfast time with his butter, chickens and eggs, and then he sells his produce at one-third to a half more than before prohibition.

Probably this is because those who spent their money freely for drink are now buying the necessities of life, and are cheerfully providing for the home and the family dependent upon them.

The revenue from whiskey never built a mile of Mecklenburg's good roads, and in considering the improvements of the roads, at no time was the taxes from whiskey brought into the argument.

If it were left to the majority in Charlotte and Mecklenburg county who use the roads, from what I know of these noble Scotch-Irish people, they would say, "Let's wade through the mud and mire till doom's day if we are to depend upon the sale of whiskey to erect and improve our highways."

There are in Charlotte more than one hundred automobiles, used by the business man, the physician, etc., this method of travel having been adopted on account of the splendid streets and roads leading out over all sections of the county. Before prohibition was tried there were not as many as a dozen automobiles in Charlotte. Where there are automobiles in abundance there is prosperity. The sale of whiskey did not buy a single one of these automobiles.

Further down, in Atlanta, where whiskey has done more than anything else to disgrace the fair south and impede the progress of this, the liveliest city in the south, prohibition is to prevail January 1st, and every single person with means, and the heads of the largest stores and manufacturing interests, are glad of it, and the greatest demonstration ever held by the best people of Atlanta have been planned for the dying night of this eventful year, when liquor and all of its agencies are to be swept away, as if by magic.

Listen: Of the 125 buildings occupied by whiskey dealers, not a single one located in a decent part of Atlanta will remain vacant.

And in every instance the new occu-

**THE STORY OF THE FIRST CHRISTMAS.**

RELATED BY THE HISTORIAN ST. LUKE.

And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenus was governor of Syria.) And all went to be taxed, every one into his own city. And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, unto the city of David, which is called Bethlehem (because he was of the house and lineage of David), to be taxed with Mary his espoused wife, being great with child. And so it was, that while they were there the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. And she brought forth her first born son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flocks by night. And lo, the angel of the Lord come upon them and the glory of the Lord shone round about them; and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God, and saying, Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.

And it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said one to another, Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which has come to pass, which the Lord has made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child. And they that heard it, wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds. But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them. And when eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called Jesus, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb. And when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord: (As it was written in the law of the Lord, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;) and to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord, A pair of turtle doves, or two young pigeons.

And behold there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon; and the man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel; and the Holy Ghost was upon him. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ. And he came by the spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him after the custom of the law, then took he him up in his arms, and blessed God, and said, Lord, now lettest thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; a light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him. And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against; (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also;) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.

And there was one Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser: she was of a great age, and had lived with her husband seven years from her virginity; and she was a widow of about four score and four years, which departed not from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. And she coming in at that instant, gave thanks likewise, unto the Lord, and spake of him to all them that looked for redemption in Jerusalem. And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city Nazareth.

And the child grew and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon him. Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among his kinsfolk and acquaintance. And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him. And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them and asking them questions. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers. And when they saw him, they were amazed; and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought the sorrowing. And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business? And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them. And he went down with them, and came to Nazareth, and was subject unto them: But his mother kept all these sayings in her heart.

And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

... pant will be a manufacturer or dealer in some commodity which will mean much to Atlanta.

One particular sign is especially noticeable—that which hangs over the establishment of "B. & B." It reads: "After January 1st, this entire establishment will be occupied by Fielder & Allen Co., office supplies of all kinds."

"B. & B." goes to Chattanooga; this large supply house takes it place, so the outgoing of whiskey dealers and the immediate incoming of reputable business concerns and diversified manufacturing interests will be more in the direction of benefitting, and certainly improving, the conditions of the south's greatest city than whiskey would do in a thousand years.

The race riot in Atlanta of a year ago is absolutely accredited to whiskey, and this riot did more to disgrace the south than anything that has occurred in years. It will be remembered that many of our northern "friends" took the Atlanta riot as a text to "pay their respects" to the entire south, making it appear in many instances that we are all bad, dangerous and of a tremendous drawback to the progress of the negro race.

Whiskey here is the cause of increasing the police force to more than double its usual numbers during the holidays, and a regiment of militia will be held at one of the armories in the city, ready for a riot call at any moment. It will not be so this time next year, and as I said before, those who have made Atlanta what it is today are GLAD OF IT.

**A Great Newspaper.** In bringing about the present favorable conditions, Mr. F. L. Seely, publisher of Atlanta's cleanest, one of the south's fairest and greatest newspapers, "The Georgian," had a great deal to do. "The Georgian" was for prohibition from teeth to toe-nails, and it was through the strength of this admirable newspaper that prohibition was brought about.

Mr. Seely is the most admired man today in Atlanta. He is a man of means and his means have been spent in the right direction.

"The Georgian" has accomplished more and has made greater progress in the last two years than any other paper in the south.

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G. B. CRATER.

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**COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON.**

Tomorrow, wherever the name of Christ is known, a great joy will fill the hearts of His followers as they hail the 1907th anniversary day of His birth and join in the celebration of Christmas day.

For the brightness and joy and pleasures and advantages of civilization that flood the world and make it better belongs to Jesus, Our King.

The Evening Times force—including the small army of carrier-boys—will utilize the day in celebration and thankfulness. The little fellows will hand you their annual "Christmas address" (which this year is short and to the point) and we hope no subscriber to this paper will neglect to recognize the claims of these little fellows, who in sunshine and in storm have faithfully put you in possession of the news each day at your homes.

You have it in your power to make one of these boys happy—each of you—and it is a great privilege which you should not fail to welcome and exercise.

This Christmas eve—"The night before Christmas when all through the house, "Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse"—is a good time to ponder on what the advent of this Blessed Christ brought to the race of man.

As Charity says, in certain quarters, His name is dishonored. A certain school of youthful theologians admire but do not worship Him; they acknowledge His moral power but deny His divine authority; they exalt His matchless example but do not enthroned Him as their king.

We have noticed with pain how prayerless are the petitions some men offer. They scrupulously avoid the mention of the name of Jesus. They do not seem to know that a prayer without that name is not a prayer at all.

We want every child reader of The Evening Times to render to Jesus the homage of their hearts. He not only brought us the material blessings that render our lives bright and happy, but he made atonement for our sins; and we must never forget that nothing less than blood will wash the sin stains from a soul. He is our prophet, priest and king, as well as our elder brother, and there is none other name given among men whereby we can be saved.

Do the parents of today properly instruct their children about Jesus? The air is full of pernicious teaching about Him, and we should be most careful to keep out of their young hearts the soft and silly notions that are all abroad about the mission and the work of our Lord.

The greatest theological school that this world has ever had or ever will have is a Christian mother. She is the first to point the young and tender heart to the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world, and though the feet of the pupil may often wander in the forbidden paths, the lessons of life's spring time are not lost. The bread she casts upon the waters, though it may float to many a shore, will return to her at last.

Let the mothers tell their children the real story of Jesus and why He was born in a manger and what He has done for us all. What an opportunity every Christmas presents to press upon a fresh young heart the claims of its best benefactor and friend!

And we who are older, ought to lay hold of the hope that is within us with a firmer grasp, for the strange and insidious doctrine about the fine moral influence of our Lord which leaves out His atoning sacrifice, may find lodgment in our hearts before we are aware of it. Let us all sing: "Joy to the world the Lord is come, Let earth receive her king; Let every heart prepare Him room, And Heaven and nature sing."

Let each of us strive during the coming year to live a little closer than ever to Him who has done so much for us.

That every reader of The Evening Times may spend a very happy Christmas is the best wish we can extend to you all today.

The season of peace and good will is essentially the one in which to remember the poor, and particularly the children of the poor.

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