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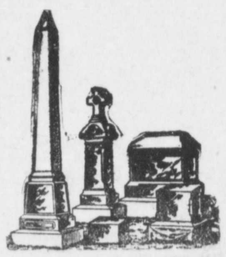
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DRIVEN INTO THE WILDERNESS.

Mark i, 9-11; Matthew iv, 1-11—Feb. 25.

"For in that He Himself hath suffered, being tempted, He is able to succor them that are tempted."—Hebrews ii, 18.

OUR STUDY for today is a most interesting one. It points to the time when Jesus reached the age of thirty and was permitted to offer Himself without spot to God as the world's Sin-offering.

There the Redeemer became the antitypical Passover Lamb, the antitypical bullock of the Atonement Day Sin-offering. There He gave up His life to the doing of the Father's will; there He as the Man Jesus died; there He as the antitypical bullock was slain; there He was begotten of the Holy Spirit and became the antitypical Priest—the Sacrificer. Through the following three and a half years of His ministry He carried out this consecration and completed it at Calvary, crying, "It is finished!"



"Baptized of John in Jordan."

When Jesus received the begetting of the Holy Spirit at His baptism it was the begetting to the divine nature, and with it came great enlightenment to His mind, as represented in the words, "And the heavens were opened unto Him." Forthwith He could see clearly into the Divine purposes respecting Himself in a manner not possible to Him prior to His consecration.

At once the Master realized the full import of the Day of Atonement sacrifices, of the Passover lamb slain, of the prophecies that spoke of Himself as being led as a lamb to the slaughter, and of His being the antitype of the brazen serpent, lifted on high for the healing of Adam's sin-bitten race.

Led of the Spirit—Into Temptation.

As these thoughts began to rush into the Savior's mind, He was first of all pressed of the spirit (His own spirit) to go apart for awhile and to study out the full import of the Law and the Prophets and His own obligations according to the Covenant He had just made. For forty days and nights His intense earnestness made Him oblivious to almost everything else. Apparently He neither ate nor slept until the forty days were ended; and He "afterward hungered."

Then it was that the Adversary appeared as a tempter—at the moment of His physical weakness as the result of fasting—when His soul was overwhelmed with the realization of the importance of the great contract He had made and of what it would cost Him to fulfil its terms. It was the severest test imaginable. Would the Redeemer prove loyal to God—to the Divine Program—to His covenant of consecration, unto *death*? Or would He feel that the Father had poured too bitter a cup for Him—that God had made the tests of loyalty and obedience too severe—that it was neither just nor loving to allow Him to enter into such a contract?

How glad we are to note the loyalty which triumphed over every temptation! With the angels we acclaim, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain!" To Him be glory, honor, dominion and might everlasting!

Tempted as We Are.

The Savior was not tempted with the habits of a drunkard nor the weaknesses of a debauchee or a libertine, neither are those the temptations which come to us—His footstep followers. We are to remember that the Scriptures clearly differentiate between us and the world: "Ye are not of the world even as I am not of the world." "Tempted like as we are," therefore signifies that the temptations or trials which Jehovah permits to come upon His consecrated people are of the same kind that He permitted to come upon our Redeemer.

It is important, therefore, that we notice the character of our tests. God is not testing us to see whether or not our *flesh* is perfect, for He knew all along that amongst men there is none righteous, no, not one. The Father's tests for those whom He receives as sons are tests of loyalty to Him, loyalty to the principles of righteousness, to the Truth, to the Divine methods—a refusal to take our own way or to seek our own glory at the expense of Truth or of the Divine method.



"All these things will I give thee."

Our Lord was indignant that it should be thought for a moment that, having left the heavenly glory to do the Father's will, He should now prove traitor to His covenant, and for fear of the cross and the shame and the death He should enter into a confederacy with the great Arch-enemy of righteousness—Satan. He answered, "Get thee hence, Satan, for it is written: 'Thou shalt worship the Lord, thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve.' I will not serve you nor co-operate with you in any sense of the word." "Then the Devil leaveth Him." We are to resist the Adversary courageously that he may leave us permanently, seeing no hope of winning us.

An Oysterman's View of Oyster Legislation.

Rock Hall, Md., Feb. 13, 1912.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—For several months past quite a lot has been circulated by the press of the State on the oyster question, pro and con. In the meantime not a move has been made by the oystermen of Kent to place themselves on record and be in a position to meet the issue in an intelligent manner when the "show down" comes on the Campbell Oyster Bill now pending in the Senate. The principal feature of the Campbell bill is the enactment into law the recommendation of the Shell Fish Commission. First, a very large increase of acreage in the bay and tributaries for planting purposes. What will this mean to oystermen? Let's see. The late Judge Goldsborough in an opinion delivered in 1880 stated, "It would be a palpable absurdity for the State to attempt to promote the propagation and growth of oysters and to encourage its citizens, by grants of land, to engage in their culture if the lands authorized to be taken up were only those upon which oysters do not and cannot be made to grow. That there may be lands covered by water in the State where no oysters can be found, but where if planted they could be cultivated successfully, may be possible, but if so, I imagine their extent must be too limited for them to be of much practical general advantage for the purposes of a planting law. There are large and numerous tracts where oysters of natural growth may be found in moderate numbers but not in quantities sufficient to make it profitable to catch them, and yet, where oysters may be successfully planted and propagated. In my opinion these cannot be called natural bars or beds of oysters. Land cannot be said to be natural oyster bar or bed merely because oysters are scattered here and there upon it, and because if planted they will readily live and thrive there."

Now, in view of the fact that scores of small bars or patches of oysters upon which oystermen of this section work upon each and every season and do well till late in the season, have been laid off by the late survey for planting purposes, is it not evident that the aims of the oyster culturalist is to scoop in scores more of these small bars or patches?

Some of these small patches already laid off by the Shell Fish Commissioners have yielded 20 bushels per day to a crew of two men, and not for one day only, but numbers of days during the present season.

The Hamanites themselves said two years ago such lands as Judge Goldsborough declared were not natural bars, are the bottoms they want, barren bottoms are no use to them.

2nd. The Shellfish Commissioner's next recommendation is to prompt planters to take up their stock, when, and how they please. This would be to a large extent, a crowd out of the natural bar oystermen in the marketing of their stock.

3rd. It is recommended that seed stock be taken from natural bars, practically without cost, or limit, an evidence of which took place last spring, when thousands of bushels of oysters were dredged up after the close of the season on Hodges Bar, and taken to Western Shore rivers.

4th. It is recommended that non-residents be permitted to enter the State and engage in oyster culture. Wouldn't that be the entering of the last wedge to deprive the oystermen of their free heritage? And now the Campbell Bill is amended, by using half of the revenue from oyster grounds for the purpose of shelling the natural bars, which nearly all the tide water Senators, seems to have concurred in. This scheme, looks alright when a snapshot view is taken of it. But in looking backward it is recalled that such a shelling was in operation, and many a cargo was soon discharged after getting below Fort Carroll, and if any shells reached the oyster bars, it was more by chance than otherwise. Therefore the "Price" amendment looks like an attempt to playcate the oystermen.

We may be mistaken in our views, hope we are, but if the Hamanites roseate picture of the grand results of oyster culture as exhibited years ago, had been of genuine hue, and they had prosecuted the industry on what they have with vim succeeded, better confidence would be placed in them now.

Commander Howard said, some time back, "Some legislation must be enacted to preserve the oysters, but I don't think it is the Haman Bill."

Some legislation may be needed now to preserve the oysters, but it dosen't look to us that the Campbell Bill is the needed thing.

The cry, the scarcity of oysters, is a false alarm, and we see it. The oystermen of Kent, wish oyster culturists well, and they believe the present law should stand as it is. They believe that a strict inforcement of the law is all that is needed for the preservation of the oysters.

As a change of law is pending, it behooves the oystermen and the many interested in the industry, to organize, and place themselves on record. It is also good policy for the oystermen, the oyster culturists, and the packers, to get together for a thorough consultation. The wise man said, "In a multitude of counsellors, there is safety."

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Thursday, Washington's Birthday, was observed in Chestertown by the closing of the banks and public offices and by fitting ceremonies at Washington College.

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Others in the contest were Edward J. Hanrahan, of Loyola College; Edgar T. Fell, of St. John's College, and Wendell De Witt Allen, of Washington College. The judges were: Messrs. Bernard N. Baker, J. Kemp Bartlett, Douglas M. Wylie, Dr. Hans Froelicher and Dr. James W. Bright.

State Teachers' Meeting.—The meeting of the Maryland State Teachers' Association to be held in Baltimore March 1st and 2d, promises to be very interesting. Friday morning will be devoted to visiting the city schools, teachers having the privilege of selecting the schools they wish to inspect, while the other sessions, to be held in McCoy Hall, John Hopkins University, will be used for the discussion of various school problems. Dr. Buchner and Dr. Manny, of Baltimore, and other prominent educators, as well as the foremost high school teachers of the State, will speak at these meetings, and Governor Goldsborough is expected to make an address.

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