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—Tennyson.

The International Sunday-School Lesson.

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THE TEN COMMANDMENTS—DUTIES TO MEN.

The Matterhorn is one of the Alps, of course; but it has its own striking personality, rising like an obelisk, with sides too sheer to hold the snow which crowns its neighbors. The Decalogue is part of the Bible, of course; but among these hills of truth it rises with an individuality all its own. Part of the Bible, yes; but strangely distinct from it. Like the Matterhorn, it must needs catch the eye of the most cursory and superficial reader. It can not be hid. It is the best and most widely known of any part of the Old Testament at least, if not of the entire Scripture.

Comprehensiveness is the characteristic of this unique ethical code. The commandment is exceedingly broad. It is a miracle in words that such a number and variety of duties could be included in terms so brief. That is the power and utility of it. The number of them is in itself an aid to memory. The commandments can be counted on the fingers. They are "ten words," one for each digit.

It is at once recognized that the principles irradiated in this singular manner are basal. They are fundamental to organized society. A commonwealth can not exist without them. They are essential to social order. In proportion to the obedience given them will be the stability of the State. In this connection the heinousness of crime is apparent. Breaking the commandments does not merely injure the immediate parties; it tends to disintegrate and subvert the whole social order. The sentimental condoning of crime and unwarrantable use of executive clemency are therefore in themselves harmful to the common weal. The immediate parties can not be divorced from the larger relation which their deeds maintain.

The reception and ratification of this unique and comprehensive ethical code was under circumstances exceedingly appropriate. The physical environment could not have been more significant. It seemed meet and right that the unyielding law should come from the gray and thunder-smitten pile of Sinai. Time was apt, too—the genesis of a nation. The specific ceremony on the occasion was brief, but telling. Moses built a national altar at the foot of the Mount, and set up twelve pillars about it, one for each of the tribes of which the nation was composed. He sprinkled half of the blood of the victim upon the altar. It was an object lesson, as if to say that the life (blood signifying life) of Jehovah himself was staked upon his fidelity in awarding the rewards and punishments defined by the law. Then Moses read from a parchment scroll a transcript of the Decalogue which he had made from the tables of stone. When he had finished, the people in one voice responded, solemnly and earnestly, as the occasion, the environment, and the words themselves would inspire them to do: "All that the Lord hath said will we do, and be obedient." Then Moses took the other half of the blood of the victim, and sprinkled it upon the people, in sign that they pledged their lives to obedience to the law of God as read in their hearing that day. And this speaking national ritual closed with Moses' solemn words, "Behold the blood of the covenant which the Lord hath made with you concerning all these words."

Jesus' relation to the law is exceedingly significant. As a Divine teacher he would not ignore this epitome of the Divine will. He condenses and expands it. Paradoxical? Yes, but certainly true. It would seem that abbreviation of the Decalogue was impossible. It seems the very soul of brevity. But Jesus in a stroke reduces the ten words to one. Love. Love God. Love neighbor. On this hangs all the law. Again, he expands the law. He carries it from external deed to internal temper, from which the deed arises. At the same time he helps us by his Divine perspicuity to an understanding of the principles of the law, an appreciation of their worth and truth, and admiration and love of them, so that we find ourselves in tune with them. The Decalogue becomes the very vocabulary of our soul's desires.

Our attention is called especially to the second table of the law; our duties to men. The first table is evidently the basis of the second. The last six commandments flow naturally out of the first four.

Fifth Commandment: The whole of what has been called "relative duties" is here indicated by one particular phase of them; namely, the family. This relation is first in point of time and importance, as being the source of all other relations. Of course, it is conceded that a larger scope maintains in the Orient in the terms father and mother. All ancestors and the venerable are generally included. Even Cicero said, "We ought to venerate a parent as we do God. The parent is the gift of God, and stands in the place of God. This has been called the first commandment with

promise. This is only the enunciation of a natural law. Dutiful children are usually free from the vices which tend to shorten life. Of course, the idea of happy conditions is included in the promised prolongation of days. For men longevity is not always desirable. Where unhappy conditions are involved, it may well be deemed a curse and misfortune.

Sixth commandment: The Revised Version is evidently a preferable reading, "Thou shalt do no murder." Never in the history of the race has this commandment held such universal sway. The number of capital crimes of which the law takes cognizance is reduced to a minimum. There was a time when stealing a sheep was punishable with death, and there was a barbarous custom of exposing felons' bones to public view; a time when processes of law were so crude that many innocent persons suffered death penalties; and the only atonement which could be made was to plant a white flag on the grave of the unfortunate. The causes of war recognized by the international code have also been reduced to a minimum. Risk to life of employee has also been greatly diminished. However, we are not quite ready yet to efface the sixth commandment from the table, since in the decade 1891-1901 there were in the United States 85,116 murders and several times that number of suicides. Murder is yet committed by ignoring the demand for sanitation of tenements. And Jacob Riis has said that it is just as bad to kill a man with a house as to kill him with an ax.

Seventh commandment: Jesus lifts adultery from its literal and limited sense of crime committed with a married woman, to its larger scope, which forbids all impurity of every description, whether in deed or in thought. No vice writes the epitaph of an individual, a race, or a nation so quickly as impurity. Neither family nor State can abide before it.

Eighth commandment: Property is recognized as a Divine institution. It is the natural reward of thrift and industry. It is an inalienable right. The thief does more than injure the party from whom he steals. He helps undermine the social order itself. This commandment also is exceeding broad in its implications and applications. Many operations now condoned in the business world could not stand a moment in the white light of the Divine word, "Thou shalt not steal."

Ninth commandment: This word does not refer exclusively to false and perjured testimony in the court of justice. There is a larger court which is always in session. It is the court of public opinion. Before this great assize it is possible for men to do their fellows great injustice and irreparable harm. An innuendo may be the fastest kind of witness. It is possible to jam one with faint praise.

Tenth commandment: This is an immeasurable advance upon any code of antiquity. It practically anticipates Jesus' carrying of the law into the "inward part." It does not deal with the overt act, but goes back of the external deed, to the disposition of the mind. Dykes has admirably said: "The practical effect of the tenth commandment, standing where it did like a solemn appendix to the rest, was to throw back upon them all a more searching light. It was to show that they were to be applied to inward desire, which is sin, as well as to outward action, which is crime. In effect, it doubled the whole law."

BLASTS FROM THE RAM'S HORN.

Love links Heaven to our earth. Dead issues create no discussion. Well-being is the only true wealth. Mighty rivers rise in quiet places. The generous are always grateful. The new man will have new manners. Many negatives of vice do not make a positive virtue.

Bread and Butter Christians here may miss the banquet there. Moderate drinkers belong to the same class as moderate stealers. We are all willing to trust God to feed us if we may choose the food.

A man's greatness is often exhibited in his self imposed restrictions. He who fits his shoulder to the yoke is fitting his brows to the crown.

The music ceases when the instrument listens to itself. Sermon seed will sprout quicker if it is soaked in prayer.

Burnished brass shines brighter than nuggets of gold.

Personal responsibility cannot be discharged by proxy.

The criticism of the sermon often uproots the good seed.

Many a man's practice puts an extinguisher on his profession.

God will trust His glory to the vessel He has tried with grief.

It is better to be true to the false than to be false to the true.

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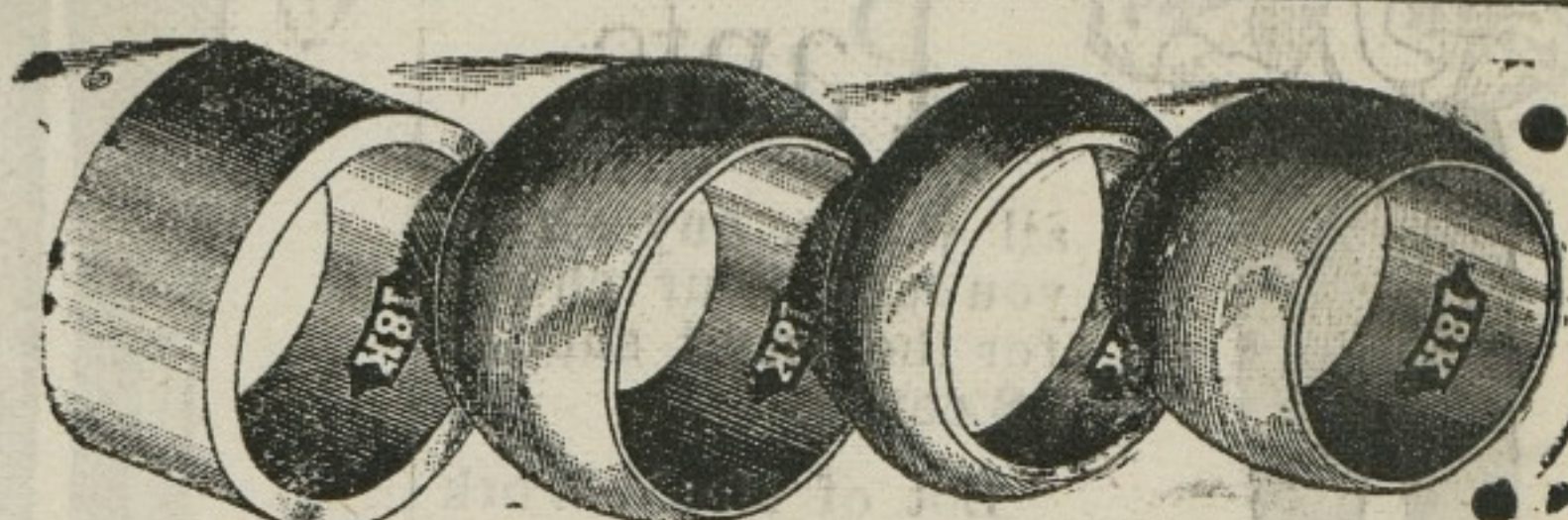
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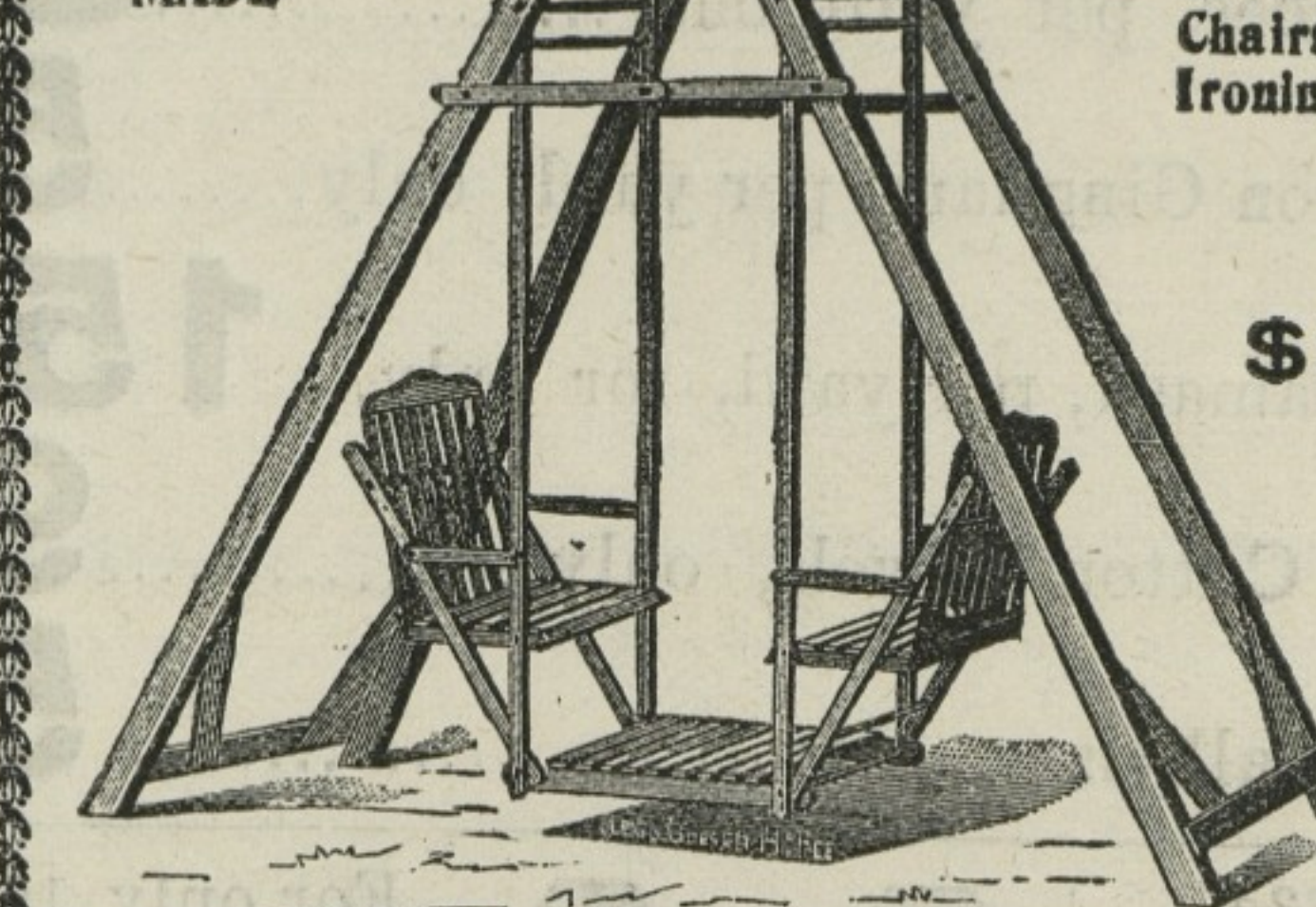
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