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Is Alcohol Poison?

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Editor Deseret News:

With your permission we will assume the ground that *alcohol, except when taken in quite restricted doses, is poisonous to a person in health.* To substantiate this statement we will not use our own arguments, but will present to your readers the ideas, reasonings and conclusions of a few of the acknowledged highest authorities in the world, some of whom, by interest and tradition, are no especial friends of the tectotal cause.

One of the most able English scientific critics, in an article in the *Cornhill Magazine* of September, 1862, says—

"And first as to the long continued habits of alcoholic excess upon the general health of the body, these may be summed up in brief by one word—degeneration. Degeneration of structure and chemical composition is the inevitable fate of the tissures of the drunkard. Apart from moral influences, all that we see of physical misery, of weakened intellect, of shortened life in the habitual drunkard, is due to this degeneration of tissue, which is gradually but infallibly brought about by alcoholic excess. Even the very blood, the beginning of all tissues, is affected in a similar way, as we might expect.

"There is no doubt that in excessive doses alcohol if it be *a food at all, is a very bad one*, and we must remember that the drunkard does in fact test its capacity to act as food, for by his habits he so impairs his appetite that he can take very little if any ordinary food."

So far as alcohol being a food to the healthy body, it was reported at the last session of the International Medical Congress, probably the highest medical authority in the world, that "alcohol is *not* shown to have a *definite food value* by any of the usual methods of chemical analysis or physiological investigation," and "as a medicine it is not well fitted for self prescription by the laity, and the medical profession is not accountable for such administration or for the enormous evils resulting therefrom."

In yet stronger terms the eminent Dr. Willard Parker writes, "Alcohol has no place in the healthy system, but is an '*irritant poison*,' producing a diseased condition of body and mind." Again he says, "Alcohol is the one evil genius, whether in wine, or ale, or whiskey, and is killing the race of men. Stay the ravages of this one poison, alcohol, that king of poisons, the mightiest weapon of the devil, and the millennium will soon dawn."

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How great the difference, especially to the young and those who should be in the prime of life.

Add to this calculation the statement of Dr. Hitchcock, President of the Michigan State Board of Health, and we shall be able to form some slight idea of the fearful effects of poisoning by alcohol. He estimates "the *annual* loss [in the U. S.] of productive life by reason of premature deaths produced by alcohol at 1,127,000 years, and that there are constantly sick or disabled from its use 98,000 persons in this country."

Nor does the evil rest with the drunkard himself; he entails disease and misery on his offspring. Dr. Storer of Boston especially refers to "the dire effects so often seen by medical men in the persons of the children of those addicted to habits of intoxication—epilepsy, idiocy and insanity, congenital or subsequently developing themselves with or without any apparent exciting cause."

The report of the Massachusetts board of State charities for 1866 states, "The use of alcohol materially modifies a man's bodily condition; and, so far as it affects him individually it is his own affair, but if it affects also the number and condition of his offspring, that affects society. * * * Any morbid condition of the body frequently repeated becomes established by habit and makes him more liable to certain diseases, as gout, scrofula, insanity and the like. This liability of tendency he transmits to his children just as surely as he transmits likeness in form or feature. Now the use of alcohol certainly does induce a morbid condition of body."

Add to these arguments the following statement, which has not been refuted, "that one-third of all the deaths in the city of New York are the result, directly or indirectly, of the use of alcohol; and that within the last thirty-eight years 100,000 persons in that city have died of its use, either by themselves or their parents," and yet another, "Attributing the fact largely to intoxicating liquors primarily and indirectly the board of State charities of Pennsylvania state that in careful breeding of cattle at least 96 per cent come to maturity, and of horses 95 per cent. in our northern climate, while of the infinitely more precious race of men at least 33 per cent. perish in the bud of infancy or the blossom of early youth;" and who shall say that alcohol is not a deadly poison, the use of which all who love their fellow-men should discountenance and contend against with all the strength and ability God has given them?

It may be here asked if alcohol is so deadly in its nature, why has it not extinguished the race of men long ago? Simply because alcohol in the shape of those strong drinks called spirits is an invention of comparatively late date. Brandy is a late term in European literature. Gin was unknown two hundred years ago. Whiskey, a Celtic word, has not been anglicised more than a century and a half. "Neither rum, brandy, gin, nor whiskey has been in common use as spirituous drinks, nor any alcoholic drinks of anything like similar destructive power, until comparatively recent modern times." Give them but the time and they will assuredly effect their most fatal work. X.

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DANIEL DANIELS, Presiding Bishop.

Malad City, Daniel Daniels, Oneida co., Idaho
Samaria, Samuel Williams, " "
Cherry Creek, J. D. Jones, " "

A. NICHOLS, Presiding Bishop

Portage, O. C. Hoskins, Box Elder co., Utah
Deweyville, J. G. Dewey, " "
Calls Fort, Thomas Harper, " "
Bear River City, Wm. Neeley, " "
Mantua, H. P. Jensen, " "
Brigham City, Alvin Nichols, " "
Willard City, G. W. Ward, " "

WEBER COUNTY, UTAH.

LORIN FARR, Presiding Bishop.

1st Ward, Ogden, P. A. Brown.
2d " Robert McQuarrie.
3d " Joseph Parry.
North Ogden, O. H. Wheelock.
Plain City, L. W. Shurtliff.
Mound Fort, David Moore.
Lynne, Daniel Thomas.
Slaterville, John Allred.
Harrisville, David Dawson.
Marriat, John Halperton.
West Weber, John L. Hart.
East Weber, L. Spaulding.
South Weber, D. Cook.
River Dale, Sanford Bingham
Eden, Joseph Ferris.
Huntsville, P. A. Hammond.
Hooperville, Gilbert Belnap.

DAVIS COUNTY.

Kaysville, Christopher Layton.
Farmington, John W. Hess.
Centreville, Wm. R. Smith
Bountiful, Anson Call.

MORGAN COUNTY.

L. S. PETERSON, Presiding Bishop.

Mountain Green, Eli Spaulding.
Weber City, C. S. Peterson.
Enterprise, Jesse Haven.

W. G. SMITH, Presiding Bishop.

Milton, Jens Hansen.
Littleton, J. H. Glen.
Richville, Glaspie Waldron.
East Porterville, Alma Porter.
West Porterville, Thomas Brown.
South Morgan, Richard Fry.
North Morgan, Charles Turner.
Croyden, George Knight.

SUMMIT COUNTY.

Henneferville, Chas. Richens
Echo, Elias Asper.
Coalville, W. W. Cluff.
Unionville, Alonzo Winters.
Upton, Joseph Huff, sen.

WM. W. CLUFF presides over Morgan County and the above five Wards in Summit Co.

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Wanship, Jared C. Roundy.
Rockport, Edwin Bryant.
Peoa, Abraham Marchant.
Morell, John R. Lemon.
Kamas, W. Harder.
Parley's Park, Ephraim Sweat.

TOOELE COUNTY.

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E. T. City, W. F. Moss.
Pine Canyon, Moses Martin.
Tooele City, John Rowberry.
Grantsville, William Jeffries.
St. Johns, A. W. Burridge.
Centreville, James Jordan.
Vernon, Hyrum Bennion.
Deep Creek, Edwin Tadlock
Skull Valley, B. F. Knowlton.

WASATCH COUNTY.

ABRAHAM HATCH, Presiding Bishop.

Heber City, Abraham Hatch.
Midway, Henry S. Alexander.
Charleston, John Watkins.
Wallsburgh, Wm. E. Nuttall.

SALT LAKE COUNTY.

1st Ward, S. L. City, Jos. Warburton
2d " James Leach.
3d " Jacob Weiler.
4th " Harrison Sperry.
5th & 8th, W. H. Hickenlooper
7th " Wm. Thorn.
8th " E. F. Sheets.
9th " S. A. Woolley.
10th " A Speirs.
11th " Alex. McRae.
12th " L. W. Hardy.
13th " E. D. Woolley.
14th " Thomas Taylor.
15th " R. T. Burton.
16th " Frederick Kesler.
17th " John Henry Smith.
18th " L. D. Young.
19th " A. H. Raleigh.
20th " John Sharp.
Sugar House Ward, W. C. A. Smoot
Brighton, A. H. Raleigh.
Big Cottonwood, Wm G Young.
Mill Creek, Reuben Miller.
South Cottonwood, J. S. Rawlins.
West Jordan, Archibald Gardner.
South Willow Creek, I. M. Stewart.

UTAH COUNTY.

A. O. SMOOT, Presiding Bishop, Provo.

First Ward, J. P. R. Johnson.
Second Ward, James W. Loveless.
Third Ward, Myron Tanner.
Fourth Ward, H. H. Cluff.
Lehi, David Evans.
Cedar Fort, H. F. Cook.
Fairfield, John Carson.

DAVID EVANS, Presiding Bishop over the three last named places.

American Fork, I. E. Harrington
Alpine, T. J. McCullough.

L. E. HARRINGTON, Presiding Bishop over the two last named places.

Pleasant Grove, John Brown
Springville, Wm. Dringhurst.
Spanish Fork, Geo D Snell,
Salem, *alias* Pondtown, Robt. R. Ivs
Payson, J. S. Tanner.
Santaquin Ward, George Halliday.

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Goshen, Wm. Price.

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Moroni, G. W. Bradley.
Fairview, Amasa Tucker.
Mount Pleasant, W. S. Seeley
Spring City, Frederick Olsen
Ephraim, Kanute Petersen
Manti, John R. Maiben.
Gunnison, J. S. Herne.
Fayette, John Barthomew
Wales, John E Rees

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OEL GROVER, Presiding Bishop

Mona, John W. Haws.
Nephi, *alias* Salt Creek, Jos.
Levan, C Christianson

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Richfield, W H Seegmiller,
Monroe, J T Lisonbee.
Annabelle Springs, H D Lisonbee
Joseph, A. L. Farnsworth.
Prattville, Jos. L. Rogers.
Glenwood, P. T. Olroyd.
New London, O. C. Olsen.

MILLARD COUNTY.

THOMAS CALLISTER, Presiding Bishop.

Scipio, Daniel Thompson.
Cedar Springs, *alias* Holden, David Stephens.
Fillmore, Edward Partridge
Meadow Creek, W. H. Stott.
Oak Creek, P. D. Lyman.
Kanosh, Gulbert King.

BEAVER COUNTY.

JOHN R. MURDOCK, Presiding Bishop.

Beaver, John R. Murdock.
Minersville, James McKnight.

IRON COUNTY.

Paragoonah, S. C. Smith.
Parowan, W. H. Dame.
Summit, S C Hulet

W. H. DAME, Presiding Bishop over the three last named places.

Panguitch, G. W. Berry.
Cedar City, Henry Lunt.

KANE COUNTY.

Kanarra, L. W. Roundy.
Harmony, W. D. Cook.
Hebron, J. H. Johnson.
Cottery, Wm A. Bringhurst
Virgin, John Parker.
Duncan's Retreat, Moses Gibson
Rockville, C. D. Smith.
Long Valley, Howard O Spencer.
Glendale, James Leatham.
Mt Carmel, Israel Hoyt.
Kanab, L. John Nuttall.
Johnsonia, Bertis E Johnson.
Paria, A F Smithson.

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Harrisburg, Willis D Fuller.
Washington, J. W. Freeman
St. George, R. D. McArthur.
Santa Clara, Richard Bunker.
Pine Valley, Wm. Snow.
Pinto, Richard Robinson.
Hebron, G. H. Crosby.

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Panaca, Luke Syphus
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