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W. C. T. U.

Temperance Notes.

This week the local W. C. T. U. distributes 500 copies of the Cooperstown local papers to the public who are not already subscribers. This is done in the interest of the temperance cause, the local press and our town, in each of which we have a genuine interest.

To the stranger we extend a hearty welcome and ask that you partake freely of our ice-water, our literature and the hospitality of our town.

And voters! kindly note the following facts touching the temperance question, and weigh their importance before casting your ballot this fall. Do not be deceived into thinking that this is an insignificant issue—"more people are thinking today upon the problems created by the liquor traffic than are thinking upon any other government problem, socialism included.

Then as a whole, the liquor business is certainly not a business which stands well in comparison with other occupations. It tends to produce criminality in the population at large and law-breaking among the saloon-keepers themselves.—President Roosevelt in McClure's Magazine Oct. 1895.

It is an evident fact that the daily press of the country in some notable instances is becoming a strong ally of the prohibition reform. Hearst's Chicago American in its leading Sunday editorial page presents—both by illustration and explanation—a graphic exposition of "The Power and Meaning of the Bottle." The picture portrayed is that of a drunkard father with his young son in his arms, while in his outstretched hand he holds a whiskey flask. Directly beneath this cartoon is the explanatory note:—"Hope was drowned in that bottle. Prospects were wiped out in it. Manhood was left at the bottom of it. It is small but it contains the story of half the world's sorrow and failures." Quoting from the editorial in this connection the Chicago American says: "A man comes into the world prepared to do his share of the world's work, well or ill, as his brain and his physical strength may decide. Of all qualities the most important practically is balance. The whiskey in that bottle destroys the balance, both mental and physical. It substitutes dreaming and foolish self confidence for real effort." * * * "Keep away from this bottle and keep away from those who praise it. HE WHO HANDS IT TO HIS FELLOW MAN IS A CRIMINAL, AND HE WHO HANDS IT TO A YOUNG MAN IS

A WORSE CRIMINAL AND A VILLIAN."

This is a strong and uncompromising doctrine from one of Chicago's great dailies. And means much for the onward movement of temperance reform. It is in the air and the press with many other instrumentalities is swinging into line. "The good citizen is not justified in leaving the civil affairs of state to be managed by bad men. The strongest single factor in bad politics is bad whiskey. The right of the church, therefore, to oppose and to overthrow the villainous traffic is beyond question."

If the rum traffic would go out of business and set itself to work to repair the horrible damage it has done, it could not pay the debt it owes in a thousand centuries.—Chancellor James B. Day, Syracuse University.

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God to us, and to the church to our country that you present your body a living sacrifice, wholly fit for inspection, unto God, which is a duty, and be not adjusted to the outline of this world, but be ye a non-conformist, protestant, irreconcilable, by the enlargement of your mind, so as to exhibit, at elections as well as elsewhere, what is the use of being a Christian and a consecrated Christian.—John G. Wooly.

An incident occurring in Chicago demonstrates again the fallacy of the old saying, "Leave whiskey alone and it will leave you alone." A drunken negro, reeling down one of the streets ran against, and grossly insulted a lady who was walking with her husband. The husband resented the negro's conduct and as a result was shot five times with probable fatal result. The incident is merely one of a great number of similar occurrences in the course of a year, one of the fruits of the saloon system that neither personal temperance, local option, saloon substitutes or state control in any way grapple with. It is simply one of the inevitable results of the saloon that will continue just so long as the system in any shape of form continues to exist.—The New Voice.

"The encouragement of drunkenness, for the sake of the profit on the sale of drink is certainly one of the most criminal methods of assassination for money hitherto adopted by the bravos of any age or country."—John Ruskin.

Rev. O. P. Emerson says: "After thirteen years' residence in the Hawaiian Islands. I have never witnessed so much drunkenness in the islands as today. Since our government has taken possession the number of saloons reaches 142, the direct result of changing from the policy of prohibition to regulation, for which our government is responsible.

Voters do not forget that the liquor traffic is the greatest evil in politics today. Determine that you will cast your vote for men who stand firmly for the legal prohibition of this vile traffic—so fraught with sorrow, crime and ruin for every nation or individual that allows it a foothold.

Jangling voices—from The New Voice!

"The only way for the people of Maine to reach bottom in the liquor troubles there is to repeal that prohibition law which is a hypocritical law. Maine's no license law causes far more evil in every way than a license law ever could.—The Lawrence, Mass. Sun.

Attention, good people of Maine! Notice how perfectly saintly Massachusetts is under her license law.—The New Voice.

Prohibition does not and never will prohibit.—Liquor Trade Review.

What are you fighting it for, then? Why don't you run your Journal to prevent the liquor traffic from dying of old age or to avert some other real danger?—New Voice.

Statistics and facts have been gathered to prove that drinking places must be conducted openly and regulated carefully if they are to do a minimum of harm.—The Milwaukee Sentinel.

Just so, just so! To make your statement valuable you should call attention to the wonderfully dove-like character of the openly conducted and carefully regulated saloons of Milwaukee and Chicago.—The Voice.

Prof. Mathews hit the nail on the head when he laid the blame on impurities in liquor and not alcohol. It is the impurities that do the damage.—Dr. Francis Dickenson, Pres. of the Harvey Medical College.

No wisdom HAS spoken. What a pity that Nathan S. Davis, M. C., L. L. T., physician, author and medical instructor for half a century; the late Sir Benjamin Howard Richardson, M. D., L. L. D., F. R. S., F. R. C. P., Sims Woodhead, Dean Didima and a few other such men did not get their medical education upstairs at 169 Clark Street, Chicago. Poor fellows, lacking that opportunity, they have wandered on under the delusion that it is ALCOHOL that kills and blights.—New Voice.

There are four men in the United States out of 92—that are recognized temperance leaders. Two of these are the senators from North Dakota. They are not alone temperance leaders but serve the state wisely and well in all other particulars. It would indeed prove a dangerous experiment to replace them with men who are not friendly to our prohibitory law.

"Voters, keep your noble trust: Prohibition's law to save: Trail no banner in the dust To no party be a slave."

Press Supt.

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A Lively Race.

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GINGHAMS blue and white check, brown and white, green and white, red and white, the kind you usually pay 7 and 8c for, at this celebration sale per yard **5c**

CALICOES, light and dark, lots of pretty patterns to select from, not odds and ends, but fresh new goods, regular price 7 and 8c, celebration price per yd **5c**

LADIES OXFORDS, Vici Kid, on the bargain table just as you get inside the door, no trouble in picking out a good shoe in this lot, former price was \$2, \$3.50 and \$2.75, celebration price per pair **\$1.25**

REMNANTS of wash goods, some pieces enough for a dress and some waist patterns. This is not a remnant pile of cheap trash, but of some of the choicest goods in the store, and the price is just about one-half of the regular price

A few celebration prices on good things to eat. A A A A

Cream of wheat breakfast food regular price 18c, celebration price per package 15c.

California yellow egg plums, regular price 22c, celebration price per can 18c.

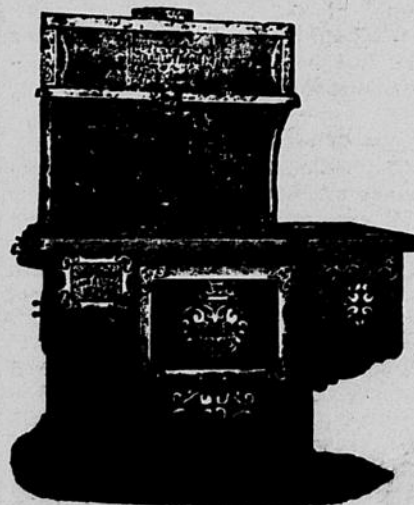
California green gage plums, regular price 22c; celebration price 18c per can

Blue label ketchup, regular price 25c; celebration price 21c pr bot.

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