

Trade AND Notes

The saloon license in Athens, Ill., has been raised to \$2,000, and but two saloons will be allowed.

The output of California wine this season is estimated at 12,000,000 gallons, a falling off of one-third from last year.

"If you must drink," says the sign on South Fifth avenue saloon, "then drink on for our schoolers heat the water for you."

An incompetent and careless waiter is guilty of destroying the results of the hotel chef that ever trod the floor of hotel kitchen.

May Miles, of Peoria, voted the oranges allowing the saloons to be open until twelve Sunday evenings, on the ground that it conflicted with the State law.

Under the Chinese vice-regent, Governor Hsiao not only keeps his yellow jacket, but attempts to put on his white apron and operate the bar business of the Peking State.

Trout must be growing better. The man who projects a hotel to cost half a million dollars, to be located near a spot near a herd of water (containing valuable medical properties) oozes from the land every hour, is once more arising like a new star.

The pure food exposition now being in Chicago seems to be taking sides with the leading house proprietor. A man stated last Saturday that an old man of unknown age, a remnant of pre-Adamite life, is more nutritious and, properly cooked, better food than the any spring chicken.

The experiment of great commercial houses successfully conducted at the Chicago-Baltimore, Omaha, Saturday, the production of pure spirits from beer sugar houses. The experiment was in every way successful and from now on a carload of the molasses will be used at the mill, and converted into spirits.

In Australian Cordial Maker says that one of the late Evan Rowlands, soda water bottle of Melbourne, Ballarat and Sydney, has been lodged for probate, dividing of an estate valued at \$87,000, or \$100,000. Quite a snug fortune to be in the bottling business and serve as a sample to encourage our bottlers to their way up into six figures. If you stop the loss of your bottles you'll be there.

All the dirty, cowardly things a man can do, is that of playing spy for one man, or for personal gains. The man who laid himself out for such a noble business, whether for revenge or for gain, is of such a low order of humanity, as to preclude the possibility of being trusted in any walk of life. He does not believe that he could, even if asked, to tell the truth.

The man ascertained by a biographer that the great Napoleon had had table manners. He never respected those who sat him at the festal board, and when occasion his etiquette was being taught to behold. He would, seated or irritated, even go so far as to abuse the formality of eating with a knife or spoon, but use his fingers. Napoleon seemed have resigned duty of free lunch counters to have fully enjoyed his meals.

The drinking of lager beer in this country began about fifty years ago in the city of Philadelphia. Before that, the products were entirely ale and stout. Now, however, nearly all the

output, which last year amounted to 33,822,000 barrels, is of lager. Each barrel contains 248 pints, or 496 glasses; therefore according to the latest internal revenue returns, there was made and sold every working day to every man, woman and child in the United States. *Four Pages.*

If the appetite cannot get in by the door it will invade in by the window. This is well exemplified in the case of Massachusetts, which has been for a year or so past extending its no-license hands to town after town. What is the result? The number of alleged drug stores has increased from 1,481 in 192 to 2,500 in '94. Of course, this growth is unequalled for, and the members of the board have up hesitation in saying that in some cities 40 per cent. of the "drug stores" are simply rum shops with a mortar and pestle sign.

The bulletins to be issued by the Department of Agriculture will attempt to teach people not only how to choose foods in the market, but also how to prepare them properly for the table. Sir Henry Thompson, a noted English physician, has expressed the opinion that more mischief is caused by bad habits of eating than by alcohol. It may be that some day experiment stations for making trials of methods for preparing foods will be established in this country. Scientific work of this kind is already carried on with much profit in Germany. Ordinary processes of cookery involve enormous waste.

The death has occurred, under very sad circumstances, of Miss Hep, the only daughter of Mr. Hep, landlord of the Lane Ends Hotel, Lowerdown Lane, Bursley, England. The young woman was opening a bottle of mineral water on the occasion of the cricket sports, when she burst and fractured her hand that she died from the effects. On August 20th, Mr. Coroner Robinson held an inquest on the body. It appeared that on June 16th she was opening a bottle of soda with a stopper when the bottle burst and severely cut her hand. It bled very much, and although medically attended, burst out several times after, and eventually she died from blood poisoning.

REV. J. C. TOLME, of Windsor, has caused some comment by his remarks on modern amusements. The reverend gentleman does not agree with the politicians who launch "thunder with the Lord" condemnations against dancing, card playing, etc. In his sermon he said: "I am sometimes asked why I do not denounce dancing and card playing. Why should I? I believe every word in the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, but I defy any man to point to a passage of scripture which denounces dancing or card playing, and if the word of God does not denounce them, why should I? He thinks these amusements are entirely matters for the individual conscience, and that wholesale denunciation does harm instead of good.

The accommodations afforded in some of the large railway stations are a disgrace to the companies which own and control them. Dirty waiting rooms and, in certain instances, toilet rooms unfit for civilized beings, are features of some of these depots. It is a singular fact that railway companies will move heaven and earth to provide comfort for their patrons in other respects. In fitting up a coach or palace car, there is nothing too elegant or costly. It is finished in mahogany and in draped in the richest silk. All the fittings are beautiful and perfect. From such quarters one might enter a building in which there are rooms positively dangerous to delicate or refined

persons. True, there are some depots which are as fine as a first-class hotel. But the filthy kind exist, and sometimes where they would be least expected.

Up to the present time the only successful co-operative housekeeping establishment known to civilized man is the well-conducted family hotel. All schemes whereby families residing in separate houses, in which they are to be served their daily food from delivery wagons or in some similar manner, have either failed or never gotten beyond the stages of a diagram and a generous prospectus, written up in the papers. The person who can invent a system whereby housekeeping is done away with and yet retain all the pleasant features of a private home, will be a great benefactor, but as yet he has not appeared on the scene. The comforts and conveniences of the better family hotels constantly improve, and this accounts for the rapid increase of patronage this kind of hotel is receiving. No method of living, of getting rid of the daily annoyances of housekeeping better than the family hotel, has as yet been discovered.

The Rev. G. F. Salton, of the Central Methodist church, Stratford, preached on dancing Sunday night. He said it was the most baneful influence the church had to contend with, and is not countenanced by any prominent denomination of Christians. He did not object to the mere motion, but to the emotions which are aroused. The ball room, he said, permits of breaches of conventionality that would not be tolerated elsewhere. If it is against the law to hug a girl on the street, the transference of the scene to the dance room should not legalize the act. All "Jack-the-burgers" should be served alike. One of the reverend gentlemen's strong points was based on the fact that a company of old bachelors never engaged in the dance as a source of amusement. To make dancing popular among adults there must be a countering of the sex. Incidentally he also denounced card playing and theatre going as prejudicial with immoral tendencies. The sermon has aroused unfavorable comment and some severe criticism. —*N. Cuthberts Journal.*

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