

INTRODUCTION.

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It will be noticed that we oppose the protective tariff as a principle but the United States and Europe are chiefly at fault in the matter.

We maintain that alcohol, opium, and other poisonous drugs, are for necessity and not for pleasure. Nor are they pernicious; but are like the precept Moses gave because of the hardness of man's hearts, or the Deity consenting to be called the God of battles; for they come to an end. Christ and his apostles never used them for healing or curing invalids, and never will so use them. The woman who spent her living on physicians, and was no better, was instantly cured. May it not be so again in the golden age if need be? For we positively maintain that there is no golden age till the visible coming of Christ, and a real resurrection, brings it in. Then the twelve apostles will sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes; they being raised from the dead as in Ezekiel 37th chapter, and placed in the Holy Land as in the last chapter. Drugs will never put an end to sickness!

If the reader thinks me too severe on liquor let him read my Appendix.