

sistent, deadly foe to everything that tends to man's welfare and happiness in any and every direction.

IMMEDIATE EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL.

7. The visible and sensible effect of alcohol imbibed in any form, in spirits, wine, beer, or cider, in large or small quantities, is simply and truly DRUNKENNESS. The most distinguished and refined gentlemen and ladies who feel "refreshed", or "invigorated", or "feel better" after a glass of pale ale, or sherry, or champagne taken at the table, the picnic, or the dance, or when fatigued or low-spirited, are only *partially intoxicated*; they are in the incipient stage of DRUNKENNESS; if any doubt it, let them repeat the dose two or three times and prove it for themselves. It is just the same kind of *drunkenness*, too, only differing in degree, under the influence of which the further advanced whiskey-drinker kills his wife with a club, or knife, or axe; just the same kind of drunkenness under the influence of which the beer-drunkard, the most brutalized and dehumanized of all the victims of the drink-sellers, occasionally kicks and stamps his mother to death. The drunken murderer of to-day once took a glass of ale or wine, or a moderate taste of something strong, and was refreshed or revived, and under that influence was polite, genial, witty, and good-natured. Now he has passed beyond that stage of the drinker's career, and reached a point which any moderate drinker of to-day *may* reach in a short time, no matter what his standing or attainments; and no moderate drinker living can have any assurance that he will not reach that point, provided his drinking habits are continued.

The alcohol in the moderate, "innocent" (?) potion of costly wine, though imbibed from a goblet of gold, has reached the brain, and, producing partial intoxication, besides whatever injury it may cause to the physical system, it has weakened the will-power, made a breach in the citadel of the conscience, impaired the judgment, shrouded the intellect, lessened love and veneration for the Creator, and marred His image in the individual, lowered the estimate of virtue, honor, purity, and nobility of character, and rendered vice and sin and wrong less hideous