The Old Schoolhouse.

Woe worth improvements which deface the past!
These words I uttered o'er and o'er to-day,
While strolling round the schoolhouse, where of old
I spent that golden season, youth. Heart sad,
Tear-moistened eyes, I slowly moved around
The old, loved, familiar structure, seeking out
Boyhood memorials. I sought the door
Which used to close the entrance to that lair
Then awesome, dark, mysterious, the cellar
With fuels stowed, but lo, the door was gone.
Gone from its place with all its ancient scars,
Its deep cut lines and old initials traced
By countless jackknives wielded by the hands
Of countless schoolboys who attended there.
Where are they now, those merry boys? Oh where?
And the same, old repeated answer comes,
"Many have passed into the silent land,
Many have wandered from this scene afar;
Some yet survive and in the common herd
Have mostly found a place. A few have risen
To something like a name;" and now and then
I meet all unexpected one of those
Whose names were carved on the cellar door.
But the world's cares have changed them, they are not
The merry comrade of the olden time.
Blankly the windows gleamed so shattered oft
By rattling snowball fusilader what time
We fought fierce battles and the air was thick
With flying missiles. Tall the grass had grown
Hiding the well worn crease whereon we played
At ball; and fancy brought the forms again,
And ringing shouts as at some lucky stroke
The ball flew high and far, swiftly pursued
To catch it ere it fell. Thy voice was there
Milford, and Douglas thine and Charles and Jack;
Yea, and the voice of one whose tones were hushed
Forevermore by Minas' turbid tide,
Loved lost companion of my boyhood days,
In Memory's fame enshrined while life shall be!
And Fred who fell in manhood's early prime
With soul untainted; and noble hearted Walter,
With Leslie, unto both of whom appeared
The Reaper stern while life was in its morn,
Veiling the promise of a fair, bright noon.
The faces and the tones of these and more
Relivened the old playground. Sudden shouts
And laughter burst upon my dreamy state,
The tramp of childish feet, and gazing round,
Forth poured a merry band adown the steps
Of the vaunting structure that usurps the place
Of my beloved fane. It was recess
With all its stir and bustle and delight,
But not a voice or face in all the band
Was known to me, and not one greeting voice
Greeted me; a generation strange
Played the same games and shouted, ran and laughed,
But I might join them not, a stranger where
But yesterday I romped like them. I sighed,
Then tears unbidden blinded all my sight,
And stifling down the rising sobs, I exclaimed,
O tome of time, how swift thy pages roll,
Bringing new scenes to life at every turn,
And hiding those just shown eternally!
Each generation views only once
Then they are veiled forever. Soul in gloom,
My steps now passed the threshold known in youth.
But Time had played the vandal more within
Than e'en without. The room wherein I conned
My lesson had been put to meaner use
And all its old proportions defaced
By rambling, rude partitions. Here and there
Along the walls some parts of blackboard showed,
With chalk lines half erased, sure witnesses
Of nobler days and uses. All things else
So attired that a cold repulsion seemed
To meet my searching, longing, loving glance.
Retiring, I breathed a fervent prayer
For God to bless the schoolboys, make them feel
And know the treasure of their golden days.

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Some Fruits of the Saloon.

The Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics of Labor, acting under the instructions of the legislature, has made an investigation of the relation of the liquor traffic to pauperism, crime and insanity. The method adopted was that of direct inquiry of the inmates of the state institutions, and of all persons passing through the courts of the state for a year.

The results of the investigation make a suggestive and important volume. As to the insane, so far as could be ascertained, seven out of every ten had intemperate parents; and one out of every four was believed to have been made insane by his own intemperate habits.

Of all the paupers in the state institutions, three out of every four were addicted to the use of liquor; and nearly one-half had intemperate parents.

Of all the arrests for crime during the year, two-thirds were for drunkenness. Taking into account all kinds of crime, in about eight and one-half cases in every ten the intemperate habits of the offender led to a condition which induced the crime; and, excluding minors, ninety-six of every one hundred persons convicted of crime were addicted to the use of liquor.

Massachusetts has a local-option law, under which the cities and towns vote annually upon the licensing of saloons. One branch of the bureau's investigation was directed to ascertaining the relative amount of drunkenness in places where the saloons were closed and in those where they were open. In the no-license cities and towns the arrests for drunkenness were only about one-fourth, and for offences other than drunkenness, less than one-half as many per thousand of the population as in the license cities and towns. In five cities which were for a part of the year under license and a part of the year under no license, the license months showed nearly three times as many arrests for drunkenness, on the average, as the no-license months.

These statistics, taken as a whole, seem not only to establish a close connection between the liquor traffic and crime, pauperism and insanity, but to show also a considerable curtailment of these evils when saloons are closed.—*Youths' Companion.*

How It Pays.

He was seated on a park bench, a dilapidated looking fellow, and seemed to be reading a piece of paper he had in his hand.

"You seem to be much interested in your letter," I said as I took a seat on the same bench.

"Yes," he said, "I have been figuring out my account with Old Alcohol to see how we stand."

"And he comes out ahead," I ventured to guess.

"Every time, and he has lied like sixty."

"How did you come to have dealings with him in the first place?"

"That's what I've been writing. You see, he promised to make a man of me, but made me a beast. Then he said he would brace me up, but he has made me go staggering around and then threw me into the ditch. He said I must drink to be social. Then he made me quarrel with my best friends, and be the laughing stock of my enemies; he gave me a black eye and a broken nose. Then I drank for the good of my health. He ruined the little I had and left me as sick as a dog. He said he would warm me up, and I was soon nearly frozen to death. He said he would steady my nerves; but instead he gave me delirium tremens.

"He said he would give me great strength and he made me helpless. He promised me courage but he made me a coward, for I beat my sick wife and kicked my little child. He said he would brighten my wits but instead he made me act like a fool and talk like an idiot. He promised to make a gentleman of me, but he made me a tramp."

"Then you quit?" I ventured to ask.

"No," he answered sadly, "I drink now to forget all the other mean things he has made me do. Say! could you let a poor working man out of employment have ten cents to buy bread?"

"I see he has also made you a liar," I remarked.

"Yes, I forgot that. I must put that down.—*Edward Carwell.*

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The man who says he should consider it a very great hardship to be deprived of a glass of beer or wine on Sunday! Poor man! he is to be pitied in having made himself dependent on wine or beer that he feels it "a very great hardship" to be for a single day without the one or the other. In contrast with this, what a blessed freedom is that which the total abstainer enjoys, who gets on comfortably week after week and year after year without either wine or beer!—*Exchange.*

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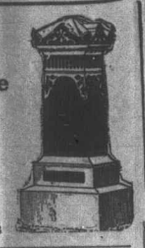

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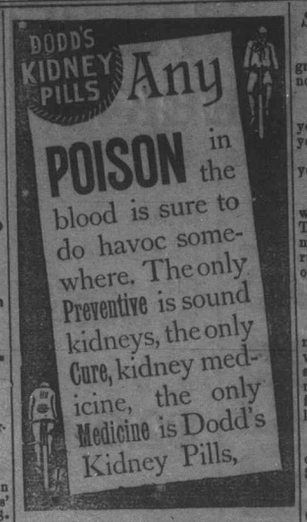

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