

Among temperance men, living or dead, no man has done more for the cause than Sir Wilfrid Lawson. Total abstinence, especially on this side of the Atlantic, is fashionable now, but in the days not very long gone by it was laughed at by a large majority of otherwise sensible people, and its advocates were thought little better than lunatics. But his championship was then just as vigorous as now. The following short sketch of his career from the *Abstemious Advocate* will be read with interest.

"The member for Cokermonth justly describes himself as an 'old Parliamentary hand.' In 1857 he made an unsuccessful attack upon the Tory stronghold of West Cumberland, and in 1859 was returned for Carlisle along with his distinguished uncle, Sir James Graham. With the exception of about three years he has retained a seat in Parliament ever since. His maiden speech in the House was in favor of the Ballot when it was called a fad.

"I for one am prepared to support the principle of the United Kingdom Alliance. I take that principle to be that the people are the best judges of what is for their own interest. I think they know better what is their good and what is their wants than any set of magistrates that ever existed. And thinking so, believing that the people of this country know the evils of the liquor traffic, and are desirous of putting a stop to them, I look upon the movement inaugurated and supported by the United Kingdom Alliance as the most important—by far the most important—political movement of the day."

“ In 1860 Sir Wilfrid married a daughter of Mr. Pocklington-Senhouse, of Netherall, and has five children. The eldest son has already fought one political battle and we trust he will soon get a seat in Parliament. The eldest daughter married the Hon. Arthur Holland-Hibbert, son of Lord Knutsford, showing that difference in politics is no bar to family ties.

occasion Sir Wilfrid declined to open a Liberal Club when he found intoxicants were to be sold in it. As president of the Wigton Agricultural Show he offered to double his subscription if the Committee would decline to allow intoxicants to be sold. He steadily refuses to support any candidate for Parliament who is not favorable to Temperance legislation. As a consistent and persistent worker the President of the United Kingdom Alliance is a good example to the whole of the members of the Temperance army."

Here is how he deals with "pure beer," "There was a friend of mine in the House of Commons this afternoon, who said 'When will this debate about Sunday closing be over?' I said, 'Why, are you in a hurry?' and he replied, 'We have a bill about pure beer.' I said, 'If you mean to have no alcohol in it, it's all right.' We don't understand, and don't believe all this talk about adulteration, because Sir William Gull, one of the greatest medical authorities we ever had, said, in his opinion, alcohol was the most destructive agent known to the faculty. If anybody can find out anything more destructive than what is the most destructive, he is a cleverer man than I am."

What is sauce for the goose, Sir Wilfrid believes is sauce for the gander. Speaking of his old friend, Mr. Bass, he said "he had seen that in an Oxford debating society, the question was asked, 'Who was the greatest benefactor of the age?' and it had been carried, by the majority of the votes, that Mr. Bass was. Mr. Bass had brought in a bill that barrel organs should not play where people did not want them. The bill provided that one person in the street could order the poor Italian to stop his grinding and go. Well, if one person in a whole street were permitted to remove a man who was playing a barrel organ, whilst all the rest were in rapt admiration, were two-thirds not to be permitted to remove Mr. Bass's barrel?"

"The extraordinary thing," he points out "is that our naval and military forces, speaking roughly, amount to thirty millions a year, and that is just what we raise from selling drink, and so we get thirty millions for killing people abroad by poisoning people at home. It is a horrible system, and I am dead against it."

A druggist in one of our large cities said lately, "If I am prompt and careful in my business, I owe it to a lesson which I learned when I was an errand-boy in the house of which I am now master. I was sent one day to deliver a vial of medicine just at noon, but being hungry stopped to eat my luncheon.

"I felt myself his murderer. The agony of that long suspense made a man of me. I learned then that for every one of our acts of carelessness or misdoing, however petty, some one pays in suffering. The law is the more terrible to me because it is not always the misdoer himself who suffers."

A young girl, to make conversation, thoughtlessly repeats a bit of gossip which she forgets the next moment; but long afterward the woman whom she has maligned finds her good name tainted by the poisonous whisper.

He goes on his way, and never knows that his chance guest, having inherited the disease of alcoholism, continues to drink, and becomes a hopeless victim.

**For the lack of a nail the shoe was lost,
For the lack of the shoe the rider was lost,
For the lack of the rider the message was lost.
For the lack of the message the battle was lost.**

But though we do not see it, we do well to remember that it is there ; and to remind ourselves at the beginning of every day that each careless act, each unkind word in it, will be paid for, not by us, perhaps, but in the want or pain of some one — *Youth's Companion*.

graciousness within ; and this will give them all.

Splendor from within! It is the only thing which makes the real and lasting splendor without! Trust that inevitable law of self-expression. Be, not seem! Be, to seem. Be beautiful, and you will by and by seem so. Carve the face from within, not dress it from without. Within lies the robing-room, the sculptor's workshop. For whosoever would be fairer, illumination must begin in the soul—the face catches the glow only from that side. It is the spirit's beauty that makes the best face, even for the evening's company; and spirit beauty is the only beauty that outlasts the work, the wear and pain of life.—*The Bombay Guardian.*

Mr. Andrew Carnegie, in addressing a class of students at a business college in Philadelphia, recently, closed his address thus: "To summarize what I have said: Aim for the highest; never enter a bar-room; *do not touch liquor*; never endorse beyond your surplus cash fund; make your firm's interest yours; break orders always to save owners; concentrate; put all your eggs in one basket and watch that basket; expenditure always within revenue; lastly, do not be impatient, for, as Emerson says, no one can cheat you out of ultimate success but yourselves."

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