

ONE EXTREME.

Few things surpass old wine, and they may preach
Who please,—the more because they preach in vain,—
Let us have wine and women, mirth and laughter,
Sermons and soda—water the day after.—*Byron.*

THE OTHER.

Call things by their names! * * *

Glass of brandy and water! That is the current but not the
appropriate name; ask for a glass of liquid fire and distilled
damnation.—*Robert Hall.*

TRUTH LIES BETWEEN.

Come, come; good wine is a good familiar creature, if it be well
used; exclaim no more against it.—*Othello.* Act 2, Scene 3.

If all the world
Should in a pet of temperance, feed on pulse,
Drink the clear stream, and nothing wear but frieze,
The All-giver would be unthanked, would be unpraised.—*Milton.*

Wine that maketh glad the heart of man,
And oil to make his face to shine,
And bread that strengtheneth man's heart.—*Psa.* 104 : 15.

Be not drunken with wine wherein is excess.—*Eph.* 5 : 18.

Go eat thy bread with joy, and drink thy wine with a merry
heart.—*Eccles.* 9 : 7.