A boy was employed in a lawyer's office, and had the dailp paper to amuse himself with. He commenced to study French, and at that little desk became a fluent reader and writer of the French language. He accomplished this by laying aside the newspaper and taking up something not so amusing. but far more profitable.

A coachmen was often obliged to wait long hours while his mistress made calls. He determined to improve the time; he found a small volume containing the Eclogues af Virgil, but could not read it, and so purchased a Latin Grammar. Day by day he studied this, and finally mastered all its intricacies. His mistress came behind him one day, as he stood by the horses waiting for her, and asked bim what he was so intently reading. "Only a bit of Virgil, my lady." "What, do vou read Latin ?" "A little, my lady." She mentioned this to her husband, who insisted that David should have a teacher to instruct him. In a few years he became a learned man, and was a useful and loved minister in Scotland.

A boy was hired to open and shut the gates to let the teams out of an iron mine. He sat on a log all day by the side of the gate. Sometimes an hour would pass before the teams came, and this he employed so well that there was scarcely any fact in history that escaped his attention. He began with a little book on English history that he found on the road; having learned that thoroughly, he borrowed of a minister Goldsmith's History of Greece. This good man became greatly interested in him, and loaned him books, and was often seen sitting by him on the log conversing with him about the people of ancient times.

All of these show that in this country any one can learn that wants to. If he is at work he still has three hours to call his own. Let him use those wisely, and he can fill his mind with stores of knowledge .- Scholar's Com-

TEMPERANCE

FIGURES WON'T LIE.

"To morrow is the twenty-fourth, isn't it Mary ?"

"The twenty fourth," answered the

James Carrol knocked the ashes from his cigar, held it carefully between the thumb and finger of his left hand, and looked thoughtfully into the fire. Mary's tired fingers, showed no signs of weariness, but turned the hem of a sheet mechanically, then proceeded to baste it for sewing.

"Belle will be three years old ?" he said, interrogatively.

"Three, James," said Mary, without. the trace of a smile lighting up her pretty, young face. James gave a few mere whiffs at his nearly consumed cigar, but did not seem to enjoy it much. A listener would have pronounced Mary a cold, unloving wife, that the genial presence of her handsome husband, or return of her baby's birthday, failed to please.

Lookers-on and listeners do not always look into the depth of the heart to see what trials and struggles are there. So in this instance. Another woman whose life is all sunshine, would have pronounced Mary Carrol heartless. Poor thing! she had too much heart for this worlds trials. Her wedding day was a blissful one; her husband the ideal of manly perfection. His love, unaccompanied by wealth, was more to her than all the treasures of the earth. But a cloud arose to dim the brightness of her sky. She soon made the discovery that he was human; that the love of wine, and possibly something stronger, filled his heart, as well as the love of his wife. He was not what the world calls an intemperateman-one glass a day does not consti-

tute a drunkard-why should she fear? At the end of three years, he took at least two glasses a day.

"I wish, Mary, I was able to make Bella a present every birthday in her ife, but you are aware it is all I can do to get along as it is."

"I know it, James," meekly replied the wife.

James was ill at ease. Something in Mary's manner disturbed him.

"What makes you so solemn and quiet, Mary? Why not sympathize with ne, and say you know I have a hard ime to get along, and that Belle can lo without presents better than we ean afford to make them? Fox gave ne the wood bill this morning, and lones wants to know when the grocery pill is to be paid. I don't like to bo-

her you with those things, I only want ou to understand that as much as I

give her presents.

Mary's color cause and went. Tears common in America forty years ago.) stole into her violet eves, and her heart hands guided her fingers unsteadily, gular. These long years she had brooded over her husband's weakness with. out a reproof, and much as she dreaded to speak, she knew her time had come.

'I wish, dear James I could economize in something and save money to buy our dailing a present. It seems cruel to neglect her birthday so soon."

"I mow nothing you could be more prude t in, 'Mary, and you know I am as economical as possible, don't you?"

had uttered only toving words of praise to say no; but strength not her own. came to her aid, and with a sweet | was attacked by them. sad sm.le, the young wife uttered her first rebuke

that in some tules I think you are too extravagant. It must be a sin of ignorance, for I know if you realized it you would never wrong you wife and child."

James started from his chair. His eyes flashed and his cheek paled.

"Mary, are you crazy?"

"Not crazy, but too clear-headed for our happiness.' After the shock had passed, and he was prepared to listen, she went on

and in a clear, concise manner, laid before him the cause of her bitter words." "During the past year you have drank at least two glasses of liquor

a day, haven't you?" "Why yes, I suppose so. What of that? Only ten cents a glass—that

cannot ruin a man.' "Three hundred and sixty five days, multiplied by twenty cents, amounts to seventy-three dollars. Three cigars a day, which you know is below your average of smoking, will amount to as much more, which makes one hundred and forty-six dollars. Fifty dollars would pay our coal and grocery bill which are now due, and have a balance of ninety-six dollars, for baby, you and me. You know, too, the time spent in drinking and smoking is worse than wasted, for tobacco and liquor poison the system, destroy the health, soften the brain, weaken the nerves, and bring ruin to thousands of happy homes. There is a lack of tenderness for Belle and me, when you are excited by drink. I forgive you freely, but the sting is left in my heart."

Mary's efforts overcame her, and she fell into a passionate fit or weeping. The strong man trembled.

"Am I blind! Is it possible that I have wronged my dearest treasures?" They mingled their tears and talked till a late hour, laying their plans for the future; and James begged forgiveness of her he had wronged.

"It is not too late to prove my health and strength," said the penitent man, and so it proved.

In one year from that date, two beautiful silver cups were brought home by the happy father—one for Belle's fourth birthday, the other for the wife who had saved him. Mary's bore the inscription, "An angel saw 'me falling, and lifted me up," Belle's was also engraved, "A little child shall lead them."

Years have passed since then, and the happy couple in the vigor of life, Living Epistles; or Christ's Witnesses on each recurring birthday of Belle, who is now a young lady of eighteen, relate to her the little trial of their married life, and the great happiness that has grown from self denial and

The good wife and mother has kept the silver bright, and not a meal has been eaten at home, but these cups were on the table, where James could be reminded of the promises he bad made and so faithfully kept .- Methodist Protestant.

BAR-ROOM VERDICT IN ATTICA.

A promiscuous crowd of gentlemen and loafers were seated in the bar-room of Smith's Hotel, Attica, U.S., busnly engaged in discussing the temperance question. One self-important individual stepped up the bar to take a light drink, as he called it, prefacing the action with the remark that whiskey didn't NEW BOOKS hurt anybody who did nt drink it. The words were scarcely uttered when a stout burly-looking man, who had been an attentive listener all the evening, arose to his feet and said, -" that's a lie!" and added, "Twenty-years ago, when the steam packets were running on the canal that skirts the town, my father moved from a distant state and settled in a village on the canal forty miles east of Attica. He was a hard-working honest mechanic, a devo ted member of the Baptist church, and had never drunk a drop of liquor in his

"He was a temperance advocate, a thing very unusual in those good old days of "pure whiskey," and he became a object of hatred to all the Smith. 75 Cents whiskey drinkers, especially for his being instrumental in saving many misguided men from drunkards' graves,

"The spring election day came round a gala day of the year for drinking,

love our little girl, I cannot afford to showing horses, gouging out eyes, and biting off noses. (These practices were

"When the sport was over, about 4 beat quick and fast. Her trembling p.m., and several poor fellows were standing about with gouged eyes, a and her stitches were long and irre- saloon keeper, wished to have the sport continue as long as possible, suggested that it would be a good time for the boys to 'tune up the old Baptist.'

" Glorious thought!" was chimed by the drunken brutes. There was an old toper in the crowd who had four 'noble sons,' whom the old man liked to talk about when warmed up by pure old juice. They had 'never taken the he from any man,' was his proud boast. Tuey called my tather out of his shop, which stood close to the canal It was very nard for the lips that lock, pretending to show him some work to be done. He had just gone as far as the edge of the lock, when he

"He was a stout man and no coward. Grasping the old man by the collar, he "No, James, I am grieved to say shoved him across the beam, when the sons tripped my father and his leg slipped into a hole. He fell backwards breaking his leg at the ankle, with the bone protruding through the flesh. As he lay there in that condition, the old man and his sons kicked him until coaxed to desist by the saloon keeper, who said he guessed that would be enough for him for that time. I was standing by at the time a barefooted

> "My father's leg was set by a drunken doctor. He lay on his back for nearly a year, has hoboled all his life and will go to his grave a cripple. I was the oldest son and only support of a worse than widowed mother and six smal, children

> "The red Indians who murder ladies are angels when compared with that saloon-keeper, and his victims. That man gentlemen, who was on the point of taking a 'light drink' is one of the sons who crippled my father. That man made the remark that whiskey never hurt anybody who didn't drink it. You all heard megive the lie. Was I right?" "Yes! yes!" was echoed all round

the room. He pushed through the crowd that gathered around him to find the subject of his remarks was gone! His glass of whiskey remained on the counter untouched, for very shame.

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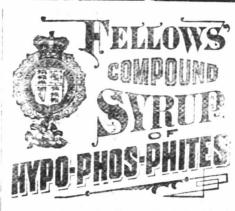
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