

movements, the horizon of the globe shuts them not in; the vast eternity is their boundary. Everywhere the traffic is the fruitful parent of all that is flagitious; the terrible instigator of all forms, all modes of wretchedness. It is a central power radiating vice and crime, as the sun radiates light and heat. One of its creative products is an increased aptitude for evil. Under its delusions, the judgment is stolen away, the conscience is stupefied; moral susceptibilities and restraints are removed; the mad passions reach a terrible excitement, the helm is in the hand of the fiend; and with all canvas spread, the storm of passion drives onward to wreck the soul on whatever rock of crime lies in the sea of its madness.

2.—Crime in the State of New York—its Cause.

The connection between the traffic as the cause, and crime as the effect, is so undeniable, that it would seem unnecessary to adduce statistical evidence or testimony of the fact. The reason why it should be so, is almost as palpable as the fact itself. A man in a state of intemperance is perfectly unguarded, all restraints are thrown aside, passion for the time is omnipotent, the criminal disposition is excited, and hence it is not wonderful that assaults, robberies, felonies, homicides and murders, are so frequently its very legitimate production.

Mr. Chipman, who in the spirit of the great Howard, visited all the county and city jails in the State of New York in the year 1834-5, making inquiries into the state of the prisons and the causes of crime of the inmates, published a most useful report, full of valuable statistics, from which report the following table is compiled.

TABLES showing the number in each jail, whether temperate, intemperate, or doubtful, in the State of New York:

No. of Co.	Temperate.	Doubtful	Intemperate.	Total.
1	15	17	82	14
2	0	8	49	57
3	0	3	15	18
4	1	2	14	17
5	11	12	90	113
6	13	3	24	40
7	6	1	26	33
8	13	6	33	52
9	12	17	124	153
10	5	6	12	23
11	3	3	15	21
12	13	17	51	81
13	30	46	135	213
14	2	8	3	13
15	5	3	8	16
16	21	6	51	78
17	10	8	24	42
18	5	7	37	49
19	22	8	68	98
20	1	5	25	31
21	1	0	3	4
22	1	1	45	47
23	0	34	245	279
24	16	9	47	72
25	1	10	71	82
26	14	25	36	75
27	9	9	60	78
28	10	19	110	139
29	7	12	50	69
30	15	44	50	107
31	9	2	95	106
32	2	1	26	29
33	3	9	25	37
34	4	3	45	52
35	2	1	3	6
36	9	6	55	70

37	1	4	13	18
38	3	1	11	15
39	5	2	27	34
40	16	22	107	145
41	0	7	18	25
42	6	0	10	16
43	2	1	28	31
44	3	4	22	29
45	8	3	28	39
46	6	4	15	25
47	1	0	6	7
48	5	0	19	24
49	0	2	14	6
50	10	11	55	76
51	4	3	39	46
52	3	3	19	25
53	5	12	34	51
54	3	2	20	25
55	5	0	5	10

Total, 375 458 2328 3161

4. Cause of Crime, as illustrated in the State Convicts, in Auburn and other Prisons.

This table does not include the numbers in the large cities in the State, and, therefore, can only exhibit the effects of the traffic in rural districts, and among an agricultural people; and yet among them it shows that three-fourths of the crime committed arose directly or indirectly from the traffic in liquor. As a proof that the same cause produces the same effects there still, an examination of the returns of the State Prisons will evince a similar result. In 1851, in the Auburn Prison, and the reports every year since have added yearly confirmation to the truth of the connection between crime and intemperance,—the inspectors stated that out of the whole number of 517, there were intoxicated when they committed the crime 185; intemperate, 371; and of the 303 convicts committed to Auburn during that year, the Warden made the following return:—

" Temperate,	109
" Intemperate,	138
" Moderate drinkers,	40
" Occasional drinkers,	16

" Total, 303 "

The Chaplain of the Auburn Prison after minutely examining into the habits of the convicts committed in that year reports thus:—

" Intemperate,	371
" Moderate drinkers,	298
" Intoxicated when they committed the crime	185

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There are two other prisons in the State, namely Sing Sing and Clinton. The following is an impartial statement of the crime consequent on the traffic as far as the cases of the inmates of those three State Prisons disclose it for the year, 1851:—

Prisons.	Temperate.	Intemperate.	Moderate Drinkers.	Total.
Auburn,	109	138	56	303
Sing Sing,	170	129	"	299
Clinton,	35	73	"	114
	314	346	56	716

Four hundred and forty-six out of 716 convictions are thus identified with the trade in ardent spirits, showing that more than one-half of the State criminals were made criminals by a traffic which the law sanctioned.