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Why I Abstain From Strong Drink.

turbs, inflames, and excites one or them in their own persons and in the other of the vital organs. Thousands example they set for other people.die from strong drink who were never New York Sun. drunk in their lives. Many used to think that whiskey was both meat and drink, not only strengthening but comforting; that it made you warm when cold, and helped to keep you from catching cold when warm. But all that is nonsense. Medical men now tell us that it is no article of food, and can body is now peculiarly susceptible to only be of use as a medical stimulant: that there is more real nourishment in a single glass of milk than in a whole parilla, owing to its real merit and its barrel of beer; and when people begin to take strong drink, they form a craving for it that leads them to take it spring. It cures scrofula, salt rheum, often, and then their bodies get and all humors, biliousness, dyspepsia, poisoned.

he got his arm broken, it healed all the or promoted by a low state of the system faster because his body had none of or impure blood. Don't put it off, but the poison of alcohol in it. Lately I take Hood's Sarsaparilla now. It will was called in to see a man dying in a do you good. hospital. His disease was consump!

tion, brought on by exposure when under the influence of drink. And we Japan is about 100,000.—Ram's Horn: the influence of drink. And we Japan is about 100,000.—Ram's Horn: the influence of drink. hospital. His disease was consump!

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are told that at least 120,000, or more than all the British army put together, die in Britain every year, not from consumption, but from strong drink. And if you will count you will see that if 120,000 die every year from strong vatories. drink, then 356 die every day, and about fifteen every hour. Solomon at any time. said, "Who hath woe? who hath sorrow?.. who hath redness of eyes? the directress. For Catalogue address They that tarry long at the wine." Therefore, if you wish to have good health and live long, never begin to touch strong drink.

But again, I abstain because strong drink affects the mind. It weakens it, it darkens it, muddles it, deadens it, destroys it. What babblers and halfidiots men become when under the influence of alcohol. How it stirs up all the evil lying at the bottom of the heart'; for when a man gets intoxicated, how often he begins to swear and use most horrible oaths and curses. And then how the fighting propensities rise up, leading often to outrage and murder. In Glasgow a poor man was hung on the gallows, because for four hours, under the influence of drink, he kicked, and bruised, and battered his wife to death. And when he was lying in the condemned cell he called in his son and said, " Oh, never touch strong drink, for it was that which brought me here t' It was too late for him, but not too

DR. ALEXANDER ANDREW, in Good

God Made Liquor.

God no more "made liquor" than he made a faro table, or a resort of debauchery. He no more made it than he made the tools of the burglar or the vile inventions which the customs seize. He made it only in the same sense as he made the dynamite bombs of the anarchist thugs. Wheat and corn and ryetare wholly useful, and, wholesome food as nature yields them, but by the devices of man strong drink is produced from them, and it ruins men if they Metels MAMLETON, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. take too much of it, as many of them do if they drink it at all. Instead, therefore, of putting the responsibility for liquor on God, we advise the clergy to lay the whole blame for it on the men as a dangerous luxury which God compels them neither to produce nor to consume any more than he compels them to do anything else. Moreover, it is questionable whether the influence of the clergy in preventing the abuse of liquor would not be attengthened greatly if they refrained wholly from its use themselves. Besides, being usually emotional men of sedentary habits, they are better off without such a stimulant. The habit of drinking, dangerous for the selection of the sub-liquous form the selection of the selection of the sub-liquous form the selection of the selection of the sub-liquous form the selection of the selection from the selection of the selection of the selection from the selection of the selection from the selection of the selection of the sub-liquous form the selection from the selection of the selection from the selection from the selection of the selection from the selecti Because strong drink does injury to The habit of drinking, dangerous for the body. It breeds disease. It dis. everybody, is especially dangerous for

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