

TEMPERANCE.**THE CURSE OF DRUNKENNESS**

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[CONTINUED.]

In pressing for early closing, we are not only seeking to ameliorate the condition of thousands of barmaids and barmen. All the worst and most deplorable drinking takes place in the latest hours of the evening. Up to ten o'clock it may be argued that there are some needs for food or refreshment, but after ten, and especially after eleven, much of the "forced drinking" and of the most brutal and depraved acts of drunkenness occur—when, as Lord Tennyson has put it,—

The vitriol madness flashes up in the ruffian's brain,
And the filthy by-lane rings with the yell of the trampled wife.

If the Bill of Lord Aberdare had been carried out as it first was introduced, instead of being interfered with by the succeeding Government, the effects would have been not only very large, but very efficacious. Another of the legislative remedies is the enforcement of penalties. The cases in which penalties are enforced are a more fraction in comparison to the number of apprehensions for drunkenness. In 1874 there were 23,303 police prosecutions for drunkenness, but only three publicans were punished. In 1883, in Birmingham, there were 3,044 prosecutions, and only one publican was even prosecuted. Another remedy is the reduction of the number of public-houses, and I again turn to the testimony of Mr. James, who, in his very remarkable pamphlet, publishes his scheme for the reduction in the number of public-houses by 60,000. The number of drink shops is far too large, and out of all proportion to the needs of the people. In Shore-ditch one can pass two, and even three a minute. One can pass seven within one minute of the Houses of Parliament and under the shadow of Westminster Abbey. Local control is another remedy, and that is a measure of plain, simple, obvious, common justice. It is argued that we are encroaching on the liberties of the working classes. It is a curious fact that every single leader of the working classes is either a total abstainer or a strong advocate of temperance.

I will end with a single question: Is the Church awake? I must, if I will be truthful, and not flattering, give an emphatic answer in the negative. In one sense the Church is awake, but we are now speaking of the united efforts to annul the interminable and intolerable evil which is the root of crime and of the corruption of the soul, and which, as Mr. Gladstone said in 1880, has inflicted

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greater calamities than the three great historical scourges—war, famine, and pestilence—combined. As a corporate body, the Church has never done that which she could have done, and which she ought to have done. I am reminded of a passage in Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress":

"Then Christian called to Demas, Is not the place dangerous? hath it, not injured many on their pilgrimage?" "Not very dangerous," said Demas, 'except to those that are careless.' But withal he blushed as he spoke."

A WOMAN'S TRIALS.**A HAPPY RELEASE FROM YEARS OF SUFFERING.**

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Everybody in Cornwall knows John B. Blondin, who has for several years been employed by Almon B. Warner as an agent for the sale of sewing machines, furniture, etc., especially among the French section of the town, where he is thoroughly acquainted and highly respected. Those who were intimate with Mr. Blondin sympathized deeply with him in the heavy affliction he suffered for many years in the continued illness of his wife, who from a complication of diseases was unable to render any but the slightest assistance in household matters, which were perforce left to himself and his small children. Mr. Blondin at that time lived in the northwest part of the town, which, for lack of drainage, is rather unhealthy, and to the bad sanitary condition of his house, among the other causes, Mr. Blondin attributes his wife's breakdown. Mr. Blondin now resides over the old post office, and when the reporter called there he was introduced to Mrs. Blondin, who appeared well and hearty, and certainly very far removed from the wreck of humanity such as she must have been from all accounts a few months ago.

"I wish you could tell me something about your case, Mrs. Blondin," said the reporter, "though I should hardly think from your looks you had been an invalid."

"Well sir," said Mrs. Blondin, "I was for several years a very sick woman. I had a constant racking headache, no appetite, my skin was dry and peeling off, I had pains in my back, neck and shoulders, and was constantly tired and indeed very miserable."

"Yes," interjected Mr. Blondin, "I began to give up all hope of ever seeing her well again. I had spent a good deal of money in doctoring, and she seemed to be getting worse instead of better; in fact I had made up my mind she was going to die, and most people were of the same opinion."

"What was it that cured her?"

"Well," said Mr. Blondin, "I was talking to a neighbor one day, and he said why don't you try those Pink Pills that are so much talked about? I had not paid much attention to them, but thought they might be worth trying."

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