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Editorial

STARTING AT THE WRONG END.

It is to be hoped that both sides, the supporters of the Ontario Temperance Act and the advocates of the sale of liquor under Government Control are sincere in their efforts to curb the drink habit. It is to be hoped that both sides are working for the same identical end—to remove the temptation from our youths of forming the habit of excessive use of spirituous drinks. We emphasize the word "YOUTHS," for all reforms must begin with and among our children and among our growing youths. It is a high impossible to kill the taste for whiskey among adults who have been accustomed to strong drink for the greater part of their lives. From personal observation and investigation it has transpired that not more than one confirmed drinker in five hundred ever gives up the drink habit. Men and women, the great majority of them, who drank daily before the O.T.A. came into being will now at the end of a certain period, purchase a quart or two and drink freely as long as it lasts. There are others who will, when they cannot secure liquor, drink from wood alcohol down to prussic acid for the sake of receiving a "kick."

It would seem therefore that it is with the drink habit as with any other habit. We all agree that the drink habit is a consuming evil. That it has done more harm to the human family, morally and physically than any other evil in the world today. We should be pleased to see the drink habit banished from our land forever. But the place to begin to fight the evil is not with the habitual drinker, but rather with the babes at their mothers' breasts, with children and with the youths. History has taught us that reforms without revolutions, which were successful began with the children. Nothing but death will ever change either the habits or beliefs of the hardened average adult. But our youth can be saved through the proper system of education, education which appeals to their reason as well as to their emotions. We are of the opinion that the advocates of the O.T.A. as well as those who believe in Government Control have reversed the natural order of things in their desire to bring about real temperance. Had

half the money, time, energy and thought which have been given this question been spent in instilling into our children, into our youth, habits of sobriety, respect for parent-hood, respect for womanhood, respect for the mental and physical well-being of their posterity, the cause of temperance would have been helped to a greater degree than it has by the present campaign. Aside from the money and the time which have been spent in the present campaign it must be admitted that both sides have offered some splendid points in support of their platforms, points which were engendered only by deep thought and careful consideration. Suppose now, both sides, being interested as they claim in the accomplishment of one object, the saving of our youth, suppose they had combined their energy into one great effort to educate the children of our province as to the real danger of poisonous liquor? The results would have been far more beneficial and more far-reaching than it will be regardless of which side wins. It would be a grand thing if those who are interested would institute some systematic scheme of giving the children constant training in this direction. The little spasmodic advice we give them just before an election is not enough. The youth of today is sound at heart. His misdeeds are the result of our unwise handling of him. Under proper conditions he will invariably choose the right path. It is for us to supply the proper conditions. We can do this only by surrounding him with the right kind of education.

ARKANSAS COLORED FARMERS SCORE AT STATE FAIR.

Forrest City, Ark., Oct. 27.—H. B. Mitchell, colored farm demonstrator for St. Francis County, and L. E. Christman, home economic agent, have returned from the Arkansas State Fair in Little Rock and report the colored farmers of this county as having won first prize in their group with an exhibit of agricultural products. Many other valuable individual cash prizes were awarded the colored farmers of St. Francis County by the State Fair Association. The local demonstration agents were assisted in arranging this county's exhibit at the fair by C. L. Allen, Artie M. Long, W. D. Lucas, Eugene Williams and Jas. Pillows, all enterprising colored citizen here, and the county agents desire to express to them their sincere thanks as well as to all the citizens of the county who furnished material for the fair exhibit.

WILLS FOUGHT SHARKEY WITH HIS ARM STIFF

Rochester, N. Y., Oct. 27.—Harry Wills revealed that he bore up stoically under odds in his encounter with Jack Sharkey two weeks ago, when he applied to Doc. Knight here last week for treatment of his left arm. The arm has been causing trouble for some time and has been in a paralyzed state since before the fight, according to Wills.

The big fighter stated that his left arm was of little use to him in his battle with Sharkey, as it acted as nothing more than a guard, being hooked at a 45 degree angle at the elbow. The kink is being ironed out by Knight, who promises to have the arm in shape in a short time.—St. Louis Argus.

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