

TEMPERANCE.

Contributed by the W. C. T. U.

Alcohol and Morality.

Dr. T. I. Wright points out most forcibly the deadly effects of liquor on the moral element of man's nature. This, though one of the most serious aspects of the liquor curse, is rarely dwelt on by writers and teachers on temperance in the exact manner it merits. Not only does liquor wreck the physical constitution and impair the powers of the brain, but it most insidiously undermines the moral nature. In discussing this phase of the question, Dr. Wright says:

"In general terms, it may be said that no instance has been recorded where the influence of alcohol upon a good man, when carried to its full extent, has failed to taint his moral nature. Nor has an instance ever been known of a character so base, so bestial and inhuman, that alcohol could not sink it lower. It seems, in fact, true, as far as the world's experience extends, that the depths of depravity into which alcohol may plunge the human soul, have never yet been sounded. In this position as a wrecker of good morals, alcohol stands proudly eminent. Few things are so bad, as to have no good in them; but aside from certain properties available in therapeutics, alcohol seems, in its impressions on the human organism, to be singularly bad. In all its long and dreary history, it has never been known to add anything whatever to a man's real character for piety, or sympathy, or love to his family, or kindness to his fellow man.

"Alcohol deadens the conscience of anyone who partakes of it, let his motives in drinking be what they may. The casual drinker often partakes of alcohol without any clearly defined purpose, certainly without the slightest intent of committing an unlawful act. Yet, the poison affects him as it does others; it paralyzes his conscience and the acuteness of his sensibilities is blunted, and he is peculiarly liable to be led into improper and unlawful conduct.

Here and There.

Here and there and everywhere may be found persons who have used and now honestly praise Burdock Blood Bitters for its wonderful blood purifying, cleansing and tonic effects in all diseases of the stomach, liver, bowels and blood.

Baron Liebig, the great German chemist, says that as much flour as can lie on the point of a table knife contains as much nutritive constituents as eight pints of the best and most nutritious beer made.

A letter has been received at the State W. C. T. U. headquarters, Kansas, threatening the lives of the leaders of the organization, and saying that 500 men have banded themselves together to forever stop the work of the society and see that the State is relieved from its influence. It further says that any church, hall or public building in which the W. C. T. U. is allowed to hold meetings will be blown up with dynamite.

In the Woman's Christian Temperance Union there are 200,000 members. In the King's Daughters there are 135,000. In the Woman's Relief Corps there are 100,000. In the Eastern Star there are 35,000 members. These constitute an army of nearly 500,000 women. Says the Woman's Journal: They are all enlisted with a generous spirit for the public good. If they had votes, what a power they would be on the side of the best things in the government.

Rev. DeWitt Talmage recently said: "A few clergymen are hindered from taking part in this temperance cause because Christ made water into wine. But let me say to those gentlemen that last year I was in Cana of Galilee, where that miracle was performed, and I saw the very firkins which tradition says contained the wine that the Lord made, and I have to report that there is not one drop left, and there is not a drop of it left in the wide world. The Lord made that, the devil made the rest.

Dr. Henry Hurd now superintendent of John Hopkins Hospital, for many years in charge of one of Michigan's insane asylums, long ago recommended the passage of a law prohibiting the marriage of drunkards on the ground that children of such parents run great risk of becoming insane. It is time that public sentiment especially among women, be aroused along this line, and the awful risks run in marrying fast young men or base old ones be clearly set before them.

In the Far West.

AWAY West in British Columbia, Hagar's Yellow Oil is known and valued highly, as at home in Toronto. Miss Eleanor Pope, of Port Haney, B. C., says: "For sore throat, coughs, croup, hoarseness, etc. Hagar's Yellow Oil is the best thing I have ever used."

The Restless Red Men.

New York, Dec. 2.—Buffalo Bill telegraphs from Mandan, N. D.: "Sitting Bull is the great disturber and prophet. The situation is most critical. If it was spring there would be war. Troops are arriving daily and getting in position, thus giving unprotected settlers more confidence. If Gen. Miles can't handle this question no other man need try. The Indians are waiting the coming Messiah. Winter has set in, and if the Messiah don't get a move on, the wind will blow through his whiskers more rapidly than he will materialize."

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 2.—The Pioneer Press correspondent at Pine Ridge agency telegraphs that John Dwyer, chief herder of the Government herds, in whose charge were the 3,000 cattle for use in giving rations to the Indians, had, with his men, to leave the herds and look out for their lives. Indians seized the cattle, killed some and drove the rest into the Bad Lands for future consumption.

Pine Ridge Agency, S. D., Dec. 2.—Scouts have been sent out to warn settlers along the line of the Cheyenne river. All the ranches on White River have been robbed. Signal fires north of the White River announce the approach of the Cheyennes.

Denver, Col., Dec. 2.—The United States troops stationed at Fort Logan near Denver have been ordered to prepare for immediate movement to Dakota.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 2.—The Bee has the following from Pine Ridge agency: "Burns, of Deadwood, came in this noon after running the gauntlet of his hostiles' camp. He says he is devoutly thankful at having escaped with his life. There is no doubt the reds are working for war, are preparing thoroughly for a great struggle, and they have no thought of giving up their purpose."

Pine Ridge Agency, D. C., Dec. 2.—Little Wound has made another attempt to persuade his braves to forego hostilities, and has barely escaped from them with his life. Scouts are returning constantly and report increased preparations for war. Gen. Brooke is restless over the non-receipt of orders to act on. The hostiles report of rounding up of 2,000 Government cattle and horses.

Fort Wingate, N. M., Dec. 2.—The Sixth Cavalry has been ordered to proceed to Fort Mead, S. D., at once. Gen. Carr will accompany the regiment.

Now Free From Pain.

Mr. Frank Palmer, of Winona, Ont., writes: "I have been troubled with lame back for about six months, then thought I would try Hagar's Yellow Oil, which cured me. Am now free from all pains, and recommend Yellow Oil very highly."

Turn Barley Into Meat.

A farmer of Ontario county advises that farmers should branch out more and try to produce something else besides barley. He says that he came to the conclusion years ago that the barley crop was getting to be unprofitable. So he went to raising hogs. This season between March and September he sold 30 fat hogs, weighing 5,300 lbs. or an average of about 180 lbs. each hog. These brought him an average of 5c. a lb. live weight. Five of the hogs were 5 months old when sold, fourteen were 6 months old, and eleven were 8 months old. They were fed on crushed barley some peas being fed to finish off.

Allowing for the family pork and what small fry he sold to neighbors, and throwing in labor to effect this, our farmer friend realized 97 cents a bushel for the barley and peas fed; and he considers he did it very easy. He sold the hogs alive to the Davies pork packing establishment at Toronto.—Rural Canadian.

What the Ontario county farmer evidently means is that growing barley for beer making was not the most profitable course for him to pursue. Barley is certainly valuable food for fattening purposes, as the Ontario farmers experience demonstrated in the case of pork. Scores of feeders can tell the same story.

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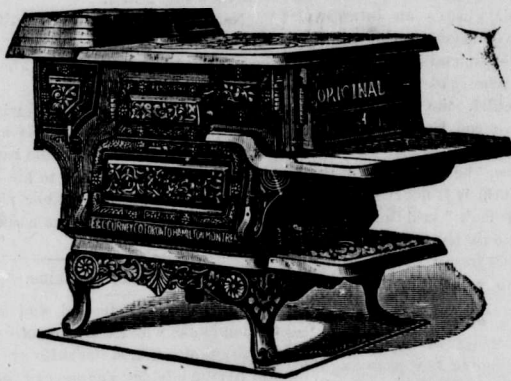
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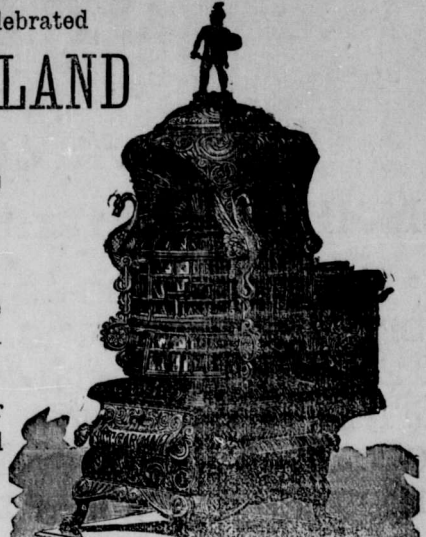
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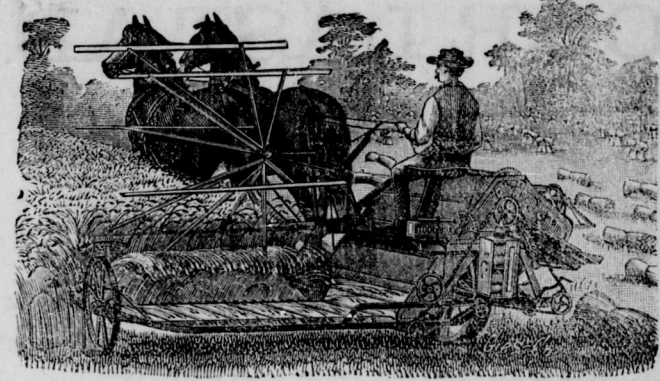
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