

to your relatives or friends, who abuse it, especially when warned not to make such sales, is to use every legitimate means to drive that man out of the business. The true way to act, is to refuse your signature to every new applicant for a liquor license ; for we have at least ten times too many issued licenses already.

Women too can help and should help in promoting the cause of Temperance. Alas, how often has not the downfall of once sober and respected men been traced to woman's weakness in this matter! Is it not possible to have a few gentlemen friends visit your homes without setting before them ale, beer and strong liquors? You call this hospitality. What will you call it when these same men, from the depths of an infamous drunkard's life, curse the day that your fair hands extended to them the fatal cup which has brought them to irretrievable ruin? What will you call your alleged hospitality, when these same guests will curse the day that saw them cross the threshold of your homes? Far be it from me to speak lightly of the Gospel virtue of true hospitality. But are there no other refreshments to be offered to your friends but ale and beer and strong liquor? Is there no way to entertain your guests than by teaching them the first lesson, or of repeating the lesson already learned, by which they find the most direct and rapid road to mental, physical and moral ruin? Oh! my dear friends, take my warning in time. It is not only the saloon which makes drunkards. Some men never entered a saloon, some men never would have been tempted to enter a saloon, had not the fair hands of women, by extending the fatal cup of intoxicating liquor to their lips, given them the taste for drink, and through