

TEMPERANCE.

At a recent Temperance meeting at Willand, says *The Family Doctor*, the narration by Dr. Eugene Tracey of his professional experiences of the effects of alcohol was novel and of interest. He spoke of what he had seen in the surgery, in the children's wards, and in the dead-houses of some of the London hospitals. He said the wards of the London hospitals were cram full of persons suffering from the effects of strong drink, but they had not been drunkards. They had been men who had "stood their drink well," but yet had been taking more than the physiological quantity. The drink had never got into their heads so as to make them appear drunk, but the result was that they were rotting in their arteries, and brains, through their blood being poisoned. Four out of six beds were occupied by men who would never have been in the hospitals but for strong drink. More remarkable still was Dr. Tracey's testimony as to child drunkards. He related one case of a six-year-old child brought to hospital which had a craving for spirits, and was frightfully diseased through drinking the same. The other case he would not have believed had it not come under his own personal observation. It was that of a child two and a half years old, very emaciated and unwholesome when brought in. It recovered somewhat under most careful nursing, and one day a cup of milk was offered it. Puckering its little face and lowering its brow, the infant pushed the cup on one side, and, with pining voice, exclaimed, "Take it away; give me half-a-pint of ale and some bread and butter."

A Bill, the "Nicholson Bill," has been introduced into the Indiana Legislature, containing a local option feature and many severe restrictions on the liquor traffic. The saloon must occupy only one room, have no other kind of business with it, and all persons absolutely excluded on all days and hours when sales are prohibited. If persons are permitted to go in or out, it is *prima facie* evidence of guilt. The saloon must be on the ground floor fronting the street, and no blinds or screens or obstructions to hide the view during the hours when sales are prohibited. No minor allowed to loiter on the premises. The Bill has other restrictive provisions, and was fought most desperately by the liquor interest. It passed the House by a vote of 75 to 20, and the Senate 38 to 9. The limit of two days passed before the Governor signed, but he signed nevertheless. What the result will be is still in doubt. A Bill passed the House to allow cities to designate certain districts wherein saloons shall be located and to establish wine rooms.

Study the Holy Scriptures, especially the New Testament. Therein are contained the words of eternal life. It hath God for its author, without any mixture of error, for its matter.—*John Locke*.

A TRAGEDY RECALLED.

THE STORY OF A WOMAN WHO HAS SUFFERED DEEP AFFLICTION.

Intense Mental Strain and Sleepless Nights Brought Her Almost to the Verge of the Grave—Help Came When Hope Had Almost Fled.

Mrs. Sarah Wood, widow of the late Alex. Wood, of North Elmsley, Lanark Co., has had more sorrow than usually falls to the lot of human beings, and it is no wonder that, under the intense mental strain, she was completely prostrated, and her friends are rejoicing with her that she has again been restored to health. To a reporter she told the following story: "Until about three years ago I had always been in good health, except for occasional spasmodic headaches which had bothered me for some years. I am now 63 years of age, and my troubles came as much by mental anguish and sleepless nights as by overtaxing my physical system. Two years ago last August my son, W. J. Wood, was killed on the C.P.R. in a collision, and his lifeless, mangled body was brought home. Six weeks later my sister, Mrs. Lucky, of Kitley, was foully murdered. During those days I was taking care of my youngest daughter, Mrs. O. Bissell, near Merrickville, who was ill with consumption, and who died four months later. Few people have been called upon to undergo so much affliction, and with sleepless nights and days of labor I became reduced almost to a living skeleton. In the fall of 1894 I was obliged to take to my bed, where I lay for several weeks hovering between life and death. During this time I was under the care of a doctor, but his treatment did not help me much. My head now continually troubled me and a severe pain in my back, just above my left hip, caused me great agony. I had heard a great deal about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and determined to give them a trial. Before the second box was entirely gone my headache disappeared and I found myself growing stronger, and after taking the pills for a time longer the pain in my back disappeared also. I then felt so well that I decided to visit another daughter who lives near Merrickville, determining to continue taking the Pink Pills until thoroughly restored. In passing through Smith's Falls I procured more pills, but found afterwards they were a counterfeit, as I did not then know that they were not sold in bulk. The result was that my old infirmities began to return and I began to mistrust that the pills were not genuine, and sent into Merrickville for more. A comparison soon showed that, while both pills were colored Pink, the ones I had got in Smith's Falls were spurious, for they were not exactly the same shape and did not look the same when the two were compared. As soon as I began the use of the genuine Pink Pills I began to grow better, and after the use of a few more boxes found myself entirely cured, and I am now enjoying as good health as ever I did in my life. I believe that if it had not been for Dr. Williams'

Pink Pills I would have been in my grave, and I am glad to give my testimony, hoping that some poor sufferer may be made well as I was.

Mrs. Wood's unfortunate experience with imitation Pink Pills make it necessary to again impress upon the public that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are never sold in bulk, by the dozen, hundred, or ounce, or in any shape except in the company's boxes, every one of which is enclosed in a wrapper printed in red ink, bearing the full trade mark, "Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People." If these Pills are offered in any other form, even if pink in color, they are imitations and should be promptly refused. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cure when other medicines fail. Imitations are worthless and may be dangerous to health.

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