

is needful for clothing or comfort. This is a valuable consideration, it advances the interest of both parties. But it is not so with the dealer in strong drink. He may look on his gains obtained as the result of this business with something like these reflections.—

"This property has been gained from other men. It was theirs honestly acquired, and was necessary to promote their own happiness and the happiness of their families. It has become mine by a traffic which has not only taken it away from them, but has ruined their peace, corrupted their morals, sent woe and discord into their families, and consigned them perhaps to an early and most loathsome grave."

Let the men engaged in this traffic look on their property thus gained, let them survey the woe which has attended it, and then ask as honest men, whether it is a moral employment?

3. A man is bound to pursue such a business as shall tend to promote the welfare of the whole community. But the welfare of the whole cannot be promoted by this traffic. Somewhere it must produce poverty, and idleness, and crime. Even granting, what cannot be established, that it may promote the happiness of a particular portion of the community, yet it must be at the expense of some other portion.

Suppose a man were to advertise consumptions, and fevers, and pleurisies, and leprosy, for gold, and could and would sell them—what would the community say to such a traffic? Suppose for gain he could transport them to distant places, what would the community think of wealth gained in such a traffic? True he might plead that it brought a vast influx of money—that it enriched the city, or the country that the effects were not seen there, but what would be the public estimate of the man who would be willing to engage in such a traffic, and who would set up such a plea? And yet we witness a thing like this every day on our wharfs, and in our ships, and our groceries, and our inns, and from our men of wealth, and our moral men, and our professed Christians—and a horror comes through the souls of men when we dare to intimate that this is an immoral business!

Concluded on next.

CHILD SPORTS.—There is no pleasure that I have ever experienced, like a child's holiday. The time, I mean, when two or three of us used to go up the brook, and take our dinner with us, and come home at night tired, dirty, happy, scratched beyond recognition, with a great mess of trout, three little trout and one shoe, the other having been used for a boat, till it

had gone down with all hands, out of soundings. How poor our Derby days, our Green dinners, our evening parties, with plenty of nice girls, after that! Depend upon it, a man never experiences such pleasures of grief after fourteen as he does before, unless in some cases in his first love making, when the sensation is new to him.

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