

this fascination, this infatuation, that falls upon men in this respect. Sound a trumpet, call the roll of drunkards, bring up the hideous crew—those that are damned, and those that are to be damned—and assemble them on some vast plain, and go through the ranks, man by man, and find me, if you can, one that set out to be a drunkard. Find me one that did not expect to get clear of drunkenness. You that tamper with the dangerous beverage are putting your feet in the very prints that their feet made, you are repeating the same things that they said, and are going right straight down to destruction as they went. And I say to you, Watch! Take care! Be Vigilant! One thing is very certain: He that lets strong drink alone is safe, so far as this vice is concerned. Who else is safe God only knows.—Beecher.

The citizens of Rushville, Illinois, have subscribed ninety odd thousand dollars for the suppression of the liquor traffic in that town. And each subscriber is liable to such assessment as may be made on him by the officers of the association, for the purpose named, provided it does not exceed the amount of his subscription.

An innkeeper in Andernach, on the Rhine, lately made a bet that he could drink ten quarts of beer in a day. He won his bet, drinking five quarts more than was required.

The Hillsboro (Ohio) News says there is a great temperance revival in that place. Over five hundred new members have been added to the temperance society. At Lancaster, Ohio, a temperance association has been organized. Some of the leading men of the city are said to be at the head of it.

"ABOUT MIDDLING."—Old Rev. Mr. R., the Worcester divine, was one day attending the funeral of one of the members of his church, when after praising the many virtues of the deceased, he turned to the bereaved husband and said:

"My beloved brother, you have been called to part with one of the best and loveliest of wives!"

Up jumped the sorrow-stricken husband, interrupting the tearful minister by sorrowfully saying:

"Oh, no, brother R., not the best; but about middling—about middling, brother R.—"

A QUICK RETORT.—A late well-known member of the Scottish bar, when a youth, was somewhat of a dandy, and somewhat short and

sharp in his temper. He was going to pay a visit in the country, and was making a great fuss about preparing and putting up his habiliments. His old aunt was much annoyed at all his bustle, and stopped him by the somewhat contemptuous question: "Whaur's this your guan, Robbie, that you make sic a grand work about claes?" The young man lost his temper, and very pettishly replied: "I am going to the devil." "Deed Robbie, then," was the quick answer, "ye need na be so nice; he'll just take ye as ye are."

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