

## TEMPERANCE.

Here is a summary taken in one year from a single local newspaper; and let it be observed that not one of these cases is invented by fanatics or faddists, but simply taken from the bare, bald, and colorless records of justice:

"Frozen to death when drunk, 1 person; burnt to death when drunk, 2; drowned when drunk, 4; drowned in vat of hot beer, 1; death from bite of drunken woman, 1; children killed through drinking intoxicants, 2; deaths from drink other than above, 15; murders, 19; suicides [3 attempted, 8 completed], 11; maimed for life, 6; matrimonial quarrels, 8; gross cruelty to children, 5; murderous assaults on women, 42; assaults on women, 42; assaults on the police, 55; ditto [most brutal and violent], 81; drunk in churches and chapels, 2; stealing drink, 14; robberies and thefts through drink, 36; ar-on through drink, 3; drunk in charge of horses, 35; permitting drunkenness and offences against licensing laws, 35; drunk and disorderly, 950; total, 1,334."

Or take the *Black Record*, published by the United Kingdom Alliance, and consisting merely of cuttings from newspapers of the crimes directly and confessedly caused by drink for the fortnight including the two most sacred weeks of the year, the last week of 1883 and the first week of 1884. It was by no means a complete and exhaustive list, yet it proved from the mere reports of the common courts of justice that, in that fortnight, drink alone was the cause of 25 perilous accidents; 13 robberies; 5 cases of drunken insanity; 62 drunken outrages and assaults; 20 drunken cuttings, stabblings, and woundings; 5 cases of drunken cruelty to children; 52 drunken assaults on women; 13 cases of juvenile intoxication; 72 drunken assaults on constables; 94 premature, violent, or sudden deaths through drink; 18 cases of suicide attempted through drink; 15 cases of actual drunken suicide, and 12 drunken manslaughters and murders.

### THE GIN-DRINKING IN 1724.

In 1724 gin-drinking began to affect the masses, and Mr. Lecky, in his "History of the Eighteenth Century," draws a terrible picture of the way in which "the fatal passion for drink was once and irrevocably planted in the nation." On that account he fixes on that year as one of the blackest and most fatal epochs in English history. And are we now to be told that drink in those days did not cause crime? One may suppose that the Grand Jury of Middlesex were under no such utter delusion, for soon after 1724 they sent in a powerful presentment in which they declared that "much the greatest part of the poverty, the robberies and the murders of London might be attributed to drink." In 1750 the London physicians also drew up a memorial, and said that there were then 14,000 cases of fatal illness due to gin alone. At the same time Bishop Benson, of Gloucester, one of the best bishops on the bench, used these words: "Our people," he said,

"have become what they never were before cruel and inhuman. These accursed liquors which, to the shame of our Government are so easily to be had, have changed their very nature." At the same time the whole bench of Bishops interposed "the stainless sanctity of their ermine." They protested against the Gin Act as "founded on the indulgence of debauchery, the encouragement of crime, and the destruction of the human race." Lastly, John Wesley said: "But all who sell drams or spirituous liquors in the common way to any that will buy are poisoners general. They drive men to hell like sheep. A curse in the midst of them."

## A PASTOR'S EXPERIENCE.

### THE TROUBLES OF A CANADIAN CLERGYMAN.

Attacked with a Disease Unknown to Physicians—He Had Almost Given up Hope When the Hand of Relief was Stretched Out to Him.

Rev. S. J. Cummings, the pastor of the First Baptist church of Delavan, New York, has had an experience that makes him one of the most talked of men in Cattaraugus county. To a reporter of the *Buffalo News*, who called upon him, Mr. Cummings made the following statement, which he put in the form of an affidavit:

"I am now feeling so well that I am entering on a series of special meetings, and am returning to work with all my old-time vigor. I was prostrated in June last and was treated by three physicians, one near this place and two in the city of Buffalo, but received no benefit or encouragement from them. They all were of the opinion that I would have to resign my pastorate and quit preaching. Nevertheless I now feel entirely recovered.

"I cannot give you the name of my disorder. It baffled the physicians, and they could not agree as to the nature of the trouble. After the slightest exposure, as in the damp of the morning, or after the dew fell in the evening, my limbs would swell and become discolored, and my body would be racked with pain. These attacks would last three or four hours, but they would usually leave me helpless for at least a day after the acute pain had passed. At night I was unable to sleep. The strain upon my nervous system was tremendous. I became so prostrated as to be unable to take exercise. I could do scarcely any work in my study, and frequently could not preach to my people. Sometimes for a week the muscles of my arms would be so affected that I could not write a letter or pen a discourse.

"On the recommendation of the physicians who examined me, my church granted me a vacation for a month, and I went to my old home at Oakwood, Ont., north of Toronto, for a rest. On reaching home my father urged me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I protested on the plea of having taken so many medicines that I had lost all faith in them. But

he had heard of their efficacy and insisted on my giving them a trial. He brought me two boxes and I commenced to take them. I soon found my health improving so rapidly that I returned to my home and family at this place. Some of my friends insisted that the benefit was only temporary, that I would soon have a relapse and be worse than before, but I have continued to take them and now feel like a new man. The sudden attacks of pain which formerly prostrated me on my bed do not recur, and I have exposed myself many times in a way that would have formerly brought them on.

"In my family I have found them very beneficial. My wife finds them more helpful to her than anything she has ever taken. I have spent hundreds of dollars in doctors' remedies and patent medicines, but all to no avail until I tried Pink Pills.

S. J. CUMMINGS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of September, 1893.

JOHN HUNT, Notary Public.

Druggists everywhere bear witness to the firm hold this wonderful Canadian medicine has taken upon the public, and to the vast good it has accomplished in relieving suffering, and thousands of grateful people like Rev. Mr. Cummings cheerfully testify to the benefits derived from its use, often after skilled physicians had absolutely failed to help them. If you are ailing cast prejudice aside and give this marvel of medical science a fair trial. An analysis of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills show that they contain in a condensed form all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headache, the after effects of la grippe, palpitation of the heart, that tired feeling resulting from nervous prostration, all diseases depending upon vitiated humors in the blood, such as scrofula, chronic erysipelas, etc. They are also a specific for troubles peculiar to females, such as suppressions, irregularities, and all forms of weakness. They build up the blood, and restore the glow of health to pale and sallow cheeks. In the case of men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork, or excesses of whatever nature. There are no ill effects following the use of this wonderful medicine, and it can be given to children with perfect safety.

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