

too often ungrateful countrymen have surrounded them, and into the power of which the careless negligence of even christian professors has contributed to force them. Verily the churches of God are not guiltless in this matter. Yes, sell the poisoned draught or the materials for it, at wholesale; and then, O ye members of Christ's body, go and curse the men who purchase from you to sell at retail. Build churches with the unrighteous gains of your great spirit-vaults and malt-houses, and then, while the very stones in the walls are ready to cry out against you, go and pray in your churches for the Lord to save the souls whom you are driving down to perdition; say Amen, when you hear your brethren pray for the prosperity of Zion, and say it loudly, lest your peace be disturbed by the mocking laugh of the evil spirits as they regard your work. Sit proudly, in warm content amidst the luxuries of your costly parlors and when you read in your evening paper that some low tavern-keeper, or his customer, is in prison for dealing too freely in the produce of your vaults, raise your eyes to heaven, and thank God that you are "not as other men, or even as this publican!" Pay your minister's salary with what you have gained