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am told, am overcrowded already, what you 'spose dey am a-goin' to do when de chief cause ob all de murders, thefts, an' law cases am done away wid? Why de hole Salvatiou Army will have to go into mourning bekase ob dar occupaiion bein' dead an' gone.

It am a most tragical prospect. However, you might wid a gigantic effort stavo off de calamity ob sobriety for a while. Fo' warood an' fo' armed. You strengthen yo' fortifications an' see to yo' breastworks, press finesse into de service, an' try on de Christian Charity policy. Doub'e yo' subscriptions to de churches, ef any man an' hardup an' wants a lift—play de role of de good Samaritan. De man who ia toled home on de good Samaritan's donkey, an' get his bill settled wid de Samaritan's pennies, am not likely to turn round and vote agin' him, am he? I understand you am up to this game already. It am better to obey part ob de scripture dah none—ef you can't be as harmless as doves, you will at least be as wise as serpents. Den dere am de boycottin' all the papers an' periodicals as ain't on yo' side. It will retard de spread ob pernicious temp'rance literature, hamper dere agents, an' reduce dere advertisement receipts. An' when, after all, de Act am carried, you will feel dat if you hab not bin successful, you hab at least earned yo' fat salary.

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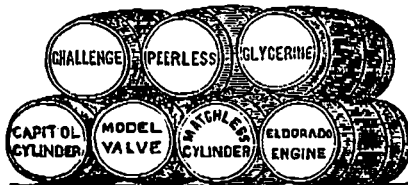
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