

Amberley.

Occasionally it becomes necessary for correspondents, in commenting upon the mortal, to act on the defensive; so that, being again able to breathe freely, we consider it our imperative duty to take up the cudgel and administer a poignant though fatherly reproof to a certain pedantic scribbler whose spurious twaddle appeared in THE SIGNAL of the 2nd inst., over the non de phume of "Sarah." It would be a libel on the fair sex to assume the writer to be a female so that we will deal with him in his true character. He seems in his fastidious delicacy or idiotic pedantry to have taken umbrage because we took occasion in a previous issue to commit certain common place facts to rhyme. We purpose making a rectified exhibition of all the misstatements contained or implied in his scurrilous effusion, and begin thus:—(1) The rhyme was not an "obscure attempt"—the first of "Sarah's" barren statements which would only elicit the sneers of every sensible reader. (2) It possessed none of the essentials of "doggerel poetry"—an assertion which is an evidence of the fact that the would-be critic must have looked at it through the glass of a vitiated mind. (3) Any "ordinary mortal" could easily divine what induced it, but cranks, quacks, and dunces would find it somewhat difficult. (4) It by no means "tarnished the poetic fame of Amberley" but, *vice versa*, proves that a shade of the gifted Ashfield bard still lingers behind. (5) It was not a "wretched effusion." "Sarah," forsooth, the erudite, profound and logical critic (!) must take the trouble to instruct your readers as if they were not as capable as he to judge it upon its merits, and, moreover, if it was what the conceited quibbler termed it, the editor, in his wisdom, would have consigned it to the waste basket. (6) It had other redeeming features besides brevity, which every intelligent reader will admit, but which humdrums would fail to perceive or appreciate. (7) There is not sufficient force in this locality to punish offenders against the liquor law, and, owing to the laxity of the officials, it became necessary for some lover of law and order to resort to some judicious measure in order that the good name of the locality might be preserved, and we are happy to state that, to a considerable extent, the desired object has been attained. (8) The writer is not a "transducer." He always confines himself to facts, and never has he slandered any one in public print or otherwise; and, in opposition to "Sarah," when he speaks he invariably says something. (9) And, lastly, he has not forfeited the respect of every or any right-thinking woman. He loves the approbation of the good, the true, and the noble of either sex, and endeavors to conduct himself in such a manner that he may deserve it, but he contemptuously scorns the "approving smiles" of simpletons, and, consequently, can calmly brook the most unpropitious regard of "Sarah" and kindred spirits. We do not attempt to deny that his "conjectures are vain"—vain as the shallow mind from whence they emanated. His pen, no doubt, like Baalam's ass, refused to obey its owner, but like that beast, though noted for its stupidity, it was more prudent than its master, for when it could discover no defects, it "refused to reproduce the lines," notwithstanding its master's efforts to force it. Having vanquished our assailant we can truthfully affirm that no spleen or rancor rankles in our breast against our present hotelkeeper personally, but we may frankly admit that we are at variance with the occupation of liquor dealers in general, and this may have, in a measure, actuated us in announcing the illegality of her act. Who is there that can not pity the unfortunate victims of strong drink, as he is seen with heavy eyes and tattered clothes, tipping at the bar to satisfy his insatiable appetite, and heard uttering words after the degenerate fashion of his mind, and then gulping the poisonous draught with unshrinking avidity, and parting probably with his last mite obtained from the dispendious and dissolute. But our initial review from the thought of sympathy towards his destroyer, the man who takes advantage of his frail and fallen nature, and places a stumbling-block before him, which obstructs his way, and makes him fall further and further from the path of rectitude. The man who acquires wealth at the expense of man's a broken heart, many a shattered intellect, and many a ruined soul, this man, we say, can not and will not gain the sympathy or respect of any sane man or right thinking woman, though "Sarah" and kindred spirits will both patronize and cajole them. "But we are licensed by the Government," they say. Yes, that is true—very true. Yet that does not exonerate them. The Government, whether British or Canadian, whether constitutional or monarchial—is in this respect presided over by the prince of darkness, and so long as he is the "god of this world," some of his emissaries will get license to become rich on the spoils of others.—[Con.]

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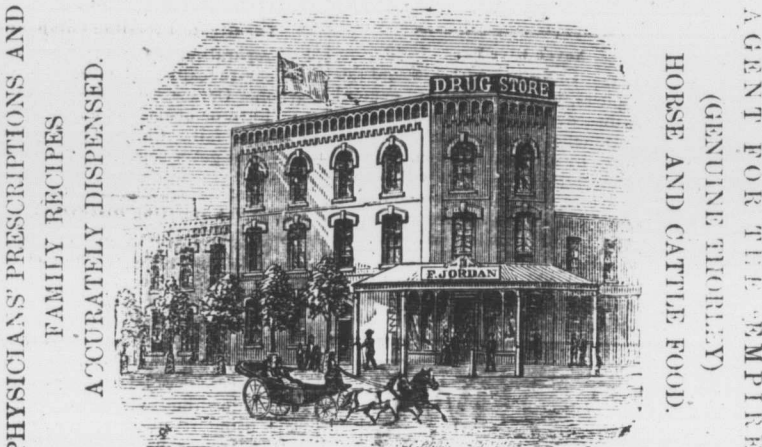
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