

**TEMPERANCE.****BISHOP DOANE ON "SUNDAY OPENING."**

The question of opening the saloons on Sunday is one which has given occasion to much dispute, and has called forth the expression of many and conflicting opinions. We welcome Bishop Doane's contribution to the discussion. In a speech which he delivered before the Excise Committee of the Assembly of the State Legislature [New York] on Feb. 8, he spoke as representative of the Church Temperance Society. . . . The Bishop of Albany never gives an uncertain sound, and his utterance on this occasion is worthy of his reputation for outspoken clearness. He condemns any proposition whatever to open drinking places on the Lord's Day. He would have erased from the statute book of this State all excise legislation of every sort and description that controls the sale of liquor, and would deal with this question as the penal code deals with such dangerous articles of commerce as dynamite and poisonous drugs; i.e., he would invest the sale of alcoholic drinks with such safeguards as would diminish to the least possible quantity the danger of their falling into the hands of those who would misuse them. The proposal to open the saloons by the side doors and with closed shades, he indignantly denounces. In short, he would resolve the question into one of Sunday observance as enforced by law. Now the law prohibits all selling and buying on Sunday, excepting of "meats, milk and fish." Food eaten on the premises may be sold of course. But even the perishable articles excepted by the statute may not be sold after nine o'clock on the morning of the Lord's Day. The Bishop reminds his hearers that all "servile labor," such certainly as employees of saloons must undertake, is also forbidden on the first day of the week. This law is certainly supported by the plain letter of Scripture. The Bishop merely urges the point that it is the law of the land.

There is doubtless a great deal of reason in the position taken by Bishop Doane, and if the adoption of his suggestion would save the Holy Day from desecration, we hope the law-makers whom he addressed will be moved to report in favor of it. *The Churchman* has already pronounced the opening of saloons, whether furtively or openly, on the Lord's Day, to be an unmitigated evil. It is time that the power of the saloons, the influence for social and political evil of which they have been so long the source, should be checked, and one way of checking it is to close every drinking place in the State during the Day of Rest and religious quiet, over whose observance the State has so far thrown its ægis.—*The Churchman*, N. Y.

"Have we not all one Father, him who created us all of one blood? Are we not all brethren? Bear we not God's image? Breathed he not of his quickening Spirit into us? Canst

thou not endure with thy brother's small offenses for a brief time, when thy Father has endured thy many and often flagrant sins through thy whole life? Oh, my brother! put away far from thee all anger—contempt—evil speaking—evil suggestions—all that savors not of humility."

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