

every year. It lies with the multitude of weak and silly creatures who rush headlong to destruction, notwithstanding the friendly arms which are continually stretched out to stop them in their mad career. It lies with the total abstainer, when he neglects his duty, in not raising his voice and using his efforts to banish this monstrous iniquity from our land! Oh, Samuel, the blame lies in so many directions, that it would consume too much time to enumerate them. Suffice it for you and me to say, that the blame shall not be with us: let us gird on our armour, and battle manfully with the monster, Intemperance, while God gives us health and strength to do so.

Richard.—Again, Samuel, I pledge myself to do what I can to stem the torrent of iniquity which spreads over our land through the accursed liquor traffic. I will rededicate myself to the glorious enterprise of endeavouring to persuade men to live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present evil world. I thank you sincerely for the kind and affectionate way in which you have removed my despondency, and given me new life and energy; and I assure you I shall long remember our short but interesting conversation. But, I must now be going—good night to you, Richard!

Samuel.—Good night, Richard, and may God help the right.

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“For so much gold we license thee;
(So say our laws,) a draught to sell