

praved desire. The Indians and Icelanders have learned to distil the milk of their flocks. The British have employed both science and art to ferment from the nourishing grain their favourite beverage of "beer" and "ale." The Swedes have learned to employ the busy ant to supply a want which nature never made. The Tartars, to prepare "Kouniss" of Mare's Milk, and Lamb Wine; the Chinaman, to eat opium, and distil Lemon juice; the Caffer to prepare his "pombie;" the Nubian his "bouza;" and the Yankee his "potatoe whiskey;" the inhabitant of Kamschatka, with his "raka" of grass; of Otaheite with the root of the "tee;" of Formosa with drink prepared from rice: all furnish proofs of the universality of the love of stimulants.— Though these afford a momentary gratification, at the last they bite like a serpent and sting like an adder. They tend to form an artificial, unnecessary, and dangerous appetite, and thus to lead to drunkenness and ruin.

That ingredient in fermented and distilled liquors which is the cause of intoxication, is not the product of creation. The animal kingdom, in all its vast variety, saith, "It is not in me;" and the vegetable kingdom responds, "It is not