

FOR TEMPERANCE SUNDAY.

PLEDGE THE CHILDREN.

These are the days of preventive work. So rear a city full of boys that they shall not form the habit of using liquor, and you will in a few years be able to double your public parks, double the efficiency of your public schools and indulge in civic improvements, unthought of save in your wildest dreams. Why? Because you will have the money to do it with, the money you would otherwise have to spend in caring for the drunkards, lunatics and criminal classes thrown on your hands by the liquor traffic.

That is an impossibility, you say? It is not impossible for you now to do your share towards it. Train every boy under your influence to be a total abstainer. Among the thousand pitfalls spread for the feet of our boys, only the Christian total abstainers are safe. Such a boy or young man has a thousand chances for success in life, compared with one who is not principled against the use of liquor and its kindred vices, smoking, gambling, and bad language. This training lies very largely in the hands of Sunday-school teachers, and no better use can be made of the quarterly Temperance Sunday, than to induce the children, with a due sense of the solemnity of the act, to sign a more or less comprehensive pledge of total abstinence. For younger children, it has been often found wise to limit the pledge to one year, and repeat it annually. Older children will pledge themselves till they attain their majority, or for life. Neither should this pledge be confined to the pupils. Every member of a school, from superintendent and officers and teachers, down to the tiniest child, should be ranged on the right side in the great battle with sin.

The next temperance Sunday comes on the 17th of June, and it is now time for pastors and superintendents to begin to make arrangements for it. A capital plan to secure signatures to a pledge is to prepare it in the form of an

HONOR ROLL.

Every school has an amateur artist somewhere within reach who with a sheet of Bristol board and a few colors will produce such a roll with as handsome an illuminated heading as could be desired. The rest of the space below the heading should be neatly ruled for the names. When all the signatures are secured, the roll should be neatly framed and hung in a conspicuous place.

But THIS ROLL IS NOT ENOUGH. Every signer should be presented with a smaller card containing the same pledge which he will also sign and then take home to hang in a conspicuous place in his room, a constant reminder of his sacred pledge to God and his fellows. These cards, it is impossible to prepare at home in the quantities needed, but we are prepared to furnish them in colors and designs to suit all tastes and purses.

Below are given samples of pledges most commonly used. Choose which one you prefer, what text or motto you would like combined with it, with suggestions of the color of and size of cards, and the colors of ink you would prefer, and the name and address of your school, and we will let you know at once the lowest cost in lots of 25 and upwards. In ordering, it is important to remember that the cost is in the setting and that, therefore, one hundred cards will cost but little more than one. Every additional colored ink, of course, will add to the cost. The pledges given are only samples. If you have another which you prefer, send it to us.

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TOTAL ABSTINENCE PLEDGE.

I Solemnly Promise, by the Grace of God, that I will ABSTAIN from the use of all

INTOXICATING DRINKS

As a BEVERAGE; that I will neither Make, Buy, Sell nor Offer such to any person, and will try to induce others to do the same.

(Signed in Duplicate)..... Witness..... (Date).....

BAND OF HOPE PLEDGE.

I hereby solemnly promise, GOD HELPING ME, to abstain from all Distilled, Fermented and Malt Liquors, including Wine and Cider; also, from the use of Tobacco and Profane Language.

Name..... Date.....

SACRED PLEDGE.

DECLARATION:—I hereby promise, by God's help, to abstain from all intoxicating liquors, as a beverage, for Christ's sake. Amen.

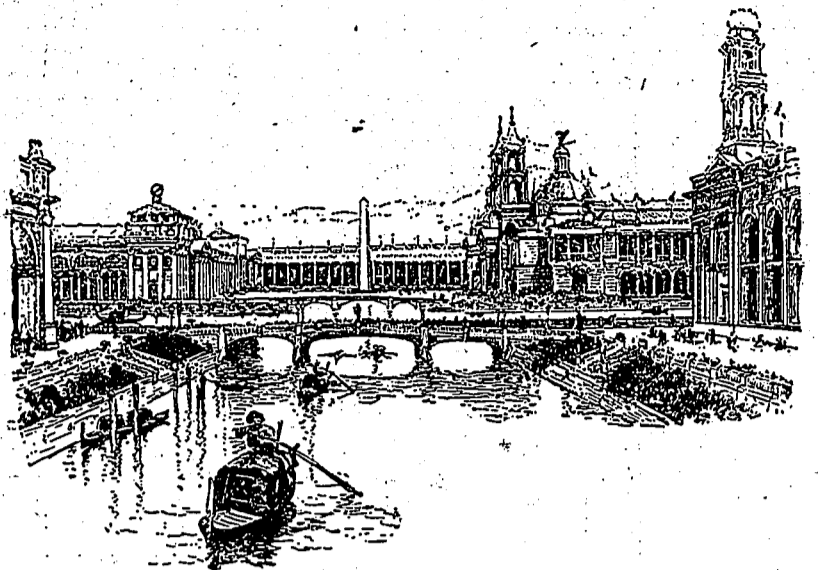
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