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TOBACCO.

The celebrated Dr. John King says: "Tobacco is a powerful narcotic poison, its direct action upon the body being to enfeeble the system, thereby destroying the tone of the stomach, and retarding or deranging the digestive function, so that nothing of the immense drain of the saliva, and which drain is kept continually up by the use of this filthy and noxious weed. Its use hastens the manifestation of the symptoms of those diseases to which the person is disposed, and most decidedly when those most important organs, the lungs, are weak, and liable to attacks of a consumptive nature.

It is beyond my comprehension why so vast a number of civilized and educated men and women should resort to the use of an article so positively injurious, uncleanly, offensive, and which has not one redeeming quality in its favor. Young men, you whose system is yet uninjured by this plague of civilization, reflect well before you make the attempt to use tobacco in any form—before you enslave yourself to a master whose exactions and oppression know no bounds. You may become a man without the use of tobacco. Aye, a much better man without it. Above all other articles in common use tobacco is one that slowly but surely impairs the whole nervous system: the taste becomes perverted, so that simple diet becomes insipid and unpalatable. The tobacco consumer is obliged to resort to stronger fluids for a beverage, and to highly-seasoned and stimulating food to satisfy the benumbed taste which this poison has produced. Never will temperance become the universal rule until tobacco ceases to be an article of daily consumption. Yet some of the most strenuous advocates for the suppression of the use of alcoholic liquors as a beverage are perfect inebriates with regard to tobacco. Parents, guardians, ministers, friends, and all who feel an interest in the health, happiness and morals of the rising generation, I beseech you to take the advice of one whose long experience and extensive researches have fully convinced him that this scourge of the human family is yearly creating disease and dragging thousands to an untimely grave; and employ all your influence, accompanied by example, to prevent those who are to watch over you, and who are to become your legislators, when your looks have become silvered by time, from becoming the slaves of this foul, unnatural, relentless tyrant—tobacco. Although men know that tobacco is injurious, and that if they use it, undoubtedly their boys will use it also, yet they fail to exercise enough "will power" to enable them to quit it; but say, "I can't."

DANGER SIGNALS.

There are danger-signals in health as well as on railway tracks. The neglect of these may lead to sad results.

No sadder case is recorded in the books of the Friends' Asylum for the Insane at Frankford, Penn., than that of Robert Sanderson. A young man of excellent habits and indefatigable industry, he was employed on the Pennsylvania Railroad as night operator at Schenck's Station. His inventive genius was a subject of remark in the neighborhood. The great object of his studies and labors for many weeks past had been a railway danger signal, to which he devoted all the time he could spare from his daily, or rather nightly, occupation. He had made a great many experiments, and had thoroughly examined all the appliances at present in use, in the hope of producing something which would be a marked improvement upon all of them. In the course of his experiments he had already originated several forms of danger signals, but none of them fully answered his idea of what was required except the last. Of the plan of this signal, to which the young inventor gave a great deal of time, often depriving himself of needed rest in order to devote himself to his undertaking, a railroad man says: "It was as near perfection as any contrivance for that purpose could be." Engaged from dark till daylight at the railway station, sending and receiving messages and tracing and reporting the whereabouts of trains, and going home, not to sleep, but to devote himself again to his invention with a zeal that increased as he saw his way more and more clearly to success, the young man found that his application was affecting his health, but still persevered in the hope of being able to perfect his invention before being compelled to stop. On a recent Sunday he attended Church as usual. The pastor was turning to the text from which he meant to preach, when young Sanderson rose from his seat, advanced to the pulpit and announced in a loud voice to the wondering congregation that he was "a son of Jesus Christ sent here to preach." The pastor spoke to him in a kindly manner, remarking that when he had finished his sermon Sanderson would be permitted to address the congregation. This assurance had the effect of soothing him, and he remained quietly in his seat until the pastor concluded his remarks. Then Sanderson sprang up and proceeded to deliver a rambling and incoherent address. His friends immediately took him in charge, and it was found that his mind had become affected. He was removed to his home, when he lapsed into a condition of settled melancholy and refused to speak. To all appearances he had lost all remembrance of the past, and his mind was a blank. He did not recognize his intimate acquaintances, but vacantly stared at those who addressed him.—N. Y. Paper.

cried a little cool teacher; "I've lost a whole thing!" repeated grave look upon his face, "is that, Clara?" so busy, and she really, Miss was so full of nothing but play up his dimpled as he called it pressed his lips, "Me love 'oo, st your morning, her. "You have and you have her closer to you Such a morning pent, my dear." this Mrs. Palmer vere illness. She east noise or con- try's noisy play dish. So Clara took er own room, rock- ight, and cared for his mother could, covered. said the physician and upon the little mother had not ightful a daughter not have recovered had her reward. lost which is spent py.—Selected.

ENGLISH CHILD DRUNKARDS. Too often the very young drink themselves; some because they inherit an appetite for strong drink; others because they have been early taught to overcome their natural repugnance to it. It is an awful fact that there are children born every year into this country with so strong a craving for alcohol that if they take it at all they will drink it to excess; a still more awful fact that there are amongst us a large number of child drunk-

ards. Quite recently, little children of three and five years of age, have killed themselves with drinking. "I have never," said a little boy of seven to a friend of mine, who asked him to join a "Band of hope," "I have never been drunk but twice in my life!" "Hold up your hands," I said some months ago, when addressing a large audience in a back alley in one of our Black "Country towns," "all boys" (there were about a hundred there between the ages of eight and twelve) "who have never tasted strong drink." Two hands were held up. They were held up, I afterwards discovered, by mistake. "And now, hold up yours," I cried, "all boys who have been drunk." A great many were immediately raised. The crowd was convulsed with laughter. Need I say that I was shocked and pained? For it is the spirit of which this laughter was the expression, it is the levity with which it showed that an abominable sin is regarded, the utter want of self-respect which it betokened, not merely in the individual, but in the community, which baffles all our efforts to suppress intemperance in England. Drunkenness is an inconvenience, an expense, a blot upon civilization, the source of many evils, but a necessity, thoroughly English, and a very proper subject for amusement. My friends, we have not so learned Christ. Drunkenness must be to us, if we in any sense are His, a sin, a terrible offence, both against God and man. It must be agony to us to know that the monster is being gorged in this country with the blood of the lambs of Christ.—Rev. B. McGrier, in Alliance News.

The House and Farm.

Soft soap should be kept in a dry place in the cellar, and not used until three months old.

Camphor placed in drawers or trunks will prevent mice from doing them any injury.

J. N. Marden, Jr., of Maryland, owns a pear farm which is the largest this side of California. It contains 15,000 trees. Last spring he tried the experiment of keeping the frosts away by building fires around 2,500 of the trees on frosty nights. The rest of the orchard produced a comparatively small quantity of pears, while the field around which the fires were kept yielded 3000 boxes, which sold for over \$6,000.

One of the important things to look after at this season is a good shelter for the sheep during the winter. Sheep that are provided with a warm, dry shelter always do much better than those left to shift for themselves, or indifferently housed. If you want your sheep to come out all right next spring, now is the time to give the matter attention. We are satisfied that there is nothing more important connected with the sheep interest than good shelter.

To clean black silk—says a writer in the Queen—it must be perfectly brushed and wiped with a cloth, then laid flat on a smooth board or table and well sponged with hot coffee, thoroughly freed from sediment by being strained through muslin. The silk is sponged on the side intended to show, it is allowed to become partially dry, and then ironed on the wrong side. The coffee removes grease, and restores the brilliancy of silk, without giving it either the shiny appearance or crackly and papery stiffness obtained by beer or any other liquid.

The famous system of rotation, now extended quite generally throughout England and Scotland with occasional modification, is as follows: "The first year, clover and mixed grass-seed; the second year, wheat; the third year, turnips or ruta bagas; the fourth year, barley; and then the same course again. An innovation on this is to add another grain crop, oats, to the shift, making a five years' course; and so efficient has this course been that it has been calculated that the grain crops have increased one fourth."

Don't go out bare-handed to put your wet clothes on the line in winter weather. It is a foolish and unnecessary tax upon the system, and injurious to the hands. Gloves or mittens worn on ordinary occasions are apt to be more or less soiled and are not suitable for handling clean clothes. Have a pair for this purpose. You can cut from clean flannel (white seems the most suitable), and line them with another thickness of flannel, or make them double, if the flannel is thin. These should be kept in a clean place, ready for this particular business, and nothing else. A good and handy place to keep them is in the clothes-pin bag.

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