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this paper is respectfully | 160,780 are adults and Juvenile Department. requested to read every part of it carefully. It is a journal that no Canadian temperance worker can afford to be with-The subscription price is almost insignifi-, have such financial interest in distilleries In the impending campaign for better: legislation in Ontario it will be of intense interest and great value.

## NOTES OF NEWS

ABOUT THE WORK OUR FRIENDS AND FOES ARE DOING

ALL AROUND THE ROLLING WORLD.

The Bermuda Legislature have, on requisition from the W.C.T.U. and 10. G.T., appointed a Committee to draft a Bill to prohibit the sale of cigarettes to children under sixteen years of age.

The island of Anglsea, off the west coast of Wales, contains 77 parishes, of which there are 8 having a population of 9,414, without a single public house.

The International Jubilee of Good Templary was celebrated at its birth-place, Utica, in the State of New York. the second week in July, by a gathering of the International Supreme Lodge, Mr. Joseph Mallins crossing the Atlantic for the thirteenth time to preside over the assembly.

The Government of New South Wales have agreed to have temperance wall-sheets hung up in the Elementary sheets hung up in the Elementary Bain and Rev. Dr. Anna Shaw. Secre-Schools—as has been done in the Colony tary J. W. Baer presided and the meet of Victoria for some years past, which ing was enthusiastically for prohibition. give uncompromising testimony against the use of any intoxicating drinks.

power."

## Drink and Death.

A press despatch dated Niagara Falls. July 18th, gives a sad account of the death through intoxication and poison ing of Douglas Cook, a sixty year old citizen who has spent a good deal or his life time in the jail and penitentiary.

## Work in France.

English Example, and especially by the \$65,000,000. fact that in Liverpool since the institution of coffee houses the number of arrests from drunkenness has fallen from 21,694 to 9,005 per annum. Temperance cafes are now being opened in various towns in France.

## A Splendid Record.

Every onewhoreceives 28,500 being added to the membership had paid dividends for the past year of which now stands 269,968. Of these, 160,780 are adults and 100,188 are in the

## Clergymen in Breweries.

A correspondent of the Daily Mail says that there are 311 clergymen who hold shares in five of the principal brewories of the British Isles. Guinness s, it appears, claim the largest support from the clergy, as there are 178 rev. gentlemen who draw profits from that firm's beer and stout. In Sweden it is an offence for ministers of religion to

## One Day's Business.

The United Kingdom Alliance News tells of a record recently kept by a tem-perance society of the number of persons visiting a licensed public house in the borough of Hackney on Sunday, April 28th. Under the Sunday law the place was open for only seven hours. During that time it was visited by 1,792 men. 766 women and 1,365 children.

### Russia Awakening.

The Russian Government Commission on alcoholism recommend that spirits be no longer served as a ration to soldiers, in peace or war, nor be given by the officers; and that there be elim inated from the secondary school books the teaching that spirits are good in moderation. Of fifty-eight school chil dren of the superior class, it was found that ten had already been drinking spirits and five had been drunk; while among twenty-sever of the lower class nineteen had already drank spirits and seventeen had already been drunk.

## A Mighty Meeting.

One of the most prominent features it were very pronounced, of the great Christian Endeavor Conven After careful considera tion at Cincinnati last month was an

## Substantial Growth.

That temperance sentiment is not The British Licensed Victuallers As declining in Scotland is forcibly shown and operation of the liquor traffic was sociation have passed a resolution to in the reports that have come to hand "avail themselves of every opportunity" of the 32nd annual session of the Grand of contesting vacancies on County Lodge of Scotland of the LOG.T., which lution, which he supported by an ex Councils, Town Councils, Boards of Guardians and other legal authorities possessing important administrative administrative adult membership of 40,793 and a Juve of the Grand Secretary's report showed an adult membership of 40,793 and a Juve of the delegates who although because of the 32nd annual session of the Grand nile membership of 42,629, making a total of 89,422, an increase of 3,558 for and believing in his honesty of convicthe past year.

## United States Drink Bill.

The New Voice, of Chicago, quotes some interesting stastics showing that the amount of intoxicating liquor consumed in the United States during the year 1900 was 1,349,176,038 gallons, and that the estimated cost to the consumers The French Anti Alcoholic Union, was \$1,172,493,445. This enormous he believed would be a bac founded five years ago by Dr. Lograin, amount of money would have been and an injury to the cause. has to-day 435 local societies, with over sufficient to have wiped out the whole 40,000 members. Influenced by the national debt and leave a surplus of the old officers we do not sufficient to have wiped out the whole and an injury to the cause.

## Prosperous Brewers.

Although business generally has been totally demoralized in South Africa by the war, it seems that browing is an exception. At the annual meeting of the South African Brewing Company, in London, the Chairman stated that the The Independent Order of Rechabite<sup>8</sup> Board was looking forward to a largely in the United Kingdom reports a year increased trade and making provision to of encouraging and substantial increase, meet it by enlarging their plant. They ing of unusual interest.

some extent for the increase.

### A Temperance Town

States Consul at Sydney, says that her principal questions, (1) a demand for httle native city at Indianola-having immediate reform in the Provincial 5.0 0 inhabitants—and at a dozen License Law, and (2) preparation to smaller towns in the county, there is not make temperance sentiment effective in a single place of which intoxicants can the approaching provincial elections be had "for love or money." Indianolas All the suggestions for liquor-law was founded fifty years ago and has never allowed a drinkshop; nor is there a published in the CAMP FIRE were adopt billiard table or any gambling device; in the city which has six churches and a college, and at public functions wine is not used and "sentiments" takes the place of "toasts". Yet there were some poor who needed held, but there is great freedom from squalor and vice.

### THE ALLIANCE COUNCIL.

The Annual Meeting of the Council of the Dominion Alliance was held in Rich the continued violation of law by liquor-mond Hall on July 10th. There was a selling in military canteens, and calling large turnout of representatives from for a strenuous effort to resist the promataro and Quebec. Manitoba was also posal to remove temperance from the represented. The meeting at the same time of the National Division of the public school course. Sons of Temperance probably kept some prohibition leaders of the Eastern Pro vinces from being on hand.

The tone of the meeting was aggresing out the instruction of Parliament to port the Alliance policy, and calling improve the Canada Temperance Act. upon prohibitionists to take a more improve the Canada Temperance Act. His statement that he had received no communication from the temperance people was, in the opinion of the Convention, too paltry a prefext for this failure, and expressions of criticism upon

After careful consideration the convention decided to remove all ground enormous temperance meeting head on the Government suggestions for the Government suggestions for the Sanday, July 7th, in the central sand transfer than Church, the great auditorium of improvement of the Canada remper viscosis, which was packed to its fullest capacity, ance Act and urging Parliament to A well attended mass meeting was which was packed to its fullest capacity, embody them in law. The decision to held in the evening at which stirring improvement of the Canada remper viscosis. Prohibition Executive, Col. George W. the same time the Convention emphatically declared its adherence to the principal of total prohibition as the only effective remedy for the evils of intemperance, and its determination to accept nothing less as a settlement of the liquor question.

The matter of Government ownership brought up by Rev. W. Kettlewe'l in a moderately-drawn and well worded reso posal, however, found little favor with the delegates, who, although listening respectfully to Mr. Kettlewell's address tion, defeated it by an overwhelming majority, only three delegates voting in tts lavor

One of the most earnest a idresses in opposition to Mr. Kettleweli's motion was made by Hon. Senator Vidal who in the warmest terms denounced the sug gestion of any extension of the people's partnership in the liquor traffic which he believed would be a backward step

Most of the old officers were re-elect ; ed, a few changes being made in the Vice-Presidents and in the Executive Committee. Opinions were expressed in favor of the holding of the Council meetings at a more convenient season of the year.

## ONTARIO ALLIANCE CONVENTION

The Annual Meeting of the Ontario Branch of the Dominion Alliance was held in the Horticultural Pavilion, in Toronto, on July 9th, and was a gather-

There were present over three hunseventeen and a half per cent, their dred delegates, representing church and profits having risen from £86,000 to temperance organizations from deferent £148,209. It is probable that the great parts of the country, and the meeting influx of British Soldiers accounts to was characterized from beginning to end by unusual earnestness and determina : tion.

As was anticipated, the attention of Mrs Orlando Baker, wife of the United the meeting was centered upon two

Indianolas All the suggestions for houor-law d has never amendments that have already been ed, along with a number of others, among which may be mentioned the following That electors under the Lecense Law shall mean "municipal electors". That the time for laying information for law violation be extended to three months after the offence. That the names of parties signing a certificate for a license be published at the applicant's expense.

Strong resolutions were also adopted, condemning the sale of cigarettes, and the continued violation of law by liquorpublic school course.

A report was adopted from the Pol-itical Action Committee calling for the establishment of branches of the Alliance in the different ridings of the province, sive Dissatisfaction was expressed with with a view to securing the nonmation the attitude taken by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and election of candidates for the Legisand election of candidates for the Legisin excusing the Government from earry slature who can be relied upon to supactive part than ever in political affairs so as to make their influence effective in Parliament, Legislature and municipal council.

The President, Rev. W. A. MacKay, D.D., in his annual address, strongly denounced Government Ownership as a method of dealing with the liquor traffic, and no proposition in favor of this plan came before the Convention for consid-

addresses were delivered by the President, Mrs. May R. Thornley, Mrs. S G E. McKee, Hon, Senator Vidal, Rev. J. H. Hector, Rev. G. G. Huxtable and Rev. Charles Deacon.

The last named speaker dwelt mainly with the question of law enforcement, giving interesting information and valu able suggestions along this line. The Convention cordially sympathized with strong criticism of the present failure of many officials to do their duty, and a demand was made for more thorough going action in this matter. Nearly all the officers were re-elected. The officers were re-elected. Convention attendance kept up till the

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## THE CONVENTIONS.

The Conventions on July 9th and 10th were full of inspiration and encourage ment. The representation was good. The spirit of the delegates was carnest. The decisions arrived at were reasonable logical and wise.

The Dominion Government will be asked to so change the Canada Temper ance Act that it will be more of a prohibitory law, and to make it available by provinces. The Ontario Legislature will be asked to improve the Liceuse Law in some respects in which it is lamentably behind the times.

The electors will be asked to take such steps as will secure for our cause in Pathament and Legislature a better representation and more loval support.

With such a wise and useful programme that ought to commend itself to every true itiend of our cause, the Alliance Council is warranted in asking for the cordial and active co-operation of prohibitionists in every part of the Dominion, and the Ontario Alliance ought to be backed up by the loyal support of every unprejudiced friend of moral reform.

### LEGISLATION.

The proposals made by the Alhance Convention on July 9th for needed changes in the License Law are reason able and timery. They are such as ought to be made by the legislature without any hesitation.

All that has been said about the pro gress of restrictive legislation in Ontario is true. Cicdit must be given to the Legislature and Government for what has been accomplished, and for the im that has taken place during the last twenty-five years.

Unfortunately, however, there is very little to thank the Government of Legislature for in the record of the last couple of years. A number of the members of the present government are known to be personally strong temperance men. There must be operating in the Legislature, strong influences favorsble to the liquor traffic, otherwise the views of these gentlemen must certainly

provincial prohibition as the Government can justify in view of the Privy Council decisions that have been rendered. The limit of power being, however, indefinite, there is no very strong opposition to the proposal of the Government to wait for the Privy Council decision regarding the Manitoba law betore dealing with the prohibition ques-

There is all the more reason for immediate legislation that will remedy some of the most glaring defects that now exist, which will be some recognition of the strong sentiment of the people, and that will make it clear that the Government and Legislature are not hostile to the temperance reform.

### LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Much complaint was made at the Pro vincial Prohibition Convention concern ing non enforcement of the L cense Law. A good many strong statements were made and instances and testimomals quoted.

Hon. Mr. Stratton, under whose direction the Provincial License Department is conducted, has made statements everal times recently to the effect that diligence is being used in endeavoring to have enforcement made thorough. These statements are in themselves evidence that hitherto there has been a good deal of laxity in this matter. The law is difficult of enforcement, and therefore requires special vigilance on the part of officers. Cases in which diligence is not exercised are very numerous

One of the most flagrant and general violations of the License Law is the sale of liquot on Sundays by licensees. It is hardly going too far to say that there is very little effort on the part of officials to check this evil. The lawlessness in this respect is so great as to call for more vigorous measures than any that have been taken.

The cancelling of a few licenses would probably produce more effect than the many calls for law enforcement that are not obeyed. The law provides for the revocation of licenses by Commissioners m certain cases. In other cases the Commissioners have power to reluse the license year. A statement that this would be done in the case of Sunday violation would speedily check the extensive law breaking that now goes on.

In some cases in which a conviction would have resulted, under the law, in m other party immediately before the conviction was made. There are various instances of this method which is such an outrageous violation of the intentions of the law that the Commissioners who are parties to it ought not to be allowed; to retain office for an hour after the first

Whatever may be the intentions or desires of the Government, the Lw is to not enforced. Commissioners and Inspectors who plan to relieve law breakers from the consequences of their wrong-doing are continued in office The Government is responsible for wrong doing which it makes no effective effort to put down.

have found some expression in the the amending of liquor legislation that is admittedly defective, out of date and one sided.

There are strong prohibitionists who believe that the Ontario Legislature ought to at once pass such a measure of The new sheriff of Cumberland County,

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## Belections.

A CHILD VICTIM.

"And their dead bodies lie in the streets of the great city . . . , where also their Lord is crucified."—Rev xi 8.

Dead! in the courts and alleys-Dead! in the river's slime— Dead! a little one murdered For every hour of time.

Dead ! with a drunkard's liver, The child only five years old! Murdered by her who should deem it More precious than wealth untold.

But sadder the fate of the living, To guilt and shame a slave, Besten, hopeless, degraded, Sunk'aimost too low to save.

Its birthright of joy and freedom Soid before it was born, For less than a mess of pottage. For a lot that devils would scorn.

And beauty is used for heense. and sin is drawn with each b And the dancing feet are guided. To practice the Dance of Death.

And the curls that should catch the sunlight Are damp with the fogs of hell, And the eyes that to love should open, Look on sights that no tongue dare tell.

And the Christ who loved the children. Cries out in His agony,
"Is Nazareth forgotten? Forgotten Calvary?

And He turns and looks upon us, And He stretches His bleeding hands—
"Again have ye crucified Me,
Ye men of Christian lands!

" In them does My life lie hidden, These little ones of my love;
With them I am daily dying,
By their side in anguish I move.

Who against them offendeth Greeth their saviour too; Thio my heart to theirs he pietceth. Openeth My wounds anew

"The streets of your mighty cut Are red with their blood and Mine; High on the Cross am I lifted. Of their sorrow and shame the Sign."

And the stars look down in wonder. And thee heavens above are brass; And all in vain seems the effort To touch the seething mass.

For the man must have his liquor, And the woman must have her rights; Rights over soul and body. Of the child whose life she blights.

and in vain we plead for the children With the oftrepeated prayer,
That they may be protected
From the liquor shop's lure and snare.

And still the cry goes heavenward From the dying lips of the child, Still are the helpless tortured, Still are the poor deliled

nd the streets of the city are cumbered With the victims of lust and wrong, And the hearts of Thy samts are crying, "How long, O Lord, how long!"

\_M.E.B. in Alliance News.

mother was sentenced to six a mother was sentenced to six months imprisonment in Liverpool recently for cruelty to children. One child, five years old, was declared to be suffering from drunkard's liver.

## THE TRAMP'S LAST FIGHT.

the operator instinctively glanced at the half-open drawer beside hum to be sure that his revolver was there. But his trampship had no evil designs; he was merely hungry and cold and, after the fashion of his kind, looking for someone "soft" to "work" for food and a sleeping place and, it possible, a drink.

"Couldn't let me sit by the waiting-room fire all night could you boss?"

"I's against orders, my friend, you'll have to move on!"

"Couldn't spare me a dime, could you boss?"

"No, move on."
"Never was hungry, was you boss?"
"Often, but I worked my way out."
Now the operator, despite his contempt for tramps, of whom he saw many, was a kind hearted man. Something in the last question touched a long forgotten chord, for, truly enough, in the earlier years of his life he had often been hungry.
Coming closer to the tramp he said:

chord, for, truly enough, in the earlier years of his life he had often been hungry. Coming closer to the tramp he said:

"Do you see that man at the end of the platform? He is waiting for the mail to come in. He is sort of insane on the 'Brotherhood of Man' question. He'll help you along, but you'll have to earn it and promise to do better. Used to be a railroader when he was young; came here from the East and owns the town now, factoles and all."

"Thanks boss," grinned the tramp, "I guess I'm good for a square meal anyhow. I'll put you on to a dead easy thing some day, boss, if I can."

The operator watched the retreating figure of the tramp and mused, "Rather a shabby trick to set him on Mr. James. But he did look hungry, and James has more money than he knows what to do with. Hello, here comes the mail train."

Meanwhile, Mr. James turned at the sound of approaching footsteps and closely scrutimized the tramp. Not a pleasing looking individual at all was this "knight of the road," as he slouched along and pausing by the gentleman's side commenced in a drawling whine, "Say, mister, won't you help a poor fellow what's out of work and lost his parts."

Of wins I ever drank. You remember, it was on her birthday, and she asked us to drink her health. You wouldn't touch the wine and she called use and she called you "I drank it." I'm Nellie's work.

I'm Nellie's wo

side commenced in a drawling whine, "Say, mister, won't you help a poor fellow what's out of work and lost his plied, arm? Just got out of the hospital in Chicago, and can't hardly stand up."

A pecu in expression flitted over his listener's face. If his glance had been sharp at first it now amounted to a fixed stare.

"What's your name?"

xed stare.
"What's your name?"
"My name, boss? Why, my name's

ike Jones."

"Welt, Ike, you've changed your name since I saw you last. However, I'm glad to see you for old time's sake. Shake hands, Rawley."

revealed in a brute.

"Where, when did you ever hear me called that?" he asked shakily, as he he asked shakily, as he

held out a dirty hand.
"When we sat side by side in Buck's school house and lived across lots in

"When we sat side by side in Buck's school house and lived across lots in later Burdensville, as boys; when poor Neeley taught us telegraphy, and we worked together in K tower. You remember that, don't you, Rawley?"

Did he remember? Ah how many times had he prayed to forget! He had gone down the path to ruin cheerfully. He had been through every stage from gentleman to tramp, yet only God knew of those torturing visions of that fair past and its "might have been," which no drunken orgies could drive away.

was held fast.

"You're coming home with me, Rawley. You're going to have a bath and
esome clean clothes, and when you get

"I we make that the

some clean clothes, and when you get rested you shall have a place in my office. You shall not go to the dogs while I'm here to take care of you."

"It's no use, Jack, it's no use. If I suppose to lose, what can I do as a tramp? I used to travel the Western roads and earn a trifle working for the boys while they slept. But I've lost my nerve. The boys are afraid to trust so shaky a buin. I am sure I have never been sober since the night of the wreck. That's been twelve years. I suppose

nerve. The boys are afraid to trust so shaky a bum. I am sure I have never been sober since the night of the wreck. That's been twelve years. I suppose everybody thinks I'm dead. Do you ever hear from the old place? Is mother living? I suppose Pattie is married by this time."

He fairly poured the questions out. The other replied:

"I know that your mother is still living and that Pattie is married. The wreck would never have happened if I'd been there to keep you sober. How when I started out here to 'make my fortune." Don't you remember how crasy the neighbors thought me when I gave up my position in K tower to come out here? Oh. Hawley, Rawley, why didn't I make you come?"

"You tried hard enough, Jack, but I age to tried in the silver, or rob Jack'. Afe, or borrow from some of his frien. and then get classy drunk and disgrace you all. When the carving for drink to mee on, I can the silver, or rob Jack'. Afe, or borrow from some of his frien. and then get classy drunk and disgrace you all. When the carving for drink to mee on, I can the silver, or rob Jack'. Afe, or borrow from some of his frien. The propose since there is the children had gone to beet do d those three sit by the fire talk-ling of the old days. In vain did Rawley are the children had gone to beet do d those three sit by the fire talk-ling of the old days. In vain did Rawley are reproducted to trampdom. He told them of the aw ut twelve years he had wandered about as [ke Jones, gen-rally drunk, or worse, a victim of those visions seen only by the unfortunates who see the best and choose the worst.

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was like the others. I thought it was too much wild cat. Then, you know, Nellie didn't want me to go. Nellie didn't like you, Jack, she thought you were too straight-laced, and that you tried to make me a good little boy. It was Nellie who gave me the first glass of wine I ever drank. You remember, it was on her birthday, and she asked us to drink her health. You wouldn't touch the wine and she called you 'Miss Mind Ilis Mamma.' I drank it. I'm Nellie's work.

"I had taken her to a dance the night before the wreck; and I never got sober till I saw the dead people and heard a woman screaming for her baby. Oh, my God, I've heard that scream all these years. I've tried to get drunk and many a many tent for the side of the second of the s

"Are you married, Jack?" the tramp asked as they walked along. "What will your wife say?"
"Yes, I'm married," Mr James replied, and his face softened and there was a ring in his voice that spoke volumes to an attentive listener. "My wife will be glad to see any friend of mine."

The tramp was very doubtful on that subject, but he was drawn along against his judgment because the man at his side told him to come. But he did not know that while they were getting the mail at the postoffice Mr. James had written and sent this little note to mis

Every vestige of color faded from the tramp's face. As if by magic the whine and slouch disappeared. A man stood leveled in a brute.

Dear rathe:—I ve loung nawley. Fut some clothes in the spare-room and keep out of the way until I get him into a bath. I don't want him to see you until lee is fixed.

JACK. -I've found Rawley. Put

The soft red glow in the big hall felt pleasant, and how glad w. s the tramp that his friend carried a latch-key. No one heard them come in and a half-hey. No one heard them come in and a half-hour later two gentlemen came downstairs together and except that one had an empty coat sleeve they were in no wise remarkable.

they crossed the hall and opened the library door. There was a rush of child-ten's feet and cries of "Papa."

A little lady came from the fireside saying, "You are late, Jack."

Then the astonished children saw the

most remarkable sight they had ever be-

The gentleman with their father fairly

which no drupken orgies could drive away.

"Yes, yes, Jack, I remember. I'm glad you've prospered. I knew you and again, while both cried for joy; for would. I must be going now. Goodinglit, good-by. I'm going to jump the freight at the top of the hill."

He tried to pull his hand away, but it was held fast.

"You're coming home with me, Rawiley. You're going to have a bath and Pattie.

"The gentleman with their father fairly shouted: "Why Pattie, dear little Patties!" He kissed their mother again gain, while both cried for joy; for over and they were finally seated around the Pretty, sparking table, Rawley found time to ask why he had not been told that the lady he so dreaded to meet was ley. You're going to have a bath and Pattie.

" I wanted to surprise you. You

when I started out here to 'make my fortune.' Don't you remember how crasy the neighbors thought me when I gave up my position in K tower to some out here? Oh. Rawley, Rawley, why didn't I make you come?"

"You tried hard enough, Jack, but I the craving for drink to the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow from some of his frien crazy drunk and diagram to all. When the craving for drink to the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow from some of his frien to all. When the craving for drink to the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow from some of his frien to all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow from some of his frien to all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all. When the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or all the silver, or rob Jack's afe, or borrow or rob Jack's afe,

you see me again. But I won't get drunk while mother can see me and I'll come right back."

For the first time in many years the tramp slept in a bed, while his sister and her husband both wondered how much of his disgrace lay on his own head and of his disgrace lay on his own head and how much at the door of his pretty sweetheart who had coaxed and twitted him to drink her health in his first glass him to drink her health in his first glass of wine. In some measure he spoke the truth when he said, "I'm Nellie's work." The world holds many just such as he, who are weak and easily led, who will always be some one else's work, good or bad. If Nellie had not used wine the wieck would never have happened. "If" and "nught have been," how well they match. match.

match.

The next morning Rawley bade them an affectionate good-by. He was well dressed and had plenty of money. He promised his brother in-law faithfully no matter what happened he would come back, even if he had to tramp every step of the way. So he started.

of the way. So he started.
He took the local train to the great He took the local train to the great city beyond, from which place he could go straight through to his old home. But in this city he had to wait three hours for his train. The ride on the local train had been a very long one, and it must be confessed that he was not used to the ordinary method of passenger travel. He felt sick. Not even the abundant tour and is now

He felt sick. Not even the abundant dinner which he ordered could stop that awful craving.

The demon at his elbow whispered Drink, drink, Pretty, smiling Nellie, with the out-stretched wine-glass, stood just ahead to him. But Pattie's face when she kissed him good-by, and the warm shake of Jack's strong hand lingered with him. Pattie had said, looking straight in his eyes: "Now Rawley, you must be good." He had answered: "Yes, Pattie, I'll try." And he meant it. he meant it.

He was trying. God help him! many others have tried before and

try again.

He bought his ticket and wandered up and down the platform. The pain and noise in his head grew almost unbearable. Nellie and the wine-glass danced a little way up the street to wards the city where was that which would quench his thirst. Twice he started to follow the depoint white nell to real to follow the depoint whiten that cache ed to follow the dancing vision: but each time he remembered and turned back. He looked at the clock in the waiting room. Only one more hour. He would room. Only one more hour. He would walk on the platform, for only in the air could be find rest. There, there was walk on the platform, for only in the air could he find rest. There, there was Nellie again beckoning towards the city. He thought of lattie and prayed for his train to come. Somehow it appeared to his bewildered brain that if he got on that train he'd be safe.

Nellie grew bolder as he refused to follow. She danced nearer and nearer, until at last there were dozens of her crowding around him. He raised his arm to push her away when he suddenly realized that l'attie and safety were on the opposite platform.

"I'm coming, l'attie, l've been good!" he shouted: and before the horrified

"I'm coming, Pattie, I've been good!" he shouted; and before the horrified porters could stop him he dashed across the track just us the western express

The locomotive was merciful. There were no marks to tell where he was hurt. Kind hands laid him gently on a hurt. Kind hands laid him gently on a hastily improvished bed. The man whose addless was found in his pocket was notified. In five hours lack came. The porters told him how the atrange

gentleman had walked the platform, then gone a little way towards the town then gone a little way towards the town twice and each time turned back. How he raised his arm as if to push some one away, and called, "I'm coming. Pattie, I've been good," just as he started across the track

Then Jack knew that poor, weak Rawley had conquered his demon and sone before his Maker a victor in the last struggle. —Helen D. Proctor in The New voice.

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Island Government in regard to the tion! batiomst, said :-

cut it down from 110 clauses to about? 25, and have greatly simplified the operating machinery for its enforcement. The honor dealers had one year's warning, and on June 15th last the Act came Great Britain to robibit the sale of mio force. Already about 314 of the liquor to children and the likelihood The manufacturers may still make Guardian: liquor for export, but not for domestic sale; but all others engaged in the communities, British and foreign, have traffic must close down. The Govern done or are doing in the matter. Belgian ment has the people behind it, and will law empowers magistrates to inflict a light any appeals, even to the Privy line of from live to twenty five francs on Council, if need be - We believe we are - those who serve intoxicants to children perfectly consultational in our Act."

## No Liquor for Recruits.

of the Brooklyn Daily Eagle, writes an ing an one under sixteen drink, and a interesting report of his experience on a fine of from one to five francs can be infunded States Army transport carrying flicted for serving children. In Russia University of the law transport carrying flicted for serving children. troops to Cuba and Porto Rico. He does at is forbidden to serve children under not write from a temperance standpoint sixteen with spirits for consumption on but among the statements he makes the premises. In Queensland and in the) concerning the life of the soldier on Isle of Man the sale of dirik is prohibited bard is the following:—"For money to children under fourteen years. In one may buy apollmaris and ginger ale, Cape Colony, Mauritius, Ceyion, Seybut only love will purchase rum, and not chelles, Natal, and South Australia the

### Drink a Debaucher

the stirring appeal for pure government, these regulations apply only to sale for made some years ago by Grand Master consumption on the premises, whilst Workman Powderly, of the Kuights of others are directed against sale of any Labor in which he said := If the power description has in you, damn in thunder tones the ' "The present law in England is that liquor power that debauches the voters. One hogshead of whisky in the city of New York justiciously placed may make or unmake a President. Give out enough you place the dispenser in the chair at Washington. Where is faminim's power? Is it not in the gin mills?

## MAKING DRUNKARDS.

The fate of the Bill to prohibit the sa'e of liquor to children in Great Britain Sons of Temperance and the Proximal is still uncertain. The need for reform, Baptist Association were all in session is forcibly shown in a letter recently in the city of Charlottetown, P.E.C., durpublished in the Daily Chroniele which ang the month of July. As was to be reads as follows:

"Should there still remain any person in Could as to how drunkards are made and who makes them, perhaps the tollowing illustration will throw some light on the subject, as showing the methods adopted in the neighbourhood of West Kensington A lidy happened to be dent of the W. possing a public house just as a little girl white ribboners. was coming out of it with a brimming paz of beer. Seeing the child stop to drink greedily, the liely spoke to her, and taking the ethical side of them itter as easiest to be understood, asked if she had put some in for me, and that mother it? He gave me these, too, displaying when I go in, and Mrs. So and So has promised to let me fetch her beer, too! and as Mrs. So and So lived close by, the lady made it her business to call and remonstrate, finally succeeding in obtaining a promise that the little creature should not be sent again. A day or two later this same woman accosted the lady in the street to inform her she had kept her promise, but that the child had gone on dreadful, when told she would not be allowed to fetch her beer for her

It Will be Enforced. | anything!' There, sir, is a drunkard of The intention of the Prince Edward less than eight in rapid process of formation! Surely it is time that these sort of public house keepers, these murderers Prohibitory Act that has recently come of the souls of little children, should be into operation was expressed by the dealt with as other malefactors are, who Provincial Premier, Hon. D. Farquhar, for less degrading and shameful crimes son, in a recent interview with a reporter in Winnipeg. 11on. Mr. Farquharson, who is a personal abstainer and prohibitionist, said:—

are punished by the State! Dare we call ourselves humane, much less a Christian, people, and allow this wholes are britishing of helpless childhood to go on day by day, under our very eyes. "Our act is based upon the honor act without even raising a hand to help in passed by the Hon. Hugh John Mac its removai? In the name of common doubld's Government here, but we have humanity, some protest should be made.

### FOR THE CHILDREN.

dealers have closed their doors so far as that the next session of the Ontario liquo: is concerned, but some are con- Legislature will be called upon to change tinning as temperance houses. We are the law on this subject, so as to make it getting after the remainder, and intend really effective, our readers will be into enforce the law until every retail and terested in the following statement taken wholesale liquor establishment is closed. from a recent issue of the Manchester

"It is worth while to note what other under sixteen. The Danish law prohibits the sale of spirits up to the same age. The French law unposes a fine of from Charles M. Skinner, a correspondent sixteen to three hundred francs for makthat from any officer of the ship, unless age is lifteen: in Antiqua, Gambia, Berit might be the doctor. And they do muda, Gibralter, Manitoba, New South say that nobody ever asks a doctor for a Wales, Malta, New Zealand, Falkland drink, because the quality of whisky in Islands, Tasmania, Turk's Island, and the medical stores is awful."

Victoria the age is sixteen: in Newfoundland and the North-West Territories it is eighteen, and in New Brunswick, W. P. F. Ferguson, in a rousing ad-the Orange River Colony, Omario, Nova dress delivered at Mount Auburn, Ill, Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and on July 4th, reminded his hearers of the Quebec the age is twenty-one. Some of

children of any age may buy for consumption of the premises, children of thirteen may buy and drink beer on or unmake a President. Give out enough the premises, and children of sixteen glasses of gin in this city and state and in co buy and drink beet or spirits on the premises.

## In the Prohibition Province.

The National D vision of the Sons of Temperance of North America, the Pro-vincial Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Provincial Grand Division expected, all these bodies warmly approved of the action of the Provincial Legi-lature in enacting and bringing into force a prohibitory law for the province, Delegates from other provinces were present at the National Division meet ing, and Mis. O. A. Rutherlord, Pres-dent of the W.C.T. U., met with the

## A Great Game

The latest dodge of the Am me in Laquor Dealers' Association is to make it appear that there is as much drunken did not know it was wrong to drink her ness in Portland, Maine, un ler enforced mother's beer. The answer was 10h, prohibition as under the Republican but Mr. — (the publican) told me he wide-open policy. To this end they have tried every means to increase the would still have her full pint left; and it ber of arrests for drankenness, and thus is so nice! Wouldn't you like to taste make capital for resubmitting the law two years hence. On Saturday, June 1st. a han Iful of sweets. 'I'm to have them members of the Association gave ten men five purt bottles of whisky each, with instructions to sell what they could and give The child was not yet eight years old, away what they could not sell; but to be sure and make drunk everyone whom! they could. They planned to have lifty drunks before the Court on Monday morning. The actual number of drunks before the Court on Monday morning was seven. Of five who were interview. ed, three (including a boy of 17) said that the liquor was given to the n by a man in the street; the other two ob-tained theirs at a city agency, over which anymore, 'screaming and crying like the sheriff has no control.-Alliance

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