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After the Rain.

I heard a song on the moorland brown,
When the days grew fair and long ;
Methought no voice in the noisy town
Could sing so sweet a song ;
It was but a herd-boy, all alone, —
Alone on the showery plain,
Who sang with a silvery trumpet tone,
"The sunshine follows the rain."

My thoughts turn back to that April
day
As I pace the city street ;
But the brown, brown moor lies far
away
From the tread of weary feet ;
Yet ever the song rings clear and loud,
Over and over again,
Above the din of the restless crowd, —
"The sunshine follows the rain."

God knows it is hard to fret and strive,
For the gold that soon is spent ;
It seems sometimes that the sinners
thrive,
While saints are less content !
But He knows too that the clouds will
part,
And the hidden path grow plain ;
His angels sing to the doubting heart,
"The sunshine follows the rain."

National Division.

Annual Session at Washington.

THE thirty-fifth Annual Session of the National Division Sons of Temperance of North America was opened on the 17th June, in the lecture-room of the Congregational Church, Washington, — M. W. P. Geo. W. Ross in the chair.

About one hundred and twenty Representatives were in attendance, in addition to a large number of visiting members. The following members of the Order from Ontario were present: Bros. J. W. Manning, G. M. Rose, G. W. Ross, David Millar, J. M. T. Hannum, Thomas Caswell, John McMillan, Thomas Webster, and Sisters Mrs. Ross, Miss Rose, and Mrs. Webster; and John S. Hall, of Quebec.

After the opening ceremony and the initiation of new members the Committee on Arrangements submitted the programme of the proceedings for the session, which in addition to the business ses-

sions consisted of a public reception the first evening, fruit festival second evening, and excursion to Mount Vernon on Thursday afternoon.

The Most Worthy Patriarch, George W. Ross, then delivered his annual address, which announced a decrease of 9,000 in the membership of the Order since the last annual meeting, the financial depression being justly chargeable with a certain portion of this decline. The number expelled from the Order was less, by about 3,000 than during the previous year. The number suspended was also less by 2,000. The receipts for the last financial year are also less by \$1,400 than the previous year. The Grand Division of Georgia has been re-established. Unless some extra efforts are put forth during the current year, he feared still greater losses in membership will be reported at the next annual session. He reported the outlook as more encouraging than it was a year ago. The effect of the red and blue ribbon movements was, in a certain sense, injurious to the Order. Now that the excitement of those societies has subsided he hoped for the establishment of the Order in their place, to give cohesion and permanency to the work they have done. The address also noticed the decease of P. M. W. P. J. J. Bradford of Kentucky. It also referred to work done by Good Templars and the Women's Temperance Association, and the general activity among temperance workers, declaring that "the ballot-box must yet become the 'thirty-nine articles' of temperance men."

The session was adjourned until half past two o'clock.

At the appointed time the delegates reassembled and received the reports of the M. W. S. and M. W. T. The report of the Most

Worthy Scribe, S. W. Hodges, detailed the condition of the Order. The total membership was reported as 63,026. The report of the Most Worthy Treasurer, Wm. A. Duff, showed the receipts of the year to be \$5,424.-86, and the expenditure \$3,998.-57, leaving a balance of \$1,426.29.

Amendments to the Constitution, proposed at last session, and the by-laws proposed at the Sons of Temperance Mutual Relief Society were read.

The address of the Most Worthy Patriarch, the reports of the Most Worthy Scribe and the Most Worthy Treasurer, and the amendments of the Constitution were referred to the committee on distribution for publication.

At 8 o'clock the delegates attended

A PUBLIC RECEPTION.

given in their honour at the Congregational Church, which was worthy of the occasion. The audience began to assemble an hour before the time set for the reception, and at 8 o'clock the Church was crowded. The decorations were magnificent. An Arch with the word "Welcome" in white immortelles, was stretched across the choir-box in front of the organ. The face of the organ was almost hidden from view, so profuse was the embellishments. Three shields with the words, "Love, Purity, Fidelity," the motto of the Order, and another with the word "Prohibition," the battle-cry of the Order, were there suspended. Four more shields, one at each end of the choir-box and one attached to the wall at each side of the organ, were inscribed with the names of O'Neill, Sands, Bradford, and Condict, four of the deceased Past Most Worthy Patriarchs. The galleries and walls were most tastefully decorated with flags of all nations, set off by the colours of

the Order. Beautiful and rare exotics, sent by Mrs. Hayes, graced the stage and formed a wall of living green, a very pleasing contrast to the surroundings.

The delegates assembled at the entrance and marched in with their ladies, the members of the National Division arrayed in blue regalia, those of the Grand Division in red regalia, and those of the Subordinate Divisions in white regalia. Each also wore a button-hole bouquet made of flowers sent by Mrs. Hayes.

P. G. W. P. Bradley presided, and the programme carried out included a solo and chorus by Colonel and Mrs. Edward Daniels, Miss Carrie Kidwell, Miss Stoaks, Colonel W. H. Chase, and J. L. W. Wingfield. The words were written by Mrs. Daniels especially for the occasion. It was rendered to the tune of "The Red, White and Blue." An address was then made by Mr. Bradley; song by W. E. McDonagh, of Brooklyn, entitled "The Flag of Our Union," who, in response to a double encore, rendered "The Star Spangled Banner" and "The Old Oaken Bucket;" address of welcome on behalf of the District by G. W. P. O. A. M. Ham; organ solos, British and American airs, Professor Bischoff, and, in response to an encore, he gave "Listen to the Mocking Bird," with variations; reply to the welcoming address of Mr. Ham by Geo. W. Ross, M. W. P. National Division S. of T. At the conclusion of his remarks, little Annie Lewis, in a very few appropriate remarks in verse, presented him with a beautiful bouquet of flowers sent by Mrs. Hayes. Miss Minnie Mosher, of Baltimore, in excellent style then recited "Am I My Brother's Keeper," and in response to an encore gave a humorous recitation entitled "If I couldn't, how could I? Could you?" C. H. Mead, of Hornellsville, N. Y., then entertained the audience with a few remarks on prohibition, and wound up by singing "In the Sweet By and By," the audience joining in the chorus. Little Annie Lewis recited "The

Little Drummer Boy," and in response gave "Battery B." The Rev. J. C. Stoughton, of Illinois, gave a short address. A quartette was rendered by Misses Stoaks and Kidwell, and Messrs. Chase and Wingfield. Hon. Hiram Price made a short address, and the reception closed with the singing of the doxology.

On Wednesday, 18th inst. the National Division re-assembled at 9 a.m. and proceeded with routine business.

At 11 o'clock the selection of the time and place for the meeting of the next session was the special order. Concord, N. H.; Charlottetown, P.E.I.; Newark, Ohio; Toronto, Ont.; Cincinnati and New Haven were nominated. Cincinnati was selected.

The Committee on the state of the Order, to whom was referred the preamble and resolution offered by Rep. E. J. Morris, of Ohio, relative to the action of the House of Representatives in the United States, in regard to the appointment of a committee to consider petitions, memorials, &c., touching the alcoholic traffic, reported as follows:—

We find the following to be the full text of the resolution as adopted by the House of representatives:—

"Resolved, That a committee of nine members be appointed by the Speaker, to whom shall be referred all memorials, bills and resolutions touching the alcoholic traffic, and a committee on the same, whose duty it shall be to consider and report thereupon."

We submit the following for adoption:—

"Resolved, That we hail this action as an indication of the rising tide of temperance throughout the land, and we call upon all temperance organizations, churches and ecclesiastical bodies to forward to the House of representatives petitions for the commission of inquiry and the suppression of the traffic in the district of Columbia and the Territories.

"Resolved, That this National Division hereby petition the House of Representatives to appoint a commission of inquiry

into the results of the alcoholic liquor traffic throughout the nation, and that they pass a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of alcoholic drinks in the district of Columbia and the Territories, where the Government has exclusive responsibility and jurisdiction."

The report was adopted.

On motion of Representative G. M. Rose, a vote of thanks was tendered to Mrs. Hayes for her presents of flowers.

Rep. G. M. Rose presented the second report of the Committee on Appeals, which was adopted.

On motion of Rep. J. W. Manning, a recess was taken until half past three o'clock.

RECEIVED BY THE PRESIDENT.

The members of the National Division assembled in the parlor of Willard's Hotel at 2.15 o'clock and proceeded in a body to White House, where they were met in the east room by the President and Mrs. Hayes. P. M. W. P., T. M. Bradley, briefly addressed the President, stating that the object of the assembly, and closed by introducing M. W. P. George W. Ross, who advanced and thanked the President and Mrs. Hayes for the privilege of paying their respects, as a great and influential temperance organization, to the chief ruler of this great nation.

The President said:

"We are very glad to meet such a large and intelligent body of persons engaged in such a great work, and which we believe to be a very good one, and regret that we cannot make a more extended acquaintance with each of you than circumstances will now permit. I shall now be glad to be introduced to each member of the organization."

Before introducing the members of the National Division Bro. Ross thanked Mrs. Hayes, on behalf of the National Division, for the fine flowers contributed to the members at the reception on Tuesday evening, and particularly for the fine bouquet presented to himself. Each was then introduced to the President and

also to Mrs. Hayes, after which the President and Mrs. Hayes withdrew. The members then passed through the Blue, Red and Green Rooms out through into the vestibule, and returned to the Congregational Church.

The Delegates re-assembled at the appointed hour. The Committee on Constitutions submitted the seventh, eighth and ninth reports, which were adopted. The first three referred to amendments to the Constitution, and the last confirmed all the decisions made by the M. W. P., G. W. Ross, during the last year. The session then adjourned until Thursday morning.

FRUIT FESTIVAL.

In the evening the delegates attended a festival given in their honor at Masonic Temple. Besides the delegates and their ladies, there was a large attendance of outsiders.

The hall was tastefully embellished with flags, bunting and evergreens. At the east end the wall was draped with the American and the British flags twisted together, over which was the word "Welcome" in immortelles. The motto of the Order, "Love, Purity and Fidelity," and the battle-cry, "Prohibition," were displayed in emblazoned letters upon shields which were suspended from the wall, each being set off by a cluster of flags. A select orchestra rendered selections from the popular composers at intervals during the evening.

After refreshments, Bro. F. M. Bradley made a very short and appropriate welcoming address, which was responded to by the Most Worthy Patriarch, George W. Ross.

Short and interesting addresses of five minutes each were then made by Hon. Hiram Price; E. J. Morris, P. G. W. P., of Ohio; John N. Stearns, P. M. W. P., of New York; E. R. Moor, Bahama Islands; E. H. Clapp, Massachusetts; L. Wagner, P. M. W. P.; E. D. Vorse, Rhode Island; W. H. L. Cooms, Virginia; J. L. Starkwater, Michigan; George Maclean Rose, Ontario; and C. P.

McCabe, Virginia. Miss Minnie Mosher, of Baltimore, and little Annie Lewis, gave recitations, and Rep. McDonagh sang several of his most pleasing songs with fine effect.

The festival was a most brilliant affair, and was highly enjoyed by those present.

The National Division re-assembled for business on Thursday morning, G. W. Ross, M. W. P., in the chair. General Louis Wagner, of Pennsylvania, having arrived, occupied the chair of Past Most Worthy Patriarch.

The third Tuesday in June was selected as the time for holding the next annual session.

The unfinished business of the last session, relating to amendments to the Constitution, was referred to the Committee on Constitutions.

The list of representatives who had sent letters expressing their inability to attend this session was ordered to be entered on the record.

The Committee on the State of the Order submitted their second report, which was adopted. The Committee on Printing made a special report in reference to the cost of supplies for the ensuing year, which was adopted. The Committee on Constitutions presented a report in reference to the proposed Sons of Temperance National Mutual Relief Society, upon which action was suspended for the time being.

At one o'clock, p.m., adjournment took place until nine o'clock Friday morning.

EXCURSION TO MOUNT VERNON.

At half past two o'clock the delegates, with their ladies, and a large number of others, making a party of about 300, boarded the steamer "W. W. Corcoran," Captain L. L. Blake, and paid a visit to Mount Vernon. Upon landing the party proceeded direct to the tomb, where Colonel Hollingsworth, superintendent of the place, related all the interesting facts regarding it, and invited the guests to the mansion. A select orchestra then rendered a dirge.

Rep. W. E. McDonagh sang with a great deal of expression "Washington's Grave." M. W. P. George W. Ross, on behalf of the Canadian delegation, made a few remarks, paying a beautiful tribute to the Father of his Country. Mr. F. M. Bradley responded appropriately, and the guests moved up the walk from left to right, viewed the tomb, and proceeded to the mansion, through which they were conducted by Mr. Hollingsworth.

After spending a couple of hours at the mansion and in inspecting the grounds, the party re-embarked on the "Corcoran" and returned to the city. On the boat delegate McDonagh and Miss Minnie Mosher, of Baltimore, entertained the company very agreeably with singing and recitations.

On Friday morning, at nine o'clock, the National Division resumed business. The consideration of reports from committees on Constitutions, Ceremonies and regalia, and Cadets of Temperance, occupied the attention of the session, until one o'clock, when all the business being concluded, the National Division, after a short address by the M. W. P., and prayer by the Most Worthy Chaplain, adjourned, to meet in Cincinnati next year.

Deputies' Reports.

WHEN a Deputy has been able to make a good report for the past quarter, let every member do his best to enable him to make a still better one next time. When the report has not been satisfactory, let every member resolve that during the present quarter nothing shall be left undone by him or her to enable the Deputy to make a good return. Let us be strong and temperate in our cause, but let us not yield one foot to our common foe. By way of encouragement we point you to the efforts being put forth in England, the United States and in this Canada of Ours, not only to trample down, but to stamp out the soul-destroying business.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

K.—No. The law will not permit honorary membership.

R.—Yes. Constitutional service in office is qualifying in any other Division, as well as the one in which the offices were filled.

M.—We don't approve of proxy votes, and are glad to find that in the early history of our Order the idea was declared inadmissible.

P. W. P.—You would not lose your honors if you took a withdrawal card. On joining another Division *on the card*, you are entitled to all the honours you previously earned.

B. D. We will be happy to insert for one year, for the small sum of one dollar, payable in advance, the name and night of meeting of your Division. It would add to the interest of our paper if we could have a Directory in its pages of all the Divisions in the jurisdiction, and be of great benefit to visiting members.

Information.—The words you allude to, namely:—

Sin, and sorrow, and shame,
Shame, and sorrow, and sin,
And the cause and the blame is ever the same,
Whisky, and brandy, and gin,
The devil's best work is done,
For ever and evermore,
Of all the places under the sun,
Inside of the dram shop's door."
are in Rose's "Readings and Dialogues for Sons of Temperance," part 2, page 5.

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To Our Readers.

IF any of our readers will send to Thomas Webster, Grand Scribe, Brantford, the address of an intelligent, pushing temperance man or woman, in some district where there is not already a Division of the Sons of Temperance, Bro. Webster will at once take steps to have the aims and objects of the Order fully and fairly put before the people, with the view of establishing a Division.

Our object is to have a live working Division in every city, town, village and school-district in Ontario, and we do not intend slackening our efforts until we have accomplished this. Our boys and our girls must be pro-

tected from the tavern influence, and without a well organized Division of the Sons of Temperance no community is safe in this respect.

The Work and the Workers.

ABOR on, Sons of Temperance, for the day of success is gradually nearing us. We are not looking for a sudden victory, but we expect a complete victory when it does come.

— A New Division, to be known as the "Orient," was lately organized in the City of Toronto, and starts with a good working membership.

— On the 13th ult., a New Division, to be known as the "York Safeguard," was organized by Bro. Thomas Potter, Deputy for County Peel.

— The District Division of the County of Brant met on the 23rd ultimo, and had a good time. Its next meeting will be held at Glenmorris.

— Grand River Division, of Brantford, have adopted the system of weekly dues, and it is found to work much more satisfactory than the old system of quarterly payments.

— Firmly believing in our platform of "Total abstinence for the individual, and Prohibition for the State," let us stand by it and win, or lose (if we must lose) by these signs.

— Let every man and woman who desire reduced taxes and the burden lifted from the people, unite their influence with the Sons of Temperance to close the dram shop, stop the smoke of the distillery, and put a perpetual end to crime and drunkard making and pauperism.

— Sons of Temperance are not actuated, as some pretend to think, by motives of hatred, revenge, or ambition, but by a sincere desire to elevate the morals and benefit the race of mankind—they are actuated by love and philanthropy, not by hatred or the love of money.

— It would be a good idea for every young man to keep a strict account of what it costs him for drinking and treating in one year, and then try the Sons of Temperance for the next year, and ascertain the difference between the cost of pleasure in the two sources, for one has as much pleasure and more profit than the other.

— Our hope for the Order lies in its force as an educator, that will lead the people to a higher plane of manhood, that will not tolerate human degradation for the sake of gain, but will throw the protecting arms of Law, Order and Decency around every unfortunate man, woman and child that needs their protection.

— Sons of Temperance believe that if the people would abolish the dram-shops the world would be at least one-half better off—that much of sin and crime would disappear—that every community would be made more happy and prosperous if there were no saloons in the land. Is there a man or woman who honestly thinks otherwise?

— Sons of Temperance believe that it is wrong to drink intoxicating liquor, or to sell it to be drank as a beverage. They believe that the drink custom is one great cause of insanity and idiocy. They know that it is the inciting cause of three-fourths of the crime in the land, and of very much of the taxation required to punish criminals and support the unfortunate women and children who are impoverished by it.

— Who will pretend to say that the principles of the Sons of Temperance, if fully carried out, would not be a great blessing to all mankind? We ask the young men and women of this country to consider the benefits and blessings that would follow the adoption of total abstinence and prohibition, and then to exercise their sovereign right to accomplish these objects, and unite with us under the banner of "Love, Purity and Fidelity."

— We have just heard of a brother who grumbled about the cost of belonging to a Division. He paid dues, and his wife was a member, and she paid dues, and take it all around it was quite a tax. Yet we have good reason to believe that the brother, before he signed the pledge, had often spent half a month's wages in one drunken revel, and his spree altogether had cost him a house and lot, beside his ready cash. Yet he could not pay a few dollars in support of his principles cheerfully.

Correspondence.

"THE SON OF TEMPERANCE."

To the Editor,

SIR,—I am pleased the Grand Division has approved of the idea of having a monthly visitor in the shape of *The Son of Temperance*, and trust the members of the Subordinate Divisions will appreciate the object it has in view. I am sure nothing will give the members of the Division to which I belong greater satisfaction than to read it themselves, and after they have devoured its contents, hand it to some one outside our ranks for a similar purpose.—Yours, etc.,

WELL-WISHER.

REFORM.

To the Editor,

SIR,—At the last meeting of the Grand Division, held at Grafton, a good deal was said with regard to the manner in which the books of accounts of the Grand Division were kept; and least some people might suppose that something was wrong, I trust the Executive will see that before the next meeting a new style is inaugurated. So long as the present system is maintained of having a responsible and yet not responsible Treasurer, cause will exist for complaint. Better do away with the office of Treasurer altogether than give a person the honour and yet not allow him to share the responsibility.—In L. P. & F.,

OLD SON.

OUR DIVISION.

To the Editor,

DEAR SIR,—I am sorry to observe that a good many of the members of the Order, during the warm weather, are inclined to give the go-by to the Division meeting, and seek some other place to spend their evenings. This should not be. The Division meeting night should be kept sacred for the purpose of assembling together to discuss temperance matters, and otherwise building us up in the principles of the Order.—Your obt. servant,
OBLIGATION.

The Irish Sunday Closing Act.

THE very gratifying results of the Irish Sunday Closing Act, in diminishing disorder and crime on Sunday and in lessening the general aggregate of drunkenness and its attendant miseries in Ireland, have given rise to an earnest agitation for additional restriction and in favour of Saturday early closing. This agitation has already made its impress upon Parliament. The eloquent Irish member, the Hon. A. M. Sullivan, who introduced a bill to provide for Saturday early closing, led recently in the debate in the House of Commons in an able speech in its favour, supported by the Hon. Benjamin Whitworth and others. In the Parliamentary debate, however, the opponents of the measure did most of the talking, and it is noticeable that they chiefly sought delay, but did not venture to oppose the bill upon its merits. The great evil of Saturday-night drinking was quite too conspicuous to be seriously denied. Mr. Thomas O'Rourke, a "publican" member of the Tralee Town Council, in a late discussion in that body, affirmed that "there is not a more persecuted class than the publicans" (liquor sellers), and he added most valuable testimony when he declared:—"Since the Sunday-closing Act I have lost one hundred pounds." The five hundred dollars which the liquor-seller has thus "lost" his former Sunday patrons have of course

saved for other and better uses. So obviously useful is Sunday-closing in Ireland, a strong Sunday-closing movement has in consequence been inaugurated in Wales, with encouraging prospects. The Dean of Bangor, who was recently at a large meeting at Aberdeen, which has a population of some 40,000, says that, "no less than ninety-two out of every hundred of the population declared themselves in favour of Sunday-closing." Thus a practical step forward in the right direction in one community promotes also kindred progress in others.

The Hethen (?) Chinese.

THE Chinese have been the subject of much discussion in this country for a considerable period, and, upon the Pacific Coast, of much proscription, in some instances of murderous violence. It does not, however, follow that they may not be capable of teaching even the enlightened Americans some lessons of wisdom. It appears from the *Pekin Gazette*, the official gazette of the country, that the governor of Shang-Tung, in obedience to instructions issued at the instance of the Board or Revenue, has published a report on "the condition of the spirit trade in that province," and that he approves a plan suggested by the Board for "gradually closing the distilleries." An official notice says that, "by way of putting a stop to the excessive waste of food which spirit-distilling entails," the governor proposes to have all distilleries now open registered, to make their licenses non-transferable, and to issue no new ones. This official notice closes by saying that "so much grain kept out of the distilleries will be so much food stuff saved. The proposal, therefore, is that from the present year the existing establishments will be allowed to die out, while no new ones will be permitted to be opened." With the view to a wise public policy concerning liquor-distilling and the saving of grain as wholesome food, we should be quite disposed

to welcome most heartily to this country the Shang-Tung governor and Board of Revenue as missionaries of a more enlightened type of political economy on the liquor question than at present obtains in the halls of most of our State Legislatures and in the Congress of the United States.

A Good Example.

HERE are many ways in which Christian Churches can make their power felt effectively against the iniquitous drink-traffic. One of these was indicated by the Philadelphia yearly meeting of the Society of Friends, which at its recent meeting, with marked unanimity, added a clause to the society's discipline making it a dishonourable offence for any Friend hereafter to sign any application for license for the sale of intoxicating liquors for drinking purposes. If all churches would do as much it would at least relieve many from a certain responsibility for members who scandalize their Christian profession by signing, upon one pretext or another, applications for liquor licenses. It would also be in itself a most telling protest against the whole liquor business, as well as in its more pretentious and reputable as in its lower and more debased aspects.

What is wanted.

OUR Divisions need earnest, active, zealous workers, and no one will achieve great success without these qualifications. We sometimes hear a great lazy man declare his love for the cause, and how long he has been engaged in the work, who, when appointed on a committee to do some special service in his own organization, is too lazy to "decline," and so accepts the position to the certain defeat of the measure sought to be effected. Such drones do the cause great injury, and ought not to be recognized as temperance men. Every organization has such "do-nothings," and the sooner you find them out and entirely ignore them the sooner will success crown your effort. Work is

what is wanted to overthrow the giant evil of intemperance, earnest, persistent, unselfish work. In whatever field you may be called to work, do your whole duty, fearless and faithful, and the general interest of the cause will be advanced even though it be in such slight degree that you yourself will scarcely discern it.

The Dignity of Labour.

THE Rev. Robert Christie, of Lexington, Ky., has delivered in that city an excellent discourse to young men on the dignity of labour. Having spoken of labour as a primary duty, and as a path to independence, he next pointed out how it led to promotion, and thus illustrated his idea:—I care not how humble the branch of business may be, there is not a trade or a branch of labour that some man has not made a stepping-stone to wealth, to influence, to greatness. Andrew Johnson went from the tailor's board to the presidential chair; Burnside rose from the same level; Henry Wilson went to the presidential chair from the shoemaker's bench; Mackenzie, late Premier of Canada, was once a stone-mason. Therefore, if you would advance, get a trade, no matter what, for you will leap further from the lowest branch than from a dead-level. Don't wait for a change in onward circumstances. Don't waste your time in lamenting your humble lot or blaming sad fate. The old Roman spoke the truth who said, "The fault, dear Brutus, is not in our stars, but in ourselves, that we are underlings." Archimedes said, "Give me a standing place, and I will move the world." And a great many young men who content to echo the wish of the philosopher. They say, "Give me a place suitable to my ability, and I will exert an influence." Goethe says to all such, "Make good thy standing place and move the world." You must be rooted firmly in your own strength before you can move or influence anybody. Only a weakling has to be lifted to position. The youth

who is industrious, intelligent, temperate and persevering, holds the key to all positions.

"Whiskey and Bad Company."

NEGRO murderer executed at Chambersburg, Pa., on the 5th ultimo, when asked by the sheriff, as they were standing upon the scaffold, if he had a final word to say, replied: "All I got to say is, what brung me here is whiskey and bad company. I advise all young men to let whiskey alone." He had committed murder while inflemed with strong drink. His fate should be an admonition to others, and his parting advice be heeded by all.

One Whole Day of Prayer.

MOVEMENT is on foot to petition the Evangelical Alliance to set apart one whole day of prayer of 1880 for the temperance cause, the following is the form of petition adopted by the Woman's State Christian Temperance Union of Pennsylvania:—

"Dear Fathers and Brothers:

"Believing, as we do, that the liquor-traffic and its results constitute the greatest obstacle in the way of the gospel in every land, we, as Christian workers, earnestly petition for one whole day of the week of prayer for 1880, to be devoted to the cause of temperance progress."

The Massachusetts Civil Damage Act.

JUDGE Pitman, in a letter published in the *Alliance News*, referring to the new Civil Damage Act passed by the Massachusetts Legislature at its late session, says:—

"It is more logically consistent with prohibition than with license, but let us be thankful for anything which threatens and restricts the liquor-traffic. I have not examined the laws of other States, but I think the provision requiring the written consent of the owner to the granting of the license is new. There will be fewer licenses, or some men of eminent respectability will stand in the pillory of public indignation."

Gems of Thought.

Avoid an angry man for a while—a malicious man forever.

Wages—the sweet oil with which human machinery is greased.

Faith that asks no questions kills the soul and stifles the intellect.

Where gold and silver dwell in the heart, faith, hope and love are out of doors.

He loves you better who strives to make you good, than he who strives to please you.

The little ones are near to God, just as the earth—a small planet—is near to the sun.

An hospitable man is never ashamed of his dinner, when you come to dine with him.

There is not any revenge more heroic than that which torments envy by doing good.

Dr. Franklin says: "If a man empties his purse into his head, no one can take it from him."

Long words, like long dresses, frequently hide something wrong about the understanding.

A great man is one who can make his children obey him when they are out of his sight.

The advantage of living does not consist of length of days, but in the right improvement of them.

The woman who paints her face offers an unmistakable insult to Nature—and also to the lips of man.

We find a delight in the beauty and happiness of children, that makes the heart too big for the body.

Wit, Humour and Sentiment.

At what age do pigs end their existence? Sausage.

When is an egg not an oval? When you turn it round.

When has a young lady a ringing laugh? When she is a belle.

A matchless misery—Having a cigar and no match to light it with.

A man caught a red bat the other night. It was a brick-bat, and he is now trying to catch the man who threw it.

A young man named Neck has recently been married to Miss Heels. They are now, therefore, literally tied neck and heels together.

Two well-dressed shoemakers, when asked their profession by a gentleman, replied, "I practice the heel-ing art," said one. "And I," answered the other, "labour for the good of men's soles."

The humour of this epitaph renders it somewhat unique. There is no better one to be found, on a notorious liar:

"Here rests, at last, prevaricating Will:
He loudly lied in life, and now lies still."

"These ladies are like birds that are long on the wing," said a humorous clerk to his employer, as a bevy of shopping damselfs left the shop. "Why so?" asked the proprietor. "Because it takes them a long time to settle up on their purchase," (perches) replied the clerk.

Father (to little boy who wouldn't go to school)—"My son, suppose you grew up to be a man, and couldn't write; then what would you do?" Son, (smiling)—"That's just it, pop. Last night I dreamt that I was a forger, and was sent to State's prison for life. I don't want to learn how to write, or it might come true."

They were sitting together on the beach. He was saying sweet things to her, and she smiled sweetly in return. All of a sudden the sand uprises—particles arising as if by magic—when lo! a potato-bug makes its appearance upon the scene. There is a screech. He kisses her and tells her not to be afraid. Then after a terrific struggle he captures the so-called monster, and resumes the interrupted conversation.

Alas! has it come to this? Church choirs should not be allowed to take part in *Pinafore* performances during the week. Recently at a funeral in Vermont,

the minister arose, and said, "He was a good man, and all will miss him from his usual haunts," and the choir, forgetting where they were, sang in unison: "And so will his sisters, and his cousins and his aunts!" This was too much for the dead, and to the surprise of all, the corpse arose from the coffin.

Mother (holding up torn bathing-suit and showing same to daughter)—"Now, my child, I see why everybody were laughing at you." Daughter (in bathing-house, poking her head over the door)—"Why, mother?" Mother—"Look at this suit, my child." Daughter—"Oh, mother! I wasn't in that suit, was I?" Mother—"This is your suit, my daughter; but, to tell the truth, you were only half in it; the remainder was not."

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