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Good of the Order.

What Are We Going To Do?

What are we going to do, my brother, In the year that is to come, To battle that frightful fiend of death Whose messenger is rum? Shall we fold our hands and bid him pass As he has passed before, Leaving his deadly poisoned draught At every unbarred door?

What are we going to do, my brother, Still wait for crime and pain, Then bind the bruises, and heal the wound, And soothe the wound again? Let the fiend still torture the weary wife, Still poison the coming child, Still break the mother's suffering heart, Still drive the sister wild?

Still bring to the g. ave the gray-haired sire, Still martyr the brave young soul, Till the waters of death, like a burning stream, O'er the whole great nation roll; And poverty take the place of wealth, And sin and crime and shame Drag down to the very depths of hell The highest and proudest name?

Is this our mission on earth, dear brother, In the years that are to come? If not, let us rouse and do the work Against this spirit of rum. There is not a soul so poor and weak, In all this goodly land, But against this evil a word may speak, And lift a warning hand.

And lift a warning hand, my brother, With a cry for home and hearth, Adding voice to voice, till the sound shall sweep, Like rum's death-knell, o'er the earth. and the weak and wavering shall hear, And the faint grow brave and strong, And the true and good and great and wise Join hands to right this wrong.

-[Good Times.

TEMPERANCE BATTLE SONG.

I have heard Truth's silver clarion In the watches of the night: I can see her purple summits Flush with morning's golden light. I have seen the bow of promise Over human doubts and fears, And I hear the trump of Progress Sound the battle march of years.

Of a nation's wakened conscience I have caught the accents sweet, Thrilling through the din of traffic And the clamor of the street. I have heard the clang of armor Being burnished for the fight, And have read the startling challenge Of the champions of right.

I have heard the ringing anvils Where the Master's will is wrought, And the harvest-song of reapers In the higher fields of thought, I can see dark storm-clouds gather Over Error's devious path, And have caught the low, deep warning, Of the thunder of God's wrath.

To his brother's lips for gold, O: a nation's sham less sanction Of iniquity be sold. Never more let want and famine All the land with mourning fill, While the blessings of the harvest Turn to curses in the still.

Never woman's wail of anguish, And childhood's cry of pain Hush to silence in the tumult Of the strife of greed for gain. For the olden voice is crying In the wilderness of wrong "Make ye straight Jehovah's pathway, Vengeance waits not over long. W. H. MELLEN, in the Voice.

Battle Hymn of Temperance.

In the battle of the ages, Dawns at length the victor-day, Long desired emancipation Hastens on its blessed way. The fulfilment of the Scriptures, When Messiah shall have sway,

> Glory, glory, Hallelujah! Glory, glory, Hallelujah! Glory, glory, Hallelujah! The truth goes marching on.

The Truth goes marching on.

Loud and glad be our Te Deum; Wrong is bowing to the right, Cruel customs are expiring, Hoary errors take their flight.

We have sundered chains of bondage With the loyal battle sword, Yet there lives the liquor bondage, Deep detested by the Lord, And against it He has uttered Maledictions of His word. The truth goes marching on.

Let us strike against the demon That is drinking up our blood; Let us meet him with the weapons That are furnished us of God; Let us conquer 'neath the banner Of our common brotherhood. The truth goes marching on,

Let the work of Reformation Rise like ocean billows strong: The decree of the Almighty Is to overthrow the wrong. And we swell with holy angels

The glad triumphant song. The truth goes marching on. [Rev. F. Denison, in 'Providence Outlook.

Diary of a Rum-Seller.

Monday: Took Ragged Bill's last dime for whiskey.

Tuesday: Had a visit from Charlie Piper, who swore off three months ago and signed the pledge; gave him three drinks on tick.

Wednesday: That poor fool, Dick Plaster, who gets wild and nervous after one drink, came in to-day; sold him a quart. P. S. Hear he killed his wife in a drunken rage.

Thursday: Johnny Slogan's wife begged me never to sell another drop to him. She cried till I promised. P. S.—Sold him enough this very day to make him smash furniture and beat his children. Ha! ha! ha Business is business.

Friday: Phil Carter had no money; took his wife's wedding ring and silk dress for an old bill; sent him home gloriously drunk.

Saturday: Young Sam Chap took his third drink to-day. I know he likes it and will speedily make a drunkard, but I give him the value of his money. His father implored me to help break up the practice before it became a habit, but I told him if I didn't sell to him some one else would.

Sunday: Pretended to keep the Sunday law to-day, but kept open my back door. Sold beer and wine to some boys, but they'll be ashamed to tell of it. Bet my till is fuller tonight than the church baskets are.

N. B. - My business must be respectable, for real gentleman patronize my bar. And yet I guess I won't keep a diary, for these facts look very queer on paper .- United States Monthly.

MY OPINION OF SOTS.

It is my candid opinion that people waste a great deal of pity on drunkards.

To apeak of one as a man who yields against his will to a habit too strong to be overcome, is to romance unnecessarily. Drunkards for the most part intoxicate themselves wittingly, and I refuse to believe that, a general thing, they make any effort to do otherwise.

Of course, the time comes when the sot has softened his brain and has but little will power left. But at first, while he is young and in possession of his faculties, he is always able to live a sober life if he chooses

A drunkard is simply a selfish brute, who utterly disregards the feelings and interests of others, and has no sense of duty or responsibility. He likes the condition into which he is thrown by drink-its gaiety, stupor or whatever it may be, and indulges himself in it. His mother's heart may break, what does he care? His wife way starve; it does not appear to him to be a matter in which he need interfere.

I once heard an old woman, who stood with arms akimbo, looking at an intoxicated man, who lay upon the ground, give utterance to an expletive that described him perfectly; it was youd the line of calculated expecta-

Oh, what a pig he is, to be sure! Greedy and despicable creature! I really think the comparison is unjust the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurto some decent porkers I have seen ance Company, whose duty it is to in some places.

drunkards as 'kind-hearted men, if says: they would but keep sober.' But men who are truly kind-hearted do eases, commonly referred to as malaria, not make people who love them blush overwork and other vague causes, are with shame, nor put it out of their actually grounded in what would alown power to be useful to others.

man who began by being upright and temperate habits, would be incredible trustworthy, and a credit to his family to the mass of people.' The diseases turn out a sot at last.

If he wishes to do well, to be hon- Companion.

orable, to hold his place in the world, and he is conscientious and kindhearted, he will stop drinking when he finds how it effects him.

The good man, persecuted by a demon that made him go mad and beat his wife would resist the fiend and refuse to enter a bar-room door. That is not a loving father who drinks when he knows that his so doing means starvation to his chil-

The drunkard deliberately becomes a sot. At any time he chose he could have stopped drinking to excess, and become a decent citizen. And the sooner everybody takes this view of the case, the sooner drunkards will cease to be.

The 'can't help it, poor fellow,' of kind-hearted people; is an excuse one might make for any sin which God leaves it possible for man to resist and flee from. -M. K. D., in New York

MODERATE DRINKING AND HEALTH

The disastrous effects of habitual intoxication on the health are universally admitted-not only the immediiate injury to the drunkard, but the remoter effects on his prosperity. Alcohol has thus been proved a river of death, deeper, broader, and more irresistible than flows from any other

But all good men, in a not very remote past, and not a few in our day, have accepted, and do accept moderate drinking as in itself safe and helpful. The argument used is that we are born into conditions which every. where impose the necessity of moderated indulgence in all our gratifications and all our aspirations; that God is training us to self-control as one of the ends of our probational life.

But in the first place, moderate drinking tends so strongly and, in most cases, so irresistibly to excess that it never could have entered into the providential arrangement of a wise and benevolent being.

In the second place, and this is what we wish mainly to insist on now,-moderate drinking, in itself and wholly apart from its dangerous tendencies, injures the health, shortens life, and transmits to children physical and moral degeneration.

This is not mere theory. It is asserted as a fact by the highest medical experts. Said William B. Carpenter, M. D., F. R. S., of the University of London, in his celebrated essay, 'The habitual use of smaller quantities of these liquors,'--that is the moderate use,—'if sufficiently prolonged, will ultimately be attended, in a large proportion of cases, with consequences prejudicial to the system,' His position was supported by over two thousand of his professional brethren.

But hardly any testimony could be more conclusive than the facts developed by a London Life Assurance Company. This association, having originally insured only total abstainers, in 1850 accepted moderate drinkers, who never drank to intoxication, but kept the accounts of each class distinct in separate books.

During the period 1866-1881, of every one hundred in the section of total abstainers, thirty survived betion, while only one survived in the other section.

Colonel J. L. Greene, President of make inquiry into the last illness and I have heard people speak of death of many thousands of all classes,

'The degree to which many dismost invariably be called a temperate It is doubtful if you ever knew a use of drink by persons of reputed specially mentioned by him are con-Every man who has once or twice gested brains, insanity, paralysis, disin his life taken too much to drink is ease of the kidneys, liver and stomach, not in danger of becoming a drunkard. pneumonia and rheumatism. - Youth's