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#### LEVELERS.

## The Mission of Whiskey, Tobacco and

The Creator made all things, we believe. If so, He must have made these.

We know what He made food and water for, and air and sunshine, but why Whiskey, Tobacco and Coffee?

They are here sure enough and each performing its work.

There must be some great plan behind it all; the thoughtful man seeks to understand something of that plan and thereby to judge these articles for their true worth.

Let us not say "bad" or "good" without taking testimony.

There are times and conditions when it certainly seems to the casual observer that these stimulant narcotics are real blessings.

Right there is the ambush that conceals a "killing" enemy.

One can slip into the habit of either whiskey, tobacco and coffee easy enough, but to "untangle" is often a fearful struggle.

It seems plain that there are circumstances when the narcotic effect of these poisons is for the moment beneficial, but the fearful argument against them is that seldom ever then comes the wreck. Sure, Sure, Sure, does one find a steady user of either whiskey, The law of the unit is the law of the mass. coffee or tobacco free from disease of some | Man goes through the same process. Weak-

on the human race.

by literally millions of people, that Whiskey, Tobacco and Coffee are smiling, promising, ers" are in the bushes along the pathway of beguiling friends on the start, but always false as hell itself in the end. Once they get firm hold enough to show their strength, they insist upon governing and drive the against these "levelers," and hold his fortune, victim steadily towards ill-health in some form; if permitted to continue to rule, they will not let up until physical and mental ruin | bacco and Coffee to level down the saccessful

A man under the spell (and "under the spell" is correct), of any one of these drugs. frequently assures himself and his friends: "Why, I can leave off any time I want to. I did quit for a week just to show I could." It is a sure mark of the slave when one gets to that stage. He wiggled through a week fighting every day to break the spell, was finally whipped, and began his slavery all over again.

The slave (Coffee slave as well as Tobacco and Whiskey) daily reviews his condition, sees perfectly plain the steady encroachments of disease, how the nerves get weaker day by day and demand the drug that seems to smile and offer relief for a few minutes and then leave the diseased condition plainer to view than ever and growing worse. Many times the Coffee slave realizes that he is between two fires. He feels bad if he leaves off and a little worse if he drinks and allows the effect to wear off.

So it goes on from day to day. Every night the struggling victim promises himself that he will break the babit, and next day when he feels a little bad (as he is quite sure to) breaks, not the babit, but his own resolution. It is nearly always a tough fight, with disaster ahead sure if the habit wins.

There have been hundreds of thousands of people driven to their graves through disease brought on by coffee drinking alone, and it is quite certain that more human misery is caus the by coffee and tobacco than by whiskey, for the first two are more widely used, and more hidden and insidious in the effect on nerves, heart and other vital organs, and are thus unsuspected until much of the dangerous work is done.

Now, reader, what is your opinion as to the real use the Creator has for these things? Take a look at the question from this point of view.

There is a law of nature and of nature's God that things slowly evolve from lower planes to higher, a sturdy, steady and dignified advance toward more perfect things in both the Physical and Spiritual world. The ponderous tread of evolutionary development habits and strip clean for the work cut out is fixed by the Infinite and will not be quick- for us.

ened out of natural law by any of man's methods.

Therefore we see many illustrations showing how nature checks too rapid advance. Illinois raises phenemenal crops of corn for two or three years. If she continued to do so every year her farmers would advance in wealth far beyond those of other sections or countries. So nature interposes a bar every three or four years and brings on a "bad

Here we see the leveling influence at work. A man is prosperous in his business for a number of years and grows rich. Then nature sets the "leveling influence" at work on him. Some of his investments lose, he becomes luxurious and lazy. Perhaps it is whiskey, tobacco, coffee, women, gambling, or some other form. The intent and purpose is to level him. Keep him from evolving too far ahead of the masses.

A nation becomes prosperous and great like ancient Rome. If no leveling influence set in she would dominate the world perhaps for all time. But Dame Nature sets her army of "levelers" at work. Luxury, overeating and drinking, licentiousness, waste, and extravagant indulgences of all kinds,

ness (in childhood), gradual growth of Certainly powerful elements in their effect strength, energy, thrift, probity prosperity, wealth, comfort, ease, relaxation, self-indulg-It is a matter of daily history testified to ence, luxury, idleness, waste, debauchery, disease, and the wreck follows. The "levelevery successful man and woman, and they bag the majority.

> Only now and then can a man stand out fame and health to the end.

> So the Creator has use for Whiskey, Toones, and those who show signs of being successful, and keep them back in the race, so that the great "field" (the masses) may not be left too far behind.

And yet we must admit that same all-wise Creator has placed it in the power of man to stand upright, clothed in the armor of a clean-cut, steady mind, and say unto himself, "I decline to exchange my birthright for a mess of pottage."

"I will not deaden my senses, weaken my grip on affairs, and keep myself cheap, common, and behind in fortune and fame by drugging with whiskey, tobacco, or coffee, life is too short. It is hard enough to win the good things, without any sort of handicap. so a man is certainly a 'fool trader, when he trades strength, health, money, and the good things that come with power, for the halfasleep condition of the drugger,' with the certainty of sickness and disease ahead."

It is a matter each individual must decide for himself. He can be a leader and semigod if he will, or he can go along through life a drugged clown, a cheap "hewer of wood or carrier of water."

Certain it is that while the Great Father of us all does not seem to "mind" if some of His children are foolish and stupid, He seems to select others (perhaps those He intends for some special work), and allows them to be threshed and castigated most fearfully by these "levelers."

If a man tries flirting with these levelers a while, and gets a few slaps as a hint, he had better take the hint or a good solid blow will

When a man tries to live upright, clean, thrifty, sober, and undrugged, manifesting as near as he knows what the Creator intends he should, happiness, health and peace seem to come to him. Does it pay?

This article was written to set people thinking, to rouse the "God within," for all highly organized men and women have times when they feel a something calling from within for them to press to the front and "be about the Father's business." Don't mistake it; the spark of the Infinite is there, and it pays in every way, health, happiness, peace, and even worldly prosperity, to break off the

#### A Great War Correspondent.

William Maxwell, now in the far East as war correspondent for one of the big London dailies, is, perhaps, the best all-round journalist that London possesses to day.

Maxwell was with Kitchener to Khartoum and has the medal with clasp for Omdurman. He went to South Africa and was present at all the preliminary fighting, including Elardslaagte and Lombard's Kop. He was in Ladysmith during the siege.

When Maxwell was free of Ladysmith he went by way of Durban, Port Elizabeth and Kimberley, to Bloomfontein, where he joined Lord Roberts, who was with the main army. He was present at all engagements up to the Portuguese frontier. He crossed Delagoa Bay and interviewed Kruger. Retiring to Durban and Pretoria, he went out after DeWet, and doubtless would have been present at his capture had not the Boer leader left earlier in the day and continued to do so with a regularity that became habitual. In all this traveling Maxwell had more excitement than falls to the usual lot of even the war correspondent. More times than did Job he escaped by the skin of his teeth.

Among Maxwell's friends one of the warmest is Major Burnham, the famous scout, to whom Lord Roberts wrote: "I believe there is not another man in the British army able to do what you have done." Accidents somewhat similiar in nature brought the men into more intimate relations than might have been the case otherwise.

The major had fallen with a horse which the Boers had shot under him. He had been badly crushed, blood vessels in his stomach had burst, he had lain insensible for a day and gone on with his work the next night, though he had to crawl several miles to do it. He had blown up a railway, and, fainting from exhaustion, was found quite by chance by a British scouting party. Maxwell, on one occasion, when he had a narrow escape from the Boers, rode into a prospecting pit and fared no better than the major. In time he got out, though he does not recall how, and rode for two days with two broken ribs and s leg swollen almost to the size of his body. After that a surgeon put him in a plaster cast and he continued his work.

#### A Whistler Story.

Clyde Fitch, after a long stay in Switzerland, has returned to his country house at North Cos-Cob, Conn. He said there the

"Anecdotes of Whistler are still turning up. Europe, from one end to the other, still hums with the dead painter's name. But it was in Paris that I heard the best Whistler

"They told me that Whistler was in Paris at the time of the coronation of the King of England, and one evening, at a reception at the Hotel Ritz, a duchess said to him:

" Do you know King Edward, Mr. Whist-

"'No, madame,' said the painter. "She looked surprised.

"'Why, that is odd,' she murmured. 'I met the King at a dinner party last year, and he said that he knew you.'

"'Oh,' said Whistler, 'that was only his

#### EUROPEAN TRIPS.

Some Points For the Traveler Who Would be Economical.

The apparent cheapness of cab fares in Europe will at first lead one into unnecessary extravagance, which can easily be avoided. In every large city and many smaller ones little handbooks of the tramway lines can be had, and the cars are so plainly marked that the intelligent traveler soon learns to use them. You do not really know a city or its people until you have studied both at close range in the street cars; you are too far away from them in a cab.

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fees when the expenses are counted up at

To sum up, \$2 a day is a liberal allowance for living expenses, for they will not rise to this sum in cities where a long sojourn is made, and so the greater cost of short stand. will be equalized to this one average. Al. most all European countries offer special cut railroads rates for a number of tours during

the summer months. Information as to this is obtainable in the bureau of information in every city railway station, where officials speaking English can always be found. These round trip tickets cover about everything to be seen in the country in question, and international routes can also be covered by their help at a cost less than that offered by the tourist agencies. Steamer travel is cheapthan ril, but the great time demanded makes the question of meals a serious one, as there is no helping yourself out with a sandwich bought at a station. To be able to avail oneself of all these

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