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THE BIBLE UPON STRONG DRINK

Christianity and Alcoholic Beverages—London Preacher Discusses Influence of Drink and Religion—Mohammedanism Only Prohibition Religion.

(By Rev. H. R. Gamble, LL. D., the Famous London Preacher.) At the present time a great deal of harsh language is used which seems to imply that the use of alcohol is forbidden to Christians, and that anyone engaged in the business of brewing has forfeited all title to the Christian name.

The Wine of Cana. Surely nothing can be more clear on this question than the life and teaching of Christ himself. The contrast between John the Baptist and our Lord is very strongly marked.

Or, once more, what could be more significant than that at the institution of Eucharist he should have chosen the common things of life, "the bread that strengtheneth man's heart," the wine that maketh glad the heart of man.

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Our first duty is to acknowledge quite frankly that the desire to drink is not in itself wrong or unlawful. For men to drink, as well as eat together, has always been an outward and visible sign of fellowship and the more openly it is done the more frankly it is recognized the better.

Is Social Necessity. When we consider how narrow and restricted the homes of the great body of the people are, we are bound to admit that the public house in some form is a social necessity.

Reforms Most Needed. I venture to think that it would be a great gain if our brewers and others interested in the trade could be induced not only to resist attacks, but also to throw their energies into a reform of this kind.

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BARGAIN AND CORRUPTION. The March number of the American Magazine contains an article upon "The Rev. the Law Giver," by Lincoln Steffens. In this article, as an example of the corruption that ruled Oregon politics before the days of State-ment No. 1, is published the contract made between Harvey Scott, editor of the Portland Oregonian, and Jonathan Bourne, Jr., at present junior member from Oregon, by which \$25,000 was paid Bourne to withdraw from the senatorial race in 1902 in favor of Scott.

It is easy to see why politicians are lining up against Statement No. 1 and seeking a return to the days of bribery and boodle in the election of senators. It is easy to see why the Oregonian is thundering against Statement No. 1 and leading the fight upon it. One could buy a senatorship in those days and the legislature and lobbyists were in clover.

Yet had Statement No. 1 been in force in 1902, it would have been a good thing for the editor of the Oregonian, for there would have been no ghost of a \$25,000 contract to rise from the grave of petered-out political ambitions to haunt his footsteps in his old age, to make a mockery of his talk of political purity, to shatter public faith in the honesty of his utterances and to cast its blighting shadow over future aspirations.

How many similar contracts, how many bargains of corruption Statement No. 1 has prevented can never be computed. And it is to return to such conditions that politicians are now asking the people to surrender their power and repudiate Statement No. 1, to restore the days of political prostration.

Baseball is humming as fast in the east as here, and within another two weeks all the major league clubs will be on their way to training camps or playing. The New York Giants have at ready left for New Orleans by steamer and the Chicago White Sox will leave for California next Saturday night. The squad will be divided into two parts, the first one, of the older players and more likely candidates, training at Los Angeles and the youngsters at San Francisco. The first team will be made up as follows:

Catchers—Sullivan and Weaver. Pitchers—Walsh, White, Smith, Most and Speer. Infielders—Donahue, first base; Davis, second base; Tannehill, third base; Parent, shortstop; Atz, utility. Outfielders—Manager Jones, Dougherty and Hahn.

HARRIMAN AND HILL TO USE SAME BRIDGE That the Harriman and Hill railroad lines will use the same bridges across the Columbia and Willamette rivers and the same cut through the peninsula is a credible report that is going the rounds and given color by the inexplicable delay of the Harriman management in beginning the boring of its proposed tunnel through the peninsula.

AN INDEPENDENT PACKING PLANT FOR PORTLAND Swartzchild & Sulzberger, the world's largest independent packing concern, will start the construction work on its new packing plant in South Portland within a month. The firm has options on several tracts of land which are about to be taken up.

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