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SHOULD BE A WARNING.

Experience is the best of teachers, and observation is next. We should all profit by and learn from our experience in life in every phase. We should also learn from the experience of others, and learn from observation to avoid the errors others make by seeing the effects of their mistakes upon themselves and upon the community. The error made in the life of the man who died in a saloon from the effects of excessive indulgence in alcoholic drink, an account of which is given elsewhere, may be of profit to all who indulge at all in alcoholic drinks, in demonstrating to them the certain effect of over indulgence. It should serve appetites, to use moderation, to not give way to the frailties of humanity, to exercise the will power with which nature has endowed them, to display their true manhood in resisting temptations that may come in their way.

There is no more pitiable sight than the man who has so far lost his manhood as to no longer be able to resist temptations or to govern his cravings for things that are not absolute necessities. There are few if any who are born drunkards, gluttons, morphine or cocaine fiends. These habits are cultivated, or rather the result of over indulgence. They only get the better of the man as he looses his power to resist his unnatural appetites. They increase just as the will power—the true manhood—diminishes. Over indulgence in anything is detrimental to the human system, but over indulgence in alcoholic drink is probably the most injurious, at least it causes the most suffering from the fact it is most common, and hence is most frequently brought to our observation, therefore there are more subjects of warning against this dangerous habit. Though from day to day we see a victim fall, we pass the warning by unheeded, and go on tampering with the danger, indulging our appetites beyond their necessary requirements.

No one sees the boy who first does a wrong deed, takes a play fellow's toy or some trifling article, intends to become a thief and some day fill a felon's cell. But if either does not guard against his unnatural cravings the final result of sorrow is almost certain to follow.

As a safeguard against men becoming drunkards and finally dying from the effects of over indulgence in drink, it would probably be best if intoxicants were never manufactured or sold. But their manufacture and sale is a business, recognized by law and conducted for a profit, and doubtless will always be. The liquor traffic is recognized by the state of Oregon as a legitimate business, and the liquor dealers add more, in the way of license, to the general fund in the support of our government than any other single branch of business; and so long as the state recognizes this business, the dealers in liquor are entitled to just as much respect and protection as any other branch of business.

To guard against thievery it might be best if there were no value to property, then there would be no inducement to steal. But property will always exist with its attendant value, and likewise the manufacture of alcoholic drinks will be followed until man forgets the process by which it is made. It was drank in the days of Moses, it is drank today and ever will be so long as it is manufactured. This temptation will always be in the way of man, and the best way to avoid it is to use moderation, else entirely abstain. Our Creator, we are told, placed temptation in the way of the first human beings that inhabited the earth, and they, being just from the Creator's hand, like many of us today, could not resist temptation, and were severely punished by the one who placed the temptation before them. Little wonder is it then that there are so many who are not strong enough to steer clear of evils that may result in their moral and financial wreck, when those who were made after the Creator's own image proved themselves as weak as we of the present generation. Be that as it may, let the fate of him who has just fallen be an object lesson to all to either use moderation or not drink at all.

Representative Scott, of Illinois, is the man who ought to be postmaster general, at least this will be the verdict of the printing craft generally. He has introduced a bill prohibiting the postoffice department from selling stamped envelopes bearing the usual printed request for a return to the owner after a limited period. Speaking on the resolution, Mr. Scott said: "Under the present law, the government is a direct competitor with every printing house in the country. It is an unwarranted trespass by the government upon the private business of every printer in the United States. Many millions of dollars annually are taken by this act from the printing business. This does not seem fair or just. The government should take its hands off and not oppress one of the greatest and most important industries of our country."

It seems that old political scores are never forgotten, and that offense, or supposed offense, of a public man may follow him to the grave. It is alleged that President Harrison's reason for not appointing W. Lair Hill to the U. S. judgeship, which his friends are urging, is that Hill was a member of a law firm in Portland that received money from the democrats to make an arguement in the Watts-Cronin case, during the Tilden-Hayes election. This seems like a long time to credit up accounts against a man, especially one who is so well qualified for a position he seeks as is Mr. Hill.

Thos. A. Edison, the great electrician, has just perfected an invention which may be considered the greatest of his achievements thus far. It is an invention for telegraphing without the use of wires. In the specifications filed with the patent office he says: "I have discovered that if sufficient elevation be obtained to overcome the curvature of the earth's surface, and to reduce to a minimum the earth's absorption, electric telegraphing, or signaling between distant points can be carried on by induction without use of wires connecting such distant points."

The house committee on federal elections has under consideration a plan for a vote and to distributing senators according to population. The first proposition is good, but the second is undesirable. Allowing each state two senators is a safeguard to the states with small population, in allowing them equal rights in the senate with the more populous states, and it will be a long time before the people of the west will sanction such an amendment.

On the 15th a resolution passed the house against all appropriation of public funds except for paying the necessary expenses of the government. This is rather discouraging to states that want appropriations for public improvements. But it is not probable that the strict letter of the resolution will be followed even by congressmen who voted for it.

Ex-Speaker Tom Reed is of the opinion that neither Blaine nor Harrison will receive the nomination at the coming Minneapolis convention. Mr. Reed is probably right. Governor McKinley, of Ohio, stands a good show to get the presidential nomination. His views on the tariff suit the majority of his party better than those of the other candidates.

Work has just begun on the "Oregon," the new line-of-battle ship, at San Francisco. This state should feel proud to have such a vessel named for her. New York is raising $6000 for a silver service for her namesake, soon to be ready for duty. Oregon might at least donate a silver carving set for her namesake.—*Salem Statesman.*

What's the matter with the Salem *Statesman's* loyalty to Binger? In a recent issue it gets off the track like this: "If Veatch is to be the candidate of the democrats for congress from this district next June, as appears very likely, what is the matter with a farmer for the republican candidate?"

Secretary Elkins has sent to congress a recommendation for the improvement of the Upper Columbia.

Prince Albert, eldest son of the Prince of Wales and heir apparent to the throne of England, died on the 14th. His brother, Prince Geoge, will succeed to the throne in his stead.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEES' SALE.

Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a certain chattel mortgage made, signed and delivered by C. B. Baker, as mortgageor, to Uren & Son, mortgagees, on the 14th day of March, 1891, to secure the payment of a certain promissory note, signed and delivered to said mortgagees by said C. B. Baker, for the sum of $200, on the day above named, and by the terms thereof made payable one day after date, with interest from said date at ten per cent per annum until paid, and default having been made in the payment thereof, the undersigned on the 9th day of January, 1892, at one o'clock p. m. of said day, at the Brick Store, in the town of Prineville, Crook County, Oregon, will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder therefor, for cash, all the right, title and interest which the said C. B. Baker had on the 14th day of March, 1891, in or to the personal property hereinafter described, or any subsequent acquired right thereto by the said mortgageor, to wit: Three hackbeards—one being a one-seated light hackboard, painted black, with a chain guard around back, one painted black and has iron axels, 3 the bed, and one with two seat, chain guard and side covered with canvas. The said sale is to satisfy the said note and interest and all costs of this notice, sale and return thereof to the County Clerk of Crook County, Oregon.

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