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THE HOUSEHOLD.

Cocoanut Drops.—Grate a cocoanut; add half its weight of fine sugar, mix well together with the white of an egg, and drop on white paper. Bake in a slow oven.

Anna's Cup Cake.—One half cup of butter; one half cup of sweet milk; two eggs; one cup of sugar; two teaspoons of baking powder; to cups of flour. This is always a success and is equally good whether baked as layer cake or in small fancy tins.

Tomato Catsup.—Take one peck of ripe tomatoes; one teaspoon of sugar; small teaspoon of salt; cinnamon to tast; as much red pepper as it will bear; some strong vinegar. Boil until thick, then bottle hot and seal with wax.

Tomato Soup.—To one pint of tomatoes canned or four large raw ones, peeled and sliced, add one quart of boiling water and let them boil. Then add a teaspoon of soda, when it will foam; immediately add one pint of sweet milk, with salt, pepper, and plenty of butter. When this boils add eight small crackers rolled fine, and serve. Equal to oyster soup.

To Preserve Sweet Corn.—Boil the corn on the ear from three to five minutes, then slice off, being careful not to cut too close to the cob, pack down in a stone jar, allowing three pints of corn to one pint of salt put in layers. When wanted for use, soak over night to freshen. Corn put up in this way late in the season, will keep nice and fresh all winter.

A very appetizing salad is made by chopping coarsely some cold boiled potatoes; then season well with salt, pepper and mustard; line the salad dish with fresh lettuce, then put in layer of potatoes; on the top put a layer of cald boiled beets, also chopped and seasoned, garnished the dish liberally with lettuce, and just before sending to the table add vinegar, plain or with ordinary salad dressing.

A young lady writes to "brick" Pomeroy as follows: "Would I be safe in marrying a young man whom I love, and who professes to love me, and is handsome, well-educated, and has plenty of this world's goods, but is addicted to strong drink, but says he will abstain from it after marriage when he has sown his wild oats? I am an orphan and write you for advice." Pomeroy answers about as follows: "You had better get into your coffin, pull the lid down, yourself, and be consecrated to your mother earth, than marry the man who drinks. There thousands of poor women made wretched by listening to the promises of reformation after marriage. If you do not want to get into your coffin, take the most obnoxious piece of raw meat that you can find and take it to your bosom for a husband rather than marry a man who is debached, degraded and debased by strong drink.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

The corner-stone of the new building of the University of New Mexico was laid at Santa Fe October 22d. The institution, which now has eighty students—over fifty of whom are in the academic department—was organized in May, 1881.

The Rev. A. D. Mayo reports that as fast as education lays its hand upon the Southern children, black or white, they begin to draw near to each other, and that there is no doubt that at a time not very far distant they will dwell together in unity. The present attitude of the higher classes is favorable to the change.

Women are now eligible to school offices in Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Virginia, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Vermont, Wyoming, and to any office in Wisconsin except State Superintendent. Mississippi has a State Board of education, which includes the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and eight other persons, one of whom is a woman.

A wise speaker at a recent meeting of Ohio teachers pointed out that mischief in a school boy is not meanness but misdirected energy; and that the teacher should be good-tempered and large minded enough to direct it judiciously. "Standards differ," he added, "as to what constitutes the best test for a good teacher. The only proper estimate of value in the school room is to develop true men and women. Character is of more importance than scholarship."

"Dear me!" said Mrs. Partington, the other day, "young girls nowadays are not what their mothers used to be. Half of them are suffering from nervous perspiration!"

W. C. T. U. COLUMN.

Prohibition—its Purpose.

BY LON. NEAL DOW.

Nothing surprises temperance workers more than the ignorance of men of ability and intelligence as to the purpose and the results of the agitation for the prohibition of the liquor traffic. We say there is no movement, political or otherwise, so important to the interest of the nation, state and people, as this. It touches and effects public interest as well as private interests, more exclusively than all other public policies combined. I am confident that no intelligent man will deny this.

Prohibition proposes to relieve society entirely from the tremendous evils coming inevitably from intemperance. What are these? "Greater and more numerous than those coming from war, pestilence and famine combined, the three great scourges of mankind." Mr. Gladstone, present prime minister of England, said this on the floor of the House of Commons. The London *Times* had said it several months before, and no one has attempted to deny this to be true, or to show that the evils of intemperance were overstated.

To relieve society from these evils, is the purpose of prohibition, and this remedy has been applied in a great many localities in this country and in foreign land, and has been in operation for many years, with positive results everywhere that it has been tried. The relation of this experiment to the highest interests of society is so important that it seems to me every intelligent man who cares at all for the general welfare, should keep himself informed as to its results. But it is very far from being so. The mass of the public men of the country, as well as of those in private life, are in total ignorance of the results of the policy of prohibition, though they have been published to the world for more than a quarter of a century.

A notable case of this unpardonable ignorance in public men is that of Mr. Thurlow Weed, one of the ablest, sharpest and most intelligent politicians of the country, whose advanced age and high personal character raise him above all suspicion of being in any way influenced by unworthy motives in his position and opinion upon this subject. In a recent article in the New York *Tribune* he says that "all attempts at prohibition have been abortive, and that prohibition in Maine, especially, the place of its birth, was and is an abortion." I am far from imputing to Mr. Weed any intention to misstate, but there is not one word of that true. Mr. Weed was simply writing upon a matter of which he was profoundly ignorant, as so many other able men have done, and are habitually doing.

Now in every one of the States, localities, and districts where the policy of prohibition has been fairly tried it has proved a great success; in not one of them has it been a failure, much less an "abortion," yet Mr. Weed and many other able men, being absolutely ignorant of the subject, venture to pronounce an opinion upon it in total opposition to all the facts.

How is it and why is it, that such men oppose this movement? It is an enigma that I cannot solve. The universal adoption of prohibition would certainly result in this: Every family in the land might have and would have abundant food and raiment and comfortable shelter and enough of all the necessities and comforts of life. More than five hundred thousand homes where home happiness is now unknown would be prosperous, peaceful and happy. More than half a million drunken men, miserable wretches to whom life is a burden and who are a curse to the community, would become sober men, good citizens, discharging their full share of public duties, bearing their full share of public burdens, useful, honorable members of the community. More than a million wretched, miserable women, the wives, daughters, mothers, sisters of these shocking, shameful wrecks of men, would be the happy wives, mothers, daughters of men redeemed from their evil ways and restored to their right minds and to better ways of life. Our alms-houses, prisons, lunatic asylums would be largely depopulated, and their wretched tenants would be self-supporting, respecters of the laws of their country and the rights of their fellow citizens, and restored to reason and to usefulness in the world.

Have I in any way overstated the results that would certainly come from the prohibition and suppression of the liquor traffic? Every intelligent man knows that I have not done so; everybody knows that all this, and more, would come to the community from the suppression of a trade the results of which are all bad, and o bad that nothing can be worse while no good to the value of a dollar comes from it to nation, state, or people. More than a thousand million dollars are annually lost and wasted in this country directly through the liquor traffic, involving the loss and waste of a large share of the wages of labor and the profits of business. Everybody knows this to be true.

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