

### The Woman's Corner

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It is Better Farther On. Comrades, if the way seems dreary, and the goal seems far and dim, if sometimes you are weak and weary

And have somehow lost your vim; Don't forget the night is darkest just before the gleam of dawn—Cheer each other with the message, It is better farther on.—Selected.

**Lord Woolsey on Total Abstinence.**  
The late Lord Woolsey did not believe in the use of alcoholic drinks among his troops. In 1879, he is said to have carried through his Red River expedition on rigid lines of total abstinence, and during the Nile campaign, no alcoholic rations were served. He himself reported: "All the troops up the Nile in the Soudan have been for months without beer or spirits," as a result, one of the officers declared that the troops were the finest fighting men it was ever any man's lot to command.

Lord Woolsey is reported also to have said: "There are yet many great enemies to be encountered, some great battles to be fought by the United Kingdom, but the most pressing enemy at present is drink."  
—From the Union Signal.

Something ought to be done, something can be done, but nothing will be done until the people know the facts.

Here is one:  
For every \$1 the people of Massachusetts received in 1912 from liquor licenses, it paid out over \$2 in caring for criminals, paupers and insane brought to their institutions through drink? When you hear about revenue from liquor, think this over.

—Union Signal.

#### One Step in Advance.

At a meeting of the Isthmian Canal Commissioners held April 24, 1913, the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, that no license for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Canal Zone be granted by the Commission for any period, beginning on or after July 1, 1913."

**Professor G. T. W. Patrick.** "The New Optimism," published in a late number of the Popular Science Monthly, says: "There are four aspects of modern life and society which are distinctly optimistic. These are (1) the elimination of fear, (2) the advance position of women, (3) the gradually lessening frequency of war, and (4) the agitation against alcohol. This is a determined and persistent opposition that in the end will eliminate the use of alcohol. . . . Its elimination will be a far more difficult problem than the abolition of war, but it is undoubtedly true that alcohol will have to go.

The emergence of women into political affairs will add new vigor to the opposition to it, and psychological, physiological and sociological studies will solve the problem of method.

It is by the decree of the economist, the practical man of business, the manager of railroads and the director of banks, that the saloon has got to go. It is a civic incubus, an economic fallacy, a social excrement, to say the least, a physiological superfluity.

—Rev. Jenkin Lloyd Jones.

#### So Queer.

Does it not seem queer, to say the least, that in this age of Christian civilization and education, that any candid or sane person can advocate or entertain the belief that intoxicants of any kind are beneficial as a drink, or financially and economically, when so many plain and unrefutable facts to the contrary, abound everywhere?

Is this short life of so little value, that it should be spent in wrangling and fighting for, and against, so flagrant an evil? An evil every way, both to the adherents and the opposers. Has graft gotten to be the paramount object of life in this moral era of Christian nations?

What is life, when we sum it all up? It is but a transient term of existence, even if we attain to the prescribed three score and ten years—a vapor, a dream that soon vanishes from sight and (with few exceptions) from knowledge.

We hold no mortgage of our lives for one single hour. When we go to bed at night we have no security that we shall ever see the light of another day. An earthquake or calamity of some kind may end all our dreams and earthly ambitions. When on our way to our homes or to places of business, some automobile may crash upon us, or some vital organ of our frail human structure give way, and end our earthly career. Then what? There is but one safe road for all, which was given by the one perfect lawgiver. It is: "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and thy neighbor as thyself."

When this law is fulfilled, all wranglings will cease and crafters will be unknown.

—J. S. B.

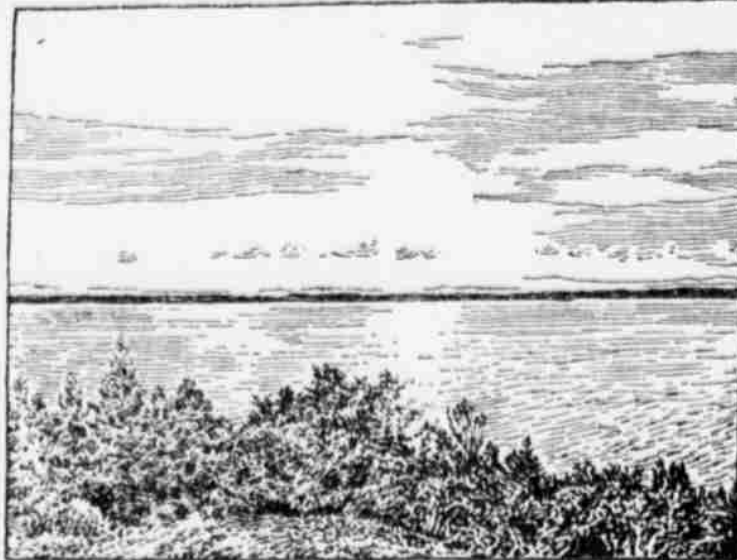
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"LEARN ONE THING EVERY DAY"



No. 3. SAMUEL DE CHAMPLAIN.

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**G**NARLED oaks, majestic elms, here and there tall, whispering pines, clothed the hills and changed the early sunlight of the open into deep shade beneath their branches. There was a strange feeling of danger abroad. The birds had flown far back from the lake-shore, and their songs had ceased. And well they prophesied! Approaching from north and south came lurking figures, from the north Algonquins and Hurons, from the south Iroquois, creeping stealthily from tree to tree, their bodies hid even with vermilion and yellow paint. At last with a rush and yell of defiance the struggle began. Arrows whistled, tomahawks and knives rose and fell, and over all rose the bloodcurdling cries of the savages. Suddenly a deafening report startled the battling Indians, a white man stepped into the foreground with a smoking musket, then another, and a dozen more. The savages from the south, with a cry of despair, turned and fled; they were pursued and slain till the pursuers could go no farther. The guns of the white men had decided the battle.

So in 1609 did Samuel de Champlain cement his friendship with that of the French with the Algonquins and Hurons. And thus began the long struggle with Indians on each side, between the French and English, for the defeated Iroquois sought the aid of the Eng-

lish against the French. Born at Brouage on the bay of Biscay in 1567, Champlain learned much of the sea from his father, who was a sailor. He served, too, in the army, and was in command of a ship sent to the West Indies. From Vera Cruz he went inland in Mexico. In the manuscript of his adventures he made the suggestion of a canal at Panama, "by which the voyage to the south sea would be shortened by more than 1500 leagues."

In 1603 Champlain made his first voyage to Canada. He made friends with the Indians, and explored the St. Lawrence to the rapids above Montreal. Then, seeking a site for a settlement, he explored as far south as Cape Cod. In 1608 he planted a settlement at Quebec.

Champlain discovered Lake Champlain, long the most important highway between Canada and the English settlements to the south. He was again in Canada in 1611 fighting with and against the Indians, and established a trading post at Montreal. His two great desires were to find a way to the Indies and to convert the Indians. In 1613 he went as far as Lake Nipissing and the eastern shores of Lake Huron; but turned back. When Quebec was surrendered to the English in 1629, Champlain was taken a prisoner to England. On the restoration of Canada to the French he returned to his post as Lieutenant Governor in 1633, and died there on Christmas, 1635.



No. 4. SIR WALTER RALEIGH.

**L**ONG a favorite of Queen Elizabeth, later the occupant of a dungeon in the Tower of London, and finally suffering death at the hands of the executioner—this was the lot of Sir Walter Raleigh, poet, courtier, soldier, colonizer, one of the explorers of America. Born in Devonshire in 1552 of an old family, young Raleigh for a time studied at Oxford, and later in the Temple, one of the great law schools of London. He then took part in several expeditions of discovery in which he lost money. He went to court in the train of the Earl of Leicester, and it was at this time that he is said to have thrown his cloak on the ground to let Queen Elizabeth walk upon it over a puddle. He rose into great favor with the queen, and received many gifts and privileges from her, being knighted in 1584. It is said that he first introduced the growing of tobacco and the potato in Ireland.

Raleigh made many attempts at colonization in America. In 1584 he sent his captain to Florida and as far north as North Carolina. Raleigh named all the land thereabout Virginia in honor of Elizabeth, the virgin queen. In 1585 his colonists under Sir Richard Grenville made a settlement on Roanoke Island; but they deserted when Sir Francis Drake appeared there the following year. Other fruitless attempts were made in 1585 and 1587. The second colony was found massacred by the Indians. When the place was again visited in 1590, the third had disappeared absolutely without leaving a trace. The only message were the words "a Croatan" cut in the bark of a birch tree. Croatan was an Indian village, but the sailors

were too terror stricken to go there, and from that day to this nothing has ever been heard of the colonists. In this colony were William and Eleanor Dare, whose daughter, Virginia Dare, was the first English child to be born on American soil.

Discouraged, Sir Walter Raleigh gave up his attempts at colonization. In 1603 he was accused of conspiracy and was thrown into prison by James I., who had succeeded Queen Elizabeth. After many years he was released on his promise to James I. that he would find a gold mine in America without intruding on Spanish possessions. He was allowed to make the attempt, but was warned that should he arouse the anger of Spain he would be put to death.

He sailed into the Orinoco the last day of 1617, ill with fever. He sent his son and the captain up the river, where they found a Spanish settlement, and attacked it. Raleigh's son was killed, and no gold could be found.

True to his throat, King James promptly seized Raleigh on his return, and he was executed in 1618.

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