

WHY MANKIND FALLS AT TIMES

Lecturer Mills Shows Influence of Desire to Fight as Well as of Alcohol.

Walter Thomas Mills, delivered the fifth of a series of addresses on sociological subjects at the new Masonic temple last night. His subject was "The Traffic in Vice and the Market for Men." He said in part:

"All modern sports are rudimentary survivals of ancient warfare. Baseball, football and especially horse racing have their power to attract and interest the multitude because they involve the idea of a fight. Theatrical entertainments involve the same idea, with but the axes of power instead of steel.

"As a matter of fact when the stakes in the game are devoid of loss to the loser in the fight the game at once loses interest both to the participants and to those who witness the contest.

"Passing to the cause of intemperance, the social and the gambling mania, Mr. Mills said: 'Drunkenness exists for a twofold reason. Intoxicating liquors create for themselves a demand for the repetition of the sensations created by their use. It is in the nature of the drug that alcoholic beverages would operate as a stimulant. It is now known that they operate as an anesthetic, the result of which is to depress rather than to stimulate.

"It has been thought that they would aid digestion, but it is now known that they directly interfere with the stomach, liver, kidneys, heart, blood vessels and the brain, actually changing the tissue in the formation of each.

"It has been thought that they would increase the capacity to work but it is now known that they never add to one's efficiency, not even temporarily.

"All these conclusions have been arrived at by the most patient, most painstaking, most scientific investigations. After the consideration of all other causes it must be borne in mind forever that the principal cause and one that must not be ignored is to be found in the nature of alcohol itself.

"However, a low vitality, overwork, unhygienic conditions cooperate most powerfully with alcoholic poisons for hastening degeneracy, leading to the utter loss of self-control and to habitual drunkenness.

"These same conditions and these same causes are the mainstay for the vicious resort and for the life of irregularity which poisons the sources of child life and tends utterly to destroy the normal and healthful relationships which make the wholesome family life a physical possibility.

"If we look for a remedy it must be found in removing the profit in the business permitting only such sales as can be justified for the public good, in providing regular and healthful employment for all, free from personal discredit, free from personal dependence, and finally in the necessities of life must be utterly and entirely done away with if the taking of unnecessary chances on the turn of a card or the speed of a horse is to disappear as well."

Eyes tested free at Metzger's.

ST. JOHNS MAY HAVE SALOONS

Council Expected to Override Mayor's Veto and Let Them Reopen.

That the saloons of St. Johns will soon be running again full blast, seems almost certain, for the city council at its next meeting on Tuesday evening of next week will, it is said, pass the reopening ordinance over the mayor's veto, which was placed on the measure at the council meeting last Tuesday. Seven aldermen constitute the council, and five are for and two against the saloons. The mayor himself, H. W. Bruce, is against the measure.

So if the ordinance is passed over the mayor's head saloons will again be opened. Thus far four applications have been received by the council, and it is thought that probably more will come in after the ordinance is passed. Before St. Johns went "dry" last June there were seven. It is thought also that an attempt will be made by citizens not in sympathy with the saloon ordinance to close the places up again. It was because of the supreme court's ruling in the Medford local option case that the petitions for the reopening of the saloons were asked for in St. Johns, but it is a question as to whether the Medford case is parallel to this case. Although the charters of both cities were granted at practically the same time, before the local option law went into effect, in 1907, the St. Johns charter was practically revised, and the revision came after the local option law was in effect.

Public sentiment seems to be with the reopening of the saloons. When the saloons were running a license of \$1000 was imposed. This helped increase the public funds materially, and just now the town treasury is very low. It is pointed out by many that the fact that St. Johns is within such easy access to Portland makes a great many of the working men who reside at St. Johns come to town to buy supplies and there spend a few dimes in the saloons, whereas if the town had its own saloons they could undoubtedly keep the money at home. Prohibition is all right for a town about 65 miles away from an open town," said one citizen, but where it's only a 5 cent car fare between them it's no good.

TRY BOTH DALY AND FINCH THIS MONTH

James A. Finch and Harry Daly, both indicted yesterday on the charge of murder, will be called on to plead before Judge Gantenbein in the circuit court tomorrow morning. There seems little doubt that both will be tried during the December term of court, with the Daly case first. Harry Kenny was shot by Daly several days before Finch shot Ralph B. Fisher, and this is expected to give him preference in selecting an early date of trial.

Another Coeur d'Alene Strike.

Dr. P. L. Austin, president Potlatch Mining company called on to plead before the city yesterday to visit the company's mines, as the result of word from their engineer that he had opened up good ore in tunnels Nos. 1 and 5, and in several places on the surface.

Breakwater From Ainsworth Dock.

CLAIM FEES IN SPITE OF CHIEF

Policemen Ask Witness Fees for Being in Court but Commissioners Object.

Although the county court made an order about two weeks ago directing the county auditor to refuse to allow any claims for fees by policemen who are called as witnesses in the circuit court, the bluecoats continue to file their claims. Whether this is by order of the chief of police, in the hope that the fees may some day be collected for the benefit of the police relief fund, it is not known, but the officers appear to regard the claiming of fees as almost a religious duty.

Chief Gritzmacher some time ago caused a stir by fining several detectives and star wearers who had collected fees and put them in their respective pockets. The regulations of the department required that such fees should not be for the personal benefit of the policemen but should be deposited for the relief fund. But the county commissioners take the view that the officers are not entitled to compensation beyond their salaries for any purpose, and County Auditor Branch has instructions to cut out all the police claimants.

PASSES ISSUED FOR THE NEW YEAR

Annual passes for the year 1909 are being issued by the railroads centering in Portland, and in spite of the fact that the interstate commerce law knocked a lot of people out of free rides, there are still a few favored ones who will travel next year without paying fare. For instance, the number of those who will get animals over the Harriman lines centering here will be about 2000. The North Bank, being a comparatively new road with shorter mileage and fewer connections, will only issue 400 or 500 annuals for the season of 1909.

There are two lists on the pass roll of the big railroads now—employees and exchange. All the important employees of the roads get passes over their own line and there are hundreds of claim agents and right of way men who receive annuals. The smaller list goes to officials of rival or competing roads and includes the general officers, and most of their important assistants.

So the little oblong pieces of pasteboard with the nice engraving on them haven't gone entirely out of fashion.

Only One "BROMO QUININE"

That is LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for the signature of E. W. Gow. Used the World over to Cure a Cold in One Day. 25c.

When Everything Drags.

Everything drags when the nerves are down and out. Serrine Pills put the nerves where they belong. \$1 a box, 5 boxes for \$5. Address or call the J. A. Clemenson Drug Co., corner Second and Yamhill streets, Portland, Or. The store that sells "Rum and Pine," the greatest cough remedy.

Spectacles \$1 at Metzger's.

THIS... is the trademark which is on every genuine bottle of Scott's Emulsion sold in nearly all the countries of the world. Nothing equals it to build up the weak and wasted bodies of young and old. ALL DRUGGISTS Send this ad., four cents for postage, mentioning this paper, and we will send you a "Complete Handy Atlas of the World." SCOTT & BOWNE, 409 Pearl St., N. Y.

BUY YOUR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Now at the GREAT SACRIFICE SALE of R. M. GRAY'S choice furnishing goods stock now on display at the MOYER. You will SAVE ONE-QUARTER to ONE-THIRD. Read the following list carefully. Every item is a bargain.

Manhattan Shirts

Full Dress, Plain White and Colored Manhattans, in soft, pleated and stiff bosoms.

- \$1.50 Manhattans \$1.15
- \$2.00 Manhattans \$1.45
- \$2.50 Manhattans \$1.65
- \$3.00 Manhattans \$1.95
- \$3.50 Manhattans \$2.15
- \$4.00 Manhattans \$2.65

Men's Neckwear

- 50c and 75c Neckwear 39c
- \$1.00 Neckwear 65c
- \$1.50 Neckwear 95c
- \$2.00 Neckwear \$1.35
- \$2.50 Imported \$1.65
- \$3.00 Imported \$1.95

Fancy Vests

Silk Mixtures, French Flannels and Wash Vests

- \$3.00 Vest \$1.95
- \$3.50 Vest \$2.25
- \$4.00 Vest \$2.65
- \$5.00 Vest \$3.35
- \$6.00 Vest \$4.25
- \$7.00 Vest \$4.65
- \$7.50 Vest \$4.95
- \$10.00 Vest \$6.95
- \$15.00 Vest \$9.00

Men's Handkerchiefs

Fine French Linen and Plain and Fancy Silk Handkerchiefs, wide and narrow borders.

- 25c and 35c Linens 19c
- 50c and 75c Linens 39c
- \$1.00 Linens and Silks 65c
- \$1.50 Linens and Silks 95c

SUITCASES, GRIPS, TRAVELING BAGS

ONE QUARTER OFF E. & W. Collars \$2.00 Per Doz.

Men's Fine Hosiery

Lord & Taylor's Imported Half Hose, in cotton, lisle thread and pure silk.

- 12 1/2c Cotton \$ 1.3c
- 25c and 35c Cotton 19c
- 50c and 75c Lisle 39c
- \$1.00 Mercerized Lisle 65c
- \$1.50 Pure Silk 95c
- \$2.00 Silk \$1.35
- \$2.50 Silk \$1.65
- \$3.00 and \$3.50 Silk Hose \$1.95

Men's Suspenders

Lisle and Silk, Sterling Silver Buckles

- 50c and 75c Suspenders 39c
- \$1.00 Suspenders 65c
- \$1.50 Suspenders 95c
- \$2.00 and \$2.50 Suspenders \$1.65

Christmas Suspenders

IN INDIVIDUAL BOXES

- \$3.00 Suspenders \$1.95
- \$3.50 Suspenders \$2.25
- \$4.00 Suspenders \$2.75

Dress Mufflers

- \$1.50 Muffler 95c
- \$2.00 Muffler \$1.35
- \$2.50 Muffler \$1.65
- \$3.00 Muffler \$1.95
- \$5.00 Muffler \$3.45

Men's Fine Underwear

In Pure Silk, Silk and Wool Mixtures, All Wool, Linen Mesh and Balbriggan

WINTER WEIGHTS

- \$1.00 Wool Garments 65c
- \$1.50 All Wool Garments \$1.15
- \$1.75 All Wool Garments \$1.25
- \$2.00 All Wool Garments \$1.35
- \$2.50 Lambswool Garments \$1.65
- \$3.00 Silk and Wool Garments \$1.95
- \$3.50 Imported Wool \$2.15
- \$5.00 Silk and Wool \$3.35
- \$7.50 Pure Silk Underwear, per garment \$5.00

KNEIPP LINEN MESH

- \$3.50 Garments \$2.45
- \$7.00 Linen Union Suits \$4.95

Men's Hats

- \$4.00 Men's Hats \$2.75
- \$5.00 Men's Hats \$3.65
- \$6.00 Men's Hats \$4.25

HENRY HEATH—ENG.

- \$5.00 Imported Hats \$3.65
- KENSINGTON SPECIALS
- \$3.00 grade \$2.15
- \$2.00 Crushers \$1.25

OPERA AND SILK HATS

- Henry Heath English
- \$10.00 Imported Hat \$7.00
- \$ 8.50 Silk Opera Hat \$5.50

Dress Gloves

- \$2.50 Dents \$1.65
- \$2.75 Dents \$1.95
- \$2.50 Fownes \$1.65
- \$2.00 Fownes \$1.35
- \$3.00 Auto Gloves \$1.95
- \$5.00 Auto Gloves \$3.35

Men's Nightrobes

Pure Silk, Flannel and Muslin, with and without collars, white and fancy colors.

- \$1.00 Robes 65c
- \$1.25 Robes 85c
- \$1.50 Robes 95c
- \$2.00 Robes \$1.35
- \$3.50 French Flannel Robes \$2.25
- \$6.00 Pure Silk Robes \$4.00
- \$8.50 Pure Silk Robes \$5.50

Men's Pajamas

Pure Silk, Madras and Flannel, All Styles and Colors

- \$2.00 Suits \$1.25
- \$2.50 Suits \$1.65
- \$3.00 Suits \$1.85
- \$4.00 Suits \$2.75
- \$5.00 Suits \$3.35
- \$6.00 Pure Silk Suit \$4.25
- \$8.00 Pure Silk Suit \$5.50

MEN'S UMBRELLAS

ONE QUARTER OFF

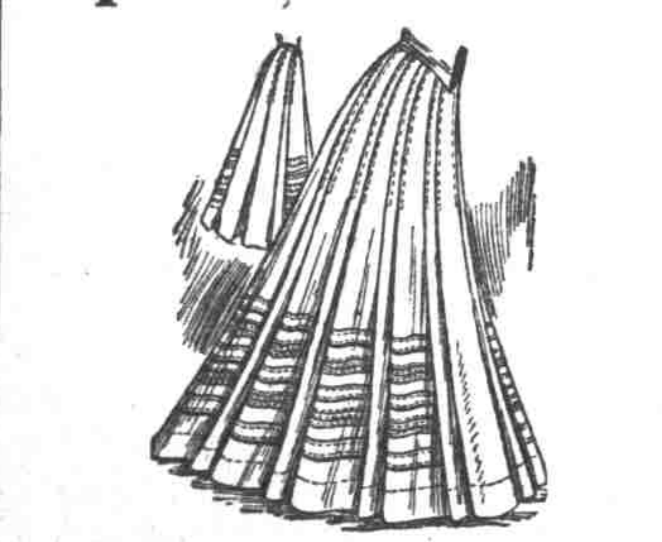
MOYER THIRD AND OAK

Prize Winners

The holders of the following numbers are invited to call and claim their property. Deliveries will be made at earliest convenience. Most of the winners are not personally known to us:

- No. 1756 wins the Axminster Rug.
- No. 1543 wins the Oak Table.
- No. 1679 wins the Grandfather Clock.
- No. 1644 wins the Parlor Lamp.
- No. 1874 wins Silk Petticoat. W. Ennis, 93 Tenth st.
- No. 1810 wins Hat. J. E. Leeson, 233 Knott st.
- No. 1658 wins Oak Rocker. Miss E. Goldblatt, 428 1/2 Tenth street.

Special Skirt Sale



A lot of ladies' skirts, made of high grade panamas and fancy materials, will be closed out Saturday afternoon at the uniform price of \$1.95. Colors are black, brown, gray and mixtures. You will find them great values.

\$8.50 Skirt Values Only \$1.95 ON SALE SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Long Coats and Furs

New arrivals in long, semi-fitting coats, black broadcloth and other materials. Also furs very moderately priced. You are welcome to credit in this department as well as other sections of the store. All costumes and silk dresses will be closed out at half price.

Tag Out for Christmas

We Trust the People. Our Easy Payment System Is a Great Convenience

You Do Not Need Much Money to Outfit at Gevurtz'

We charge you no interest on time accounts, no exacting conditions, just a plain everyday trade transaction. At the time you take the suit, you make a small deposit, then pay

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No better goods are sold in Portland, for we carry the celebrated Schloss Bros.' make, recognized everywhere as standard goods—first-class materials and high-class workmanship. Our store will be open evenings until after Christmas, making it convenient for you to call in and investigate. Ladies' ready-to-wear clothing on the same easy terms.

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