

UNFINISHED STILL.

A baby's boot and a skein of wool,
Faded and soiled and soft;
Old things, you say, and no doubt you're
right.
Round a seaman's neck this stormy night,
Up in the yards aloft.
Most like it's folly, but, mate look here!
When I first went to sea,
A woman stood on the far off strand,
With a wedding-ring on the small, soft hand
Which clung so close to me.
My wife! God bless her! The day before
She sat beside my foot;
and the sunlight kissed her yellow hair,
And the dainty fingers, soft and fair,
Knit a baby's boot.
The voyage was over; I came ashore:
What, think you, found I there?
A grave the daisies had sprinkled white,
A cottage empty and dark at night,
And this beside the chair.

CRUSADERS ARRESTED.

About 10:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, fifteen ladies belonging to the Union Temperance League, appeared before the saloon of Mr. Moffet, and forthwith began to sing and pray, as they had frequently done before. Scarce had the ladies halted on the sidewalk before an immense crowd collected about them. Hundreds caught the spirit of excitement and came pouring in from all directions. Three minutes from the time the ladies first made their appearance, at least one thousand persons had collected on the sidewalk and street. Mr. Moffet, the proprietor, soon made his appearance at the door of the saloon and, observing the tremendous jam of people and the prevailing degree of excitement, began to blow his whistle for the policemen. There were several officers among the crowd, who pressed their way towards the ladies to request them to desist. Just at that juncture Chief Lappens made his appearance, and perceiving the crowd and the prospects of a disturbance, made his way through the jam to the door of the saloon. Here he was accosted by the proprietor, who demanded in a loud voice that the women be dispersed. He said he was a taxpayer, and was justly entitled to the protection of the law. Only that morning he had paid the sum of \$100 as a license to sell liquor, and he had a perfect right to carry on his business, and did not desire to be annoyed and harassed by their frequent and persistent visits. As a citizen entitled to the protection of the law he demanded that the police cause the ladies to retire from the sidewalk in front of his place of business, and to disperse the crowd at once.

Chief Lappens then approached the ladies and asked them to withdraw immediately. He said their presence was not desirable at that time nor place, that it was a source of great annoyance to the proprietor; if they persisted, a serious disturbance was imminent; an immense crowd had collected about them as they well knew, and if they desired to avoid serious trouble—perhaps bloodshed—he asked them, he even implored them to withdraw at once.

Several of the ladies responded by saying that they had their duty to perform in the matter; it was God's cause in which they were engaged; they had the consciousness of being right, and they could not disobey their plain convictions of duty; in short, they positively declined to leave. When still further urged by Lappens to retire, the ladies maintained that they had a right to occupy the sidewalk, and for that as well as other reasons, declined to obey the orders of the officer. Finding all persuasion and remonstrances futile, Lappens then told them that if they still persisted in their obstinate course he should be compelled as an officer of the law to perform a very unpleasant and disagreeable duty, by placing them all under arrest. To this the ladies signified a perfect willingness to accompany the officer to the jail. If the penalty of disobedience to the wishes of the officer was imprisonment, then they would gladly accept the situation, as they preferred to be arrested rather than swerve an inch from the straight path of duty.

Such being their express determination, the Chief told them he should arrest them for disorderly conduct and for creating a disturbance on the streets. Without a word or show of resistance, the ladies followed the officer down first street, An immense crowd followed.

Arriving at the corner of Alder and First streets Lappens halted, and addressing the ladies again asked them to go quietly home, as he did not desire to be forced to take them to jail. He promised to release them at once if they would promise to dis-

perse and not appear on the streets again that day. But they would not make any promises, reiterating that they had a duty to discharge, and they intended to perform it regardless of consequences. While they were speaking and the Chief was urging them to disperse, several started up street, evidently with the intention of returning to Moffet's saloon to renew devotional exercises. Perceiving that all persuasions were of no avail, Lappens told them they would have to proceed to jail. Unhesitatingly the ladies, to the number of 15, started for jail, headed by Chief Lappens, and closely followed by several hundred persons.

News of the arrest was communicated with the speed of wild fire, and crowds of persons were seen pressing their way towards the city jail from all directions so that by the time the ladies arrived over 500 were assembled along the street and sidewalk in front of the building. Arriving at the foot of the stairs leading up into the court room, the ladies filed up with a slow, unfaltering tread. When within a few yards from the foot of the stairs, a religious hymn was started by one of the ladies and heartily joined in by the entire delegation. At the request of Lappens, the ladies marched into the Court room and seated themselves.

A grand rush was made by the crowd to gain admittance to the building, but the design was promptly thwarted by the doors being closed, locked, and an officer stationed in front. The crowd was then requested to disperse, but they did not obey the order, and remained about the building several hours, awaiting the result of the novel proceeding.

The following are the names of the ladies placed under arrest: Mrs. Rachel Clark, Mrs. H. V. Stutz, Mrs. Wm. Bond, Mrs. Catherine Sparks, Mrs. L. A. Mitchell, Miss Jennie Humphreys, Mrs. Helen Sparrow, Mrs. E. C. Hall, Mrs. J. Ritter, Mrs. Jane Pierpont, Mrs. Laura Turner, Miss Mary E. Sunderland, Mrs. L. B. Fletcher, Mrs. M. Quackenbush, Mrs. Mary A. Mitchell.

For several hours after being arrested, these ladies continued to sing and pray, as though nothing had occurred. The husbands, brothers, and fathers of many of these ladies, hearing of the arrest, presented themselves at the jail in an excited state of mind and offered to go bail, but the ladies without an exception, declined to accept such services. Chief Lappens, by this time becoming pretty well convinced that he had "caught a large elephant," offered to allow the ladies to depart, on their own recognizances, only asking that they make an appearance this morning, and meantime refrain from visiting the saloons. But they firmly declined to accept freedom on such conditions.

Judge Deady at first concluded to postpone the consideration of the question until this morning, as Court had adjourned previous to the arrest. But so much excitement had been created over the matter, and so much interest felt in the result of the "test case," and the building was fairly besieged by eager crowds of friends, sympathizers, and those who felt no immediate concern in the affair, or were disposed to regard the arrest with scorn and derision, it was determined to proceed to the disposal of the question at once. City Attorney Mulkey was hunted up, and the Court called to order. The defendants were then arraigned on the charge for which they were arrested.

The charge was for "willfully and unlawfully conducting themselves in a disorderly manner by singing and praying on the sidewalk, on First street, whereby the peace and quiet of the city was disturbed." Mr. C. W. Parrish appeared for the defendants. He filed a general demurra and took the ground that "singing and praying" was a devotional exercise, and that every person was at liberty, under the Constitution of the United States "to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience," and that the complaint, upon its face, alleged a statement of facts that could not amount to disorderly conduct.

The Court promptly sustained the demurra and discharged the defendants. As they were passing out of the building, each lady shook the hand of Chief Lappens in a very cordial manner, and fervently invoked the blessing of Heaven on his head. Then they filed up to the Taylor street Church, where prayer meeting was being held. After praying and singing for about three quarters of an hour, they visited several other drinking resorts during the afternoon.—*Oregonian*.

Origin of "Printer's Devil."

When Aldus Manutius set up in business as a printer in Venice he was in possession of a little negro boy. This boy was soon known all over the city as "the little black devil," for at that time negroes were not often seen in Venice, and some of the most ignorant people believed him to be either an embodiment or an emissary of Satan, who aided Aldus in the work of his profession. One day Manutius, desirous to dispel this strange and growing opinion, displayed the young imp publicly to the poorer classes, making this short but characteristic speech: "Be it known, to you all to and at Venice, that I, Aldus Manutius, printer to the holy church, and the Dodge, have this day made exposure to all of the printer's devil. And if any think he is not like us, flesh and blood, they may come and pinch him, and they will find that, though he is black, he is human."

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