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PROHIBITION" FALLACY AND FAX. ATICISM.

It is known to many, perhaps, that the Toledo Blade is the organ of the "Prohi-bition party" in Obio and the champion of that delusion.

In a labored article by a pseudonymou or bons fide "D. R. Locke" in its issue of May 26th in favor of the "Prohibition of the manufacture, sale and use of spiritnous liquors by law," but which should have been entitled "A Lecture on Temperance," the writer unwittingly abandous the issue between true temperance people and prohibitionists, and actually spikes every prohibition gun, in the following candid but suicidal statement :

"NO LAW CAN PROHIBIT ITS USE; ALL THAT LAWS CAN DO IS TO DECLARE DIS SALE ILLEGAL."

Again, "THAT LIQUOR WILL BE MANU-FACTURED, SOLD AND DRANK, DESPITE PRO-HIRITORY LAWS, THERE CAN BE NO QUES-TION.

Now what in the name of common sense, to say nothing of reason and logic, is the use of wasting time to prove what they so candidly admit, and what every man of sound mind knows to be true? Whenever the allegations of one party are fully admitted by the other, there is no issue, and judgment is always entered against them by every civilized court of justice, and the case dismissed from further hearing. But in order to have the utter inconsistency and fallacy of their positions before the mind, I quote again.

Of the "manufacture, sale and use of liquors," he says: "It is the greatest curse that afflicts humanity, the one curse that includes all others."

And again, "No human being ever took or can take a drop of spirituous liquors into the system without incurring great

All of these silly utterances only exhibit the wild and foolish sentimentalisms of an enthusiast or fanatic, and are isms of an enthusiast or fanatic, and are not the practical conclusions of a cool headed statesman or philosopher. By natural classification they belong to the same school of extremists as the great "Hygienic Reformer," who publicly de-clared in The Dalles some years ago, that he could prove that hog-meat was the "forbidden fruit," as it was the great-est curse that afflicts humanity, the one curse that includes all others 1 ! curse that includes all others []

If I remember correctly, his great rem-edy was to "prohibit the manufacture, sale and use of hog-meat by law," and to substitute goose grease and coon fat. I trust that it will be remembered that

the issue between real temperance peo-ple and political prohibitionists is NOT as to the evils of intemperance, but as to the only sensible and practical remedy for them.

In order that the people may under-stand the tendency and fallacy of their demands, and the issue they are making with truth, science and natural law, and the poke they would place upon others, and the infidelity into which they would force those who really believe in the life and practice of Christ, as well as the one horn or the other of infidelity or hypocrisy on which they are determined to impale themselves, permit me to submit to them

XVII.-That the common sense, natural and only practical remedy for excessive eating, is the only common sense, natural remedy for excessive drinking, and the

remedy for excessive drinking, and the same remedy for excessive eating and drinking is the only practical remedy for the excessive or abasive use of the tongue, the hands or the genital organs. XVIII.—That the adaptable, natural and moderate use of every organ and function of man, and every element and product of nature, is both monr and goop and to rashly assert the contrary, is to dispute the wisdom of their "Creator," dispute the wisdom of their "Creator," to "charge God with foolishness" and to

write himself a fanatic. XIX.—That the only legiticiate busi-ness of legislation, is to inflict certain and proportionate penalties upon all crimes resulting from the excessive and wrong use of any and every organic function of the human body and of every product of nature.

XX .- That the remedy for the crimes and evils resulting from the excessive or wrong use of ANY of the aforesaid natural products, is nor in the prohibition of their manufacture and use, but in the same

XXI.-That the prohibition by law of the manufacture, sale and use of wines and liquors, is as tyranical and as destructive of the rights of man and as counter to the laws of nature and of God, as the prohibition by law of the manufacture and use of any other natural pro-duct, or any of the functions of man.

XXII .- That it is bald sectarian fanaticism and blasphemy, to call into requi-sition the strong arm of "Cæsar" in the name of God, of Christ or of religion, in order to enforce any of their "laws," or to bind burdens, yokes or pokes upon the

necks of the people. XXIII.-That the greatest outrages and the most grievous wrongs ever inflicted upon long suffering humanity have been done under the wicked assumption of "The Divine Rights of Kings and Priests" and that it was their "right and A clerk in the war department recently duty" to bind heavy burdens and galling pokes upon others "in order to save them."

XXIV .- That the honest and good

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a soul no bigger than a huckleberry. I dyed my mustache and put on my dress suit and my \$20,000 diamond bosom pin and called to see him. A fine specimen he is to represent wealth and culture! I don't believe his clothes cost more than \$20 a wit \$20 a suit.

"I suppose I ought to call on the Queen" says I.

"He didn't say anything, and I continued : "Would you mind introducing me?" "Really, Mr. Doty,"said he, "I do not feel like presenting an entire stranger to her majesty."

"Oh, you needn't be scared," says I, "for I carry as big a letter of credit as any American in London, and when it comes to culture and that sort of thing, I can knock the socks off any of your lords and Invalid's Hotel ISurgical Institute

"Well, will you believe it, he had the impodence to shove a printed list of questions at me!

"You will have to answer these on oath before I can tell you whether I can present you to her majesty," says he. "I was as mad as a Texas steer. Here

remedies we have for the crimes and evils which result from the wrong use of the tongue and the hands, or of guns and fire. The total sector. There have a grandfather, and if so what was his vocation?" "Have you contracted the tooth-brush habit?" "Are you abdicted to the use of the double negative?" ".spell phthisis, strychnine and pneumonia Fine questions these to put to a gentleman with or without worth a cool million. I told him to go to -with his Queen, and I'm gong to have my private secretary write a letter to the president complaining of Phelps and demanding that he be discharged."-

[Chicago News. ALL SORTS OF ITEMS.

There is one road that apparently doesn't lead to Rome. It is the one that Dr. McGlynn is traveling on .- [Puck.

Mrs. Cleveland caught two fish last

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a few simple axiomatic propositions. I will make them as clear-cut as possi-

ble, so that a wayfaring man, though a "political prohibitionist," need not err in understanding them. Of their truth, I challenge the successful contradiction of any of their false guides and in the emphatic words of the Arabian sage I will say, "Gird up your loin now like a man for I will demand of you and answer thou Knowing whereof I affirm I un hesitatingly submit the following axiomatic statements of natural law, of science and of "divine truth" :

I .- That every element and product of nature, and every organ and function of the mind and body of man, when used according to the natural law of moderation and the law of its adaptation, is good AND TENDS TO LIFE.

II.-That the RIGHT USE OF EVERY THING that "God has created" is always good, and never an evil; while the wRONG use of every thing upon the earth is always injurious and evil. III.-That there is no "evil" nor "sin,"

and can be none, except in the wrong or excessive use of that which is good ; while good and happiness can only be the re-sult of acting in harmony with the natural laws, or "the laws of God."

IV .- That the only intoxicating part of any distilled or fermented liquor is alcohol, of which all genuine wine contains from 15 to 25 per cent., the larger part of all wines and liquors being water. V.—That alcohol being originally ob-

tained from wine, it was formerly called 'spirits of wine."

VI .- That "the Savior" manufactured at one time "six water pots, holding two or three firkins apiece" of GENUINE WINE, or else he did not perform a "miracle" at all, but a very successful deception upon the marriage company, who were so "well drunken" that they believed it to be the 'best of wine"!

VII -That if it was genuine wine the Savior manufactured, it actually contained from 15 to 25 per cent. of alcohol, and was just that sort of alcohol on which men, then, as now, became "drunk with new wine" and other liquors.

VIII. - That as Christ "came eating and deinking," so that Pharisees piously denominated him then as a "wine-bibber," they are now compelled to impale them-selves on one or the other of the two horns of their own dilemma.

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people of every nation in the history of governments have been oppressed and injured more by the over legislation of despots great and small, of sectarians, and of ignorant and foolish men, than they have ever been benefited by legitimate legislation.

XXV .- That the natural, ultimate and only remedy for the evils resulting from the wrong use of natural products and of natural faculties, is EDUCATION; educa-tion in which true philosophy and science shall instruct the mind that the wrong use of EVERYTHING is injurious and evil and always tends to misery and death; while the right use and the temperate use, (which is the ONLY natural use) is always good and tends to happiness and

XXVI.-Tnat the natural remedy of the people against the evils and plague of political and fanatical reformers in religion, hygiene and temperance, is nor in the "prohibition of their manufacture and use," but in frigidly letting them alone, giving them no support, "no not even to eat them," while the remedy for the over legislation of prohibition and secttarian extremists, is not found in the "prohibition of their manufacture and sale," but in electing them to the humblest and most retired walks of private

life. Until these impregnable pillars of natural law and scientific truth are over-thrown, and the laws of God and nature shall change the people can safely build upon them, knowing that neither the "gates of hell" nor the wild exaggerations of political prohibitionists or fanatics can never prevail against them.

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IN GREAT LUCK.

One Bohemian meeting another dressed in black, remarked :

"Well, what's up now ?"

Don't you know? We've just buried poor B-," also a Bohemian. "You don't mean to say he's dead?

Well, he's in luck."-[The Judge.

M. A. Swift of Derby, who was mar-ried Wednesday to Miss Clara J. Tufts of South Norwalk, is past seventy years of age. Mr. Swift's grandfather was married when seventy-ono years old and his father was seventy-one when he married. Evidently it runs in the family .- [Waterbury, Conn., American.

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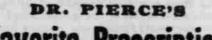
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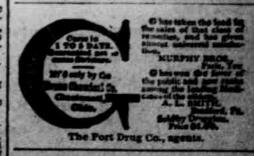


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