

A POOR WAYFARING MAN

Old Hymn.

A poor wayfaring man of grief
Hath often crossed me on my way,
Who sued so humbly for relief
That I could never answer nay.
I had not power to ask his name,
Whither he went or whence he came;
But there was something in his eye
That won my love, I know not why.
Once, when my scanty meal was spread,
He entered, not a word he spake;
Just perishing for lack of bread,
I gave him all, he blest and brake;
And ate, but gave me part again,
Mine was an angel's portion then,
For while I fed with eager haste
The crust was manna to my taste.
I spied him where a fountain burst
Clear from the rock, his strength was gone,
The heedless water mocked his thirst,
He heard it, saw it hurrying on.
I ran and raised the sufferer up,
Thrice from the stream he drained
My cup,
Dipped and returned it running o'er,
I drank and never thirsted more.
'Twas night, the floods were out, it blew
A wintry hurricane aloof;
I heard his voice abroad and flew
To bid him welcome to my roof.
I warmed, I clothed my guest,
Laid him on my own couch to rest.
Then made the earth my bed and seemed
In Eden's garden while I dreamed.
Stripped, wounded, beaten nigh to death
I found him on the highway side;
I roused his pulse, brought back his
breath,
Revived his spirit and supplied
Wine, oil, refreshment, he was healed,
I had myself, a wound concealed,
But from that hour forgot the smart,
And peace bound up my broken heart.
In prison I saw him next condemned
To meet a traitor's doom at morn;
The tide of lying tongues I stemmed,
And honored him midst shame and
scorn.
My friendship's utmost zeal to try,
He asked if I for him would die?
My flesh was weak, my blood ran chill,
But my free spirit cried: "I will!"
Then in a moment to my view
The stranger started from disguise,
The tokens in his hands I knew,
My Saviour stood before my eyes.
He spake and my poor name he named,
"Of me thou hast not been ashamed,
These deeds shall thy memorial be,
Fear not, thou didst them unto me!"

TO MAKE OREGON DRY IN 1914

Anti-Saloon League of America Reorganized And Will Help Oregon Organization

Westerville, Ohio, March 15.—The Anti-Saloon League of America, whose headquarters and general publishing house is in this city, has determined to throw the whole power of its organization to the assistance of the Anti-Saloon League of Oregon and the other organizations co-operating with it for a dry Oregon this year.

At the recent national convention of the League held at Columbus, Ohio, that body was completely reorganized. Prior to that, the national body was a loose federation of state Leagues without much control over local organizations. The reorganized body is a compact machine, in which all of the state organizations become departments of the national organization. This reorganization becomes effective on June 1. The country is divided into sixteen districts, at the head of each of which is a representative and member of the national board of trustees. The member of the national board from the far Northwest is Hon. Fletcher Holman, of Salem, Oregon.

The heads of the Oregon state department of the League are Rev. J. H. Bennett, president, and Hon. H. L. Sheldon, superintendent. The offices of the state are located in the Stock Exchange Building, Portland, Oregon.

The second week in April, the advance guard of the national spellbinders will enter the state

and conduct the preliminary series of rallies. The preliminary campaign will be opened by the strongest speakers at the command of the national organization. There are several ex-governors and orators of international fame. Among them are such men as Hon. Malcolm R. Patterson, ex-governor of Tennessee, ex-congressman and one of the foremost orators of the entire South. Twice was Mr. Patterson elected governor of his own state and, until some months ago, he was the strongest advocate of the licensed saloon in America. He vetoed Prohibition bills that had passed the Tennessee legislature, pardoned convicted liquor dealers by the wholesale and spoke on the platform in defense of the trade. Some months ago, he was converted and joined the Presbyterian church in his home city of Memphis. Shortly afterwards, he reversed his position on the liquor question and has since fought for Prohibition of the liquor traffic with greater fury than he formerly supported it.

Ex-Governor Robert B. Glenn, of North Carolina, is another of the "governors" who will speak in behalf of a dry Oregon. Hon. John G. Woolley, at one time candidate for president on the Prohibition ticket, will be another of the "big guns" that will take part in the Oregon fight. Others who will come to Oregon to take a hand in the fracas for the national organization are Rev. Dr. Purley A. Baker, general superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League; Rev. George W. Morrow, of Michigan; Rev. Sam Small, of Georgia; Ernest H. Cherrington, general manager of the publishing interests of the Anti-Saloon League of America; Dr. Howard H. Russell, founder of the original Anti-Saloon organization; Rev. Edwin C. Dinwiddie, legislative superintendent of the League, Washington, D. C.; William E. Johnson, formerly chief officer of the United States Indian Service, now editor of the New Republic and managing editor of the thirty odd periodicals of the League; and the famous baritone singer, A. M. Thatcher, of Chicago.

Because of the importance of carrying such states as Washington, Oregon and California, League leaders will use every effort to make these states dry. They declare the whole country west of the Mississippi river is ripe for Prohibition. The opening of the Panama Canal, with the prospect of great increase of foreign population, makes it imperative, in the minds of League men, to vote the West dry now.

The second week in April, the advance squad of national orators will strike Oregon, and for a week the liquor interests will be chastised in as vigorous English as the dictionary has words for. Ex-Governor Patterson and Dr. Purley A. Baker will begin their speaking tour at Ashland, April 9. Their other dates are: April 10, Eugene; April 12, Portland; April 13, Oregon City; April 14, Astoria.

Hon. John G. Woolley and George W. Morrow speak at but three places: April 9, Corvallis; April 10, Grants Pass; April 11, at some point yet undetermined.

Dr. Howard H. Russell, founder of the League, accompanied by Prof. Thatcher, will speak at St. Johns, April 8; April 9, Albany; April 10, Roseburg, and at some point on April 11.

Rev. Sam Small, the famous Georgia evangelist, enters the state with a series of dates be-

ginning at Baker City on April 8 and ending at Medford, April 21.

An elaborate literature campaign is being planned on the part of the national organization. It is expected that headquarters will be opened, probably at Portland or Seattle. The details of this are not finally determined. The present plan is that the literature campaign will be managed by William E. Johnson, who acquired the sobriquet of "Pussy-foot" during his five years' service as chief of the United States Indian Service for the suppression of the liquor traffic among Indians, and who is well known in the Indian sections of the Northwest.

The theory of this sort of thing is that when any state is engaged in a contest for statewide Prohibition, all of the other states, acting through the national organization, come to the rescue and focus the energies of the temperance forces of the nation upon the particular state in question.

Infernal Machine Exposed By Flood

Sanger, California, February 3.—An intricate infernal machine which, if loaded with nitroglycerine and discharged, could have done inestimable damage, was found in the flotsam deposited near this city by the recent flood. The machine consists of a clock-like arrangement attached to a brass cylinder. It is inclosed in a glass case. This instrument of destruction is now in the hands of Constable Campbell and will be turned over to Government officials.—Fresno HERALD.

This dangerous instrument is a Friez automatic river gage which has been faithfully recording the ups and downs of Kings River for nearly 11 years for the United States Geological Survey. The recent flood exceeded by 6 feet the maximum recorded stage for the past 18 years and swept the gage away from its mooring.

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