

TEMPERANCE COLUMN.

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The following extract from an address of Mary F. Lathrap has been contributed to our column by a prominent citizen of Albany, which he fully endorses. We gladly give it place.

THE APPEAL OF WOMANHOOD.

I do not know what you may think of the woman's crusade, but let me say, as a woman who stood inside it, that the womanhood of this nation never had such a tribute at the feet of its manhood. If you want to find out what a boy is worth, go and ask his mother. By the time she goes into the jaws of death to give him birth, and then puts into him her days of love and nights of cares, and he stands before her strong and clean and tall at twenty-one, she can tell you what he is worth from the crown of his head to the soles of his feet; and when the legalized druggist-shop takes hold of him and tears him down, fiber by fiber, and puts oaths on the lips she used to kiss, and crushes out his mother's hopes, it is no wonder she makes outcry. If you want to know what a home is worth, go and ask a loving woman who has kept herself as pure as God's lilies for her marriage day, when, with a great shine in her eyes, she puts herself over into the hands of one man, for better or for worse, for richer or for poorer, until life's end. And when the druggist-shop with its fearful curse crosses the threshold of the home they built together, and takes down her strong tower of hope, stone by stone, and degrades the father of her children, it is no wonder woman makes outcry.

What was the woman's crusade? It was a long-smothered sob breaking into a cry; it was a midnight prayer coming abroad at noonday. You men sometimes say to us, as we stand in places like this, "Home is your kingdom." We do not dispute it; we know it better than you know it; but it was our kingdom that was outraged. You say to us, standing in the ballot-box and in political organizations, you have made no protest. Oh! men, I do not believe a civilization is worth much that cannot protect its women and babies. And grand as you are and strong as you are and true as you are, you will never be able to protect your women and your children and the druggist-shop at the same time. Oh! in shame, in very shame, either get up and strike down this enemy of the home and of wifehood and of childhood, or else put the ballot into the hand of your woman for their own protection.

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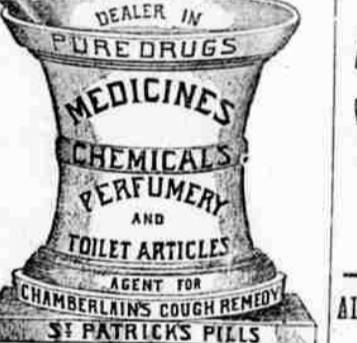
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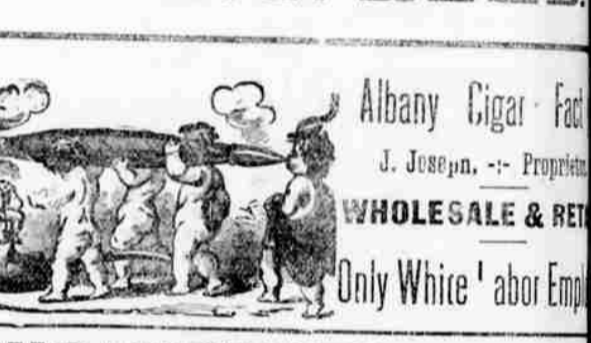
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