

"Under the present law (county prohibition) the raison, where the traffic could be regulated, has given way to the drugstore, where minors and undestrables obtain all the whisky they want. The liquor business should be conducted open and above board, and not over the bars of secret dems." REV. FATHER T. J. RYAN, Pontlac, Mich.

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\* "I cannot see the benefits to be derived from compulsory timence." BISHOP GRAFTON, of Wisconsin. abatinence." \*

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"Absolute prohibition has proven impracticable, if not a dismal failure." , THE RIGHT REV. THOMAS F. LILLIS, Bishop of Leavenworth, Kansas.

"The use of alcoholic liquors is and always has been con-The use of alcoholic industry is and always has been con-sidered not only lexitimate as a beverage, but it is conse-erated and hallowed in the most solemn and weighty rite of the Christing Church. You cannot, by mere law, eradicate a sentiment and destroy an institution that has stood for ages and that is so deeply rooted in our social life." REV. W. A. WASSON, New York.

"Everyone knows that there are many saloons that are perfectly orderly and law-abiding. Have I, as a minister, any more right to interfere with the business of such a place than the saloonkeeper would have to disturb the peace of chile at worship my congregation while at worship?" VERY REV. D. D. J. HARTLEY, Little Rock, Ark.

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"I consider prohibition wrong because it is destructive." BISHOP CHARLES D. WILLIAMS, Michigan.

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"The establishment of prohibition would be impractical and would put a premium on the sale of intoxicating drinks," CARDINAL GIBBONS,

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"Prohibition drives underground the mischlef which is is to cure." BISHOP HALL, Vermont. seeks to cure."

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"It is a rude interference with the personal liberty for the law to tell me what I shall eat or how guch I shall eat. It is just as rude an interference for it to describe what shall or shall not drink, and how much." REV. DR. CHAS PARKHURST, New York.

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"My eyes were opened to the great evils of prohibition in a very few years. The clubs organized by young men, the selling of vile decoctions by women and children, the bypocrisy and corruption arrented my attention." REV, DR, BLANCHARD, Portland, Me.

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"Many people thought state-wide prohibition to be the ideal remedy. It is impractical, and its violation is pro-ductive of hidden and shameful vice," BISHOP GAILOR, Tennessee,

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to be expected. Poverty, political oppression and religious prosecution are, historically, the stimulants of emigration. Except in the case of the Jews of Eastern Europe the latter factor has ceased to be operative. Nor is an increase of political oppression likely to occur. If the war produces any political effect it will be in the direction of more democratic liberty.

The factor of poverty will remain and be intensified for the time. Whichever side "wins" the destruction of wealth will have been enormous. The life of the common man will be harder and he will be more inclined to take "hazard of new fortunes" in lands over which the destructive broom of war has not passed. Mr. Sullivan estimated an immi-

gration of at least 1,000,000 immedintely following the end of the war, and largely from Germany.

Wherever in Europe the immigrants come from they will be welcomed by all right thinking Americans. None will be more welcome than those from Germany.

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They will not add to our problem of illiteracy nor swell the ranks of "unskilled" labor. No people in Europe are better schooled. None show a higher average of skill in the arts and crafts. Abraham Lincoln, long ago, declared every able-bodied immigrant worth at least \$1900 to this country. An addition of 1,000,000 trained and educated workers thus means, at the lowest estimate, \$1,-000,000,000 added to our national resources.

Quick Work in Fire Protection. In reviewing the fire protection work of the past season, the District Forester at Portland, Oregon, announces that some very effcient and speedy records have been made in reaching fires.

Perhaps the most striking instance of this speedy work occurred at a ranger station three-eights of a mile from Silver Lake, Oregon. ranger received a telephone call to the effect that there was a fire at a mill twelve miles away. He immediately saddled his horse, rode into town, hired ten men and three automobiles, and with this force reached the fire in just forty-eight minutes from the time he received the telephone call. The run from Silver phone call. The run from Silver Lake to the scene of the fire, tweive miles away, was made in twentyeight mimnutes.

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