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## The Commoner

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A Woman's Drink-

Everybody's Drink

A TOTAL ABSTINENCE BONUS "A' Chester county (Pennsylvania) quartz concern has instituted a unique plan of offering to increase by ten per cent the pay of every employee who totally abstains from intoxicating liquors. Of course there will those spring up to oppose such an innovation, for if this plan should become quite general it would be one of the severest blows that has yet been struck this giant evil. Mr. John M. Glenn, secretary of the Illinois manufacturers' association; pooh-poohed the idea in the following words:

"When Jesus Christ was on earth he did not advocate paying people for doing the right thing, and he did not advocate trying to control the ing experiment and we trust it will habits and dispositions of men by passing laws. A man is entitled to no credit for being honest. It is his duty to be honest and his duty to do the right thing."

Of course Mr. Glenn is not arguing. He is simply trying to cover up his prejudice by a semblance of reason. We have long since concluded that when anyone drags a reference to Christ into his plea for the saloon, or any other evil, his words are hardly worth reading. A certain union labor leader in Chicago also opposes the scheme, suggesting as a substitute that the hours of labor be reduced rather than the wages increased. But even that is not to the point. This quartz concern has hit. upon a splendid plan and the question can well be asked, Why should they not be permitted to do as they please in regard to their pay so long as their action is in keeping with the requirements of law and public sentiment? They are but following the

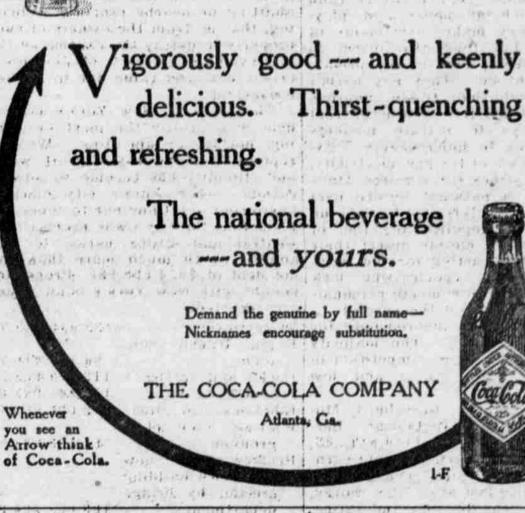
Grandmother Didn't Know A good cook? Certainly, but she couldn't have cooked the Indian Corn, rolled and toasted it to a crisp brown, wafer-thin flakes, as we do in preparing diada en hattagen mari en 5 1rd 23 6 m224 410 ---

lead of some of our large life insurance companies who find it possible to issue special policies at reduced rates to applicants who totally abstain from the use of liquors. They find these applicants better risks for that very reason.

It is too late in the day for men to arise and declare that, other things being equal, total abstainers have a larger capacity for work, both mental and physical, than those who indulge in intoxicants. This question has been thoroughly disposed of in favor of temperance. If the managers of this quartz concern have discovered that they lose nothing by this increase, that a man who does not drink is ten per cent better than one who does, it is reasonable to expect that managers of other works requiring skilled labor will come to the same conclusion. It is an interestbe given abundant opportunity to prove the wisdom of its adoption .---Northwestern, Christian Advocate. man of marie grow at the

**GOVERNOR GLYNN OF NEW YORK** The following special staff correspondence from Albany, New York, appeared in a recent issue of New Crleans States: "New York is discovering, to its surprise, that it has a governor in its \$40,000,000 state house. "And this same governor is a successful, practical joke on Tammany hall. to be south that - to grade produce that "Out of the storm of Sulzer's impeachment and removal eame the still, small voice of a shrewd little Irishman named Martin H. Glynn, lieutenant governor and editor of the Albany Times-Union, who had slipped, almost unnoticed, into Sulzer's place. Most persons supposed he'd do Tammany's bidding.

"'I am not a Tammany governor." he said quietly. 'Neither am I a Wilson governor. I am a Glynn governor. "I have just spent several hours watching Glynn governing. He does it in public, in the big reception room where Grover Cleveland and Theodore Roosevelt look down from their big gilt frames. "Politicians, lobbyists and business men throng the place. But none of them, nor Tammany either, find themselves overly popular with this little, bullet-headed, ruddy-faced, spectacled person who governs New York, m. was a selection "But they all come to Glynn." They've swallowed. Glynn's direct primaries bill, his non-partisan ballot bill and workmen's compensation bill, not to mention his non-Tammany nominees for fat offices. "' 'Mr. Governor,' I asked, 'how is it you're able to do what Sulzer couldn't do, what Dix didn't do, what was beyond the power of Hughes?' " 'There's no mystery about it,' he answered. 'I know what I want. I state my purpose to the public clearly. Then I call in the legislators and talk to them, man to man. I don't bulldoze them or use patronage as a club. I have got what I wanted by being firm and gentlemanly! Why shouldn't a 'reform governor' be a anybody. "'I was a progressive when I entered the legislature 17 years ago. When I was nominated and elected comptroller in 1906 I sent a lot of crooks to jail. But I didn't do any danger." shouting about it. of my hobbies. The bill we passed in December I wrote myself, on my dining-room table in the executive after night till 3 in the morning. I to be pursued is that of uniting upon wrote the direct primaries and ballot a single candidate. after night till 3 in the morning. I reform bifls, too."



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trolled. We must put the loan sharks out of business. We must run the state economically. We must eliminate crookedness in state contract work. I have a special investigator at work now, and if any prosecutor doesn't do his duty I'll fire him."

## THE PEOPLE AND THE SENATOR-SHIP 24 8

In an address before the Wilson-Bryan Demo ratic league of Illinois, Senator Owen dwelt on the fact that the Illinois primary law permitted a mere plurality nomination and said: "There being no preferential bailot gentleman? I have no quarrel with in Illinois, the progressive candidates, who in all probability will control over two-thirds of the democratic vote, are under the serious disadvantage of this plurality system and the senatorship itself will be in

If it is a case of Sullivan against "Workmen's compensation is one the field and the opposition to Sullivan is thoroughly unselfish and is able to control two-thirds of the vote there should be no doubt about the mansion, in conferences lasting night outcome. The very obvious method

"'Conservation. For one thing, we a nomination against a divided ma- Herald.

have enough available water power jority that will be because the opposin New York to turn every wheel in ing candidates were thinking more the state. The state should get busy of themselves than of their loudly proclaimed principles. If he should "'The 'dope. evil' must be con- receive a majority of the votes he would be the people's candidate just as surely as any other man who who should win under 'the same method of nomination.

Public speakers continue to talk in terms of machines and bosses, though the whole situation has changed since the change in the system of nominating and electing senators. Under the present laws Sullivan cannot be forced upon the people of Illinois. Even if his foes divide and so help him to the nomination, no machine can elect him to the United States senate. He must be elected by the people. If then his election is denounced as a "disgrace" to the people the accusation will have a new meaning. It was commonly used in the old days as a slap at the legislature which elected a candidate who was condemned on the theory that the legislature had betrayed the people. Now the responsibility for the disgrace will be up to the people themselves. This will change the tone of stump oratory, as the prators shrink from denouncing the people. Probably the way out of the difficulty will be to denounce the party under whose colors Sullivan cannot defeat the will of the disgrace is duly celebrated as the the people by himself. If he secures people's choice.—Chicago Record-