TEMPERANCE COLUMN.

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OLIVE BRANCH, NO. 2, PLATTSMOUTH:

Regular meetings every Tuesday evening. Traveling Templars respectfully invited.
PHIL BARNES, W. C. T.
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Meets on first and third Friday evening in each month.
F. M. LONSDALE, W. D. T.
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STAR OF HOPE LODGE No. 8, Mt. Pleasant holds regular meetings every Saturday evening.
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FAIRVIEW LODGE, No. 14, holds regular meetings every Tuesday evening. Traveling Templars respectfully invited.
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Correspondence for this column must be written plain and grammatically with ink, and on one side only of white paper. Let them be short and to the point.

TAKE MY HAND PAPA.—In the dead of the night I am frequently awakened by a little hand stealing out from the crib by my side, with the pleading cry: "Please take my hand, papa!"

Instantly the little boy's hand is grasped, his fears vanish, and soothed by the consciousness of his fathers presence, he falls into sleep again.

We commend this lesson of simple filial faith and trust to the anxious, sorrowing ones found in almost every household. Stretch forth your hand, stricken mourner, although you may be in the deepest darkness and gloom, and fear and anxious suspense may cloud your pathway, and that very act will reveal the presence of a loving compassionate Father, and give you the peace that passeth all understanding.

The darkness may not pass away at once, night may enfold you in its cold embrace, but its terror will be dissipated, its gloom and sadness flee away, and in the simple grasp of the Father's hand, sweet peace will be given, and you will rest surely, knowing that the morning cometh.—*Congregationalist.*

"IMPORTANT FACTS."—Wine drinking, and cigar smoking are bad habits. They impair the pocket and mind, and will lead to a waste of time.

Base all your actions upon a principle of right, preserve your integrity of character, and in doing this never reckon the cost.

Remember the self intetest is more likely to warp your judgement than all other circumstances combined; therefore, look well to your duty, when your interests are concerned.

Be neither lavish nor niggardly, of the two, avoid the latten. A mean man is universally despised; but public favor is a stepping stone to preferment. Therefore generous feelings should be cultivated.

DON'T BE A LOAFER!—Young man, pay attention. Don't be a loafer; dont keep loafer's company; don't hang about loafing places. Better work than sit around day after day, or stand about corners with your hands in your pockets. Better for your own health—better for your own prospects. Bustle about if you mean te have anything to bustle about for. Many a poor physician has obtained a real patient by riding after an imaginary one. A quire of blank paper tied with red tape carried under a lawyer's arm, may procure him his first case, and make his fortune. Such is the world! to him that hath shall be given. Quit dreaming and complaining; keep busy and mind your chances.

HOW TO MAKE MOTHER HAPPY.—"Why, mother, how bright and cheerful you look to night! what has happenned?" "I feel very happy, my dear, because my little boy has really tried to be good all day. Once when his sister Kate teased him, and he spoke quick and cross to her, he turned around of his own accord, and told her he was wrong, and asked her to forgive him. I believe I should grow young, and never look tired or unhappy any more, if every day my little boy and girl were as thoughtful and unselfish and loving as they have been to day."

INTEMPERANCE.—If all the wealth now sunk in the bottomless bit of intemperance were appropriated to the purchase of libraries, philosophical appartures, or cabinets of natural history; if all the time that element of priceless value, which is now worse than lost in the various haunts of dissipation, were devoted to the reading of well selected books, to lyceum exercises, to music or other social and refining arts, it would give to society a new moral and political life. How can any man witness without pain this great deformity, where there should be beauty and divine grandeur!

The peasants in Andalusia, pressed by poverty, have organized themselves into plundering parties, and are pillaging the rich land owners.

The *Ohio Farmer* says the poor farmer wipes his nose with his coat sleeves. We recomend Congress to appropriate money to buy handkerchiefs there.

A New York State post office has been changed from Benton to Bellona. The reason perhaps is that the bellicose attitude of the aspirants has made it a temple of Bellona.

The Brownville Ferry is now making regular trips across the river in front of the city, the ice above and below being too rotten to bear up teams; several have broken through during the past few days.

The people in the western part of Nemaha county are circulating petitions asking the Legislature to pass a general herd law. They wish some protection to their crops from the depredation of cattle while their hedge is growing.

The Brownville *Democrat* says a sixteen inch vein of stone coal has been discovered on the land of Mr. Thomas Harris, four miles north of that city.

It is reported that the track of the Union Pacific Railroad is now probably laid to Echo City, within forty miles of Ogden City, the point where it is to strike Salt Lake.

Burlington Bridge Finished