TEMPERANCE.

PROVERBS XXIII: 29-33.

[illegible] hath woe, and who hath sorrow, [illegible] who hath contentions, who hath babbling, who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek out mixed wine. Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an adder. Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things. Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea, or as he that lieth upon the top of a mast. They have stricken me, shalt thou say, and I was not sick; they have beaten me, and I felt it not: when shall I awake? I will seek it yet again.

—Allen B. Cragg.

A POISONOUS DRINK.

Only a Deceptive Form of Enjoyment Taken Advantage of by Its Alluring Attractiveness—Most Dangerous Form in Whiskey.

There is a vast deal of error in the minds of people who regard as the worst of all kinds of alcoholic liquors. They do not understand that they produce, even when used in moderation, the most deadly effects upon the human system. There is especially a lack of knowledge among the true nature of beer and other malt liquors. There are many honest people who really believe that it is a healthful drink, and that it is to be used as a regular drink, just as tea or coffee is used. Nothing could be more untrue. Beer is a poison, and when used as a regular drink it is sure to produce disease and death. Why it is so is a question which puzzles many people. Why should it be a poison? Why should it be more harmful than whiskey, because drinking more does not follow unless a large quantity is taken, and hence most fall into the habit of keeping their systems saturated with the alcoholic poison. A correct answer to one of the true natures of the poison found in malt liquors, that it powerfully affects the ignorant, and is destroyed. *Temple Heath.*

TEMPERANCE ITEMS.

An exchange states that [illegible] should [illegible] not to be [illegible] if it does bear the emblem of all [illegible] from the earliest records of time. The writer has a good point, but it is to be wondered at that [illegible] would need to be told that [illegible] family bear to look at liquor.

THERE is one difficulty still over [illegible] the whole land which [illegible] of our young men, the [illegible] of intemperance. Unless [illegible] decided and positive efforts [illegible] we will be neglecting an evil which is eating out the very heart of society, destroying domestic life among our working classes, and perhaps doing greater injury than any other cause that could be named in this age. *Local Methodist of Confidence.*

DR. ARNOTT, of the Massachusetts State Board of Health, says: "There have been reported in that State during the past forty years [illegible] deaths from hydrophobia. Now if the combined rectitude of the redressed people who [illegible] would be excited over [illegible] to gather the statistics of the number of people killed by whisky in Massachusetts in the past forty years, it would be interesting to try the cases of mad dogs vs. whisky, and see which is the greater enemy of mankind." —*Temperance Lake Ocean.*

THE *Temperance Chronicle* says: "The Roman Catholic Archbishop of Philadelphia has published in his diocese the decisions of the recent Plenary Council of Baltimore in regard to the sale of liquors on Sunday. He has announced that all Roman Catholics under his jurisdiction must either abstain from selling intoxicants on Sunday or leave the church. Should they disregard this injunction the priests will refuse to grant them absolution, and thus deprive them of the sacraments. The archbishop stated that the decree had been affirmed by the Vatican, and would be enforced all over the United States. We shall hope to hear of its publication in Chicago soon."

The Japanese on Intemperance.

These ancient people, also, if not generally regarded as uncivilized, have very accurate ideas in reference to action of intoxicants. They have a saying: "A man takes a drink, then the drink takes a drink, and then the drink takes the man." How true in every particular! While it is manifestly true that those who have had habits of living, who are gross in all respects, uncleanly, living largely on animal food are especially inclined to form habits of intemperance, tobacco often being an exciting cause—it is true that the habitual use of the weaker or the stronger drinks gradually leads to intemperance, so that we are justified in calling any use of alcoholic preparations intemperance. How few ever escape! War and intemperance are the two great slayers of the race! The intellectual, the generous, the Christian, even, all who use such drinks, yielding to their natural influences and demands, lose all that is good and great in them, continuing on and on, till they reach a drunkard's grave. Whisky is able to conquer the conquerors of armies, bringing all to the low level of degradation—a level below that of the brutes—for they do not naturally do much injustice to their natures. No one ever really suffers from abstaining from its use. Good and sound health never demands this poisonous and unnatural drink. Morality and religion never seek its aid. No one ever dares to ask God's blessing upon the habitual use of whisky or tobacco.—*Christian Rule.*

Saloon "Family Trade."

"Now, you watch those children. They'll drink half that beer before they get home, and their mother will scold me for not giving a good pint, and I've given nearly a quart," said the bartender of a down-town saloon the other day, referring to two little girls of six and eight, thinly clad, who came in for a pint of beer. The reporter did watch the young ones. They had scarcely got outside of the saloon door when the one that carried the pail lifted it to her eyes and took a draught. Then her companion enjoyed a few swallows. A little farther on they entered a tenement-house hallway, and both again took a sip. "I have lots of such customers," said the bartender, when the reporter returned to the saloon to light his cigar. "Girls and boys and women form half our trade. We call it family trade. It pays our expenses. Our profits come from the drinkers at the bar. But I tell you what—half the children who come here drink. That's how drunkards are made. Their mothers and fathers send 'em for beer. They see the old folks tipple, and begin to taste the beer themselves. Few of the children who come in here for beer or ale carry a full pint home. Sometimes two or three come in together, and if you watch 'em, you'll hear one begging the one who carries the pail for a sip. We must sell it, however, when their parents send for it. We are bound to do so. Business is business. We don't keep a Temperance shop."—*N. Y. Herald.*

A DEMOCRATIC SCHEME.

Bourbons Advised by Their Organs to Outrage the "Principle" of State Rights in the Ohio Imbroglio.

So long as the talk about Ohio Democratic running their Congressional candidates in the old districts, refusing to conform to the redistribution of the districts as they existed in 1882, and voting upon a Democratic House of Representatives to seat all their candidates was confined to the stupid Democratic organs of this State it was hardly worth while to honor such reply to their foolishness. But when papers like the Washington *Post*, the national organ of the Democratic party, are printing such paragraphs as the following it appears to be a duty to take notice of them:

"The Republicans of Ohio are [illegible] endeavoring to manufacture [illegible] to the next House of Representatives before which [illegible] for a contest and claim [illegible] to this end they are [illegible] of the Congressional districts of the State. The power to do this would give the Democratic majority in the House the right to unseat [illegible] districts in which they will have [illegible] by just enough to [illegible] of the Republicans. The Democrats are [illegible] to this scheme, and they mean to [illegible] Republican majority in the House [illegible] Democratic majority [illegible] Ohio Democrats are [illegible] Western Reserve [illegible]

In order to carry out such a scheme it would be necessary for the House [illegible] to [illegible] the Federal House of Representatives to [illegible] the Republican right of the State of Ohio to control their own elections, and [illegible] for the time being, it would [illegible] Legislature of the State. It would be the most high-handed act of revolution ever attempted in the Congress. To [illegible] the seat to the Congressmen [illegible] in accordance with the law [illegible] and to give their places to [illegible] who were [illegible] Democratic majority in the State [illegible] Republican majority [illegible] Democratic majority [illegible] Republican majority [illegible] Democratic majority [illegible] Republican majority [illegible] Democratic majority