

Conventional Moralists Criticised

Editor WEALTH MAKERS:

Nothing, seemingly, hurts many of our ministers and misnamed Christian people and the men who run in a partisan groove so much as the plain unvarnished truth.

They will shed crocks full of tears over the misery wrought by the drunkard who drives his family to hunger, tatters, despair, and oft times crime.

Denunciations and imprecations are lavishly heaped on the head of the vendors of alcoholic liquor, while the fallen daughters are loathed and spurned by their sisters, like unto serpents, and the laws of the communities are invoked and compelled to clutch with iron fingers and fold to a chilling bosom the hapless victims.

By then you suggest to these same individuals the thought, that possibly these beings, are their creation, you at once find yourself, in the middle of a very large, and aggressive hornets nest; and you are very apt to find yourself, in a brief discussion, placed on the same level with the drunkard, the liquor seller, and the prostitute. Their charity and sympathy ceases the moment you commence to reason from cause to effects.

The leda that they might be more guilty, in making the drunkard, than the whisky seller, is of course preposterous, and equally so the thought that they might be the creator of the liquor seller and the prostitute.

"In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread." Have you done it? Are you doing it now? If not, you have been stealing it, and are stealing it now? This holds good for every healthy able-bodied man and woman in the realm. Have you exacted two, six, twelve hours labor, a week's, a month's, a year's labor, for an hour of your own exertion, physical or mental? If so, how will you justify your act, with the commandment of doing to your neighbor as you would have him do to you, and yours?

Suppose the plain self-sacrificing Nazarene's advice to the young man who had obeyed all of the commandments, should be put in force, throughout the realm by statutes enacted: do you think it would be a Christian law?

Feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the sick, &c, were duties enjoined.

But to rob them first, and then give them a pittance back to keep them from starving, is not one of the duties or privileges of a Christian, or even a half civilized person, or nation.

Today, it is claimed that millions of people are fed by Christian charity. O, what a mockery! Men robbed by statutes of the privilege to work, not directly, but indirectly, and this directly by your ballot.

Robbed for years of the greater part of their production, to feed non-workers in sumptuousness, and wasteful extravagance. Giving them, besides, the control of the supply of the necessaries and comforts of life, out of which they offer a crust for food, and a few laid aside garments for covering, while the doors of the city halls and police stations, are thrown open, where they may huddle like sheep, to keep from freezing—this is the condition; and yet the food, the clothing, the stone, the brick and mortar in place, with fuel and heating apparatus, are the handwork of their toll, wrested from them, without a just equivalent given in return, made possible by unjust laws.

We have, as before said, no use for idlers in the hive, no matter whether they be clad in broadcloth and silks, or ragged and tattered. All we demand is, that men shall have an opportunity given them to toil. This the government has the power to do.

But this is paternalism, say you? Call it what you may, it is only duty, which can criminally be evaded. When this government calls on me or any other citizen of the United States to protect the property of a railroad, of a Vanderbilt, a Rockefeller, or any other citizen, it has the power to take us by force, and we are compelled to risk health, limb and life in the performance of a duty. And the government that will not return the compliment, of giving me a chance to work, or remove the obstacles that prevent me from selling my labor, is a barbarous government.

A HEATHEN.

"God Save the People."

STEELE CITY, March 15, 1894.

Editor WEALTH MAKERS: In my weak way I have been doing all in my power for our cause, and the sky looks brighter down in this corner of the world. Will herewith send you something, if you think it worth the trouble and space in your valuable paper put it in. I'm not a poet, but they say let any man be in love and he will become poetical, and I am in love with the People's party and shall sing of the Omaha platform as long as I have a voice. My favorite is "God Save the People," and I don't intend to Get Off the Earth because "We Have the Tariff Yet" and it looks like we would have it for quite a spell longer unless we "unite, with ballots united," and sound "The Alarm Bell," and march "The Million-Army" for you know "The Weakest Must Go to the Wall" for our country has been almost ruined by "Losses and Lies" and "The Taxpayers' Little Bills," and will do so until "Eight Shall Reign." But when the Boas of America arise bearing the flag of Liberty, with "That Honest Dollar"

in their pockets, then we shall see "Truth's Approaching Triumph," and "The Workers' Battle Hymn of Freedom" shall drown "The Coal Barons' Song," with "The Money Power Arraigned" and tried by the old statute of the greatest good to the greatest number; and the only place for "A Politician Here You See," will be behind the bars with Mosher, et al; and then will "neighbors live at peace with neighbor" and be released "from interest leeches." For that time I shall pray. Yours in the center of the public highway. W. H. CRANE.

EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL.

There are men throughout our nation battling for the right. Men in every rank and station. Pressing on the fight. With their voices they're proclaiming. With their votes they are maintaining. Equal rights for all.

There are mothers with their offspring. Also in the fight. They are striving, toiling, praying. Always for the right. There's no time for idlers shirking. Then let all be up and working. For the rights of all.

There are children 'round us crying. Eager to be fed. There are many 'round us dying. From the lack of bread. Courage, then; press on the fight. And this motto keep in sight. "Equal rights for all."

—MATTIE CRESS STANFIELD, Rushville, Neb.

Do Politics Concern Women?

Politics is the science of government, and just as long as human society exists, there must be politics and government of some sort, therefore all good citizens should endeavor to do a share toward perfecting the science. Government is the regulation of the relations of human beings to one another, and therefore every true woman, being affected as much as any one by government, should be interested in the political welfare of her country.

If those who love liberty and justice fail to exert their due influence upon the government, then the government is sure to become a terrible power in the hands of the few to oppress the many. The way in which women are studying and discussing important problems of the day is proof that they are interested in politics.

The Woman's Political Club of Denver is cited in evidence. This club includes in its membership women of all political opinions and they dwell in harmony. The club has been holding a series of discussions upon the National Banking system and Government Ownership of Railroads. Both sides of the questions were well maintained, and the deep interest manifested indicates that the club means to understand the issues thoroughly.

Thus are the Colorado women preparing themselves for their newly acquired citizenship and its responsibilities, and it would be well if women everywhere, even though they can not vote, would emulate their example. Too many women say, 'Oh, I am not interested in politics, they don't concern me.' But they do. There is not a law passed which does not directly or indirectly affect woman and home. Any woman can see without much study that the law which demonized silver has robbed women and children of many of the necessaries and comforts of life.

What woman can know that out of twelve million homes in this nation, nine million are mortgaged and say that financial legislation does not concern her? Where is the housekeeper who can not see that the great trusts which unite to control the market and run up the price of coal, flour, sugar, coffee and other necessaries of life, are her direct enemies? Let her ask herself why these trusts should be allowed to exist and rob her, and why she should not have a chance to help destroy them. What woman can not see that there is something very unjust about a system which allows greedy employers to give her much less wages than they would have to give a man for doing the same work? Our presidents in their inaugurations are much given to pouring out for the people liberal quantities of such soothing syrup as this: "It is always wise and salutary to make laws and devise legislation for the defense of our poorest, weakest citizens." And at the very same time these officials are known to be interested in the trusts and combines that sap the life blood of these "poorest, weakest" women citizens, and over it all stands Justice personified in the form of woman.

It is high time women were doing some studying and thinking on these subjects. They must realize that politics do concern them. It is nothing more nor less than selfishness for them to think the whole duty of woman lies within the four walls of her own home when the land is filled with thousands of human beings, her sister women, who have no homes. If women will but investigate they will find it a most interesting study to answer these questions relating so pertinently to what has been called their "sphere," and will not fail to see that they need the ballot for the same reasons that men need it, for their education, protection and development. Kearney, Neb. V. M. G.

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Editor WEALTH MAKERS:

It seems unfortunate that two men of so much intelligence as Hon. C. D. Casper and the Editor of THE WEALTH MAKERS should be entrapped by the cunning of a common enemy, but judging from the editorial page of last week's issue of THE WEALTH MAKERS such is the case. The criticism by Mr. Casper of the Populist party, as quoted from his paper, and the observations of the editor of THE WEALTH MAKERS respecting some free coinage people now belonging to other parties shows that the efforts of the goldbugs to drive an entering wedge that would ultimately create dissensions between the People's party and the free coinage advocates of other parties, has not been entirely without effect. Neither one of the leaders above referred to can conceal the fact that both are striving to accomplish the same purpose, namely, the emancipation of the people of this country from the evil effects of a restricted currency, and as the means proposed by both for attaining success seems to be the same, would it not be much better to give less prominence to side issues and prejudice, and as leaders shorten up the traces and get hitched nearer the load. If Populist speakers and writers confine themselves strictly to our platform as adopted at Omaha, fair minded practical men will not take exception to it, and I believe our party is big and broad enough to say to free silver men of both the old parties, and especially to such leaders as Casper and Bryan when you get tired of trying to reform your old parties on this question come over, as hundreds of thousands of us have already done, and we will not ask you to take a seat in the "back kitchen" but you shall have all that by nature, education and experience you are qualified to enjoy. R. A. TAWNEY.

An Appeal to the Million Populist Voters.

Both the Democratic and Republican parties have established headquarters and are today preparing millions of campaign documents to be sent out during this campaign. It is the opinion of the shrewdest politicians at Washington, that if the People's Party takes advantage of the blunders and infamy of the present administration, there will be no trouble in electing Populist members enough to hold the balance of power in the next Congress. It is also admitted by the closest observers among both the Democratic and Republican politicians that the next election of president will be thrown into the House, which will give the Populists the power to dictate who shall be the next president of the United States? The election in the state of Oregon comes off in June, and in Alabama in August. We are almost absolutely sure to carry Alabama, and we stand an even chance with either of the old parties in Oregon. To help to carry Oregon and Alabama is to help put life and enthusiasm in our party in every state in the Union. The People's Party is composed of the great common people of the country who are poor and honest. It has no millionaires, bank or railroad corporations upon which to call for campaign funds. The National Committee has established headquarters at Washington where it can procure an unlimited amount of campaign literature at a small cost. One thousand dollars used in our party will do as much work as a hundred thousand dollars in either of the old parties. After carefully considering the above facts and the bright prospects for our party in the coming campaign, we feel it our imperative duty to appeal to our people everywhere to come to the aid of the national committee in doing this great work. In the last election our party polled more than a million votes for president. We now earnestly appeal to 1,000 of that number to give us \$5 each, 10,000 to give us \$1 each, 20,000 50 cents each, 20,000 25 cents each, and the remainder of the one million to give us 10 cents and 5 cents each. We also earnestly appeal to all People's Party Clubs, Legions, and Leagues to raise what funds they can for the committee, by taking up collections, giving entertainments etc. We make this request because we believe it our duty to do so. If our party ever attains success each member of the party must contribute to that success not only with his ballot, but with whatever means he can spare. To respond promptly and liberally means success that will bless the nation for all time to come. All contributions should be sent to M. C. Rankin, Terre Haute, Ind., who is the Treasurer of the National Committee. Very Truly Yours, J. H. TURNER, H. E. TAUBENKRECH, Secretary, L. J. McPARKIN, M. C. RANKIN, Treasurer.

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CHINESE REGISTRATION.

Internal Revenue Collectors Report How John is Obeying the Law.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—About March 1, the commissioner of internal revenue sent a circular letter to each of the sixty-three internal revenue collectors in the United States directing them to report at once the number of Chinamen in their district who had applied to register under the act of May 5, 1892, as amended by the act of November 3, 1893, and whether there would be a general compliance with the laws. About fifty of the collectors have already replied and with the exception of one collector who does not answer the last question, all the reports state the Chinese are disposed to register as the laws direct. In the subjoined table the first column of figures gives the number of Chinese, according to the census of 1890 (the best data obtainable), and the several states and territories where reports have been made and the second column the number already registered:

Table with 2 columns: State/Territory and Number Registered. Includes entries for Alabama, California, Colorado, Conn., Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mass., Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, N. H., N. J., N. Y., Ohio, Pa., Tenn., Tex., Va., West Va., Wisconsin.

CONDITION OF TRADE.

Business Grows Larger in Volume But Not More Profitable.

New York, March 26.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "It is perplexing to be obliged to report that business grows larger in volume and at the same time not more profitable. Uncertainty does not diminish, but has rather increased, in the judgment of many commercial bodies which have urged the president to veto the seigniorage bill. Prices of commodities do not rise, but are on the whole about 1.5 per cent lower than last week, though then the lowest ever known in this country, and are 12.9 per cent lower than a year ago. More mills are at work, though the proportion of productive force unemployed is still from a fifth to a third in different branches of industry, and many mills are stopping because their orders have run out, even while a larger number are starting with orders enough for a time. The failures number 244 in the United States, against 317 last year, and fifty in Canada, against twenty-six last year. It is noteworthy that Canadian failures are considerably increasing."

SAVED BY THE BRITISH.

Americans at Bluefields Were in Great Danger of Being Massacred.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., March 26.—A letter received here from Captain E. T. Ryder, formerly of this place, contains this interesting fact on the situation at Bluefields, where he now resides. He reviews affairs at Bluefields previous to the arrival of the British warship Cleopatra, and says that if it had not been for her coming all Americans and foreign residents of that place would have been killed.

Returned Her Pension Money.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., March 26.—Deputy United States Marshal Cole returned from Kanawha county with Margaret Moore, who obtained money from the government on a fraudulent pension. The woman took Cole to a remote part of the county, where she had buried the money. Cole dug up \$800, which will be turned over to the government.

In at the Eleventh Hour.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—Representative Morse (Rep., Mass.) has introduced in the house a bill to punish seduction in the District of Columbia. He says the Pollard-Breckinridge breach of promise suit has developed the fact that there is no law in the District on the subject. The bill is a copy of the Massachusetts law.

Both Got the Drop at the Same Time.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., March 26.—At Golden, a mining camp north of this city, Jim Cheeves, insanely jealous of his divorced wife, quarreled with Al Perry over the woman. Pistols were drawn and both fired simultaneously. Cheeves was shot dead and Perry cannot live.

To Restore Sugar Bounty.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—Senator Hansbrough of North Dakota is preparing an amendment, which he will offer, to the tariff bill restoring the present bounty on sugar and placing a duty of 6 per cent on refined sugar.

Moore-Funston Contest.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—At a meeting of the house elections committee it was decided to take up the Moore-Funston contest case Monday.

THE MARKETS.

Kansas City Grain.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 24.—Quotations for our lots by sample on track at Kansas City were nominally as follows: No 2 hard 90c; No 3 hard, 87c; No 4 hard, 84 1/2c; rejected, 43c; No 1 red, 95c; No 2 red, 92c; No 3 red, 89c; CORN—No 2, 31 1/2c; No 3, 31c; No 4, 30 1/2c; No 5, 30c; No 6, 29 1/2c; No 7, 29c; No 8, 28 1/2c; No 9, 28c; No 10, 27 1/2c; No 11, 27c; No 12, 26 1/2c; No 13, 26c; No 14, 25 1/2c; No 15, 25c; No 16, 24 1/2c; No 17, 24c; No 18, 23 1/2c; No 19, 23c; No 20, 22 1/2c; No 21, 22c; No 22, 21 1/2c; No 23, 21c; No 24, 20 1/2c; No 25, 20c; No 26, 19 1/2c; No 27, 19c; No 28, 18 1/2c; No 29, 18c; No 30, 17 1/2c; No 31, 17c; No 32, 16 1/2c; No 33, 16c; No 34, 15 1/2c; No 35, 15c; No 36, 14 1/2c; No 37, 14c; No 38, 13 1/2c; No 39, 13c; No 40, 12 1/2c; No 41, 12c; No 42, 11 1/2c; No 43, 11c; No 44, 10 1/2c; No 45, 10c; No 46, 9 1/2c; No 47, 9c; No 48, 8 1/2c; No 49, 8c; No 50, 7 1/2c; No 51, 7c; No 52, 6 1/2c; No 53, 6c; No 54, 5 1/2c; No 55, 5c; No 56, 4 1/2c; No 57, 4c; No 58, 3 1/2c; 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