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The Public Library. Is now kept in the office of Will S. Wise, and will be open for the loaning and exchange of books every Wednesday and Saturday afternoon, from 1 to 3 o'clock, and on Saturday evenings, from 7 to 9.

Said tipsy John to his ralling wife, As staggering home at night, O'ercome by the night of beer and gin, He came in a woful plight; "Don't be so hard on your charges, love; I'm a little to blame, 'tis true, But give the devil his due, my love, Oh, give the devil his due."

Scientific Temperance. Microscopic examination has shown two things clearly with reference to the action of alcohol on the human system. 1. Its effect on the blood. Dr. Harriman in a series of experiments in Boston showed that alcohol produced these among other essential changes in red blood coloring matter, making it colorless. It distorts and in some cases wholly breaks up the red corpuscles and produces a parasite vegetation in the fluid of the blood and hydro-carbon substances can readily be detected by the microscope. In throwing upon a screen magnified corpuscles, both of healthy blood and that which had been subjected to action of alcohol, the difference was marked and striking.

The tone of voice, the speech, the gait, the attitudes of the toper, are irresistibly ludicrous. He is ready to fight or to shout, and sometimes the hidden secrets of sobriety leak out of that fissure between his chin and nose, so that we often hear him exclaim: "In vino veritas!" which means, "when the wine is in, the truth comes out."

Some times the laugh comes in at the expense of the drunkard. His odd reply to a straight-forward question, his strange comments on the words and actions of others, his awkward response to something said or done, may make him the laughing stock of the whole community. George Haydock, the ex-wood sawyer and ex-drunkard, was in the habit of saying things as sharp as the teeth of his saw. He was making a temperance speech one Sunday on the dock, when one of his blundering auditors interrupted him. "Shut up!" said George.

"What for?" inquired the toper. "Because you are violating the law." "How is that?" "It is unlawful to open a grog-hole on the Sabbath."

How can we account for the feeling of mirth which follows the idiotic performances of drunken men and women? Is it not partly due to the fact that we look for dignity, discretion and common sense in a man; but when we find the opposites of these attributes, we are jostled out of the rut of propriety by the suddenness of the contrast, and are forced to laugh, "like tipsy John who reels with tossing head?"

We see a human being, endowed by his Creator with reason, judgment, taste, imagination and conscience, violating the laws of his nature, clouding his intellect, and debilitating his body. He was created a little lower than the angels, and he sinks a good deal lower than the brutes. He was made to stand erect, with his face towards the stars; but he cannot stand at all, and his face is in the dust. He was made eloquent of speech; but his tongue fails to perform its functions aright, and staggers under the load-upon his brain.

How was made to think, and the organs of the head were the grand jury to render verdicts in all questions coming up before the throne of his judgment; but he shows less wisdom than the mere animal, whose instincts teach it to turn from alcohol.

We laugh, in spite of the protests of taste, of humanity, of conscience,—we laugh, with tears in our eyes, at the comic side of drunkenness. We look at the outside; we listen to the gibberish of the drunkard, forgetting his responsibility, his awful fate, the dreadful evils which creep out of the cup he puts to his lips, and we laugh until we are swept from the moorings of our own good sense of propriety.

Teast at a wooden wedding: "May the children all be chips of the old block."

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Putting together the facts that Stephen Denaro kept seven pistols and five guns in his house, on Edisto Island, S. C., that his favorite theme was the untrustworthiness of circumstances, and that four men have been murdered in his neighborhood within a few years, the officials concluded that his arrest was proper, although there is no direct proof of his guilt.

"What is your name?" she asked na-

troublingly. "My name? Oh, it's Martha," answered the stranger in some confusion. "Martha?" critically repeated Mrs. Meredith. "What an ugly name! I think I shall call you Patty. Have you good references?" "I believe so."

"I think," said Mrs. Meredith, surveying her from top to toe, "you are a little over-dressed for your situation, Patty; but of course you have some plainer clothes in your trunk when it comes?" The stranger lifted a pair of grave blue eyes to the tall form, girded around with a towel, who was vigorously wrestling with the claws of a stupendous lobster at the table before her. "Do you keep a man cook, ma'am," said she? Mrs. Meredith drew herself up. "Certainly not," said she. "This is my brother, Mr. Selwyn, who is kindly assisting me to make a salad."