

It is good neither to eat flesh nor to drink wine...

Every one of the teeming millions of lives that have been wrecked through strong drink began by using it moderately.

It is well that Mr. Lumkin has withdrawn from the senatorial race. He was ill advised or he would never have announced his candidacy.

Why does a mother's heart sink within her when she detects for the first time the odor of whiskey upon the breath of her boy? Is it not because she realizes how insidious is the liquor habit, one drink calling for another?

In view of the frailty of human strength and the proneness of the individual to "tarry long at the wine," which is on the safer ground, the boy who is taught that there is no harm in a "temperate" use of intoxicating liquors or the one who is taught that whiskey is the world's greatest curse and that he should totally abstain?

Those who have closely observed the very disastrous effects of the heavy rains upon the land, washing great gullies in many places where the fields are comparatively level, say that decided less damage has been done where the land was plowed deep than where the plowing was shallow. This is easily explained.

Where the "hard pan" had been broken to a considerable depth a greater quantity of the water was stored or absorbed, which correspondingly reduced the volume that floated upon the surface carrying with it the loose soil.

Prohibition has greatly improved conditions in Anderson. The Daily Mail of that city states...

Senator Tillman addressed a large assemblage at Sandy Flat, Greenville county, on Saturday last. He will also speak in about twenty other counties during the summer.

Another issue of the Anderson Daily Mail contains an admirable editorial which but for lack of space we would reproduce in full. The Daily Mail was formerly a strong advocate of the dispensary, opposing very strenuously the voting out of the dispensary in Anderson county.

"Poniless men have been elected to dispensary jobs, and in a few years they have been rolling in wealth. When asked, 'Where did you get it?' they have replied by saying, 'Private affairs,' and have defied all attempts at investigation. And they have been backed up and endorsed in this course by those who claim that the dispensary management has been pure and honest.

"Dispensary jobs have been openly bought and sold. Whiskey dealers have testified that they have had to pay heavy bribes to get orders for their goods.

"All these things are known. Yet the 'friends' of the dispensary tell us to 'turn the rascals out,' and when any effort is made in that direction every single solitary friend of the dispensary in the state comes to the rescue of those under suspicion and works to prevent the securing of evidence that would convict.

"The people see these things and study them. And the conclusion is inevitable: The dispensary won't do.

"It is corrupting. It is demoralizing. It corrupts some people and is so demoralizing to others that they will not or cannot insist on the conviction of the corruptionists."

"The corruption is so widespread, and affects so many persons and interests, some of them not directly connected with the dispensary, that the effect on the state as a whole is worse than anything that has ever existed in the state."

The foregoing, bear in mind, is from a former very ardent advocate of the state dispensary system. Now a word as to how prohibition is regarded in Anderson, Says the Daily Mail:

"If we were called upon to-day to decide between prohibition and a county dispensary for Anderson county we would probably decide in favor of prohibition. We are getting along very well. If conditions in this county do not get worse we will be satisfied to let well enough alone."

"Temperance" Quotes The Scriptures to Sustain His Position on The Liquor Question.

Mr. Editor: You have, I presume, several hundred subscribers who believe (as I do) that while a hot-house growth of temperance sentiment may be produced by prohibition, a more natural and more permanent growth is produced by gradually restricting the sale of alcoholic liquor.

Another prevalent error is, that the temperate use of intoxicating liquor is forbidden by God, and is, therefore, a sin. I ask permission to discuss this subject now. The fact is, that the Bible forbids excess, or intemperance, in the use of wine or strong drink, but fully sustains the right to use these articles temperately. In the entire Bible, there is but one passage that forbids anybody to use intoxicating liquor temperately, and that passage applies only to a very small number of persons.

The twenty-first and thirty-second verses of the twenty-third chapter of Proverbs are as follows: "Who hath sorrow? Who hath sorrow? Who hath contentions? Who hath babbled? Who hath wounds without cause? Who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine." It is clear, Mr. Editor, that the "woe" here described is the result of gross excess. It comes to those who "tarry long" at the wine, and to those who "go to seek mixed wine," which must have been a wine of extraordinary viciousness.

low strong drink, that continue until night, till wine inflame them; "Woe" is a necessary result of such excesses as are here described.

In the twenty-eighth chapter of Genesis, we are told that, in blessing Jacob, Isaac said: "Therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine." It is evident that Isaac, the grand old patriarch, did not regard the temperate use of wine as a sin; for he said God to give his son plenty of wine as a blessing.

The seventh verse of the ninth chapter of Ecclesiastes is as follows: "Go thy way, eat thy bread with joy, and drink thy wine with a merry heart; for God now accepteth thy works." In this passage, the sacred writer actually advised that the person addressed, whose works were then acceptable to God, should drink wine with a merry heart.

The eighteenth and nineteenth verses of the second chapter of Joel contain these words: "Then will the Lord be jealous for his land and pity his people. Yes, the Lord will answer, and say, Behold, I will send you corn and wine and oil, and ye shall be satisfied therewith." Can anyone believe that God would have promised to send his people wine, if it had been a sin for them to use it temperately?

The eighteenth and nineteenth verses of the sixth chapter of Second Samuel are as follows: "And as soon as David had made an end of offering burnt offerings, and peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, and he dealt among all the multitude of Israel as well to the women as men, to every one, a cake of bread, and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon of wine." In the thirteenth chapter of Luke, we are told that the son of Jesse, a man after our own heart, which shall fulfill all my will, "And this good man, after conducting a solemn religious service, and after blessing the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, gave to every one of them, to every man and every woman, a flagon of wine." Besides, when David fell into temporary error, as he sometimes did, the fact that he was in error is made plain by the sacred writers; but, in regard to his treating the people to this stupendous quantity of wine, there is not a word of censure in the entire Bible.

The fourteenth verse of the twenty-eighth chapter of Numbers consists of these words: "And their drink offerings shall be half a hin of wine unto a bullock, and the third part of a hin unto a ram, and the fourth part of a hin unto a lamb: this is the burnt-offering of every month throughout the months of the year."

The tenth verse of the fifteenth chapter of Numbers is as follows: "And thou shalt bring for a drink offering half a hin of wine, for an offering made by fire, of a sweet savor unto the Lord."

That the Most High God, although he required his chosen people to manufacture, every year, a vast quantity of wine, and to convey it to his altar, yet made it a sin for his creatures to use wine temperately, is utterly incredible. We cannot hold, Mr. Editor, that the right to use intoxicating liquor temperately, which right is recognized by the Old Testament, is one of the evils that God forbids in the New Testament. In the very first verse of the fifth chapter of Leviticus, we are told that the man who is guilty of drunkenness shall not inherit the kingdom of God."

not the Pharisees) that says that he cannot drink wine; for, if it is, then, that Christ drank wine; for he tells us so himself. Would he have drunk wine temperately, if it had been a sin to do so? If so, the very foundation of our religion is gone. Who could believe in the deity of Christ, if any act of his were unworthy of imitation? These arguments cannot be answered, Mr. Editor, by saying that the wine referred to by Moses and Solomon and Paul and Christ was unfermented, and was not intoxicating. There are scores of passages in the Bible showing that the wine with which they dealt had the same effect as the wine of the present day. The thirteenth, fourteenth and fifteenth verses of the second chapter of the Acts show that even the "new" wine spoken of in the Bible was capable of making people "drunken."

I make no apology, Mr. Editor, for quoting anything contained in the Bible. That book was produced by a higher wisdom than ours. We should seek to learn what it teaches in regard to every subject. If it is not reliable as to one matter, let no man, whether he advocate the dispensary or advocates prohibition, say anything that would, either directly or by implication, dishonor the teachings of that precious book.

I certainly make no apology for quoting the words of Christ himself. I am not ashamed of anything that He ever said. I do not regret the recording of any sentence that fell from His sacred lips. The world cannot be injured by telling anything that He ever said or ever did. If any man regrets that Christ drank wine and said so publicly, I beg him to halt; for he is drifting into infatigability. If any man believes that men should be better than Christ in any respect, I beg him not to say so, even by the remotest intimation; for that would be the vilest blasphemy.

We need not fear, Mr. Editor, to tell young people what the Bible teaches in regard to wine and strong drink. Let us tell them that the Bible unqualifiedly forbids the intemperate use of alcoholic liquor, but leaves them at liberty to use it temperately. Let us teach them the additional fact that the transition from temperance to intemperance is exceedingly easy. Let us teach them, therefore, that in the exercise of their liberty, they should use abundant caution, and that abundant caution will require total abstinence on the part of many.

It is well understood by the leading educators in America and in Europe that, ultimately, it is best not to overstate any case. It is well understood that no wise man should be guilty of telling "big lies" about him. And I believe that our appeals for temperance are most effective, and most pleasing to Almighty God, when they contain nothing but the exact truth. TEMPERANCE.

Cheap Excursion Rates. Via Southern Railway.

On account of the special occasions mentioned in the Southern Railway schedule, the following rates are offered on round-trip tickets to points named below, to be valid from July 21st to September 15th, 1906.

To Atlanta, Ga., and return—Account Summer School, Tickets on sale June 30th, July 2nd, 9th and 16th, limited to return 15 days from date of sale. An extension of this limit may be obtained by depositing ticket with special agent at Athens and paying a fee of 50cts. Rate, One Fare plus 25cts for round trip.

To Denver, Col., Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Col., and return—Account Summer School of South. Tickets on sale June 30th, July 7th, 14th and 15th, limited to return 15 days from date of sale.

To Knoxville, Tenn., and return—Account Summer School of South. Tickets on sale June 30th, July 7th, 14th and 15th, limited to return 15 days from date of sale.

To Memphis, Tenn., and return—Account National Great Locomotive and Mysterious Ten. Tickets on sale July 29th to August 1st, limited to return August 5th 8th, One Fare plus 25cts for round trip.

To Mexico City, Mex., and return—Account Mexico City. Tickets on sale August 14th to 31st, limited to return 30 days from date of sale. Rate, One Fare plus 25cts for round trip.

To Omaha, Neb., and return—Account United Baptist Young People. Tickets on sale July 9th to 12th, limited to return July 18th. An extension of this limit to August 15th may be obtained by depositing ticket with special agent and paying a fee of 50cts. Rate, One Fare plus 25cts for round trip.

To Oxford, Miss., and return—Account Summer School University Mississippi. Tickets on sale June 30th, July 7th, 14th and 21st limited to return 15 days from date of sale. An extension of this limit to September 30th may be obtained by depositing ticket with special agent and paying a fee of 50cts. Rate, One Fare plus 25cts for round trip.

To Roanoke, Va., and return—Account meeting National Temperance Association. Tickets on sale August 22nd to 31st, limited to return August 29th to September 1st. An extension of this limit to September 15th may be obtained by depositing ticket with special agent and paying a fee of 50cts. Rate, One Fare plus 25cts for round trip.

To Richmond, Va., and return—Account Meeting of the National Young People's Union. Tickets on sale July 9th to 12th, limited to return July 18th. An extension of this limit to August 15th may be obtained by depositing ticket with special agent and paying a fee of 50cts. Rate, One Fare plus 25cts for round trip.

Candidates' Cards

FOR CONGRESS. I respectfully announce my candidacy for re-election to Congress from the Second Congressional District of South Carolina. In doing so I ask that my constituents examine into my record of only a few months as their representative. I have been and am content for my seat which seriously affects my influence and my efforts in behalf of my people. With my experience, I am satisfied that I can and will represent you more advantageously in the future than I have done in the past.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Congress from the Second Congressional District of South Carolina, subject to the rules of the Democratic primary. BUTLER B. HARE.

A laudable ambition for promotion coupled with a God-given desire to serve the people, causes me to announce my candidacy for Congress from the House of Representatives of S. C. I will obey the rules of the Democratic Primaries. Obeyingly. GASPHER LOREN TOOLE. Aiken, S. C.

HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES I respectfully announce myself a candidate for re-election to the House of Representatives, and pledge myself to abide the result and to support the nominees of the Democratic primary. B. E. NICHOLSON.

I respectfully announce myself a candidate for the House of Representatives and pledge myself to abide the result of the Democratic primary and to support the nominees of the same. S. T. WILLIAMS.

COUNTY SUPERVISOR. I respectfully announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Supervisor of Edgefield County; and if elected, will in the future, as in the past, give my faithful and undivided attention to the duties of the said office. I pledge myself to abide the result and to support the nominees of the Democratic party. D. P. SELF.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Supervisor of Edgefield County and pledge myself to abide the result of the Democratic primary and to support the nominees of the same. R. J. MOULTRIE.

I respectfully announce myself a candidate for the office of County Supervisor, subject to the Democratic primary. I will be very grateful should the people elect me to this office and promise a faithful discharge of the duties of the same. C. E. QUARLES.

Standing on my record and experience derived as a former Clerk and a member of the Board of Health, with kindness and generous support heretofore bestowed upon me by my fellow Democrats of Edgefield county, whose votes and influence I again solicit, I respectfully announce my candidacy for the office of County Supervisor and pledge myself to abide the result of the Primary election, and to an efficient and faithful discharge of all the duties of this important office if elected. J. R. BLOCKER.

FOR TREASURER. I respectfully announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Treasurer. I pledge myself to abide the result and to support the nominees of the Democratic primary. Respectfully, J. T. PATTISON.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER. I respectfully announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of County Commissioner of Edgefield County, pledging myself to a faithful discharge of duty and to abide the result of the Democratic primary. R. C. GRIFFIS.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for County Commissioner of Edgefield county and pledge myself to abide the result of the Democratic primary and to support the nominees of the same. J. E. JOHNSON.

I respectfully announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Edgefield county and pledge myself to abide the result of the Democratic primary and to support the nominees of the same. R. E. MORGAN.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Cotton Weigher for the town of Edgefield, for the term beginning Sept. 1st 1906. I promise the people that if elected I will be at my post ready to serve them every day in the year except Sunday. W. L. BOLSON, Franklna, S. C.

Feeling that I am qualified for discharging the duties of the office ably and satisfactorily, I herewith respectfully offer myself as a candidate for Cotton Weigher of Edgefield. J. A. TIMMERMAN.

I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for Cotton Weigher at Edgefield for the term beginning Sept. 1st 1906, and pledge myself, if elected to give my entire time in the effort to discharge my duty. P. R. WATES.

I respectfully announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Cotton Weigher for the town of Edgefield, I have moved to Edgefield so as to give my time and attention to the duties of the office, and pledge myself to render the same honest and faithful service in future, if elected, as I have done in the past. J. W. CHEATHAM.

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SUPT. OF EDUCATION.

Assuring the citizens of Edgefield county of my sincere appreciation of their support and confidence during the past, I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Superintendent of Education, subject to the primary of the Democratic party of this county and rules or regulations governing same. If elected, I promise a continuation of my efforts to give an honest and efficient administration of the affairs of this office. ALBERT R. NICHOLSON.

With a determination to do my whole duty in the office if elected, and pledging myself to abide the result of the Democratic primary and to support the nominees of the party, I hereby respectfully announce myself a candidate for Superintendent of Education of Edgefield County. W. D. HOLLAND.

I respectfully announce myself a candidate for the office of Supervisor of Registration, and pledge myself to abide the result of the Democratic primary and to support the nominees of the party. G. G. WEST. Pleasant Lane, S. C.

I respectfully announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Supervisor of Registration, and pledge myself to abide the result of the Democratic primary and to support the nominees of the party. GEORGE W. QUARLES.

I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for the office of Supervisor of Registration of Edgefield county, pledging myself to abide the result of the primary and to support the nominees of the party, and to do my full duty if elected. I thank my friends and the voting public in advance for all favors that may be shown me. C. W. WATSON.

FOR AUDITOR. I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of County Auditor, and do hereby pledge myself to abide the result of the primary election and to support the nominees of the Democratic party. J. B. HALTIWANGER.

I respectfully announce myself as a candidate for the office of Auditor of Edgefield county. I pledge myself to abide the result of the Democratic primary and to support the nominees of the party. H. W. DOBEY.

FOR MAGISTRATE. I hereby announce myself a candidate for re-election as Magistrate for the 1st Judicial District of Edgefield County, subject to the rules and regulations of the Democratic primary. N. L. BRUNSON.

JUDGE OF PROBATE. I respectfully announce myself a candidate for re-election to the office of Judge of Probate, and pledge myself to abide the result and support the nominees of the Democratic primary election. J. D. ALLEN.

Candidates FOR Cotton Weigher.

Election, August 4th, 1906.

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