

Wednesday, August 16, 1905.

Why Not Say No Liquor?

Oh, Preacher! Oh, Man of God! Oh, ye moral husbandmen! Give us absolute prohibition, or give us the dispensary. The people are crying aloud for relief from the withering curse of the whiskey habit, and instead of doing this we find many who claim to be leaders in the "House of David" aligning themselves with earstwhile bar keepers, drunkards and gamblers to pave the way for the return of the open bar. Emblazoned on their standard under which they are fighting, and which they claim to represent the principles of sobriety, of temperance, and of purity, is the significant legend, "DISPENSARY: OR, NO DISPENSARY." Nothing more nor nothing less. Not a sentence, not a syllable, not a word, not a letter about absolute prohibition of the sale of intoxicating liquors. Read the petitions that are being, or rather the ones that were first circulated asking for an election to vote out the dispensary, and see if I am not correct in my statement. The question is not "Whiskey; or No Whiskey;" but is "Dispensary; or, No Dispensary." The mother, whose nightly prayer ascends to a throne of grace and whose tender love reaches out and follows, her wayward boy in his wanderings from the paths of sobriety into the fields of drunkenness, pours out the burden of her heart to the Ruler of the Universe for absolute prohibition to save her boy from himself, and, oh, man of God, you have offered her the shadow for the substance by making the issue simply that of Dispensary; or, No Dispensary. Those who suffer most from the whiskey curse, have appealed to the Church of the living God for protection, but some of the leaders have compromised with the devil in favor of open bar rooms, or high license, or even drug store bar rooms, or blind tigers so that the dispensary is defeated.

We warn the people of Lexington that the present fight against the dispensary is not a struggle for prohibition, but simply an effort to do away with the dispensary with a view of opening the way for the adoption of the high license system. It is true that some of the leaders of the present movement hold out the promise to many who are honest in their desire for absolute prohibition in order to get their vote and influence in furtherance of the purpose they have in view and for which they have been fighting since the saloons were closed under the Tillman regime, that we would have at least four years of prohibition. This, however, is not true. It is only a bait to catch suckers; only a pitfall for the feet of the unwary and over zealous. While another election cannot be held in the same county on the liquor question within four years from the date of the preceding one, yet it is a fact that the legislature can at any session, either extra or regular, re-establish the dispensary, adopt high license or open drug store bar rooms clothed in the beautiful clothes of Prohibition. The Constitution gives the legislature this prerogative and it is a reasonable, a logical and a legitimate presumption that the whiskey element, being more numerous than their prohibition allies, will see that the legislature will enact only such laws as will be conducive to their own interests and fill their tills with money that has been stained with the bitter tears of the mother, the widow and the orphan, and baptised with a baptism of degradation, of suffering and of poverty and of blood.

The prohibition feature being eliminated from the present fight, the question is narrowed down simply to the consideration as to the best way of controlling and curtailing the use of whiskey. What we must consider is whether the great State of South Carolina, in the exercise of her police powers, can more efficiently handle the sale of intoxicating liquors so as to curtail their use, raise the standard and improve the morals of her citizenship; or whether these results can be better accomplished by delegating her authority to irresponsible individuals whose only incentive in engaging in the sale of whiskey is to get all the money there is in the business

whether by lawful or unlawful means. As between the two systems we greatly prefer the dispensary, as rotten as its opponents claim it to be, over any other system so far suggested, because we believe that, if we are to be cursed with the whiskey evil it is the best method of controlling its sale.

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Dispensary rottenness is said be coming to light. It is easy to make excuses for those we love. The outlook for the future of Lexington never was brighter.

Neighbor, what are you doing for the betterment of Lexington?

When a fish takes in the early worm it is apt to get into a mess.

This would be a dry old world if there was nothing but wisdom on top.

Any one who thinks Lexington is a dead town ought to try to buy real estate here.

The gossips do say that there are several weddings booked to take place in Lexington in the early fall.

Lexington has the purest water, the finest climate, the lowest death rate and the lowest taxes of any town in the State. Come to Lexington to live.

There are fewer idle people in Lexington than in any town in the South. There is always something for willing hands to do.

How to Avoid Pneumonia.

We have never heard of a single instance of a cold resulting in pneumonia when Foley's Honey and Tar has been taken. It not only stops the cough but heals and strengthens the lungs. Ask for Foley's Honey and Tar and refuse any substitute offered. Dr. C. J. Bishop, of Agnew, Mich., writes: "I have used Foley's Honey and Tar in three very severe cases of pneumonia with good results in every case." The Kaufmann Drug Co.

If you want to go to Charleston, Savannah or Augusta don't forget to get certificates from the health officer that you have not been where yellow fever is.

Many of our best farmers think that the cotton crop in this section will not average over fifty per cent. The crop has deteriorated very much in the last few weeks.

People who know all about running a newspaper say an editor ought to write bright, snappy editorials. How in the name of common sense can he write anything when his creditors won't let him rest.

Mormonism is said to be getting a strong hold in this State and the problems connected with their missionary work is now being seriously discussed by the ministers societies throughout the State.

The first bale of new cotton brought to the port of Columbia was bought by M. C. Heath & Co., last Wednesday and sold by E. M. Livingston, of North. The bale was classed as good middling and weighed 493 pounds. It brought 10 1/2 cents.

We want our advertisers to change their ads. A change in an advertisement is the life of it and if you desire results you should change it at least once a month. Send in the copy and it will receive prompt attention.

Mr. J. Henry Caughman, son of Railroad Commissioner B. L. Caughman, was married on Sunday afternoon of last week, to Miss Ethel Bullard, of Glenmore, Georgia. Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Caughman, Miss Carlisle, Mr. Porter Caughman and Mr. M. W. Barnes, of this county, attended the marriage ceremony.

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A Considerate Fellow Was Inventor Fixem

"THERE goes Fixem, the celebrated inventor." "Who? That little man across the street?" "Yes. The one with the dent in his hat. Did you ever hear about his consideration for his wife?" "No, but of course he would be kind to her." "Sure. But she complained he staid out so late at night and caused her to lose sleep waiting up for him. So he invented a phonograph attachment for the clock so that every hour after midnight it would recite for fifteen minutes: 'John Henry Fixem, this is a pretty time of night for a respectable person to be coming home! Where in this world have you been? Don't tell me that. I know you haven't been at the office. If you ever dare to come home this way again I shall go home to my mother. What will the neighbors say?' And a whole lot more like that."—Chicago Tribune.

Shrewd Move.

Mrs. Fox—Great news! George is engaged to Miss Roxley. Mr. Fox—What! Our son engaged to Miss Roxley? I must object! Mrs. Fox—Nonsense! Are you out of your mind? Mr. Fox—Not at all, but if we don't kick a little the Roxleys will think we don't amount to much, and they'll probably call it all off.—Catholic Standard and Times.

Hopeless Case.

Mr. Sapphedd—Charles Hiroli has actually disgraced his family by going into trade. Miss Sulfuric—Let me see. He had already committed forgery, embezzlement and one or two other things, had he not? Mr. Sapphedd—Yes. Miss Sulfuric—Well, what could you expect of a fellow like that?—Pittsburg Post.

Having It Understood.

"Yes," said the handsome young man, "I will be your husband, but—" "Oh, Albert," cried the rich old lady, "do not say that I must not expect you to love me." "No, I wasn't going to say that. I merely desire to inform you that you must not expect me to call you 'Baby' in public."—Chicago Record-Herald.

Nothing Doing.

"Now that I have sold you a policy," said the insurance agent, "I will make you an interesting proposition. Give me some letters of introduction to people you know and I will give you half my commission on every one of them I land." "My dear man," cried the new policy holder, "I haven't an enemy on earth!"—Newark News.

Sure to Get Home.



Hix—Darby has a great system for playing the races. Dix—How's that? Hix—He always sews his carfare up in the lining of his coat.—Brooklyn Eagle.

The Law of Gravity.

"Yes," said Tom, "she accepted me, but I tell you the thought of proposing to her made my heart sink. I couldn't help thinking, 'Suppose she should reject me.'" "Ah! It was the gravity of that thought that made your heart sink."—Philadelphia Press.

Luring Him On.

Servant (at sweet girl's boudoir)—Mr. Nicefellow is in the parlor, miss. Sweet Girl (throwing down a novel)—Horrors! And my hair is all down! Tell him he'll have to wait a little, as I'm in the kitchen helping mother.—London Tit-Bits.

His Pungle.

"Shall I get you the shovel, Mr. Tightwad?" "What in the world do you suppose I want with a shovel, Jimmy?" "Sister said if you went with her you've got to get busy and dig up."—Houston Post.

High Finance.

Willie had a savings bank. "Was made of painted tin. He passed it round among the boys. Who put their pennies in. Then Willie wrecked that bank and bought Sweetmeats and chewing gum. And to the other envious lads He never offered some. "What shall we do?" his mother said. "It is a sad mischance!" His father said, "We'll cultivate His gift for high finance!"—Washington Star.

Ayer's Hair Vigor
Falling hair means weak hair. Then strengthen your hair; feed it with the only hair food; Ayer's Hair Vigor. It checks falling hair, makes the hair grow, completely cures dandruff. And it always restores color to gray hair, all the rich, dark color of early life.
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Those half seen thoughts like spirits of the deep.

Harp of the past! thy living numbers fling
In cadence down the vale of years,
"Till time enshrouds me with his trembling wing."
And death my wrinkled guardian cheers;
Oh! yet thy pealing anthems swell on high,
And tunes my soul with kindred sympathy.

Lo! borne upon some native vesper breeze,
Thy plastic strains, forgotten themes
Of youthful joys and woes of by-gone days
Revive, but scarce defined, like dreams
Of lunacy, they fit across my mind,
The throne of future grief and hope entwined.

Again those tombless relics of the past,
All culminating flash supreme,
But darkling swift and mute they onward haste
And sip once more dark Lethe's stream;
'Tis o'er! Thy magic harp and mem'ry's spell
And youthhood's scenes a long and sad farewell.
—C. Essbee.

Chronic Constipation Cured.
One who suffers from chronic constipation is in danger of many serious ailments. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup cures chronic constipation as it aids digestion and stimulates the liver and bowels, restoring the natural action of these organs. Commence taking it today and you will feel better at once. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup does not nauseate nor gripe and is very pleasant to take. Refuse substitutes. The Kaufmann Drug Co., Lexington, S. C.

Immigration Commissioner Watson is in communication with a Kansas ranchman who has sold out and wants to come to South Carolina to open up a ranch on a large scale.

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B. B. B. (Botanic Blood Balm) is now recognized as a certain and sure cure for eczema, itching skin, humors, scabs, scales, watery blisters, pimples, aching bones or joints, boils, carbuncles, pricking pains in the skin, old eating sores, ulcers, etc. Botanic Blood Balm—taken internally, cures the worst and most deep seated cases by enriching, purifying and vitalizing the blood, thereby giving a healthy blood supply to the skin. Botanic Blood Balm is the only cure to say cured, for these awful, annoying skin troubles. Heals every sore and gives the rich glow of health to the skin. Builds up the broken down body and makes the blood red and nourishing. Especially advised for chronic, old cases that doctors, patent medicines and hot springs fail to cure. Druggists, \$1. To prove B. B. B. cures, samples sent free and prepaid by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta; Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice sent in sealed letter.

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