

Should a State Prohibit the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors?

(CONCLUDED.)

In our last article we advanced the position that government did not have the inherent right to pass a law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors...

"Well," says some one, "if it is thus that you argue, by analogous reasoning you can say that the State should not prohibit murder and arson, for laws against these are sometimes violated."

"Ah," some one replies, "though public opinion may not have been sufficiently strong up to this time, yet it will be after this. People are thoroughly aroused on the subject, not only in this State, but all over the country, and several States are discussing prohibition."

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"If home trials were never told to neighbors. If they kissed and made up after every quarrel. If household expenses were proportioned to receipts. If they tried to be as agreeable as in courtship days. If each would try to be supportive and comfort to the other."

"If men were fewer silks and velvet street costumes and more plain, tidy house-dresses. If there were fewer 'please darlings,' in public, and more common manners in private. If wives and husbands would take some pleasure as they go along and not degenerate into mere toiling machines."

venerable historian has here touched upon a principle which it would be well for all legislators to observe, viz.: any measure can be enforced, irrespective of statutory enactment, provided public opinion is sufficiently strong in its favor, and no measure can be enforced without this support of public opinion, no matter how many statutes are passed in reference thereto.

Thirdly, we think the cause of temperance can be greatly promoted by some such wholesome law as that discussed and passed, with some modifications, by our last Legislature. Let the law increase the license on the manufacture and sale of the stronger drinks—such as whiskey and brandy—lessen that on the lighter beverages—such as ale, beer and wine.

Before concluding, let us ask again that we be not misunderstood and misrepresented. We class ourselves among those who favor the cause of temperance—we wish to accomplish the same end as the prohibitionists, but we differ as to the means to be used. We have grave doubts as to the propriety of a State, doing, in April, 1830, and came to the South Carolina before he was of age. In 1831 he married Miss Caroline Hampton, step-aunt of Senator Wade Hampton, and celebrated his golden wedding this spring.

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General John S. Preston died at his residence in Columbia on Sunday morning, a few minutes before 10 o'clock of cholera of the liver. His health had been declining for months, his symptoms being much aggravated by recent domestic afflictions.

The twelve years which saw the rise and fall of the Southern Confederacy, the enfranchisement of the slaves, and the crown and combination of governmental debauchery in South Carolina were crowded with sharp and striking contrasts.

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invoking with holy and solemn rites God's own presence, consecrate these names to the admiration the gratitude and reverence of their children. They go to those churches and altars and then come here and build an altar to Treason and Infamy! It is strange! It is very strange! Oh it is very, very strange!

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