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THE WINSOME LITTLE LADY WHO PLAYS "THE MAID" IN "THE TELEPHONE GIRL" AT THE BLOU IN A VIVACIOUS MANNER.



HONORS AT GUSTAVUS ADOLPHUS

THESE NINE STUDENTS OF THE GRADUATING CLASS CARRY OFF THE HONORS.

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The Canteen and the Soldiers.

To the Editor of The Journal.

In your issue of the 17th you say:

The testimony of the officers at Fort Snelling is that the abolition of the canteen has been demoralizing to the troops stationed there. Since the abolition of the canteen, there has been more drunkenness, more men in the guardhouse, more court-martials, more desertions; men have been degraded in rank because of their going on sprees in the city, and the general testimony is to the effect that when Congress abolished the post canteen it did not abolish the soldier's appetite. . . . Those who are more interested in theory and sentiment than they are in the men themselves refuse to recognize the canteen as the lesser of two evils, and very much the lesser.

The officers at Fort Snelling should be good authority as to the facts at Fort Snelling. But the facts at other stations, under other officers, with other privates and with different surroundings, may not be the same. Reports differ, and it is hardly fair to make a general conclusion, till all the facts are in. Yet allowing the facts to be as stated, is the reasoning good? The men get more and worse drunk in the dens without the barracks and are more drunken and disorderly, than with

the canteen within, therefore keep the canteen.

If the boys of the family are reduced and debauched by the foul places along the streets, then set up the drinks on the side-board at home.

If the railroad men get drunk at the saloons, then supply them with liquors at the stations, under the eye and control of the railroad officers.

If the force of men in the Journal office become drunken, then set up the canteen in the Journal building and take the least of two evils.

Omitting now all the short-haired women and the long-haired men, I submit, this is not the reasoning of the fathers and mothers, of the hard-headed business man, of the harder-headed railroad man, and I feel sure, not even of The Journal office, notwithstanding your editorial.

All these, if their boys and men are caught in the bigger snares without, find some other way of dealing with them other than to set up the smaller snares within. And yet all these recognize full well that they can neither abolish the appetites nor the passions. But, your editorial, and that of the Pioneer Press, a few days before, and the argument

of Bishop Ireland still earlier, all agree with the officers at Fort Snelling in one important fact, that there are dens—horrible places, outside of the barracks, where our soldiers are debauched and debauched with "vile whiskey and other poisons."

Without going into the reasons for it, this is an awful fact, that these places exist, and that this bad work is done. Please see what is admitted. The United States government sends soldiers to Fort Snelling, within the state of Minnesota. If these men go outside the station they are caught in these traps and snares, traps and snares set up, allowed, permitted by the state of Minnesota, and under her laws and administration, accomplishing the ruin of military discipline and greatly damaging the soldiers. Are we not publishing our own shame, making it known that Minnesota sets up and maintains these hellholes, to destroy the soldiers of the nation? Is it not possible to find some better way of cure or help than that recommended?

But look again. If at or about Fort Snelling a tribe or any number of Indians were camped, and others agreeing with its argument, or bells, and yet the full power and authority of the United States would surround and protect them from these whiskey devils. Any man who should dare to sell, give or furnish in any way, or quantity, intoxicants to these Indians, would be reached and punished to the full extent of the United States law, and, climax of absurdity, if by the civil process these dealers of the Indians could not be reached, these very soldiers, made drunk by the same whiskey, may be called out to enforce the law for the Indian but not for the soldier. Is he not the soldier as good as the Indian? Is he not more under the discipline, power and control of the government, and ought he not to be more surely protected? Does not the power and ability of the government carry with them the duty and the obligation to protect its soldiers from the temptations of the state of Minnesota? There may be some good reason why the Indian should be saved and the soldier not, but I do not know it.

But, perhaps inadvertently, The Journal and others agreeing with its argument, have opened up a method of cure and help for the saloon curse. Your argument is that it is better that the government should own and furnish intoxicants to its soldiers, than the watch and care of its officers, than chance these same soldiers among the saloons. Good! That is just what some of us, lo! now for these many years, have claimed—claimed it is better for our citizen boys—as well as the soldier boys, that as they have both appetite and passion, these should not be flyworn in these dens. Better that the government, state or local, should own and serve the stuff by its own salaried men and officers—better than to farm out this dangerous business to reckless men.

Do not understand me as favoring the canteen, but only the governmental control which you command.

Some parts of the south have given a new name and a new method to this general plan, and if you will kindly open your columns we can give facts and arguments for this better way.

—John Edgar.
Rochester, Minn., May 20.

The underground telegraph cable which the postal authorities have just completed between London and Birmingham is 117½ miles long.

A TRIBUTE OF SCIENCE.

Synopsis of a most Remarkable Lecture Delivered Before the Ninth Medical Congress, by Dr. A. L. A. Toboldt, of Phila.

The famous fountain of health at Carlsbad, in Bohemia, which has been the refuge of invalids for five centuries, is certainly well worthy of a careful study. My experience with this water has been such that I may truly say that no remedy which I ever employed has given me so much pleasure and profit as this particular one. Selecting a number of chronic hypochondriacs, whose afflictions have baffled all my previous efforts as my subjects, I was truly astonished to note that, although no rigid diet was prescribed, and only a limited amount of exercise was indulged in, I obtained most remarkable results—the complexion, even after a week's use, began to clear up, the step became more firm and elastic, and, what was more, the entire host of hypochondriacal complaints, seemed to vanish like mist.

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Mrs. S. C. Warner's Remarkable Testimonial,

One of the most convincing testimonials to the efficacy of RIPANS TABLETS as a positive cure for all stomach troubles is given by Mrs. S. C. Warner, whose home is situated about 4½ miles north of the city of Burlington, Vermont.

Mrs. Warner is a long-time resident of the city and is well and favorably known in the community. Her testimony is direct and strong, and can be easily verified. She says: "I will be sixty-one years old next April, and all my life had been a great sufferer with dyspepsia and indigestion. Up to three years ago I was sure that nothing would help me, as I had tried almost every known remedy—none giving me much relief. One day my family physician, Dr. Lund, told me to try RIPANS TABLETS, as he had found them of great benefit in several obstinate cases of indigestion and dyspepsia. I will say candidly that I had little faith in them or in any other medicine when I began taking the TABLETS. Much to my surprise, I felt better within a day, and was soon greatly relieved. I kept taking them and continued to improve. I felt like a new woman, and my neighbors and friends saw a great change for the better in my health.

"Dyspepsia runs in the family; my mother had it for years, and other relatives have suffered tortures with it. I can't say too much in favor of RIPANS TABLETS. Before I began taking them I could eat nothing but the very plainest food—a little bread and butter and tea being my principal diet for a long time. Especially was this true at night, and when I ate of something at all rich I quickly suffered in consequence. Now this is all changed. If I desire to eat anything extra for supper—cake, pie or other delicacies—I simply take a TABLET at meal time and before I retire. I feel perfectly safe in taking

them and have never been troubled in the least.

"Then at dinner I can eat almost anything with impunity. Last summer I wanted a strawberry shortcake. For years I could not eat a piece of shortcake. You know, to be good it should be rich, and I am exceedingly fond of it made so. However, I always suffered much if I dared touch any. Well, as I was saying, last summer I wanted some and thought I would chance it, knowing of what benefit the TABLETS had been to me. I ate some, and found that it agreed with me perfectly.

"Of course I take the TABLETS regularly and just as directed on the box, at every meal and before going to bed. I don't know how many boxes I have taken—several hundred at least, and I would not be without them for anything. A year or so ago I did stop taking them for a time, but concluded to begin again, they were of so much benefit. I like the popular five-cent boxes, with ten in a box, the best.

"Some of the neighbors have laughed at me for having so much faith in the TABLETS, saying that I had more faith in them than I had in God; but of course this is not so. I have always been subject to bad sick headaches until I began taking the TABLETS, and you don't know what a relief it is to be entirely free from these. It is truly wonderful the change it has made in me. My friends tell me I look and act twenty-five years younger. I have been a widow nineteen years and have had five children. They have all been helped by taking RIPANS TABLETS, and I can't say too much in praise of the remedy.

"MRS. S. C. WARNER."

Corroborated by Her Physician.

Dr. W. E. Lund, a leading physician of Burlington, Vt., in an interview said:

"I have recommended RIPANS TABLETS to my patients on many occasions as an excellent remedy for stomach troubles. I am a busy man, and am frequently stopped on the street by patients who suffer from dyspepsia and indigestion and desire me to treat them. Instead of stopping to

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