

**Won The Bet.**

"No, sir," said a man who had been arraigned before a court, having been arrested on account of drunkenness, "I never intended to get drunk again."  
"I suppose not," replied the Judge. I don't suppose that any man intends to make a beast of himself. No use, sir, in trying to offer excuses. There is no excuse for drunkenness. Don't say that you met a convivial party, and could not get away. Don't say that you drank to drown sorrow. Don't say anything, sir, but quietly submit to the fine which I shall impose upon you."

"Judge, were you ever drunk?"  
"That makes no difference. You can't move me to sympathy in that way."

"If you had ever been a drinking man, I would bet you \$10 that you would not fine me after hearing my testimony."

"I was once a drunkard," the Judge replied, "and I'll take the bet."

"All right. Some time ago I took a solemn oath that I would never drink again. I was firm; I could not be influenced. A gentleman presented me with a flask of very fine whisky, and I took it home, but never drank a drop of it. I bought a quart of brandy, and did not taste it. I withstood all of these temptations, and during the time my determination grew stronger, but finally I fell."

"You have lost the bet," exclaimed the Judge, "and I shall fine you."

"Hold on! I withstood, you understand, temptation, but just as I concluded that I was perfectly safe, I found a bottle of whisky where some fellow had hidden it. Now, sir, I want to know if there is a man in this courtroom who could refrain from drinking when he finds a bottle?"

The Judge trembled.  
"I want to know, your Honor, if there is a man anywhere who could suddenly slip up on a bottle and not drink?"

The Judge shook.  
"A man may even be sent from a country dance after a fiddle-string and come back sober, but when he gets back and finds a bottle sitting in the corner of the fence, covered by an upright piece of bark and an old backband, won't he drink?"

The Judge quaked.  
"This is my excuse, your Honor, and I hope you will take a sensible view of the matter."

"Young man" said the Judge, in a tremulous voice, "let me tell you that your excuse overcomes me. When I was a young man, I joined the temperance cause and soon became known as one of its leaders in Arkansas. I made thrilling speeches, and brought many a man to the altar of sobriety. I had never tasted a drop of the vile stuff, having been born its enemy, and my influence was great. One night, while going to keep an appointment, my stirrup leather broke, and while trying to secure a strip of hickory bark in the woods, I found a bottle near a tree. I took it up and looked at it. I was surprised to find myself so close to the enemy. I don't know why, but I turned up the bottle and took a long pull. I pitched my horse and pulled again and again. About an hour afterward I walked into the church swinging a stirrup and yelling like a panther. I cut a baldheaded man on the summit of the cranium. Fired by devility, I rolled the log steps away from the door, climbed in at the window and drove the congregation out. People tumbled over each other in a shameful manner, and baldheads gleamed in the moonlight. After this I reformed, and did not take another drink until about three weeks ago, when I found another bottle. It was alcohol, but I gulped it down; I couldn't help it. You have won the bet. Here's your \$10."—Arkansaw Traveler.

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