

By Way of Restriction

In another column, we publish the first contribution on the prohibition controversy. But we would point out that to dwell upon the evils of the liquor traffic is a work of supererogation. All are agreed upon the harm it does. The men engaged in the trade would doubtless admit it, just as other businesses that cater to men's vices and appetites, are universally recognized to be evil.

Wet or Dry?

Wet or dry continues to be the burning question of the hour. It is problematical how the parish will go in the final test at the ballot box. When one hears the prohibitionists talk, and calculate their chances, ward by ward, it would seem to be folly for the anti to raise a dissenting voice, the result is so certain. On the other hand, when the latter count polls, it would seem a waste of time to refer the matter to the decision of an election. And so it goes, until one don't want, like Toddy, to see the wheels go round, one feels them go round—in his head. But the truth is, that it is likely to be a close count. It is conceded that of the towns Bayou Sara will surely go wet. St. Francisville may go that way also, so that it all depends on how large a majority comes to town to offset the vote of the latter.

This question is not one of morals. It is one of social economics. All the good people are not on the one side and all the bad on the other. Far from it. Many good people, "of whom we are which" as Bill Arp says, doubt the expediency of prohibition, question its efficacy, and greatly deprecate making hypocrites and ill-fit buyers of people, who would otherwise be good citizens. Morality cannot be produced by legislation; all attempts in that direction have proven abortive. It is the province of law to restrain vice and crime, endeavors to exterminate them is the work of church and school.

Already various plans are being made to circumvent the law, in case it goes into effect, and these schemes are worse than present ills. Prohibition can only cut off one of the Hydra-heads of the liquor traffic, which springs into being as soon as destroyed. Only the hot iron of public conviction, high social morality, can bear its head. Build up the schools, support the churches, frown upon vice in all its manifestations, inculcate temperance in all things, in our humble opinion, the way to rise to that higher social plane.

Louisiana State Board of Health.

Act No. 162 of 1900, of the General Assembly of Louisiana, promulgated July 25th, and in effect since August 14th, 1900, makes it obligatory on all Physicians and Midwives throughout the State of Louisiana to file with the health officers of their respective Parishes a quarterly record of the births and deaths which have occurred in their place, stating causes of deaths. In parishes which have no Parish Health officer these records must be filed with the Coroner.

Any violation of the provisions of this law by those charged with its execution is made a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$50.00, or imprisonment for not more than sixty days, or both at the discretion of the court.

The law only provides for blanks being supplied to Parish Health officers or coroners. Therefore until some more satisfactory arrangement can be made, individual physicians and midwives must report to their respective Parish Health Officers (or Coroners) by letter or postal card.

These individual reports should mention the names of persons dying besides giving color, sex, age and cause of death.

Reports of births and still births should give color, sex and name of family.

The object of mentioning names is to avoid the possible chance of the same birth or death being reported by two or more persons.

This will serve for the guidance of the Parish Health Officer (or Coroner) in compiling his reports to the State Board of Health.

Physicians are requested, though not required by law, to report births and deaths where no midwife or physician has been in attendance, stating these facts, besides giving names, color and sex.

Each Parish Health Officer (or Coroner) must tabulate the report for his parish. The law requires only quarterly reports, but for purposes of better records the official blanks furnished by the Secretary of the State Board of Health are arranged for monthly reports, with the intention of having three of these forwarded by the Parish Health Officer or Coroner at the end of each quarter.

CORRESPONDENCE.

True Democrat:

Please publish the enclosed clipping in behalf of the prohibition side of the fight now on in our parish.

Thanking you in advance, I am, yours, etc.

During the prohibition campaign in Atlanta, the late Henry W. Grady, who was an ardent prohibitionist, championed the cause of temperance with all the enthusiasm and ability for which he was famous. At the request of numerous subscribers we give herewith some of the beautiful gems of oratory with which he successfully assailed the traffic in strong drink as follows:

"To-night it enters an humble home to strike the roses from a woman's cheek, and to-morrow it challenges the republic in the halls of Congress.

To-day it strikes a crust from the lips of a starving child, and to-morrow levies tribute from the government itself.

There is no cottage humble enough to escape it, no palace strong enough to shut it out.

It defies the law when it cannot coerce suffrage.

It is flexible to cajole, but merciless in victory.

It is the moral enemy of peace and order, the spoiler of men and terror of women, the cloud that shadows the face of children, the demon that has dug more graves and sent more souls unshrined to judgment than all the pestilences that have wasted life since God sent the plague to Egypt, and all the wars since Joshua stood beyond Jericho.

It dooms to ruin, and it shall profit mainly by the ruin of your sons and mine.

It comes to mislead human souls and crush hearts under its rumbling wheels.

It comes to bring gray-haired mothers down in shame and sorrow to their graves.

It comes to change the wife's love into despair and her pride into shame.

It comes to stifle laughter on the lips of little children.

It comes to stifle all the music of the home, and fill it with silence and desolation.

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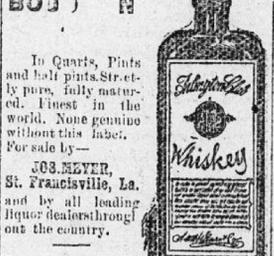
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