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The Liquor Traffic and Personal Liberty.

[COMMUNICATED.]

For the honest, sincere heart who thinks that his rights will be abridged and that his rightful privilege will be taken away from him by prohibitory laws, we have the profoundest respect, and we honor any man who will resist encroachments upon his constitutional rights. We frequently hear men severely criticize the acts of the legislature as being inimical to the rights and privileges of freeborn American citizens, and again we often mistake their self-indulgences for Personal Liberty, and for the purpose of placing the truth of the matter before the honest voter, we quote from the decisions of the Supreme Court of the Nation (the greatest tribunal in the world) and also from the Supreme Court of North Carolina.

"No legislature can bargain away the public health or the public morals. The people cannot do it, much less their servants."—Stone vs. Mississippi, 101 U. S. 816.

"If the public safety or public morals require the discontinuance of any traffic the hand of the legislature cannot be stayed from discontinuing the same by reason of any inconvenience which individuals or corporations may suffer."—Beer Co. vs. Massachusetts, 97 U. S. 32.

"The State cannot by contract limit the exercise of her power to the prejudice of the public health or public morals."—Butcher Union Co., vs. Crescent City Co., 111 U. S. 751.

"There is no inherent right in a citizen to sell intoxicating liquors by retail: It is not a privilege of a citizen of a state or of a citizen of the United States."—Crowley vs. Christman 137 U. S. 86.

"We cannot shut out the fact that the public health, the public morals and the public safety may be endangered by the general use of intoxicating drinks, nor the fact that the idleness, disorder, pauperism and crimes existing in the country are traceable to the drink evil."—Mugler vs. Kansas 123 U. S. 523.

In perfect accord with the foregoing decisions of the Supreme Court of the United States the Supreme Court of North Carolina, through Justice Montgomery rendering the decision in a case from Washington, N. C. says this:

"From the standpoint of the State laws on the subject and the decisions of the Court, the rule with reference to what the

law would regard as undue restrictions upon useful business cannot be the same as that applicable to the liquor traffic. What would be a deprivation of the use of the property without due process of law or an infringement of personal liberty against one engaged in a useful trade, would not be such when considered in connection with the property or with one person engaged in the sale of intoxicating liquors as is pointed out in State vs. Ray, where the Court said: It must be understood that saloons stand on a very different footing to the sale of dry goods or family groceries. Liquor itself is regarded as an evil, an enemy of civilization and good government.

From the foregoing decisions of the highest tribunals in the State and nation it will be seen that no man has any inherent right in the liquor traffic and that no man's personal liberty is involved or taken away. No man will say that his personal liberty is taken away by the statute that says he shall not sell spoiled meats or rotten fish to his neighbor. Neither will he say that that statute forbids the coward carrying concealed weapons to shoot down some good man takes away any right belonging to the citizen. All these statutes are on the same footing and there is no personal liberty or privilege involved in the matter.

The question before the people of North Carolina is of world wide interest. The devotees of the wine cup must put aside their wineglass or go down in disgrace.

Already they are debarred from entering nearly every vocation, profession and industry of life. The drinking man finds it hard to obtain a position anywhere to earn a livelihood. He foresees his doom and appeals for help to be freed.

Already numbers of States have driven the traffic from their borders, to wit: Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Indian Territory and in the Central West the traffic is prohibited in from 75 to 80 per cent in each State and they are moving for total prohibition.

The promoters and advocates in North Carolina are statesmen and patriots and are appealing to the citizens to rise in their might and strike the shackles from the arms of our young men that they may rise to that height in the moral, intellectual and commercial world that they are entitled to and not doom them to be underlings and hewers of wood and drawers of water to do only the most menial services.

Forego appetite to help your vice. boys and girls. There is no privilege to be taken away.

Men may garble the Scriptures to fortify their position for liquor drinking as much as they please but they will find that the same Bible which says, "Thou shalt have no other Gods before me," also says, "No drunkard shall enter enter the kingdom of God," and that the latter declaration is as positive and certain as the former, and we defy any man to find where God has rescinded this decree.

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Registrars and Judges Appointed for the Election.

The following Registrars and Judges have been appointed for the election May 23th 1908.

Catawba—J. A. Sleuman, Reg. J. H. Coulter, and J. J. Smith.
So. Hickory—D. E. Whitener, Reg. J. E. Abee, Wesley M. Hawn.

No. Hickory—H. E. McComb, Reg. Frank Ingold, D. E. Hahn.
Brittians—R. P. Heavner, Reg. Nash Wyant, Marion Huffman.

Shawnee—A. L. Erwin, Reg. J. Q. Rowe, Walter Annas.

Jacobe Fork—D. H. Shuford, Reg. E. D. Blackburn, Wallace Rhoney.

Mt. Pleasant—Jno. Gabriel, Reg. Austin Sherrill, Ed Litten.

Conover—P. E. Isenhour, Reg. N. I. Rowe, Lawson Hunsucker.

Claremont—G. E. Setzer, Reg. Loy Yoder, Jno. Huitts.

Catawba Springs—J. Q. Isenhour, Reg. W. L. Cline, Levi Heffner.

Sherrillg Ford—L. L. Sherrill, Reg. D. W. Whitener, Alex Brotherton.

Early Grove—F. E. Bost, Reg. J. A. Whitener, T. J. Thomason.

Newton—A. J. Seagle, Reg. P. C. Shuford, S. Hawn.

Maiden—Lafayette Hefner, Reg. H. P. Rudisill, David F. Propst.

Piney Grove—Chas. Deal, Reg. Jho. H. Drum, Jno. Hoke.

Oliver's—T. J. Drum, Reg. R. M. Drum, Andrew Clippard.

If any of the above judges fail to serve, the registrars and judges who are present will proceed to fill the vacancy according to section 4337 Revisal of 1905.

D. P. Rowe, Chm.
J. B. Little, Secy.
S. M. Hamrick.

Newton, N. C. April 2, 1908.

DEATH WAS ON HIS HEELS

Jesse P. Morris of Skippers, Va., had a close call in the spring of 1906. He says: "An attack of pneumonia left me so weak and with such a fearful cough that my friends declared consumption had me, and death was only my heels. Then I was persuaded to try Dr. King's New Discovery. It helped me immediately, and after taking two and a half bottles I was a well man again, I found out that New Discovery is the best remedy for coughs and lung diseases in all the world." Sold under guarantee at
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Democratic Executive Committee Meets.

The County Democratic Executive committee met in the court house at Newton Monday of this week. Chairman E. L. Shuford presiding. It was agreed that only one convention be held this year. The primaries be held Saturday June 20th and the county convention be held the following Monday June 22nd.

The primary in Hickory and Newton to open at 2 p. m. and remain till seven p. m. and other precincts from 2 to 6 o'clock p. m.

All candidates for county of fices will be voted for at these primaries. Let every voter attend their respective places.

HE GOT WHAT HE NEEDED.

"Nine years ago it looked as if my time had come," says Mr. C. Farthing of Mill Creek, Ind. Ter. "I was run down that life hung on a very slender thread. It was then my daughter recommended Electric Bitters. I bought a bottle and I got what I needed—strength. I had one foot in the grave, but Electric Bitters put it back on the turf again, and I've been well ever since." Sold under guarantee at C. M. Shuford, W. S. Martin & Co. and Menzies Drug Co.

"The man who knows enough to attend to his own business knows about all that is worth knowing," says the Chicago News, which, of course, in now wise changes the fact that the man who thanks he knows about all that is worth knowing invariably wants to attend to everybody else's business.

Prohibition Notes.

"It is undemocratic"—C. Watson. It is Democratic—Glenn, Aycock, Jarvis, Kitchin, Craig, Simmons. Who is authority?

It is claimed that prohibition interferes with personal liberty. Let us see. A man went to Salisbury, bought liquor from the saloon, went home crazy with strong drink and knocked his wife down and cruelly beat her. Has that woman no rights which should be respected by the saloons?

\$1,000,000 spent by the liquor association to defeat prohibition in the South. Are we for sale to the liquor interest? The result will be resented at the polls May 26.

The saloon is the only institution which leaves the finished product in worse condition than the raw material. It takes the boy pure and innocent and converts him into a drunkard degraded and debased.

Wanted. In the interest of personal liberty the, saloons want 2000 boys to take the preliminary course in dram drinking next year preparatory to entering upon the second year's work of drunkenness. Any mother who has a boy to offer will communicate the information to the committee working in the interest of personal liberty.

The country people are the best people in the world. They stand for the home. They will not be prejudiced against prohibition by the appeals which are made to them by the liquor men.

A vote for prohibition is a vote for home against the saloon. For which do you stand?

Let every school house and church in Catawba county have at least one meeting before the election in May.

Let every one willing to speak or work for the cause of prohibition in Catawba county communicate the fact to P. A. Hoyle Newton N. C.

Prohibition does not prohibit. If it does not, what is the reason the liquor men are fighting it. Are you for liquor or against liquor? That is the question to ask yourself, and if you are for liquor, vote against prohibition, but if you are against liquor then vote for Prohibition.

The number of arrests in Hickory with saloons was twice as great as they were the following year without saloons.

Catawba will have the Governor in April. Remember the date April 10. In the afternoon at the Startown Graded school

and in Hickory at night. Let there be a large gathering to hear him.

Work, pray, vote. Let the majority be great.

Resolutions By the Teachers' Association.

The teachers of Catawba county, through their Association, are trying to advance the cause of education, to do more efficient teaching, to secure a larger enrollment and more regular attendance, and to make the school work in general better. They realize the great importance of the work and they see the need for longer terms. They feel that the time has come for the fulfillment of some of the many promises made concerning the elementary public schools. Much has been promised the schools, and but little has been done. The teachers are beginning to feel that these promises may never be kept unless some one demands that they be fulfilled.

At the last meeting of the Association the following resolutions were adopted unanimously.

Whereas, there is great need for a larger school fund for the support of the elementary public schools, in which more than 95 per cent of the people of the State receive all the school training they ever get.

Whereas, the appropriations by the State for the institution of Higher Education, and for other purposes, have been largely increased, without any increase being made to the elementary public schools.

Therefore be it resolved by the Teachers' Association of Catawba county: First, that we ask the next General Assembly of North Carolina to increase the State levy for schools from 18c to 25c on the \$100 valuation.

Second, that the second one hundred thousand dollars special appropriation be made permanent, and that it be appropriated per capita among all the counties of the State.

Second, that we respectfully ask the Board of County Commissioners of Catawba county to increase, for next year, the levy for school purposes from 18c to 22c on the \$100. Inasmuch as there is quite a surplus in the county treasury, we believe this increase can be made without detriment to the other county objects and without raising the total tax levy.

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