

Staple Swindling Scheme.

A victim addresses us the following communication, which we publish for the benefit of our subscribers, as a timely warning: Editor of the Observer—Sir: Under the flattering promises of the great swindle (as it has proved) of the Union Furnishing Company, Chicago, Ill., myself and friends invested about twenty-five dollars in the rascally concern, they promising to send goods per express, C. O. D. of \$125, but we have had no return, and never shall, in my belief. I learn from postmasters, mail agents and others, that they are flooding North Carolina with their circulars and papers, cheating and defrauding hundreds of unsuspecting families.

Canot the press of the State ventilate the lying, cheating, scoundrels, and warn the whole State against these swindling operatives. A POOR BIRD PICKED OF HIS FEATHERS. The above tells its own tale. We imagine this picked bird is but one among thousands of people throughout the country who have been duped by "the Union Furnishing Company, of Chicago." The country, we understand, is being flooded with their circulars. It is the duty of the press everywhere to expose the swindle without delay.

This swindling concern is represented as being "established under the United States laws"—whatever that may mean, and is publishing a "monthly journal" of which we learn 400,000 copies have been already issued. Immense quantities of prospectuses, confidential circulars, etc., have been and are being mailed in response to requests called out by advertisements, to postmasters, and to such addresses as can be procured, by the use of certain newspaper subscription lists, and otherwise. The concern is advertising what it calls its "Fourth Grand Sale," "great sale of goods in Schedule D, comprising over half a million dollars worth of such goods as you need for wear and use in your homes this Fall and Winter,"—"over one million dollars worth of valuable and staple goods sold and delivered to the people from our three last sales,"—"immense success,"—"satisfaction always guaranteed!"

The whole thing is a gigantic, bare-faced swindle—a disgrace even to Chicago.

The victims of enterprises like this are largely of the agricultural class, who unfortunately have long been the prey of sharpers of all descriptions. The Union Furnishing Company spread their nets especially for the farmer, advertising themselves as "public benefactors, devoted to the interests of the people, and fighting against monopolies and the profits of middlemen!" They call the especial attention of the Grangers!

The OBSERVER will always do its best to protect its readers from imposition, and we hope our timely warnings will be heeded.

Creed of the Crusaders.

The temperance amazonians of the North and West, believe that in the roar of this tidal wave of teetotalism the voice of God may be recognized; and that like the children of Israel He bids them go forward. We hang up a doubt on this point. Intemperance is contrary to the divine will, and to the very spirit of morality as well as christianity, but that God moves the women in this temperance onslaught is hardly probable. For if the Almighty were determined to put down the liquor traffic in the United States, omnipotent and all-wise as He must be, it is not possible to conceive of His adopting such an uncertain and unsatisfactory method of accomplishing His purpose as this tempestuous outbreak.

The crusaders claim the sympathy and co-operation of the temperance societies of America, and call upon them to unite with them in this common cause of humanity. The object of the crusaders and the Good Templars is the same, but their way of reaching it is so diverse that a union is hardly probable. The one relies upon the binding force of the oath, and the other upon the efficacy of prayer and personal appeals.

It is regarded by the temperance warriors in petticoats as the imperative duty of every christian woman, especially of every wife and mother, to do everything in her power to suppress this enormous evil, which is filling the land with so much mourning and misery. It is always the imperative duty of christians, men or women, to discountenance drunkenness. Sincere christians do not drink upon intemperance. If all those who profess Christ would ex-

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OBSERVATIONS.

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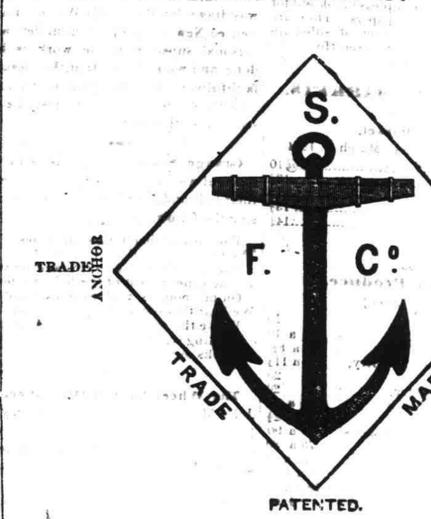
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