

Poetry.



FOR THE N. C. WHIG.

Odysseus on Tamarance.

Afar in the blue mountains,
Where ripples many roll,
From whose clear streams,
The cool water distills,
Taste not of cherry brandy,
Nor even of cherry wine,
Although you may have them handy.
And water is good for me;
Water is good pure and free;
Water is the drink for me,
King Almond writes the true
Of the genious and the tree,
And counts his infinite store,
On the surface of land and sea.
Water is Nature's pure beverage,
In this all should agree;
Our swelling youth are heavy eyes,
Water never quenches my thirst;
No water can satisfy me;
We are drink it very frequently.
And use it for all sorts of uses;
Let others their laws of beauty sing,
While exulting upmously;
Our voices in chorus shall ever ring,
While each of us shall joyously sing;
Water, pure water, for me!

Music.

You desire the richorn beam of life,
From every blazoned health,
Solve the source of greed and strife,
The use of intriguing, evil spirits,
From my gay wisdom and wealth,
And over the ill temperance, misery,

VIATOR.

Miscellaneous.

The Drunkard's Bible.

"Mr. President," said a short, stout man with a good-humored countenance, and a florid complexion, rising as the last speaker took his seat, "I have been a tavern keeper."

At this announcement there was a movement through the whole room and an expression of increased interest. "Yes, Mr. President," he went on, "I have been a tavern keeper, and many a glass have I sold to you and the Secretary there, and to dozens of others that I see here"—glancing around upon the company.

"That's a fact," broke in the President, many a gin toddy and brandy punch have I taken at your bar. But times are changed now, and we begin to carry the war into the enemy's camp. And our war has not been unsuccessful, for we have taken prisoner one of the rebels' bravest general. But go on, friend W——, let us hear your experience."

"As is my experience, Mr. President, the drunks keeper resumed, "in ram-selling and rum-drinking—for I have done a good deal of both in my day—that would be rather too long a story to tell to-night, and one that I had much rather forget than relate. It makes me tremble and sick at heart, whenever I look back on the evil I have done. I therefore usually look ahead, with the hope of doing some good to my fellow-men."

"But there is one incident that I will relate. For the last five years a hard-working mechanic, with a wife and several small children, came regularly, almost every night, to my tavern and spent the evening in the bar room. He came to drink, of course, and many a dollar of his hard earnings went into my till. At last he began a perfect set—working scarcely one fourth of his time, and spending all he earned for liquor. His poor wife had to take in washing to support herself and children; while he spent his time, and the little he could earn, at my bar. But his appetite for liquor was so strong, that his week's earnings were usually gone by Tuesday or Wednesday, and then I had to chalk up a score against him, to be paid off when Saturday night came. The score had gradually increased until it amounted to three or four dollars, over his regular Saturday night pay, when I refused to sell him any more liquor until it was settled. On the day after I had refused to sell him, he came in with a neat mourning breast-pin, enclosing some hair—his hair, I thought, of a deceased relative. This he offered in payment of what he owed. I accepted it, for the pin I saw at once was worth double the amount of my till. I did not know, or indeed care about the question, whether he was the owner or not; I wanted my own, hesitated not to take a little more than my own."

"I laid the breast-pin away, and all things went on smoothly for a while. But he gradually got behind again, and again. I cut off the supply of liquor. This time he brought me a pair of brass candlesticks, and a pair of brass candlesticks. I took them and wiped off the soot agains him. At last he brought a large family Bible, and I took that too—thinking, my doubt, I could sell it for something."

"On the Saturday afterwards, having nothing to do—for I used to shut up my bar on Sunday, thinking it was not respectable to sell liquor on that day—I opened this drunkard's family Bible, scarcely thinking of what I was doing. The first place that turned to was the family record. There it was stated that on a certain day he was married to Emily——. I had known Emily when I was a young man very well, and had once thought seriously of offering myself to her in marriage. I remember her happy young face, and suddenly seemed to hear the tone of her merry laughter."

"Poor creature!" I sighed involuntarily as a thought of her present condition crossed my mind—and then with no pleasure but feelings I turned over to the next leaf. There was the record of the birth of four children; the last had been made recently, and was in the mother's lap."

"I never had such a strange feeling as now come over me. I felt that I had no business with this book. But I tried to stifle my feelings and as I suffered my eyes to rest upon an open page; these words arrested my attention:

"'Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; who deceived thereby is not wise.'

"This was just the subject that under the feeling I then had, I wished to avoid, and so I retired to another place. There I read: 'Who hath woe? Who hath sorrow? Who hath wounds? Who hath bleeding? Who hath redness of eyes?' They that tarry long at the wine. At last it bites like a serpent, it stings like an adder."

"I felt like throwing the book from me. But once more I turned the leaves, and my eyes rested upon the words:

"'He who sows the seed of the neighbor drinketh that which he播s to him and maketh him drunken.'

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