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ELIZABETH CITY,N.C., AUGUST 28

THE RUMSELLER'S, SIGN. paint you a sign, Rumseller, And hang it above your door-A truer and better signboard Than you ever had before. I will paint with the skill of a mas

d many will pause to see This wonderful piece of painting, like the reality.

I will paint yourself, Rumseller, As you wait for the fair young boy, Just in the morn of manhood-A mother's pride and joy. He has no thought of stopping, But you greet him with a smile, And you seem so blithe and friendly

That he pauses to chat a while.

I will paint the form of the mother I will paint you as you stand With a foaming glass of liquor Holding with either hand. He wavers, but you urge him: "Drink. Pledge me just this one." And he lifts the glass and drains it,

Only a year has flown, But into this loathsome creature

And the hellish work is done.

The fair young boy has grown, -The work was quick and rapid: I will paint him as he lies In a torpid, drunken slumber Under the wintry skies.

will maint the oorm of the mother As she kneels at her darling's side, Her beautiful boy that was dearer Than all the world beside. will paint the shape of a coffin

Labelled with one word-"Lost!" I will paint all this, Rumseller, And paint it free of cost.

The sin and the shame and the sor-

The crime and want and woe. That is born here in your rumshop No hand can paint, you know. But I'll pant you a sign, Rumseller, And many shall pause to view This wonderful swinging signboard, So terribly, fearfully rue.

SOME PERSONAL EXPERIENCE.

A Reformed Drinking Man Tells of How He Lost and Regained His

Walter L. Cohoon, Editor Tar Heel: Dear Sir:-I have been asked if ! thought removing he saloons from Elizabeth City would hurt business: I can but answer this question by giving some facts of personal experi-I have not touched a drop. Then I wanted to obtain credit of a merchant and in order to do so I called on a sober man to stand for me. He did ago he called on me to help him get credit. Being a sober man now, I was in a position to serve him. Besides what money I wasted then for drink, I threw away so much of my time that I could not make more than half as much a week as I am now earning. In addition to giving my family a far better support, I have been able to add \$2,000 to my life in-J. H. PASTORFIELD.

Elizabeth City, Sept. 3, 1903.

LIQUOR OR SHOES-WHICH?

A farmer who had been in the habit when he went to town of going into the saloons, thinking he could not do without the drink, after the saquantity of the stuff. One day he went to town; but he had only three shollars in his pocket—just the amount which he needed to send for another case of liquor.

But he had promised his little daughter before leaving home that he If he sent for the liquor he could not The U. S. Gov. Rev. Tax.....

it has come to this," he said, "I will let the liquor go. My little girl shall last of the trade with this man. The The Consumer's Wife gets... Hunger shoes "did the business for him," he The Consumer's Chidnen get ... Rags

The writer of this article knows The man who votes for this are living in comforable hones of their own, enjoying all the necessities

## WENT ASTRAY!

### Liquor Dealers' Petilion Falls Into Enemy's Hands.

Mr. Mann's Letter.

Mr. W. L. Cohoon, Editor Tar Heel:

Dear Sir: -In behalf of the citizens of Mann's Harbor and vicinity wish to denounce the insult thrust at us by the saloon men with Berry and Shannon as principals. I herewith send you a petition that was sent to one of our citizens in this Township by Berry and Shannon to be signed and to be sent back to them to be used in the campaign against the temperance movement in your city. I don't think we have any citizen in this section that would stoop

so low as to circulate such a petition with such a false statement. The idea that our people would not purchase their goods of merchants in Elizabeth City if there were no grog shops there is absolutely preposterous. I have not seen a citizen that does not denounce

that statement as false. I am very sorry that the majority of the business men of your city, according to Messrs. Berry and Shannon's letter that accompanied the petition, thinks we are so tied down by the liquor devil that, if His Satanic Majesty was kicked out of Elizabeth City by the decent people, we would follow him to other quarters. Can it be true that the majority of the business men there have such an opinion of us? We believe them to be gentlemen and as such could not tolerate such an erroneous idea. What man of any intelligence could believe that the bulk of trade from this point, or any other point, that now

goes to Elizabeth City would go elsewhere? Where will it go? As our people travel by boats to their trading point, it is absolute foolishness to think that they would sail many miles farther to trade, just to get a little whiskey. They would have to go to New Bern, Washington, Plymouth, Edenton, South Mills or

Norfolk. Each place is quite a distance farther than Elizabeth City. Let me give some real reasons why Elizabeth City has our trade: 1. We can buy what we need there at such prices that gives us satisfaction. We trade thousands of dollars there and know that your merchants do all they can to give us satisfaction in this matter.

2. If we have anything for market we carry it there, because it is the pearest, and we find it the best in our reach. 2. It is our shipping point. While it is true we ship by the way of Skyco, yet when we desire to nurchase goods we take a load generally with us for that purpose. Your business men of Elizabeth City

need not fear of losing this down-the-Sound trade as long as these conditions exist-whiskey or no whiskey. If you want to get clear of the "bulk" of our trade, do away with And next I will paint you a drunkard. ice plants, fish box factories, dry goods and grocery stores, tear up your railroads, or at one stroke dim up the mouth of the Pasfuotank

> Your saloon men certainly forgot that our "best and most influential men" were opposed to the grog shops. If they were not, and thought their presence would add peace and prosperity to our county, why we would have a few with us. No, they believe them to be a

> blighting, withering curse. Dare county is a prohibition county, except Nag's Head, and if the deesire of the "best and most influential men" had been granted that been during the burning of Nag's Head Hotel-a scene more hellish than earthly. While the lurid flames as a besom of destruction, were sweeping away the ill-fated building; while a woman, overcome with fright, lay dead; while tears filled the eyes of the sorrow stricken; that saloon on that Sabbath day was running at full blast Begone, thou picture of the infernal regions!

> Now, if the temperance forces want a petition signed by our "best and influential men," counter to Berry and Shannon's, send it down and I am sure that there will be twenty to sign it to one that would have the cheek to sign theirs.

> I write for our "best and influential men." If you deem this of any value as a help in the fight, just use it in any way you fightse. I am sure that, by the pitiful plea of Berry and Shannon's letter, your people have the liquor devil on the run. May God help you to run him out on September 8, 1903. Then our "best and influential" men" will rejoice with you. For then, we believe, Elizabeth City will ! be free from the saloon curse.

I am yours for God, our home and our native land.

A. E. MANN.

#### Berry and Shannon's Letter

Mr. J. B. Smith, Mashoes, N. C.;

Dear Sir: - We have ar level option election here on September 8th and they have a good chance, it seems, to carry it. If the town should go dry it would surely min the business interest of this place and a single and aginst them and could not do any large majority of the hast-businessement here realize it and wish us to a thing; with them. But we determined something to show it up in this light to the people at large, so we have gotten up about twenty of these petitions to send to our friends at different points that do e good deal of trading here, to get, signed by as many of the citizens of these places as possible. We would thank you to take the enclosed petition and get all he people you can. of your place, to sign it, especially the best and most influential citizens, those who buy most of their goods from here. If you will do this you will greatly oblige us and the town!

Thanking you in advance for your kindness, we are, Yours respectfully,

P. S.-We would like to have it sent in not later than September 1st-earlier if possible. If it should happen that you could not possibly attend to this, please get some one to do it, for it is a matter of great importance to us and the town and we would not like to have this lost or destroyed, but properly signed.

#### The Petition.

We, the undersigned, conscientiously believe that if Liquor is voted out of Elizabeth City, N. C., that the bulk of trade from the Mashoes section will be diverted to other nts. Not that our people are not sober, temperate citizens, but they have been accustomed to go to de their trading where there are no bans or restrictions put on their wants, and these of us who feel that this restriction will bar us of a portion of our liberty, will ga where this does not exist. We believe when this trade is once turned from Elizabeth City,

looms were closed in that town, sent have heretofore. Mey you run the occasionally to a license city for a saloons out of your city, is our wish,

C. C. MANN.

FROM A BUSHEL OF CORN A distiller can get 21/2 gallons of Whiskey, which, retailed by the drink, brings.....\$10.00 shoes. Which should it be The Dstiller gets..... 2.50 did not take him long to decide. "If The Retailer gets........... 3.90 have her shoes." And that was the The Consumer gets..........Drunk

voters have the power to say.

Mr. Walter L. Cohoon, Editor Ta

Heel, Elizabeth City, N. C.:

and much more.

your city, addressed to Capt. John B. land Neck Commonwealth. Smith. The letter was accompanied by a petition for we people at Mashoes to sign, setting forth that if we Editor Tar Heel; could not get whiskey in Blizabeth Forced by the whiskey nen, the City we would go where we could get fight between the friends of the sa-

much deceived in the people of this some of the leading business men of place. Mr. Smith is a decent man the town, we had agreed to ask for thing gets ....... WHAT? and a gentleman and he would not circle a dispensary.

culate such an infamous petition Knowing that this meant the clos-Most people killed on railway There is not a man at Mashoes who ing of the barrooms the advocates of of life, and even some of its luxures, tracks are eithr deaf or drunk—the would sign it and it is a gross insult the open saloon asked for an election because the husband death is licensed—brings in a reverence of the same of its luxures, the husband death is licensed—brings in a reverence of your city. Should the hook or crook, to defeat prohibition.

Was suffering for and municipal to the same of the husband death is licensed—brings in a reverence of your city. Should the hook or crook, to defeat prohibition.

Was suffering for and municipal to the same of the husband death is licensed—brings in a reverence of your city. Should the hook or crook, to defeat prohibition. and municipal government. How Elizabeth City I don't think that meet them on their own ground. All long wills this continue? Christian Berry & Shannon will sell as much that we ask is that we have a fair

We do not propose to be defrauded He Deplores Lax Loense Laws of of our rights. If the attempt is made a day of reckoning is coming. The good people of Elizabeth City will Mr. Walter L. Cohoon, Editor of Tar not submit to the domination of the

Fellow citizens, are you wiling that

called Democratic leaders of the

town are trying to make it appear

that it is un-Democratic to vote for

J.E. UNDERWOOD.

CONTAINS.

barrel of headaches, heartaches,

A barrel of curses, a barrel of blows;

A barrel of sorrow from a laving

A barrel of care, a barrel of strife;

A barrel of cares, a barrel of debts:

A barrel of hunger, of poison, of pain,

A barrel of hopes all blasted and

A barrel of poverty, ruin and blight,

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Scaps,

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Face Powder.

Talcum Powder

A barrel of all unavailing regrets,

weary wife.

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whiskey ring. Dear Sir:-Your excellent paper They can't afford to do it. There contained last week a letter from Mr. L. R. White, Corolia, N. C., in is too much at stake. Already too which he criticized me for marrying many lives have been blighted and his daughter to Mr. C. C. Snow, True, too many hearts broken. We can these parties were strangers to me, never forget the wall of anguish that but they were stopping at the "Ar- comes from the breaking heart of lington," our best hotel; I was sent one of the best mothers in our city for by the proprietor, I suppose at because of the ruin of a beloved son. their request, and they presented to The open barroom means the ruin me a license in due form, obtained of many a bright boy. The business according to the laws of North Caro cannot be kept up without replenishlina I asked them as many ques- ing the ranks of those who drink tions as I felt to be pertinent, and I from the boys of our homes. Statistics tell us that 100,000 drunkcould find no evidence upon which I ards die annually. Then at least that might refuse their request. Mr. Snow appeared to me to be a very der the curse of the saloon every

excellent gentleman. There is no man who more thor. year, that a few men may be made oughly deplores the lax license laws rich. of North Carolina than I do, which makes Elizabeth City, by virtue of its your boy be among the number thus location, a Gretna Green for runaway ruined? If not, vote for prohibition. couples. I have strongly denounced them from the pulpit and have announced that I should endeavor to induce our next representative to ininroduce a bill looking toward prohibition and thus commit the more rigid laws against easy marri. Democratic party to the whiskey trafage and divorce. This ought by all fig. means to be done and I ask Mr. If any man has the right to speak White and all other parents to join for the Democratic party of North with me in this agitation. I heartily wish there might never man of the State Executive Commit-

come to Elizabeth City another run. tee, is the man, away couple to be married. I covet no share in such uppleasant work. last July: "Let no man be afraid to It should in justice be said, how- espouse the cause of temperance beever, that not one-half the couples cause of political influence." who come here to marry are runaways. But if they are and are anaccompanied, as is often the case WHAT A BARBEL OF WHISKEY what should a preacher do? Is not marrying them accrding to law better than a scandal? And, besides, by what authority can he stop them when they hold a license and the minister possesses no objection from any source?

C. W. DUKE.

PROHIBITION IS SUCCESSFUL.

A Prominent Citizen Says That Prohibition Has Helped Business in Clinton.

Prohibition has been tried success fully in Sampson county and Mr. B. S. Peterson one of the best and A truest citizens of that county, has written a letter to his brother, Mr. A. C. Peterson, of this town. The Commonwealth has permission to print what in the letter lefers to prohibition in Sampson, and here it is:

Clinton, N. C., Aug. 9, 1903. Dear Brother: Alsoe you are going to have an election on the liquor question; and it is a subject in which I am very much interested, and the more so, since I see the effects of prohibition in good old Sampson I have never seen such a change in

any place as there is here. For a law we had blind tigers here in town, but that was on account of our town government. The mayor nor the They say there was no chance to do. the election. The Lord was careur side and we beat the whiskey ticket two to one and in less than a month after R. H. Hubbards was elected over for selling whiskey:

(The letter names four persons

stores look like other grocery stores. Our wives and daughters go anywhere in town without any fear of being insulted by drunken men and

Effect on Business.

Now, as to the effect on business: has almost stopped everything except building. We have eight new brick stores finished and five others will be finished by October 1st.

So, if anyone says that taking whiskey out of a town or county will kill it, just tell him he does not know what he is talking about.

Yes, this is a great fight between the religious and moral forces of the State on one side and the whiskey My Dear Sir:-I read in your last element on the other; and by the issue the letter of Mr. C. D. Toller, of help of God we are going to win. So Nag's Head. He is a man after my when the time comes cast your vote own heart and I voice all he said and your influence against the greatest curse of our country, and the day I have read today a letter from is not far distant when you will count Berry & Shannon, saloon men of it as one of your noblest acts.-Scot-

loon and the friends of the home is Now, Berry & Shannon are very on. In deference to the wshes of

of their poison at this place as they election and an honest count

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> to visit the store and inspect the beautiful array · of millinery.

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> If you are well you tell well; If you fell mean

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ELIZABETH CITY, - - - N. C.

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ing of the ice and salt-no dirty After the cream and ice and salt are in there is practically nothing more to do until the mixture is frozen solid and ready to remove and serve.

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from three pints to four quarts.

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# You Are Invited

To make a lengthy call at our store to view our great display of Firmiture Bargains. You remember that we were damaged by fire, well, we still have some of that furniture which with a little polish you could make it as good as new and we are selling it at a great loss to us because we want to make room for the new stock. If you need anything in furniture it will pay you to come down. It will probably be a long time before you will have this opportunity again. Our stock is, large and includes furniture of all kinds.

HE GLOBE H. H. LAVANSTEIN, Proprietor.

1903, book 521 B, page 77, notice is tackle, etc., etc. here by given that I shall sell at the JAMES H. TOWNSEND, Courthouse door in Elizabeth City, N. 277 Th.

IN PURSUANCE OF A MORTGAGE (C., for cash, on OCTOBER 1st, 1903, executed to me by Maurice White at 12 o'clock M., to the highest bidone-half of the schooner "L. F. der, one-half (%) of said schooner Hall" and apurtenances, which mort- "L. F. Hall," together with one-half gage is duly recorded in the customs (1/2) of the masts, bowsprit, boats, office, Elizabeth City, N. C., June 2d, anchors, cables, chains, rigging,