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LIQUOR DEFENDERS EXAMINED.

A discourse on this subject by Rev. W. B. Cressy, of Tryon Street Methodist Church, last night.

At Tryon street Methodist church last night Rev. W. B. Cressy preached a sermon on the defenders of the liquor traffic. Mr. Cressy took his text from Habakkuk, 2nd chapter and 15 verse.

Was some time that given to the subject, that put the bottle to rest, and make the drunkard sane.

He said: I am glad to greet this large audience this evening. Not only that I may have their ear on this important subject, but it is an evidence that the people of this city are intensely interested in this matter, and are anxious to hear it discussed, which I take as omen for good to those who love and work for the temperance or the suppression of the liquor traffic. I have on a previous occasion noticed the dealers in liquor. On this occasion, I propose to examine the defenders of the traffic. Every man, or class of men, who defend the traffic are giving or trying to do so drink to his neighbor, and putting the bottle to him, and will fall under the woe pronounced by the Almighty. It is a fearful one. And if the drunkard shall not inherit the kingdom of God, where will those who helped to make him so stand?

1st. The manufacturer. He defends it, that his business may not be abolished. Then there must be bars, saloons and wholesale houses to create a demand for his production, of course he is anxious to keep them going, in order that he may find a sale for his fiery poison. This is the fountain of liquor damnation, and the places where it is sold, is the streams or branches from it. The man who sells his corn or rye or grain or fruit for the purpose of making it, defends it. He would rather sell his corn for one dollar per bushel to make liquor, than to sell it for 90 cents to feed hungry children. He would rather sell his fruit to a distiller for a few cents more than to prepare it for food. The man who has started in for gold, would rather sell his corn at that price to make liquor, than to help stop the liquor traffic. Corn should be 50 cents to feed the poor hard working thousands of our land.

2nd. The sellers retail and wholesale. Of course these must defend the traffic. It is their stock in trade, they have gone into it for gold, regardless of the suffering it may entail. But the wholesale dealer puts on airs, and assumes to be more genteel, than the retailer. He does not sell to men to make them drunk. He has no drinking or drunkards about him. Is the man who loads a cannon with chains, rammer and grape shot and fires into a whole platoon of company, killing and maiming, less guilty than he who takes a rifle and picks them off one at a time? Is the man who makes fire-arms and sends them by the car load to the enemy, less guilty than he who makes a pistol or gun and sends them one by one to the enemy? Which would be guilty of greatest treason? No the wholesale, you cannot shrink your part of the guilt. You are putting the bottle to your neighbors mouth.

3rd. The owner of property who rents to the seller. But he says: I do not enquire what a man is going to do with the house I rent him. Suppose he is going to set up a gambling house, or place of ill fame. Is a man guiltless who rents his property without knowing what his act will have upon the community where his property is located. No Mr. Renter, you are a party to, and a defender of the traffic and are helping to put the bottle to your neighbor, and God will hold you responsible. When Sam Jones tackled this question in Nashville, Tenn., there was

satirize in the camp. Liquor-dealers and church members, who tended to them held a meeting, appointed a committee, and waited on him. He carried the matter to God in prayer, and preached one of the most faithful and earnest sermons ever heard in that city. The result was, the renters saw their error, stopped the renting and thanked God that Jones ever came to the city. He said, "That the waters of Nashville got very muddy, but was caused by Nashville mud. He let his bucket down into their wells and it was stained. If there had been no mud the water would have remained clear." Now if there are no guilty ones here in Charlotte, as I let the bucket down, the water will remain clear. If there are, it will perhaps get a little milky colored at least.

4th. The lawyer for his fee. It is a lawyers province and right to undertake causes for his clients, and do his best in a fair and legitimate way to win his cause. But his duty to his client, not the fee he is getting does not justify his assault upon the preachers and the church people, who are striving for the good of the country and the cause of morality and religion in this city called us "whitewashed set" in addition to other names I quoted heretofore. Their seal in defence of the Traffic has carried some of them beyond the bounds that were legitimate and fair. But perhaps God had something to do with it; Judas sold his master long ago for silver.

5th. The office seekers for votes. He too frequently like the weather vane, tries to find which way the wind is blowing the strongest, not what is the best for the morals and religious interests of the country, but what will bring us the most votes or seat me into office. The manufacturers dealer, wholesaler and retail putting money and liquor into the campaign, he feels that he has a powerful ally in the Traffic and he defends it with might and main regardless of results, and is putting the bottle to his neighbor's mouth. Let no man say I am meddling in politics, trying to bring politics into religion and the church, but in the language of another, "I am trying to get some religion into politics." And when the time shall come, when men ask first what is right? what is best? for the country, regardless of whether they get or lose votes, the Traffic will have fewer defenders, and the saloon will become a thing of the past.

6th. The Law-Make. For the same reason that the office-seeker defends it, the office-holder or law-maker does the same, one to get in the other to stay in. In some instances they are puzzled to know which is the big side among their constituents, and they try awfully hard to find out, and while they are trying they hold with the hare and run with the hounds as best they can, and if they find which is the wrong side they drop into it, and declare they have been there all the while. I have known such things, making laws that either directly or indirectly shall defend or protect the Traffic. I find upon examination that one of the recent ordinances passed by the council of the city, which at first sight seems to be in favor of the people is only another shield for the liquor seller. The fine of \$25 to be imposed upon a minor for entering a saloon, instead of putting it on the seller, additional they protect him by making the minor pay. And brethren, countrymen, is it not a shame upon our civilization, that the State county and city will license a place to do business by day and by night and such a place as by their own ordinance says that minors shall not enter under penalty of \$25. And this ludicrous and absurd fact is advertised by a card printed in large letters and tacked upon the windows and door posts of these houses which deal out death and misery to the people. The Good Book tells of a time when Holiness to the Lord shall be written on the door posts and lintels of the houses. "I do not suppose they will fine a minor \$25 for entering one of those. Look on this picture and then on that." But what do some of our law-makers care for misery or woe so gold comes in. When one of the city council of this city said to a preacher, "What have we to do with the women and children. These prohibition folks talking about suffering women and children. We have nothing to do with that. It is our business to see that there is money in the treasury to run the city." Gold! Let women's

heart bleed and break, let children starve and freeze, and this "city father" care nothing for it, so gold is coming in. The rust on each gold will corrode and eat on the heart of such men as the judgement like a cancer. The spirit of the wronged women and children will come out of gold like that, which will bring in his ears forever. Our law makers are putting the bottle to their neighbors mouth.

7th. The moderate drinker. The drunkard is anxious in most cases to get rid of the curse. Willing to vote against it when he gets a chance. That temptation may be out of his way. But the men who say, "Oh, there's no harm in a drink or two. It is good when we're sick, and when we're well to give an appetite, when we're wet and when dry, when we're homesick and when in a crowd away from home," these moderate drinkers - they are helping to get the bottle to their neighbors mouth, by precept and example. And as sixty thousand souls fill drunkards graves annually in this country, sixty thousand moderate drinkers will be drunkards next year, and the next sixty thousand of them will fill drunkards graves.

8th. The colored voters. I mean the large majority enough to fasten to many of the cities and towns of this State and the great Southern States. The colored vote has given the traffic into the hand of the saloon. I, and this fact cannot be gainsaid. While the saloon keeper generally is ready to abuse and denounce the colored man when his darling traffic is in danger, "they are good fellows well met" at the polls I have consistency. There are among the colored some noble exceptions. They are true and tried on this subject. I speak of the rank and file of the majority. When the voter was led to already they placed his vote by compulsion there upon the shoulders of a black man, Simon. Now the majority of them is carrying the cross voluntarily, or for gold or drinks, the cross of the liquor traffic upon which the Saviour is being crucified afresh and put to an open shame every day and night. Oh, Simon! Descendant of Ham! You performed an act of kindness when you bore the Saviour's cross to Calvary. But, oh ye dusky sons of Ham, of this day, how cruel to voluntarily or for drinks or silver, perpetuate a cross upon which he is being daily crucified.

9th. The tradesman for custom. The tradesman looks about him to see which side his biggest trade is on. If he finds on the liquor side he falls in and defends the men who are giving or rather selling their neighbors drink, and putting the bottle to their mouths.

10th. The libertine gambler and infidel. The libertine defends it, because he must have the vile stuff, and the men who drink it to help him by his iniquitous practices. The gambler, defends it, because it draws the victims of his trade together and helps him to get the better of them by cheating and defrauding while under the influence of strong drink.

Gambling halls and drinking saloons go hand in hand and in hearty sympathy with each other. They are co-workers for the ruin, shame and degradation of all who come within their toils. Of course the gambler helps to put the bottle to his neighbor's mouth. Infidelity comes to the front especially in this case as a defender of the traffic, and for this cause, that he is a defender, and not that I would notice him as an individual, coming as he does. I propose to briefly review an anonymous letter received on the 24th inst. signed, "An Infidel and a Lover of Truth, Honesty and Justice," mailed off the Wash. & Char. R. F. O. on the 23rd inst. I gave notice in the paper, I would review his letter this evening, that he might be present if he chose, or have some friend to represent him. I would remark that he is like those who engage in the traffic. He hides behind a screen. He not only writes over a non de plume, but mails a letter in a postoffice that reaches from Washington to Charlotte, he is so afraid he may be loved. He says he loves honesty and yet the first line of his wonderful production convicts him of theft. He takes for his text: And the ass opened her mouth and spake, without quotation mark or chapter or verse, and parades his application as if it were a creation of his own brain, when it is really an old saying that was in use by men of his kilt before I was born. He applies this sentence to myself, and in his letter, he calls me "brother" Cressy. I have this to say; that every man has a right to classify himself.

He says, "I am egotistical, puffed up and criminally guilty if I claim to be educated." I know enough to stir him up, and get in the papers, where he says he can't get. I have made no pretensions to great learning or education. I deal in plain facts and figures that bear upon the well fare of my people and country. He doesn't know who wrote the New Testament and says he knows it. I leave it for intelligent men to say who is the ignorant and puffed up. He says "I turn away from my sacred stand, to civil law and meddle with things I have no business to." I submit that a fair exchange is robbery, and as the lawyers use our book the Bible and talk about as little but fair that we use their books and talk about them on this question. I don't know whether he is a lawyer or not. He writes on legal cap and very frequently uses the words "I would not" class all lawyers with him by any means. There are some as good as noble, true Christian lawyers, as any men who live but then there are some who are otherwise. He says I am trying to ape Sam Jones. Tallmage and Tom Dixon et al. do not have the brains. He puts me in distinction. I wish company I am much obliged. I have brains enough to quote if not to ape Sam Jones says. "It is the fitting that holiers." He is the first one I have heard yell and howl. He says, "I have heard of a non de plume is a bird that flies around as a scavenger, with all the feathers stamped off him." This one seems to have lost his feathers and from the place he mailed his letter he must have been afraid his hide would go next. He calls the bible "The so-called wrap of God" but claims it sanctions drinking and drunkenness. If it is what he says, its testimony is worth nothing. But he is mistaken. The bible is a book of obscure literature. He has stayed among the bar room of crowd until everything to him has become obscure. "I should not be allowed to mislead the people." Give him a chance and he will lead them into the bar room. He tells me "how to learn the origin of the bible." A preacher that has passed his examination before every committee of the church, and have been studying the book more than 15 years as a preacher, to be instructed by an infidel as to how the Bible originated. Let's stop a minute and get breath. I would tell him the origin of his infidelity. Satan in Eden when he gave God the lie was the first one and those are his successors. "The Bible a fraud Preachers sky pilots." Bar room talk. Old laws that were in use 50 years ago. He is particularly sore, because I denounce the liquor traffic and proceeds to charge the church and preachers with things as false as midnight is black. He charges me "with pandering to the rich and neglecting the poor." The poor have never had a better friend than myself. Poor myself I know who it is Jesus looked upon the "rich young man and loved him." I surely may love the rich if they are good. He says: "The preachers are a set of legal beggars." Let that pass. He says: "We will not meet an infidel on the platform, we are afraid." If they do not like him. Write anonymously and mail on the cars, we will not meet them, if we do, we will not know them. He trusts at Methodist preachers. He gives the names of four who fell in North Carolina. But does not say a word about the more than three hundred who are faithful and true in this state. "The people are watching us and recording our deeds," we are glad of it. I would rather leave as a heritage to my children, the name of one who defended the right, truth and morality, than gold and lands. He says: "Pay the preachers, and contribute to the church and live in ignorance has been the rule but people are tired of keeping up a fraud and raising their children in ignorance." Universities Colleges and Schools of this country, with but few exceptions are under the fostering care of the Christian church. He says he is a friend of Tom Paine, Ben Franklin, Stephen Girard, Voltaire and Col Robt. G. Ingersoll. Five. You can count them on the fingers of one hand. How many leading lights on the side of Christianity.

If he will give his name I will have his letter published at my own expense that the public may see what a chaste, elegant, refined, educated, moral, fair-minded, just, honest, truthful, logical, intelligent, infidel defender of the liquor traffic has in these parts.

"Oh God spare the infidel, and all who oppose Thee, the fearful doom of a place where there is no rest, where the fire is not quenched and the worm dies not." May they come to Christ and be saved. May this great congregation all get home to heaven. Amen.

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