

Poetry Department.

IF I WERE YOU.

"Why did he look so grave?" she asked: "Where might the trouble be?" "My little maid," he, sighing, said: "Suppose that you were me, And you a mighty secret owned, Pray tell me what you'd do!" "I think I'd tell it somebody," Said she: "If I were you."

The Opium Habit.

A late issue of the Kingston Free Press has the following article, and we think proper to reproduce it. The editor says: "The good people of the country are making every effort to put a stop to the drunkenness that is seen around us every day in every town. They are exerting their greatest influence to induce those who are slaves to the demoralizing and destroying influences of drinking whiskey to desist from that terrible habit. They are doing a vast amount of good, we believe. There is not near the drunkenness now that there was a few years ago. The best element of our people would be ashamed to go to a dinner and get drunk before they got up, whereas only a few years ago such occurrences were common. Our people are daily becoming more temperate. They drink less now, the Free Press believes, than they ever did."

There is another stimulant that is becoming popular with some of our best and brightest citizens. It is twining its deadly arms around many who would be our brightest and best men. It is not only drawing the manhood of the country within its damning reach, but it is drawing many of the pure, refined and intelligent women within its destroying grasp. Many of them are becoming slaves to this fearful and relentless habit.

The doctors are responsible for many cases of opium slavery—it is the most despotic of masters when once the habit has gained control of the victim. They, to give ease for the minute and to make the patient speak well of them, will give opium until the poor victim lies powerless in the grasp of a deadly enemy that seldom turns loose his hold until the victim has paid the debt that nature requires at the hands of all. They keep the system so thoroughly impregnated with the deadly drug that when the physician ceases his visits their system calls for the false stimulant and they go on taking it until they are powerless to break the spell. The power of the drug gains on them so slowly, by such insidious processes, that they scarcely know that it has mastered them. The doctors will have a heavy burden to carry on this line, when the last day shall come and we are called upon to render an account for the deeds done in the body.

There are many who have willfully—maliciously we might say, taken up the stimulant because its effects enables them to do with more ease and facility that which they are forced to do. They draw strength, for the time being, from the deadly poison, and they take it for reason. They do not stop

to consider where the habit will lead them to. They think only of its present effects and give not one thought to the dark and gloomy future that awaits every slave of the accursed drug.

What we have written is no speculative matter that our people are not interested in. It is a home matter. There are numbers of slaves to the opium habit all around us. It is growing and we should work to stop it; to prevent its spread. The doctors need to give less opium and the people should take it only when it is absolutely necessary, and only when that is the case."

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W. A. BARNES, Executor. se 23-1m

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And remember this is my only trip around. If you fail to pay your taxes at these appointments you will have to come to Smithfield to pay them. I shall not go to people's houses to collect their taxes. When I go it will be to advertise.

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