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Miss Sallie Cannon Whitaker thanks grand-pa, with all her heart, for that nice box of bananas he sent her from Wilmington.

A note from brother B. J. Blackley of Goldsboro informs us that the Council there is doing splendidly, it having recently received quite a number of new members.

The Board of Directors of the W. N. C. R. R. decided not to accept the offer made by northern capitalists for the road.

If you love the cause of temperance, subscribe for its papers. A temperance man who borrows a temperance paper, or won't pay for the one he subscribes for, may look very well to himself in a looking-glass, but he won't do to class among the earnest workers.

Philadelphus Council.

From the last number of the *Robesonian* we clip the following notice:

The Philadelphus Council, F. of T., is now in a flourishing condition; it received seven new members into this grand order at the last meeting. This Council has now fifty or more members of good standing. Mr. T. J. Shaw is now President of this Council, and no doubt but what it will prove a successful term.

Goldsboro Council.

The Goldsboro *Messenger* of the 12th says:

Quite an interesting temperance mass-meeting, under the auspices of the Friends of Temperance, was held in the Baptist Church Tuesday night. The meeting opened with prayer by Rev. J. T. Bagwell, and appropriate addresses were made by Rev. F. H. Ivey and Messrs. Troy and Swindell. Some twenty names were enrolled as members of the temperance order.

The Way to Write.

HALIFAX, N. C., Feb. 10, 1880. DEAR BRO. WHITAKER:—Inclosed please find one dollar, for which please send the *Friend and Templar* to Wm. C. Jeffreys, Tarboro, N. C.

Let me know when my subscription expires, that I may renew it in time, so as not to miss a number. May God prosper the temperance cause in North Carolina, is the prayer of your friend, AUG. BRITT.

Brother Britt knows exactly how to please an editor. What he says is to the point and that point is a one dollar bill, which almost anybody can see at a glance; just such an one as most editors like to find in communications. Thank you brother.

Six months ago, when we consented to make the *Friend and Templar* the joint organ of the Friends of Temperance and Good Templars, we had some misgivings, lest there might be, somewhere or in some form, dissatisfaction with the arrangement, and possibly some discord.

Nothing of the sort has manifested itself, we are glad to be able to state; but, on the contrary, we receive from our readers—Friends and Templars—none other than the very kindest and most fraternal utterances. There is, so far as we have been able to ascertain, the best of feeling between the two orders, not only in this State, but elsewhere, and the members of both are adjusting themselves more earnestly to the great temperance work, than at any former period in the history of the present reform movement.

The outlook of the *Friend and Templar* is more cheering than we had any right to expect six months ago. Our new brethren, of the Independent Order of Good Templars, have given us a most cordial greeting wherever we have gone among them, and on all occasions they have taken more than ordinary pains to influence the people to subscribe for the paper.

On the other hand, the Friends of Temperance, seeing the kindness manifested by their sister order towards their old paper and its editor, have taken encouragement and are doing more than formerly for it.

We feel devoutly thankful for the harmony and fraternity that exist among the temperance laborers at this time, because we feel that our success depends upon the concentrated efforts of all the temperance orders. We may succeed if united in sympathy as well as in purpose; but, we must inevitably fail if divided among ourselves.

Nothing now, it does seem to us, stands in the way of grand results, if we will only do our duty. The way is open; our forces are in perfect accord; public sentiment is thoroughly ripe for renewed and increased effort, and a failure can only result from our own lack of zeal.

"Let me know when my subscription is out so that I may renew it on time," is the way brother Britt writes.

Brethren, why don't you all talk that way, instead of letting the time run out and forcing us to cut you off?

Always look out for the cross mark, and when you see it, bestir yourselves to send that dollar.

The difference between perseverance and obstinacy is, that one comes from a strong will, and the other from a strong won't.

Friends of Temperance.

VIRGINIA.

For the *Friend and Templar*.

ROCKBRIDGE BATHS, Feb. 9, 1880.

DEAR BRO. WHITAKER:—I am happy to inform you and the readers of the *Friend* that I have organized a new council called Walker's Creek Council, No. 85. This council is a promising one, and is composed of the best material in the neighborhood. I organized it with 38 active and only two associate members. The best feature in the whole is that the ladies, God bless them, are at work. They say this council must go on. They did not stay at home, but went to work to get the council up, and when they found it was lagging they joined as active members. If the ladies work in this great cause it will prosper. May God help them to work. I send you the names of the officers for the current quarter.

Pres.—D. A. Kennedy.
Ex-P.—J. B. Hull.
Asso.—J. H. Reid.
Chap.—D. L. Reid.
Sec.—Wm. M. East.
F. S.—J. H. Rowe.
Treas.—M. Smasher.
Con.—Miss Fannie Rice.
A. Con.—H. M. Roy.
I. S.—Henry Smith.
O. S.—Wm. A. Smith.

These officers are good; they are the right stripe and energetic in the cause of temperance.

Write to the officers. I will be able I think to get up a club. Send to this office. Also please send the *Friend* to A. S. Shiplett, Rockbridge Baths, P. O., for one year. I will remit to you, or rather collect. Could do so now, but he has nothing but silver. Find one dollar enclosed for my "If." Yours in F., T. & C.

J. A. PARKER.

NORTH CAROLINA.

For the *Friend and Templar*.

DEAR BRO. WHITAKER:—Kinston Council is moving grandly forward. We have initiations every meeting. Last week we added four young men to our membership. We hope to be the banner council yet. Our lady members are punctual and active, and need I say attractive? Their presence in the council room draws the young men.

I wish you could drop in some night and see us. In F., T. & C.

F. D. SWINDELL.

KINSTON, Feb. 11th, 1880.

For the *Friend and Templar*.

Is Temperance Work Profitless? No. 2.

We promised to notice some of the signs of promise in the temperance horizon. The field is inviting if we had time to fully inspect it and our readers the patience to follow. A brief glance at the age and growth of the temperance movement as compared with the progress of other moral reformations, will quickly remove all faint-heartedness.

Never in the history of the world, has there been a reform movement with such rapid growth and enlisting steadily such elements of power and success.

All reforms are at first experiments with successive stages and varying results. New aspects of opposition are constantly developing, requiring new measures for successful advancement. Defeat sometimes comes, but, has its use in the lessons of experience it teaches. It serves to show where the strength of the enemy lies.

Every reverse, every delay, every failure has its benefits. It aids development for the work.

Such has been the history of this movement. It began because men stood

aghast at the power and tyranny, the heartless ravages of the rum fiend. They felt his ruinous grip upon them, and they resolved to break loose. At first they failed, but they learned a lesson. They found that simply restraining the appetite would not do. Positive refraining was necessary. They said by their attempt that to leave the enemy in possession of a part of the territory would be fatal. They must drive him entirely out, and they began with that in view.

Moderation gave place to total abstinence. Here was advance out of seeming failure. A point of greater vitality was assailed and carried. They were better educated for their work.

The advance stages have thus far revealed augmenting skill and solidifying efforts until to-day the temperance work exhibits a compactness of organization and vigor of operation well worthy of those who are leading in the great battle of right and humanity against the fell destroyer. And what are they doing? Scarcely a generation has passed away since the first temperance organization was formed and to-day, the great and good of earth are being enlisted, and the strong hand of power is being laid on the outstretched arms of the ruthless foe.

Lodges and Councils and encampments dot the land. Her forces are pushing forward the battle with success because the arms of her masses are upheld by the strong arms of faith and prayer. Error is congenial to the human heart, but no error ever grew so fast as this movement. Mahometanism with coercive sword grew slowly compared with it.

And how slowly did the Lutheran reformation, and how even Methodism the most vigorous form of Protestant church life advanced in comparison. It has taken Methodism a century and nearly a half to enlist about fifteen millions while in half a century this movement has either directly or indirectly enlisted more. And it has been accomplished in the face of the strongest opposition. Depraved appetite, social customs, public sentiment and the sanction of law have all been to fight and conquer. Surely these facts are encouraging.

F. D. S.

SELECTED.

One of the most popular styles of jewelry this season, is the horse-shoe. One encounters it every where in breast-pins, scarf pins, ornaments for hats, printed on wedding invitations, &c. In connection with the subject, a writer says: 'Hundred and hundreds of years ago, in the distant land of Norsemen, before they had come down and over-run all Europe, the horse-shoe was regarded as a charm against the spell of witchcraft; it was a belief that had been perpetuated for ages that when people wished to keep away harm from cattle, a horse-shoe was hung over the stable door, and from the house, it was hung over the house door. It was hung up to bring good luck. Its deeper meaning was that people believed in a power above and beyond them.'

When a man once steps aside from an honorable path, when he once violates his convictions of truth, when he once descends to trickery, no optics sharp can see where that man will go, no divining rod can measure the depth of degradation to which he may descend.

He who attempts to elevate himself by the depression of his own class, calling, or profession, lacks the true ring of a noble nature.

Home Education.

The following rules are worthy of being printed in letters of gold, and placed in a conspicuous place in every household:

1. From your children's earliest infancy, inculcate the necessity of instant obedience.
2. Unite firmness with gentleness. Let your children always understand that you mean what you say.
3. Never promise them anything unless you are quite sure you can give what you say.
4. If you tell a child to do something, show him how to do it, and see that it is done.
5. Always punish your child for willfully disobeying you, but never punish them in anger.
6. Never let them perceive that they vex you, or make you lose your self command.
7. If they give way to petulance or ill temper, wait till they get calm, and then calmly reason with them on the importance of their conduct.
8. Remember that a little present punishment when the occasion arises is much more effectual than the threatening of a greater punishment should the fault be renewed.
9. Never give your children anything because they cry for it.
10. On no account allow them to do at one time what you have forbidden, under the same circumstances, at another.
11. Teach them that the only sure and easy way to appear good is to be good.
12. Accustom them to make their little recitals with perfect truth.
13. Never allow tale-bearing.
14. Teach them self-denial, not self-indulgence of an angry and resentful spirit.

A Picture.

In the London exhibition there was once a beautiful painting, representing a mother on her knees in her desolate chamber, beside the body of her little child. Her face rose to just such a height that she looked across the edge of the coffin straight towards an open window, through which the western sun was streaming rays of lustrous twilight, kindling the whole sky with supernatural silver, purple, violet and gold. Her eyes were arrested with the wonderful sunset; and the legend underneath the picture was what perhaps she might have been repeating to herself: "The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee; but the Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory. Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself; for the Lord shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended."—*Dr. C. S. Robinson.*

Fees of Doctors.

The fee of doctors is an item that very many persons are interested in just at present. We believe the schedule for visits is \$3.00, which would tax a man confined to his bed for a year, and in need of a daily visit, over \$1,000 a year for medical attendance alone! And one single bottle of Hop Pitters taken in time would save the \$1,000 and all the year's sickness.—Ed.

Lady examiner—Tell me what is an average. Child—A thing to lay eggs on. Mother says our old hen lays six eggs a week on an average.