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DRINK, THE DESTROYER OF ALL THAT IS ESSENTIAL TO TRUE MANHOOD, (By Courtesy of the New York American.)



Once more we take up the subject that is the most important of all to millions of human beings. And we urge you to use this picture and this editorial, and your own stronger personal arguments with young men that may be in danger, with older men and women that need to be helped to fight the greatest curse. This is a picture that will appeal to the imagination of children and to the experience of the old. A few things make life worth while; among them: friendship, ambition, self-respect, honesty. All of these and many others are put away in the graves that are dug by drink. First goes ambition. The grave of ambition is big, and it is filled with the men that began to drink with the idea that "a little would not hurt them," only to find out that the little of the beginning meant destruction in the end.

Drink has killed more ambition than all other forces in life put together. Drink kills friendship. One by one friends are driven from the man that puts his own selfish appetite ahead of duty and of all other considerations. Friendship is based upon appreciation of manliness, upon the sense of equality among men. Drink kills love and happy family life. How many wives have clung to drunken husbands! How desperate are they that have tried to save them only the drunkards know. But what drink starts out to do, it does. It destroys affection, and it destroys the family. The family is based upon the respect of the children for the father and mother. Drink destroys self-respect, for it kills that by which respect was created. A drunkard struggles and strives,

over and over, to save himself—to save the self-respect that is slipping away from him. But eventually self-respect is buried also in the graveyard of drink, and principle—honesty—can be found in a grave nearby. A man's conscience attacks and worries him, even in the last stages of drinking. Others forgive him again and again—but in his good moments he does not forgive himself. Hope, of course, lies in the graveyard of drink. Its death is slow, for alcohol deceives the man that it is destroying, and it deceives him with hope. Hope and health end together at last—and are buried and added to the list of graves. It is hard to cure the man upon whom drink has fastened its hold. Of such men a great majority want to do better. But drink has cunningly destroyed

the will first of all. And while the drunkard wants to do what you tell him, he wants a thousand times more the drink that he craves. It is hard to reform a man far down the hill. But it is not hard to fill with hatred and fear of drink the young that are still free from it, or those that are only beginning. Make clear to the young men, and especially to children, the road that leads to this graveyard. Let them know that the road is a steep hill, that it gets steeper and steeper as it goes down. At the top you can stop in safety and look into the dark graveyard at the foot. A few steps down, and you can still turn around—but it soon becomes too late. There is hardly a home in the United States that has not a member in need of this picture. Use it.—Editorial in the New York American.

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