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**Publisher's Announcement.**  
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**WHY PROHIBITION SHOULD PREVAIL.**

If a man will quietly reason out this matter, he will find not one single, sound and solid reason for voting for saloons. On the other hand there are many reasons for voting against them.

First, they are inimical to the interests of the home. They must have customers, and those victims must be either fathers, brothers, or sons; if fathers, they are wrecking homes, making widows and orphans, and, perhaps, leaving starving families; if brothers and sons, they are breaking the hearts of parents, and ruining lives just in the blush manhood. If the father who is about to vote for this measure, would only stop and think that, perhaps, it may mean the ruin of his own son (and not of some other's son) the result, perhaps, of his own vote and, therefore, example—he might stop and change his mind. We cannot foretell whose son may succumb whenever the temptation is eternally before him!

Second, they are against the Church. All that the Church seeks to elevate they seek to degrade. If you are a Christian, will you not act as becomes a Christian! Horace Greeley said:

"To sell run for a livelihood is bad enough, but for a whole community to share the responsibility and guilt of such a traffic seems a worse bargain than that of Judas."

As to the antagonism of Church and saloon, Governor Glenn says:

"Not long since, I was making a speech, I shall not say where, and I tried to picture the future of this great commonwealth. I told those people that I trusted the day would come when books instead of bottles would be in your young men's hands and schools and churches instead of saloons and gambling places would be scattered the length and breadth of the State. When I finished my speech a man came up to me and said: 'Look here, you attacked my business to-day, I voted for you, but I want to say that I am sorry and I will never vote for you again.' I told him: 'Well, my friend, I don't know that I shall be a candidate for another office, but I'll tell you that if I must secure votes by stiling my conscience then, so help me God, I shall remain a private citizen for the rest of my life.' The man seemed indignant. 'Don't you know that Christianity and my business can't stand together?' he said. 'Won't you write that down over your own signature,' I told him, 'I wish I had that statement to show the people from one end of the State to the other that they might see your own indictment of the traffic.' Christianity and the liquor traffic will not stand together!"

Third, they are against the State. In almost every instance, they break the law with impunity, thus making a well-regulated saloon well-nigh impossible. Experience has proved that saloons when once established go to almost any extent to maintain their positions. As an evidence of this fact read:

"At a meeting of the State Liquor Dealers of Ohio, at Wirtheim's Hall, Columbus, O., one of the delegates, in the course of a speech on 'How to Build up the Saloon Business,' gave the following suggestions: 'The success of our business is dependent largely upon the creation of appetite for drink. Men who drink liquor, like others, will die, and if there is no new appetite created our counters will be empty as well as our coffers. Our children will go hungry, or we must change our business to that of some other more remunerative. The open field for the creation of appetite

is among the boys. After men have grown and their habits are formed they rarely ever change in this regard. It will be needful therefore, that Missionary work be done among the boys, and I make the suggestion, that nickels expended in treats to the boys now will return in dollars to your tills after the appetite has been formed. Above all things create appetite.'" Fourth, they injure business. We quote:

What, in God's name, is the average bar-room worth to any business enterprise of this or any other city? What are they worth to the community as a whole? There isn't a dry goods merchant, a shoe merchant, a clothing merchant that doesn't lose every year a hundred times more legitimate trade through the failure of some poor wretch to provide himself or his family with proper clothing because all of his money goes to your dives for drink, drink, drink, than all of your dive-keepers and their helpers and their friends spend with these merchants in ten years. Boycott! Do you dare to stand up and draw such a weapon against decent public opinion when you are costing every legitimate business enterprise in this community dollars where you are spending dimes with them?"—Augusta Chronicle.

The experience of Charlotte, Durham, Greensboro, High Point, Plymouth, Elizabeth City and other places too numerous to mention shows that saloons increase taxes and hurt business.

Fifth, saloons attract the vile and vicious to a community. They demoralize labor. They often lead to that vilest of crimes of a negro, because by liquor his most venal appetites are fired. This danger alone is enough to cause us to keep out saloons.

Sixth, for the sake of the drunkards. Some of them will never reform; but some may be saved. There are men in this community who, under open saloons, were worthless to themselves and their families. Under prohibition they have been, for the most part, sober men, working and caring for their families as best they could. But once the saloon is opened, they will be unable to withstand that ever-beckoning lure, and will finally leave their work and abandon their families to pauperism and shame.

Seventh, for the sake of the coming youth of the community. There is in the average boy that which responds to the adventures of untried ways. If this open temptation is ever before him, and every surrounding is made inviting, he will try it, and who can say to what end it may lead!

**WILL CONSTRUCT NEW RAILROAD.**

Dr. J. Mcleay, Atlanta, Ga., is the promoter of a new railroad from Hamilton, Martin county, to Rocky Mount by way of Tarboro. Dr. Mcleay has corresponded with Gilliam & Gilliam, attorneys, concerning the preliminary arrangement of securing a charter and to have towns along the proposed line vote on bonuses.

Hamilton is located on the Roanoke river, and water transportation for freight could easily be secured to Norfolk, Rocky Mount, the other terminus of the line, is the division point of the Atlantic Coast Line.

The proposed line would traverse a county void of railroads and develop that section. Several construction companies are bidding for the contract.

Dr. Mcleay and a party of those interested in the project will visit Tarboro within the next few weeks, when they expect to secure a charter.—Tarboro Advocate.

If the promoters of this road could be induced to come by Scotland Neck it would give us that long-wished-for connection with the Roanoke and thus solve the problem of high freight rates. True, this place would be out of the direct proposed line, but if an effort were made, perhaps, the route might be changed. It would give us the advantage of two roads where, now, we have only one. Let some of our business men look into the matter, at any rate, and see if it might not mean something for our town.

Accidents will happen, but the best regulated families keep Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for such emergencies. It subdues the pain and heals the hurts.

**Price-Sadler.**

Following account of the marriage of Mr. Wilson Price, who is a native of this community, was taken from the Rock Hill (S. C.) Herald. THE COMMONWEALTH extends congratulations.

On Wednesday afternoon a beautiful home wedding was solemnized in the city at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gill when their daughter, Miss Mary K. Sadler, became the bride of Mr. Wilson Price. At 6:30 o'clock in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives, Rev. J. K. Coit pronounced the words that made these two lives one.

The front room on the left had been beautifully and artistically decorated with potted plants, fern and cut flowers, the color scheme being green and white. An arch had been erected in this room and upon it had been entwined ferns and flowers, interspersed with candles which threw a soft mellow light upon the surroundings. From the center of the arch a large white wedding bell was suspended, and as the bride and groom stood underneath this, it was indeed a beautiful picture.

Miss Kathleen Massey presided at the piano, and in response to the soft strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, the groom entered the room first with his best man, Mr. E. F. Elwell, of Greensboro, and next came the bride becomingly gowned in a traveling suit of brown, with her sister, Miss Lillie Sadler, as maid of honor. The ceremony was most impressive, the ring being used.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Price boarded the northbound train, amidst showers of rice, for the groom's old home in Halifax County, North Carolina, stopping over at Greensboro and Raleigh.

The bride is a charming young woman of lovely traits of character and has always been very popular among her many friends here.

Mr. Price is a young man of sterling qualities and at present is principal of the Academic Department of Peele's Standard School of Commerce and English, Greensboro, N. C. He made his home here for quite a while and made many friends.

After a short stay with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Berry Price near Scotland Neck, N. C., they will return to Greensboro where they will make their future home.

The popularity of the young couple was manifested in the large number of costly and handsome presents, consisting of cut glass, silver and china.

The couple's many friends here join in with The Herald in wishing for them much happiness in their walk through life together.

**Letter to Peyton Keel**

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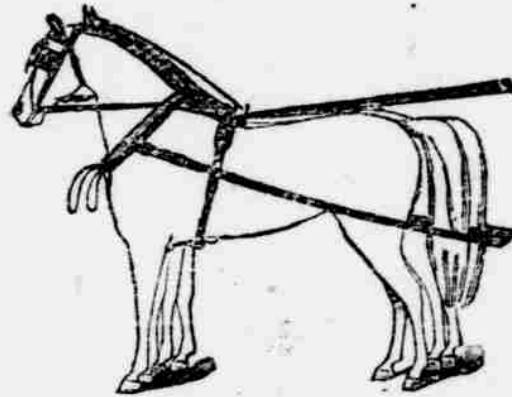
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**Executrix Notice.**

Having qualified as executrix of the last will and testament of the late W. A. Staten, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to file same with me or my attorney, Albion Dunn, Esq., on or before the 26th day of September, 1908, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement. This September 23d, 1907.

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**Notice.**

By virtue of power vested in me as commissioner, by an order of S. M. Gary, Clerk of the Superior Court of Halifax County, North Carolina, made on the 21st day of October, 1907, in that proceeding to sell the land for assets, now pending in the Superior Court of said County, before the Clerk, and entitled "J. J. Shields, administrator of R. J. Staten, vs. T. M. Staten and wife, J. F. Staten and wife, Annie L. E. Whitehead and wife, Mary, Mrs. Laura A. Shields; Fannie Staten; Hugh Johnson, trustee; and Noah Biggs and E. M. Johnson as 'Biggs & Johnson.'" I will on the 22nd day of November, 1907, at 11 o'clock a. m., in the town of Hobgood, N. C., in accordance with the terms of said order of sale, sell for cash at public auction to the highest bidder, in separate tracts, as described below, the following described land, lying and being in Halifax County, North Carolina, to-wit:

(a.) One tract of land known as the "R. J. Staten Home Place" containing two hundred acres, more or less, and bounded by the lands of K. Leggett, W. P. White, George Debrule, and the "Hackney Place."

(b.) One tract of land composed of two smaller tracts, the "Lamb Savage" tract ( acres) and the "Ballard" tract ( acres) bounded by the lands of W. R. House, L. E. Whitehead, the "Bland" tract, and the Hope Bell and Davenport tracts, containing two hundred and seventeen acres, more or less, both tracts to be together being known as the "Big Field."

(c.) One tract of land composed of two smaller tracts, "Bland Hill" (11 acres) and "Bland" land (53 acres), bounded by the lands of W. P. White, Wm. Barfield, and "R. J. Staten Home Place," containing 64 acres.

(d.) One tract of land composed of three smaller tracts, "Davenport Place" (75 acres) and two Hope Bell Places (12 1-2 acres each), bounded by the lands of Nannie Savage, Hope Bell, and the Bland land, containing ninety eight acres, more or less.

(e.) One tract of land known as the "Jones Land", bounded by the lands of W. T. Jones, W. C. Harrell, R. W. Hyman, and James Island, containing twelve acres, more or less.

(f.) One tract of land, known as the "Billups," or "Allbrook" tract, bounded by the lands of Lloyd Simmons, W. R. House, Louise Bryant, the "O'Neal Place," and the lands of Willoughby Bradley, containing one hundred and sixty five acres, more or less.

(g.) One tract of land, known as "Cane Ridge," bounded by the lands of K. Leggett, Austin Shields, and "Job Cobb," and containing forty two acres, more or less.

This the 22 day of October, 1907.  
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