Thirteen Reasons for Total Abstinence.

1. Intoxicating beverages are unnecessary. Many persons live in health and labor in the hardest occupations without them.

2. These liquors are dear. They are so in themselves, and in comparison with other articles of diet. Ardent spirits are destitute of nutrive qualities; while wine, bear, and cider contain an exeeedingly small portion of nourishment. In a gallon of ale there is about as much as in a pennyworth of bread.

3. Intoxicating liquors weaken the mind. They are enemies put into the mouth that steal away the brains.

4. They always endanger the character and often ruin it. They inflame the imagination, appetites and passions. Through their influence multitudes have been plunged into guilt and eternal destruction; and even some wise and good men have, for a season, been covered with shame and defilement. Witness Noah and Lot.

5. It enlarges and multiplies our jails, poor-houses, hospitals, and lunatic asylums. This is certified by our judges, magistrates, physicians, chaplains of prisons, and other competent and reliable authorities. It means a great extension of crime and misery, as well as a large augmentation of taxes.

6. The general practice of temperance would help to fill our schools and places of worship. Sobriety is likely to lead to thoughtfulness; and that, in connection with better clothing and more comfortable homes, will result, by the Divine blessing, in the attendance at the house of God of men who were formerly absentees.

7. Personal abstinence give us much more influence over drunkards. They are far more likely to sign the pledge and keep it when advised by those who, distinguished for sobriety and religion, have also set the example of nephalism or avoidance of strong drink,

8. It tends to fill the treasury of the Christain Church and to rise its spiritual character. In nearly all sections of it, funds are constantly wanted to carry on the moral machinery. Backslidings and expulsions, too, are continually occurring throughout Christehdom, through strong drink.

9. As a pioneer, temperance hastens the conversion of the world. Means sufficient for universal evangelization would be provided, the minds and hearts of Christains improved, the number of earnest workers multiplied and in other ways the grand consummation would be accelerated.

10. It will vastly aid in multiplying the inhabitants of heaven. In the case of many, it has been and will be a stepping-stone to Christ and eternal life.

11. It increases the joy of angels. The repentance of a sinner always swell their gladness, and the abandonment of strong drink is often the first stage of a prodigious reformation.

12. It undermines the throne of Satan. When delivered from the demon of intemperance, many escape altogether from the thraldom of the great slave-master of the universe.

13. It glorifies God. His honer is necessarily promoted by the diffusion of purity and happiness.—Biblical Recordes.

Maxims for a Bride,

Once there was an old minister who was noted for his kindly interest in young people, and especial interests in brides and grooms. He had printed cards containing maxims for the bride and for the groom, and if they had been lived up to always, doubtless some rough places would have been smoothed over. The following maxims intended for the brides of long ago may be applicable to a woman of today, for human nature is always very human, especially the male portion of it.

When you marry him love him,
After you marry him, study him,
If he is honest, honor him.
If he is generous, appreciate him.
When he is sad, cheer him.
When he is cross, amuse him.
When he is talkative listen to him.
When he is quarrelsome, ignore him.
If he is confidental; encourage him.
If he is secretive, trust him.
If he is slothful, spur him.
If he is noble, praise him.
If he is jealous, cure him.
If he cares naught for pleasure; coax him.
If he favors society, accompany him.
If he does you a favor, thank him.
When he deserves it, kiss him.
Let him think how well you understand him, but never let him know that you "manage" him.

A Universal Feeling.

Statesville Landmark.

Referring to the fact that the Superior Court judge who is now under fire in this State would have a big crowd to deal with if he undertook to arraign his critics for contempt, the Henderson Gold Leaf aptly says:

The Gold Leaf would have to plead guilty—not of being in contempt of court, but of contempt for it.

And that feeling of contempt is well nigh universal. Up to this good hour not one word has been uttered in Judge Peebles' defence.

The Intelligent Juror.

Charlotte Observer

Some of the people who sit on juries in this country, determine property rights and, what is far more grave, pass upon the issue of life and death, haven't seen enough to tote entrails to a bear. Indeed, if they had they would not be allowed to serve, for frequently it is the interest of the lawyers who have the selection of the juries in certain cases, to choose them from the most ignorant and therefore the most impressionable creatures on the panel. This is being said as an introductory to the following letter, which one of the jurors in the Tillman case has written to the Spartanburg Journal:

Spartanburg Journal,
Spartanburg, S. C.

Sir:

I have read your article in the Columbia State which was an insult to Every Juryman who sits on the Tillman case. Not only an insult to that body of men but to the Judges who was concerned in the case. You are following in the steps of the deceased Editor, "abusing your honorty." I wish to be polite in this matter and show more wisdom than you did in writing up the Lexington court that tried James H. Tillman. To make my letter brief, I refer to the annals of history when you fail to find a single conviction of any man for shooting an Editor. The State and counsel for same was satisfied with the Verdict, otherwis the state could have gone to appeal courts, the Masses have accepted the verdict as fair but seemingly the press wants more blood which can be found by walking in the foot print of N. G. Gonzales, Mr. Gonzales was an able man, but unfortunately, he made a great mistake by abusing the liberty of his press, the courts have sustained the defendent by which all law abiding citizens should be satisfid. If I was an editor and not satisfied with the Defendent's acquittal and had the grit to follow my pen, I would certainly invite the Defendant to entertain me beyond the Georgia lines which would be more patriotic to my fellowman than to sit in my sanctum and abuse him with my pen. In extending this invitation mentioned above I would say to my Bro. Editor if I should prove the unfortunate one in the affair not to call it murder but suicide by the abuse of liberty with the wrong man, now Mr. Editor with the kindest of feelings towards all Editors will you kindly give this note room in your paper and ask the Columbia State to copy same am not hunting a contriversy but will assure the press that any comments made the same will be answered politely.

Very Truly yours,
W. I. Risinger.

Lexington, S. C., 10-21, 1903.

This rooster is no doubt a fair type of his eleven associates. And there he sat throughout the day, pretending to listen to the speeches and the evidence, and no doubt looking as wise and as solemn as an owl, with not even intelligence enough to know that he and his pals had doubtless already agreed upon what would be final; not knowing that the State had no right of appeal. And this is the boasted jury system.

Alfalfa in Tennessee.

A Tennessee correspondent tells of a neighbor who has some of the poorest rundown land in the neighborhood, who sowed a piece of land in alfalfa. He got only a little patch here and there. The next year he planted the land in corn and plowed around the living patches of alfalfa, leaving them to grow in the corn field. The next season he sowed the land in alfalfa and now has a stand four years old.

The probability seems to be that the patches left in the first sowing did get the land infected with the microbes that live on the alfalfa roots, and hence the success of the second sowing. When he got a patch, however small, where the noduless can be seen, on the ruts he will have no further difficulty if he uses the soil from that piece to scatter over a new sowing and thus infect the soil. Legumas often fail the first time from the lack of microbes. In Lousiana a friend wrote that the first time he sowed crimsom clover he failed excerting spots. The next fall he sowed the ame land had a fine stand. The hairy-vetch often fails at first from the same cause, but is easily infected with soil from an old garden where English peas have been grown, as they both have the same microbes.

Why Is A Newspaper Like A Woman?

One bright friend came in the other day with what he thonght was a conundrum. "Why is a newspaper like a woman?" The various answers were:

"Because both have to be know to be appreciated. "Because it has to have some one to run it." Because both are good advertising mediums." "Because both have to be pressed. "Because it sometimes changes its dress and tells tales."

The correct answer is: "Because every man should have one of his own and not be running after his neighbor's."—Exchange.

Crown Prince Frederick Williams has earned the title of "rough rider" by riding up the steep steps of six terraces leading to the castle of San Souci. The Prince was followed by an entire troop of the First Regiment of the Guard.

'SQUIRE SITTON SUED.

Prestine Petrified Phenomenon Company wants the Money Back.

The "petrified man" is in danger of losing his halo. A well known Asheville lawyer is authority for the statement that a summons is even now on the way to the hands of one, A. W. Sitton, on whose land the "petrified one" is said to have been found. And now the question arises, "Is he a fraud and not a freak, and is his finder a fakir?"

These are questions which a law suit may be invoked to settle. The present owners of the "man," it is said, are considering suing the man who sold it to them to recover the purchase money paid—$3,500—because they have been told that they were buncoed into buying, not a man petrified by nature, but a moulded barrel of cement.

Those of the stockholders seen yesterday refused to discuss the matter but it is a fact that an atlorney has been investigating the authenticity of the man with a view to suing the original vendor.

It is overwhelming to contemplate the derision which will be heaped on Asheville if such a suit is brought. Other cities jealous of the petrified man, have all along insisted that the man was a fake, but Asheville stood by him and said his reputation was unsullied. And now to admit—but nothing will be admitted until something is proven.

The history of the petrified man is brief—that is since he was known. He may be Adam as far as the public knows. It was last March that he was dug up on Mr. A. W. Sitton's land near Mills River. He wore no clothes but lay in the mud. Great interest was excited and he was brought to Asheville by Mr. Sitton. Asheville people became interested—among them Messrs. Noland, Reisecker, Mackey and others. They sought to buy him but there was competition and Mr. Sitton finally got about $3,500 from the Asheville men. They formed a company and offered a prize for a suitable name. The name chosen was the Pristine Petrified Phenomenon company. The stock boomed away above par. The pristine went on the road with great success. Sundry persons, jealous persons of course, declared the man was a fake and that he was the same old bundle of mortar that had been "found" in other places before. Nobody, that is nobody that was anybody, paid any attention to these reports and the petrified man took in sheckels (or quarters in English) readily.

But every man, including petrified, has his day. The Pristine was taken to the great New Orleans Confederate reunion. The stockholders' hopes were high of much money and the petrified journeyed in state to New Orleans. But, alas, when the manager went forth in the morning to choose a sight for the phenomenon he was shocked beyond expression. Thirteen other petrified men were already on exhibition. It looked like all the petrified men were having a reunion also. Of course they were fakes but then people did not know the difference between the genuine and the imitation.

The petrified never recovered from this shock. He did not say anything, but his reputation was hurt. He did not do much good afterwards. It is true he exhibited with some success on the Murphy branch where, it might be said, he was known—his native state as it were.

And now his owners go back on him what will the result be?—Asheville Citizen.—

WARRANT SWORN OUT.

A warrant has been sworn out against A. W. Sitton by the Prestine Petrified Phenomenon company, charging Mr. Sitton with fraud and obtaining money under false pretence. The case was set for hearing this afternoon at 3 o'clock before Justice Waddell.

The Prestine Petrified Phenomenon company charge that the petrified man they bought from Mr. Sitton was a fake, and that Mr. Sitton knew it was not genuine. The Prestine company paid Mr. Sitton $3,500 for the "man of stone."

It has been rumored for some time that there was going to be something doing in "petrified" circles, and Judge W. P. Brown, counsel for the company, not long ago made a trip to Charlotte and Spartanburg for the purpose of securing evidence showing that the 'man' had been dug up in some place in South Carolina hauled through the country in a wagon to Mr. Sitton's farm, and there, by the light of the moon, again planted.

Lock Craig, Frank Carter and W. P. Brown will represent the Prestine Petrified Phenomenon company at the trial.

At 3:30 Justice Waddell was patiently waiting for the case against Mr. Sitton to be called, but the defendant had not shown up. The warrant against Mr. Sitton was issued several days ago, and the case set for trial this afternoon, but the warrant has not yet been returned and it is not known whether or not it has been served.

J. R. Van Ness of Charlotte, who was summoned as a witness in the case, came in this afternoon and is waiting for the trial to take place.

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WORDS OF WISDOM FROM A JUDGE.

Judge Justice Talks Sense To Grand Jury at Monroe.

The christian religion and the virtue of our women is at the very bottom of our civilization, and we are taught the science of government and the obedience to law at the very cradle.

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The duty of educating the rising generation, to give our children the advantages which the times demand, is too apparent for us to discuss.—Judge Justice.

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There's no passing upon the grand jury, no saying that this man or that man shall serve. But you were selected entirely by accident, after your names had been put on the list by the county commis.ioners. You come from every part of the country. It is presumed, therefore, that you will know of any violations of the law, and you are sworn to make diligent inquiry into all matters and things that to you shall be given.

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I am charging men who love law who love their country, who know their duty to their country, their State, and as a part of the court.

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You have said that you will esent no one for envy, hatred or malice. These sentiments are the worst of all in the human heart, and they do not grow naturally. They have to be cultivated. We take a little disagreement or unpleasantness and and cherish it and cultivate it into hatred, envy and malice. I ave thog ht that the most meserable one is the good man that is not on speaking terms with his neighbors.

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The law formery held human life less sacred than it does now. Formerly there were hundreds of offenses punishable with death. Now there are only four—murder in the first degree, arson, burglary, and rape. You can't find a gand jury that will fail to indict for this last offence. And if the testimony is clear and forcible, you can't find a jury that will fail to convict, nor a judge who will fail to pass the death penalty, nor a governor that will not keep his hands off.—Monroe Journal.

Marriage at Brevard.

Brevard, Nov. 5.—The prettiest church wedding that ever took place in this city was celebrated this morning at 9 o'clock in the M. E. Church, South, when Misses Bertha and Ethel England, the beautiful and accomplished daughters of Mr. and Mrs. T. D. England, were united in the bonds of wedlock to Mr. Beverly W. Trantham and Mr. W. Hume Harris. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. H. Hilliard, of Hendersonville, assisted by Rev. C. P. Moore, Pastor of the church. The church was very tastefully decorated in white and green effects, interspersed with chrysanthemums and pot plants. As the wedding march was played by Mrs. D. M. Douglas, the wedding party approached the altar preceded by the young lady ushers, Misses Elura Morris, Eva Pruett, Mattie Nell Clarke and Leona Allison, and the flower girls, Misses Edith England and Nellie Forsythe. Miss Bertha and Mr. Trantham were accompanied by Mr. James Trantham and Miss Della King, and Miss Ethel and Mr. Harris by Mr Huger Hawkins and Miss Addie Mae Councill.

Turn on the Light.

Cardinal Gibbons has given commendation to an English Version of the fours gospels which an American printer has prepared from the Greek text direct. Throughout the translation this priestly scholar puts the word "repent" in place of the "do penance" of the Domat Bible. This not only repudiates the authority of the vuligate, but knocks away the foundation of the Catholic doctine of penance. We joyfully submit this as another exhibit in proof of our frequently repeated thesis—that the Catholic Church is changing toward truth in spite of itself in this free land and under the pressure of popular liberty—Interior. [Surely a brighter day is dawning.]

Court-martials in the navy have grown at an alarming pace. Judge Advocate Lamly's shows that there were 4,565 summary courts-martial for the year ending June 30, as against 2,582 cases the previous year.

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Sale Under Execution.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
WESTERN DISTRICT OF N. C.

United States vs John Weaver, G. G. Weaver, and F. L. Weaver. } NOTICE OF SALE.

By virtue of a Fi Fa execution issued the 30th day of June 1903, by H. C. Cowles, Clerk of United States District Court at Charlotte, directed to the undersigned United States Marshal, I will on the first Monday, the 7th day of December A. D. 1903, at the Court house door in the town of Columbus, N. C. during the legal hours of sale, sell to the highest, bidder for cash to satisfy said Fi Fa execution and costs, all the right, title and interest which the said John Weaver, one of the said defendents above named, has in and to the following described real estate, to-wit:

All of the said John Weaver's one-eighth interest in and to the following described tract of land conveyed to M. M. Weaver, by John Garrison, L. N. Wilcox and wife Anna C. Wilcox, on the 12th day of May, 1896 and recorded in Book No. 17 at page 176 of the Records of Deeds of Polk county and described as follows:

Beginning at a stake in the Howards Gap road, Lee Morts corner and running thence with Lee Morts line N. 65 degrees E. 104 poles to a stake in his line; thence with line of lot 14 Curitan Plan, N. 7 degrees W. 87 poles to a hickory; thence N. 27 degrees W. 23 poles to a pine corner of lot 14; thence with line of said lot N. 60¼ degrees W. 95 poles to a stake in the Howard's Gap Road; thence with said road S 30 degrees W. 16 poles to a poplar, S. W. to a stake, S. 7 degrees E. 38 poles S. 8 degrees W. 20 poles, S. 32 degrees E. 12 poles to a pine, S. 24 degrees 24 poles to a pine S 24 degrees E. 26 poles to the beginning corner containing 111 acres more or less;

The said John Weaver being a non-resident and having no homestead in the state of North Carolina.

Also all the right title and interest of the defendant F. L Weaver in and to the following described parcel of land to wit:—

Beginning in the said F. L. Weaver's north line of home place about 10 poles West of said F. L. Weaver's pine corner at a branch and runs N 87 degrees W. about 122 poles to a pine stump near St. Pauls Church, thence N. 3 degrees W. 7 poles to a stake, thence N. 87 degrees W. 10 poles to a black oak, thence S. 3 degrees W. 15 poles to a chustnut, thence N. 87 degrees W. 16 poles to a chustnut, thence S. 22 degrees E 32 poles to a chustnut, thence S. 3 degrees W. 124 poles to a stone, thence a straight line to the beginning, containing 60 acres more or less the same being the excess of home stead allotted to the said F. L. Weaver.

The object of said sale is as before said to satisfy said F i. F a. execution and cost.

This 23rd day of Oct. 1903.

J. M. Millikan, Marshal
Per. T. C. Israel, Deputy Marshal.

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