

Temperance Column.

Prepared by the Women's Christian Temperance Union of Rensselaer Ind.

The Gospel Temperance meeting will be held at the M. E. Church on next Sunday evening, instead of the Opera House, as previously announced.

The W. C. T. U. met at Mrs. Lalke's last Saturday and will meet at the same place on next Saturday afternoon. The society has now a membership of fifty-four, and is in a very prosperous condition.

The Star Temperance Society has decided to give an entertainment at the Opera House on the afternoon of Easter Sunday at the regular time for the Temperance School. A good programme has been prepared, and the hall will be appropriately decorated, so that it will probably be worthy the attendance of all.

The following is the programme as prepared by the Executive Committee:

- 1.—Easter Anthem, by Choir.
- 2.—Responsive Scripture Reading.
- 3.—Prayer.
- 4.—Anthem, Choir.
- 5.—History of Easter, Miss Rosa Easler.
- 6.—Declamation, George Healy.
- 7.—Song, Band of Hope.
- 8.—Dialogue.
- 9.—Song. Blanche, Bertha and Leota Alter, with chorus.
- 10.—Declamation, H. J. Dexter.
- 11.—Declamation, Battie Powell.
- 12.—Quartette, Mrs. S. P. Thompson and others.
- 13.—Declamation, Ira Washburn.
- 14.—Declamation, Ida Milliken.
- 15.—Chorus.

Temperance in Partisan Politics.

Bishop Merrill, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, has an article upon the question of prohibition in the Western Christian Advocate, which, though written particularly with respect to the condition of things in the State of Ohio, is still of much interest, and almost perfect application in this State, and in all other states. The Bishop, of course, writes from the point of view of an earnest believer in and advocate of prohibition. He says:

"The conviction has been clear, in my mind, that Ohio, not less than Iowa, will vote for prohibition as soon as the question can be gotten before the people in a simple and direct form, free from political biases and party complications; and that conviction has not abated. There are thousands of voters in Ohio, as there are in all the States, whose solid judgments approve prohibition, and who would vote for it on its merits, if permitted to do without disturbing their political standing, but will not go out of their party to do so, nor will they forsake the candidates nominated by their party in order to secure the success of prohibition. Their subserviency to party may not be wise, and their love for prohibition may be far weaker than it ought to be, and yet in any action, taken for the furtherance of the cause, the attitude of this large class of voters should be considered. My belief is that with them is the balance of power and the thing to be sought after as of the first importance is such an issue as will permit every man to vote for or against prohibition without affecting his relation to his party, to his church, or to his favorite candidates for office."

The writer continues:

"Even a righteous cause requires wise management. Every factor in the problem should have its place. This will require an unpartisan view of the relation of the question of prohibition to the existing political parties."

"This issue is great enough to be separated from all partisan movements."

"It is plainly unwise to commit prohibition to the keeping of any party, and not less unwise to attempt to form a distinct party on this ground. There is great danger of impatience at delays, and too much readiness to regard postponement as defeat. Great moral achievements require time, specially when the body of the people must be brought into action. Reforms move slowly. In some things delays are dangerous and often fatal. Not so in this contest."

In the conclusion of his argument and advice to temperance men, to prohibitionists, the Bishop says:

"Under scarcely any conceivable circumstances would I ask any political party to put a prohibition plank in its platform, nor would I consent to seek its endorsement of political convention, let the parties and their machinery alone. This cause is infinitely above their range of topics and action. It belongs to the people in their highest freedom and ultimate sovereignty, and the appeal should be made to the people's representatives in the Legislature upon grounds broader and

solder than any party stands upon. In the meantime let every thing be done that can be to sustain and improve the existing legislation on the subject. Experience has amply proven that regulation does not regulate—yet restraining statutory laws have some value, and with a live public sentiment behind them, their beneficial power may be so increased as to prove the practicability and expediency of constitutional prohibition."

This language from one so high in authority and counsel as Bishop Merrill is in sound practical contrast with the words of those who proclaim that they prefer free whisky to any sort of regulation or restriction, and rebukes the actions of those who would put the Liquor League in control of the government by being caught in the net of a third party, spread by the agents of the league for the ensnaring of the unwise. —[Indianapolis Journal.]

The temperance folks came within four votes of getting a resolution through the New York Assembly to submit a prohibitory constitutional amendment to a popular vote. Of the 61 votes in favor of the resolution, all but 9 were Republicans, and the 63 negative votes were all Democratic but 17. A suggestive fact in connection with this result is that the 9 Democrats who voted for the resolution are from rural counties and all but 3 of the 17 Republicans who voted against it are from cities having over 20,000 inhabitants.

The Origin of the word Total.

In 1811 the first organized attempt to battle with intemperance that history records was started in Massachusetts. It spread from State to State of the Union and crossed the Atlantic in 1829. It had already made some progress in England, Scotland and Ireland, when Father Matthew appeared 1838. In 1817 a Total Abstinence Society was formed in Skibbereen, Cork. In 1832 the war against alcohol was begun in England. One Joseph Livesey, a gentleman of Preston, having opened it with a mass-meeting at which several gentlemen made speeches, urging the necessity of moderation in the use of alcoholic liquors. A plasterer's laborer we are told, named "Diel" Turner, said to the assemblage: "I'll now to do wif this moderation, notheration pledge; I'll be rest down to tee-total for ever and ever." The word Total was thus got into print, and was caught up at once as the watchword of the thorough temperance reformers.

Presbyterian Church Matters.

Rev. Gilbert Small will preach in the Presbyterian Church on the first Sabbath of April.

MEETING OF THE PRESBYTERY.

The Presbytery of Logansport will meet in the Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, April 8th at 7:30 p.m.

Rev. Joseph McHatton of Kentland. The Moderator, will preach the opening sermon on Tuesday evening.

Wednesday will be spent in the routine business of Presbytery and on Wednesday evening, there will be a general conference on "How can the Church reach and influence those outside to come within its fold."

All the session will be open to the public, and as this is the first meeting of this body in Rensselaer, it is hoped the citizen will take such interest in its proceedings as to attend in full force—especially the evening sessions.

George Eastman, the inventor of the machine to make percussion caps, is living at the age of seventy in Kalamazoo, Mich.

"Is a chancery court a place where a man takes his chance?" asked the lawyer's son of his father. "Well yes, that's about it," was the answer.

A gloomy outlook. Hans—Heinrich—if dose brohibition granks vould have der vay, vat den vould we drink?" Heinrich—"Drink water, ust like a cow, yu gracious."—[Scissors.

About 150 miles north of Missoula, Montana a region has been discovered by an exploring party in which are twenty-two cascades over 500 ft. in height, and a true glacier with a mile frontage and 500 feet fall. It is said to be a more wonderful region than the Yellowstone.

Laura Johnson, a Milwaukee girl, became so indignant on reading a letter from her betrothed, in which he expressed the desire to break off their engagement, that she tried to snatch the engagement ring from her finger, but it was so firmly fixed that she could not remove it. Seeing a hatchet near by she then deliberately chopped the finger off and sent it with the ring attached to the faithless lover.

Mrs. Fremont's presence of mind once saved her husband from a humiliating experience, and probably kept California for the United States. After he had started on his most famous Pacific slope expedition enemies in Washington succeeded in getting a bill through congress recalling the

authority of the expedition. Mrs. Fremont had orders to forward by courier to her husband anything of importance that came after he left, and she could easily have overtaken him within three or four days. But she quietly suppressed the order. Fremont went on his way rejoicing, and California was saved to the union. A strong effort was made to reprimand Fremont, but it slipped on the threshold of his expedition, and he was honored instead of rebuked.

Every body recognizes the fact that the country needs a new and efficient navy, and there is lots of money in the treasury with which to build it. But under the management of Robeson and Chandler the country has spent lots of money for this purpose already and has no navy, after all. A new navy is wanted, but a new secretary is wanted worse. —[Philadelphia Times.]

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Services of the Free Will Baptist congregation will be held in the Presbyterian church, Rensselaer, on the second and fourth Sabbath of each month. Covenant meeting on Saturday before fourth Sabbath of each month at 2 p.m. Sabbath services will begin at 10:30 a.m.

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A boy and girl a sleighing went,
And neither of them cared a cent
How fast they rid,
While on they slid—
What for, and where!

The air was very cold and raw—
The little boy, he froze his paw.

Still on they sped—
In their little sled—
What for, and where?

The little girl, so young and fair,
Lost nearly all her golden hair,

They went so fast,

Their friends they passed—
What for, and where?

The horse, of course, got badly scared—
And run, and pitched, and kicked

and reared,
On went the pair—
Now almost there—
What for, and where?

The boy and girl were tumbled out—
She sprained her ear he broke his

snout—
Then up they got,
And off they set—
What for, and where?

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