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The Palladium is in favor of a well regulated town headed by a live mayor of business ability and unquestioned honor. The "Zimmerman plan" of city government has been tried here—we don't want to see it tried again.

FORUM OF THE PEOPLE

To the Editor of the Palladium:

A

short

story made long.

Old Wayne, one of the banner counties of the state, on the 22nd day of August, 1908, gave the grandest Sunday school parade and rally that ever took place in the state of Indiana. On November 3, 1908, hundreds of our voters sacrificed their respect for their party, and on February 5, 1909, done better still on their downward way, sacrificed their respect for themselves, their families and their home—all for their King liquor. "Forgive them Father, they know not what they do." Many were the men who faithfully promised their wives, "the queen of the home," to vote dry, but at the polls gave away to their weaker emotions and decided to stand by the saloons, give them their money and deceive their wives, rather than give her a portion of the money and help cast out the saloons. Many were the men who stood on the streets of our towns throughout election day and cast no vote simply because they were getting paid to vote instead of vote. Many were so far sighted and wise as to see our taxes raised, prices of products lowered and the business of our cities ruined. Business had better be ruined than to pay the bill with human souls, as we are now.

These mind readers are our "moderate" drinkers, speaking of them as modest as possible. It was not the taxes or anything, but their love for the beverage easily told. They have saved us the saloons for two more years at least. Yes, the saloons.

The saloon is a place where intoxicating liquors are sold to be drank over a bar.

A bar to heaven, a door to hell. Who ever named it, named it well."

About the bar cluster the drinking and drunk, like flies around a soughing spout, a good place for cut throats and thieves. The drunkard is seen vainly searching his pockets for the price of another drink, the sober is urged to drink once more.

The saloon is a nice place. Yes. Nice foot railing to rest your tired feet, a bar to lean your elbow on, you lift the first glassful and in a moment look up through the bottom of the glass, that glass calls for many more, the next you realize you are going down the street locked arms with a man with a blue suit on, the next you hear is "\$10 and costs," and of all things that rings in your ears the longest. For the working man, it is not so much the drop in wages, as the drop he takes after he gets the wages, that causes trouble.

The saloon keeps all may be very nice men.

I give them my money and wake in the pen."

The saloons patrons are usually on the march to total depravity and its proprietor generally heads the procession. Its finished products are lunatics, paupers and criminals. Nor does it work alone, usually gambling dens exist with it. Out of both no real good has ever come. All pretended pleasures are baits to entrap. Only a short time ago in a city I saw a man too drunk to stand alone, leave a saloon, took a few steps and fall, the saloon man had watched him and came to his rescue and the last I saw was leading him along. Would it not be a delightful business to get to lead your patients around over town. They say the saloon is the poor man's club. Perhaps it is. I'm sure that his wife and children think sometimes the club is at their house when the father comes home and starts a drunken brawl. Before the election each side predicted a victory. If they had let

A CITIZEN OF FRANKLIN T.P.

Editor Palladium:

I am glad that Richmond intends to celebrate the Lincoln Centennial in a way that will reflect credit upon our city. I wish to make a suggestion concerning the children, especially those so young as to soon forget the exercises of the day. Let each family

preserve that day's copy of some newspaper taken so that in future years the children of today will have a reminder. Also buy some Lincoln post cards.

A TEACHER.

TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION.

To the Editor of the Palladium:

In the name of the cultured and refined women of this community—the non-voting residents of Wayne county, allow me to call the attention of the active voters to a discussion of several points of interest involved in the election of last Friday.

The editor of the item, Richmond's Tiger of the Press, despite his clawing of his neighbors, has left unscathed that plain fact of cool reason that the complete elimination of the saloon from any community tends to the promotion of public peace and welfare.

Boll down into a few bitter drops all the venom and fierce invective of the past few weeks, is there aught of truth or permanence in that frothy brew?

Even when considered dispassionately, aside from its moral aspect, the saloon is recognized as a menace to the good order of any city. It is upon this ground that our brothers of the south who favor the use of stimulants in their own homes, have yet voted the saloon out of their borders.

That youth and human weakness make mandatory in all quarters this prohibitory safeguard is likewise established in the minds of those who are struggling to elevate the standards of right living and thinking among the masses.

And yet this national wave of progress that might have swept clean our great city, has, instead, dashed against the effectual barricade of the interests of the saloon, and been denied entrance.

An opportunity has come and gone!

The die has been cast. The memory of the look of disappointment in the eyes of one woman, when the result was known, is wringing my heart still, and when I multiply this case by thousands I marvel that man, the natural protector of woman, should have dealt so cruel a blow.

This is common sense? Men spend years and even life experimenting on the human system, what it lacks in disease and what it needs in perfection. This knowledge is known to every physician or should be. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are compressed natural vegetable and fruit essences which when mixed with the saliva of the mouth go into the stomach capable of digesting a full meal and they digest it to the uttermost shred. Then such a meal does a man good and it gives him the means to overcome stomach troubles. Forty thousand physicians use these tablets and charge you for writing a testimonial of their merit which they call a prescription. Any druggist in America or Canada will sell you a box for 50c. Think of it. Every druggist carries them. Here's common sense again. Don't this tell you there is merit? Go to your druggist today, buy a package and walk up to your meals knowing that they will not cause you pain. Send us your name and address and we will send you a trial package by mail free. Address F. A. Stuart, 150 Stuart Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

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This description does not fit

Mayor Zimmerman.

The Doctor is said to be in favor of

a wide open town! perhaps his ideas

of a wide open town has changed

since his enforced vacation from the

city building. One thing is certain.

The citizens of this town don't want

to take the risk. It costs too much.

It may not be amiss to say that the

saloon interests in Richmond after

their victory cannot afford from two

points of view to go back to the old

ways which were theirs in Doc's time.

We do not mean that they have any

intention to. It would be the greatest

foolishness to think of it.

For the next major will be the po-

lice judge and in case the metropoli-

tan police law is repealed there will

be a chance for things to happen as

they happened some years ago. Is it

this that the Doctor has his eyes on?

the women vote, they would not have needed any predictions, four thousand and nine hundred and ninety-nine would vote for their everlasting elimination. Some would say this is their weaker sense of judgment, but I say their superior sense of judgment, for "The hand that rocks the cradle, is the hand that rules the world."

License high or laws means the perpetuation of the saloon in its most alluring form. Local option by townships means a saloon on one side of the township line to supply the other side; by cities means saloons, where saloons can control, to curse localities where they cannot. The right of society to prohibit the manufacture and sale of liquors, is often assailed as an attack on personal liberty. This is a mistake. No one claims the right to compel temperance by law. What a man may drink is for his conscience. The question is between him and his God. But drunkenness is a different matter and affects society. Drunkenness is a great public wrong, involving life, health, prosperity, peace, morals and the general welfare. Great personal liberty isn't it? What law gives the right to sell that which imprisons man, destroys life and kills the state with insanity, crime, want and taxation. This kind of liberty would put a cylinder of dynamite under the Temple of Liberty. We hear the cry that "blind tigers" would invade our fair land if the saloons were put down. They say young men would go there who would not go to an open saloon. Twelve blind tigers would be nothing to one tiger with two good eyes. Twelve blind tigers would be the law of a good sheriff and a law enforcing police force. It is not the thought to secretly obtain something to drink that lures young men away so much, as the company they get in. I saw in a paper some time ago in regard to a Y. M. C. A. convention, this sentence: "Hundreds of young men were there from different cities, as well as the awkward country boy." I would like to add, if one half of the city lads were as pure as the awkward country lad, what a world we would have.

If there is such a thing as crime

the saloon is in its last decade. To

permit them to exist for money is to

sell the lives of men, the virtue of

women, the support of little children.

If there be any man so inefficient

that he cannot make a living without going

to partnership with the saloons, let

him seek the cloisters of the poor

house and go to his grave with his

soul unstained with saloon pollution.

If there be a city that cannot conduct

its government without being sus-

tained by revenue from a licensed saloon.

Let it surrender its charter with honor

and not make itself a disgrace to the

map of the state.

"God needs you in his service."

The declaration was like the bolt of

light that blinded Saul on the high-

way. Had the missionary said, "The

devil needs you in his service," Crowe's

service!

Following up this stroke, the good

woman pointed to the infant son in

the lap of Crowe's wife and asked

what about his future.

Whereupon the hunted fugitive broke

down in abject penitence. His love for

the babe was Crowe's tender spot.

After several days Crowe's conversion

followed.

His transformation appeared com-

plete. When he told his wife of his

future plans she put her hands in his

and said:

"I have faith in you. We will work

together."

Crowe, who is a bright man with an

unusual command of language, is lectur-

ing on "The Crime of Society In

Dealing With Criminals."

Now—

You may be of those who resent this

lecturing of society by reformed crimi-

nals.

You may disbelieve in such conver-

sions and predict that the mood will

not last.

But it may be Crowe has a genuine

message on the treatment of criminals

and the spiritual miracle in Crowe's

case can be as genuine and lasting as that of Paul.

Any way, one thing is sure—child-

hood is ever a potent factor in the re-

demption of men.