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A GREAT MEETING.

The meeting held in the Theater on
Tuesday afternoon under the auspices
of Salt Lake club women was in every
respect a great gathering. The speak-
ers were forceful and eloquent, and
they punctured the sophistries of the
apologists for the saloon traffic as ef-
fectually that they are beyond repair
and utterly useless. The vast audience
was enthusiastic and earnest. And it
was a representative audience, too.
It should be entirely clear to the mem-
bers of the Legislature, to party lead-
ers, and everybody else, that it would
have been utterly impossible to hold
such a rally on a weekday afternoon
before the close of business hours, ex-
cept in the interest of a very popular
issue. The meeting was an ocular de-
monstration of the existing sentiment
for prohibitive legislation. Those who
believe they can safely defy this senti-
ment make the mistake of their lives.

We hope more similar gatherings will
be arranged for. One has been an-
nounced for Thursday evening in the
Pioneer State hall, and this ought to
be followed by mass meetings in every
precinct in the city. If the friends
of the liquor traffic hope that the en-
thusiasm of the prohibitionists will
wear out and that, if they only dili-
gently long enough, any kind of an
iniquitous bill can be passed unob-
served, they ought to be disillusioned.
Let the friends of public morality work
as unflinchingly and persistently as the
promoters of the saloon. For they are
not battling for a lost cause. They
are on the winning side, no matter how
slow their forward progress seems to be.

One of the arguments most often ad-
vanced as an apology for the soul-
destroying traffic is this: That it is an
evil that cannot be eradicated, and
therefore must be tolerated. That is
the argument of the saloon keeper, the
drunkard, the corrupt politician and
the bribed press. It is also the argu-
ment of the coward. But no true Am-
erican admits the force of it. That is
not the way Americans deal with any
problem that confronts them. They
are wont to tackle them, no matter
how difficult they are. The weak, in-
ferior Hindu may lie down and die
under a light for life, when the black
plague thrusts out its sickle to reap.
But Americans are not made of that
kind of stuff. When the pest lands on
our shores, we fight it. We do not
say it is impossible; we must yield to
the inevitable. We go to work and
establish quarantine. We burn the
infected houses. We catch the rats
that carry the disease germs, and we
generally win out. That is the Ameri-
can spirit. Apply it to the saloon evil.
In spite of the specious pleadings of
those interested in the traffic. The
question is of saving our boys from a
fate worse than death. There can be
no compromise with hell on that issue.

KIPLING A PROHIBITIONIST.

Many men, some of them temperance
advocates, oppose the closing of the
saloon as an unwarrantable interfer-
ence with the inherent right or reason-
able privilege of the individual to ob-
tain his liquor in the open saloon. Of
course, there is no such right recog-
nized by the law; on the contrary,
courts uniformly sustain as a con-
stitutional exercise of the legislative
power laws and ordinances regulating
the hours of opening and closing sa-
loons, closing saloons on Sundays and
election days, prohibiting the sale of
liquor to minors and women, main-
taining restricted districts, providing for
high license and local option, and,
finally, absolutely prohibiting the
liquor traffic. Such an objection there-
fore is not based on a legal right—the
handling of the liquor problem is one
of legislative discretion.

It is urged by others that prohibition
though admittedly legal would be an
unreasonable infringement on indi-
vidual liberty. The argument for this
position is substantially that I shall
remit any curtailment of the ease with
which I or others may obtain liquor,
even though this selfish demand may
result in untold sin and sorrow to
others. The answer to this objection
is stated by Rudyard Kipling in lan-
guage that should startle every think-
ing man into a comprehension of the
real situation.

Mr. Kipling, who in his earlier days
geoffed at the suggestion of prohibi-
tion, witnessed a scene in a bar hall in
Buffalo, as he relates in his "Ameri-
can Notes," where two girls, made
drunk through the efforts of their
male companions, disappeared reeling
down a dark alley. He adds: "Then,
recounting previous opinions, I became
a Prohibitionist. Better it is that a
man should go without his beer in
public places, and content himself with
sweating at the narrow-mindedness of
the majority; better it is to poison the
inside with very vile temperance
drinks, and to buy lager furiously at
back doors, than to bring temptation
to the lips of young fools such as the
four I had seen. I understand now
why the preacher rages against drink.
I have said: 'There is no harm in it
taken moderately' and yet my own
demand for beer helped directly to

send these two girls reeling down the
dark street to—God alone knows what
end. It is not good that we
should let it lie before the eyes of
children and I have been a fool in
writing to the contrary."

Can not that class of our citizens to
which Kipling formerly belonged—
sticklers for individual liberty—be as
nobly disinterested and generous as he
has proven himself to be and with
him stand for the general welfare even
at some sacrifice of ease or ideals?

APPRECIATES THE "NEWS."

We are pleased to note that the ef-
forts of this paper for pure public mor-
als and clean politics are appreciated
by people of all classes. We have re-
ceived many assurances to that effect,
both in writing and otherwise. We
publish the subjoined letter dated
Binghamton, N. Y., Jan. 25, because
it shows that interest in the struggle
now on in Utah is by no means con-
fined to this State, or its immediate
neighbors. It is followed closely by
friends of temperance all over the
country. Our esteemed Binghamton
correspondent writes:

"Dear Sir—We of the east do not know
much of Mormonism excepting what we
read in the papers, and I fear we do
not get the full truth in many in-
stances. I have been very fortunate in hav-
ing had an opportunity to read the
'News' for the past few months; also
a prominent Gentle paper of your
city, and I observe your paper is work-
ing for a clean city and state, free
from the saloon and its contaminating
influences, and against all forms of
vice. I am a Gentle, as you would
term me, but a professed follower of
Jesus Christ, and I take His words and
teachings as the guide in life. One
of His wise sayings, and His great
measure of character was: 'By their
fruits ye shall know them.' This is
the great test, not only of the individ-
ual character, but of organizations,
like churches and bodies. As I observe,
the 'Mormon' Church is for cleanliness,
honesty, and sobriety. I can
but say, it is thus for a good reason-
ization. My impressions are decidedly
favorable. As I said, I am also tak-
ing a prominent Gentle paper of your
city, I observe it is dumb on the
great question of open saloons, which
is so much discussed in all papers of
the country. I believe that any paper
which will not let its voice be heard,
against the saloon, is not up to the
proper standard in moral teachings,
which the better part of the people are
demanding, at the present time.

"I wish you God speed in your work
against the liquor business, which is
debasing the men and women of our
land. By your open, energetic work
for righteousness, you are creating a
good impression of your Church, among
the better class of our people. It will
strengthen you. I am ashamed of the
other paper, which is so dumb. The
great cause of prohibition is making
mighty advances in this land and I
have faith that in both Utah and New
York states we will close up the sa-
loons. God bless you! Very respect-
fully I am yours,

G. M. T. JOHNSON,
A Comrade in the War."

Yes, the Church is for cleanliness,
purity, sobriety, and it is, by its very
creed under obligation to support every
honest effort for the furtherance of
virtue among the children of men. In
the temperance movement, as in so
many other directions, the Church has
been the pioneer. As far back as 1852,
at a time when very few gave any
thought to the evils of drink, the Pro-
phet Joseph, through revelation, an-
nounced that it is "not good, neither
meet in the sight of your Father," to
drink wine or strong drink. What won-
derful strides the temperance move-
ment has made all over the world since
then! In the past there is encourage-
ment for the future.

IT DOES PROHIBIT.

The friends of prohibition do not un-
derstand the situation at all. They
should read the other side and learn
that the saloon interests do not want
prohibition for the sole reason that
more whisky is sold under prohibitive
statutes than under regulation, and if
there is anything those interests abhor
it is the consumption of too much whis-
ky. They do not want prohibition be-
cause there are more saloons in pro-
hibition states than in other states, and
the sole desire of the philanthropists
engaged in the booze business is to
keep down the number of saloons. They
have studied the conditions in Maine
and Vermont, Kansas and Nebraska,
and after a microscopic scrutiny of
the atmosphere in various localities,
they have found, we are asked to be-
lieve, that the saloon germ thrives and
multiplies under prohibition while it
leads a lingering existence under free
liquor laws. And having made this
momentous discovery, they naturally
unite for the salvation of mankind
from the influence of too many saloons.
Their efforts along this line are really
pathetic, and touching. They will spend
thousands of dollars to defeat any pro-
hibition bill that may make its appear-
ance anywhere; they will buy the in-
fluence of newspapers and public men
and place this in opposition to any
popular demand that may be made; but
they do it, not for any selfish purpose
whatever, only in the interest of tem-
perance. Mo they announce through
their subsidized organs all over the
country, if prohibition really did pro-
hibit, the saloon keepers, bless you!
would be the first to demand prohibi-
tive laws; such is their disinterested
solicitude for the welfare of mankind;
but it does not prohibit, they say;
therefore they demand regulation. Look
at the awful examples of Maine and
Vermont, Kansas and Nebraska!

It is almost incredible that rational
beings can seriously offer such rot as
an argument against the kind of tem-
perance legislation Utah now demands.
But it is done, although the hypocrisy
of it is as nauseating as the stench of
a barroom. The truth is that the liquor
interests are morosely afraid of pro-
hibition. They will accept anything
rather than that, because any kind of
regulation laws can be evaded, easier
than prohibition, by the aid of money
freely spent. Prohibition does prohibit
in states where the public sentiment is
back of it as it is here in Utah, and
nons know this better than the saloon
interests and their hired spokesmen.

"Introduced by request." Whose re-
quest?

People fall between two stools be-

cause they neglect to put a board on
them.

Is there no antidote for this Jap-
anophilia?

A "swell" boarding house doesn't al-
ways fill one up.

The man who dips into politics dips
into a seething cauldron.

The pugilistic champion and the ex-
champion are both J's.

Traveling libraries should be well
supplied with books of travel.

The richest lands are producing the
greatest crop of land frauds.

He has the longest job who pretends
to spend his time hunting a job.

There is good in all people but in
some it is a most negligible quantity.

The more it is studied the more "the
measure" looks like a measure of in-
iquity.

The brewers see trouble brewing for
them, and this makes them hopping
mad.

Would not the grand jury be the
proper body to enquire into the missing
fremen's fund?

A man who is caught on the wrong
side of the market is never caught
with the goods on him.

One of the hardest things in the
world to do is to pay a tribute to the
memory of a great man and not stop
over.

It is all very well to tell people to
sell their house and buy an automobile,
but what if they haven't any house to
sell?

Senator Scott has been feeding his
fellow senators on "possum. After
awhile some of them may have to be
content with plain crow.

"The red broom of war may sweep
this country within the next ten years,"
cries Senator Jeff Davis of Arkansas.
That would be a besom of destruction.

Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson
must have made a tremendously strong
New Year's resolution for he hasn't
spoken for publication for over a
month.

"After all, why should not a pound
of butter contain sixteen ounces?" asks
an exchange. The real question is,
Why doesn't a pound of butter contain
sixteen ounces?

A New York legislator has introduced
a bill making it illegal for a policeman
to carry a club. And yet the club to
which the policeman belongs is ex-
pected to carry his district.

The Nevada legislature recommends
the state of California to pay no at-
tention to the admission of the Presi-
dent in the matter of the proposed
anti-Japanese legislation. Our recom-
mendation to California would be to
pay no attention whatever to the
recommendation of the legislature of
Nevada.

BRITAIN'S HEAVY INCOME TAX

Cassell's Journal.
The British income tax is not only
the heaviest, but the hardest, most in-
quisitorial in the world. The three-
year average having been done away,
a man now is assessed on his profits or
gains during the year of assessment.
The death duties are a fearful burden
on all classes. Since they were im-
posed in 1894 they have yielded over
£220,000,000. Many landed estates have
paid twice or three times within five
or six years, with the result that they
are utterly crippled. Fine houses have
gone to ruin, and hundreds of agricul-
tural laborers have been thrown out of
employment. For a so-called free
trade country the duties are very high.

ROMANCE STILL AMONG US.

Philadelphia Public Ledger.
It is not true that the age of romance
and heroism is dead. Nothing could be
more moving or thrilling than the ep-
isode of the Republic. The Republic;
nothing finer than the courage with
which the human beings involved met
the test. The writer who criticized the
bravery of Sir Richard Grenville for
extreme audacity in attacking a
whole Spanish fleet with his ship and
handful of men was in turn rebuked
by Stevenson, who said justly that such
acts of daring and self-sacrifice are
among the glories of mankind because
they show what human beings are
capable of and make us proud and
emulative. The incident of the Re-
public gives every properly constructed
man a warmer glow in the heart and
a higher faith in his fellow-beings.

THE PANAMA CANAL.

San Francisco Chronicle.
As the time approaches when the de-
cision as to the type of the Panama
canal will become virtually irrevocable,
the attacks on the lock system grow in
number and in vigor. It must be re-
membered that the lock type was adopted
against the unanimous judgment of
all the European engineers who were
on the Commission and that of a minor-
ity of the American engineers. Much
more is now known than then as to
actual conditions, and that there are
many engineers who have grave doubts
as to the possibility of a safe founda-
tion for the great dam is cer-
tain. President-elect Taft, who is
already very familiar with the situa-
tion, is not visiting the canal zone at
this time with a delegation of the most
eminent engineers of the country with-
out some special reason for it. There
is an evident and wise intent to resolve
whatever doubt there may exist on
this point. It will not do to take
chance with the foundation of such a
tremendous structure as the Gatun
dam.

JUST FOR FUN.

Rebuked.
Large Lady (beamingly)—Could I get
a seat near the stage, please?
Box office (surveying)—Why, cer-
tainly. What row did you want?
Large Lady (indignantly)—Don't get
fresh, young man—Judge.
She Knew Her Man.
She (enthusiastically)—I could just
die waiting.
He—Me, too. I could wait right in-
to heaven.
She—Oh, but you might have to re-
verse—Boston Transcript.
Same Here.
This is from Prof. Perroco's note-
book.
In Boston I saw this: Merchants, pro-

fessional men, bankers, all the men
who represent the life and the busi-
ness of the city, migrating in the eve-
ning to the neighboring villages to go
to sleep in the country; and the Ital-
ian peasants who cultivate the gardens
in the outskirts of Boston going into
the city to reach their little homes in
the old parts of town. The country
folk live in the city and the city folk
in the country.
True bill!—Boston Herald.

Not of the Mollycoddle Breed.
The calf, which Gideon King had
taken the summer resident to see, sur-
vived his owner and the stranger with
a wary eye.
"He—what breed is your calf?" asked
the visitor.
Mr. King removed a wisp of straw
from his mouth and said:
"This critter's father gored a justice
of the peace, knocked a lightning rod
down and over an end and lifted a train
over a picket fence, and as for his moth-
er, she chased the whole Banbury
brass band out of town last Fourth of
July. If that ain't breed enough to pay
for, you can leave him here. I'm not
pressing him on anybody.—Youth's
Companion.

Irrepressible.
Little Nephew—Auntie, did you marry
an Indian?
Aunt—Why do you ask such a silly
question, Freddie?
Little Nephew—Well, I saw some
scalps on your dressing table—Eugene
Blauvelt.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.
The contents of the February Ameri-
can Boy are not only particularly
varied and of especial timeliness. A
serial entitled "Old Shilohs," by
John T. McIntyre, telling of the ex-
periences of a pioneer boy in Michigan,
starts in this issue, and "Frontier Boys
on the Overland Trail" is continued
with increasing interest. The
chapters of "That Dillingham Boy" are
given. Among the many short stories
are: "Walter Ramsey's Valentine,"
telling of a boy's heroism in the face
of great danger; and "Yellow Tail," the
Siskiyou Puma, a story of a hunt
among the mountains of California.
"Stories of Abraham Lincoln" are
specially featured in the magazine.
Then there are interesting and instructive
articles on "H. H. Hocks," "Wash-
ington," "Philately," "How to Make
Garden," "Lights," "Poultry Keeping,"
"Cattle Pets for Boys," and many
others.—Sprague Publishing Co., De-
troit, Mich.

In the February World's Work Mr.
Rockefeller continues his reminiscences
with "The Difficult Art of Getting,"
while other important articles are a
further installment of Col. Pitterson's
amazing big-game stories, "Hunting the
Rhinoceros and the Hippopotamus in
Africa," Mr. Arthur W. Page's "Re-
port to the Stockholders of the United
States"—a discussion of our natural re-
sources, "An Era of Better Railroads,"
by Mr. C. M. Keys; two beautifully il-
lustrated papers on George Grey Barnard,
the sculptor; the second part of
Mr. Edward Boreale's autobiography,
"A Farmer Whose Son is Also a Farmer,"
Mr. Lawrence Perry's "Building a
Nine-Hundred-foot Steel Ship," and
"The Night-Riders; a Trust of Farm-
ers," by Mr. Edward A. Jonas; and
"A Cheerful Journey Through Missis-
sippi," in which Mr. Booker T. Wash-
ington pictures the growth of the negro
race in education, thrift and indepen-
dence.—Doubleday, Page & Co., New
York.

President William DeWitt Hyde,
D.D., of Bowdoin college, opens the
succession of notable articles in the
February issue of the Homiletic Re-
view with a brief paper, "The Case
System in the Ministry," in which he
shows that the method of studying in-
ductively the individual case and the
actual symptoms or circumstances,
which is pursued by doctors and law-
yers, should be adopted by preachers
and pastors. "The Illumination of Per-
sonality," by Prof. John Wright Buck-
ham, D.D., is in line with modern psy-
chology and is a study of great value.
The venerable Theodore L. Cuyler re-
calls some personal "Impressions of
Lincoln," and his article is supple-
mented by a sermon on "Lincoln's Re-
ligion," by the Rev. Edgar DeWitt
Jones, an editor of a goodly
amount of miscellaneous Lincoln lit-
erature. An article on "Edward Irving
and Unknown Tongues," by the Rev.
A. E. Seddon, sets forth a sub-
ject of interest that has been revived
by various recent outbreaks of "spak-
ing with tongues." The Rev. George R.
Lunn writing on "The Church and So-
cialism" urges the church to pro-
mote the coming of a better social or-
der. The first of a series of articles
dealing with the duty and opportunity
of the church in relation to the children
is furnished by H. Sloane Coffin, D.D.;
Mr. Grenville Kleiser begins another
series in which he will try to bring
ministers in the matter of pulpits, de-
livery, voice-culture, etc.; a stirring
appeal to the heroism and self-sacrifice
of the church is made by Dr. Charles
L. Chelmsford in an article entitled "Home
Lives and Evangelism." Dr. G. R.
Robbins writes out of a long and suc-
cessful experience on "Problems in
Down-town Church Work"—Funk and
Wagnalls Co., 44-60 East, 23rd St., New
York.

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the Orange and the Phil-
lips, and there has been an urgent
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ners to materially increase their out-
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thrown match, or a spark from the grate, you may some night be forced
to face that indescribable terror.

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