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## ADVICE TO TIPLERS.

As the tom-cat sneaks with his ears stretched watching,  
The crumb-lured mouse he will soon be snatching,  
So the liquor man watches, with longing eyes,  
To bleed his game with a sad surprise.

Do you know the cocktail his soft hand mixes?  
Has a sting in its tail that sorely vexes;  
Do you know the bank notes his business so cures  
Are the poverty vouchers of you and yours?

Do you think of your wife who needs befriending?  
Do you think of your home that needs attending?  
Do you think of your children, hungry and cold,  
As the barman chuckles to till your gold?

Or have you thought of the moral blunder—  
Of the awful curse that your soul is under?  
For luring away some fond pair's daughter  
From the home of love to the scene of slaughter

Do you think of the gall that will fill your cup  
When your hair are gray and your sons grown up?  
To see them hooted and put to shame  
And know your example must bear the blame

Have you thought of the gallows and Jungoon cell?  
Or the cheerless spot where the horse-thief fell?  
Have you thought of the madhouse, with all its woe?  
Or the hopeless fate of the self-made foe?

Have you thought of these, as the drunkard's fate?  
Their warning take, ere it be too late;  
For as sure as two times one make two  
The tipping habit will ruin you. A FRIEND.

## MAYOR SCOTT'S REPORT.

Following is the full text of Mayor Scott's second annual report submitted to the City Council last night and read by himself:

To the City Council Salt Lake City:

Gentlemen—In discharge of the duty imposed on me by the city ordinance, I submit to you my second annual report. The business of our city has become so extensive and its departments so numerous and important that it is impossible to condense into a brief report any considerable part of the details of the city business and affairs. I am relieved from the necessity of such an attempt by the reports from the various departments of the city government made to me, and which I submit herewith as a part of my report. These department reports are ample to show all the details of the business of the city in the several departments. The expenditures in each, from what source

has been derived and how and for what it has been disbursed. Any citizen who desires any information as to the operation in any department can obtain it from these reports, and I recommend that they be printed in full for the information of the public. I shall therefore limit additional statements to matters of general plans and purposes, and to the general effect of our management of the affairs of the city during the past year.

The general stringency of the money market during 1891 affected the city finances unfavorably. Its immediate effect was felt in the sale of our

CITY BONDS, and although its effect was less severe in Salt Lake City than in most other cities, it has undoubtedly affected our general revenues through its depressing effect in general business. We have no reason for disappointment at our financial outlook. While we have needed, and still need, considerable sums for permanent improvements, the reports show that when they are made and the

FUTURE GROWTH and development of the city provided for, its revenues with a moderate rate of taxation will meet its expenses and interest on the bonded debt.

Within a few years the city will have a large revenue from water service. At present the revenue is comparatively small on account of the water credits given for assessments to extend the system. As these credits are paid off the cash revenue from the water service will annually increase and the water system will represent a large capital invested and yielding revenue. Two years ago and even earlier it was evident to all that extensive public improvements were required to an amount far in excess of what the annual revenue with a reasonable rate of taxation would meet, and that good policy required these expenses should be extended under a credit system, and to a time when the growth of the city would make payments comparatively easy. The whole

BONDED DEBT OF THE CITY is now \$1,050,000, with the increase in wealth and population which the city must surely have, will not be burdensome in the future and the interest in the meantime will be within the means of the city. Of all the needs of the city, it is universally agreed, that an adequate supply of

water is the first and most important. With this, the citizens can endure the want of other improvements and without it, other improvements are to little purpose. Of the revenue expended last year the sum of \$405,944.98, over four-tenths of the whole expenditure was expended in extensions and maintenance of the water service; \$1344.40 for the Capitol Hill reservoir, and \$195,568.72 for water supplies, including work to develop an increase of water. The Parley's conduit is now about completed, and is a

PERMANENT AND SUBSTANTIAL piece of work, and reflects great credit on the city engineer and board of public works under whose supervision the work has been done. During the past two years the water supply has been considerably more than doubled, and the growth of the city provided for till the population is double what it is now, but for the growth and requirement of future years further provision should be made and the full and comprehensive report of the city engineer on the subject is worthy of careful consideration, on account of the importance of the matter and the interest felt in it by the public. I quote a portion of his report: "In Emigration canyon but

LITTLE HAS BEEN ADDED to the work during the year 1890 and fully described in my last annual report. The work then done has proved most serviceable the past season, as without the water supplied from this source the scarcity of former years would have been experienced. In my last annual report it was recommended that Parley's creek be brought into the city by means of a masonry conduit at an estimated cost of \$180,000; this was subsequently authorized by the City Council and the work has been practically completed at a cost considerably below that estimated and authorized. As a full report of this important work cannot be made at this time, and a partial report would be misleading, I will make it a subject of a special report as soon as the work shall have been completed. In the meantime,

I ASSURE YOU that this is the most creditable and enduring work ever undertaken by the city and must remain a perpetual monument to the wisdom of the Council under whose authority it was inaugurated. Through it a stream equal