

LABOR REFORM AND TEMPERANCE.

Their Advocates Have Indeed a Common Object.

UPWARD STEPS DESCRIBED.

(Miss Willard in the Daily Union Signal)

The colossal Labor Question looms up more and more. Its co-relations with the Temperance question are being candidly considered, and as the two armies approach nearer to each other they discover that uniform and weapons are curiously alike. No voice has rung out clearer for the prohibition of the Sunday saloon than that of Terence V. Powderly, that leader of the wage-workers, whose fame is tarnished by every blow that falls on him from foes within and foes without the labor camp. It is being proved that temperance is most prevalent where the hours of toil are long, because overwork drives men to drinking, hence the eight-hour law finds steadily more favor with our temperance people. The fate of factory girls is being thought about, and "the slaving overwork that drives them into the saloon at night" when "they come out so tired, thirsty and exhausted from working steadily so long and breathing the noxious effluvia from the greasy and other ingredients used in the mills." This is especially true of eastern factories, and temperance people might wisely clasp hands with the labor reformers who in Chicago and elsewhere are securing the appointment of women inspectors, whose field should extend to all places where women are employed.

Riches and rich people are naturally exclusive. Genius is hospitable in mind as well as heart; it is universal in its sympathies, a type and a forerunner of what average humanity shall yet become. Delivered from the everlasting struggle for life's three necessities, food, clothes and shelter (for if a significant fact that the fourth necessity, something to drink, has fallen and free natural supply!) human beings still enjoy their first opportunity for individual development; for the culture of their best and highest gifts. Nobody has the smallest conception of what mankind shall grow to be when the first question is never, "How shall I live?" but always "How can I best develop my highest possibilities?" This will come only when all avenues of training are freely open to all, and every opportunity of growth is at the back of each.

That the aims of the new labor reformers called "Nationalists" may be more clearly seen, I publish them in their own language: "Society is awakening to new light upon social problems. We do not see all light. We know no sudden panacea that will cure all social ills; we do not believe that it is yet day; but we believe that it is dawn, that we may see at least in what direction the day will break. Thither we point, gladly communicating to others what light we have, more gladly welcoming all further light from any who may see more. The following are the positions in which we see the light:

First. The basing of all social, political and industrial relations on the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, in the spirit and according to the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Second. Beginning with the inner and working toward the outer. We see small hopes in simple system. The spirit giveth life. Systems are important aid, but only aids. National life must be educated, character must be developed, before any system can bear good fruit. We would remember this; we would begin with the inner life. We would not seek to systematize humanity unto perfection, but to Christianize society into brotherhood.

Third. Molding the social order. Christianity does not concern the individual alone. Christ preached a social gospel. There is a social law of God. Men to-day forget this. As individuals they strive to apply their Christianity in business, and largely fail. Business itself to-day is wrong. It rests upon a negation of the social law. Each man is for himself, each company for itself. It is based on competitive strife for profits. This is the exact opposite of Christianity. Christianity says: "Let no man seek his own, but each his neighbor's good." To attempt, therefore, to apply Christianity to modern business is to attempt to be Christian in an un-Christian way; it is to build obedience to Christ on the sands of disobedience. It can not be done. We must change the system. We must found business upon social law. Combination must take the place of competition; we must have a system in which business shall be carried on, not for private profits, but for the public good. We must apply our Christianity to the social order.

Fourth. We view the lack of social order as the main cause of present social ills. We find here the main cause of the evils that to-day threaten society and the Church: plutocracy, Mammon worship, pauperism, poverty, unbelief, immorality, intemperance, prostitution, crime. Reforms upon these special lines can therefore only alleviate, not cure, the cause being left untouched.

Fifth. The development of Christian Socialism our need to-day. We mean by this no fixed cast iron system of any nature, no magic panacea of any description, no sudden transformation of any sort, but (1) contentment to proceed one step at a time; (2) leaving to science and experience the exact form that society should adopt, yet (3) ever gradually and thoughtfully proceeding towards the general goal of association: an association (1) fraternal and not paternal; (2) democratic and not tyrannical; (3) developing true individuality, and not ignoring it; (4) land and all resources of the earth to be held under some system as the gift of God equally to all His children; (5) capital and all means of industry to be held and controlled in some way by the community as a whole, and operated for the benefit of the community equitably in all its parts; thus realizing at the last the ideal of Christian Socialism, the Fatherhood of God, the Brotherhood of Man, the spirit of Jesus Christ.

HOW TO ACCOMPLISH THIS.

Individuals.

1st. Live up to your own creed.

(a) Regulate your life to simple and useful ways.

(b) Treat all mankind as brothers.

(c) Sacrifice time, money, position, for your belief.

2nd. Educate, agitate, organize.

(a) Get people to read "Looking Backward," or some such literature, to arouse interest.

(b) Ask them to subscribe for the *Dawn* (36 Bromfield street, Boston), to set them studying.

(c) Organize economic classes.

(d) Use the press, lecture, argue, preach.

(e) Form Christian Socialist, or national societies.

(f) Point out especially that the present system, or lack of system, in the conduct of business (not individual men or things) is largely to blame for the ills all recognize to-day, and therefore

(g) Show that what we need to do is to do away with this system of every man for himself, and gradually to bring in a democratic system of combination for the good of all, as taught by primitive Christianity. "Let no man seek his own, but each his neighbor's good."

POLITICIANS.

1st. Stop letting Capitalists and Saloon-keepers "run" your politics. Look out for the Caucus.

2nd. Advocate gradual scientific, Socialist Legislation.

(a) Where not already done, adopt the Australian Ballot System. A Free Ballot only will preserve Liberty.

(b) Let the State, city or town provide Relief Works for the unemployed. Set these unemployed, as far as possible, to building, under competent supervision, dwellings, or other fittings for dwellings, according to the season, to be sold to the artisans at cost of production. If any man has no trade that he can use, teach him one. Every man willing to work should have the opportunity: to see that he has this is the first necessity of society. Good homes and steady work will do more to empty jails and destroy intemperance than anything else.

(c) Concentrate taxation more and more on rental values of lands, mines and all natural resources, especially on lands held for speculation. Declare all mines hereafter opened the property of the nation.

(d) Enforce an eight-hour day, a Saturday half-holiday, a day of rest for all.

(e) Enfranchise women, remove the poll tax, reform the Civil Service radically and thoroughly.

(f) Institute free technical education, raise the school age, provide a midday meal for every scholar, supervise public schools.

(g) Do not license the saloon, suppress it when possible.

(h) Extend governmental control over railroads, telegraphs, furnishing of light and heat, manufacturing, etc., preparatory to their gradual municipalization, or nationalization.

Invention doubles the manufacturing power of the civilized world every seven years. For example, a type-setting machine has just been invented which will reduce the demand for compositors fifty per cent. Anarchists say they will destroy machinery, but that would be idiotic, not to say fiendish. Instead of that, we must reduce the hours of labor, and as monopolies multiply, humanity will in some future age be very likely to declare just one huge monopoly, and that will be humanity itself. We shall then have simply swung around to the New Testament basis, and reached the day when all men's work is made to be each man's care, by the very construction of society and constitution of government.

"The community of the early Christians as described in the book of Acts was, I suppose," said James Freeman Clarke, that great student of religions, "the best society the world has ever seen, the highest social condition yet attained by human beings. That was the divine compensation, which they had for their poverty, persecution and danger."

All this will come, not in our day, but slowly and surely, as Christianity leaves the lump of poor old human nature, and the wish I have for you all for myself, is that we may put a shoulder to the heavy and unyielding wheel.

The wage-workers have this year given a fresh demonstration of what total abstinence can do to tone down the terrors of the greatest strike yet known—that of the London dockmen. There was no violence worth mentioning, and yet the strikers were in want of bread. But their great leader, John Burns, is like Mr. Powderly, totally free from the drink habit, and he urged the men to keep clear of the gin shops. They even secured 1,200 signatures to the pledge while the strike was going on, and pleaded with the wives and children, and to lead pure lives. I sometimes think it looks as if modern chivalry was threatening to make its home with the leaders of the modern labor movement.

The most significant word that we, as temperance experts, can send to our future allies of the labor camp is this:

You say that you must combine to control legislation in your interest; but mean while you support the saloon, and that controls legislation in its own interest, which is opposed to yours. Come with us and let us put down the saloon as the initial step in the mighty labor movement.

Messenger Pigeons.

A Dominion Messenger Pigeon Association is being formed. Amongst others the following have signified their appreciation of such an association and the object which it has in view, namely, to extend an organized system of messenger pigeon service all over Canada, from sea to sea. Sir John A. Macdonald, the Lieutenant-Governors of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Manitoba; Sir Adolphe Caron, Minister of Militia and Defence; Sir C. H. Tupper, Minister of Marine and Fisheries; Hon. E. Dewdney, Minister of Interior; the Deputy Ministers of the Dominion Government; Lieut.-Gen. Sir Fred K. Middleton, and Lieut. Col. Herchmer, Commissioner of Northwest Mounted Police. A committee has now a prospectus in hand. Mr. H. B. Donovan, 53 Bay street, Toronto, is secretary of the association.

She Had Him There.

She (during a slight tiff)—You never can keep a secret, anyway.

He—I can't! Suppose I had told that I had kissed you before we were engaged?

She (calmly)—Well, I should say you were not the only one.

Census Collector.

—Census Collector—What relation are you to the head of the house? Little man in the doorway—I'm her husband.

TELEGRAPHIC SUMMARY.

Chief Ashfield, for 50 years connected with the Toronto Fire Brigade, is dead.

Wm. Anderson, a carpenter, was killed by falling from a barn near St. Thomas.

France will shortly declare her recognition of the Brazilian Provisional Government.

The first sod of the Kincardine & Teeswater Railway was turned at Teeswater on Saturday by Mayor Baidie.

Emperor William will attend the Austrian manoeuvres in Transylvania, and will then spend a week in Hungary.

It is stated Gen. Roberts will become Adjutant-General of the British army on the retirement of Lord Wolseley.

Princess Victoria of Prussia is betrothed to the Prince of Anhalt-Dessau. The marriage will take place at an early date.

The Portuguese Cortes Saturday, in the presence of the King, formally declared the King's son, Louis Philippe, the heir to the throne.

From the reports so far received the Robson Government in British Columbia appears to have been sustained, though its majority is reduced.

For using defamatory language towards a neighbor, A. Woodhead, a farmer near Emerson, has been served with a writ claiming \$5,000 damages.

Thos. Heran was struck by a train Saturday night while walking on the Grand Trunk track in Brockville, and so badly hurt that his recovery is doubtful.

The Czar refuses to recognize Prince Ferdinand as ruler of Bulgaria, but would favor either the Duke of Leuchtenberg or Prince Karl, son of the King of Sweden.

Peter Davis' friends are endeavoring to help him by circulating a report to the effect that Lawrence, the Marmora suicide, confessed to being the murderer of William Emory.

It is claimed that M. Bursual, the French electrician, is the real inventor of the telephone, having discovered and applied the principle twenty years in advance of either Edison or Bell.

An explosion of five tons of nitro-glycerine occurred at Findlay, Ohio, on Saturday morning, excavated a hole in the ground large enough to bury a four-story house, and reduced the factory to matchwood.

At the Toronto Criminal Assizes Joseph Maroney, convicted of assault on a jurymen who had served on a jury that returned a verdict on which the prisoner did not approve, was sent to the Central Prison for eighteen months.

As if to put at rest the rumors of increasing friction between Germany and Russia, the Emperor has requested the Czar to allow him to command in person the Viborg Regiment, of which he is honorary colonel, during the coming Russian manoeuvres.

The body of Thos. Mackie, captain of the schooner *Jessie Brock*, which was wrecked off Nine-mile Point four weeks ago, was found yesterday floating a quarter of a mile below Cedar Island. It was very much decomposed. It was taken to Wolfe Island for burial.

In a recent conversation with a member of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, Premier Crispi declared that Italy's relations with France and Russia had become cordial, and that the epoch of European difficulties had passed, and a long period of peace was guaranteed.

A monument to the Duke of Brunswick, on the spot where his fall at Quatre Bras was unveiled yesterday in the presence of the German Minister at Brussels and delegates from Brunswick and Belgium. A memorial plate was also affixed to the house in which the Duke expired.

Archibald H. McPherson, Principal of the Victoria Ward School, Galt, for the past five years, who was in his customary health and apparently a man of vigorous constitution, died within half an hour after being attacked with a convulsive fit, which came upon him without the slightest warning on Friday morning. He was 51 years of age.

A meeting held in Paris yesterday to express sympathy with the arrested nihilists was disturbed by Anarchists, who entered into a free fight. The *Evreite* commander severely upon the action of the Anarchists, and in revenge thirty of them made an attack upon the office of the newspaper *Sunday* and demolished everything in sight.

Jeff Mersey, a negro gambler, of Argentine, Kansas, dragged his wife from the house of a friend Saturday evening, and upon her refusal to return to their home he fired four shots at her as she lay on the ground. The first shot broke her neck and the three others entered her body, each wound being sufficient to produce death. Mersey escaped.

The body of a young man was found on the Grand Trunk Railway track between Waukena and London early Sunday morning, with the head severed therefrom and terribly mutilated. It is supposed that he was stealing a ride, that he fell off and was run over by the cars.

The remains were brought to Kingston's morgue, but have not as yet been identified.

The Brazilian Government has agreed to submit to arbitration the question of the frontier between French Guiana and Brazil, to relax the export duty on rubber and to exempt French subjects from the application of the decree that everyone who was in Brazilian territory on the day the Republic was proclaimed should be regarded as a citizen of Brazil.

There were nine deaths from cholera in Pnobia de Ruyal on Saturday. Seven fresh cases were reported. Two-thirds of the inhabitants have fled from the town. The first cases appeared a month ago, the victims all being residents of a street which had been opened up for paving. Seven deaths have occurred at Montichelo, a village near Pnobia de Ruyal, and seven fresh cases are reported there.

It is rumored that two regiments of infantry, a battery of artillery and 150 marines will be sent to Mozambique. Quillimans advises that the governor and a committee of the inhabitants have decided to organize a colonial marine service and irregular forces for the Zambesi, also to suppress English coin, and to adopt other measures to boycott the English. The British vice-consul was compelled to quit his residence and to take refuge at the Italian consulate.

TEA TABLE GOSSIP.

THE OBSERVANT DEACON.

I've noticed, when I've passed the plate around, the girls look as sweet as sucking doves;

I've also noticed coppers always fall From hands done up in twenty-shilling gloves.

—Everything is going to hearts in jewelry.

—Lamb chops want to be served with toasted rolls.

—The toughest ball players chew gum as assiduously as any dude.

—Mutton chops fried in bread crumbs, like oysters, are a fine thing.

—Some of the summer girls will wear masculine blazers with their linen shirts.

There are some people in this world Who take great pains To make their fellow-men believe That lunacy is brains.

—Do you ever take good black pepper on your strawberries? It's the latest gastronomic fad.

—The enumerator (turning back)—One question more, Mr. Blank. "Well, out with it!" "Are you single or bald-headed?"

—The big, big fish story and the newspaper circulation has got in their work on a suffering public with the advent hot weather.

—A New York, New Haven & Hartford Railway policeman used his club on a man whose language had offended him, and a jury taxed the road \$6,500 damages therefor.

—Mr. Hayseed (stopping at door of stately room, Museum of Art)—I wonder what's in here? Mrs. Hayseed (hastily)—Hush! Come on! They ain't got them gals ready for exhibition yet.

—Johnny—Mamma, what's the use of keeping the whip you use on me behind the motto, "God bless our home?" Mamma—Can you suggest a better place? Johnny—Yes; put it behind the motto "I need thee every hour."

—A lady patient is under treatment in a New York hospital for "acromegaly." This means that the bones never cease to grow, and the victim becomes distended to an enormous size. She now weighs 195 lbs. and is very spare in flesh.

—A Rockwood Justice fined a man \$10 for violating the Hawkers' and Pedlars' by-law by taking orders for clothes to be made to measure. Judge Drew, of Guelph, has quashed the conviction and saddled the complainant with all the costs.

—A Philadelphia magistrate keeps his cellar filled with chickens to accommodate Chinamen who swear on the blood of a freshly slain bird.

Adam and Eve were full grown to wed. They managed the matter quite well; No arrangements were made, there was no vain parade.

No reporters the story to tell. Their wedding was quiet as quiet could be. They cooked no provisions to waste, And to wed in a garden among the green trees Was surely the height of good taste.

—The beautiful women of the world are requested, in a circular, to send their photographs to the Baroness Klara von der Deckler at Tiflis. These will be examined by a committee of artists, and those selected will be put in an album with the title: "Types of Female Beauty of the Last Years of the Nineteenth Century." Then the album will be sent to the Moscow Museum. The cheapest way would be to send the album to Hamilton to be filled.

THE HENPECKED DEACON.

"Awake! arise!" the parson said, In thunderous, rolling tones Which started from his slumbers deep The pious Deacon Jones.

"All right, all right, my dear Marjaret!" "I'll be between his shores!" "I'll be between his shores!" "I'll be between his shores!"

—The May fire losses in the U. S. and Canada are reported at \$8,338,100. The total for the first five months of 1890 is \$42,156,245—over \$14,000,000 less than for the same time last year.

UNAPPROACHABLE.

The dazzling scintillation Of the stellar aggregation And the flame that flares the evil eye Have led the corporation Of that grand illumination The hotel clerk with a diamond in his tie.

—Miss Sara Jeanette Duncan, well known to Canadian newspaper readers, was one of those presented to Her Majesty by Lady Kintailford at a recent drawing room. The lady is better known in Canada as "Garth Grafton."

—A steamer just arrived at Halifax passed a procession of icebergs 150 miles long. Times are so hot on the Nova Scotia coast just now that the nimble-footed bergs doubtless thought it the part of wisdom to take counsel of discretion and skin.

—The Kingston Canadian Order of Foresters chartered a boat to take visiting delegates for a trip among the Thousand Islands. "She was an American bottom and floated the British flag at her bows and the U. S. flag at her stern. Lieut. Col. Cotton refused to allow the band to go on board unless the U. S. flag was pulled down. This was, of course, refused, the Foresters joining in saying the flag must stay up, and His Mightiness and his band was left on shore.

Failure of a Floating Exhibition.

The plan of sending a floating exhibition to the ports of the world is said not to have been a success. "That, at least, has been the experience of those who sent out a large steamer, formerly British, but now under the Spanish flag, which was loaded with samples of Spanish goods and products with a view to obtaining orders in South America. Her movements, both in Spanish and American ports, were attended with delays and difficulties, which are supposed to have been owing partly to bad management and partly to want of funds."

Almost a Hint.

Gentleman Visitor—It seems to me that I have forgotten something.

Lady—Yes, you have forgotten to go home.

Sam Small, the evangelist, has been elected President of the Methodist university of Ogden, Utah. He will remove his family there and make Ogden his future home, severing his connection with the Southern Methodist Conference and affiliating with the Northern Methodists.

The De Reske brothers, Jean the tenor, and Edward the basso, demand high prices. The former wants 10,000 francs per night, and the latter 5,000 to sing in America.

Those Good Old-Fashioned Folks.

Somewhat the people of to-day ain't as they used to be.

At any rate, I'm pretty sure they're not the same to me.

And while they're many at as good as those I used to know, There's scores and scores among them that are only so and so.

We used to always take a man exactly as he said, But now it's safe to take him just the other way instead.

It does my heart just lots of good to meet once in a while, Some of those good old-fashioned folk so nearly out of style.

I wouldn't say the world in honesty is slipping back.

I would say that Christians hunting grace have lost the track.

I wouldn't say that men to-day are less the friends of truth, Because they seem to differ from those I knew in youth.

Those statements I refuse to make but this I freely say, Those people please me quite as well as those I meet to-day.

Their hearts and hands were honest and their lives held little guile, Did those old-fashioned people now so nearly out of style.

We're wiser than they used to be, we may be weaker too, And good old homespun honesty may less our hearts imbue.

These later days we all are bent on getting rich so fast, We haven't time to think of things they thought of in the past.

We're wildly striving after gold we rush and push and crowd, And after while we'll each be wanting pockets in his shroud.

But none of us can o'ertrunk within the after while, Those good old-fashioned people so nearly out of style.

Love is Enough—A Tragedy.

The groom was loving the bride was fair; Her eyes met his with a winking air. She was tender and meek as a maid could be, And she had no more sense than a babe of three.

"Youngster, beware!" the old men said, "We've tried the pass—but he shook his head; He shook that head arrogantly, 'In marriage, 'Love is enough,' 'quoth he.

Breakfast at home. How strange and sweet! But something was wrong with the things to eat. Something was queer in coffee and tea— "Nay, give me a kiss instead," said he.

Dinner at home—but he could not eat, O ravish potatoes! O kiln-dried meat! "You've left out the taste from the soup," he mused he. "I'll make it all right with a kiss," smiled she.

Supper at home, and he could not eat, O bread like butter! O mush of wheat! O stinky pickles! O res of tan! He rose from the table a starving man.

Alack! what aileth that bridegroom now? He stamps and roars as he knots his brow. "Go home to your mother, and say from me That love is not nearly enough!" quoth he.

WHO'S WHO?

The resolutions of the Niagara and Montreal Methodist Conferences, protesting against the precedence of Catholic and Anglican Bishops over Methodist Superintendents and Presbyterian Moderators, have awakened some interest. The following is the order of precedence at present established in the Dominion:

1. The Governor-General or officer administering the Government.
2. General commanding the troops and admiral commanding the naval forces.
3. Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario.
4. Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec.
5. Lieutenant-Governor of Nova Scotia.
6. Lieutenant-Governor of New Brunswick.
7. Archbishops and Bishops.
8. Members of the Cabinet.
9. Speaker of the Senate.
10. Chief judges of the courts of law and equity.

11. Members of the Privy Council.
12. Generals and admirals not in chief command.
13. Colonel in command of the troops and naval officer of equivalent rank in command of naval forces.

14. Members of Senate.
15. Speaker of the House of Commons.
16. Primate judges.
17. Members of the Commons.
18. Members of Provincial Executive Councils within their Province.
19. Speaker of Legislative Council within his Province.
20. Members of Legislative Assemblies within their Province.

The above table differs somewhat from the table of colonial precedence generally, and also from that of India. In most British colonies "the bishop" comes third in order, that is, immediately after the governor and the general or admiral in command. In India, the Bishop of Calcutta, Metropolitan of India, is placed eighth in the table of precedence and immediately after the Chief Justice of Bengal.

In England the order of "precedence among men" after the sovereign proceeds as follows: (1) Prince of Wales; (2) younger sons of the sovereign; (3) grandsons of the sovereign; (4) brothers of the sovereign; (5) uncles of the sovereign; (6) nephews of the sovereign; (7) Archbishop of Canterbury. Space will not permit repeating the table down to (28) "bishops," or the final (63) "gentlemen." A similar table of 50 numbers regulates and defines the "precedence of women," and ends with "gentlewomen."

Did you ever think what your advertisement in the newspapers is doing for you? When you close your store in the evening and go home to your bedside and family, not thinking about your business at all, then it is that the paper is being pored over in hundreds of homes—the homes from which your trade is drawn. And there is your advertisement doing its work, silently but surely, and if you have taken pains to make it attractive its work will be all the more effective. This has been repeated over and over again, and is no doubt what inspired some writer to call newspaper advertising a "silent drummer."

Some people seem to think that life is intended to be a perpetual holiday; and when they have played themselves into sickness by self-indulgence and all sorts of wilful, reckless behavior, they cry or complain because they must suffer the consequences.

Miss Constance Fenimore Woolson, the novelist, is the idol of the novel publishers. All the productions of her pen are eagerly bought by them and easily disposed of. She is now living in Italy. She is a dainty little woman and very particular in her dress.

The Pope's resident physician follows his Holiness about almost like his shadow, and is forever going to and fro with a thermometer in his hand, looking out for the slightest breath of an intrusive draught that might venture to blow rudely.