

CLEVELAND recommends the retention of the tax upon Americans, by opposing the repeal of the internal revenue laws, and the lightening of the tax upon foreigners by reducing the custom duties. This is very generous, but it is the sort of generosity that the American people fail to appreciate.

In Richmond, Va., June 1, 1861, Lamar called the patriot Lincoln "the buffoon who disgraces the seat of power occupied by Washington and Madison." And that same Lamar now wants to be confirmed as Judge of the Supreme Court. The Senate ought to reject him without ceremony.—Warren Mail. Second the motion, brother.

This international pugilistic contest between Jake Kilrain, of Baltimore, and Jew Smith, of England, for the diamond belt and the championship of the world, took place on the Island of St. Pierre, in the river Seine, France, Monday, and was called a draw on account of darkness, although Kilrain had the best of the fight all through, and would doubtless have won the battle had it been fought to a finish. They fought 106 rounds.

There is said to be a growing opinion among Republican Senators against the confirmation of Lamar for the Supreme Bench. Republicans will indulge the hope that this opinion will keep on growing until it becomes effective in preserving the highest tribunal in the land from the disgrace involved in the elevation to it of the Mississippi. There is no good reason why Lamar should be made Supreme Judge, while there are many good reasons why he should not.

The revenue reformers, the Cleveland surplus reducers, and surplus dis sipaters are very much annoyed by having Cleveland's policy declared a free-trade policy, but we reckon they will have to stand it, for if there is one man in this country better qualified than another to say just what Cleveland's policy means, it is Abram S. Hewitt, the Democratic Mayor of New York, and he recently said that "Mr. Blaine represents the protectionist policy, and President Cleveland the free trade." This hits the nail on the head, and knocks out the free trade journal's attempt to conceal the truth.

A DEPERATE struggle is now being made by the Democratic free trade press and by the Washington correspondents of free trade Democratic journals to make the people believe there has been a rebound in favor of the President's free trade declarations. But the rebound succeeding to any great extent, because there is no rebound, and the country is not in favor of free trade. Cleveland, if he should happen to be a candidate next year, which is now extremely doubtful, will discover the sort of a rebound there has been to the message. When he wrote his free trade speech—he really did write it—he wrote his political death warrant, the New York free trade journals to the contrary notwithstanding.

The Republican Duty Clear. The Convention of Republican Clubs in New York has brought together intelligent and wide-awake Republicans from almost every state in the Union. They are men who know and understand the feeling in their several localities, and what they say is naturally accepted as meaning something. The Press yesterday presented the opinions of many of these representative Republicans, covering twenty-four states, as to the way in which the President's message had been received by the people, and whether the Republican party should make Protection the corner-stone of the national platform and force the issue on that as against Free Trade.

The result was a striking unanimity of expression. From all quarters it was made clear that Mr. Cleveland's attitude on the tariff question had strengthened the Republicans and to the same degree had weakened the Democrats. What was said by representatives from the doubtful states is worth particular attention. Those from Connecticut, New York, New Jersey and Indiana were very decided in the opinion that the issue raised by the message would make their states surely Republican. It had had its most pronounced effect upon the sections in which large numbers of workmen are employed, but it was also felt in agricultural counties. There are several of the Southern states whose Democracy is likely to be called in question by this issue when directly made. Nowhere is there any sign that it has in the smallest degree served to strengthen the Democrats. It does

not appear in any New England state, where the Free trade apologists have as often asserted there was a growing Free trade sentiment sure to be felt. Even in the West, where the Democrats have so much boasted that there were several states which could be carried by them if they took a pronounced stand in behalf of Free Trade or at least against Protection, the sentiment against the policy laid down in the message is as strong as anywhere. Michigan and Minnesota are notable examples of this, particularly as they have been pointed out as states in which the Protection sentiment was weak even with Republicans.

With such unmistakable evidences of the effect upon the country of the President's frank avowal of the Democratic attitude on the tariff, there was naturally but one opinion as to the duty of the Republican party. That is to array itself more firmly than ever on the side of Protection to American interests and American labor. The belief that Protection should be made the corner-stone of the Republican national platform and the direct issue urged against Free Trade was entirely unanimous. It was not less decided from the agricultural states of the West and South than it was from the manufacturing states of the East. There is no section of the country that would not be seriously injured in some interest by the adoption of the President's policy. His every suggestion was in the direction of Free Trade, which, in spite of his specious disclaimers, aims a blow at the producer, the manufacturer and the laborer in almost every line of industry. Nothing can disguise that fact, and every day gives new evidence that it is clearly understood by the people. The duty of the Republican party is unmistakable. That duty has been most directly marked out in the inter views in question. There is no chance for hesitation or uncertainty.—Phila. Press.

W. C. T. U. COLUMN.

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Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth his bottle to him, and maketh him drunken also.—Hab. II, 15. The wicked worketh a deceitful work; but to him that soweth righteousness shall be a sure reward.—Rev. II, 14.

THE FIRST GLASS.

Alcohol taken into the stomach is never digested. It is absorbed, and works its way through the system, and finally evaporates, or passes off through the skin, the lungs, and in various ways,—thus relieving the body of its presence. The human system can endure a certain amount of alcohol without immediate peril. But if the proportion is increased until the veins and arteries contain one part of alcohol to 195 parts of blood, insensibility follows and the man becomes "dead drunk." This loss of consciousness ends the drinking, and saves the drinker's life. But if a large quantity of liquor is swallowed at once, so that the system contains one part of alcohol to 100 parts of blood, death is sudden and inevitable. Many instances are on record where persons have apparently drunk beyond this limit, and death has followed. The following is such an instance:

The Irish Word says a strong and intelligent young man of New York city was not long since left a nice sum of money by the death of a relative in England. He was a cheery, active young fellow, working steadily at small wages in hope of deserving more before long, and of starting fairly in life with an attractive and amiable young girl who favored his shy attentions to her. Here now was a fine chance to make his brightest dreams an actual reality! Here was a splendid start for a good, useful, and comfortable life just in his hand! But the drunk demon was on the watch, and determined to spoil the bright picture. He made tools of the young man's friends.

The jovial, generous lad, with his pocket full of money, was easily induced to have a glorification in honor of the good luck. His friends drank his health flatteringly. He took his first glass to drink theirs in return. That first glass! That first glass! That first taste of the deadly fascination of the "worm of the still!" Oh, it some good angel had whispered to him the wisdom of avoiding that first taste! No doubt he had his good inspirations; but he did not heed them, and the first glass led to the second, and flatter ing "friends" closed around him in social circles night after night, and the devil in the brimning bowl turned the social meetings into sinful orgies, where merriment and conscience were killed and buried. Once in on this grand spree he never got well out of it till his last dollar and the last of his false friends were

gone, and he found himself on the streets of New York, a moral, mental, and physical wreck, with no part or association of his bright young life of a year ago.

He was conscious of only one feeling—he must have a drink! Something within him craved it wildly, savagely. He entered a saloon. He knew some of the faces at the bar.

"I want some whiskey," he appealed to one.

"You must have it—all you want," said the other, remembering former liberal libations at the expense of the now penniless drunkard.

"Oh, no, you would not give me all I want, I could drink a gallon." "Fill up a 'schooner' for him," said the other to the bar keeper. He drank it off. "Fill another." He drank it. "Again!" and the crowd drew around now interested and curious. The fourth "schooner" was filled hesitatingly by the bar keeper, but the young drunkard did not reach his hand for it. He had gulped the three large glasses full of the "fire water" without waiting to note or feel the effects of each succeeding glass, and now he stopped as if paralyzed, his whole face hideously transformed, his eyes starting from their sockets.

"Drink your whiskey—only one more," said one of the onlookers. "No. Give some water! water!" he shrieked; "I'm burning up!" He rushed wildly around the room in search of water. "Give him some ale," suggested one; "it will cool him." He snatched the proffered drink, drained it, shouted; "I'm all on fire!" and fell dead! He did not vanish in a cloud of smoke and smell of brimstee, but he lay there a hideous corpse, until after the coroner's "Death from alcoholism," when the body was returned to its mother earth without holy rites or mourners' tears, to wait the resurrection. The next day's dailies published the bare facts in a few cold lines that to the average reader had but little interest or significance; but is a mournful, terrible tale if properly dwelt on, and appeals to every young man of the thousands that read it to fear the first glass.—The Safeguard.

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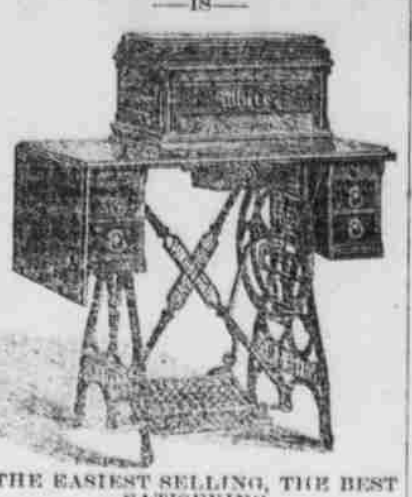
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