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AN ADDRESS.

To the People of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, relative to the License question.

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania State Temperance Society, held October 22d, 1846...

THOMAS FLEMING, Pres't. J. BECKLER, Secretary.

APPEAL.

FELLOW CITIZENS: For the sake of yourselves, your families, and your country, we address you.

LOOK AT THE EXTENT OF THE EVIL!

It is alleged that the use of strong drink has cost this Nation, in the last ten years, twelve hundred millions of dollars.

That it has killed three hundred thousand of our citizens!

That it has sent one hundred and fifty thousand victims to our poor houses!

That it has caused two thousand suicides!

LOOK AT THE WASTE OF MONEY.

One hundred and fifty millions of dollars spent every year, and for what?

LOOK AT THE DOMESTIC SUFFERING!

There were three hundred and fifty three divorces in the single county of Providence...

LOOK AT THE TAXES.

A man drinks at a tavern, and under the influence of the liquor, commits crime.

A committee of the New York Legislature stated, in a report made by them to the Senate...

LOOK AT THE PAUPERISM!

A large proportion of the money spent for intoxicating drink, comes from the pockets of the laboring poor.

LANS annually." It appears almost incredible that this immense sum should be extracted from the hard earnings of a part only of the laboring population of New York...

LOOK AT THE CRIME!

Equally intimate is the relation between Intemperance and crime. Our prisons are full, and still the cry is that offenders escape unpunished.

EXPOSURE OF CHILDREN.

In the district of Southwark, a little girl eight years old, was found at midnight sleeping out of doors, under the steps of a house in Beck street.

THE VOICE OF EXPERIENCE.

In every community where the habits of the people have been changed by the suppression of licenses or the voluntary abandonment of the intoxicating cup...

WARNING TO LIQUOR SELLERS.

And what is the effect of the traffic on those who pursue it? The answer to this question, like every other page of the history of strong drink, is written in blood!

WHAT IS THE REMEDY?

Fellow citizens, we now come to the point of this appeal, and propose to your consideration one step at least in the way of relief.

three indictments in the whole of them, and each of them was for petty larceny, of less than \$10 in amount!

The privilege for which we contend was granted by the last Legislature to the counties of Chester, Susquehanna, Wyoming, Butler, Erie, Delaware, Tioga, Bradford, Crawford, McKean, Elk, Warren, Fayette, Allegheny, Mercer, Clearfield, Washington, Beaver and the Township and Borough of Mount Pleasant...

According to the census of 1840, these eighteen counties embraced a population of more than 400,000, or nearly one fourth of the inhabitants of the State.

It is astonishing that an intelligent community should have as long submitted to the monstrous imposition of the present license law.

That a rumselling tavern should be foisted on a community or neighborhood, against the will of a majority of the citizens of that community or neighborhood is unjust and anti-republican in the extreme.

It is a singular fact, that while the license law is in operation, the courts are kept in continual conflict with a large body of the people.

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In military exploits, we need look no farther for glory, than to a people, who in a remote age, extorted the praises of Cæsar, as they have in our own times, those of Napoleon.

But it is as Farmers, that we desire to speak of the German population of Pennsylvania, and surely no man who has travelled and observed, can doubt that in the particular line of farming which seems most congenial to their habits...

Among the many disparaging stories current with a class who measure all by their own puny standard, was one some years ago, which attributed to Pennsylvania a tendency to Agrarianism.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Resolution of Thanks to Gen. Taylor—The Military Bill—Iron and Coal.

The resolution in regard to Gen. Taylor, passed in the House on Saturday were taken up in the Senate, and amended as became the occasion.

The preamble about the origin of the war was, on motion of Mr. Webster, left out and also the proviso about the capitulation so generally disapproved of by the friends of the administration was not alluded to.

The debate was very interesting, and was principally carried on the opposition side; Gov. Bagby and Col. Sevier (who spoke very briefly and very much to the point) being the only avowed friends of the administration, who openly complained of the friends of Gen. Taylor trying to make an issue with the administration.

Col. Sevier reminded the opposition of their vote on the resolution by which Gen. Jackson's name was refulminated with interest, to which they insisted on having a proviso added to the effect that the act itself, for which the fine was exacted, was not justified.

On the opposition, Clayton, Webster and Crittenden were engaged in vindicating the General and to shut out the capitulation, if unable to prove his policy. Mr. Calhoun and Judge Butler, of South Carolina, took ground with the opposition. Col. Benton did not rise at all, but was calmly twisting his handkerchief into the shape of a cowskin, as it is to indicate that he had a rod in pickle for somebody; and at last voted with the opposition for striking out the proviso, containing the censure. In this he was followed by Sam Houston and Rusk, of Texas.

It is true that the favorable change exhibited in some of these instances has not been permanent. The reason of this is obvious. Tax law continued to license or tolerate the traffic, and the temptation thus held out to the people, produced a retrograde movement.

The "oldest inhabitant" is said to be a woman now living in Moscow, in Russia, who is 108 years of age. At the age of 122 she married her fifth husband.

THREE FAULTS OF NURSES.

1. To lap in baby style, when the same words, in an endearing tone, would please as well; the reverse should be the voice clear, emphatic, and each syllable distinctly articulated, for imitation.

2. To tell of witches, ghosts and goblins; such superstitions, impressed upon young minds are rarely gotten rid of.

3. To direct a child to act like a man; whereas it is not often becoming for a little boy to ape the man, but only to confirm him in the ordinary manner of his age—every age has its own peculiar decorum.

Observer.