and blood? Do you know where your of the vilest of the vile holes in this city, which you, a father, license to another man to destroy the life of your own child! I saw him there myself, and my heart ached for him and you. It is the necessary truth. Will you not join with me to wipe out this curse in society ?"

The merchant trembled, and his lips quivered at mention of his son, but he replied:

"I cannot do what you want, Mr. strong, but you can count on my sympathy if you make the fight." Philip finally went away, his soul tossed on a wave of mountain proportions and growing more and more crested with foam and wrath as the first Sunday of the month drew near and he realized that the battle was one that he must wage single handed in a town of 50,-100 people.

He was not so destitute of support as he thought. There were many mothers' hearts in Milton that had ached and prayed in agony long years that the Almighty would come with his power and sweep the curse away. But Philip had not been long enough in Milton to know the entire sentiment of the people. He had so far touched only the church through its representative pulpits and a few of the leading business men, and the result had been almost to convince him that very little help I cannot imagine Christ taking any could be expected from the public generally. He was appalled to find out what a tremendous hold the whisky men had on the business and politics of the place. It was a revelation to him of their power. The whole thing seemed to him like a travesty of free government and a terrible commentary on the boasted Christianity of the century.

So when he walked into the pulpit the first Sunday of the month he felt his message burning in his heart and on his lips as never before. It seemed beyond all question that if Christ was pastor of Calvary church he would speak out i Pplain denunciation of the whisky power. And so, after the opening part of the service, Philip rose to speak, facing an immense audience that overflowed the galleries and invaded the choir and even sat upon the never been seen in Calvary church before.

Philip had not announced his subject, but there was an expectation on the part of many that he was going to denounce the saloon. In the two months that he had been preaching in Milton he had attracted great attention. His audience this morning represented a great many different kinds apeople. Some came out of curiosi-Others came because the crowd going that way. So it happened Philip faced a truly representative dience of Milton people. As his eye swept over the house he saw four of the six members of his church who were up for office at the coming election in two weeks.

For an hour Philip spoke as he had never spoken in all his life before. His subject, the cause it represented,

sat here in front of this pulpit and par- power were under indictment. taken of the emblems which remind is this town doing to prevent it? I

have seen young men from what are called the best homes in this town reel in and out of gilded temples of evil. oaths on their lips and passion in their looks, and the cry of my soul has gone up to Almighty God that the church and the home might combine their mighty force to drive the whisky demon out of our municipal life so that we might feel the curse of it again never more.

"I speak to you today in the name of my Lord and Master. It is impossible for me to believe that if that Christ of God were standing here this morning he would advise the licensing of this corruption as the most feasible or expedient method of dealing with it. 1 cannot imagine him using the argument that the saloon must be treessed for the revenue that may be gained from it to support the school system. other position before the whisky power than that of uncompromising condemnation. He would say it was evil and his name, speaking as I believe he parish. would speak if he were here this moment, I solemnly declare the necessity on the part of every disciple of Christ in every church in Milton of placing himself decidedly and persistently and at

of the past, until we have rid ourselves of the foul viper which has so many years trailed its slimy folds through our homes and our schools,

"Citizens, Christians, church members, I call on you today to take up arms against the common foe of that pulpit platform. Such a crowd had we hold dear in church, home and state. I know there are honest business men who have long writhed in secret at the ignominy of the halter about their necks by which they have been led. There are citizens who have the best interests of the community at heart who have hung their heads in shame of American politics, seeing this brutal whisky element dictating the government of the towns and parceling out their patronage and managing their funds and enormous stealings of the people's money. I know there are church members who have felt in their hearts the deep shame of bowing the knee to this rum god in order to make advancement in political life. And I call on all these today to rise with me and begin a fight against the entire trate cross. saloon business and whisky rule in Milton until by the help of the Lord of Hosts we have got us the victory.

more that ought to be dear to you, place of 60 saloons licensed by your necessarily condemned all these meni-Man, man, what are money and busi- own act and made legal by your own bers of his church who rented properness compared with your own flesh will? You, madam, and you, sir, who ty to the whisky element. Again, as a have covenanted together in the fel- month ago, these property holders own son was two nights ago? In one lowship and discipleship of the purest went from the hearing of the sermon institution of God on earth, who have angry that they as well as the saloon

As Phillip entered on the week's you of your Redeemer, where are your work after that eventful sermon he besons, your brothers, your lovers, your gan to feel the pressure of public feelfriends? They are not here this morn- ing against him. He began to realize ing. The church does not have any the bitterness of championing a just hold on them. They are growing up to cause alone. He felt the burden of the disregard the duties of good citizen- community's sin in the matter, and ship. They are walking down the more than once he felt obliged to come broad avenue of destruction, and what in from his part h work and go up into



This time Phillip fell. only evil and therefore to be opposed his study, there to commune with his by every legal and moral restriction Father. He was growing old very fast that society could rear against it. In in these first few weeks in his new

Tuesday evening of that week Philip had been writing a little while in his study, where he had gone immediately after supper. It was nearly S o'clock when he happened to rememonce in open battle against the saloon ber that he had promised a sick child until it is destroyed, until its power in in the home of one of his parishioners business, politics and society is a thing that he would come and see him that very day.

He came down stairs, put on his hat and overcoat and told his wife where he was going.

"It's not far. I shall be back in about half an hour, Sarah."

He went out, and his wife held the door open until he was down the steps. She was just on the point of shutting the door as he started down the side walk when a sharp report rang out close by. She screamed and flung the door open again, as by the light of the street lamp she saw Philip stagger and then leap into the street toward an elm tree which grew almost opposite the parsonage. When he was about in the middle of the street, she was horrifled News. to see a man step out boldly from behind the tree, raise a gun and deliberately fire at Philip again. This time Philip fell and did not rise. His tall form lay where the rays of the street lamp shone on it, and he had fallen so that as his arms stretched out there he made the figure of a huge and pros

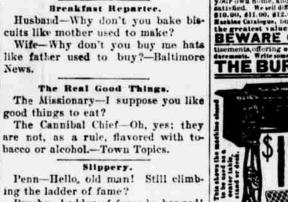
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he immense audience, the entire occasion caught him up in a genuine burst of eloquent fury, and his sermon swept through the house like a prairie fire driven by a high gale. At the close he spoke of the power of the church compared with the saloon and showed how easily it could win the victory against any kind of evil if it were only united and determined.

"Men and women of Milton, fathers, mothers and citizens." he said, "this evil is one which cannot be driven out unless the Christian people of this place unite to condemn it and tight it and when he pronounced the amen of regardless of results. It is too firmly established. It has its clutch on business, the municipal life, and even the church itself. It is a fact that the churches in Milton have been afraid to take the right stand in this matter. Members of the churches have become involved in the terrible entanglement of the long established rum power, until today you witness a condition of affairs which ought to stir the righteous indignation of every citizen and father. What is it you are enduring? An institution which blasts with its poisonous breath every soul that enters it, which ruins young manhood. which kills more citizens in times of peace than the most bloody war ever slew in times of revolution; an institution that is established for the open and declared purpose of getting money from the people by the sale of stuff that creates criminals; an institution that robs the honest workingman of his savings and looks with indifference on the tears of the wife, the sobs of the mother; an institution that never gives one cent of its enormous wealth to build churches, colleges or homes for the needy; an institution that has the brand of the murderer, the harlot, the gambler burned into it with a brand of the devil's own forging in the furnace of his hottest hell. This institution so rules and governs this town of Milton today that honest citizens tremble before it, business men dare not oppose it for fear of losing money, church embers fawn before it in order to gain place in politics, and ministers of the gospel confront its hideous influence and say nothing! It is high time we faced this monster of iniquity and lrove it out of the stronghold it has ecupied so long.

"I wish you could have gone with me this past week and witnessed some of the sights I have seen. No! I retract that statement. I would not wish that my father or mother had had the artache that I have felt as I conimplated the ruins of young lives bling into the decay of premature lity, mocking the manhood that God gave them in the intoxicating runse of debauchery. What have I another. He had struck again at the same sore spot which he had wounded the month before. In his attack on the saloon as an institution he had again

Men, women, brothers, sisters in the great family of God on earth, will you sit tamely down and worship the great beast of this country? Will you not rather gird your swords upon your thighs and go out to battle against this blasphemous Phillstine who has defied the armies of the living God? I have spoken my message. Let us ask the wisdom and power of the Divine to help us."

Philip's prayer was almost painful in its intensity of feeling and expression. The audience sat in deathly silence. the benedletion it was several moments before any one stirred to leave the church.

Philip went home completely exhausted. He had put into his sermon all of himself and had called up all his reserve power-a thing he was not often guilty of doing and for which he condemned himself on this occasion. But it was past, and he could not recall it. He was not concerned as to the results of his sermon. He had long believed that if he spoke the message God gave him he was not to grow anxious over the outcome of it.

But the people of Milton were deeply stirred by the address. They were not in the habit of hearing that kind of preaching. And what was more, the whisky element was roused. It was not in the habit of having its authority attacked in that bold, almost savage manner. For years its sway had been undisturbed. It had insolently established itself in power until even those citizens who knew its thoroughly evil character were deceived into the belief that nothing better than licensing it was possible. The idea that the saloon could be banished, removed, driven out altogether, had never before been advocated in Milton. The conviction that whether it could be it ought to be suppressed had never gained ground with any number of people. They had endured it as a necessary evil. Philip's sermon, therefore, fell something like a bomb into the whisky camp. Befere night the report of the sermon had spread all over the town. The saloon men were enraged. Ordinarily they would have paid no attention to anything a church or a preacher might say or do. But Philip spoke from the pulpit of the largest church in Milton. The whisky men knew that if the large churches should all unite to fight them they would make it very uncomfortable for them and in the end probably drive them out. Philip went home that Sunday night after the evening service with several bitter enemies. The whis-

ky men contributed one element. Some of his own church members made up

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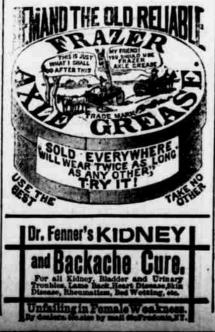
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