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DON'T AGREE WITH THE SPIRIT.

Rev. J. H. Jelbart Comments on Smith's Doctrines.

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EDITOR STAR:—I wish to offer a few comments on the doctrine taught by the editor of the Punsutawney Spirit regarding the prohibition of the liquor traffic. His arguments are based upon the assumption that Prohibitionists relieve the drinker of all responsibility for drunkenness; in which he is entirely in error.

We are gravely told that "you cannot make men good by law." True, legislation will not change the depravity of the human heart, but certainly the tendency to evil doing is largely restrained by law, and society itself is constructed upon that basis.

It is taken for granted that men who are addicted to the drink habit are fools, moral cowards, lacking in manliness, etc., and an occasional man is found who, having conquered his appetite, is seized upon by the saloon's apologues as an example, and all drinkers are bidden "go thou and do likewise."

In his issue of October 16th a minister of Fredonia, N. Y., is quoted and endorsed by him. He says: "Temptations are in the world for a wise purpose, and men develop character and virtue only by resisting them."

The minister from Fredonia above quoted says there is no reformatory measure about prohibition. Certainly not. It is a preventive measure, which is as much more to the point, as "prevention is better than cure."

This sneers at the idea of "making perfect laws to fit imperfect men." It is because men are so imperfect that law-makers should aim at perfection in legislating against evil.

All of this argument against the prohibition of the liquor traffic is based upon the erroneous, but oft repeated aphorism, "Every man for himself and the devil for the hindmost."

pointed out as one who would be a drunkard if he could get it." Let us see: Stealing is prohibited by law, hence there is no distinction between the honest man and the thief.

asks the question, "Where is thy brother?" and Cain's impudent interrogative, "Am I my brother's keeper?" is not sufficient to avert the stern declaration, "Thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground."

In their anxiety to shield this iniquitous business from the public gaze and condemnation, men permit their imaginations to drive them into all manner of absurdities, and paint fearful ogres with which to frighten the public away from the consideration of this question.

In the same issue, editorial page, 3rd column, is an article entitled "Intoxication," which, by the way, is a remarkable production, its slur upon the masses considered, coming as it does from one who holds office by virtue of the franchise of the same masses.

Summon Courage, My Boys. (Written by a little girl of Reynoldsville.) In our town there is something funny And to all I'm going to tell.

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Ask to see our much talked of Tokio shoe. It cannot be beaten for style, finish and durability. It is a daisy.

A. D. DEEMER & CO., Agts. for Reynoldsville and Vicinity.

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