

not granted to men. Should we not aim to eliminate the reckless, the intemperate driver of either sex, and not make a sweeping charge against a whole sex. Very many women drive cars, but accidents to them are comparatively rare. In matters of this kind the ability and carefulness of the driver are of far more importance than their sex.

### ON TURNING YOUR BACK TO THE WIND.

There are many persons in the world like the tramp Mrs Asquith, shared her lunch with on the Scotch moors one day. She found this man seeking shelter from the rain under a dyke. He refused to answer questions about himself, and would not tell whence he came, or whither he was bound.

"You seem to walk all day and go nowhere," she said. "When you wake up in the morning, how do you shape your course?"

"I always turn my back to the wind," he answered.

People who turn their backs to the wind are drifters of the world. They go hither and thither, wanderers upon the face of the earth; they create nothing, render no service, and oftentimes go about thinking they are ill-treated.

The trees out of which ships' masts are made, are those that grow on the exposed coast, where from infancy, they are forced to fight against the hurricanes that sweep down and threaten to destroy all before them. The trees that grow in the sheltered valleys may be straight fibred, but they are weak and soft. They will do for pulp, but not for masts and spars.

Usually the most worth-while people are those who have been forced to fight their way forward in the world—people who have kept their faces toward the wind and not their backs.—"From the Forbes Magazine."

Let us be better men!  
Let us find things to do;  
Saner and sweeter than any yet,  
Higher and nobler and true!

Let us be better men!  
Let us begin again,  
Trying all over the best we know  
To climb and develop and grow.

Let us be better men!  
Whether with pick or pen,  
The labours we do is a work worth while  
If our hearts are clean and our spirits smile,  
And out of the ruck and rust and stain  
We make some growth and mark some gain.  
Let us be better men!

### WOMEN AT THE BALLOT BOX.

(From Liquor Dealers' Journals.)

"Women, generally considered, are the inveterate enemies of the public-house."—"Brewers' Gazette," February, 1912.

"Probably the best ally the Prohibitionists have in England is the working-class women. . . . As far as the women are concerned, the closing of the public-houses would be all to the good, because the average working man goes to the public-house alone, or with his 'pals,' and spends the money of which his wife feels she could have made better use."—"International Report of Wine, etc., Trade," "Harper's," June 5, 1920.

"With the loose logic which is characteristic of the sex, she will attribute the mainspring of drunkenness to the drink-seller."—"Brewers' Gazette," December, 1911.

"He was a believer in woman suffrage, but the majority of women's votes would probably be used against the Trade."—Ernest Oldmeadow, "Harper's," June 12, 1920.

"If they were to depend upon running their own candidates in Parliament it would be a hopeless task, especially with an electorate which now had women in the majority."—Ernest Oldmeadow, "Harper's," March 6, 1920.

### HAD TO GO.

"Booze had to go out when modern industry and the motor car came in.

"Upon only one condition can the nation safely let it come back.

"That is, if we are willing to abolish modern industry and the motor car."—Henry Ford.

### OUR BUSINESS.

"I've never been a regular preacher for Prohibition, you know."

Have you ever heard that? Could you say the same? If so, why?

You're "no good at public speaking?"

But there is much more private than public speaking, and it is going to do more to win our cause.

Are your children ardent? How often do they hear you speak of Prohibition as a work constantly in your thoughts, dear to your heart?

"A word in season —" Do you make them realise now is always the accepted time to care about our cause, to think, to pray, to believe, to ensure our children's belief?

Theirs will be the harder job than ours, to keep the country "dry" when we have brought it to that. Theirs to care personally that the law we win be kept, for the honour of the country. And it is our business to be sure they care.

KATHERINE MERCER.

### SIX GOOD REASONS.

"Can anyone give me a really solid argument why a working man should not enjoy his glass of beer?" queried an anti-Prohibition speaker in Hyde Park. "I've been looking for such an argument for years, and haven't found it." A man who had been listening to the address quietly replied: "Alright, guv'nor, you'd better get your eyes seen to, because I've got six good ones at home myself—a Wife and Five Children."

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