

KANSAS

SALOON

The W. C. T. U. Women
Playing Church.

HOW MRS. NATION

Awoke the People of the
State From Their
Slumber.

Permit one who has been on the ground of the "Hatchet Battle" by Mrs. Carrie Nation, for over a year, and one who knows Mrs. Nation personally and who spent five weeks in her home, to answer the question that stands at the head of this article. In doing so, permit me to submit a few facts; viz:

1. There is no constitutional or legal right to manufacture, sell or give away intoxicating liquors, except for mechanical, medicinal and scientific purposes, in Kansas. And even for those purposes, very strict laws are laid down.

2. The oath of office, from Governor down to town marshal is very plain with regard to maintaining the constitution and enforcing the law.

3. A joint or saloon is declared a public nuisance, and the officers are required to abate these nuisances.

4. It is also claimed by many of the legal talent of the State that, in the absence of the officers refusing to do their duty, any citizen may proceed to seize upon said joints or saloons and close them up.

5. It is also contended by legal talent that the liquors, kegs, barrels, bottles, fixtures and appurtenances, including ornaments, etc. are contraband, and not property, and hence may be seized upon and destroyed.

6. From Governor down to town marshal, the officers were absolutely ignoring the enforcement of the prohibitory laws in most of the towns, cities and counties of Kansas, prior to the so-called anarchistic methods of Mrs. Carrie Nation, last summer.

7. The political party machinery of both the old parties was on the sides of the outlawed saloon.

8. Nearly every daily, and most of the weekly papers were either cowardly, or openly in favor of the outlawed saloon.

9. The most of the candidates for office either were silent, or understood to be on the side of outlawry and anarchy from the saloon standpoint.

10. The preachers were mostly, in whisky towns and cities, cowards on the question and would not speak out against rebellion and secession sufficiently strong to awaken any fears among the illegal and unconstitutional saloon-keepers, to make them tremble before the law.

11. Courts, on the enforcement of the prohibitory laws, were mostly shams, frauds, and shades of justice. The most of the lawyers and business men were

silent, or would come out and boldly announce for the illegal saloon, in most towns and cities.

12. The saloon-keepers, gamblers, and keepers of houses of ill fame, were arrogant, bold, defiant, tyrannical, and spurned the idea of enforcing the law. Lawyers, politicians, merchants, doctors, and every preacher in the majority, laughed at the idea of enforcing the law in a large majority of the towns and cities of Kansas.

Women cried. Children begged for bread. Citizens deplored the awful situation. The Kansas State Temperance Union was in the hands of a lot of politicians and church leaders who cared more for seeing how they could hold the old political parties together than they did to see that the law was enforced.

The W. C. T. U. women of the State were putting in most of the time reading Psalms and playing church rather than giving any great deathblows against lawlessness. The Prohibition party, in the hands of a lot of very conservative men who seemed to have but little knowledge of how to conduct a campaign against the liquor parties, were not making themselves either known or felt to any perceptible degree by the law-breaking saloon-keepers, or anarchist officers, from Governor down.

These are, substantially, the facts concerning the situation in Kansas, constitutionally, legally, officially and socially. Thousands of women are wringing their hands in grief and making appeals for redress, only to be laughed at by politicians, editors and officers, and hushed to silence by the soothing words of preachers.

Under these circumstances, the blood began to boil. The State of Kansas was in a state of anarchy as completely as in the days of Jim Lane and John Brown. And even worse, for Governor Stanley stood at the head of a long line of official anarchists, who led the law-breakers in their daring and flagrant secession and rebellion to the constitution, which they had sworn to maintain.

In the midst of such confusion, what could be expected else than that a Mrs. Carrie Nation, and thousands of others of the noble women of Kansas, should arise, take the law in their own hands, and enforce it, and thereby bring order out of chaos?

I was but a few miles away when she smashed the saloons in Kiowa. A few weeks after I had the pleasure of spending five weeks in her house. I never met a more Godly, consecrated woman. I never was on my knees so much during five weeks as in the Nation home. Her husband is a preacher, mighty in the Scriptures, and he is also an able lawyer. He is a godly man, and has a conscience void of offense. She fears no man, counts no cost, asks no quarter, and gives none to friend or foe. Always in a good humor, never unhinged, nonplused. She relies on God for her strength. Has no plans or schemes, simple as a child, yet well educated and thoroughly posted in the Bible and almost all the questions of the day. The flash of her dark brown eyes, the beaming smile that usually plays over her countenance, that sweet, musical, soft voice, with the peculiar Southern accent, and the fire of zeal and deep earnestness, when once warmed up on her favorite subjects, all have an overmastering influence over men and women, whether privately or publicly, that no artist can paint or pen describe. So I will make a period right here.

I believe in Mrs. Nation's honesty of purpose and in her sincerity. She had no ambition to be famous. This never came to her mind. She wanted to give liberty to the captives and heal the broken-hearted. And she leaped into the arena like

Horatio leaped into the forum of the Roman Senate and with her little hatchet she awoke the people of Kansas from their slumbers. She has made the officials of the State to tremble before the majesty of law and order, from Governor down to town marshal. She has unsealed preachers and orators' lips and loosed their tongues and dipped editors and scribes pens in fountains of ink, and made these preachers and orators, editors and scribes, do more talking and writing about the American saloon during the past month than has been spoken or written on that subject during the past ten years. And she is easily the best known woman in America to-day.

She faced a condition and not a theory. She is backed by thousands of the best citizens in Kansas. The Hatchet Brigades are at work all over the State; the citizens only needed a leader.

And while this method is just the thing to be endorsed in the midst of the normal condition of society, yet, in abnormal conditions, such has been done before. Good citizens conducted the work of destroying the cargo of tea in Boston Bay. John Brown's raids were condemned by even the Republicans at the time, but they garnish his grave and erect a monument to his honor now. Jesus Christ forcibly drove the robbing priests out of the temple without a crusader's prayer, or an officer's formal procedure.

This Nationalism will go on until every joint or saloon in Kansas will be closed forever. And not only will the saloon go in Kansas, but Mrs. Nation has driven the wedge that will split political parties and churches wide open on the liquor question, and the campaign of 1904, I hope, will be conducted on that issue, and will result in being to this question what the campaign of 1856 was on the slave question, and it may, in the province of God, place Abraham Lincoln the second in the President's chair. If Mrs. Nation should be killed, "the blood of the martyr will be the lord of the kingdom."

W. H. BOLES.
ALMA, Ill., Feb. 20, 1901.—Christian Standard, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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TOAST AND DENUNCIATION.

CHICAGO, April 16.—Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands, was toasted and Joseph Chamberlain, of England denounced at the sixth annual banquet of the Holland society Chicago, which was held at the Grand Pacific hotel. About 100 members of the society were present with a number of invited guests.

E. H. Brown

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REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

It is probable that most women love men best for the breaks they make. It is better to have played and lost than never to know a straight flush when you see it.

The time a man feels the biggest hypocrite is when he gets his first baby and has to act like he was proud of it.

GOSSIPING NEIGHBORS.

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CANADA'S FORESTS

Looked Upon as a Great
National Asset.

TIMBER IS VALUABLE

P. E. Island Perhaps the Most
Destitute of all the Pro-
vinces.

In view of the interest created by a paper read by Father Burke at the Farmer's and Dairymen's Association held in Charlottetown, the following will be of interest.

"Next to the soil of Canada's most valuable national asset is her forests one of nature's best gifts to the people of the great northland. It has been estimated by competent authorities that the forest and woodland areas of the Dominion cover about eight hundred million acres, or a little more than one hundred and fifty acres to every head of the population. In the United States the corresponding area is only a little over seven acres per head. Besides the present available forest belt which stretches across the northern edge of the settled portions of Canada from the Atlantic to the central prairies and the area on the Pacific coast, there is the great northern forest extending from the Straits of Belle Isle to Alaska a distance of four thousand miles. Comparatively unexplored and wholly unassailed by the axe of the lumberman, this vast forest holds a reserve wealth to be drawn upon by future generations. Canada's forest area is not only immense, but the timber is of the most valuable kind; the white pine, the king of trees in the lumber trade of the continent, of which, it is estimated there are still standing the equivalent of thirty-eight billions of feet of lumber in board measure; the spruce sought after by the builder, the shipbuilder and the manufacturer of pulp and paper; the gigantic firs of the Pacific slopes, and a great variety of other soft and hard woods.

The necessity of conserving the great national asset so that the forests will be continuously productive, and not a feast to-day and a famine to-morrow, is admitted on all sides, although but little has been accomplished as regards putting into practise these generally accepted views. An example has been set in Canada in this matter by her neighbor, the State of New York. The forest wealth of the latter in comparison with our own is exceedingly small, the region producing marketable timber being practically limited to the Adirondack district of the north, a large part of which has been set apart as a state reserve. But such timber as it has, the state is desirous of turning to the best account. Forest protection is also being studied with the expectation that it will be possible to bring about equilibrium between destruction and reproduction. A state college of forestry is maintained at Ithaca in affiliation with Cornell University, and during the past session twenty-five students were in attendance. The institution can already show some very practical results. Ninety-five acres formerly burnt over have been planted with pine and Norway spruce; two nurseries have been established, with about a million seedlings, and the college is prepared to furnish annually fifteen thousand cords of wood and from two to four million feet of logs. But the indirect results are looked upon as more valuable the accumulation and spread of knowledge concerning one of the great assets and industries of the continent. Canada has much more at stake in her forests than has the State of New York. Her interests in this direction are vastly greater; her prudence and foresight should certainly not be less than that of her neighbor."

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