

by the Creator Himself and be "the God of God." It is a daring flight and most daring despotism. There never has been a moment in the whole history of human civilisation when that condition of existence was eliminated or in abeyance, and yet the faddist thinks that he can do the impossible and create a new heaven and a new earth after his own pattern. He thinks he can manipulate the mechanical elements to such purpose that he can change good old homely Nature herself. Well, he has a "gie-guid conceit of himself" and as long as he confines his experiments to himself we have no quarrel, but we think the unimproved pattern was blocked out by a much better artist, if he will permit us to say so.

Of course no one advocates the abuse of liquor, and if the faddist confined himself to the remedy of the abuse we could all sympathise. But he willfully muddles cause and effect. In nine cases out of ten drunkenness is an effect, and not a cause. Scott recognised the beneficence of alcohol when he put these words into the mouth of Maggie Mucklebackit, the fishwife: "It's easy for your honour and the like o' you gentelfolk to say sae, that hae stouth and routh, and fire and finding, and meat and claith, and sit dry and canny by the fireside; but an ye wanted fire and meat and dry claes and were deen' o' the cauld, and had a sair heart, whilk is warst ava' wi' just tippence in your pouch, wadna ve be glad to buy a dram wi', to be eilding and claes and a supper and heart's ease until the bargain, till the morn's morning." That's just it; the whole thing in a nutshell. On one man, the faddist wants to impose the domination of his own opinion; from another he wants to wrest his "meat, and claes, and fire," and these are the identical things the stupid, obstinate Stuarts wanted to do in free England in the seventeenth century, and paid the penalty of their folly to the utmost farthing.

Whether a man gets a drink or not is of itself a matter of very little importance, but that he should eat and drink at another person's dictation is a widely different thing. Britons must be very much changed if they submit to any such tyranny, because in all their history and in all their social relations the freedom of the individual to exercise his own judgment in living his own life has been the first thing they claimed, and invariably made good their claim in the end.

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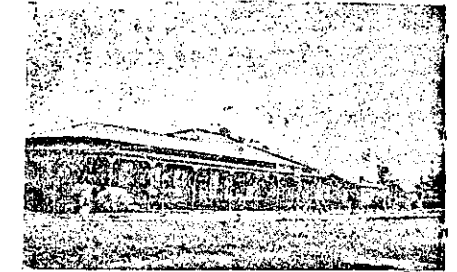
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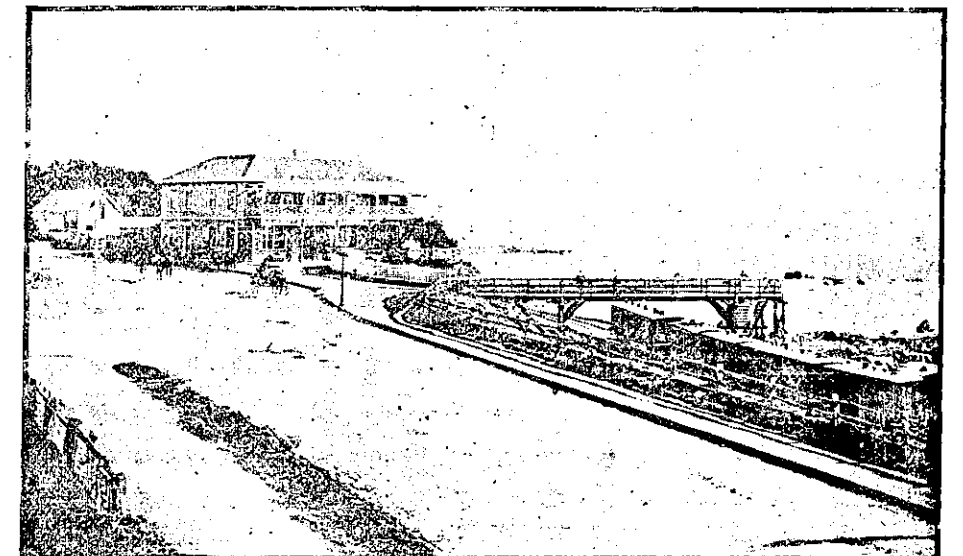
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