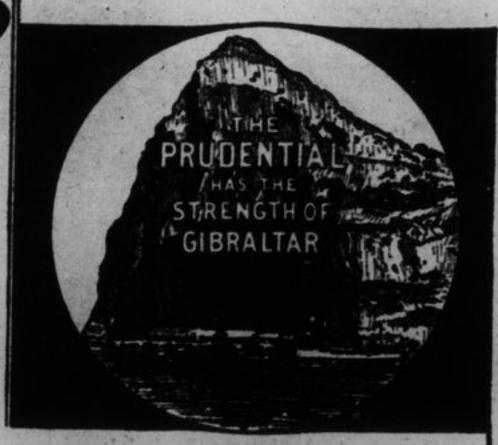
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#### WHEN BREWSTER DOSED THE BOOLONG

(Crawf. C. Slack)

There are always things contrary seeming to disturb the home,

And no doubt 'twill always be so to the days of Kingdom Come, Every household has its discords. this most everybody knows,

But they're only go-betweenings; very seldom come to blows. Up at Hiram Brewster's dwelling

For the Brewsters are but mortal and mankind is prone to fight. I don't mean to say with bludgeons One suggested tar-and-feathers as a they lay one another out, But at times, adverse opinions lead up to a wordy bout.

Now the Brewster's as a family were not given much to strife, But defective prohibition served to mar their peaceful life. The motherly Mrs. Brewster looked

with favor on the cause. And was making every effort to uphold its biased laws: She was an active member of the

Carrie Nation crew. And her home headquarters the temperance "rag" to chew. There they'd hold their secret meetings, strive to ways and means de-

To defeat the liberal moderates who demanded beer and wine.

Hiram Brewster, liberal-minded. sneered at prohibitions' grip, For the all his : porty comrades, he of joyed his little nip.

and marked their ballots dry. Acting with a lot of forethought he laid in a good supply. He had rye and gin and brandy, bought at clear-out bargains

But as other earthly treasures, somehow "joy-stuff" does not keep, Brewster's soon evaporated, down to In waltzing fouled a rocking-chair, one jug, then to none: In remorse he there decided ha'd

He secured receipts from Skinner, his trusty moonshine friend: In fact receipts were easy, he could get them to no end.

distil some of his own.

They comprised all kinds of herbage, from redpepper down to sage, And the "kick" depends entirely on the time you give to age He selected one of raisins and he

put the stuff to soak. Then he hid it in the stable 'til it The next morning, very early, Mrs started in to smoke: Then he took it to the sugar-shanty She discovered that some Carries

'way back on the farm, And distilled some coffin-varnish They all hurried to the kitchen, which his friends said was a

To the bone-dry Mrs. Brewster this was sure a bitter pill She grew distant and unfriendly to-

wards Hiram and his still. But Brewster said: "You women wi'l need another kink Before you corner everything but

water here to drink. 'You may run and tell the 'kill-joys' and with them may weep and wail, But I'm going to pipe the 'joy-stuff' 'til they land me in the jail."

Mrs. Brewster called a meeting of the Carrie Nation crew. For to talk the matter over and iconsider what they'd do.

As the meeting was important every Bone-Dry Mary-Jane, They went down to Mrs. Brewster's for she sure would entertain. She was sure to give a luncheon, and

a tea-drink when they met. And Brewster had decided to make this meet good and wet. He had just run off a portion, it was certainly dead-shot,

And hired Tillie of the kitchen for to dose the "Boolong" pot, So when they en masse assembled to decide on Brewster's doom, skies at times are none too bright. It couldn't be considered as a paysing cloud of gloom.

> dose for the disgrace; Another said that flogging wouldn't be much out of place; The president said that flogging

wouldn't be the proper goods, That they should have a hanging at the shanty in the woods. They came to no decision on which all could agree.

And the hostess, Mrs. Brewster, moved that all adjourn for tea. When Tillie served the "Boolong" all pronounced it extra good, And very soon the Carries all were in the jolliest mood.

They drank toasts to each other with long and lingering sups. It kept Tillie busy brewing - some

drank half a dozen cups. The talk grew fast and furious, then they parted in to sing.

And one o'er joyous damsel did for them the Highland fling. The hilarious Mrs. Brewster did the "shimmy" dance in style;

So when prohibition kill-joys went There was not a weary momentsomething doin' all the while They were hugging one another and were trying every trick. One dame was demonstrating to the crowd how she could kick.

> The president of the Carries, once the queen of terpsichore. went sprawling on the floor. The worthy secretary took to danc-

> ing on a chair. One jumped upon the table and broke up the china ware: One said that she could wallop the

best man in the town. She countered on the stove-pipes and they came tumbling down. Soon they started to get drowsy, then to see them was a sight. and a lot that gathered there that

day didn't go home that night.

Brewster, feeling sore.

had been sleeping on the floor, analyzed the "Boolong" pot, Then they went in search of Brewster and to hang him on the

But Brewster had been watching and took serious the affair. And when the day was breaking he was miles away from there: He didn't leave his address, or the

will of his estate, Nor they haven't found the outlaw, | London that I've heard of, up to date.

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