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cc The places of Judicature which I have long held in this Kingdom. have given me an opportunity to observe the original cause of most of the enormities that have been committed for the space of near twenty years - and by a due observation I have found. that if the Murders & Manslaughters, the burglaries & robberies, the riots & tumults, the Adulteries, fornications, rapes, & other great enormities, that have happened in that time, were divided into five parts - Four of them have been the issues & product of excessive drinking of Tavern or Ale-house Meetings - So wrote Sir Matthew Hale, and yet he never witnessed the Magnificence of a Gin-palace, or the squalid misery which issues therefrom. The calendar of crime in his day, was not increased by the malignant influence of the beer-shop - When will a stop be put to these Moral pests -

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