

Is Prohibition a Failure?

In going through the streets of the city of Providence and the other cities of the little State of Rhode Island one is led to believe that there is no such law on our statute book. And why? The reason is plainly seen. To see over 500 places in the city of Providence where liquor is sold by the wholesale, where the chief of state police or his deputies never visit. The retail places that are fitted up in the most elegant and costly style, what we may call the "gilt edge" saloon, they are not visited. And why? Because the high toned young men of the city are patrons of those gilt edge saloons; aye, and the officers of the law, too, visit those places, not to raid them but to patronize them. We have been told that a certain saloon in the city, doing a good business, is notified by the officer on the beat when a raid is contemplated, so he may be ready for the visit. Now, if this is done on one beat, how can we doubt but it is done on many others? Again it is said you cannot enforce the law--popular opinion is against it. How have so many convictions taken place lately if the law cannot be enforced? At the last term of the Court of Common Pleas there were 25 or more vendors of the ardent sent to Cranston? Prohibition is not a failure; but the party in power is afraid to enforce the law, hence prohibition is a failure as far as the enforcement of the law is concerned. In 1887, when the law went into effect, had the officers done their duty, prohibition would have been a success, as many gave up the business and took down their signs; but in a very short time some opened their places, while new ones started up, and are to-day more numerous than before the law was passed. What is the remedy? As neither of the old parties will enforce the law, we must, if we want the law enforced, vote with the new party. Join the third party, and throw overboard those who are too timid to enforce the law. Prohibition is the only remedy for the soul-destroying evil--the liquor traffic.--Catholic Temperance Advocate.

Cigarettes.

"I know many young men who a few years ago had cheeks as red as roses, whose lips looked as though they would burst with warm, rich blood, and whose eyes shone like diamonds; but now the lustre is gone from their eyes, which are sunken in their heads, and they look pale and listless.

"I had a nephew who was as straight and erect as an arrow, as splendid a specimen of a man as one would see in a month's travel. He had large, beautiful black eyes, and cheeks like roses, he was a first class singer. He sang with Campanini, Amy Gordon, Emma Thurston and Clara Louise Kellogg last year, and made \$3,000 clear of all expenses. This year he was to have had \$6,000. The doctor told him one year ago that he must stop smoking cigarettes or they would kill him, but he would not; consequently the color left his cheeks and the lustre his eyes; his skin begun to turn sallow, and still he would persist in smoking. Two weeks ago he died; he first sent for his doctor, and asked him to try to help him. The physician told him that he could not, as his blood and whole system was poisoned. His death has broken his father's and mother's hearts."--Plainfield Evening News.

Customer--Didn't see the paper this morning, eh? Well the Society of Self-made Men, composed of merchants, manufacturers, lawyers, doctors and preachers, whose residences are in this neighborhood, resolved that unless you moved your saloon further away from the Temperance square they would boycott you.

Wealthy Saloon-keeper--Yah, yah, yah! Ho, ho, ho! That's too good! Customer--And at about the same hour, at a meeting of the Order of Half-starved, down-trodden, Over-worked and Unpaid, Laboring Men, it was resolved that unless you moved your saloon away from Temperance square and nearer to Poverty Flats, where it would be more handy to them, they'd boycott you.

Wealthy Saloon-keeper--Great Scott! I'll move.

Why It Fails.

Our contemporary, the Witness, makes an excellent suggestion in pointing out the causes of failure in Scott Act trials.

"It would be a great advantage were a clear statement of the points decided in these cases officially published, for the information of magistrates and county judges. Great caution and skill are required in the preparation of the papers by the justices, and precision in conducting the suits. Mistakes may occur with the most skilful lawyers; plain justices are ever liable to be caught in some mesh of the law."

They are indeed, and the prosecutors, namely, the Temperance people, have to pay for the mistakes. It would be worth thousands of dollars to this country if some one would just publish from time to time the defects in these law-suits. Our opinion is that ordinary Magistrates ought not to be trusted in making out papers under the Scott Act. Indeed, among lawyers, only those who have studied the matter should attempt it.--Clarion.

Some Chicago ministers are not burdened with a superabundance of back-bone. The Sabbath Observance Association held a mass meeting in Chicago last Sunday in favor of the enforcement of the Sunday laws. A number of prominent divines were on the program. Nearly all of them delivered their addresses with a "Please-don't kick-me,--I'm-trying-to-please-everybody" air. The Sunday saloon question was touched upon very gingerly, if at all, by most of the speakers. The highest argument one speaker brought against the Sunday saloons was that the saloon keepers and bar-tenders needed one day of rest, and would be willing to obey the law if others were compelled to do the same. It remained for the last speaker, Rev. Father Higgins, a Catholic priest, to come out boldly and say: "It is claimed that it is one of the inalienable rights of personal liberty to keep saloons open on the Sabbath. I deny the claim. There are rights higher than those of the street brawler and saloon keeper." The ringing applause which greeted these words proved that the reverend speaker had risen nearer to the key note than had his Protestant brethren.--The Lever.

God made wolves and with an appetite for sheep evidently. Now when wolves get among the farmers' sheep, do we prat about the natural rights and personal liberties of these dangerous beasts? No, the state offers a premium for their scalps. Would it be wise or just to tell the farmers to keep their sheep away from the wolves, as liquor-men tell the mothers to keep their boys from the saloon? Would it be wise or just for a consideration, say a division of the spoils, to permit wolves to prowl among the sheep of the state six days in the week, as we permit the saloon to exist in the streets of our cities and towns for the division of the plunder of once happy homes? Would it protect the sheep to build a five hundred dollar fence around the wolves with holes large enough to permit them to go out at pleasure?--The Quill.

In the town of Indiana, Pa., where they have no license, Mr. A A Wilson says: "More women come to me now with money to buy goods than when we had license. Business in dry goods, groceries and shoes, is better than I ever knew it to be."

This is the universal testimony of tradesman wherever prohibition prevails, and is just what it will do for trade in Pennsylvania. \$17,000,000 would annually be added to the legitimate trade of Philadelphia if we should get prohibition on the 18th day of June. Let us work for a boom in trade. The small store keepers are the men who would profit most by prohibition, because their customers are men who have not enough for both rum and goods.

A man who kept a liquor-saloon in Raleigh, N. C., went to hear Sam Jones in Durham, was convinced and converted, and at once telegraphed to Raleigh: "Close up my saloon: I am done with the business."

TEMPERANCE NEWS AND NOTES.

The bill forbidding the sale of tobacco to miners under eighteen years of age in Oregon, has passed, been signed by the Governor and is now a law.

The question of prohibition was submitted to the citizens of Maplewood, Ill., Feb. 18, and by a vote of 147 to 91 they decided in favor of no liquor.

In the Minnesota House of Representatives on the 18th December, a bill was introduced to provide prohibitory constitutional amendment.

No fewer than 1,567 discharged prisoners--men and women--from the Walton Gaol, Liverpool, England, signed the total abstinence pledge during the past year.

The Farmer's Voice says that a law has been recently passed in Waldeck, Germany, forbidding the granting of a marriage license to a person addicted to the liquor habit.

The constitutional amendment vote in West Virginia was as follows:-- In favor of the prohibitory amendment, 41,668; against, 76,555--majority against, 34,887.

The number of licensed saloons in the city of Brooklyn has increased from 2704 in 1882, to 3506 in December last.

The Sons of Temperance have thirty-six grand and 1500 subordinate divisions located in the States, Territories and British Provinces.

It is stated that an Australian company has lately purchased about 500,000 acres of land on the river Murray, and that although the company is not composed of teetotalers, the sale of drink on the estate has been prohibited.

In Sweden fifty years ago the proportion of alcohol consumed to the population was fifty-four litres for every man, woman and child; now it is only eight litres. In Norway the proportion fifty years ago was sixteen litres, now it is three and one-half.

Mr. Walker, the contractor of the Manchester ship canal, has entered into an arrangement with a coffee public house company to supply the thousand of navvies under him with harmless drinks and nourishing food. No intoxicating liquor is allowed to be sold.

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- St. Stephen; Howard, 1; Friday; S. Webber; Milltown, St. Stephen; Wilberforce, 3; Monday; H. McAllister.
Market Building, St. John; Gurney, 5; Thursday; David Bradley, Jr.
Orange Hall Portland; Portland, 7; Wednesday; A. Y. Paterson.
Market Building, St. John; Albion, 14; Monday; E A Everett.
Gagetown; Queens, 21; Saturday; H. J. DeVeber.
Chatham; Northumberland, 37; Friday; G. Stohart.
St. John; Mariners and Mechanics, 33; Tuesday; John Kinney.
Hillsboro, Albert Co.; Albert, 39; Wednesday; John I Steeves.
Sackville, West Co.; Sackville, 49; Tuesday; J. C. Harper.
Richibucto, Kent Co.; Richibucto, 42; Wednesday; Robert N Beers.
Newcastle; Newcastle, 45; Thursday; Jas. Falconer.
Point de Bute, West Co. Westmorland, 50; Thursday; Jas. W. Colpitts.
Hopewell Hill, Albert Co.; Golden Rule, 51; Tuesday; L. R. Moore.
enfield, Charlotte Co.; Lifeguard, 58; Saturday; H C Frynor.
Cambridge, Queen's Co.; Winston, 62; Saturday; George S. Wils n.
Dalhousie; Dalhousie, 64; Monday; G. Haddow.
Baie Verte; Baie Vert 65; Wednesday; R. Goodwin.
Dover, West Co.; ver. 70; Saturday; Alfred E. Steeves.
Carleton; St. John; Granite Rock, 77; Tuesday; John C. Thomas.
Derby, North Co.; Nelson, Monday; J. Betts 99.
Douglastown, North Co.; Caledonia, 126; Tuesday; J. Henderson.
Collina Corner, Kings Co.; Collina, 129; Thursday; Jacob L Keirstead.
Upper Gagetown, Queens Co.; Oxford, 130; Saturday; A. E. Crothers.
Benton, Carleton Co.; Garibaldi, 151; A. F. Campbell.
St. Martins St. John Co. St. Martins, 164, Tuesday; Frank L. Mosher.
Moncton; Moncton, 183; Monday; F. W. Steeves.
Douglas, York Co.; Dunphy's W. O. Farmers 190; Saturday; Arthur W Ross.
Salisbury, West Co. Crystal Stream, 191 Monday; S A Hoistead.
South Bay, St. John Co. Lime Rock, 297 Monday; Wm. Roxborough.
Milford, St. John Co.; Everett, 238; Tuesday; Geo. H. Waring.
Metton; Intercolonial 243; Friday; Miss-Vena Fawcett

Victoria Mills, West. Co.; Victoria, 245; Thursday; A. J. Main.

Baillie, St. James, Char. Co.; Baillie, 248; Wednesday; Fred H Mann.

Weldford, Kent. Co.; Harcourt, 249; Saturday; H. Wathen.

Portland; Valley, 250; Tuesday; J. Fowler. Butternut Ridge, King's Co.; Havelock 251 Friday; E. Keith.

Petitodiac, West. Co.; Petitodiac, 252 Tuesday D. A. Jonah.

Lewis Mountain, West. Co.; Sunnyside, 253 Saturday; John Lounsbury.

Millstream, Kings Co. Britannia, 255; Saturday C. W. Weyman.

Little Ridge, Char. Co.; Spreading Oak, 256; Tuesday; A. F. Matheson.

Fredericton; Landowne, 257; Thursday; H. H Pitts.

River Charlo, Rest. Co.; Charlo, 259; Thursday; J. H. Galbraith.

teeves' Mountain, West. Co.; Mountain Rose 260; Saturday; R. Lutz, Sr.

Hampton, King's Co.; Spring, 262; Monday C. Barnes.

Pomroy Ridge, Char. Co.; Mayflower, 263 Thursday; W. Moulton.

Scotch Ridge, Char. Co.; Iona, 264; Wednesday; D. M. Sinclair.

Oak Hill, Char Co.; Oak, 265; Thursday; Harry E. Grimmer.

Tower Hill, Char. Co.; Wills, 266; Saturday; S. S. Smith.

2d Falls, St. George Char. Co.; Stewart, 269 Saturday; A. Sherwood.

St. George, Char. Co.; Red Granite, 270; Saturday; Chas. Johnson.

Penobscuis, King's Co.; Cardwell, 271; Wednesday; Oscar Stevens.

Hampton Village, King's Co.; Hampton, 273 Tuesday Chas. Frost.

St. John, 102 King Street; Gordon Division No. 275; Monday; Robert Maxwell.

Eagle Settlement West'd Co.; Twilight, 267 Tuesday; G. A. Taylor.

Salisbury, Westmoreland Co.; Middleton, 277 Friday; Jas. Henry.

Healthland, Charlotte Co.; Rising Sun, 278 Tuesday; Julius Powers.

Goshen Corner, Albert Co.; Star of Hope, 279 Saturday; H. D. Stevens.

St. Mary's Kent Co.; Rosafield, 280; Saturday; W. Vincent.

Elgin, Albe. Co.; Elgin, 281; Saturday; W. P. Robins.

Whites Cove, Grand Lake; Grand Lake; 283; Friday; H. E. White.

Stonhaven, Gloucester Co.; Gloucester Division 284; Tuesday; N. R. Ritchie.

Lewisville, Moncton; Lewisville, 285; Tuesday; A. McN. Russell.

Port Elgin, West Co. Fort Moncton, 286; Tuesday; C. H. Goodwin.

Centreville, Kings Co.; Centreville, 287; Saturday; C. R. Folkins.

Waterford, K. C.; Essex Division 288; Saturday; John W. DeForest.

Dubec, Carleton Co.; Centenary, 289; Thursday Wm. v. Benn.

Waterville, Carleton Co.; Waterville, 293 Saturday; J. T. Fletcher.

Bath Carleton Co.; Ray of Hope, 294; Friday; W. D. Keith.

Lower Coverdale, Albert Co.; Coverdale 295 Tuesday; F. A. Steeves.

Canterbury, York Co.; Duffin, 296; Saturday John W Scott.

River Louisa, Restigouche Co.; Louisa, 297 Friday; Donald Stewart.

Kirkland, Carleton Co.; Monument, 298; Thursday; John Lyons, Deputy.

Woodstock, Carleton Co.; Campbell, 299; Friday; S. McLeod.

Campbellton, Restigouche Co. Campbellton. 300; Monday; Jas. W. Patterson.

Dundee, Restigouche Co.; Dundee, 302; Tuesday; Jas. Malcolm.

Morcambe, P. O. Kings Co.; Rising Star, 303 Wednesday; Martin Freeze.

Scotch Settlement, Westmorland Co.; McCarthy 304; Wednesday; David H. Murray.

Upper Millstream, Kings Co.; Millstream, 305 Monday; Zebulon Gaunce.

Gibson, York Co.; Gibson, 306; Friday; J. H. Hamilton.

Case Settlement, Kings Co.; Snowflake, 307. Monday; C. E. Black.

Portland, N. B.; Silver, 308; Friday Rev. J. Spencer.

Old Ridge, Char. Co.; Brunswick Division, No 309; Monday; R W Dinsmore.

Waterside, Parish of Harvey, Albert Co Gladstone No. 311; Friday; Rev. S. O Moore.

Kingsclear, York Co.; Kingsclear, 315; Wednesday; Isaac Kilburn, Deputy.

Buctouche, Kent Co.; Buctouche, No. 317 Tuesday; Wm. Wry.

Mount Middleton, Kings Co.; Mount Middleton, 318; Friday; Joseph Chapman.

McKenzie Corner, Carleton Co.; McKenzie Corner Division 319 Friday; Jas. Forest.

Stylesville, Westmorland Co.; Mapleville, 320 Saturday; James McFarlane.

Bayfield, Westmorland Co.; Bayfield, 321 Monday; A. W. Bent.

Clark's Corner, Queens Co.; Clark's Corner, 325 Thursday; Isaac H. Carle.

Fredericton, No. 2 Gordon, No. 326; Wednesday; Sergt. Major McKenzie.

Smith's Corner, Walker's W. O. Kent Co. Olive Branch 327 Saturday, Ephraim Wheten.

Berry Mills West Co. Millville, 328, Monday John T. Prince.

Blackville, Northumberland Co.; Blackville, 329; Wednesday; Otto Hildebrand.

Black Brook, North. Co.; Silver Stream, 330; Wednesday; Wm. Tait.

Tattagouche, Gloucester Co.; Forest Home, 331; Thursday, Richard Bell.

Bathurst, Gloucester Co.; Ever Onward, 332, Monday, Dr. Wm. P. Bishop.

Dalhousie Junction, Restigouche Co., Maple Green; 333; Wednesday, Wm. Jamison.

Little River, Buctouche, Kent Co. Forest View No. Co 334; Monday, Chas. Ward.

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Presque Isle, Connell P. O. Carleton Co. Dawn of Hope No. 337 Tuesday; John N. Perry.