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# The Temperance Outlook as Viewed by Rev. J. J. Colter

To the Editor of The Mail,

Dear Sir,—The world is moving. A few years ago the political arena was considered an Augean stable. It was not desired that a politician should be religious. Now leaders are selected who hold a foremost position in the churches. Woodrow Wilson, the Democratic candidate was for several years president of the Princeton University and is an elder in the Presbyterian Church. He is governor of New Jersey and has done a noble work in purifying politics in that State. Bryan who dominated the convention is a lay preacher of the same church. It is a fine tribute to Wilson that Murphy the Tammany boss bitterly opposed his nomination. As a rule the moral character of our leading public men is held in high estimation, consequently more attention than formerly is given to great moral issues.

The change of public opinion in regard to the drink evil is marked. I remember when men regarded it (intoxicating drink) as a good creature of God. Those who trafficked in it held up their heads among honorable men. But there has been an awakening in which both religion and science have each played their part. Now all except those who are blinded by self-interest regard the traffic not only as an evil, but as the greatest evil in the world with perhaps the exception of the social evil. The two are linked in Holy Writ and they are still inseparable the one aiding the other in its deadly work. A business that will destroy so many human beings both for time and eternity cannot have the divine approval.

A writer in Zion's Herald of Boston observes, "drink represents a menace to the human race that cannot be exaggerated, it is the taproot of many other evils that would disappear if it were destroyed. It strikes at the welfare of home and school, of church and state. But public opinion is fast turning towards the position that the evil lies chiefly not in drunkenness, not in drinking. It is seen for one thing that if there were no drinking, there would be no drunkenness. It is also clearly realized by an ever increasing number that crime, pauperism and insanity are produced, not by a few drunkards, but by the common habit of drinking. What supports the saloon, the foul source of numberless ills, and woes, are not the few drunkards, but the many drinkers. What imprisons women in poverty and robs children of blessings is not as a rule drunkenness but drinking. All use is abuse. The railroads do not say to their men: you must keep within the limit of moderation, but they command: you must not drink at all. The trainer of athletes does not tell his men, you must refrain from drunkenness, but he does lay down the stringent rule: You must wholly abstain. For every real drunkard there are a thousand drinkers, who feel sure they never took a drop too much never having been intoxicated, and yet they have lessened their industrial capacity, exposed themselves to diseases, cut down their chances of recovery and multiplied mistakes and accidents by their so-called moderate use of liquor. Let us cite some significant facts.

The Orange Association will not receive any one as a member who is engaged in the liquor business, nor will it permit any one who was a member before this law was passed to hold office. In this respect its standard of morality is higher than it is in some of the churches. Our legislatures are beginning to see the sin and folly of licensing this evil. Prince Edward Island is under prohibition and a great improvement in sobriety has taken place. Nova Scotia has put down the bar excepting in Halifax. The vectors of New Zealand had the question of prohibition submitted to them at the polls and a majority decided in its favor. It has become a party question in Ontario, seventy-one per cent of the municipalities are now dry. Mr. N. W. Rowell of the Liberal party has nailed the prohibition flag to the mast. In a magnificent address delivered to nearly two thousand persons in London, July 1st, he said, "remove the bar and you remove the stigma, you re-establish the status of every hotel keeper. Two or three months ago with a view to knowing the facts for himself, he spent a Saturday afternoon in visiting the bars of Toronto. He found several bars to contain from 150 to 100 men standing up and drinking, some to such excess that their intellect became dulled and their feet unsteady. It was estimated that over four million dollars went annually over the 110 bars. The relation of the bar to crime was told by striking official figures. Sir Oliver Mowatt had declared that 75 per cent of the crimes of the province was due to intemperance and the inspector of persons in his recent report had stated that of the prison inmates 75 per cent were addicted to the use of strong drink and 25 per cent of the lunatics was the result of drinking.

Mr. Rowell has challenged Sir Jas. Whitney, the government leader, to bring in a bill to put down this evil, which Mr. Whitney admits to be a very serious one, promising that he and his party will give them their hearty support.

I think it probable Mr. Rowell will succeed. He is an able lawyer and one of the most highly honored members of the Methodist church. Every fourth, some say every third, elector in that province is a Methodist. When Mr. Wesley organized the Methodist church in 1739 one of his rules was that no one could become a member who bought or sold intoxicating liquors or who used them unless in cases of extreme necessity. That rule from a seer with a divine insight, has borne fruit. Whenever there is a fight against this foe of humanity Methodists are in the thick of it and we know which side they are on.

Colonel Samuel Hughes, the minister of militia, is also a Methodist who has the courage of his convictions. He will not give intoxicating liquor to his guests and has banished the canteen from the camps; God grant that he may abolish it altogether as has been done in the United States. It is true that he has become the song of the drunkard, but he will have the blessing of all good men.

Premier Flemming's case is somewhat similar to Rowell's. He is an honored member of the Presbyterian church and a consistent prohibitionist. He, unlike the latter, has the support of a powerful party, and he has a splendid opportunity. There has come to him the "moment to decide 'twixt the good and the evil side." If he gives this province a good prohibitory law and will appoint men to enforce it who mean business, he will be the greatest benefactor his country has ever had and his name will be written in letters of gold across her history. Mr. Rowell said he was not in politics for either office or emolument, but solely for the sake of doing good and those who know him and are capable of appreciating moral worth believe his statement. Dr. Grenfell has commanded the esteem and admiration of the civilized world because he has chosen a life of poverty and hardship that he might comfort and uplift the lonely and afflicted residents of Labrador. May God give us many noble men of this stamp in public life.

Now is it in Fredericton? Will those who may come here during Old Home Week believe that this is a law abiding city? I am credibly informed that during the first week of the steamboats 40 casks of liquor were brought here besides what came in barrels and cases, and that one hotel has three bar-tenders, two for the day and one for the night. Any one who walks our streets will see that there is both drinking and drunkenness. Liquor is sold in the pool room, the saloon, the hotel, the drugstore and probably in the brothel. Who can estimate the sin, the misery that such a state of things entails, since if there is one sin more than another that is visited on the third and fourth generations it is that of drunkenness.

I would appeal to the better nature of those who are engaged in the trade. Do they consider it wrong? I would also appeal to those who are in official positions, our aldermen and others. They are sworn to enforce the city laws to the best of their ability. Those who break the Scott Act are not only guilty of violating civil law but one that is infinitely higher than that has been enjoined by God to safeguard life and character. I think that after taking an oath to enforce law it is wrong not to make an effort to do so. A convict who had committed several murders and was sentenced to imprisonment for life, reformed and thus wrote, "The wisdom of doing right and the folly of doing wrong are two self-evident truths to those who are sufficiently versed in the dynamics and involved mechanism of human existence, and an authority from which there is no appeal has said that the unprofitable servant will be cast into outer darkness, where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth. What then will be the room of the man who not only is unprofitable, but is guilty of what he knows to be wrong.

JOHN J. COLTER.

## CANADIAN PACIFIC IS FEATURE OF THE MARKET

(By direct private wires to J. C. Mackintosh & Co., 604 Queen Street, Fredericton, N.B.)

New York, July 31.—The opening was moderately active and stocks showed considerable strength. Sentiment was more cheerful but it was not expected that there would be much activity pending the delivery on August 7th of the speech of acceptance by the Democratic nominee for the presidency.

U. S. Steel opened at 70½, a gain of ½, but almost immediately dropped back to 70. The statement of the quarterly earnings published was well received and in most conservative quarters it was argued that results for the current quarter will be relatively much more satisfactory.

There was over night a gain of ½ in Northern Pacific and Great Northern opened up ½. Canadian Pacific was a strong feature opening with a gain of 2 points. The bright crop outlook and the excellent earnings for the year, published on Tuesday, were the chief causes of strength in the latter stock.

The market eased off a little shortly after the opening but relapsed into dullness on a small recession. Trading was largely professional. Buying of United States Steel by Moore and Schley, who took 4,000 shares in the first few minutes, attracted attention and was believed to be of good quality.

	Open	Noon
Copper, .....	82½	82½
Smelters, .....	82½	83
Atchison, .....	107½	107½
C. P. R., .....	268½	270½
Great Northern, .....	139½	140½
Soo, .....	148	149
Northern Pacific, .....	123½	124½
Pennsylvania, .....	123½	123½
Reading, .....	164	165½
Southern Pacific, .....	109½	110
Union Pacific, .....	168½	169
U. S. Steel, .....	70½	70½

### MONTREAL MORNING SALES

Hochulaga Bank, 54 @ 180.
Bank of Commerce, 39 @ 222.
Molson's Bank, 5 @ 208.
C. P. R., 175 @ 268½, 25 @ 268½, 50 @ 268½, 100 @ 268½, 425 @ 268½, 300 @ 268½, 25 @ 268½, 570 @ 269, 50 @ 268½, 50 @ 269, 175 @ 269½, 100 @ 269½.
Canuers, 50 @ 69½, 75 @ 69, 25 @ 68½.
Iron, com., 25 @ 63½.
Royal Bank, 2 @ 228½.
Bell Telephone, 11 @ 161.
Power, 250 @ 229½, 175 @ 227½, 125 @ 227½, 60 @ 227½, 150 @ 227½, 50 @ 227½, 175 @ 230, 75 @ 229½.
Detroit, 105 @ 72.
Sao Paulo, 125 @ 234½, 5 @ 234½.
Shawinigan, 60 @ 215.
Toronto Street, 110 @ 142.
Soo, 100 @ 147½, 202 @ 142½, 50 @ 148½.
Spanish River, 10 @ 92.
Cement, pld., 85 @ 92, 10 @ 92½.
Textile, 100 @ 102.

## RESULT OF THE VOTING IN LIBRARY CONTEST

The following was the standing of the contestants in Merchants' Library Voting Contest when the count was made on Tuesday evening. Mr. B. Gliddill the promoter of the contest is making arrangements with a gentleman in this city to count the votes and to publish the standing of the candidates each week in The Mail.

Arctic Club, .....	110
Labor Council, .....	110
Independent Order Foresters, .....	105
Victoria Lodge I. O. O. F., .....	100
Methodist Church, .....	105
King's Daughters, .....	100
F'ton High School, .....	100
R. C. R. Library, .....	60
U. N. B. Library, .....	55
Normal School, .....	50
Royal Templars, .....	30
C. M. B. A., .....	25
Prentice Boys, .....	25
Boy Scouts, .....	25
Church of England, .....	10
Harry Mysheral, .....	10
Salvation Army, .....	5
Epworth League, .....	5

London, Jul y31.—If nine new ships were added to the German fleet the comparison for 1914 would stand as follows: Germany 38, Great Britain, minimum 33, maximum 41.

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