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THE LIQUOR PROBLEM

The liquor problem is being discussed in the press and elsewhere these days from so many angles that it must be rather difficult for the average individual to make up his mind as to what course should be pursued in the premises. At St. John recently Hon. L. P. D. Tilley in an address before the Rotary Club gave it as his personal opinion that a system of government control such as exists in the Province of Quebec would best serve the needs of New Brunswick. He declared that it would not only be the means of eliminating the bootleggers, but would provide the province with a revenue of at least a million and a quarter dollars. Hon. Mr. Tilley's rather courageous utterances brought forth a stinging rebuke from Rev. Thomas Marshall, a cold water man of the first rank, and secretary of the N. B. Temperance Alliance. Rev. Mr. Marshall points out that New Brunswick already has a system of government control of the liquor traffic, and to quote his words, "a sorry mess they have made of the whole business." The rev. gentleman is firmly of the opinion that a system of government control would not provide a remedy for the evils of the liquor traffic but would only make things worse.

Another interesting contribution to this important subject is from the pen of Rev. Cecil Wiggins, a veteran Anglican clergyman of Sackville, in reply to a letter by Dr. Trueman, president of Mount Allison University. Rev. Mr. Wiggins seems to favor following the divine law, and advises the adoption of the fundamental principle laid down for the guidance of the human race. He takes the ground that God's law never can be prohibition, and therefore the adoption of it is an assumption that some of God's work was evil, and therefore casting dishonor upon the Almighty. Dealing with the argument so often advanced that the fruit of the vine used in biblical times was not the whiskey of today, Rev. Mr. Wiggins points out that the fruit of the vine made Noah and Lot beastly drunk and yet they were servants of God.

Here is another rather strong statement which Rev. Mr. Wiggins hands out in reply to Dr. Trueman:

"Would he deem it a Christian government that would compel us to incarcerate Christ Himself if He acted in our midst as he did at Cana of Galilee, so profusely supply that which we deem a curse today, especially when we consider that it was His first miracle that He wrought in which He manifested forth His glory and caused His disciples to believe in Him."

The Rev. gentleman goes on to say that he has given the subject careful thought for years and it is his mature judgment that prohibition is one of our most potent evils and most misleading in its tendencies. He declares that it has brought about disrespect for law and he very truthfully states that respect for law is one of the great safeguards of our people.

Rev. Mr. Marshall in the course of his statement quoted the Attorney General of British Columbia as saying that government control has not eliminated bootlegging in British Columbia. He also quoted the Mayor of Winnipeg as stating that "conditions there under government control are a thousand times worse than under prohibition." A labor leader is cited by Rev. Mr. Marshall as saying that he knows of a thousand blind pigs operating in Montreal. He also quotes the Montreal Star as saying that a growing and widespread bootlegging trade exists in wet Montreal. This may all be true, but if a thousand blind pigs and a growing bootlegging trade can exist in Montreal under a system of government control, the question naturally suggests itself, would conditions be any better under prohibition?

It is to be noticed that the Secretary of the Temperance Alliance, while apparently well informed in regard to conditions in British Columbia, Manitoba and Quebec, does not offer any opinion as to conditions in Ontario which is under prohibition. Possibly his attention has not been called to the report of a sermon delivered in

the Bond Street United Church of Toronto the good a short time ago by Rev. W. B. McKay, who took for his subject, "Toronto's New Years Disgrace." In the course of his sermon he referred to rumors of women participating in New Year's orgies who were too intoxicated to walk, and of "shameless practices that we dare not even mention in this mixed audience." The speaker went on to say that some of those who had taken part in the New Year's orgies had not risen above the level of beasts, and that "monkeys would be disgraced at the suggests that human were of a higher order of life." This is pretty strong language but there must have been some justification for it. Toronto is in the Province of Ontario, which has for years been under prohibition. How can there be any great respect for prohibition when the people of that city at the last plebiscite recorded a majority of fifty thousand against it? Bootlegging in wet provinces is admittedly an evil, but it evidently has very little on the New Year's orgies as indulged in in some of the provinces under prohibition, as described by the Toronto clergyman. In the old days before prohibition New York had a monopoly of New Year's orgies. Today they seem to have come into fashion all over the continent, and it is not difficult to find people who regard them as a sort of appendage to prohibition.

Some years ago the Federal government appointed a Royal Commission to conduct an investigation and ascertain as to whether the country was ready for a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. It looks as if the time was about ripe for the appointment of another Royal Commission to study the liquor problem in both the wet and dry provinces of the Dominion, and make recommendations as to the best means of grappling with it.

FACTS OF SCIENCE

The over-powering facts of science interest and astonish us. But we must call ourselves back from going too far in our reliance upon science to give us everything we need. Quite a long time ago H. G. Wells said something very much worth remembering. He said:

"Only kindness can save the world and even if we knew how to produce kindness we should not do so unless we were already kindly. Science has not given men more self-control, more kindness, or more power of discounting their passions in deciding upon a course of action."

Eb-Congressman John W. Langley must serve a two years' term in the Atlanta Penitentiary for conspiracy to violate the prohibition law. He resigned his seat in Congress a few days ago and has appealed to his constituents to elect his wife as his successor. Mr. Langley says he is heavily in debt and that his home is mortgaged.

A police suspect was traced and placed under arrest by means of a new pair of shoes, but many an owner of a new pair of shoes has been pinched.

Note on Modern Tendencies: A fashionable wedding in Los Angeles is described as having "set the younger social group agog."

It is estimated it takes humanity about 150 years to get back again to any given definition of the word "naughty."

Way down upon the Swamee river, the old folks at home are thinking of selling out to the sub-divider.

"People," says T. L. Masson, the humorist, "don't want opinions." That is Mr. Masson's opinion.

Fourteen Below the Cipher
The official minimum temperature last night was fourteen degrees below zero. The high wind which caused the snow to drift badly made the cold felt more keenly.

ANOTHER CROWDED HOUSE

Nifty Revue Closes Engagement at The Capitol Tonight

There was a large audience at the Capitol Theatre last night to see the Nifty Revue, in "The Scandals of Pleasure." All taking part played their parts well. Joe Doran, the comedian was especially good and the choruses were well rendered. The final Scotch lassies and laddies was well received. The Garter Contest, a special feature was very interesting and caused much amusement. The company close their week's engagement tonight when a brand new programme will be presented. There is a special ten-cent matinee this afternoon.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

Frequent spells of weather are to be expected in January.

When to spank is one of life's greatest problems.

France apparently goes on the theory that her leading public men are good warmed over.

London theosophists are quarreling. This proves that theosophy is a religion.

So live that you will be of some little use outside the city directory.

If she buckles her galoshes it is a sign that she has not thrown all home influence overboard.

Despite all the stories of Scotch thrift Bobby Burns, whose birthday anniversary is getting close, wasn't a tightwad.

Perhaps you may have observed how smoothly the winter of 1925-26 is moving along toward spring.

One of the world's greatest troubles can be traced to the people. We see so many faults in others but can find none in ourselves.

Perhaps the most inconsistent thing is a low-necked, short-sleeved outing flannel nightgown.—Ohio State Journal.

This column never saw one.

SOME THINGS THAT YOU NOTICE

That the afternoons are beginning to lengthen.

That the Farmers' Convention was good business for the city.

That Fredericton men are bashful about taking a garter.

That overshoes seem universal among the fair sex this season.

That bobbed hair makes good business for the barber shops.

That despite the cold, blustery weather all places of amusement were well attended last evening.

That to the housewife strictly fresh eggs at 45 and 50 cents a dozen seems too good to be true.

That the ex-Aldermen smile when the subject of civic economy is mentioned.

That there is a plentiful crop of the beautiful snow.

That the passenger service on the Gibson Branch of the C. P. R. this winter is archaic.

The several members of the Curling Club now know that there is a difference between tripe and suet.

HOW ALL MOTHERS CAN KEEP HEALTH

Cares of Home and Children Often Causes a Breakdown.

The demands upon a mother's health are many and severe. Her own health trials and her children's welfare exact heavy tolls, while hurried meals, broken rest and much indoor living tend to weaken her constitution. It is no wonder that the woman at home is often indisposed through weakness, headaches, backaches and nervousness. Too many women have grown up to accept these troubles as a part of the lot of motherhood. But many and varied as her health troubles are the cause is simple and relief at hand. It is rich, red blood that keeps a woman well; when she is ill the blood is thin and watery, and she must take a tonic to enrich it to renew her health. The nursing mother more than any other woman in the world needs rich blood and plenty of it. There is one sure way to get this rich blood so necessary to health, and that is through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Mrs. Henry Burke, Lower L'Ardoise, N. S., tells what these pills did for her. She says: "I first used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills five years ago. After my baby was born I did not regain my usual health. I felt weak, miserable and always tired so I started taking Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. After taking five boxes I felt like a new woman. Ever since that time when I feel tired and overworked I take this treatment and always with great benefit. I have proved them to be a splendid medicine for nursing mothers, and I always recommend them to others."

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