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AN UNJUST LAW

"A sane people should not endeavor to enforce insane legislation, such as many parts of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act are" declared Mr. G. H. Vernon an eminent Nova Scotia lawyer, who appeared for the defence in a liquor case at Truro this week. It seems that a C. N. R. employe had been arrested on a charge of drunkenness. A bottle containing four spoonfuls of moon shine was found in his hand and he was charged with having liquor in his possession at a place other than his private residence.

Both the defendant and his brother in their evidence denied that the moonshine was in the hands of the accused when found, but said that the policeman picked it up from the ground. Truro is a prohibition town, yet one witness swore that there were hundreds of empties like the one produced in court lying around every morning on the grass particularly on the plot off Walker street known as "Hoboes Rest" and "Rum Row."

The magistrate after hearing the evidence found the accused guilty and imposed a penalty of \$100 and costs or twenty-five days in jail but intimated that he would not assent to the sentence not being carried out under the circumstances.

Mr. Vernon pressing for consideration of the man's family and his position said "an unjust law enforced is wrong and the prosecution is greatly wrong in asking for the enforcement of the Act." He added that in the cause of "humanity and justice" the carrying out of the sentence in this case should be deferred.

"This is the first time in thirty five or forty years, that the accused had been before the courts to answer to a charge and everyone knows" said Mr. Vernon "that John MacInnis never sold liquor and that he did not have any intention of selling it."

After urging the prosecution for some time, to intercede on behalf of the accused Mr. Vernon declared. "The prosecution has not got sand enough to express itself in the case."

The chief of police then rose to his feet and is reported to have said that it was he "who laid the information in this matter and I am not going to withdraw. He will go down stairs and pay his fine or go to jail." Turning to Mr. Vernon, Fraser, exclaimed in a loud voice: "You can't scare me with that line of talk."

The press report goes on to say that Mr. MacLellan counsel for the prosecution went over to Fraser and said "John, come out" and they left the court room together. Magistrate Crowe warned Fraser that there was no need for his attitude in replying to counsel for the defense.

A brother of the defendant offered to pay \$50 into court for the release of the accused but the magistrate would not accept it and the man is now in jail.

It is evident from the above that prohibition is just as great a farce in the sister province as it was in New Brunswick under the law which the Baxter government wiped from the statute books last year.

STORM WARNINGS.

Because it seems to be the popular thing, and no danger of retributive punishment, there is a human inclination to criticize the government weather bureau. Faultfinding is largely based on minor mistakes concerning meteorological conditions that are often local and beyond the range of the general forecaster's vision.

Perhaps there is a certain amount of joy in finding that the "prophet" has made a miscalculation. So many of us like to be wiser than the weather-

wise. But in the big things, storms and severe changes in temperature, the weather bureau is more often right than wrong. The majority of its predictions are based on accurate information.

There is a conspicuous example of utility in the latest Florida hurricane. The people were advised of the coming blow in time to prepare for it. The warning could not, of course, prevent the destruction of crops. The loss runs into millions of dollars. But there was the greater service in preserving human life.

HEAT.

Now and then you find a man who wears a vest and a medium weight suit all summer and appears to be more comfortable than his coatless friend in mohair and palm beach. Perhaps feeling the heat is more a matter of eating and internal excitement than of mere temperatures. If you let yourself get excited and upset over your work or over anything else, you suffer from the heat. So you will, if you insist on eating rare roast beef and such for lunch. Eat lightly and think in an orderly fashion, and you won't have to adopt extreme dress or spend your time at the drink counter to keep cool.

QUICK PROMISERS.

Do you know any quick and easy promisers? They are always apparently eager to do something for you, and they promise support, attention, service of all sorts. By and by you learn they are late on delivery. They fail to get into production or they are procrastinators or forgetful or selfish. Don't give the quick and easy promiser credit for being thoughtful and unselfish. Watch his ultimate delivery. Watch his production.

It is said that motor cars are replacing camels in Arabia, as they are also in North Africa This is strange in view of the fact that while the camel can go a long time without water, the motor car needs both water and gas.

Dr. Louis E. Birsch, psychologist, asks whether it is "right for parents to punish their children," which seems to us not near so vital a matter as the question, is it right for children to punish their parents?

The advent of dog days finds the canines of Fredericton looking out upon the world from the inside. In other words they are leading a dogs life and have the Police Commission to thank for it.

To attract public attention, a man in Ohio swam 10 miles in a river, holding a newspaper in one hand and a handkerchief in the other. It must have been a sad story.

It is estimated that less than one per cent of our young roosters who wonder what thrills there were in grandfather's youth ever had any traffic with a runaway horse.

In view of the pronounced success of windshields of that type, there are expectations that something can be done eventually about a non-shattering hope.

Several hundred London policemen have been suffering from an unusual malady, and the curious thing is the authorities haven't been able to arrest it.

What architectural differences are there in bed pillows, or what distinguishes one pint of glycerine from another pint of glycerine?

The paint manufacturers say there are 2,000,000 colors, indicating the vast possibilities in case one is embarrassed.

Some buy patent exercisers to build up the arms, while others attempt to raise a screen which is painted into the window frame.

Another ever-interesting feature of the health hints is a recurrent list of green vegetables that cure scurvy, which nobody has any more, anyway.

"Everything Man or Boy Wears," reads an advertisement. Looks to us like a subtle lure for the flapper shopper.

THROUGH OUR SIEVE

One remark we can't endure: "No change in temperature."

Lima Beane says life is a matter of likes and dislikes—getting it and getting over it.

Russian prophet says the world will come to an end next Tuesday. Thought it had already ended in Russia.

Some argue that women dress for other women. We don't believe a word of it. They wouldn't dress the way they do if there were no men around.

Don't be frightened over what seems to be a threat. The girls will never go about without clothes. Commercialized fashion will see to that.

Some time ago science predicted that the next war would be with chemicals. If you count mankind's conflict with mosquitoes he is a true prophet.

Hon. Mr. Bennett's Visit.

Hon. R. B. Bennett on his arrival here on Saturday will be accompanied by his sister, Miss Mildred Bennett and by Mr. Thomas Bell, M. P., for St. John-Albert. The party will arrive from St. Stephen at noon by motor car and will be guests at the Queen Hotel. At 12.30 Hon. Mr. Bennett will be the guest of Mr. R. B. Hanson, M. P., at a luncheon at the Palms, and at three o'clock there will be a civic reception in the City Council Chamber. The public meeting will begin in the Arctic Rink at eight o'clock.

Married Last Night

A very pretty wedding was solemnized last night at Nasonworth when Miss Viola M. Smith daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith and James Wood son of Mr and Mrs. Charles Wood of Nasonworth were united in marriage at the United Baptist church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. S. Gregg and was witnessed by relatives of the two principals and their many friends. Following the ceremony the happy couple left on a honeymoon trip to various places in the United States.

Late Mrs. Emma White

The funeral of the late Mrs. Emma White, who passed away at her home on Needham street on Tuesday afternoon took place this afternoon from the late home at two o'clock. Following this a short service was conducted at Christchurch Parish church by Rev. A. F. Bate. A large number of friends and relatives of the deceased were present at both services and numerous floral tributes were received. Interment took place in the Rural Cemetery.

"Just what is humidity?" asks a correspondent. Shame on you! And this a family newspaper, too.

NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given that a public reception will be tendered to Hon. R. B. Bennett and Miss Bennett on the occasion of their visit to Fredericton on Saturday, August 30th, at 3 p. m. in the Council Chamber.

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The Administrator of the above deceased having filed his accounts in this Court and asked to have the same passed and allowed and Order for Distribution made, you are hereby cited to attend, if you so desire at the passing of the same, at a Court of Probate to be held in and for the County of York at my Office at Number 532 Queen Street in the City of Fredericton, on Tuesday the twenty-first day of August A. D. 1928, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, when the said accounts will be passed upon and an Order for Distribution made.

Given under my hand this 23rd day of July A. D. 1928.  
(Sgd.) HARRIS G. FENETY,  
Judge of Probate for the County of York.

(Sgd.) D. L. SLIPP,  
Registrar of Probate.  
P. J. HUGHES,  
Proctor.

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