

## HERE'S SOME STRAIGHT TALK.

### Citizen Calls Attention to Lax Enforcement of the Scott Act.

### AND SUGGESTS THAT IT WOULD BE WELL TO REPEAL IT AND SUBSTITUTE LICENSES.

### Law as Present Operating is Evidently for Revenue Only.

To the Editor of The Herald—

Sir: In view of the efforts that are being made by the city council to bring about reform in the civic government, and the suggestion (approved by the police magistrate) that the control of the police force should be vested in a chief of police, it seems opportune to call attention to the Canada Temperance Act in this city. The open and frequent violations of that law in hotels, bar-rooms and drug stores, and the lax and puny efforts occasionally made to enforce the penalties for such violations must be disappointing to all law abiding and respectable citizens, whatever their individual views may be as to the nature and control of the liquor traffic. The frequent arrests for drunkenness and imposition of fines upon men, who, in the large majority of cases, can ill afford to pay them, the periodical announcements in the police court reports that certain York, Regent and Queen street dealers have been fined the regular fifty dollars each, and that the monthly receipts from Scott Act fines amount to the usual sum, regularly advise the citizens that intoxicating liquor is being sold in Fredericton in violation of the law. If this is not sufficient, any person passing along Regent street can, at almost any hour of the day, see drunken men hanging around the ho-

tel doors, and on Saturday evening meet others staggering along Queen street to the I. C. R. station, insulting women and challenging every mother's son they meet to fight, with the added assurance that they "can lick all creation."

There is no doubt that the law is being shamefully violated, and no one seems to care whether it is or not. "Business reasons" seem to keep the temperance people discreetly quiet, and the police as discreetly shut their eyes to the violations of the act, until the turn of the vender comes to be hauled up. Under these circumstances, and seeing that the act is being operated for revenue purposes only, would it not be advisable in the public interest to repeal the Scott Act in this city, and bring the Provincial License Law into force?

Under the latter the sale would be legalized, the respect of good citizens for law and its proper enforcement retained, and the revenue of the city legitimately increased by known and fixed amounts annually, upon which the finance committee of the council could properly estimate. Better a good license town than a Scott Act town in which the law is enforced only for revenue purposes.

The Scott Act has been tried, the results are known, let us now try the license law.

CITIZEN.

## THE RUSSIAN FLEET.

### For Which Togo is Waiting Consists of 47 Ships—The Pending Naval Battle.

Singapore, Straits Settlement, April 9.—The Russian second Pacific squadron passed here at 2.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The 47 ships steamed slowly at 8 knots an hour, four abreast, presenting a striking spectacle.

The vessels, however, bore evidence of the effects of their long sea voyage, and at the water line showed seaweed a foot long.

The Russian consul, who visited and gave out despatches to a torpedo boat, gave the fleet the first news of the fall of Mukden. The vessels are burning soft coal, and the tremendous smoke is visible for miles. Gangways were not lowered and nobody was permitted on board the vessels. No news was vouchsafed.

Artillerymen and sub-marine miners were kept at their posts all day manning guns and mines. The squadron disappeared about five o'clock in the afternoon, still smoking black on the horizon.

The belief of the admiralty is that Togo is waiting near the island of Formosa, 1,820 miles north of Singapore.

At the rate the Russian squadron steamed from Madagascar, which averaged eight knots an hour, the greatest naval battle since Nelson's victory at Trafalgar should occur in about ten days. The admiralty realizes that Rojestevenky faces great odds, owing to the immense superiority of the Japanese in cruisers and torpedo boats, and reliance in his success is based on the seven battleships with which he can oppose Togo's four.

## DIED IN OHIO.

### Sudden Demise of Mr. Alexander Dunlap of Upper Haynesville.

Mr. Andrew Dunlap, Upper Haynesville, has received a telegram conveying the sad news of the death of his son Alex, who passed away in Ohio on April 6th.

Deceased left Boston in his usual good health, arrived in Ohio on Wednesday evening and died on Thursday. No particulars of the cause of his death have yet been received. His brother David was with him at the time of his death.

The remains arrived at Millville last night, accompanied by his two brothers, George and David, and the funeral took place today.

Deceased was 31 years old and unmarried. Harry Dunlap, his younger brother,

of Boston, arrived on Saturday to arrange for the funeral.

## BROWN'S IN TOWN.

### The Harkins Company Scored Well at the Opera House.

That the theatre goers of Fredericton appreciate a good thing in the show line was manifested by the large audience which greeted the W. S. Harkins Company at the Opera House last evening. A bright and sparkling comedy entitled "Brown's in Town" was the bill, and it was interpreted in a manner highly pleasing to the audience. The cast was an exceptionally strong one, and the laughable features of the piece were well brought out. The parts were all well taken, and the high reputation enjoyed by the company was fully sustained.

The songs by Mr. Edward Paland between the first and second acts greatly pleased the audience. He managed to work in local hits about the water and sewerage question, the new council, the legislature and the police force, and his effort provoked roars of laughter.

The genial Harkins is undoubtedly a top notcher in the show line, and he is always assured of a hearty welcome from his numerous Fredericton friends.

This evening the company will produce the great London success "The Marriage of Kitty," and Miss Van Duser, the talented leading lady, will sing "Our Little Soldier Man," and Mr. Jones will sing "Peggy From the Isle of Spice." Advance sale of seats at Wilkes' would seem to indicate that there will be another bumper house.

## BOUGHT A RACE TRACK.

Mr. LeRoi Willis Has Taken Control of Sydney Course.

Sydney, N. S., April 11.—E. LeRoi Willis, proprietor of the Sydney Hotel, has about completed the purchase of the Sydney Trotting Park, which he will manage during the coming summer. The electric car service will be extended to the park and other improvements made to the grounds for the summer carnival and old home week to be held here in the latter part of July, when a great horse racing and athletic meet will take place.

Mr. Willis will dispose of his farm at Sydney Forks to English parties.

## OPENING ON THURSDAY.

The spring opening at Miss Morgan's millinery parlors will take place on Thursday afternoon, commencing at 3 o'clock. Those who attend are sure to see a fine assortment of spring millinery. All are cordially invited to attend.—d3i.

## DRIVER DOUCETT'S CASE.

It is said to be the intention of Ald. Ross to recommend the city council to dismiss Driver Doucett, one of the permanent men employed at the Central Horse Station. The chairman of the committee claims that Mr. Doucett is inefficient, but there seems to be some difference of opinion on this point. Driver Doucett has been in the city's employ for nearly three years, and, if he is not competent to perform his duties, the chairman has been a long time finding it out. Acting Chief Rutter, when interviewed in regard to the matter, stated that he had heard no complaints against Doucett, and so far as he was aware he performed his duties satisfactorily.

## MORINE'S WARNING.

Enforcement of Newfoundland Bait Act May Lead to International Complications.

St. John's, Nfld., April 11.—Opposition leader Morine declares that any interference with American fishing vessels is likely to elicit protests from the American government to the British cabinet, possibly provoking serious international complications.

The government is actively arranging to enforce the new measure, provided it is adopted by the Upper House. Coastguards are being chosen and a request made for a second cruiser to patrol the coast.

## CROWDED WITH HONORS.

Chatham World — Chatham has lumber mills, pulp mills and other industries. She has the Lieutenant Governor, the Premier and a member of parliament. She has a Cathedral, a bishop and an eloquent clergyman. She has The World. There is one thing lacking to her fame, and that has come to her—an Intercolonial Pullman car has been named after her. The Chatham passed the Junction Thursday morning, southward bound.

## ICE ON THE MOVE.

The ice jam broke shortly after three o'clock this afternoon, and the indications are that it will go in earnest this time. The ice is very rotten, and the cakes have not sufficient strength to rise on the bridge piers. The river is steadily rising.

## A SERIOUS CHARGE.

The case of two young men charged with sending in a false alarm of fire will come before Col. Marsh at the police court tomorrow morning. The complaint against them was laid by Policeman King.

## FOR THE DRIVES.

Lumbermen are now hiring men to work on the drives, and Regent st. presents quite a lively appearance these days. The wages being offered this season range from \$1.50 to \$2.00 per day.

## RUMMAGE SALE.

The Mission Band of the Marysville Methodist Church will hold a rummage sale at the residence of Alfred Rowley next Friday evening.—d.

## ADVERTISEMENT ANSWERED.

If the young Englishman who advertised in The Herald for a situation will call at this office he will hear of several offers of a situation.

## MAY PROROGUE THURSDAY.

It seems to be the general impression about the legislature that prorogation will take place on Thursday of this week.

## MILLINERY OPENING.

The millinery at Marysville is now ready for your inspection. We are showing a great variety of the latest novelties in trimming this season. You are cordially invited to attend our opening of trimmen hats Wednesday afternoon, April 12th.

MISS AGNES TUFTS  
April 10, d2i.

## VICTIM OF SMALLPOX.

One of James Hanby's children died at Chatham Monday afternoon of smallpox.

## OPERA HOUSE

Special engagement W. S. Harkins Co., presenting

Tuesday, April 11th

The latest comedy success

## The Marriage of Kitty.

Manager Harkins is bringing to Fredericton one of the strongest and best companies in years and promises theatre goers a treat.

This season the company has shown to crowded houses 8 weeks at Academy Music, Halifax; 6 weeks St. John's, Newfoundland; 4 weeks Sydney; 3 weeks St. John.

Reserved Seat Plan at Wilkes' Confectionery Store.

Popular prices: 50, 35, 25c.

## TO LET.

Cottage, new and commodious, with bath room and furnace, newly finished by Mr. J. S. Scott, at upper end Brunswick street. Possession given first May. Apply at premises, or at 15 Carleton street.  
Apr. 11—d3i

## Notice.

April 7th, 1905. Notice is hereby given that I, Peter D. Morrison of Rossville, York Co., refuse to pay any bills contracted by my wife from date of this notice.  
PETER D. MORRISON,  
April 11—d3i w2i

## WANTED.

Three or four good Carpenters, for steady work. Apply to  
THOMAS ALLEN,  
Contractor, University Ave., F'ton.  
F'ton, April 10—d3i

## TO LET.

A pleasant tenement on Brunswick street. Newly papered and painted, and otherwise in first rate order. Apply to  
LUCY & CO.  
April 7—d4f

## To Let.

The brick house on King st., now occupied by Dr. W. H. Irvine after May 1st. This house has been recently renovated. Apply to  
F. B. EDGECOMBE.  
Jan. 31—d4f

## For Sale.

For sale cheap, three first-class Working Horses Enquire at  
LOGAN & CO'S,  
St. Mary's.  
April 7—w3i

## For Sale.

A large black trotting Bred Mare, by Oliver Wilkes, weighs nearly 1400 lbs. Can speed fast, a fine brood mare, fit for any purpose. Also one Express Wagon nearly new.  
T. MURPHY,  
Brunswick st., F'ton, N. B.  
April 7—d4f

## SPECIAL.

If you want the new up to-date Shoulder in your SUIT or OVER-COAT, leave your order with

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## HUNT & MacDONALD

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## F. B. Edgcombe

## Ready for Spring!

Every department will be showing it's prettiest things this week without regard to selling. We want you to see we are ready to sell and anxious to sell; but we shall sell more goods later on if the store is so full of lookers this week that nobody seems to be buying. Your seeing is therefore more important to us just now than selling goods.

The real excellence of what we have to offer, the reliability and general good taste in selecting the goods you need makes this more and more headquarters with shoppers. We have fresh and choice things that people want and know they want the minute they see them. These are some of the good things here that are in demand

## FOR EASTER

### Dress Goods

Chiffon Broadcloth, 54 inches wide, in black shades of navy blue, brown, green, \$1.50 cardinal.

### Plain Lustres

That are in so great demand for Shirt Waist Suits are here in shades blue, shades of brown, fawn, grey, new green, cream and black. Prices are 45c. 50c. 60c., 65c., 75c., 80c. and 60c. \$1.15. A very nice line is shown at per yard

### Canadian Homespuns

Are among the most popular fabrics for costumes and separate skirts this season. We would like to have you see the special we are showing in light grey and fawn shades, \$1.00 54 ins. wide

### Kid Gloves

Every pair guaranteed. Dent's Meurice Ladies' 2 Dome Kid Gloves, made of choice selected skins, in all the newest spring shades. Also \$1.00 white and black, all sizes, per pair

### Perrin's Olga

Ladies' fine French Kid Glove, 2 dome fastener embroidery on backs, gives tapering effect to the fingers. All latest shades of black \$1.35 and white, per pair

### Dent's Courcelle

Washable. This Glove will appeal to persons with an eye to economy. Soap and warm water will keep these Gloves looking like new ones until worn out. Comes in \$1.50 tans, moves and white, per pair

## Other New Things

New Checked Silks, new Plain Taffetta, Ladies' new Cloth Coats Ladies' new Silk Coats, Girls' new Cloth Coats, Ladies' new Golf Jackets, Ladies' new Cloth Skirts, Ladies' new Lustre Skirts, Ladies' new Voile Skirts, Ladies' new White Muslin Waists, Ladies' new Silk Waists, handsome new Dress Trimmings, new Neckwear, new Belts.

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