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HIGH PRAISE FOR LORD DESBOROUGH

A Splendid Record Has the Head of the British Olympic Association.

Lord Desborough, president of the British Olympic Association, and guiding genius of "the greatest athletic festival of the age," has been described in the French paper, Les Armes, as a sportsman who, "with the skill of a D'Artagnan unites the strength of a Porthos, the heart of an Athos, and the body of an Englishman." The writer might perhaps have added "the enthusiasm of a Santos Dumont, and the strenuous endeavor of a Roosevelt." Lord Desborough is recognized as the keenest sportsman in England. He is a fencing expert, and was a member of the team at the Athens Olympic games, and has won prizes at Harrow and Oxford. He took part in three international fencing contests, and was president both of the Oxford University Athletic Club and the Oxford University Boat Club. In 1877 he was a member of the Oxford crew which rowed the famous dead heat with Cambridge. Lord Desborough has won honors in numerous branches of athletics, and is a firm believer in the amateur idea.

BASEBALL

National League—Saturday.

At Boston—Boston, 3; Philadelphia, 2, (11 innings.)
At Pittsburg—Pittsburg, 3; St. Louis, 2.
At Brooklyn—Brooklyn, 4; New York, 1.
At Chicago — Chicago - Cincinnati; wet grounds.

Sunday.

At Chicago—Chicago-Pittsburg, rain.

American League—Saturday.

At Cleveland—Detroit, 3; Cleveland, 2, (10 innings.)
At St. Louis—Chicago, 6; St. Louis, 2.
At Washington—Washington, 3; Boston, 1.
At Philadelphia—Philadelphia, 9; New York, 5.

Sunday.

At St. Louis—Chicago-St. Louis, rain.

Eastern League—Saturday.

At Baltimore—Baltimore, 6; Montreal, 0.
At Providence—Rochester, 3; Providence, 1.
At Newark—Newark, 4; Buffalo, 3.
At Jersey City—Toronto, 0; Jersey City, 0, (game called on account of darkness end of eleventh inning.)
At Cincinnati—Cincinnati, 4; St. Louis, 0.

Sunday.

At Providence—Providence, 5; Toronto, 3.
At Newark—Montreal, 8; Newark, 5.
At Hoboken—Jersey City, 4; Rochester, 3.

SONS OF FORMER BIG LEAGUE STARS MAKING GOOD.

Says The Philadelphia Record: "Two young sons of former big league stars are making their professional debut this year with the Danville Club of the Virginia League, and both are Philadelphians. Matt Kilroy, jr., whose father was the peerless southpaw pitcher of the old Baltimore Club back in the eighties, pitched two innings against the Boston Nationals the other day and held them to one hit without a tally. Young Kilroy is a right-handed pitcher and Connie Mack predicts a brilliant future for him. The other born baseball player is young Jack Coleman, son of the Phillies' former star, Jack Coleman, the famous battery being Coleman and Ringo. Jack Coleman, sr., became famous when he won eight out of 11 games from the Athletics in the spring series in 1884. His son is playing right field for Danville, and the first time up in the game against Boston he lined out a nice single. In a letter to his father young Coleman says: 'I remembered your advice, pop, and when the first one came over I cracked it.' Both these boys will probably be found on some big league team in future years."

BASEBALL NOTES.

Brooklyn takes two in a row from New York. The Polo Grounds crew must be having a sad time.

The Red Sox tackle the Highlanders today at New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth were among those present at the Boston-Washington game in Washington Wednesday.

Next Monday the New York giants come to Boston. It will be the first chance of the year for the local fans to see Tenney, Bridwell and Needham in New York uniforms.

SECOND SHOWS WELL.

Boston, April 25.—Coach Wray took the Harvard second crew for a spin down the river Friday noon, the water being very smooth and the cool air making the work go with more snap than the day before. The boat paced well and there was considerable drive in the stroke.

In the afternoon Coach Wray centred his attention on the freshman crews, and had both of them out for rows. Regular practice for the 'varsity crew will not commence till Monday, when active work in preparation for the Cornell race May 30 will be begun.

Port Arthur jail authorities refuse to feed the Doukhobours specially on fruit, and the Doukhobours have now been four days and nights without food.

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FROF. ELIOT IS NOT AGAINST ATHLETICS

Harvard's President Says He Wants Present Methods Changed.

Columbus, O., April 25.—"I am not opposed to athletics," said President Eliot of Harvard on Thursday. "In reality I want more sport, but I shoud like to see present methods revised."

President Eliot denied that President Roosevelt had branded his views on athletics as those of a "mollycoddle" by saying that he and Mr. Roosevelt had thoroughly discussed college athletics and that their views concided perfectly. He continued:

"I oppose the exaggeration of any one sport of our colleges. I don't believe football should be given the present prominence. It is over-rated, and I believe does not compare with rowing as a college sport. Instead of centring our athletic interest on three or four big games a year I want every branch of sport to be equally recognized and every student to participate."

EMPRESS MEN WIN IN FOOTBALL GAME

Teams from the steamer Empress of Ireland and the Cornwall and York Cotton Mills met on Saturday afternoon on the Victoria Ground in their final encounter in a football match. The Empress men won the toss and played with wind and sun at their backs.

They at once proved aggressive, C. Burns scoring for them after five minutes play and Hayes put another through soon after. Pollard and Dillon for the C. & Y. made some pretty runs on their wing but were never really dangerous, their efforts being frustrated by Mollan. The visitors evidently liked the heavy ground and were continually pressing. A fine oblique shot from Ironside gave the C. & Y. goalkeeper no chance and a minute later they further augmented the score. The fifth goal was scored by Brady during a scrimmage in the goal mouth.

After this the Cornwall and York men tried hard to score and were successful, Dillon making the first goal. Before half time another ball for the Empress found its way into the net, Burns sending it in. The score at half time was thus 6 to 1 in favor of the Empress men.

The Empress team played ten men in the second half, Peers having injured his knee. The St. John team seemed to liven up somewhat but were able to secure only one goal, Brownfield making it and the game ended 6 to 2 in favor of the Empress men. Mr. McGoldrick was referee.

BANQUET TO VETERAN ATHLETE.

Toronto, April 25.—The veteran athlete, Joe Wright, who has rowed in probably 200 races and played in as many football matches, was tendered by his admirers a banquet here Tuesday evening at which he was presented with a fine silver tea service and an illuminated address. Ald. T. I. Church read an address in behalf of the Canadian Association of Amateur Oarsmen, and Nat Scholes, an old-time opponent of Joe Wright's, presented him with a miniature shell of exquisite workmanship. Mrs. Wright was made the recipient of a bouquet of roses. There were about 200 persons present, among them a contingent from Ottawa, including Mr. D'Arcy McGee and Mr. Philip Towler, the former of whom responded to the toast "The Ladies." In responding to the toast of Canada, Sir William Mulock gave some interesting facts of Mr. Wright's career, and declared that he felt sure no other living amateur athlete had so many victories to his credit. Mr. T. C. Robinson's name was coupled with the foregoing toast. Claude Macdonell, M. P., presided, and among others puresent beside those already mentioned, were: Aemilius Jarvis, Mr. A. W. Walker, Philadelphia, president of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen; Hon. Dr. Pyne, Peter Ryan, Mr. Lithgow, Halifax.

LOTS OF BALL.

(Moncton Transcript.)

Baseball in Moncton has received a slight impetus during the past few days by the advent of more seasonable weather and there has been some speculation whether or not a City League is to be formed this season.

The Y. M. C. C. is evidently sanguine as to the prospects for that energetic club has already elected delegates to represent it at the meeting of baseballists—which has not yet been called. Messrs. N. Thomas and J. H. Corcoran are the Y. M. C. C. representatives, and it is understood that that club intends to have a strong team, the local artists to be assisted by some outside pitching talent.

The Y. M. C. A. team is said to be practically completed and the Victorias, winners of the championship in the last two seasons, are, it is said, ready to reorganize if a League is formed. However the Y. M. C. A. team has claimed a number of the Victoria players and the champions may have some difficulty in getting a team together.

At present it is up to the League officials to call the annual meeting and start the ball rolling

IRISH CHAMPION STARTS WITH VICTORY.

New York, April 23.—Jack Killeen, the Irish champion, made his first appearance in the ring in this country at the Olympic A. C. in Harlem, where he outpointed Kid Williams of Philadelphia in the main bout of six rounds. The Irish fighter was clever and fast.

CANNUCK CHAMPION DEFENDS TITLE

Canada's Premier Welter-weight Holds Off New York Boxer.

Montreal, April 25.—Billy Allen, the champion feather-weight of Canada, defended his title against Babe Cullen, of New York, Thursday night, in fifteen rounds of fast and clever weight, though at the end of the bout the boys had put up such a good argument, it was impossible to decide which was the better man, and the referee declared the contest a draw.

Ducking, side-stepping, feinting, and shifting were the tactics which made the battle one of the best ever seen here by local boxing patrons.

From the sound of the gong in the first round until the end of the fifteenth round, the men set a terrible pace, and there was never a moment when they were not right in the game.

BOXING GOSSIP.

Owing to the length of the programme at the Armory A. A. Tuesday night, the directors have decided to start the show at 8 o'clock. Moody and Deshler are down for a 12-round bout, Myers and Limerick for eight rounds, and eight three-round bouts will be held.

What ought to prove a pretty fast bout for the Augusta sports is to-night's exhibition between Harry Lewis and Larry Connolly. Lewis regards Connolly as a dangerous proposition, and well he might, for if Larry is fortunate enough to land that slumber-producing right on Harry there will be another claimant to the welter-weight title.

Jim Barry has finally induced one New York promoter to give him a chance. Jim Stewart, a big fellow who has been making good in bouts in New York, has been selected to oppose Barry for a six-round bout at the opening of another new club May 1. Four nights later Stewart will get a real tryout when he faces Tony Ross, the New Castle heavyweight at the Long Acre A. C.

Freddie Welsh, the English lightweight, who is located at Battle Creek, Mich., has been offered a match with Dick Hyland at Philadelphia for a six-round bout next month.

Jack Gleason, the San Francisco promoter is trying to bring Gans and Jack Blackburn together at his club for the May 14 date.

Johnny Summers and Kid Sullivan are matched for a 15-round bout at Baltimore April 30.

Bobby Dobbs fought at Sheffield, England, Monday night, defeating Jack Andrews of London after 20 rounds.

Jim Kendrick, another of the little English boxers who will soon visit Boston, defeated Ike Bradley at Wales last Friday night.

MANY CASES OF IT HERE

Says Dread Disease Rheumatism is Easily Overcome with Simple Home-Made Mixture of Vegetable Ingredients.

Recent hospital reports show that the dread disease, rheumatism, is steadily increasing throughout the country. All known means of relief are being suggested to save the great amount of suffering this winter, especially among those who are not in a position to pack up and visit the noted health resorts to be treated. Recent tests prove rheumatism not exactly a disease in itself, but a severe symptom of kidney trouble, a condition caused by clogged up pores of the eliminative tissues in the kidneys which fail to filter the poisonous waste matter and uric acid from the blood, permitting these substances to remain in the blood and decompose, usually settling about the joints and muscles, causing the intense pain, swelling and stiffness of rheumatism.

There are numerous remedies known which many persons believe will relieve this suffering—salicilate of soda, colchicum, potash, etc.—but these drugs are terribly hard on the stomach, often ruining this most important organ, and they fail as often as they relieve.

A well-known specialist, who has probably treated more cases of rheumatism than anyone else, and who is also the most successful, gives the following simple treatment, which is harmless and inexpensive, and so simple that anybody can mix it at home.

The ingredients are: Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce Compound Kargon one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Go to any good prescription pharmacy and get these three vegetable ingredients and mix them by shaking in a bottle, taking as a dose a teaspoonful after each meal and again at bedtime.

There is nothing in the world better for backache, kidney and bladder trouble, too. Such symptoms as frequent and painful urination, soreness, weakness, general and nervous debility are caused by certain acids and poisonous waste matter, decayed tissues, etc., in the blood, which the kidneys will clear and purify after a few doses of this prescription.

As the result of Lieut.-Colonel Leslie's visit to the Northwest provinces, it is probable that Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia will each have a separate exhibit at the National exhibition, in Toronto.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS

AT THE OPERA HOUSE

The Harder-Hall Stock Co. inaugurates its second week in St. John with a complete production of The Bronco Buster tonight. This is one of the feature plays in the repertoire and will be played for only two performances.

It is a consistent combination of appealing drama and pleasing musical comedy, furnishing an entertainment of captivating surprises. It deals with life among the rugged cowboys of the West, and tells the love-story of a woman-hating young sheriff for a young girl who appears on his ranch disguised as a boy.

The play uses the full strength of the company, and furnishes congenial roles which enable the company to give the performance with that snap and sureness of effect which has enabled this company to achieve success.

The musical numbers are numerous, and are selected with the view of appropriateness to the play.

"The Bronco Buster," by Miss Hazel Carleton, "Many's the Time," by the Misses Carleton and entire company, "My Western Rose," by chorus; "My Southern Home," by lady quartette, and a musical melange for the finale.

The specialties by Mr. Allen and Mr. Oretto will be particularly strong.

This is the announcement for this play and judging by the clever performances of the company in the past week, it will be fully carried out.

AT THE NICKEL

Those who enjoy motion pictures of the travel or educational quality will be charmed with the Nickel's presentation of "Slate Quarrying In the Ardennes, France," today and tomorrow. The Nickel has already shown the Great Welsh quarries in operation and many will enjoy the comparison. The Ardennes district is near the Belgian boundary where Napoleon fought the famous battle of Sedan. A chivalric picture entitled The Swashbuckler will carry history-lovers back to the days of Oliver Cromwell and Charles I. of England. For Kate's Health is a delicious comedy of two impish children in Southern France, and Friday, the 13th, as its name implies, is a farce dealing with ill-luck, hoodoos, Jonahs and such. Every picture is of late issue and intensely interesting. Miss Davis and Mr. Maxwell, fresh from their unquestioned laurels of last week, will sing "Roses and Dreams of You" and "See-Saw," respectively. The latter is the sensational successor to "School Days," the biggest hit of the decade. Orchestra.

KIRK BROWN COMING

C. W. Miller, advance representative of the Kirk Brown Dramatic Company arrived in the city on Saturday night from Bangor and is today receiving the glad hand from his many friends. The Kirk Brown Company will open an engagement at the Opera House on Monday evening next presenting as an opening bill "Raffles, the Amateur Cracksman". Mr. Brown will be seen as Raffles, Mr. Crosby as Captain Bedford and Mr. Theodore H. Bird as Bunny.

WEST SIDE ATTRACTIONS.

The Palace Theatre, West Side, will open tonight under the management of F. R. Chipman. A big vaudeville feature is billed in the person of Carl Jacobson, the Russian Wonder, who performs the most remarkable feats by the sheer strength of his teeth and jaws.

AMERICAN LINER RAMS AND SINKS A BRITISH CRUISER

H. M. S. Gladiator and the Ocean Steamer St. Paul Collide in a Thick Snow Storm---Twenty-Eight Sailors Dead and Missing.

London, April 26—The total number of dead and missing of the Gladiator's crew as a result of the collision between the American liner St. Paul and the British cruiser off the Isle of Wight is twenty-eight. The admiralty late tonight issued a revised list of the names of the victims, which included an additional death in the hospital, bringing the total of deaths known up to five. Twenty-three men are missing, according to the list, and six are suffering severe injuries. The secretary of the admiralty expresses fear that eight others are still missing, but is unable to give the names as yet. Divers today searched part of the sunken cruiser for bodies but did not find any.

Southampton, April 25.—The American Line Steamship St. Paul, which left Southampton on her regular voyage bound for New York this afternoon, in a dense snowstorm, rammed and destroyed the British second class cruiser Gladiator off the Isle of Wight. The first reports stated that from twenty to thirty of the Gladiator's crew had been drowned, but later intelligence reduces the number of casualties greatly. The exact extent of the disaster, however, cannot be accurately known until tomorrow.

No one on the St. Paul was killed or injured but the bodies of Steward Widgery, Writer Cowdrey, and a Maltese steward named Diebras, all attached to the cruiser, have been brought ashore; one officer, Lieut. William Graves, an Irishman, who attempted to swim to land is missing and eight injured have been taken to the military hospital at Golden Hill for treatment. It is believed that only a few others are unaccounted for.

The St. Paul left Southampton at half-past twelve o'clock. She was an hour behind her usual time of sailing, the delay being due to the belated arrival of the passenger train which was blocked by snowdrifts on the trip from London. The weather was comparatively clear in Southampton waters, but immediately the St. Paul turned into the Solent which runs parallel to the Isle of Wight, she encountered a fierce blizzard. Captain Passow and his chief officer, with the American lines regular pilot, were on the bridge and a lookout man was posted in the bows. Suddenly a ship appeared immediately in front of them. It was the Gladiator at anchor. "Instantly, full speed astern," was ordered in an endeavor to clear the cruiser, but it was too late. The St. Paul's sharp stem rammed the anchored vessel amidships; the liner quivered and reeled and her passengers rushed on deck in great alarm, the women on a verge of a panic.

The officers and crew acted with the greatest coolness and allayed the terror with a fine display of discipline as though she were the best trained man of war. Five life boats were lowered within a few minutes to rescue the crew of the Gladiator, which had sustained a death blow. The cruiser began to sink almost at once. Her men gave a magnificent demonstration of discipline. At the captain's command they formed in line on the deck and stood in ranks while the cruiser settled down. In obedience to orders successive batches marched to the gangways and entered the St. Paul's boats until practically the whole crew had been taken off and landed at Yarmouth, on the Isle of Wight.

The Gladiator's crew numbered 450 men and Captain Walter Lumsden, true to naval traditions, was the last to leave his ship. Only a few men then were missing and it was thought that most of them had been saved by a boat which had put out from Yarmouth. Captain Lumsden on landing at once sent message to Captain Passow thanking him for his promptitude in lowering boats and speaking in the most complimentary terms of the conduct of the American seamen.

The Gladiator soon settled down. Only her upper works are now visible. The St. Paul returned to Southampton and her passengers put ashore seeking accommodations in the various hotels. They will sail by the Teutonic on Wednesday, special arrangements having been made by the American Company.

The fact that the St. Paul sustained no worse damage than a badly buckled bow and a comparatively small hole on her port side, is the most remarkable feature of the whole occurrence. Her injuries were temporarily repaired before she put back to Southampton. On the other hand the Gladiator was a protected cruiser, especially designed for ramming. Unfortunately for her, she suffered the full force of the St. Paul's momentum amidships and she was cut almost in half.

The storm which was responsible for the collision extended along the whole southeast coast of England and is described as the worst since the blizzard of 1881. All the landmarks were hidden by the driving curtain of snow as the St. Paul proceeded on her outward course and it was exceedingly difficult to locate any sounds of warning which came through the storm.

Several of the men who were rescued from the Gladiator declare that it was marvellous that the ship was not lost with all hands. One of them said:

"We left Portland at 10 o'clock this morning in foggy weather. After we passed Hurst Castle and were inside the Isle of Wight, the snow which all the time had been falling came on thicker than ever. Suddenly there was a terrific crash and the crew, most of whom were below found, on running up the companion ways, that the St. Paul had run into us amidships. The cruiser sank in about twenty minutes and it was lucky that we were not in deep water for when the Gladiator went over on her beam ends we were not able to launch all the boats. We got out a few, however, and others came from the St. Paul and from ashore. To them we owe our lives."

The Gladiator was a twin screw protected cruiser of the second class. She was of 5,750 tons and was 320 feet in length. She was built at Portsmouth in 1896.

DR. PUGSLEY SPEAKS TO MONTREAL CLUB

Says He Was Deeply Pained at Tone Adopted by Opposition Critics in Parliament.

Montreal, April 26—Hon. Dr. Pugsley spoke before the Reform Club last evening.

The minister of public works said that when he came to Ottawa he believed that the parliament of Canada was a praliament of gentlemen. Well, he wanted yet to believe so, but it was greatly to be regretted that there were some men in that body who appeared to forget the fact. The minister did not suppose, however, that the dignity of parliament would be increased were he to reply to his critics in the same tone that they had adopted in the attacks they had directed against him.

The speaker came out in the strongest manner against sending Canadian products to American ports, and every effort he declared must be made so that the 16,000,000 bushels of Canadian grain going to the sea via Buffalo, shall be diverted to our own ports. He declared that the side-tracking of Montreal was an impossibility by the Grand Trunk Pacific, and the minister also gave a boost to the Canadian Northern by the declaration that we must not let up in our effort until the Canadian Northern's western lines are connected with the ports of Quebec and Montreal, as well as with those of St. John and Halifax.

He likewise made the announcement that both the C. P. R. and the G. T. P. will make a determined effort to divert this trade from Buffalo to its own legitimate channel. The C. P. R., he explained, were at work building from a point on their main line to Victoria harbor, a dead level road over which they will be able to draw sixty carloards of grain to Victoria harbor, which is being looked after by the department and the Grand Trunk Pacific will have another such port at Tiffin, their line being four-tenths of one per cent grade.

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Mrs. John Riley, Douro, Ont., writes: "I have been a great sufferer from heart and nerve troubles for the last ten years. After trying many remedies and doctoring for two years, without the least benefit, I decided to give Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills a trial. I am thankful to say that, after using nine boxes, I am entirely cured, and would recommend them to all sufferers."

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THIRTY-FOUR VICTIMS AS THE RESULT OF QUEBEC LANDSLIDE

Section of Mountain Fell and Engulfed Portion of Village---Villagers Were Crushed to Death in Their Beds.

Buckingham, Que., April 26.—A terrible disaster occurred early this morning at Notre Dame De Salette, a little hamlet about eighteen miles away from Buckingham, by which it is thought that twenty-five people lost their lives.

The hamlet is situated at the foot of a hill and about 5 o'clock in the morning, when most of the villagers were in their beds, a tremendous landslide occurred, an enormous mass of earth and snow rushing down the mountain side, and engulfing several houses with all their occupants.

Owing to the remote locality of the hamlet, and the fact that it has neither railway, telegraph or telephone communication, details of the catastrophe are very hard to get. Requests have been sent to Buckingham for twenty-five coffins, and these have already been sent.

The news of the terrible disaster was brought to Buckingham by Mr. Erousseau, of Poupere, a nearby village. He states that a considerable portion of the mountain, which is on the opposite side of the Lievre de Notre Dame Desalette, suddenly became detached, and was hurled down the steep side, crossing the river and completely burying several houses in the village with all their occupants.

Were it not for the fact that the village is so scattered, the mortality would undoubtedly have been much greater. Immediately upon receipt of the news at Buckingham, all the doctors in the place with a large force of men responded to the call for aid, and drove to Notre Dame De Salette, while a procession of wagons took twenty-five coffins to the scene.

Later despatches show that thirty-four people were killed, several families having been completely wiped out.

It is now known that seven houses were overwhelmed, and all their occupants killed.

The face of the hill for a height of sixty feet, fell over to the length of about half a mile along the Lievre river, precipitating the mass into the river and for about 500 yards the other side of it, smothering everything in its way. So far, seventeen bodies have been recovered, and the excavation will be resumed in the morning.

TEMPERANCE MAKES BIG GAINS IN NEW ENGLAND

Hundreds of Saloons Have Been Voted Out of Existence---Worcester, Lynn and Haverhill Will Go "Dry."

Boston, Mass., April 26.—Conditions governing traffic in intoxicating liquors in many portions of New England become considerably disturbed on the first of May, when changes in local option take effect and temperance workers are pointing to the general situation as an index of spreading sentiment against the saloon. In Massachusetts, by changes in six cities and thirty-six towns, 210 licensed places, or 10 per cent. of the total number must abandon the liquor business at 11 o'clock Thursday night.

In Vermont only 27 cities and towns will legalize the sale of liquor this year as compared with 92 license cities and towns five years ago when local option took the place of state prohibition.

In New Hampshire an important ruling takes effect on May 1st whereby druggists' licenses throughout the state will be abolished, and in Rhode Island the temperance interests have just succeeded in floating restrictive liquor legislation through the House of Representatives.

A more radical upsetting of the liquor policy of Massachusetts has not occurred in fifteen years than will be brought about on May 1st, when three of the largest manufacturing cities of the state and a number of smaller places, after long periods of license, give up the liquor traffic. One of these cities—Worcester, with its population of more than 130,000, is shown by statistics to be the largest municipality in the country under a no-license regime. For the first time since 1892 the Worcester voters at the December municipal election decided by a vote of 10,584 to 9,622 to close its saloons. When this decision takes effect on Thursday night, the licenses of 128 places, including seventeen hotels, will be rendered void. At the same time, a cordon of towns around Worcester have gone no-license, and a greater portion of the district will be "dry" after April 30th.

The second largest of the Massachusetts cities to enter upon a period of no-license this year, is Lynn, the great manufacturing centre for shoes and electrical equipment, which showed its opposition to the saloon for the first time in twelve years, by a majority of 1,668. As neighboring cities and towns are already no-license places, Boston will be the nearest place to Lynn at which liquor may be obtained. The saloons of the city have paid annually, $93,591 in license fees.

Haverhill, another shoe-making city, this year turns against the saloon for the first time since 1897, by a majority of 873, leaving the cities of Lawrence and Gloucester and the little town of Middleton the only licensed places in Essex county. In view of the loss of $46,631 in revenue from licenses, Mayor Roswell L. Wood, of Haverhill, has sought permission of the state legislature to increase the tax rate by $3 per thousand.

The "no" vote throughout the state as shown by returns from all but four towns had a majority at the recent elections of 18,085. A year ago, according to the Massachusetts total abstinence society, there was a "yes" majority of 6,722, making the year's net gain for no-license 24,867. Two cities and thirteen towns changed to license, while four cities and twenty-three towns changed to no-license.

Of the other New England states, contributing new phases to the general license situation in this section, Vermont is interesting because of the peculiar showing made in its five years trial of local option. After May 1st, in only twenty-seven of the 246 cities and towns of the state will the sale of liquor be legal. When given their first opportunity to decide the question locally in 1903, ninety-two cities and towns voted "yes." The last elections were characterised by many small majorities for license. The church and temperance societies consider that the trial of the local option law has been to its advantage and many organizations, including the State Grange, are seeking to have the question of state prohibition resubmitted to the people.

In New Hampshire, a new ruling of the state license commissioners goes into effect May 1st, whereby no license will be issued to druggists in no license towns for medicinal, mechanical or sacramental purposes. It is considered probable that the commissioners will issue licenses allowing druggists to fill physicians' prescriptions, but as yet they have made no formal announcement. The commissioners explain that they were led to make their ruling by a showing for official statistics that in one year druggists in no-license cities and towns sold upon certificate, for the uses named above, liquor to the value of $265,000.

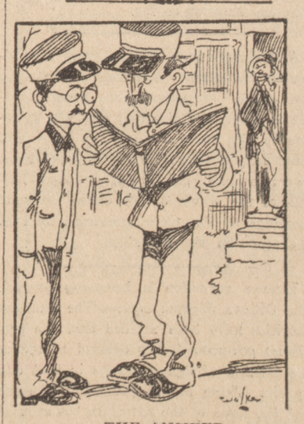
In Rhode Island the sentiment against liquor selling has taken form in the passage by the House of Representatives of a bill containing restrictions, including the limiting of licenses to one for every 500 of the population. This would have the effect of reducing the present number of 1,262 licenses by 427. The bill may be lost in the senate.

LIKELY TO STRIKE

C. P. R. to Have Trouble With Its Western Mechanics.

Toronto, April 26—The rupture between the C. P. R. and its mechanical staff is now said to be inevitable, according to a Winnipeg despatch. The shops at Winnipeg will remain closed next week and until the men decide on their course of action regarding the new working schedule.

The men are said to be opposed to invoking the Lemieux act, and the feeling in favor of a strike is increasing. The number of men affected in the whole west will be three thousand.



THE ANSWER.

First Census Taker—Did that darky in the last block say he was married or single?

Second Census Taker—Don't know.

First Census Taker—What did he say he was doing.

Second Census Taker—Nothing.

First Census Taker—Then put him down as married.

ICE IN THE ST. LAWRENCE

It Will Probably Run Out Today and River Will be Clear

Montreal, April 26.—The St. Peter ice was reported tonight as breaking away and floating down river and it is expected that it will all be gone by tomorrow, unless another jam occurs, which is not expected, as the government steamer, Lady Grey, is on the scene breaking up any jams that occur. If the ice goes down properly, navigation will probably open tomorrow or Tuesday.

This has largely been due to the good work of the Lady Grey which broke up twenty miles of jammed ice last week and started the lake St. Peter ice down today.

As soon as navigation is declared open there will be a big rush for this port as four ocean boats and half a score of colliers and other craft are at Quebec awaiting a chance to get up to this port. The ocean boats are the Dominion, Corsican, and Corinthian, while the Thomson liner, Fremona, is awaiting there with a cargo of fruits from Mediterranean ports.

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