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THE ONTARIO REFERENDUM.

It is now known that as the result of the referendum vote Ontario is not for the present to have a prohibitory law. This is not because a majority of those voting declared against it. On the contrary there was a large majority in its favor. But the Ross Referendum Act established a new principle with regard to majorities.

Our entire political system is based upon the principle that a majority shall rule, however small that majority may be. A member may be elected to a Parliament or a Legislature by a majority of a single vote among it may be thousands of votes polled in his electoral division. He is as much elected, and is clothed with the same powers and prerogatives as if he had supported by the unanimous votes of the electors.

In like manner a bare majority in a Parliament or Legislature is sufficient for the enactment of any law. It is likewise sufficient for the maintenance of any Government in power. In almost every Province of the Dominion the time has been when the Government of the day had but a single vote to the good over and above an equal division of the House. This happened in P. E. Island years ago and again quite recently. It has occurred in New Brunswick. At the present moment the Ross Government in Ontario has but two or three more than half the House elected in its support.

This principle is not confined to Canada. It exists throughout the Empire and beyond it wherever there are free, representative institutions. Everywhere except in despotic countries governments are maintained and laws are made and enforced by the rule of a simple majority, on the broad principle that it is better that the larger rather than the smaller number should have control. The Dominion Parliament recognized this principle in the machinery for bringing the Canada Temperance Act into force. A majority brings the Act into force; a majority repeals it.

But the Ross Government in the Referendum Act laid down a new, un-British principle in dealing with the liquor traffic, the principle that a minority in favor of rum should overrule a majority in

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because they contain acids, but Putman's Painless Corn and Wart Extract is entirely vegetable in composition. Refuse a substitute for "Putman's"; it's the only safe, safe and painless cure for corns and warts.

favor of temperance. The reason for this monstrous innovation is found in the fact that the distillers, brewers and liquor sellers of Ontario have a very large and general control of the politics of that Province. Their enormous wealth and the facility with which they can shift from side to side enables them to terrorize Governments and defy public opinion. The Ross Government yielded to this potent and malign power. They passed a prohibitory law which was only to be brought into operation on condition that what was thought to be an impossible majority should vote in its favor. In the language of an organ representing the liquor interest, the Government gave the latter "what they wanted." The result has proved that they were right in their forecast. The law has been defeated with an actual majority of some fifty thousand voting in its favor!

What effect this result will have upon the Government itself remains to be seen. The fact is that the Liberal party, after thirty years of power, during much of which time it gave an excellent administration of public affairs, has departed from the principles which guided it in earlier years, has capitulated to the control of the liquor interest and has lost its usefulness. The time has come for a change and it cannot be very long delayed. The people of Ontario will not long submit to a condition in which a minority in the interest of rum, and backed by a moribund Government can hold down a majority of fifty thousand in favor of prohibition.

It seems quite unlikely that the present United States Congress, which expires by limitation in March next, will undertake any anti-trust legislation.

The trouble between Germany, Britain and Venezuela remains unsettled with a prospect of becoming more critical. Germany has now a considerable naval force on the spot and British warships are on their way to the scene.

S. E. Drake, road inspector of division 6 which includes Garfield, called upon the Guardian yesterday in regard to a statement printed in The Examiner of December 3, charging him with neglect of duty in the Garfield precinct. He says the informant of the Examiner has misstated the facts; that he visited the district more times than by law required; that when the overseer called the people out it was unnecessary; and finally that all who have driven over the Garfield road know it to be in a good condition with the exception of a few rocks.

It appears that Charlottetown is not the only city in the Empire where critics of dramatic and musical performances are blamed for exercising an honest judgment. The London Times, referring to a case in point remarks that in the opinion of some persons "newspapers and their critics exist, not to inform the public, but to induce the public to go to plays and performances, whether they be good or bad. If they praise the performance they are only doing their duty imperfectly, because their praise is never lavish enough or indiscriminate enough for the manager and actors concerned. Still they be pardoned if they praise as well as they can."

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IN COLLISION IN FOG.

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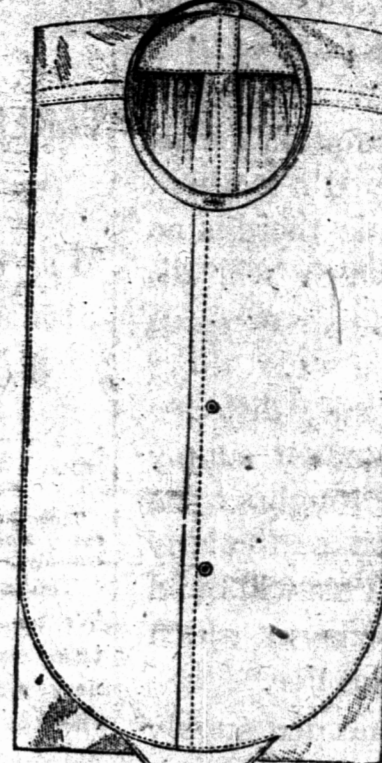
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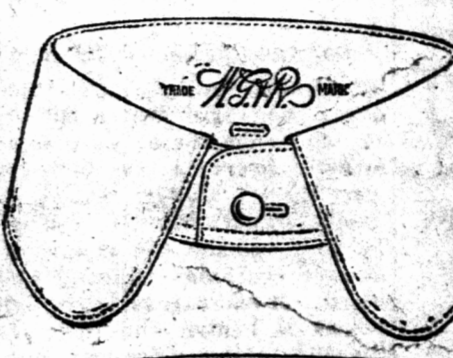

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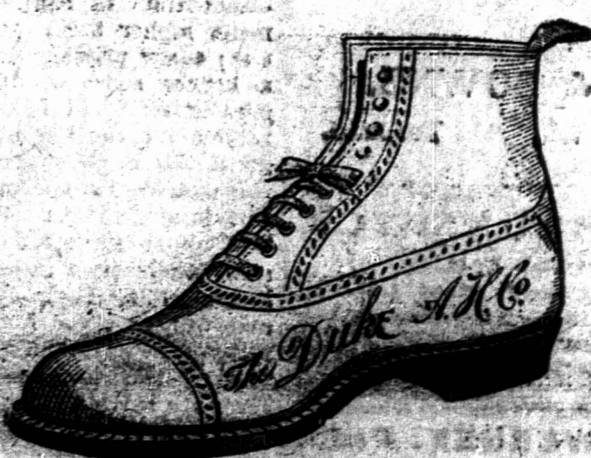
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