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HOW THE QUESTION SHOULD BE DECIDED.

By some persons it is contended that while the Provincial Legislature has the undoubted power to prohibit the sale and the procuring of liquor, it has not the power to prohibit the soliciting and taking of orders for the sale and purchase of liquor. If this were a matter of doubt (which we think can hardly be maintained) on whom should the burden of proof be placed? on the temperance people or the liquor traders?

To license soliciting and canvassing for liquor orders, as is proposed to do in Hon. Mr. Haszard's bill is to assume that the Legislature has not the power to prohibit such soliciting and canvassing. It is more than that, or it makes the Legislature abdicate its right to prohibit that sort of thing. And it also throws the strong arm of the law around the liquor trader, and so handicaps those who are trying to enforce prohibition as to make their task an impossible one.

A good feature of the proposed amendment, whose object is to prohibit the trade which the bill would license, is that it puts the laboring oar in the hands where it belongs—in the hands of the liquor trader. Either the Legislature has or has not the power to prohibit this class of trade. If the Legislature prohibits it and the courts afterward decide that this was beyond the power of the Legislature, that will be an end of that phase of the question. It will then be time enough to frame a law to regulate and restrict what cannot be prohibited.

THE ABUSE OF THE FRANKING PRIVILEGE.

The House of Commons was occupied some hours recently discussing alleged abuses of the franking privilege, notably in the matter of sending out of masses of campaign literature last year before the election. Many members of the Opposition joined their complaints on this score. There appears to be no doubt that the privilege which members of Parliament have of securing free transmission through the mails for letters and documents by simply writing or stamping their initials on the cover although less abused than it formerly was, is still abused by some members of both parties.

It transpired during the discussion that members of the House used the franking privilege not only to cover their correspondence with their constituents, and for sending out blue-prints and official documents, but in sending out in some cases thousands of business circulars and other advertising matter for themselves, their firms, or for other business firms or corporations. Hon. Mr. Lemieux promised to amend the postal regulations to prevent this in future.

As the law now stands a member of the Canadian Parliament has practically the free use of the mails, either out-going or incoming during the time of the session. The Ministers, their deputies and certain high officials enjoy the like privilege throughout the year and as every one of these has his friends there is much less postage paid in Ottawa than in any other Canadian city of like population, while there is a proportionally larger number of letters sent out.

The franking privilege has come to Canada from the mother of Parliaments in Great Britain and here it has long survived its abolition there. It dated from 1660 when the post office was first legally established. When the privilege came to be greatly abused as it was, a limit was set at ten letters a day for each member. In 1837 it was enacted that the member franking a letter must write the entire address thereon, adding his own full name, and the day of the month, and to make the frank effective the letter must be mailed on the date thus mentioned. With the adoption of penny postage the franking privilege was abolished in Great Britain.

It ought also to be abolished in Canada. We have penny postage in Canada, and we pay our representatives \$2,500 per session, while members of the British Parliament serve for the honor of the service. The franking privilege has been always grossly abused wherever it has existed and in the nature of things it will always be abused while it is continued in operation. It cannot be successfully regulated. It exists only for the benefit of those who can better afford to pay postage than can most of the people of the country.

During the discussion in the Commons the other day it was estimated that the loss of revenue to the Post Office Department from the use and misuse of franking was from \$60,000 to \$100,000 yearly. To this might be added some thousands of dollars for the time taken up in discussing the wrong use that is made of the privilege. The example set by the British Parliament in 1837 in this matter would be a good one for the Canadian Parliament to follow.

CRESOLENE ANTISEPTIC TABLETS

A simple and effective remedy for SORE THROATS AND COUGHS. They combine the germicidal value of Cresoline with the soothing properties of slippery elm and licorice. Your druggist or from us, 10c in stamps. Laxano, Miss Co., Limited, Agents, Montreal, 404.

Friday and Saturday bargains will be Blankets—we have six wonderful values to interest you—75c, \$1.00, \$1.98, \$2.59, \$2.98, \$3.25—and they are all worth away over the amount we are selling them for. In the house furnishings department, Moore & McLeod. 3-5d21.

Character, individuality and unexcelled workmanship are the distinguishing features of our hats. There's a quality in every inch. There's a hat here to suit every face, figure and fancy. All the latest shapes, shades and styles are here for your selection. Call today. H. H. Brown, The Young Men's Man. 3-5d21.

You can get the Designer for one year for fifty cents. Call at our office, or ask the cashier, for particulars. Moore & McLeod. 3-5d21.

Call for your cap,—its here and we know that you will be delighted with it. You can't make any mistake buying here. We put our time and attention into purchasing for men only— isn't it reasonable that we should give you better satisfaction? It ought also to be abolished in H. H. Brown The Young Men's Man. 3-5d21.

CONSISTENCY.

We have brought and framed a picture of a lady, And give it the best place in our hall; She stands where spreading branches make it shady, And she hasn't any clothing on at all! If she who was the model came undressed, Exhibiting her grace of form and feature And asking for a nook in which to rest, Do you think that we'd admit the shameless creature?

We go to plays in which the chief employment Of men and women is to scold the need Of virtue, and we find a keen enjoyment In seeing marriage lightly traversed.

We laughed to see the husband fooled, the wife Become a jest for love that burns too deeply; But in the stern realities of life We turn from those whose vows are given cheaply.

We sit and read in eager exaltation And often let our tears fall on the book For he who finds the depths of degradation, Her crimson stains we nobly overlook And sigh with satisfaction when at last She rests upon the hero's breast, given;

But in the flesh we'd loathe her as she passed, However splendidly she might have striven.

We breathe with rapture as we stop persuing The poet's lines concerning flowery lanes, And in our joy indulge in pensive musing Over those Lucric haunts where quiet reigns, In fancy we can hear the plowman's voice As joyously he sings some honest ditty; But, coming back to earth again, our choice Is still to struggle in the roaring city.

S. E. KISER.

Chaps bother you?

Jamieson's Carnation Cream gives you all the good there is in any skin preparation, no matter what it costs.

It cures—cures quickly, and there's not a thing about it you could object to.

No grease, no stickiness, nothing to injure. A gentle, cooling, healing lotion that keeps the skin like velvet. Price 25 cents.

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Our special J. in nickel dust proof case \$8.50 the best cheap watch made. Higher grades from \$9.50 up.

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We note that a considerable number of accounts due 1st of January have not yet been paid. If through any inadvertence yours should happen to be among these, we would regard it as a favor if you will send in your check today.

MOORE & McLEOD 3-5d21

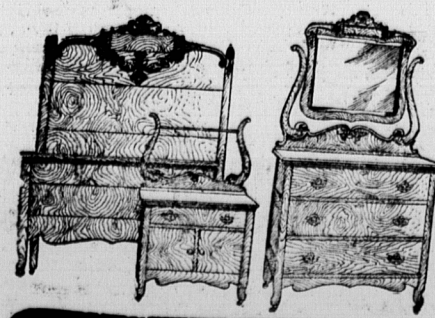
Large case of choice Celery arrived today? secure some as it will not last long. J. J. Gay & Son. 3-5d21

Nothing will break up a cold so promptly, effectively and safely as "Hughes," "La Grippe Remedy." A box of it is a good thing to have in the house. Price 25c. Geo. E. Hughes, Apothecaries Hall. 3-5d31.

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A full stock of all Emulsions, Cough Cures, Liniments, etc., etc., etc. Wholesale and Retail.

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Three Pieces \$9.90

This suite is made of selected birch—finished in golden oak—dresser has 3 drawers and large mirror—top size 1x34 inch—brass trimmings very strongly constructed throughout.

Beer @ Weeks Three pieces - - \$9.90 Dresser alone - - \$5.80

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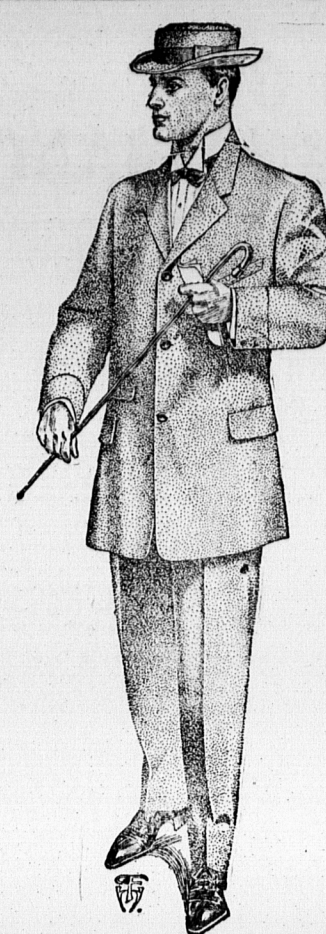
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Never Break, Our Daisy and America. SEE OUR—New Improved Rubber Boot riveted heel Rubbers, Honey Sole Rubbers. Roomy and neat lasts, kost no more.

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Unrivaled Assortment



Spring Patterns In Suitings and Trouserings

In opening the Spring season of 1909, with the finest line of suitings ever shown in this city, we desire to announce to our old friends, our new customers, and the public in general, that we propose to sustain our past record of making the best clothes of any shop in this Province.

Never before have we been able to show such a handsome assortment of cloths at such popular prices. The newest shades, and the most popular and desirable materials are here at prices that will place perfect clothes within the reach of all men.

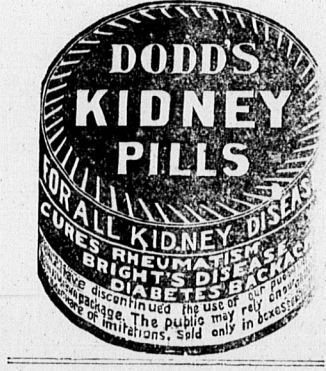
In quality we have every grade from the medium to the very finest the average, as well as the choicest creations on which Dame Fashion has set her approval.

You know when you order a suit here, you engage the services of men who have kept themselves strictly up-to-date in every branch of their business, and when your suit is finished you are sure of its having all the style features as worn in the leading fashion centres of America.

Drop in this week and let us show you the goods, we are sure you will say that its the swellest line of suitings you ever looked at.

MacLellan Bros.

The "Expert" Tailors dmwfrntf.



Those wonderful blanket bargains—Friday and Saturday will delight you when you come down town, but come early, we have enough for two days selling, but if you want the best, you will need to be early. Moore & McLeod. 3-5d21.

The Steam Navigation Company are offering the following prizes to be competed for at the Seed Fair Summerside—to be held next week, opening on Wednesday, the 10th; for the most creditable showing of seed grain for the whole exhibition; all the exhibits to be solely the production of the exhibitor; entries to be made in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Seed Fair. Prize List—1st, prize, \$5.00, 2nd, prize, \$3.00; 3rd, prize, \$2.00. 3-5d1v.

To the merchants of P.E. Isnd Get the best rubber in Canada

Berlin Rubbers Berlin Rubbers Brands

The pretty embroidered collars that we are selling at nineteen cents are great value, all sizes from 12 1-2 to 14 1-2. Moore & McLeod. 3-5d21.

The Art Shoe is always a favorite on account of its comfort and shapeliness. Sold only at Goff Bros. 3-5d11.

In the new suiting gingham and indigo plaids are proving very popular, and in addition a great many plain linens are being shown. It is well worth you while to call and have the new line in this line shown you, even if you are not prepared to buy today. Moore & McLeod 3-5d21

If you are as particular as we are when it comes to buying, we'll see you here for your new spring hat. Prowse Bros Ltd 3-5d31

New Advertisements Choice Apples

Benj. Carter & Co., have 25 bbls. of choice apples which they are selling at a great bargain. Come and get one at your own price for your children. Auction today at 12 o'clock noon, to clear the lot. Don't forget! 3-5d11.



Synopsis of Canadian North-West Land Regulations.

ANY person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at the Agency, on certain conditions by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader. Duties—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 30 acres. Must reside six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra. A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$300 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$200.00.

W. W. CORY, Deputy of the Minister of the Interior, N. B.—I can not be held responsible for this advertisement. 3-5d11.

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Sold and Guaranteed by PROWSE BROS.

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Charlottetown Guardian

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This ballot no good without below date.

This ballot is void after March 25th, 1909 and must be received by "Tour Editor," The Guardian Charlottetown, on or before that date. It is void if it does not contain in that printed name and it is also void if it is not received in its present form with but the addition of the name and address of the candidate for whom the 20 votes are intended.