

OUR POSITION.

It is quite noteworthy that both the Pioneer and its city associate the Patriot, while zealously defending the License Act as expedient, promising many good things that it will accomplish and roundly abusing THE GUARDIAN, have little or nothing to say in favor of the principle of license. They do not attempt to argue that the principle of licensing the rum trade is sound. Nor do they attempt to meet the arguments put forward in this journal showing the wrong of receiving public revenue from such a source, thus debauching the public conscience and anchoring the evil within the very citadel of the state.

All our readers are aware that THE GUARDIAN, while now so fiercely condemned by the Pioneer and its erratic confere the Patriot, has not changed its ground one iota in regard to any phase of the question at issue. THE GUARDIAN stands where it stood last year and years before, on the prohibition platform. Failing to secure entire prohibition for Canada we support the Scott Act as a valuable temperance measure. We have always condemned the principle of licensing the liquor traffic, whether by high or low license. We submit to intelligent readers, or even to the Pioneer and the Patriot themselves this question: Ought THE GUARDIAN to have abandoned a principle to which it has constantly adhered, simply because the government has introduced and carried a License Law?

Before the recent session of the Legislature we were fortified in our opposition to the principle of license by the solid array of the temperance orders, the governing bodies of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Baptist bodies and by many clergymen of other denominations. And we had also the pledges, written and signed by the leading temperance men in the House that they would oppose the principle of license. Among them was the written pledge of Hon. Donald Farquharson, published in these columns that he would not "under any circumstances" support a license law for the City of Charlottetown.

And how do matters stand today? The law has been passed and \$4,000 of license moneys received by the very men who most solemnly pledged themselves not to legislate in that way. It was carried at the final vote by a majority of one vote only. Any one of these supposed opponents of license—Hon. Mr. Farquharson, Hon. Mr. Sinclair, Hon. Mr. Forbes, Mr. D. A. McKinnon or Mr. S. E. Reid—to name no more—could by his single vote have defeated the measure. They all consented to the act and deed by which the license system is brought in. It then became the clear duty of THE GUARDIAN to show up the action of those men in its true light. Unpleasant as the duty might be there could be no alternative course to pursue. For the editor of a prohibitionist and anti-license journal to have remained silent or to have condoned the action of the men who did this, would have been a betrayal of principle very similar to what we have charged against the public men we have named.

In taking the plain path of duty and consistency, if this journal has been stigmatised with opprobrious epithets and malignant but silly misrepresentations we have not parted company with our old friends, the temperance orders or religious bodies above referred to. We stand on the same ground and in the same good company as before. It is the politicians and the organs "for revenue" that have departed to the other

side. To establish this point to the satisfaction even of our angry and ungracious contemporaries of the license press, we invite them to find if they can in Prince Edward Island any one of the following classes of persons who will over his own signature, or any one of the following named societies which will by resolution duly passed, commend the principle of licensing the liquor traffic, that is to say:

- Any Methodist, Baptist or Presbyterian minister.
 - Any Grand or Subordinate Division of the Sons of Temperance.
 - Any Grand, District or Subordinate lodge of Templars.
 - Any organization of the Women's Christian Temperance Union.
- There are some fifty clergymen and very nearly one hundred temperance organizations to choose from. Which one of them all will the Pioneer or Patriot tell us is in favor of licensing the liquor traffic, or deriving public revenue from it? This is the first time of asking.

A return submitted to parliament shows that there are twelve factories engaged in the manufacture of Canadian tobacco and three making a mixture of Canadian and foreign stock. Last year over two million pounds of native grown tobacco was put up in Canadian factories.

As soon as American authority was established in Porto Rico the Roman Catholic bishop and fifty priests returned to Spain. The people are almost wholly Catholics, and so a new bishop has been appointed from the United States, and a number of priests have also been sent to take the place of those who have departed.

The proposed new dry dock at St John for which provincial, federal and imperial aid is being sought, is estimated to cost one and a quarter million dollars, and can be completed in about five years. It will be 800 feet long, with accommodation for the largest ocean steamers. The New Brunswick Legislature has already voted \$5,000 a year for 40 years in aid of the work and it is thought the Dominion Government may supplement this with a liberal subsidy.

The Presbyterian Witness remarks as follows upon the recent retirement of Rev Dr Talmage from the pastorate of the leading Presbyterian church in Washington.

Talmage is a great preacher but no pastor, and no congregation has ever grown steadily and firmly and usefully under his ministry. So he has given up pastorates and he is to give himself to his pulpit and perform work. During the last year of his ministry at Washington only one was added to his church by profession of faith.

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2 Inch Plain Cloth

45c Habit cloth, black navy mauve (new shades) extra fine finish Grey Fawn, Green Sage and Blue, full dress length, \$2.70—342 yards.

42 Inch Dress Goods

50c Fancy Mohairs, pretty effective goods, light brown, light blues, light greens, light fawns, etc., etc. Only \$3.00 a dress. Send for samples and compare this line with what you can get from any catalogue house. We had some samples that came from Toronto and Montreal at 75c, no better value.

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400 yards—Lustré Mohair Dress Goods, the fashionable dress goods of the day; also check and figured Tweeds, 32 inches wide—this is a side line and consists of 60 dresses at \$1.50 a dress. Ladies don't miss seeing this line, colors are green fawns, chocolates, brown, light browns and light greens.

Whose



Fault?

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Muslin hats and bonnets; also christening hoods, a generous selection; and the prices from 50c to \$2.00. Take up any Canadian catalogue and send us your order; and if we cannot do better we will return your money.

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In navy, green, crimson and blue and will fit little girls from 2 to 8 years; smart little garments, can be worn with blouses.

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In fawn, brown, green, grey whip cords, drabs and blue A's, all sizes; just the thing for cool evenings. Prices from \$3 up to \$12.

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Fancy chiffons (embossed) in light shades in Lavender, Nile Green, Green Green Pink and Blue and Yellow at 60c a yard

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Ready-to-Wear Clothing

GOLF JERSEYS—Cream, pink, pale blue, blue, green \$2.00 and \$2.50
CHILDREN'S JERSEYS—Blue and white at \$1.00
CHILDREN'S CLOAKS in grey, fawn and white, eider down with plush cape, \$2.00 and \$2.50
CHILDREN'S POLKAS (Jackets) in cream white, fawn, red, at 48, 48 and 60c
INFANTS in pink, white, pale blue, grey, fawn, red, prices, 13, 15, 19, 23, & 24c
BOOTEES—In blue, red, white, 16c and 25c a pair
SWANSDOWN TRIMMING at 25c, 40c yd

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Ladies fine ribbed low neck heliothope yoke with lace and ribbon trimming 30c
Ladies swiss ribbed vest lace trimming 25c
Ladies swiss ribbed vest extra fine low neck short sleeve 22c and 25 and 30c
Ladies swiss ribbed vest white with buttoned front short sleeve lace trimming 35c
Ladies jersey ribbed vest cream with white trimming 30c
Ladies jersey ribbed vest white extra fine with silk trimming 40c
Ladies outside size white low neck short sleeve 40c
Ladies white with long sleeve buttoned front lace trimming 30c
Ladies white with long sleeve buttoned front silk trimming 52c
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CHILDRENS VESTS

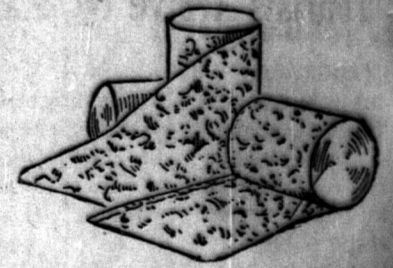
—Cream fine ribbed with pink and pale blue trimming 9c, 12c, 14 and 16 cts.
Also cream with pale blue trimming 13c, 16c, 22c 25c and 30 cts in all sizes
Also cream with white trimming short sleeve 8, 9, 11, 12 cts, in all sizes
Also white fine ribbed low neck short sleeve silk trimming 25c
Also white fine ribbed low neck short sleeve pale blue trimming 18, 20, 21 cts.

Gloves! Gloves! Gloves!

Ladies' Silk Evening Gloves, all shades—70, 85 and 90c.
Ladies' Silk Dress Gloves—cream, black, tan, brown, navy, black with cold points, 38, 45, 40, 48, 52, 60 and 65c.
Ladies' Lisle and Taffeta Gloves in white, tan, black, black and white, 8, 15, 22, 25, 28, 30, 32, 35, 42 and 48.
Ladies' Imitation Suede, 4 button, 30c in tan.
Ladies' Black Taffeta, 4 button, white points 42c.
Children's Gloves, taffeta and silk, 6, 13, 18, 25, 32 and 35c.

KID GLOVES!

Kid Gloves—Black, white and black, tan, 90c
Ladies' chamois cream and tan cold points, 75c and \$1.00.
Tan and Brown, 7 stud lacing, 90c
Tan—7 stud lacing, \$1.00
Black—7 stud lacing, 95c and \$1.35
Black—4 button, 95c
Black—3 clasp, cold points, \$1.10, 1.25, 1.35 guaranteed, and 1.60.
Cold Gloves—tan and green, \$1.25; tan and blue, pale green, purple, deep blue, fancy points, \$1.35.
Fancy colors—\$1.75 "yellow green and blue" 3 clasp.
Belfort Reds and Ox Blood, \$1.60; clasps.
Ladies' Brown Mocha—clasp, \$1.65.
White Kid Glove, 4 button, 95c.
White Kid, 7 stud lacing, cold points, \$1.25
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Children's Tan Gloves—3 clasp, fancy point, 75c.
Kid Evening Gloves \$1.45!
Plain Black Cashmere Gloves—15, 20, 25, 28, 35, 44, 50 and 52c.
White and Grey Cashmere, silk lined, wash ing gloves, 4 button, 48 and 65c.
Cold Cashmere in tan, cream, blue, brown and green, 50, 55 and 75c.



Carpets, Carpets, Carpets, LININGS

Dress Linings in single width, black, grey and brown, blue, red and pink at 6c per yard
Linenette—black, grey and brown, 10 and 12c per yard.
Salecia—18 cts, grey and brown, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16 and 18c; 34 to 38 inches wide
Fine Percale in black fawn, grey and white 18 to 25c—twilled and plain.
Fine twilled salecia, black black, 15 to 25c per yard.

Muslins, Muslins, Muslins

Lawn 38 inches wide—9, 10, 12, 14, 16, 20, 24c per yd.
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