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Notes by the Way

THE published report of the special meeting of the Temperance Alliance is interesting in various ways. It tells us some things that may enable the public to know where we are in regard to prohibition and its enforcement in the future as planned by the Alliance.

From the report it transpires that 24 members elected to the Legislature have signed written pledges to support prohibition with such amendments as are hoped to make for its more effective enforcement.

Mr. Bentley is reported as saying that the present Commission has been in office since December 1923 and presumably have been reappointed for the coming term.

A special session of the Legislature at an early date is asked for by resolution adopted by the Alliance. The seventh resolution adopted calls for the appointment of a committee of five to co-operate with the new Premier and his government in securing necessary changes in the Prohibition Act and its method of enforcement.

From the manner in which Mr. Saunders and his 23 supporters are tied up and pledges to carry out the behests of the Alliance we infer that the above named committee of five will be fairly near all-powerful in the matter of framing amendments and securing their enactment.

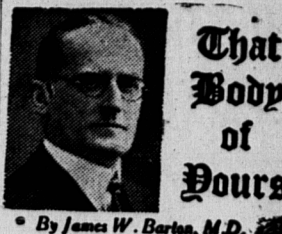
We have a Legislature elected to which 24 members were elected by 21,000 votes and six other members were elected by 27,000 vote, a situation almost sure to be reversed at next election four years hence.

Let us hope that the committee will be merciful! As for the 24 they deserve no mercy or pity at the hands of the people who did not know that the men they were voting for had signed away their liberty of action and secretly accepted the bond and badge of servitude.

Rightly interpreted what the Alliance at its meeting told the incoming government was this: "We won the election for you and you have promised to do our bidding. If you fail to do our bidding we will break you as quickly as we made you what you are! It is our prerogative right to make" or to break governments in Prince Edward Island!"

This condition is very humiliating to the incoming government, to the Legislature and also to the people of this Province. Think of it—a government and a Legislature in shackles. A number of the 24 are reported to be already ashamed of the pledges they signed, threatening to break away and saying to themselves:—

Breathes there the slave so lowly condemned to chains unholy, Who could he burst His bonds at first, Would pine beneath them slowly?



By James W. Barton, M.D.

That Body of Ours

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To quote Gladstone again "All time and money spent in training the body, pays a larger rate of interest than any other investment."

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—Mar-Low.

Presbyterian Church in Canada A YEAR OF GROWTH.

By Rev. W. Bruce Muir. In view of the annual meeting of the Presbyterian at Belfast, the following report of the recent Assembly may prove interesting.

The 53rd General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, which met recently in Stratford, Ontario, reported substantial growth during 1926, and a relatively marked degree of recovery and expansion since the disruption of June 10, 1925.

The communicants totalled at the end of 1926, 163,374, or nearly 50 per cent. of the membership of the Church prior to the disruption.

The chief event reported to the Assembly was the findings of the Dominion Church Property Commission, allocating to the Presbyterian Church in Canada certain home and foreign mission properties and trust funds.

The total savings for all congregational purposes was 4,139,722 dollars, 715,469 dollars being for missionary and benevolent purposes, an increase of nearly a million dollars for all purposes over 1925.

Over a hundred new churches have been erected and probably as many more are planned. The budget for 1927 is 650,000 dollars—an increase of 50,000 dollars.

The finances of the Church are under the direction of a board of administration composed of laymen. The Women's Missionary Society reports nearly 50,000 members in a thousand auxiliaries, who are holding 11,000 meetings.

My library seemed embarrassingly small. But I found I needed no books whatsoever; that I needed instead sweaters, sports skirts, rubber-soled shoes, pennants, felt cushions in college colors, stunt books, wicker chairs, tea-sets, electric toasters, Maxwell Parrish pictures. No one cared whether or not I knew anything.

During the first year I learned that it was important, socially, that one come from a good prep school, have correct table manners, and be a Gentle. I read all the man's college slang, I read the book of the year and thus sharpened my conversation. I learned that seniors are omniscient, an illusion that survives partly because seniors believe it themselves.

In the course of the sophomore year came the next phase—higher knowledge. A pale, spectacled visitor with stereopticon slides to abet natural reticence assumed that we still credited eleonarian responsibility in obstetrics and gently told us the facts of life. This amused us, for we were already deep in Biology 101 and we deemed ourselves very serpents of wisdom.

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Advertisement for Great West Life Insurance, featuring a cartoon character and the slogan "How about it, Daddy? I shall be all right, but what about Mother till I can be her man?"

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They know of course, as much as the sophomores as they do of the private life of minute tapoca. . . There are the dramatic ones who look forward to opening a Little Theater in a deserted barn just outside Peculiar, Minn. . . There are those who have had steady jobs in social service. They learn that sometimes babies have held steadfast to social service babies have no papa,oshi,sh, shrd babies belong to poor people, they constitute a Social Problem.

Then comes the last year, with culture rampant. Seniors in my college all study the history of art and go to the Boston museums or to stand in front of Trinity Church taking notes on its corners. They would rather sit down on the statue of Phillips Brooks and eat a chocolate sundae.

Advertisement for Ear Mite In Foxes, featuring a cartoon character and the slogan "We have prepared a Special Remedy which is being successfully used by many of the Leading Fox Ranchers. \$1.00 A PINT".

"SPEED THE PARTING GUEST."

A hearty welcome was given the Governor-General and Lady Willingdon. On the part of the Province, Lieut.-Governor Hearts Premier Stewart and others in and out of office, extended to the Vice-Regal visitors a Cead Mille failthen.

We are glad to learn that His Excellency and the Viscountess were favorably impressed by the broad landscapes, the growing crops, and the great beauty of this "Gem of the Northern Sea."

On behalf of the people we may add that they were highly pleased by the cordiality of their distinguished guests and indulge the hope that their tour of the Maritimes will be continuously pleasant and successful.

KNOWLEDGE ONE OF ANOTHER.

HON. Lucien Cannon, in the course of a speech recently delivered in Vancouver, expressed the opinion that "to achieve complete national unity mutual tolerance is necessary."

Orders from the Temperance Alliance and a majority of the electors. Their duty is clear. Let them go to it.

EXPECTATIONS RAISED.

PART from the special duty of administering the Prohibitory Liquor Law that "bootlegging" and other illegal practices will be suppressed, and that the law will be enforced to the end that "total abstinence" shall be the rule and practice of all healthy persons in this Province of ours, the incoming Government will have other important duties to perform.

The Provincial debt, too, is to be reduced. At the end of last year, the public liabilities of the people of the Province amounted to \$2,082,997.49. That is a heavier debt than eighteen-odd thousand persons—men, women and children—can easily carry.

LIBERTY AND RESTRAINT.

THE United Churchman wastes a lot of space in an effort to prove that personal liberty is, in this free country, restricted in many ways. We all know and admit that no person in this free country has the right to interfere with the rights of any other person.

A new Government is expected to make changes in the interests of the people—to improve conditions and to right wrongs. We all expect the Saunders party to make good the expectations raised by their criticisms of the Government that has, as a drunkards. But freemen who are result of those criticisms, been de-temperate and do not cause trouble.

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THINK BEFORE YOU SPEAK:—I will meditate also in all Thy work, and talk of Thy doings; Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary; who is so great a God as our God—Psalm 77:12,13.

PRAYER.—Lord, I would call to remembrance Thy works in the night, and commune with my heart.

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HOUSEHOLD SCRAP BOOK BY ROBERTA LEE How To Make A Fly Trap Cut a piece of cardboard with a 1-inch hole in the center. Spread some sweet substance on one side, around the edge of the hole. Fill a glass about three fourths full of soap suds and place the cardboard over it, sweet side down. The flies will crawl through and drown.

Keeping Lemons Lemons can be preserved for quite awhile by keeping them in a jar of cold water, renewing the water every day. They can be kept for several months if packed in clean, dry salt.

To Prevent Scorching Scorching of clothes while ironing can be prevented if the iron is wiped on a cloth dampened in kerosene. Committee" pulls the strings. That is not the sort of legislators described by a free people who are in their sober senses.

FOR THE SCRAP BOOK A SERIES OF LITERARY QUOTATIONS FOR BOOK LOVERS Tuesday, July 12th. Caesar born, 100 B. C. Erasmus died, 1536. Russian festival of St. Peter and St. Paul.

"So home, and there find my wife in a dazed humor for my not dining at home, and I did give her a pull by the nose and some ill words, that we fell extraordinarily out, inasmuch that I going to the office to avoid further anger, she followed me in a devilish manner thither."—Pepps.

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With swinging stride the rhythmic tide Bore to the harbour barque and sloop; Across the bar the ship of war. In castled stern and lanterned poop, Came up with conquests on her lee, The stately mistress of the sea.

Where argosies have wooed the breeze, The simple sheep are feeding now; And near and far across the bar And ploughman whistles at the plough; Where once the long waves washed the shore, Larks from their lowly lodgings soar.

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