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MONEYMAKING PROHIBITION.

The Prince County Grand Jury, in denouncing the government's liquor business at the opening of the Supreme Court in Summerside the other day, voiced the general sentiment of the whole province.

The original intention in the appointment of the Prohibition Commission and we believe, the aim and intention of the Commission itself, was to prohibit as far as possible the sale and use of intoxicating liquors not to make money out of the traffic. The fact that a business amounting to \$173,000 was done within the year, yielding a clear profit of \$50,100 over and above the remunerative salaries paid and all incidental expenses, is a direct miscarriage of the original intention and, we believe in direct antagonism to the wishes of the Commission.

The government, when in opposition and making statements for misleading their constituents, solemnly promised that the Prohibition Act would be administered by them when they came into power for the suppression of the liquor business; that liquors would be guaranteed pure and would be sold at cost. A \$50,100 profit, drunkenness increased, as declared by the Grand Jury, are today the index of the manner in which the promise was kept.

Our prohibition once the boast and pride of our province, has devolved into a thriving liquor business, has in addition to the high salaried government officials, created an army of boot-leggers and has no doubt added its quota to the army of drinkers. If our liquor business is to be made a money making concern by

the Bell Government let it be done with at least a show of decency. Let Mr. Bell and his colleagues conduct it on sane and business-like lines as it is conducted in the province of Quebec, but in the name of all that is Temperance let them not call it prohibition.

MARKING THE ROADS.

About a year ago it was announced through the press, on authoritative information, that a large number of road markers had been received and that these were about to be placed on all road junctions for the guidance of travellers. A year has elapsed, travellers, strangers especially, wander from road to road looking in vain for something or some one to tell them the way to go and the road markers are still lying somewhere in Charlottetown and the roads still unmarked.

It was understood that the Automobile Association was going to look after this very important matter and evidently it was left to it. Now the tourist season is on, strangers are coming daily with cars and they very properly regard our country as lacking in facilities provided in other countries. And not only are strangers put to a great deal of inconvenience but our own people are similarly handicapped.

With the markers on hand why not make use of them? The cost of placing them in position would be trifling while the benefits to the whole province and the consideration for strangers would be very great. We hope to be able to announce shortly that at least all our principal thoroughfares are adequately marked.

Current Comment

The admitted profit of over \$50,000 last year from the Government liquor traffic, to say nothing of the unpublished profits, it appears is not sufficient to meet the money demands of the Bell combination. Not long ago we commented upon the then uncalculated advance in the prices of these stimulants, and now we have been informed that another increase in the price has been made, and it is asserted, a still further advance is in contemplation in the immediate future.

Amongst the old cries, still ringing in the public ear, was that of the enormity of the Arsenault Government conduct in taking a trifling two or three thousand dollar income from this source, and with it their solemn pledge that if returned to power they would not only sell these liquors to the sick and needy at "ACTUAL COST," but that "ALL LIQUORS WOULD BE INSPECTED" and nothing but the purest and best supplied to the people. But like the pet tiger of story, which when loking its masters hand it got the taste of blood, and had to be shot to save the owner's life from its savage attitude, so these reformers of our liquor business have developed the taste for money and profits from the traffic, to the extent that there is now no prospect of salvation for the country from their greed, unless perchance it can come by shooting the hungry and bloodthirsty tiger through the medium of the ballot box.

We had occasion also last week to direct attention to the wholesale release of offenders from the basket jail, and to which there is not a whimper of explanation from their organ the Patriot. Street rumor, often based on a sound origin, claims that diptheria being in the family of the Deputy Sheriff was the ostensible reason given for his release. Perhaps, as in a former case, the dissemination of dangerous disease amongst the people is esteemed a virtue in Government circles, and to more effectively accomplish this an opportunity must be given to this class of operators to attend to business as of yore, but now sanctified by the approval of a pardoning and friendly, protecting government. While the yellow placard upon the door indicating the infectious disease within might have a retarding effect upon the ordinary and timid public, it is

not in any measure a source of fear to the booze-hunter, whose appetite would almost invite him to enter the gates of hell for a quencher, so that it serves the three fold purpose of procuring the culprits release, protecting him from molestation while it maintains its menacing advisement, and given to the toper and vendor a sense of security behind the scenes.

We have been told often that we have one of the best prohibition acts under the sun, and that its effective enforcement would ensure the wiping out of the evil features of the liquor traffic. And so we once had, under the fostering care and exacting requirements of the Mathieson and Arsenault Governments, but under the Bell combination it has been practically stripped of every prohibitive feature and today we have that which is one of the closest relations to free rum that ever a supposedly law governed community was cursed with. There seems to be nothing that could be done to nullify its effectiveness which the Bell Government have not done, in as far as at least as covert and hidden methods a faction are concerned, and this even to the imperilment of the revenues from this source, for which they have developed so new born a fondness. Next to the actual repealing of the act, which we are confident they would undertake but for their fear of what the Patriot describes as "overwhelming" public opinion, they have left no stone unturned to defeat the purposes of the Prohibition Act, and to render it unpopular with the people.

Their movements have been especially along the line of giving encouragement and assistance to the bootlegger and illicit vendors. First by including in their TAXATION ACT the recognition of a principle under which it is made easy for them to get their supplies. Then by advancing the self-price of all stimulants up to a figure which provides an enormous profit to the seller, making the business so highly remunerative that it is worth taking the small risk now imposed, because THERE IS BIG MONEY IN IT. Added to this they supply physicians with printed certificates, when costing a dollar, is adorned with his signature and

THE PUBLIC FORUM

This column is open for the discussion by correspondents of questions of interest. The Charlottetown Guardian does not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by its correspondents.

ENQUIRE

Sir.—Would you kindly ask the Commissioner of Public Works through the columns of your paper what is the matter with the Bell Government, that they cannot put a temporary bridge over Crabb's Brook while the new bridge is being put in place? Does the Bell Government think it fair to the heavy taxed people to have to travel miles out of their way for weeks at a time, when one hour's work with four men would put a bridge across the narrow stream with the very lumber that was torn out of the old bridge? Why not the old bridge hauled to another district for a temporary bridge there while we travel around? Hoping to hear a satisfactory answer. I am, Sir, etc.,

TAX PAYER

Soldiers Monument

Sir.—We are hearing and reading arguments pro and con concerning the nature of a memorial for our defense boys and loved ones. The discussion seems to have narrowed down to two propositions, a monument or a Public Library. Let us have a library by all means but do not let us have it at the expense of a monument, and do not, by the shades of our ancestors, spoil the beauty of the only real piece of classic architecture left to us, by tacking anything on, no matter how worthy an object. Not long ago the Island was stirred by the fiendish enemy of the Llanover Castle by which one of our brave Island nurses lost her life. Money was subscribed for a memorial to her. Where is that memorial now, and in twenty-five years or less who will hear anything of the "Rena McLean Memorial." Now when a stranger comes to our city one of the first objects he asks about is the meaning of the monument on Queen Square. If a library is built the Memorial idea is gradually lost while a monument commemorates the event and is for that purpose alone. Give us the monument to tell to future generations that brave men and one brave woman died and others lived through a hideous nightmare for four years that they may enjoy liberty.

I am, Sir, etc., SOLDIER'S MOTHER.

Others' View Points

"Vulgar" Shakespeare

(New York Tribune)

Mr Norman Wilkinson, one of the governors of the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre at Stratford-on-Avon, is no coward. Having had occasion to defend his action in turning over this sacred place for the use of films, he declares that in many cases films are better than Shakespeare. "I have seen" he writes, "performances of 'The Taming of the Shrew,' 'The Merry Wives of Windsor' and others of Shakespeare's plays that would make a Charlie Chaplin film seem innocent and beautiful which it is. Conservative England is naturally shocked. To Mr. Wilkinson's defiant statement that if it is a question of vulgarly 'I must only say 'Read Shakespeare.'" The Manchester Guardian replies that "one hopes the advice will be followed he bears reading." Vulgarly, after all, is largely a matter of form. Nature itself, according to Mr. Wilkinson, is essentially and eternally vulgar, and if one followed his formula it would scarcely be safe to take a walk in the country. To such a mind as his it would be quite impossible to make it clear why the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre should have been preserved as a memorial to the name of the world's greatest poet rather than to the present day silent antics of a Charlie Chaplin—as good as he is. At the first sign of Mr. Wilkinson's disorder he should have been bound and gagged and deported to the Island of Yap.

A Sure Cure

(Boston Transcript)

Having laid down the principle that "the only way to abolish divorce is to abolish marriage," Bernard Shaw can now go on with the noble work of abolishing death by arranging that nobody shall be born.

Popular Golf.

(New York Times)

Golf has become so popular, the municipal links in our parks, notably Van Cortlandt Park, are besieged at early morn by those who desire to drive off before noon. This is especially true on Sun-

days and holidays. There are about 6000 who have paid the annual fee of \$5 for the privilege of enjoying the sport on the city-owned links and their number is rapidly increasing every year. Golfers who register as early as 6 a. m. and have as a general rule, to wait until 9 or 10 a. m. and those who register at 7.30 a. m. wait until about 2 p. m. before their turn is announced.

China's Christian President

(Montreal Herald)

Sun Yat Sen, said to be the ablest statesman in China, is back in power. He was inaugurated President of the Republic amid scenes of great enthusiasm at Canton. China, the oldest, or if the claims of Japan are conceded, the second oldest monarchy in the world, first became a Republic on February 12, 1912 and Sun Yat Sen was its first President, though he was very quickly forced to retire in favor of Yuan Shi-Kai. In 1920 his arrest was ordered on the allegation that he was concerned in the setting up of a military government at Canton but he eluded his pursuers, and has now perhaps succeeded in creating a revision in his favor which may mean great things for the future of China.

Of many men a action it can often be said that their conspicuously brilliant qualities are unfortunately marred by defects which seriously operate against a successful career. This is not true of Sun Yat Sen. In the case of the great Chinese leader, whose lifework is being unfolded, before the eyes of an astonished world, it is a remarkable fact that the foundations of his campaign were solidly laid upon four cornerstones—unselfishness, patriotism, courage, capacity.

Sun Yat Sen is said to be no idle dreamer of visions; no adventurer seeking, under the cloak of philanthropy, to float schemes for his personal profit and aggrandisement; nor are his plans for the regeneration of the Chinese nation the idle vapors of a disappointed politician. He is in truth, a sincere and humble-minded Christian, who translates into action the teachings of the Sermon on the Mount.

PROVINCIAL RIGHTS

(Guelph Herald)

Premier Drury is saying a good deal lately about Ontario being robbed of its rights. If there was any thing to be feared in this respect the people of Ontario could be depended upon to say "hands off", but



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so far there has been very little solid argument advanced to show that there is any cause for alarm.

With respect to control of water powers Premier Drury and Premier Meighen agreed on concurrent legislation, and at the time the Premier of Ontario must have considered this a protection to Ontario's rights with respect to water powers. Premier Meighen carried out his end of the agreement, Premier Drury backed up on his, at the bidding of opposition, 'tis true, but nevertheless he failed to make good. That appears to be the situation, and the passing of the Lake or the Woods control bill was to cover the period that must elapse before Premier Drury can or will do what he agreed to.

Instead of talking about an evasion of Provincial rights it would be of interest to hear from Premier Drury why he failed to carry out his part of the agreement.

THE MINISTER'S OLD AGE

(Vancouver World)

It is at least very likely that the Presbyterian Church cares for its superannuated clergy and the widows of men who have given their lives to the promulgation of its doctrines as well as any other Canadian church and a great deal better than most of them. Yet even the Presbyterian Church cannot do more than pay a minister who has labored until he is 70 years of age a pittance of not quite twenty dollars a week, while a minister's widow, without whom perhaps his labor would have been but half as successful, may receive rather less than ten.

And to accomplish even this a great effort appears to be needed, for the question has been in the

hands of a committee for three years, and that committee finds that the only way the thing can be done is for the ministers during their years of active service to buy annuities for part of the amount themselves. The church can raise three-quarters of the sum required to meet the payments, but the potential beneficiaries must do the rest out of stipends that for the most part would not be accepted by a moderately good mechanic.

When it is remembered that, as already stated, the Presbyterian Church compares well in this respect with other churches, it is amazing that men still are to be found in all churches alike who will choose a service with such poor pecuniary rewards. That there are such men, even though not in sufficient numbers in view of the extent of the field, is the best proof that among the mass of us who are seeking mere material advantages there persists a saving remnant without which we might become even as the people of the cities of the plain.

THE OLD GARDENER SAYS

If your garden was not made very rich at planting time, feed it as you go along. This is easily done by scattering commercial fertilizer between the rows and working it into the soil with a hoe or rake. The rain will soon wash it down to the roots. There is less waste by this method than when all the fertilizer is applied early in the spring, and the plants respond quickly. Use a balanced fertilizer for most crops, but nitrate of soda for lettuce and other leafy vegetables. Take care however, that it does not come in contact with the plants themselves, or it will burn them.

20 ORPHANS

Without a home 20 little boys and girls living wherever someone's indulgence will give them a few nights lodging.

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TO MY FRIEND

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