LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

The Scott Act.

SIR,—The Scott Act has been in force some years in this Province, and those who believe in its efficacy have left nothing undone to enforce its provisions. Our leading men, lay and clerical, with the officers of the law at their command, from the Stipendiary Magistrate down to the special constable, have been persevering in their efforts to bring to speedy justice those persons who violate the law by selling intoxicating drinks. But all to no purpose. Prosecutions, fines and imprisonments seem only to aggravate existing evils. Ever since the Scott Act became the law of the land rumsellers have increased in number. The drunkards have also increased in number, and the quantity and quality of the liquor drank have exceeded anything ever known heretofore in the history of this country. It would be difficult to tell where it is not sold to-day. In communities formerly boasting of one moderately respectable hotel, we now find a half dozen low groggeries. These instances are not confined to a few localities, but are general and widespread. The traffic is carried on in dens and hovels situated in remote corners and secluded nooks; at public gatherings, by means of buggies and express wagons; in by-ways, lanes and alleys; in cellars, attics and sample rooms; in boarding houses and so-called first-class hotels, in which the law-abiding proprietor waylays the boarders on their way to the dining room with the inevitable corkscrew in one pocket, and the bottle and glass in the other, to minister to their corporal wants. In view of all this the Scott Act advocates, blinded to its defects by zeal for the temperance cause, are continually crying out, "Give the Act a fair trial before you condemn it." This, it is agreed upon all sides, has been done, and now by its fruits you shall judge it. And what are its fruits? Will some faithful believer in the Scott Act please let us know? Are increased drunkenness, bribery, perjury, bad whiskey and general demoralization some of them? The public are anxious to hear from our temperance men on this head. Those who believe men can be made sober by Act of Parliament should speak out. We feel satisfied that the old license law, defective as it was, stood far ahead of the Scott Act in regulating the sale of liquor. In a number of counties in several Provinces of Canada the Scott Act, after a fair and impartial trial as to its merits, has been repealed and a license system of some kind resorted to. It was only launched upon the country as an experiment, and when it proved a failure the people in those places were not slow to get rid of it. But not so here. With all its absurdities, crudeness and imperfection, it is still in force. But we doubt very much if rumsellers, as a whole, are opposed to this Act. It is undeniable that four-fifths of them are never reached by its provisions, and they know well that selling bad rum without paying for license is a lucrative business. Our clergy as a body were strongly in favor of the Scott Act at the country elections for repeal, and owing in a great measure to this effort it was at that time sustained. Since then no person can plead that it has not had a fair trial. Whether any or all of these gentlemen have since seen fit to modify their views in reference to this act I cannot say. If they have not it is due to its less enlightened opponents that those gentlemen come down for a moment from their lofty pedestal and show the public the many benefits derived from its rigid enforcement. Failing to do this the Scott Act must stand condemned as a huge farce. It will not do to tell us they lack the sympathy of the laity or that the general and local governments are not with them, or that the public morals are at a low ebb. The vital question is, "Has the Scott Act, with all its provisions and aforesaids, lessened the number of liquor sellers or the quantity of liquor consumed, or the number of drinkers?" We insist on a direct answer to this question, as it covers the whole ground of contention. Mere assertion or frothy declamation or temperance harangue will not do. We want facts and figures. On this we stand or fall.

ARGUS.

Odds and Ends.

Never try to sell a wedding present if you wish to preserve your confidence in human nature.

Mayor Elliott, of Pictou, will not offer for re-election. He thinks two terms are enough for any man.

Ottawa Journal: Why does not the United States deal with its Samoan difficulty with Germany in the spirit in which it settled its difficulty with poor Hayti?

The *North German Gazette*, Bismarck's organ, has an article denying the existence of a treaty precluding any European power from acquiring an ascendency in Samoa. This is looked upon as a "defi" to Uncle Sam.

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Apropos of fainting, I came lately upon a curious statistic: "Out of 612 young ladies who had hysterical fits last year, more than one-half fell into the arms of gentlemen. Only three had the misfortune to fall on the floor."—*Irish Times.*

An exchange, on looking into records, finds that there are only five judges in all England between seventy and eighty. These are Lord Esher, 72; Mr. Justice Field, 76; Baron Huddleston, 72; Mr. Justice Manisty, 80; and Mr. Justice Hawkins, 73. There are also thirteen judges between sixty and seventy. The youngest judge at the date of his appointment is Lord Justice Bowen, who took judicial honors at the age of 43.

An ominous study this, of armed Europe. Seven nations—Germany, France, Russia, Italy, Austria, Turkey and the Balkan States—show a war strength of 10,480,000 men. To this are added the second reserves, 8,335,000, and the final reserves, 9,195,000, in all 28,000,000 of Europeans, in the prime of manhood, liable to be exposed in the next European war. The war strength is suggestive:—Germany, 2,520,000 men; France 2,440,000; Russia, 2,495,000; Italy, 1,010,000; Austria, 1,145,000; Turkey, 350,000; Balkan States, 200,000.

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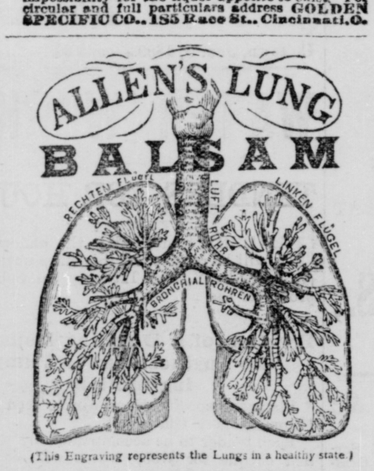

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