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A VIGOROUS PRONOUNCEMENT CONTAINED IN A PASTORAL OF HIS GRACE ARCHBISHOP CASEY, WHEN BISHOP OF ST. JOHN, N.B.

A VIGOROUS PRONOUNCEMENT

THE following document is a eviction; it has filled more graves NO other sin makes a man so fitting endorsement of our and made more widows and orph-Manifesto on Prohibition publish- ans than did the famine; it has ed on Friday; and we have never broken more hearts, blighted read a stronger indictment of the more homes and rent asunder Liquor Traffic than that pro- family ties more ruthlessly than nounced by Bishop Casey, of St. the enforced exile to which their John N.B., previous to his ap. misery has condemned eminointment as Archbishop of Vangrants."

Commenting on this splendid familiar with the scenes and efnastoral, the St. John "Telegram" fects of this vice, that we do not said editorially: "It shears reflect on their terrible reality. through the flimsy defenses of the is worth while to pause a little Liquor Traffic with the keen sword now, to bring the gravity of the ity for them in simple and con-

hone. It is probably safe to say DRUNKEN REVELRY

vanced ground in favor of Temtoral of the same Church in East-gether: "A little less than the ern Canada. In Montreal, Arch- angels," God created him.

Too often, it may be, we are so

vincing language that cuts to the THE GRADES OF

Divine Persons of the Blessed home, he has closed the gates of perance than any previous pas- Trinity had taken counsel to- Heaven against himself

once happy than ever fell beneath THE CURSE OF GOD

the crowbar in the worst days of UPON HIS HOME

bishop Bruchesi has been similar- Look at the man passing says the inspired Apostle: "Neily outspoken and emphatic in cal- through the grates of drunken ther fornication, nor idolators, hold of the faith, by any means, ling his flock to sobriety, and in revelry. With his first drink, his nor thieves, nor drunkards shall free from the meshes of this declaring his own hostility to the thirst is slaked, nature is satisfied; possess the Kingdom of Heaven." scourge,-to the scandal of those trinking customs leading to in- with the second comes a joviality -Cor. vi. 9, 10. Here we have the around us, and to the sorrow which for him is at least question- drunkard classed with the worst of their Mother, the Church. There

monies to the ravages on the mor- avoid visiting bar-rooms without want of the public; who is himself pass this splendid utterance along

al and social order of the Com- necessity, to shun the companion- perfectly sober; who does not adul to their neighbours, and we feel helpless before Heaven. How ever abandoned by grace, however sunk in crime of any other nature. a sinner has intelligence left by bent on its destructive course, which he can turn to God in prayer, a will by which to repent of his folly. The drunkard has neico-operation of the great multither intelligence nor will left, by tude not yet reduced to miserable

are some who call themselves Ca-

tholics-and are such only in name

into the mire of iniquity, swelling

the prison rolls by their drunken

which to pray or repent. Is this picture exaggerated? slavery. No, there can be no exaggeration LET US LOOK THE EVIL

of such degradation. He is more IN THE FACE

obnoxious than the madman, more TT is for this reason that we make contemptible than the demoniac. of truth and frankness; it names matter home to us. The subject These are objects of pity, for they some destructive epidemic were of truth and frankness, it frankless, it fra fault of their own; the drunkard Such a passing visitation would

deserves but scorn, for he has de- not destroy as many as we know based his very manhood. He has to be falling under the scourge of that this message takes more ad- MAN was created after the three brought the curse of God upon his intemperance. We find an emin-

ent statesman declaring, that this is an evil more to be feared than Are we too severe? Listen to the three historic foes of human-Saint Paul. Make no mistake, ity-war, famine and pestilence. Nor are all those of the house-

monwealth. The well-being of the ship of drinkers. In these is a terate his goods or sell them to that its circulation will be producindividual, of the family, of the real danger; and the Spirit of God, any one likely to abuse them; who tive of visible results when the public, is at stake. It is every- who never speaks without a pur- permits no disorder, as blasphemy time comes for casting their votes one's duty to be interested. The pose, has warned us: "He that or indecent language, in his store; on November 4th. evil, though still vigourous and loveth danger shall perish in it." who seeks not to evade the law,

Not less guilty before God, than who incites no one to drink, least Old Lady (to nephew on leave from may yet be conquered, if we can the unfortunate himself, is the of all the young; who never sells the front): "Good-bye, my dear boy, secure the good will and hearty false friend or the bar-keeper who to minors; in a word, who is obedi- Try and find time to send a post card places temptation in his way. He ent to the civil law and to the to let me know you are safely back who offers to treat one whom he principles of Christian charity and in the trenches."-Everybody's.

knows to have a weakness for justice?

drink, or the dealer who sells to Such a man is a liquor dealer such a one, is as guilty before high worthy of respect, and one who heaven as Cain who killed his bro- has no cause from his business to ther. Here we might well appeal fear the judgments of God or the to all Christians, never to put reproaches of the public.

temptation in the way of a neigh- But there are others. There are bour by offering to treat him to others who do not follow these intoxicating drink. wise rules, or act according to

The vast armies swelling and in-these Christian principles. Sad creasing the ranks of drunkards experiences and distressing statisthroughout the world, are largely tics, are the proofs. We leave it formed by socialbility. Only the to you to note them, and to form few crave for drink by nature, and your own opinion of them.

these would easily overcome the To them, we would say, it is beginnings, were they not led on worth while to examine your conby experienced hands. Scarcely science in the light of eternity, so any ever learn alone to go to ex- soon to open before you. What cess. The young see their elders will your criminal profits avail drink, and are but too prune to you, as balanced against your imitation. debts to God offended, to indi-In too many places, there is the viduals destroyed, families desopublic house every few paces lated, society outraged? Would along the street. Thus, tempta- you save your souls? Get out of -who drag that hallowed name tions are multiplied for the young, a business, in which you are damnthe poor, the miserable, and the ing yourselves by damning your working man. Within these shops neighbours."



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The Bishop discusses several able; with the third, comes a de- of criminals-idolators, adulterprominent vices of the day and light which is not free from pas- ers, thieves-and the gates of sion; while with the fourth and Heaven closed against him; and the following drinks, come drunk- that by the Apostle of the Genenness, madness, and insanity. tiles. During the early stages, the Chris- Let us see further what the excesses. Their families suffer,

THERE is still another, which, in tian is fast vanishing; vulgarity Bible says about the drunkard, for their friends weep, the Church everything is inviting to the various ways, differs from the becomes wit, and obscenity, hu- the inspired Word can make no blushes; the malediction rest and which, therefore, at mour; drunken stupor soon over- mistake. The wise man tells us Heaven awaits them. times demands fuller considera- whelms him; the man is gone, a that the woes of Heaven, that is,

This is no time to tone down tion. It is less innate, less inher- worse than the brute lies in his the curse of God, fall thick and truth until it becomes falsehood. fast upon him: Let us look the evil in the face. may nevertheless, be a fruitful What a spectacle to his fellow- "Who hath woe? Whose father What is it that fills many homes

xxviii. 1, 3.

mother to the all Right on men! What to the angels, a little hath woe? Who hath contentions? with misery and wretchedness, through history, it has demanded less than whom he was created! Who falls into pits? Who hath that leaves the children hungry the attention of moralists; just To the Saints, the just made per- wounds without cause? Who hath now, it has all the world concern- fect in the land of the living! To redness of eyes? Surely they that ed, and no more place more earn- him who died to raise fallen hu- pass their time in wine, and study that makes the prejudiced fling estly than our American contin- manity! The Son of God assum- to drink up their cups."-Prov. prison statistics at us, that makes

the scornful point at us, and, aw-

souls for which our Saviour died, deliberation as to the means for He has no intellect left, his free- "Woe to you that rise up early sending them before their Judge its suppression. Every one knows dom of will is gone; there is no in the morning to follow drunken- with the brand of hell upon their it,-for we speak of Drunkenness. evidence that he has a soul; it is hess, and to drink till the evening, brow,-what is it? It is the mad The states and provinces of the dead-more, buried in his miser- to be inflamed with wine. Woe to passion for the intoxicating cup. you that are mighty to drink wine,

Now what are we to do? How with the evil, and with gratifying It was a pagan who wrote: and are stout men at drunken- lift the cloud that sadly envelops success; the Councils and Synods "Drunkenness knocks down the ness. Woe to the crown of pride, so many souls for whom the Preciof the universal Church are de- man, and nails him to the sensual to the drunkards, of Ephraim. ous Blood was freely shed? There The crown of pride of the drunk- are many, thank God, who are free And too often he has a wife, a ards of Ephraim shall be trodden from the vice we deplore; but we

family. What misery is theirs! under foot."-Isaias v. 11, 22; are not thereby without care for our less fortunate brothers. We

must not say to God, as did wicked Cain, "Am I my brother's keepmay be affirmed, with equal truth, man after his fall. God knew NO words of ours can add any-er?" Let us rather admit with Saint Paul. "Yourselves have thing to such fearful denunciations of inspired penmen. Com- learned of God to love one anpared with other sins, it ranks other."-I. Thess. iv, 9. Again therefore, we ask, what are we to with the worst; we may say, that

its enormity is increased by the do? "HE THAT LOVETH DANGER ther of any or all of them In- SHALL PERISH IN IT"

wretched and the unfortunate,alcohol in various forms, that will

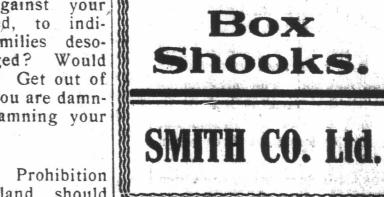
throw a passing forgetfulness over their troubles; though this is but too often followed by the deadly consequences of drunkenness

and ragged, that makes the streets | WHAT WILL YOUR CRIMINAL resound with profanity and worse, PROFITS AVAIL YOU?

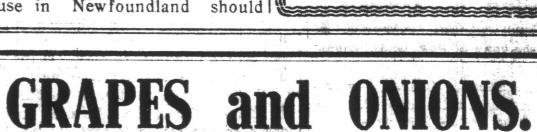
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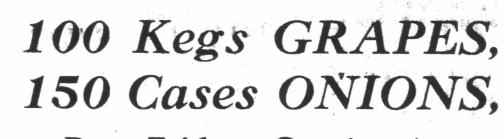
Is there a liquor-dealer worthy of general esteem, one perfectly respectable in all his relations, one who fears not the anger of God, or the reprobation of wives and mothers?

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ent to our nature than the rest; it place.

ed human nature to redeem it to xxiii. 29, 30. In the Councils of the State as the Divine; this man has degrad- And Isaias speaks to the same ful to think, destroys immortal well as of the Church, it calls for ed it below the nature of beasts. purpose:

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liberating to devise the most effi- intermixtures of his body." cacious means of reforming and

saving its unfortunate slaves. What the Irish Bishops, once Hunger, rags, cold-we stop. assembled in Synod at Maynooth. "Adam, where art thou," demand- FOLLOWED BY UNHOLY said of their children at home, ed the Lord God of the first guilty BROOD OF CRIMES

of many other nations, and not where Adam was. It was the dileast perhaps of our own coun- vine image effaced by sin, the life of grace destroyed, that He

"To Drunkenness we may refer, sought. What would He say to as to the baneful cause, almost all the drunkard, as pictured lying the crime by which the country is before us? "Render an account fact that it may become the modegraded, and nearly all the pov- of thy talents; thy intelligence, erty from which it suffers. Drunk- thy will, thy Baptism! They are