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PROHIBITION IN MAINE.

In a determined attempt to prove that prohibition does not pay Mr. Holman Day, a Maine man, writes in Appleton's Magazine that the law is sadly deficient so far as his native state is concerned. Mr. Day is of the opinion that the reformers in Maine have over-reached themselves in making the law too savage. Such laws, he says, are chimerical and cannot be enforced. So far as Maine is concerned Mr. Day does not believe that it has been actively, honestly, consistently or strongly enforced. He thinks it has been a constant tool of the politicians, a playing in the hands of both parties for years. The Democratic platform frankly demands the re-submission to vote of a prohibition clause in the constitution and the "dry" party is not sure of the result in case this demand is granted. This failure to enforce the law in Maine adds to the evidence of ages on the insufficiency of intemperate sumptuary legislation. There is another important phase of the question, that in the health side of the matter. In Maine good liquor cannot be sold commonly, as it may be seized and spilled any moment. Mr. Day describes a drink made up of alcohol, tobacco steepings and stupefying drugs. Many victims of this stuff have died, he claims, after being arrested for intoxication, and more, apparently crazed by the compound have hung themselves in their cells. Therefore Mr. Day assumes that Maine has not proved that prohibition pays.

It would seem that Mr. Day has treated the Maine prohibition situation somewhat narrowly. There are obstacles to be overcome by every law. That is what legislation is for, and Mr. Day has not pointed out any of the good that has resulted from prohibition in Maine. Statistics from New Zealand, where the prohibitive law has been given a thorough test, show that the results have been eminently satisfactory to the prohibition party. Municipalities which a few years ago decided strongly against prohibition, have since adopted it by a large majority and if prohibition works in New Zealand why should it not in Maine?

WAR POSSIBILITIES.

In a bulletin issued recently at the instance of a prominent naval authority of Europe as to the probable cost of a modern European war, there is furnished material which will keep the Belloc section of the public thinking for sometime. This naval authority estimates that a war between Germany and another European power would cost the former \$1,500,000,000 per annum as long as it lasted. The indirect loss through financial depression and the paralysis of industry would be far greater. If three or four European powers were involved, as would be likely in view of the existing alliances, the drain of the resources of Europe would be appalling. It is estimated that the loss of life would be heavier than in the recent Russo-Japanese war when 20 per cent. of the Japanese armies in the field were killed or wounded. The gentlemen referred to believes that reckoning on the same proportion, the European powers would lose approximately 900,000 killed and wounded during the same length of time, and he declares it would be a veritable orgy of blood.

BOARD'S DECISION

FAVORS KEY MEN

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to Go on Strike as Dispute

Has Been Settled.

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The only case in which a further number of C. P. R. employees might now go out is in connection with the finding of the board appointed last May on application of the operators' union to investigate the alleged wrongful dismissal of an operator at Megantic, Que. It is understood that this board of which Judge Fortin of Montreal, is chairman is now ready to report and the finding will be in favor of the union's contention. The C. P. R. will accept the award and consequently a strike of the operators cannot take place on this score.

SLICK FINANCIER

VISITED THE CITY

Senator Bacon, of Georgia, who for so many years was chairman of the committee on woman suffrage in the United States Senate, differs from people who criticize woman suffrage. He does not think that the growing advocacy of woman suffrage is responsible for any change in domestic life. Whatever may be the views of anyone as to the policy of woman suffrage, Senator Bacon sees no reason why its exercise should in any manner be inconsistent with the most perfect loyalty on the part of women to their domestic duties. It would seem that Senator Bacon's better half is not a consistent follower of the suffrage movement.

The Toronto World, Conservative, prints a New Brunswick dispatch to the effect that Hon. F. B. Carvell, K. C., M. P., had been re-nominated by the Liberals of Carleton County, under the heading "Carvell Safe." This is significant.

THE FORGOTTEN SPORTS.

Some of the games that we played at school are now being played again.

On velvet turf where the shadows lay, To music sung by the rustling trees, In the waning heat of the summer day, When miles and miles on the links we stray.

I sometimes wonder a worried tear, When I remember our old croquet, Where are the sports of yesterday?

Lost those days on the emerald sea, When the master wrist made the shaft obey, And our arrows raced with the summer breeze, As we twanged them free on their graceful way.

But now we hammer the glaring day, With the sunstroke's doom for a present fear, As tennis sweats us beneath its sway—Where are the sports of yesterday?

Alack the time when we rode through seas Of grass on byways and smelled the hay, And heard the robins rehearse their songs, But bicycling don't come to stay; For now we motor and speed and slay, And gasp in the dust, nor see, nor hear, But reckon the bills we will have to pay—Where are the sports of yesterday?

Dame Fashion, 'won't it suffice you, Our course in manners and dress to steer, That you must govern what games we play?—Where are the sports of yesterday?

TRAPPED.

Ink-squeezed—"That man over there who began with venison has just ordered some roast mutton. Now we are in for it."

A PATRIOT.

"Johnny, what's a patriot?"

"A boy who'd rather miss seeing a game than go in on a ball knocked over de fence by de visitin' team."

THE JEWELLER'S LAST CHANCE.

Bride (soon after the marriage)—"That jeweller who sold you the wedding ring sadly overcharged you."

Groom—"The rogue! And I have bought four engagement rings from him!"

NO DANGER.

"I hope, driver, you will not run away with me!"

"Bless you, no, mum! I've got a wife and six kids at home already!"

THE FAMILY.

Sunday School Teacher—"And you have no brothers or sisters?"

Little Edna—"No, mamam. I'm all the children we've got."

CHALKING UP A RACE.

Two Irishmen were about to run a race to a certain tree by different routes. Suddenly Mike slapped Pat on the back and asked how they were to tell who reached the destination first. After a moment's thought Pat answered:

"I tell you, Mike, if I get there first I'll make a mark on that tree with this chalk, and if you get there first you can rub it out."

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HAPPY TIMES FOR

AMERICAN FLEET

Many Entertainments for the

Officers and Men.

Special Race Meet; Sports and Other

Entertainments at Night—Maoris

Will Give Famous War Dances.

AUCKLAND, Aug. 12.—No more beautiful sight was ever witnessed at the picturesque Ellerslie race course than that of today, when a special race meeting was held for the entertainment of the officers and men of the American Atlantic fleet. Admiral Sherry and his staff and all the officers who could be spared from duty aboard ship and the entire contingent of enlisted men on shore leave were present. The admiral and the officers were in full uniform, and there was an enormous gathering to greet the Americans.

After the races Admiral Sherry and 20 of the officers of the fleet proceeded as guests of Prime Minister Ward, and the members of Parliament, to Rotorua, the town of the thermal district in the heart of the North Island, 111 miles from Auckland by rail, where tomorrow a magnificent new bath house will be opened and in connection with the function will occur a great gathering of Maori tribesmen who will dance their famous war dances. For tonight various sports and entertainments have been arranged for the packies, while the non-commissioned officers of the New Zealand garrison will entertain at drill the non-commissioned officers of the American and Austrian ships.

LIFE NOTHING TO HIM

Unknown Man Hanged Himself in Totipot

Park.

TORONTO, Aug. 12.—"Life is nothing in itself and no use to live,"

Leaving this dispassionate message with the signature "John" attached, an unknown man fastened himself to a limb of a tree in High Park.

The body was found near the north-west entrance to the park Sunday morning shortly before 7 o'clock. The discovery was made by John Fox of 45 1-2 Bloor street, who immediately notified the police. P. C. Clark went with Mr. Fox to the place and cut down the body. It was of medium height and somewhat stoutly built. His face was swarthy and deeply pockmarked. There was no mark of any kind about him that would reveal his identity, the tag on his suit being removed and that tag was in his pocket were nearly all torn out. The writing that had been left was the short note, evidently written after the man had decided to end his life.

The man had apparently climbed the tree and secured the rope to the limb. A number of people called at the morgue to view the body, but the only one who reached the destination of the suicide's identity came from a party of Frenchmen who called at the morgue after 8 o'clock. Several of the party said they recognized the dead man's face. They were cigar-makers, and one of them had been a cigarmaker they could tell nothing further about him. Coroner H. Johnson was notified of the finding of the body and an inquest will be held.

TRIED TO ESCAPE TAXES.

Michigan Man Who Expatriated

Himself.

WINDSOR, Ont., Aug. 12.—Unless a settlement is made shortly a sharp legal battle will be waged, on behalf of the Ontario government, to levy succession duties on the entire estate of the late John Patton, the expatriated Michigan man who died here some time ago. Upon the result will depend the course to be taken with regard to six other estates. Patton came here about ten years ago to escape a Michigan mortgage law and resided here until the time of his death. Most of his money remained invested in Detroit and other places in Michigan. The Detroit assessors endeavored to collect the tax, but Mr. Patton showed that he was a non-resident. At his death he bequeathed an estate valued at \$75,000. The Ontario government maintains that the entire amount is liable for succession duties. The defense is that the reality in Windsor for a valuation less than \$100,000. Under the Ontario law the government cannot collect succession duties where the whole estate is less than that sum, but Patton's solicitor is willing to pay the duties on whatever valuation is established since the estate far exceeded that figure.

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CONGREGATION IN BOATS.

TORONTO, Aug. 12.—The fourth of a somewhat unique series of church services in which the clergyman occupies a corner of a veranda near the lake and addresses an audience sitting on the beach or in their canoes on the water, was conducted at 4:30 yesterday afternoon at the foot of Balmora avenue, Balmy Beach, by the Rev. A. McIntyre, of St. Aidan's Anglican church. There was present quite a number of the residents of the Beach, some having come in their boats and others having walked over to enjoy the service. The usual church order was not fully kept up, the form of worship being much more simple. A volunteer choir and a borrowed organ supplied the music for the congregation.

Despite the natural difficulties of obtaining concentrated attention under the circumstances, Rev. Mr. McIntyre read his text and proceeded to his sermon after having acted as the director for one or two hymns with which he sought to make the congregation more familiar. There, while launches "chugged" past, full of people out to enjoy a bright day, with canoes slipping hither and thither under his gaze, the minister brought home to his hearers the fact that a successful life must be dominated by a purpose above the small ambitions of a day. It was, he said, the purpose of a man's life that made it a success or failure, and the greater the purpose the greater the success. As a big steel freighter crept along the horizon and made it way up the lake the benediction was pronounced. It is hoped through the season, Clergymen of other denominations are expected to take some of the services hereafter.

SCHOOL IN RURAL DISTRICTS BEGINS.

BRISTOL, N. B., Aug. 11.—School in the rural districts commences again tomorrow. Miss Viola Siberson goes to Four Falls, Miss Alice Giberson to Pleasant Rock, and Miss Hope Crandall to Riley Brook.

C. W. Brittain left for Charlotte town today to attend the annual Grand Lodge meeting of the I. O. O. F.

Isaac Grantham, who has been living in Georgia for a number of years, was in Bristol yesterday visiting his sister, Mrs. C. A. Phillips. Abram Grantham, of Aroostook, was also in the village for several days.

Wm. Bell, Jr., and Mrs. Rachel Davenport, were up before Justice Farley yesterday, charged with unlawful detainer. W. P. Jones appeared for the prosecution, and D. B. Calliger for the defence. The defendants were required to enter into their own personal recognizances for \$400 each with two securities of \$200 each for the appearance at the next session of the Supreme Court in October, to answer to the above charge. Bail was furnished.

SO THOUGHTFUL.

Nell—"Yes, the count is attentive to her. She admired some roses she saw in a basket to which they were passing yesterday, so she had some sent up to her."

Belle—"How thoughtful!"

Nell—"Yes, C. O. D.—The Catholic Standard and Times."

MOVING SKULL SCARES SIXTON

LONDON, Aug. 11.—James Green, sexton and parish clerk at Horsted Keynes (Sussex), has had a strange experience.

While digging in the churchyard he noticed a skull protruding from the soil, and he took care to avoid disturbing it. As he went on digging, however, he thought he saw the skull repeatedly move. The incident so got on to his nerves that at last he put down his spade and watched.

In a few moments the skull came completely through the earth, and moved toward the sexton. Just as Mr. Green's astonishment reached its highest point the mystery was solved by a mole creeping out of the skull, in which it was subsequently discovered, it had made its nest.

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DEATHS.

HARVEY—Suddenly, at Cedar Hill, P. Q., on the 11th inst., Frederick Harvey, leaving a mother, one sister and two brothers to mourn their sad loss.

FUNERAL from Carmarthen street Methodist church, on Thursday, 13th inst., at 2:30 p. m. Service at his mother's residence, 43 Brittain street, prior to 1:45 when the body will be removed to the church.

LYON—Stanley Gordon, aged three years, son of Mr. and Mrs. James S. Lyon, at their home 3 Lombard St., on August 12th.

IN MEMORIAM.

BRAND—In memory of Eva, beloved wife of Frederick Brand, died Aug. 11th, 1907.

(Boston and New Bedford papers please copy.)

Asleep in Jesus.

Far from thee Thy kindred and their graves may be, But thine is still a blessed sleep, From which none ever wakes to weep.

IT IS YOURS.

Mrs. Crimmonbeak—"I see by the paper that in the British museum there is a huge roset of hair weighing nearly two tons."

Mr. Crimmonbeak—"These American women travelling abroad are so careless, ain't they?"—Yonker's Statesman.

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MADISON, Me., Aug. 11.—During a

severe lightning storm that visited

this place late today, Joseph Delle,

Jr., aged 17 years, was burned to

death when the load of oats on which

he was riding was struck by lightning

and set on fire. One of the oxen attached

to the wagon was killed and Delle's

father, who was loading the oats, was

knocked unconscious.

A FORTUNATE MAN.

One day a young matron to the

market place did go, where she

bought an oyster plant, then set it out

to grow. Said she, "Next winter we'll

have oysters, fresh oysters every day,

and what a saving it will be, with not

a cent to pay. Oh, but hubby should

be thankful it was his lot to get such

a saving woman for his own wife."

IT IS YOURS.

Mrs. Crimmonbeak—"I see by the

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