

The prompt action of Crown Attorney H. D. Smith and License Inspector N. Massey, in convicting the Merlin man who was guilty of an infringement upon the license law, is indeed to be commended. It is not often that such cases arise, but the only way to put an end to them is to follow immediately the offense is committed. The intention in making the law was that it should be enforced to the letter, and the sooner the people understand this the better it will be for the good of the community.

The Inspector may rest assured that he will have the support of the people and the Government in following closely the lines laid down, no matter what may be the political complexion of the person who leaves himself liable under the act. The license laws were put on the statute books for the good of the people, and they cannot derive that benefit which is intended for them and which is their right, unless the law is properly and fearlessly enforced.

#### USING A PAPER.

The Brockville Times makes this good point:

"Every newspaper knows full well how many people shrink responsibility in public affairs. People come to a newspaper time after time and want the newspaper to fire some shot which they dare not. The editor asks them to sign their names to certain charges or statements which they wish made in the press, and it is astonishing how quickly they crawl back into their shells. Plenty of ardent party men want the newspaper to criticize this, that and the other person or thing but they will not do it themselves lest they might 'lose' business." Has a newspaper no business to lose also?"

Scarcely a day passes, adds the Ottawa Citizen, when one or more persons do not desire to have expression given in these columns to a statement that is antagonistic to the interests of certain individuals; yet the parties, as a rule, are not willing to have it appear that they are in any way identified with its publication. There is a well defined cowardice in many cases; in more a malice for which they do not want credit, and in most a desire to unload responsibility upon the paper. If contributors of letters or news items would accept responsibility for the publication of the facts there would be a greater accuracy in the reports, less bitterness in tone and generally the public interests would be better served.

#### PRISON FOR CORRUPTIONISTS.

There is but one cure for corruption, and that is the penitentiary for the men who promote this crime and profit by it. It is well to bear in mind that the people do not corrupt themselves. The money to buy votes does not come from the elector, or from persons who are not interested in the Government of the day. The men who go forth to demoralize the electors are not volunteers engaging in their nefarious work for the pleasure of the thing. This system of rogues is directed from a central source. The money is collected from persons doing business with the Government, and the bribes are sent out by agents and experts employed for the purpose.

It is right enough to get at the instruments through whom the wrong is done. But it is not just to generalize, and to accuse the people as a whole of immorality because the machinery of the Government is corrupt. When a Government designs a system of corruption, and on being found out pleads that the crime is simply representative of the business and social morality of the period, it is adding to its offense, for it makes its own guilty the occasion for standing the people in their own relations of life. Again, when a Government organizes a plan of corruption, and upon discovery, discusses the advisability of disfranchising the constituency it has debauched, it is guilty of an intolerable and despicable injustice. It is trying to cover up its sin by punishing parties who, far from being guilty, are really the sufferers from its conspiracy of wickedness. Once more, the argument that the growth of this form of political crime is attributable to slackness on the part of the church is hypocrisy. The church is preaching honesty continuously. Why should it be blamed for the sins of the men who happen to hold high office in the State? What can be more impudent than the institution of a system of corruption, and the pretence by the

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FROM PLANET FILES OF HALF A CENTURY AGO

Taken from The Planet files from September 7, 1865, to September 14, 1865.

"Mr. Swinyard, of the Great Western Railway, has gone to England, intending to be absent for five or six weeks."

"Dr. R. T. Reynolds, the oculist, will be at the Rankin House on the 7th and 8th inst."

Mr. Robertson announced that he had commenced his course of instruction in dancing at the Orange Hall.

"A busy day—Saturday last was indeed a busy day in Chatham. For fully half a mile King street was a jam of teams loaded to their uttermost with wheat and barley, all of which was disposed of to eager purchasers at high prices. For the figures see our market quotations. We guarantee to say that no other town in Canada exhibits the same time that Chatham exhibits this fall."

Much interest was apparently being taken in a prize fight to come off in England between Jim Mace and Joe Warmold.

The Chatham Township Council met. There were present at the meeting Reeve L. H. Johnson, De-

puty Reeve S. Kinney and Councilors Burley, Houson and Mickle.

A woman died in Brantford named Perkins, who confessed that she had committed six murders during her life. She had a mania for destroying human life, and standing by watching her victims in their death struggles. One of those who were murdered was a former husband, and two were her own children. The despatch said that "she died in the greatest horror with the images of her victims constantly before her eyes, her cries and imprecations were fearful, and her actions, language and appearance were perfectly loathsome until death stepped in and stopped her groans and curses, among which she made her exit from this world."

An editorial appeared exhorting the municipal authorities to take steps to prevent an outbreak of the terrible plague of cholera, which was then sweeping over Europe, and was feared would reach this country before long.

The members of the Chatham Cricket Club were making ready to play off a match with the Cincinnati Cricket Club.

"Bought out—Mr. Wm. Sheldrick has purchased the stock and stand of T. and J. Nelson, grocers, nearly call."

guity persons that their own crime is the result of some fault on the part of the occupants of the pulpit.

It is not by blaming the church; it is not by disfranchising constituencies; it is not by denouncing the people that this sore will be healed. All these suggested means of effecting reform are manoeuvres to protect the wrongdoers, and to enable the evil system to flourish. Nor will the punishment of the underlings, important though that may be as a deterrent, bring this form of wrongdoing to an end. What is needed is the capture of the principals, the leaders in the corruption business. These men make the thing possible. They allow the money to be taken from the treasury for the prosecution of the corrupt campaign; they enjoy the results of the crime; they protect and reward the men who do the wrong. These are the men to get at. If we cannot dump them into jail we should certainly drive them out of office.—Mail and Empire.

#### CENSUS DISCLOSURES.

The final returns from the North-West Census are not yet issued, but enough is given out to show that the increase of population in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta is from 410,000 to 420,000. While this is a handsome gain in five years it shows that the immigration returns given out by the Government are altogether false.

Undoubtedly the immigration returns have been greatly swelled by such transactions as the North Atlantic contract, by which unscrupulous persons were paid an allowance per head for immigrants alleged to have come to this country from the European continent. It has been shown that the Trading Company had intimate and suspicious business relations with officers of the Interior Department, and it was an easy matter to pad out the returns to the advantage of one of all parties to the arrangement.

According to the Immigration Department there should have been well on to 500,000 immigrants settled in these three provinces since the previous census. If there had been no settlers received from the Eastern Provinces and no natural increase in the population these five years, there would still have been a shortage of 50,000 to 75,000 in population. As it is the immigration returns handed out from year to year must be cut down by one third or perhaps one-half. Either the immigrants reported were not settlers at all, or they were falsely reported, or else they came to this country on their way to the United States. No doubt great numbers of mere visitors from the United States have also been classed as settlers.

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#### It Is Radio-Telegraph.

Berlin, Nov. 2.—The delegates to the wireless telegraph conference finished their work yesterday and expect to sign a convention Saturday. The agreement will be framed upon the principle of free inter-communication between all systems, but Great Britain and Italy will sign with reservations designed to protect the existing arrangements with the Marconi Co. The term "radio-telegraph" was chosen as the one to be used officially in defining the new function of electricity.

#### President Sues His Company.

Windsor, Nov. 2.—John Piggett & Sons, lumber merchants, have issued a writ against the Windsor, Essex & Lake Shore Railway for a claim of \$42,000 for ties and posts used in the construction of the road. John Piggett is president of the road, but this has not deterred him from bringing the action against the shareholders.

#### Coal Fleet Leaves England.

London, Nov. 2.—The abolition of the export duty on coal, which became effective at midnight yesterday, was the signal for the sailing yesterday morning of hundreds of coal-laden vessels bound for foreign ports. Fifty steamers left the Bristol Channel alone.

#### Paying Penalties For Crimes.

Winnipeg, Nov. 2.—At Assizes yesterday afternoon, Chief Justice Howell passed sentence on five of the prisoners convicted to date. The two Canadians, Danilo Kormylo and Michael Hyduk, convicted of manslaughter, were sentenced to five and four years, respectively. John Thompson, on two charges of theft, was sentenced to seven years. Delphis Etteme, for shop-breaking, received five years, and A. C. Bonner, on three indictments, for horse-stealing, wounding with intent, and jail-breaking, received three years and four months.

#### Doctors Unable to Agree.

Bellefleur, Nov. 2.—The Klingbeil murder trial was continued yesterday, and was chiefly a conflict of medical testimony. Mr. Porter began his address to the jury at 4:40, and spoke for an hour. Mr. Arnold said all the testifying of the doctors was worth little compared to the fact that a poor, defenceless old cripple woman would have been shot to-day if she had not been assaulted. Judge Britton will charge the jury in the morning. A verdict of not guilty or manslaughter is now looked for.

#### Murderer Nearly Escaped.

Morden, Man., Nov. 2.—Peter Hanson, who is charged with horse theft and arson, and escaped from Morden jail before the Assizes in the spring, not being captured until the month afterward, made a desperate attempt to escape again Wednesday night. He succeeded in a file and had almost fled through when caught. Doyle, who is now on trial for murder, was in the same cell with Hanson.

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#### DESPITE VIVENDI

Newfoundland Government Announces Policy to Prosecute Fishermen That May Stir Up Trouble.

St. John's, Nfld., Nov. 2.—The Colonial Government has decided to test the validity of the modus vivendi. It issued an official notice yesterday enforcing the Bait Act, which forbids foreign vessels to fish on board foreign vessels within colonial waters, and it intends to prosecute one or more colonial fishermen who have been shipped off by Americans outside the three-mile limit after these men have been paid off by American vessels on which they were serving.

#### Privy Council Will Say.

After this the Supreme Court or Privy Council will determine whether the modus vivendi overrides the colonial enactments. The Government, furthermore, expects that threats of prosecution will deter the colonists from going beyond the maritime boundary to join American vessels, and that the latter will therefore be unable to secure crews to catch herring.

As this would nullify the spirit of the modus vivendi, which agrees that nobody shall be penalized for joining American vessels, it is expected to result in trouble between the Cabinets at London and Washington.

#### Matter of Local Politics.

Toronto, Nov. 2.—Hon. A. B. Morine, now of Toronto, but formerly leader of the Opposition in the Parliament of Newfoundland, and ex-Minister of Fisheries for the island colony, was the guest at the Empire Club luncheon yesterday. He explained at some length the recent disturbance in Newfoundland respecting the fisheries, and contended that the Imperial Government had shown to the colony every consideration. He more than intimated that the present outcry was largely a matter of local politics. He strongly favors the annexation of Newfoundland with Canada.

#### Britain in Odd Plight.

London, Nov. 2.—(C. A. P.)—Referring to the resolve of the Newfoundland Government to test the validity of the modus vivendi, The Daily Graphic says it has placed the Imperial Government in an awkward predicament. The incident is significant as an illustration of the levity or carelessness with which the modus vivendi was negotiated. It is difficult to see what the Home Government can do by way of fulfilling the pledges to the United States if the Newfoundlanders stand firm.

#### THANKS TORIES!

For Contributing, Along With Providence, His Good.

Halifax, N. S., Nov. 2.—Hon. W. S. Fielding arrived from Shelburne Queen's last night.

A reception was tendered him at the Hotel by Liberals of Halifax. He was in good voice, and spoke for 30 minutes on the prominent features of the campaign.

"Providence," said Mr. Fielding, "often brings good out of evil, and all it does works for good. In some such way the Conservative party have been contributing to the triumph of the Liberal party at Shelburne-Queen's, and as well for the rest of the Dominion." He said he would gladly welcome an improved election law.

Mr. Fielding leaves for Ottawa to-day.

#### Election Casualties.

London, Nov. 2.—(C. A. P.)—Violent scenes are taking place during the election in Galway, Devlin's old constituency. The casualties of Thursday are reported as forty.

#### Dr. Sheard Chairman.

Toronto, Nov. 2.—Dr. Sheard has been appointed chairman of the Provincial Board of Health. The announcement was made yesterday by Premier Whitney.

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#### VESEVIUS STILL DAMAGES.

Storms Cause Avalanches of Mud From Last April's Eruption.

Naples, Nov. 2.—The eruption of Vesuvius of April last is still causing devastating effects. A heavy storm which prevailed here during the last 24 hours has caused large avalanches of mud to fall from the sides of the volcano carrying off the Vesuvius Railway, blocking the main line along the sea coast and burying large sections of ground in the vicinity of Vesuvius.

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#### Mr. Hays Is Summoned.

Toronto, Nov. 2.—A summons was issued in the police court yesterday afternoon for no less a person than Charles M. Hays, vice-president and general manager of the Grand Trunk Railway. The information was filed by Col. G. T. Denison, police magistrate, and charges Mr. Hays with omitting to carry a third-class carriage on one train daily and to carry third class passengers for the fare of one penny a mile. W. N. Robertson is the complainant. His solicitor explains that Mr. Robertson was determined to compel the G.T.R. to comply with its charter and to carry passengers upon at least one train each day at the rate of a penny (two cents) a mile. This charter is contained in the act passed by the Parliament of Canada in 1852.

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