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THE STAR, ST. JOHN, N. B., TUESDAY, APRIL 18 1939

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LOCAL NEWS

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Desirable rooms are anxious to know where they can be accommodated. Use a "rooms for rent" ad. to tell that you have pleasant rooms to let.

David Poohoy won the weekly roll-off at the Victoria Athletic Club bowling alley last night with a score of 106.

Piles Cured in 6 to 14 Days
PAZO OINTMENT is guaranteed to cure any case of Itching, Blind, Bleeding or Prolapsing Piles in 6 to 14 days or money refunded. 50c.

While at work at Union Foundry, Carlton, yesterday morning, Michael Joyce had his right hand badly crushed and one of his fingers torn off. He was taken to the hospital, where his hand was dressed.

The mayor and members of the Common Council were photographed yesterday afternoon from the steps of City Hall. The only absentee was Ald. Hamm and Frink. Photographer Logrin did the trick.

\$100 Reward \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by all Druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Mrs. Charles Hall, of Woodstock, died last night of typhoid fever, aged forty years. Three boys, Harold, Ray, and John, and three girls, Joan, Alice and Rena, besides the husband survive. Mrs. Washington Lat is a sister and Thomas Hagerman a brother of the deceased. The funeral will be held on Wednesday.

Word of the death of John Stack, in Schenectady (N. Y.), reached the city yesterday. Mr. Stack, who was for years a resident of St. John, died yesterday, and his body will be brought here on Wednesday for burial. He was about sixty years of age and is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Clune and Mrs. Young, both of New York; Mr. Stack, who was a ship's blacksmith with Wm. Lewis and Sons. He was an active member of the Irish Literary and Benevolent Society.

There are 3,712 names on the provisional list of voters in the four wards where a poll will be taken on the question granting Homeless on Election Day, (divided as follows—Lorne, 950; Lansdowne, 1,063; Victoria, 849; and Duke, 852). In the first two wards there will be four polling stations to accommodate the large number of voters, and three booths in each of the other wards. The polls will open at 8 a. m. and close at 4 p. m.

James H. Hague has secured the contract for the extension of the Emerson and Fisher building in Gormain street. The extension will be in rear of the building and will be thirty-eight feet long by eighteen feet wide, with offices upstairs and warehouses below. The tenders for the construction of the wharf for the Francis Kerr Company have closed. Eleven have been received but no award has yet been made. The proposed wharf, which will be built off Charlotte St., will be 100 feet by 140 feet.

In the meeting room of the Brethren, at 85 Gormain street, last evening, one of their members, Rupert Taylor, was made to Scammell's restaurant, where a dainty repast was served. Following a tour through the marble provinces Mr. and Mrs. Taylor will take up their residence in St. John.

Only One "BROMO QUININE" that is Laxative Bromo Quinine Cures a Cold in One Day, Grip in 2 Days

THE DRINK BILL OF THE COUNTRY

Consumption of Liquor Figures Show a Per Capita Increase in Canada

Some Comparisons as to Expenditures on Liquor and the Revenue Therefrom.

The quantity of spirits consumed in Canada was somewhat less during the fiscal year ending in 1938 than in the preceding year, but there was an increase in the quantity of malt liquor so that on the whole there was an increase in the quantity of strong drink consumed in the country of 2,370,000 gallons. The number of gallons of liquor of different kinds consumed in the Dominion during the past four years, for each one thousand of the population, is shown in the following table taken from the inland revenue excise returns:

Year.	Spirits, Beer, Wine, Total
1935	669 4,972 89 5,331
1936	681 4,255 99 4,935
1937	647 5,535 92 6,274
1938	588 5,812 96 6,497

The total quantities of intoxicating liquors of different kinds, taken for consumption during the fiscal year ending March 31, 1939, were as follows, the figures being for gallons:

Canadian spirits	2,277,312
Imported spirits	2,127,478
Canadian malt liquors	38,500,389
Imported malt liquors	1,996,256
Wines	1,336,232
Total	47,337,661

ESTIMATE OF PRICES PAID.

It is not possible to state accurately the prices paid for these quantities of liquor by the consumers, but care has been taken to obtain the prices paid by the purchaser in the shop and at the bar, due allowance being made for quantities sold in bulk, and for some dilution in spirits which are not usually sold at full strength, the quantities set out in the preceding table being for spirits at proof.

Canadian spirits	\$100
Imported spirits	8.00
Canadian malt liquors	.70
Imported malt liquors	5.00
Wines	5.00

Applying these estimates to the quantities already quoted, we obtain the following table, giving the expenditure on intoxicating liquors in the Dominion of Canada for each year:

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CUSTOMS AND EXCISE

The customs and excise duties collected by the government in 1938, including the excise duty on malt, and \$16,300 collected for distillery, amounting to \$16,300,389, amount to a total of \$14,889,627.88. These facts concerning the liquor traffic in Canada may be summarized in the following form:

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Duty collected there on	\$14,889,627.88
Amount paid by consumers	76,387,619

GOING IN THE WRONG DIRECTION.

This expenditure, though very large in itself, is small as compared with the drink expenditure of some other countries. The drink bill of the United States for 1938 is estimated at \$21,746,865, and the estimated drink bill of Great Britain for the same year as set out in a letter recently published in The Times amounts to \$167,016,200 sterling. The per capita consumption in England is thirty-one gallons, in the United States twenty-two gallons, and in Canada less than seven gallons. For the year 1938, however, as compared with 1937, Canadian consumption shows an increase, while that of Great Britain and the United States show a substantial falling off.

AN IMPOVERISHING PROCESS.

The spending of \$6,887,643 for intoxicating liquor has a serious effect upon the prosperity of the Dominion. It must be remembered that as far as the consumers are concerned, their investment in strong drink may fairly be said to be sheer loss or waste. By this we mean that they have, to the extent named, diminished their personal possessions, without obtaining anything tangible in return. If a man goes into a shoe store and purchases five dollars' worth of goods, he has something to show for his money. He has presumably better off because of the transaction, while the shoe dealer has also profited. If the five dollars is spent for drink at a bar, the dealer may have gained, but the buyer is absolutely five dollars poorer, because of the transaction.

In a sense, this difference holds between expenditure on drink and every other kind of expenditure, except expenditure on other articles of mere luxury that perish almost immediately. This is not the case with expenditure for food or clothing or books or other property which benefits the purchaser in mind, body or estate.

SAYS IT IS DEAD LOSS.

Behind more liquor which is sold there are investment, labor, material, all the factors of production, and some of the same factors that belong to the money or ownership of the purchaser. After the barroom exchange one of these results is that the one who is selling has between ten to twelve dollars, as was the case in the shoe-selling transaction, the one has five dollars, but the other has nothing to show for his investment. The expenditure of \$6,887,643 on drink means that the community is worse off to that extent. Much of this loss falls

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upon people who cannot afford it.

THE REVENUE OFFSET.

There is a partial offset to this. The Government needs a revenue for public purposes, which must be provided in some way by the people. If it were not furnished by the drinker through the liquor traffic it would be supplied by him and his fellow-citizens in some other way. They would therefore, have to contribute through some other means that part of the country's liquor expenditure which now goes into the national treasury in the form of duties and license fees.

The amount of the national liquor revenue has already been stated. The aggregate of all the Provincial and municipal revenues from the liquor traffic is less than \$1,000,000. If we take the total national, Provincial and municipal collections from the liquor traffic as amounting to \$18,500,000 and deduct this from the amount paid for strong drink we have still left \$46,350,000 as the loss caused by the traffic. The people of Canada are today poorer by that amount than they would have been had the liquor traffic not been in operation during the past twelve months.

AS TO INDIRECT LOSSES.

The amount of money actually paid for strong drink is only a part of the national impoverishment caused by the liquor traffic. Most of that money, if not spent for drink, would have been invested in other products, which would have demanded capital, raw material and labor. The business industries of the country would have been more prosperous, more wages would have been earned. There would have been not only larger production, but wider distribution of wealth.

It must be remembered that the production of liquor employs comparatively few men and pays comparatively small wages proportionate to the amount of money it absorbs. From the figures of the spirit and wine manufacturing industries taken in 1938 we learn that for every million dollars of capital invested the liquor industry employed only 150 men, while the average of other industries employed 472 men, and that the liquor industry produced only \$100 worth of goods while the average of other industries paid more than \$100 worth of wages.

THE OVERCROWDING OF SYSTEM.

There are large public expenditures chargeable against the liquor traffic, such as a proportion of the cost of the liquor traffic, and maintenance of asylums for the insane, hospitals, prisons, courts, police forces and a host of other corrective and charitable institutions and agencies. To all this must be added the loss caused through the elimination from the working power of the country, of all the men and women with whom these institutions deal. This statement is already being made in a more detailed estimate of any of these enormous losses.

Furthermore, the foregoing calculations do not deal at all with the physical, social and moral effects of the liquor traffic, which are being brought upon many members of the community. That system which selfishness and avarice are working so hard to extend and perpetuate is the greatest enemy of civilization and progress, and the worst foe that the young Dominion. Every patriotic citizen ought to do his utmost to bring about its overthrow.

FRENCH ARREST

GERMAN AERONAUTS

Confiscate Balloon Which Descended Near Paris—Contained Camera and Maps.

PARIS, April 12.—Three Germans, supposed to be military officers, who descended from a balloon at the village of Santany, about 50 miles south-east of Paris, were arrested there. There has been much uneasiness and resentment lately owing to the number of German balloons crossing the French frontier. No fewer than six have landed in the present week in the eastern departments. The Government the other day ordered the officials everywhere to scrutinize all occupants of the car were foreigners.

The aeronauts proved to be Germans. They professed to be unable to speak French. The Mayor telegraphed Paris for instructions, and was at once directed to hold the visitors and confiscate the balloon and its contents. The latter included a camera and a number of maps. Meanwhile the Ministry of War rushed two officers of the general staff to Santany to make an investigation. The incident is causing some excitement. What disposition will be made of the two men arrested is not yet known. Complaints of German balloons crossing their frontiers have been lately made by Belgium and Holland.

USED MOTOR CYCLE

TO THRESH HIS WHEAT

Debate of a South Australian Farmer—\$5,000 for a Tiara at Christie's.

LONDON, April 12.—In two days the Chinese have subscribed \$12,200 to the fund for the establishment of a Hong Kong University.

\$1,040 FOR A TIARA.

Spirited bidding took place at Christie's the other day for a superb tiara, the Fabia, Lady Stanley of Alderley, and a sum of \$1,040 was realized.

STEEL WAGES REDUCED.

Wages in the manufactured iron and steel trades of the North of England were reduced 2d. per ton on puddling, and 3d. per cent. on all other forged and mill wages, the reduction to take effect from March 28.

LABOR MEMBER IN S. A. MINISTRY.

Mr. F. S. Wallis, a member of the Labor party, has been appointed Chief Secretary in the South Australian Ministry in succession to Mr. A. A. Kirkpatrick, appointed Agent-General of South Australia in London.

COSTERMONGERS' DONKEY SHOW.

The Donkey Show which is being organized by the present campaigner for the present campaigner, is already being granted his patronage, will take place at the People's Palace, Mile-end-road, on Monday, May 24.

WINNING WITH A BICYCLE.

A South Australian farmer during the harvest has used a 3 1/2 horse-power motor bicycle to win his wheat. It connects with the winnower by a universal shaft, the motor being housed in a trolley, which is easily movable from one place to another. When knock-off time comes it is disconnected in about two minutes, and is ridden home. One gallon of petrol cleans 100 bags of wheat, which costs, with oil used, about 1/4d. per bag.

TUG CAPTAIN DROWNED

MEAFORD, Ont., April 13.—Capt. John McInnis, owner of the fishing tug Primrose of this town, while bringing his tug from Owen Sound, where it had wintered, fell overboard Saturday and was drowned.

He was pleased to see that they understood their assignments and worked with great force and encouragement. The meeting was enthusiastic to a degree and promised great things in the temperance cause.

AMUSEMENTS

OPERA HOUSE.

Frankie Carpenter—Jere Grady

And an excellent Company PRESENTING THEIR OWN PLAYS

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The Third Generation. MONDAY, The Third Generation.	
The Garrison Girl. TUESDAY, The Garrison Girl.	
The Garrison Girl. WED. Pawn Ticket 210.	
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Shelter Bay. FRIDAY, Spangies and the Preacher.	
Spangies and the Preacher. SAT. Girl of Eagle Ranch.	

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TREMENDOUS HIT YESTERDAY

Twelve Pieces Grand Concert Orchestra Twelve Pieces

Another Talking Pictures By a New Season Season

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See Them Play Cards. Its a Dream.

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JAPANESE AFTER NEW TYPE OF SUBMARINE

NEW YORK, April 12.—The Japanese Government is negotiating with an American builder of submarine boats for the purchase of plans and specifications for a new type of submarine common use but of double speed. It is stated that the proposed new craft would have about the same destructive power as the present type.

ELECTION CARD

Gentlemen—In accepting your endorsement to become candidate for the office of Alderman-at-Large I might say there is no one in this city who would like to see a good honest city government better than I, that means low taxation and cheap rents, clean streets, etc. If you favor me with your votes on Election Day you will never have cause for regret. If you elect me I pledge you my word of honor there will be no rake-offs with your monies, there can be a saving to the taxpayers of St. John of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars a year by adopting clean, honest methods and honest business transactions between the taxpayers and those who have business with the city, by working for the city or otherwise. These are my views, and all who think as I do I solicit their vote and influence to that end. Yours respectfully,

J. W. MONTGOMERY, 7 and 9 King St.

CUSTOMS BROKER

HAD A RICH GRAFT

BOSTON, Mass., April 12.—Charged with defrauding the federal government of import duties valued at amount to over \$2,000, John E. Purcell of the firm of J. G. Purcell and Company, custom house brokers, was arrested today and taken before United States Commissioner Hayes. He pleaded not guilty and was held in \$2,000 bonds for a hearing on April 26. It is alleged that Purcell, by means of false certificates of entries at the custom houses, collected the full amount of duties from the consignees on numerous imports during the past two or three years, but turned over only a portion to the government.

ENTHUSIASM IS SHOWN IN WORK

Perhaps one of the best temperance lectures during the campaign was delivered by the Rev. Dr. O'Reilly at the Seaman's Institute last night. He commended the Father Mathew societies to the public at large. They were societies which a man should be proud of. The reverend doctor spoke at great length, dwelling particularly upon the cause of drink and the ruin and misery it brought, and advising all to become abstainers.

After the address fifteen men joined the temperance cause by taking the pledge.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the speaker in true hearty sailor fashion.

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