

## Whiskey, Politics and Religion.

### How They Are Used and Abused.

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ARTICLE I.

#### THE WAY OF THE TRANS- GRESSOR.

Tippeny hold John Barleycorn, and dangers thou can't make us scorn: Tippeny we fear no evil, Tippeny we face the devil!"

It is true, as stated, that the Controller's Department handled directly a million dollars' worth of whiskey and other intoxicating liquors last year? I am not prepared to answer this question either in the affirmative or negative; but a well-informed member of the legal profession alleged in my hearing at the Court House a day or two since, that the reason to believe "the seven years' name would not exceed the effect of the strong drink consumed in 1922." Anyway, in spite of the poorness of the times, there is a trade in the various kinds of alcohol done on Duckworth Street the time—a trade that is winked at otherwise encouraged by certain of the powers that be. Detective work does not come within the scope of my duties, and I have no right to act the part of a "Pussfoot" but I know of at least one other place within the city where men go in broad daylight and get all the booze they want, not blaming anybody in particular for this condition of things; I am only saying that such is the case and the prohibition act "might" as the rum that comes down from the North is usually hid away in fishing

boats in the way of making St. John's a "dry" city.

#### BOOTLEGGERS AND SMUGGLERS AT ST. PIERRE.

Of course, there is an incredible amount of smuggling done on our West Coast. That goes without saying. But how is it possible to stop this illicit traffic under existing circumstances? It cannot be done while bootleggers and smugglers meet at St. Pierre, tell of their profits and laugh at the Newfoundland Government. "The Miquelon Islands," says the Literary Digest, "have built a liquor traffic that is now second only to the Bahamas." St. Pierre, as we all know, is the chief shipping point from the Miquelons, and this town has grown in the past three years from a small fishing harbor to a commercial centre. There is no concealment of rum traffic there, for St. Pierre is under the flag of France, and French merchants have yet the legal right to buy liquor of whom they choose and sell it to whom they can in return for coin of the Republic, which has not been depreciated.

#### DRY GOODS MERCHANTS IN THE LIQUOR BUSINESS.

It is said that even the dry goods merchants of St. Pierre carry stocks of liquor. There is but little difference in the methods of smugglers who use St. Pierre, and those of Nassau in the Bahamas, except that the rum that comes down from the North is usually hid away in fishing

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A LUBRICANT—NOT A LAXATIVE

chooners under a cargo of fish. The Christian Science Monitor sent an investigator to St. Pierre who finds that the French Government collects \$3.00 a case on all liquors brought to the islands, and the following prices prevail at St. Pierre, namely: \$25 a case for Haig & Haig; \$21 for "Johnny Walker," \$24 for Dewar's Special, \$24 for Black and White, \$24 for White Horse, with from \$23 to \$27 for Champagnes, and \$21 for Brandy. But when this is sold "over the rail," just outside the three-mile limit of the United States the prices advance to \$45 a case, and upward.

#### POLITICS AND POLITICAL RU- MORS.

The political atmosphere, I find, is again surcharged with rumors about the formation of a new political party and a general election the coming spring, should the "Humber Proposition" materialize in the meanwhile. It is very desirable that the next appeal to the country should be made in such a way as to insure the return of the very best man available as members of the House of Assembly—men who their duties know, but know their rights, and, knowing, dare maintain. Although we all appreciate the wisdom of keeping religion as widely apart from politics as possible, yet we are confronted with the fact that, during the last general election religion was notoriously and shamefully made use of to influence the electorate in certain districts. Let us hope, however, that no such experience will be ours in the appeal to the country in November next. What, in the name of common sense, can it matter if a man is an Episcopalian, a Roman Catholic, a Methodist, a Presbyterian, a Congregationalist, or what not, when it comes to representing a constituency or to holding an office if the man himself is all right? No question as to a citizen's church affiliations should ever arise in the minds of voters; in fact, it cannot arise in the minds of those who think broadly and fairly, and who put good citizenship above creed and dogma—which, too often, lead to narrowness and bigotry; thus shriveling the soul. To recognize any such basis for political preference is to strike at the very foundations of government; is, in fact, to set up church government—the very thing that those most prone to religious intolerance say they do not want.

#### HOW FACTIONS FIGHT AMONG THEMSELVES.

Somebody at the club the other evening asked why it was that the Chinese, an extremely intelligent race, had so far failed to establish order and good government in their new Republic. A person with some experience of the country replied: "Because the people do not realize that the government of China has anything to do with them. They are preoccupied with their own personal affairs, and with the local parish pump, but they do not think about the government of China at all. That they think, is somebody else's business. And so the high officials go about as they please, and party factions fight among themselves and intrigue with partisans and cronies about graft, same as they do in some Christian countries. I could name." Hence it is that China remains in a disorderly and dissatisfied condition, and will so remain until the people wake up and see that it is their business to put things right. What is true of the Chinese people is equally true of us to-day, in a certain sense. We must, if we hope to get back to

normalcy, adopt a policy similar to that which obtained here previous to 1908 when governments were patriotic and economical, and the people contented and happy, when confidence existed between the classes and the masses and all worked together in harmony for the common good. As it is to-day, an air of mystery shrouds the lack of sustained policy. There is no announced programme, no definition of mission that may be generally understood and passed on from one executive to another. One political appointee pulls down the patient accomplishment of his predecessor, and able administrators are removed from office just as they are learning their jobs. The inherent trouble seems to be the amateur way public affairs are administered.

### Real Barn Dances.

Dwellers in Western Canada and the States do not have such a dull time in winter as is often supposed. Perhaps the most popular society activity is a dance, either in a hall in the village or in a private house.

Every town and village has its "hall," a room above some store, and some of the inhabitants make a point of arranging these dances. Musicians from some larger towns are engaged, and leaflets announcing the dance are circulated in the district as widely as possible.

The sale of the tickets cover the expenses, one ticket usually admitted a lady and a gentleman. Refreshments may be provided by a local caterer, or the ladies may bring supper-baskets with them, these sometimes being put up for auction, the gentleman who buys one sharing it with the lady who brings it.

As many of the revellers are ignorant of the figures of the square dances the master of ceremonies is a most important individual, who calls to those present to take partners for the ensuing dance and directs each figure.

#### FULL OF ENERGY.

To those attending such a function for the first time it is very amusing to hear the master of ceremonies calling: "Honour your partners right and left." "Ladies, cross your lily white hands; gentle, your black and tans," and other directions. To see a room full of people jigging a polka in heavy boots while they saw their arms up and down in time to the music is a sight not easily forgotten.

But for riotous enjoyment one must go to the private dances, held in some farm, to which the guests may have driven miles by sleigh. Four sets will be crowded into a room which we consider almost too small for one, and no one is still for a moment, shuffling their feet and jiggling their arms when waiting their turn to join in. The guests bring food towards the supper, and though the ladies usually make some attempt at evening-dress, the men may be attired in their workaday clothes.

Sometimes a surprise dance will be arranged, a party, equipped with refreshments and music, putting in an unexpected appearance at an outlying farm where they have determined to hold the ball. To add to the gaiety, the help of a strolling fiddler is often obtained.

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In the September issue of the "Canadian Fisherman" was set forth a review of experiments conducted in many parts of the world over a wide range of years in order to locate the best means of keeping fishing nets from rotting and getting the maximum of service from twine. Authorities in Belgium seemed convinced that the most effective method involved treatment with copper sulphate, one favoring direct treatment and another after tanning.

H. F. Taylor, chief technologist of the Bureau of Fisheries, Washington, and Arthur W. Wells, his assistant, have been conducting experiments along the same line for some time and have arrived at the conclusion that treatment with copper is the most effective means of extending the life of nets and strongly recommend copper oleate.

Summarizing their experiments, etc., they state:

"The principal results of practical interest are that those preservatives containing copper are superior to those which do not contain it. They are good preservatives for a period up to two months, but they fall off in value after that time, and besides they greatly increase stiffness and weight of the lines and are not suitable for gill nets. They do not protect against marine growths, barnacles, sea moss, etc. Copper paint, while preserving tensile strength well, is objectionable in producing great stiffness and increase in weight, and greatly reduces the ability of the lines to resist mechanical wear.

"As an all round preservative in salt water, copper oleate undoubtedly is, at least as far as laboratory experiments go. It produces no objectionable increase in weight or stiffness, resists mechanical wear, holds tensile strength well, and no marine growths fouled the lines preserved by it. It is suitable for any kind of line or net—gill nets, pound nets, traps, etc. The copper oleate was applied very sparingly in the lines tested—there was only about 1-15 as much copper as in the lines treated with copper paint. Of course the quantity can be made suitable for any purpose.

#### What It Is.

"Copper oleate is a green, waxy or stiff paste substance soluble in gasoline, kerosene or benzol. It is dissolved, preferably in gasoline, in which solution the nets are to be dipped and dried. Drying takes about 30 minutes to an hour. If kerosene is used 24 hours will be required to dry. One pound of copper oleate should be dissolved in a gallon of solvent for gill nets, linen or cotton; for heavy gear that is to remain in water for long periods, such as pound nets, traps, etc., two pounds of copper oleate should be used to each gallon of solvent.

"Copper oleate is not patented nor trade-marked, and is free for anybody to manufacture or use. Any chemist will know what is meant by the name. It will be more expensive than tar, but probably considerably less so than copper paint, and it appears certain that the saving in the nets will much more than pay for its kind of tar, is not messy, and all of it can be used without waste.

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Put in Bay, Ohio, on Lake Erie. It is planned to start several other series much greater deterioration than those in different localities, including the in salt water. It is therefore not advisable to make any definite conclusions.

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### German Bid For Air Mastery.

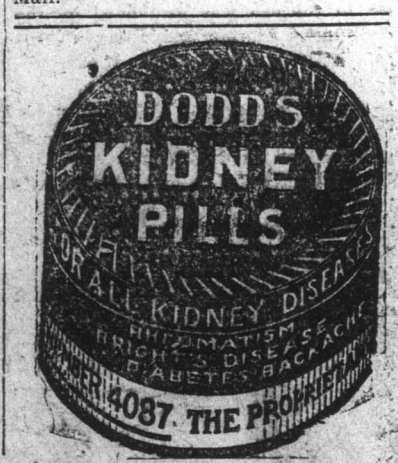
#### STRAINING EVERY NERVE—NEW SWISS-BUILT PLANE.

The contention of experts that treaty limitations impose and German post-war air progress have been more effective on paper than in reality is supported by the fact that a new German-designed Dornier fighting plane, built under licence in a Swiss factory at Romanshorn, in its flying trials at the Dübendorf aerodrome, near Zurich, flew at the rate of 162 miles an hour and showed itself capable of a height of 20,500 feet. It has a motor of 340-horsepower.

The machine is a cantilever monoplane, entirely metal-built. The thick-section single wing has steel spars and is covered with sheets of a feather-weight metal alloy. The wing is raised above the hull, giving the pilot, who operates two machine guns, a clear view.

Emphatic views are voiced by an air technician—who desires for good reasons to remain anonymous—has just returned from the second of two visits to Germany, during which he was in a position to make detailed observations. He says: "You cannot control brains. There is in progress to-day organised, unselfish team-work by the finest brains in Germany to produce bigger, swifter, higher-flying, and generally more powerful aircraft."

"What we must never lose sight of is that all the air resources of Germany—mental, scientific and mechanical—are harnessed to the task of improving machines that fly. And it is their secret investigations, their assiduous laboratory work, which make them so formidable—Daily Mail."



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