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Enforce The Act

In the District Court yesterday sentence was imposed for drunkenness on a young man who had obtained liquor at the Controller's Department, although he was under the age at which the law permits an individual to be served. The Judge stated that five such cases had come under his notice within a week, and his remark that "such offences could not be committed without the co-operation of the Board" made it clear that he was not very favourably impressed with the manner in which it is functioning.

The comment is anything but a bouquet for the Board of Control, and we trust that it will be food for thought for the members who constitute it. The Judge does not condemn the system, it may be noted, but states his considered opinion that the Act is not being properly administered.

We feel that many will agree with His Honour. Without any doubt there is too much drunkenness observable, but whether it is in excess of that which prevailed under prohibition is a question which has yet to be proved, for it must not be forgotten that the law to-day renders an intoxicated man liable to arrest, whereas formerly he was seldom if ever interfered with unless guilty also of some other misdemeanor.

Several instances have been brought to your attention which would make it appear that the Department could act with greater effect than it does to prevent intemperance, which is after all its chief responsibility. The Alcoholic Liquors Act was not passed to encourage drinking nor yet to swell the revenue. It superceded the Prohibition Law because the latter was found to be unenforceable, because it violated a well recognized principle, and because it not only failed in its main purpose but encouraged a host of other evils, each as demoralizing as that which it was intended to suppress. The spirit of the present Act is to promote temperance, and the powers which it gives to those whose business it is to administer it are as comprehensive as possible. If, however, there is failure to apply those powers through incapacity, or disinclination, or through lack of a proper understanding with the officers of the law, the blame must rest with those authorities and measures must be taken to make them realize their duty. Public opinion is dead against intemperance, and it is the force of public opinion that must make its influence felt.

We are not aware that under the Act it was ever intended that an individual should be permitted to purchase a bottle of rum, gin, or whiskey and at the same time a bottle of wine or quantities of beer. We are informed on good authority that instances have occurred where individuals were sold in the Controller's stores more than one bottle a day of spirits, that is, "brandy, rum, whiskey, and gin among other things," as the law defines that term. We trust that the Controller can give a denial to this report as it constitutes a

flagrant breach of the statute. It has come to our knowledge, however, that in a seizure of liquor in the West End more than a week ago it was discovered that such an irregularity had occurred. "Special regulations," the Act states, "to safeguard this rigid limitation shall be made by the Board." Have those regulations been made? Why has no prosecution immediately followed this seizure (which is the business of the Board), and the dismissal of the negligent official or officials however high, been ordered?

It appears to be a matter of little difficulty for one individual to procure liquor for another, and if such is the case, it is easy to see how the various safeguards provided in the act are being rendered useless. The qualification required by an official behind the counter in a controller's store is not salesmanship so much as vigilance, for without it he is a stumbling-block to the effective carrying out of the law.

In connection with the liquor 'dispensed at the Controller's stores, we should like to be assured that the whole of the supplies sold are obtained through regular channels, and that none of the liquor is confiscated stock, an opinion which is not unfrequently expressed. Bootleggers' liquor carries no guarantee whatever of quality in spite of the labels with which the bottles may be adorned, and consists more often than not of adulterations or concoctions, compared with which genuinely manufactured stock is innocuous.

In our opinion the regulated sales which take place in these premises are far less responsible for the intemperance in the city than the beer dens and the resorts in which liquor is sold in defiance of the spirit of the law. The police claim that they are practically powerless to cope with the latter, as they are unable to secure evidence that will lead to a conviction. If there is such a loophole in the act, it is a matter for the authorities to find a way to close it, but the question is where such supplies are obtained. If they come through underground channels, there must be considerable laxity somewhere, and if, on the other hand, the vendors assert that the liquor has been purchased at the Government stores, it should be an easy matter to ascertain if their statements are correct or not.

The Act explicitly imposes this responsibility upon the Board under Section 4, as well as the investigation of every other contravention. Is there any misunderstanding between the Board and the police officials as to the respective duties of each, and if so why? Case after case has occurred in which a raid made by the latter has failed to result in a conviction. This fact must make it evident to the Board that there is something wrong somewhere, but it is their duty, and not that of the police, to find a way out of the difficulty. Only by the fullest co-operation of the authorities and by dealing with the drink question in the spirit which prompted the measure can the Act be made effective, and the principles of temperance upheld.

T. A. Ladies' Annual Entertainment

At a meeting of the T. A. Ladies Auxiliary held last night it was decided to hold another card party, supper and dance on Tuesday next, the 24th inst. Cards will begin at 8.30, followed by the dance at 9 o'clock. The Gem Orchestra will supply the music.

Caribou's Passengers

The following passengers crossed over to Port aux Basques by E. S. Caribou at 7.15 this morning and joined the express:—Mrs. C. Long, Miss C. Blandford, Miss M. Blandford, J. Cohen, Rev. M. O'Reilly, Miss M. Dwyer, Miss M. Hall, Miss H. Poole, Dr. J. E. Grant, W. H. Gardener, H. Cloutier, T. Bartlett, H. and Mrs. Polley, B. Henne, A. T. McIntosh, Rev. R. Johnson.

CONFEDERATION LIFE.

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If Cabot Came Again

Long years ago, across the seas, There fared a hardy Genoese Who sailing round discovered land A rough, deserted, rugged strand.

That man was Cabot with his crew Who to their land had said "Adieu" Little expecting to return again Their home and loved ones to regain.

That land discovered was this, our own On which those sailors then were blown? And as they viewed their strange command At once they dubbed it New-Found-land.

Not a sign of friendship on the shore, And so lured by the ocean's roar, They slept not in a sheltered cot, But in their frail and wooden boat.

But if Cabot would again come here He'd march his troop to Cavendish Square; And in the building there they'd dwell Guests at the Newfoundland Hotel.

PEPYS BEHIND THE SCENES.

Nov. 17th.—My wife busy all this morning about the house, though why it she should take a notion to clean it out at this time, God knows. I did forbid her to lay a hand upon my study, having papers there that I would not have her disturb, but do leave the house in dread of the state I shall find things in at my return.

This afternoon, to Water Street, and meeting Mr. Cowan that is lately come from England, he tells me how the Tatoo did save the Exhibition at Wembley from much greater loss this year, being that night all the people that did visit the exhibition earlier in the year were of the poorer classes and could little afford to spend much money. Anon home, and to my great surprise, find my study has been left alone, but do discover the reason of it is that my wife goes with Mrs. Povey to a sale, and so forgets her house work.

Home all this night, and reading in a strange novel by D. Collins, mighty different from aught I have ever read.

Schooner Plades Wrecked at Cow Head

A message to the Deputy Minister of Customs, from the Collector at Bonne Bay, reports the loss of the schr. Plades, which drove ashore at Cow Head during a gale on Monday night. The message reads as follows:—"Cow Head operator reports that schr. Plades, Allen, Master, which was there taking fish for Stephen Taylor, drove ashore during gale of last night and will likely become total wreck. Crew saved. No other particulars to hand."

Try Stafford's Phorator for your cold or cough.—nov18.1f

To-Night's Dance

AT C.L.B. GYMNASIUM.

Miss Isabel Moore with a number of her lady friends are holding a dance in the C.L.B. Gymnasium to-night, which promises to be largely attended and thoroughly enjoyable. A programme of seventeen dances has been arranged which is varied to suit the desires of all dancers, the music for which will be supplied by the C.L.B. Orchestra. At an interval supper will be served.

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Sale and Concert

Presentation Convent Ladies' Association.

The Presentation Convent Ladies' Association Sale of Work opens to-morrow (Thursday) at 4 o'clock, in the schoolroom, Cathedral Square. Plain and Fancy Work, suitable for Xmas gifts, Vegetables, Home Cookery and Candy have been provided in abundance. Delicious afternoon and 6 o'clock teas will be served to please the most fastidious. The sale will be formally opened by Rev. Mr. Kitchen. A concert in connection with the sale takes place at 8.30 o'clock, in which the city's best talent will take part. It is expected that the sale and concert will be patronized by all ex-pupils and friends of the Presentation Convent, the funds from which go towards addition to class rooms in the near future.

Cure that cough—take Stafford's Phorator.—nov18.1f

Cantata "Harvest Hall"

The members of Cochrane Street Mission Circle are holding an entertainment in the Lecture Hall of the Church at 9 o'clock to-night, which promises to be very enjoyable. A feature of the performance will be the staging of a one act Cantata entitled "Harvest Hall," for which the members of the Circle have been rehearsing for some time past. During the evening candy and ice-cream will be sold.

Grand Lodge S. U. F. in Session

BANQUET TO-NIGHT AT STERLING RESTAURANT.

Grand Lodge, S.U.F. paid a fraternal visit to St. John's Lodge, No. 5 last night, being formally received by the officers and brethren of the latter. Following the visit, the reports of the District Lodges and of delegates from individual Lodges were considered, and matters in connection with the constitution or sent in by various Lodges, dealt with, after which the election of officers was held. This evening the installation will take place and the Grand Lodge session concludes with a banquet at the Sterling Restaurant.

St. John's Lodge S.U.F. At a special meeting of St. John's Lodge, No. 5, S.U.F., last night, various matters were discussed in connection with the welfare of the widows and orphans of deceased members. This is carried on by the Fishermen on quite a large scale and great work is being done.

Five groups of songs in five different costumes in the Synod Hall, Tuesday, Nov. 24th. nov18.1f

Enjoyable Re-union

At the Sterling Restaurant last night a very enjoyable re-union of the Sergeant's Mess and Ladies Auxiliary was held. The entertainment took the form of a card party and dance and proved very successful. The prizes for the highest scores at cards were awarded to Mrs. A. Edwards and Mr. J. McKinlay, respectively. After supper dancing was indulged in till the early hours of the morning, when all returned home feeling that the first reunion had been a great success. It is hoped to arrange quite a number of these social events during the coming winter.

Stafford's Phorator for coughs and colds.—nov18.1f

Obituary

There passed away at Pushthrough on Oct. 27th, Jonathan Rowell, in his 65th year. Deceased had been ailing for some time, but he bore his sickness patiently until the end came. He was well known and respected in different parts of the Island. He leaves to mourn a wife, four sons and two daughters. Interment took place on October 31st, Rev. N. G. Vivian officiating. There to wait till the Resurrection Morn.

At that happy Easter morning, All the graves their dead restore, Father, sister, child and mother Meet once more.

SHIPPING LOCAL and FOREIGN

S.S. Canadian Sapper is due to-day from Montreal and Charlottetown. S.S. Newfoundland leaves Liverpool to-day for here direct. S.S. Sechen arrives at Halifax, from this port, yesterday. S.S. Rosalind left Halifax at four o'clock yesterday, for here. S.S. Silvia leaves Halifax to-day for New York. S.S. Hethpool is now en route to this port from Boston via Halifax. S.S. Creta sails for Montreal to-day and leaves there again for here on the 30th inst. S.S. Hitherwood was expected to leave Montreal yesterday, for here, via Charlottetown. S.S. Airdale leaves Montreal on the 26th inst., for here, direct. S.S. Peveril leaves Montreal on Saturday for here, via Charlottetown. S.S. Hillbrook is due at Montreal from this port. S.S. Jan was expected to leave Montreal on Monday for this port via Summerside, P.E.I. S.S. Frednes leaves New York to-day for Boston, Halifax and this port. S.S. Newton Bay is now supposed to be en route to this port, from Halifax. S.S. Empress of Halifax is now presumed to be en route to here, from Montreal. S.S. Haugerland has sailed from Bell Island for North Sydney, with 9500 tons ore. S.S. Cresco sailed last night for Naples and Greece with a cargo of fish. Schr. Olive Moore 25 days from Barbados arrived in port this morning with a cargo molasses to A. E. Hickman. Tern schr. Douglas E. Parks 7 days from LaHave via Cape Broyle arrived at A. S. Rendell this morning with a cargo malt. Schr. Novelty arrived in port this morning from Barbados after a passage of 32 days. She has a cargo of molasses. Schr. Gerda has sailed from Caribou for Oporto with 3700 qtls. shore fish shipped by W. & J. Moores. Schr. Portofino has cleared from Grand Bank for Oporto with 3572 qtls. codfish. Schr. Isabel Moore has cleared from St. Anthony for Seville with 5200 qtls. Labrador fish in bulk. Schr. Cecil Junior has sailed from Herring Neck for Seville with 5600 qtls. Labrador and 100 qtls. Shore

From Cape Race

CAPE RACE, To-day. Wind W.N.W. fresh, weather fine; nothing sighted.—Bar. 29.60; Ther. 42.

German songs in a period costume of about sixty years ago at the Eleanor Mews' Recital. nov18.1f

TO-DAY'S MESSAGES

PERSONAL SUBSCRIPTIONS IN ITALY TO REMOVE THE DEBT.

ROME, Nov. 18.—A movement launched at Genoa to obtain a yearly voluntary subscription of \$1 per person to raise five million dollars a year, which represents the first five instalments of Italy's debt to the United States, is spreading through the country. Coal exchanges of Milan and Genoa have invited all their members to subscribe to the debt fund and the National Directorate of the Fascist Party is expected to order all "black shirts" in Italy to subscribe.

FREE STATE TO NEGOTIATE ECONOMIC TREATIES.

LONDON, Nov. 18.—The Daily Mail says the Irish Free State is about to negotiate economic treaties with France and Germany. Both France and Germany believe they will find a fine market in Ireland.

SERIOUS OUTLOOK IN THE EAST.

LONDON, Nov. 18.—The correspondent of the Daily Mail at Damascus lays stress on the seriousness of the situation due to hostilities between the Druse tribesmen and other rebels and the French forces. The correspondent represents both Beirut and Damascus as being imperilled by the threatened junction of tribesmen with friends of Said Atrash, a brother of the Sultan. Pasha Atrash, chief of the Druses. Such combined forces, the despatch adds, could easily seize Beirut, which is only defended by a few guns, and it is understood if the rebels capture it the French will not hesitate to bombard the city.

SERIOUS FIRE AT MISSISSIPPI DOCKS.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Nov. 18.—A fire breaking out suddenly on the Mississippi River docks this morning was pronounced under control after causing property loss estimated at more than \$3,000,000.

AMBASSADOR TO GERMANY TO RESIGN.

BERLIN, Nov. 18.—It is learned that Baron Dabernon, the British Ambassador to Germany, intends to resign after the Locarno treaties have been signed.

Supreme Court

(Before Mr. Justice Kent.)
 In the matter of John T. Meany vs. James Coughlan.

This is an action for the recovery of the sum of \$907.95 loaned by the plaintiff to the defendant in 1923. The defendant entered a counter claim for \$842. Gibbs, K.C., for the plaintiff. L. E. Emerson for defendant. Judgment for the plaintiff with costs was entered in the main claim. In the counter claim judgment for \$12 was given in favor of Coughlan.

WAR VETS' CIRCUS

PRINCE'S RINK

beginning
 NEXT MONDAY

Strictly High-Class and
 Up-to-the-Minute
 VAUDEVILLE

by 11 Stars consisting of
 Society Entertainers.

Aerial and Trapeze
 Performances

TRAINED ANIMALS

All direct from New York.

POSITIVELY
 NO TAGGING OR
 BUTTON - HOLING

ADMISSION

25c.

COVERS ALL.

Our proceeds are for the relief of distressed ex-Servicemen and their families.

Of Course You're
 With Us!

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Government Boats

Agryle leaving Argentina this afternoon on West route.

Caribou arrived Port aux Basques 7.15 a.m.

Clyde left Herring Neck 5.20 p.m. yesterday, outward.

Home left Springdale 3.45 p.m. yesterday, inward.

Kyle left Hr. Deep 9 a.m. yesterday, going north.

Malakoff left Greenspond 2.35 p.m. yesterday, inward.

Melale arrived Carbonear 8.10 a.m. to-day, inward.

Portia left Fortune 3.30 p.m. yesterday, coming east.

Prospero left Hr. Deep 10 a.m. yesterday, coming south.

Sagora leaving Humbermouth to-day.

Gloucester arrived Argentina 2.40 p.m. yesterday.

Here and There

DINNER POSTPONED.—Owing to unforeseen circumstances the complimentary dinner which was to be tendered to the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Star of the Sea Society at the hall to-night has been postponed.

Hear the Intermezzo for 'Cello and Piano and the tragic Aria from "Cavalleria Rusticana" depicting the grief of the young girl, Eleanor Mews' Recital, Tuesday, 24th November. nov18.1f

REQUIEM MASS AT ST. PATRICK'S.—Solemn Requiem Mass will be sung in St. Patrick's Church at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning for the repose of the soul of Sister Mary Josephine Griffin, aged 80 years. R.I.P.

BORN.

On the 15th Nov., to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Power, Chapel Street, a daughter.

DIED.

This morning, John Haley, aged 56 years, leaving wife, son and daughter to mourn their sad loss. Funeral on Thursday at 3.30 p.m. from his late residence Freshwater Road. Friends please attend.

Early this morning, after a long illness, Catherine Molloy, wife of Richard Stamp, left to mourn are a husband, 3 daughters and one son; also 4 sisters and one brother. Funeral on Friday at 2.40 p.m. from her late residence, 60 Freshwater Road. My Jesus Mercy.

IN LOVING MEMORY
 of Edna Reid, died Nov. 18th, 1924, aged 21 years, the only daughter of Peter and Dorothy Reid of Winterton, T.B.
 As we see the flowers blooming,
 And so soon to fade away,
 So it was with you, dear Edna,
 Came to us, but did not stay.
 —Inserted by mother, father and five brothers.

IN FOND AND LOVING MEMORY
 of our dear mother, Carrie Vavasour, who died Nov. 18th, 1920.
 We deeply mourn for you, dear mother,
 No eyes may see us weep;
 But many a silent tear is shed
 While others lie asleep.

Surrounded by friends we are lonely,
 In the midst of our joys we are blue;
 With a smile on our lips we've a heartache
 Longing, dear mother, for you.
 —Inserted by her children.

IN FOND AND LOVING MEMORY
 of my dear mother, Isabel Rickert, who died Nov. 11th, 1914.
 We deeply mourn for you, dear mother,
 No eyes may see us weep;
 But many a silent tear is shed
 While others lie asleep.

Surrounded by friends we are lonely,
 In the midst of our joys we are blue;
 With a smile on our lips we've a heartache
 Longing, dear mother, for you.

We think of you in silence,
 When your name we often call;
 But there's nothing left to answer
 But your photo on the wall.
 —Inserted by her son Jack and daughter-in-law.

NOTE OF THANKS.—Mrs. Moses Searle and family wish to sincerely thank Mrs. Macpherson and Fraser, Rev. Power, Mr. T. Pope, Mrs. Driscoll, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. A. Foster, Mr. Ed. White, and Undertaker Andrew Carnell for their prompt and helpful attention in their great sorrow during the sudden illness and death of their dear husband and father. Also kind friends and relations who sent wreaths and sheaves, Mrs. Wm. Dawe and family, Bay Roberts; Mr. and Mrs. O'Reilly, Mr. and Mrs. S. White, Miss Myra Taylor, Mrs. N. Andrews, Miss G. Grimes, Mrs. David Johnston, Miss Jocelyn, Mrs. Charlotte Thomas, Mr. Edward Carbery, Mr. and Mrs. T. Pope and family, City; Mr. and Mrs. Roy Scott and family, Mr. Frank Searle, Boston, Mass.; also telegrams of sympathy, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Russell, Miss Gladys Russell, Mrs. Wm. Dawe and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Calpin, Mr. Chester Dawe, Mrs. (Capt.) John Parsons, Bay Roberts; Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Archibald, Mr. and Mrs. H. Archibald, Miss Florence Archibald and Miss Dorothy Archibald, Hr. Grace; also letters of condolence, Miss Marion Simmonds, Mrs. M. K. Taylor, Hr. Grace; Mrs. Wm. Dawe, Bay Roberts; Mr. Thomas Weir, Mr. Robert Weir, Petty Hr.; Mr. C. E. Russell, Minister of Public Works, Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Hudson, Miss Helen Caldwell, Wesley Star Mission Circle, Mrs. S. White, Mr. and Mrs. S. Bright and family, L. M. Knight, Mr. George Gushue, the Women's Missionary Society of St. Andrew's Church; also Masonic Lodge Tasker No. 454 for the manner in which they expressed to the family their deepest sympathy; they also wish to thank those kind friends who called to sympathize.

YOUR ATTENTION! CITIZENS!

CITY OF ST. JOHN'S.



(Copy)

October 6th, 1923.

P. E. Outerbridge, Esq.,
 City.

Dear Sir:—

In reply to your communication of 25th ulto., I may say the grants received by the City Council from the Government towards the building and maintenance of City streets are as follows:

Roads East	\$2,815.00
Roads West	2,512.50
Southside Road	430.00
Blackhead Road	50.00

\$5,807.50

With regard to the proper allocation due the City under the Per Capita Grant, I may say with its population of 35,000, it should receive the sum of \$70,000.00.

Trusting the above information will be in order, -

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) J. MAHONEY,
 City Clerk.

1924 and 1925
 NO INCREASE.

MY PLATFORM:
 TO GET THE CITY ITS FAIR SHARE
 OF THIS GRANT.

P. E. OUTERBRIDGE.

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SALE OF WORK!

YOUNG LADIES' GUILD ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Presbyterian Hall, Thursday, Nov. 19th
 AT 3 O'CLOCK.

Plain and Fancy Work, also Novelties suitable for Christmas.

AFTERNOON TEAS 40c.

ADMISSION 10c.

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Masonic-B. I. S. Clubs' Sweepstake

In connection with the Masonic-B. I. S. Billiard Tournament now in progress.

\$2500.00 IN PRIZES, NOT INCLUDING THE WEEKLY LUCKY NUMBER, WORTH \$20.00 UNCLAIMED LUCKY NUMBERS:

FIRST DRAWING B8454
 SECOND DRAWING B21205
 P. J. COLFORD, G. W. RABBITTS,
 Secretary B.I.S.

TICKETS 10c. each.

Outposts are requested to purchase at dealers, as tickets are practically all distributed. nov18.1f

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHOR

will hold a

GRAND CONCERT

IN THE PRESBYTERIAN HALL, ON

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3rd.

RESERVE THIS DATE nov18.1f

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Bank of Nova Scotia Building,

St. John's.

NOTE:—Sir Richard Squires, K.C., has resumed practice and may be interviewed by appointment only at the offices of the firm.

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F. A. G. Association TRAVEL SWEEP.