

IT'S ALL SO EASY DOWN IN MONTREAL

Whiskey is Plentiful and
Doctors' Prescriptions
Are Unnecessary.

The great worry of a visitor to Montreal today is not where to find a bottle of whiskey or a drink, but where not to find one or the other. The way of the prohibition transgressor is made nice and easy in the Quebec city. He does not have to worry around a doctor's office to obtain a prescription before he can purchase a bottle of "firewater," and "bootleggers" or their agents are practically out of business, as they are unable to compete with the government vendors, who do all the trade coming their way. Although the law provides that any person buying a bottle of spirits must present a doctor's prescription, it is to be very much doubted if the license vendors know what such a document looks like. A perfect stranger can enter any one of these official distributing shops, select his favorite brand of whiskey or brandy or gin, pay for it and depart at his ease. There is no back door work about the whole process—it is all front shop work, which anyone can see who so desires.

These vendors are doing an immense business over the counter—they each have four or five helpers handing over bottles from morning until evening. Their life is by no means dull and when one has watched the stream of buyers for an hour, the reason why Toronto cannot obtain anything like a sufficiency of Scotch whiskey, is at once explained. Why should the vendors take the trouble to dispatch a case of whiskey to a would-be customer in Toronto at 36 or 40 dollars per case when they have an all-day demand for single bottles at \$4.50 per bottle? It is little wonder, therefore, that Toronto citizens are having their money returned to them by the Montreal agents—for all they care, Toronto may remain a dry city, without prohibition or want of supplies, as they have as much trade as they can handle at home.

Scotch is limited? Montreal agents inform their Toronto clients that the selection of brands of Scotch whiskey is very limited. This statement is hardly borne out by a visit to any of the vendors shops—any known, and for all that, unknown, brand asked for is easily obtainable. But if Montreal continues to buy at its present rate of progression, there will be a general prayer uttered up for the speedy opening of navigation for replenishment purposes.

Does it pay to bring a bottle back to Toronto? It does not. The lowest cost of a bottle of whiskey is \$4.50. In Toronto, a prescription costs \$1.50 and the bottle of spirits \$2.50, making the total cost \$5.00. Of course, it's far easier to obtain the spirits in Montreal, but as a financial proposition it is hardly worth the trouble to take over the wholesale trade is no less active than the retail, and can obtain more business than they can possibly handle. One day last week a lady from Toronto presented to a firm of rye whiskey dealers a certified cheque for \$20,000, and requested the liquidation in whiskey to be shipped to the Queen City. Although the lady made three calls on the firm, they turned her off down on each occasion.

WILL NOT BE GUIDED BY OTTAWA OPINION

In the legislature yesterday Howard Ferguson drew the attention of the government to a despatch in the morning papers quoting the authority of the minister of justice to the effect that the Dominion parliament has no right to enact an eight-hour day, and the statement of H. Burnham, M.P., that this matter is now up to the Drury government that has the matter under consideration.

Premier Drury replied that the government did not intend to take any expressed personal opinion from Ottawa as guiding its action. The matter is under the consideration of the two wings of the party—government and labor.

Howard Ferguson: They have wings, have they? Mayor Macpherson called attention to a despatch in the daily press dealing with the actions and intentions of Alvo von Albenstien since his release from custody in Salt Lake City, and the report of his coming to Toronto to redeem his financial affairs. He asked the government for an explanation, but Hon. Beniah Bowman said he had no information that the Kaiser's agent holds any property in Ontario.

CLAIM RETURN OF AUTO.

Evidence was heard by Mr. Justice Onda yesterday in the action brought by the Commercial Finance Corporation and Premier Motor Sales against Francis Darling and Fred Stratford for the recovery of a Dodge Sedan car, said to have been sold to Darling under a conditional sale agreement, which is now claimed to be in default. Stratford overhauled the car at a cost of \$564 and subsequently executed a lien for the amount, restraining return of the automobile.



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CITY HALL NOTES

Among the many decisions reached by the board of control at yesterday morning's session was that of continuing to run the municipal abattoir for another year, although under a new manager.

This decision to run it on trial for this length of time under civic control was made when the board were considering the abattoir estimates, totaling \$138,121. This is against \$111,480 expended last year. The new manager will be appointed on Thursday.

It was decided that a new sea wall to cost \$24,000, be built by the city at Exhibition Park.

Finance Commissioner Bradshaw submitted an additional estimate calling for the expenditure of \$34,000 for the parks. He explained that the funds were needed for the preparation of the new Greenwood and Royce parks that have been obtained by the city. Of this amount, \$11,500 was wanted for the grading and draining of Greenwood Park, and the improvements to the Avenue road and St. Clair avenue property, on the mayor's motion, was struck out.

City Solicitor Johnston is busy preparing the bill regarding the proposed about Pleasant car line, whereby the city will seek authority to issue debentures for the line's construction. The bill will be ready for immediate presentation if the recommendation of the board of control passes the city council on Monday. There is an abiding hope among some of the members that the project will not be killed again.

The controllers adopted the mayor's motion calling for a report from the finance commissioner and corporation counsel on the form of application for legislation to enable the city to sell some of the bonds necessary to pay the amount of the award of the arbitration in reference to the taking over of the T.S.R. in 1921. The legislation should be obtained during this session.

Ald. Baker made an appearance, and complained of the board's action in cutting out \$175,000 from the estimates for the purpose of purchasing Scarborough Beach Park. He pointed out that it was a revenue-producing park for the Toronto Street Railway, and that the matter should go to council. The mayor's motion that a report be obtained from civic officials was adopted.

The City Hall Employees' Association sent a deputation to the board asking for increased wages. President James W. Somers stated that the association wanted the high cost of living bonus now being given converted into the permanent salaries, with the addition of \$6 a week, retroactive from January 1 of this year. Other increases according to promotion were also desired.

Finance Commissioner Bradshaw informed the board that the recommendations for civic salary increases will be ready today.

Major Alex. Lewis, representing the Canadian Deep Waterways and Power Association, asked for a civic grant of \$5,000 towards this national project. He stated that Toronto was requested to contribute one-quarter of the amount contributed by Ontario municipalities. Other Ontario municipalities had already contributed \$9,000 to this fund, which is to be used for propaganda purposes. The board is to decide on the matter at a later date.

The estimates of the treasury department, amounting to \$231,057, as presented by Finance Commissioner Bradshaw, passed the board without a single cut. This, in view of the way other civic department estimates have been handled, might almost be regarded in something of the light of a miracle. Last year the commissioner asked for \$398,927, and the actual expenditure was \$302,984.

The controllers decided to re-insert estimates aggregating \$9,000 in connection with the Exhibition. This includes \$5,000 for repairs to buildings, \$2,000 for grading and sodding the south lawn, and \$2,000 for benches. Supplementary police estimates totaling \$148,827 were presented by Commissioner Bradshaw.

This amount is required for nine months' salary of 88 additional constables, clothing and sundries. These 88 men will bring the police force up to 750 men.

The finance commissioner made an appeal to the board, in which he pointed out the heavy capital expenditures that the city has committed itself to. "I really don't know where the money is coming from, and I think we should put our foot down," he said.

The controllers decided to call for a special private conference with the city council on Thursday to consider the matter.

CUSTODY OF CHILD REFUSED.

Holding that it would be inadvisable to transfer five-year-old Gladstone Driscoll from the country to the city, the appellate division yesterday affirmed the judgment of Justice Logie, refusing the application of Mr. and Mrs. Driscoll to have the boy restored to their custody. The boy lives with foster parents in Seymour township.

KEN L. AITKENS ESTATE

The estate of the deceased Kenneth Lynwood Aitken, who died in California, has been given out at \$10,771. Insurance policies for \$10,300 make up almost the entire estate.

WANT MORE BACON FROM THIS COUNTRY

Canadian Product Does Not
Begin to Supply Demand
in Britain.

"Why don't you ship more Canadian bacon?" This is a question asked me from one end of England and Scotland to the other. It was a source of great regret that I had to reply that Canadian packers were not able to ship more bacon than they were owing to the fact that the hogs were not being produced in the country.

In these words, Brig.-Gen. J. A. Gunn, president of Gunns Limited, Toronto, who has just returned from Great Britain, where he spent three months investigating conditions.

"Conclusive evidence of the value of Canadian bacon on the English market," he went on, "is that while shipments of bacon from other countries may be put into storage from time to time because of lack of demand, yet one pound of Canadian bacon goes into storage in England. It is snapped up for immediate consumption as fast as it arrives. Not only is this so, but every case of Canadian bacon that is sold, the buyer is anxious to take a few cases of other brands of bacon. In other words, the popularity of Canadian bacon makes it possible to use it as a lever to increase sales of other brands which are not so much in demand."

"I explained to business men that high prices for grain feeds and the uncertain market conditions of the past autumn had seriously curtailed hog production in Canada. But I believe the prospects for the future are so good that the preservation of our breeding stocks until grain prices ease off is a vital national concern which should engage the attention of all classes. This point cannot be expressed too strongly upon producers."

CONSTABLE LOGIE'S CASE ADJOURNED BY BOARD

The board of police commissioners yesterday afternoon recommended to the city license department that licenses be refused to restaurants which are found not to be properly equipped with lavatory accommodation. The question of inadequate lavatories in cafes was brought to the attention of the board, due to a number of complaints received by the police. The case of Constable W. Logie, which developed over charges being made against Detective George Young, was adjourned for one week at the request of Logie.

Dr. Fowler, veterinary, recommended that one of the police horses be destroyed, owing to a foot ailment. The commissioners decided to have the animal shot. P.C. Shipley was granted six weeks' leave of absence in order to take his three children to England. Mrs. Shipley died here recently.

Representatives of the Amputated Cases' Association were granted permission to hold a tag day on May 23. H. C. Hocken, M.P., asked that a tag day be allowed on July 12, the proceeds to go to the Orangethorpe Orphanage. The request was granted. Mr. Spinks asked the commissioners to re-open his case, and that he be allowed to open a dance hall. As the request was refused before, the board refused to re-open the case.

Ambrose Woods' Litigation Is Now Before Courts

Mr. Justice Riddell removed from the statement of claim all improper allegations against Fred Woods in the management of the liquor business of the deceased T. Ambrose Woods when application came before the court yesterday for particulars in the pleadings of the action brought by Mrs. Elsie Orpen Woods, the executrix of the children, against the executors of the estate of her late husband. A claim of about \$100,000 is made for alleged mismanagement of the liquor business on Dundas street, which was conducted by the executors after the death of Mr. Ambrose Woods.

HOUSE OF INDUSTRY

At the monthly board meeting yesterday of the House of Industry the report showed 847 families on the books of the house receiving assistance. There was distributed during the month 200 tons of coal, 4,908 large loaves of bread, 11,838 pints of milk and 6,933 lbs. of groceries. 50 per cent. of the new cases assisted during the month were suffering from various forms of sickness.

The casual poor report showed 41 persons sheltered 519 nights and received 1,533 meals, 6 were from outside municipalities. The inmates report showed 107 in the home, 71 males, 36 females, 9 were admitted, one left and 7 died.

The treasurer's statement showed expenses for the month \$6,225.24 and an overdraft at the bank of \$11,109.23.

GRAND JURY FINDINGS.

True bills were returned by the grand jury yesterday against L. E. Sylvester, charged with forgery; Walter Freeland, theft; Frank Lungo, receiving. A "no bill" was returned in the case of Sam Becker on a charge of false pretences.

JAIL TERM FOR AUTOIST.

In yesterday's police court Sam Weinman was sentenced to jail for one week for being intoxicated while driving a motor vehicle. An appeal was entered.

PASSED WORTHLESS CHEQUES.

Sentence of six months at the jail farm was imposed yesterday on Mrs. Maud Power by Judge Coatsworth. She was charged with passing three worthless cheques aggregating \$407, at the King Edward.

SUES FOR ALIMONY.

Action has been entered at Osgoode Hall by Hazel Hargrave against T. H. Hargrave for alimony and interim alimony of \$20 a week.

STANDARD RELIANCE PROBE CONTINUES

Mr. Dinnick Gives Some Particulars Relating to Erie Realty Co. Deals.

W. S. Dinnick continued his evidence yesterday in the Standard Reliance probe and gave some further particulars in regard to the Erie Realty Company dealings.

The sale price of \$130,000 included all the real estate of the Erie Company, \$25,000 being added to the price of the land. The Dovercourt Company assumed mortgages for \$64,000 against the \$130,000. There was a credit of \$68,000 to the Erie Realty Company in the Standard Reliance books as a result of the transactions, admitted the witness.

The Standard Reliance owned the Dovercourt Company, which owned all the capital stock of the Erie Realty Company. The lands, including the Harris and Lawrence properties, were transferred from the Erie to the Dovercourt, and the sale agreements to the Standard, \$22,000 in lands, and \$27,000 in agreements, admitted Mr. Dinnick. The hearing was adjourned until March 25.

FOUND ASPHYXIATED.

Fred Bray was found asphyxiated in bed at 437 East King street yesterday morning. A gas jet, partly turned on, was held responsible for the tragedy. Bray has a wife and child living on Parliament street.

JAIL FOR EX-CONSTABLE

Judge Coatsworth, in the sessions yesterday, sentenced Samuel T. Rowe, at one time on the city police force, to six months at the Jail Farm for receiving a stolen auto.

FALSE PRETENCES CHARGED

Judge Coatsworth yesterday sentenced Gerald Hogan to one month at the Jail Farm for false pretences. Hogan had refunded the \$787 involved.

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SENTENCE DEFERRED

Harry Cohen was found guilty in the sessions yesterday of receiving, and Judge Coatsworth deferred passing sentence until tomorrow.

BECK TO CONFER WITH GOVERNMENT

Looks for Early Start on
Toronto and Eastern
Radial.

After three months' absence in England, during the greater part of which period he was ill, Sir Adam Beck returned to the city yesterday, and to his desk in the Hydro-Electric office. He announced that he had not had time to learn the trend of events here in his absence, but expected to see Premier Drury and other members of his cabinet soon, and hoped to get full co-operation from the government in extending the Hydro light and power system and Hydro radials. He said he knew nothing of the report that the government was holding up the bonds of the Toronto & Eastern radial. The proposition was endorsed by the municipalities, he continued, and with the co-operation of the provincial and federal governments an early start would be made on the construction of the road.

Regarding the proposal that he should run in Northeast Toronto for the seat vacated by Dr. Cody, Sir Adam said he had nothing to say. He was equally uncommunicative regarding the negotiations for the purchase of the Metropolitan Railway.

Sir Adam spoke of the progress that is being made with the development of additional power at Niagara by the building of the Chippawa canal. The power, he said, is already badly needed.

REV. DR. BARTLEY'S WILL

Probate of the will of the deceased Rev. Dr. Thomas E. Bartley, pastor of Woodgreen Tabernacle, has been granted to Mrs. Bartley, widow, and Thomas H. Bartley, son of deceased. The estate is valued at \$24,866. The widow gets deceased's property on Keele street and the cottage and island in the Georgian Bay absolutely, and a life interest in the rest of the property.

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DAMAGES APPEALS FAIL

Claiming that his crops were injured by the fumes from the plant of the Canadian Copper Company, Jon Lambi sued them for \$150, but was only successful to the extent of \$78 in the Sudbury court. He appealed, and yesterday the appellate division dismissed his appeal.

The same company appealed against a judgment for \$190 from the same court in favor of Call Kinnunen, but their appeal was dismissed by the appellate division.

LEFT BIG ESTATE

By the will of the late Napoleon T. Lyons, of the St. T. Lyons Glass Company, his widow is left a life interest in her husband's business, which, on her death, is to be divided equally between his children. The rest of the estate is left to the widow absolutely. The estate is inventoried at \$20,000.

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