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## ATTACK VALIDITY OF LIQUOR LAWS

It is Maintained That Dominion Government Cannot Legislate For One Section of Canada Instead of Canada as a Whole.

(Canadian Press Despatch)

Ottawa, May 10.—The validity of the Alberta prohibition law is challenged in a case which opened in the supreme court this afternoon. The case is that of Gold Seal, Limited vs. Dominion Express Co. A. A. McGillivray, Calgary, counsel for the appellants, sought to invalidate the Alberta prohibition law on two main charges. He argued that the amendments to the Canada Temperance Act of 1919, were ultra vires, in so far as they sought to legislate for one section of Canada instead of for Canada as a whole; furthermore, the law provided that all articles should be produced in one province should be admitted free into any other part or provinces of Canada.

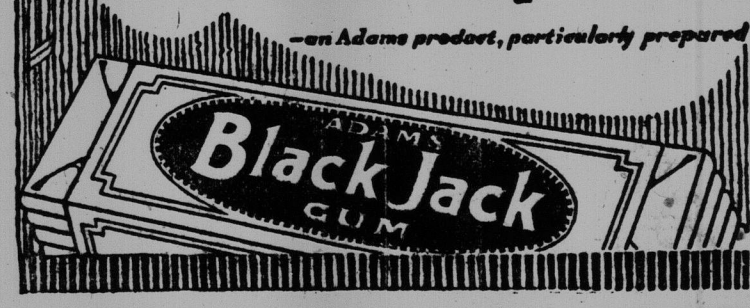
On February 1 last, when prohibition came into force in Alberta, Gold Seal, Limited, a firm of liquor distributors, offered for shipment to the Dominion Express Co., common carriers, a car load of rye whiskey and wine, the produce of British Columbia, from Vancouver to Calgary. It was the intention of the liquor company to distribute the liquor and wine from Calgary to other parts of Canada, where they might lawfully be received. The express company declined the shipment. The case will be further heard tomorrow.

## BUSY SEASON FOR THE NAVY LEAGUE

The annual meeting of the New Brunswick Division of the Navy League of Canada was held yesterday afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms in Prince William street with the president, R. E. Armstrong, in the chair. The reports of the various officers of the league showed that the year had been an extremely busy one. The same officers and executive members were re-elected. The treasurer's report showed a slight deficit for the season.

The meeting opened with the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting by H. J. Evans, secretary pro tem. In the absence of C. B. Allan, the president, R. E. Armstrong, gave a verbal report on the year's work. He mentioned that the dominion wide campaign, to raise funds for the Navy League, had been disappointing to all concerned, but that other sections beside this province had fallen down in their quota. He praised W. Brindle, manager of the Seamen's Institute, for his work during the year and also complimented Captain Mulcahy for his work in charge of the Dominion Council of the Navy League relief committee. He mentioned the

## Improves appetite and aids digestion



work of the Navy League in helping the D. B. S. men to reach their homes. Captain Mulcahy, chairman of the relief committee, reported several worthy cases that his committee had looked after during the year; he also mentioned the entertainment that was given the men from H. M. S. Calcutta and Constantine during the time they were in the city last summer.

H. C. Schofield, treasurer, reported that the financial standing for the year was not so good as might have been hoped for. The report showed that the receipts for the year had been \$10,632.40 and the expenditures, \$11,278.10, leaving a deficit of \$645.70. The balance on hand at the end of the current year was \$10,751.02.

The secretary's report showed that 1,100 bags had been prepared for the sailors by the ladies' auxiliaries of the league, and the majority of the bags distributed at Christmas time. The report also dealt with various other donations that had been received by the league for the benefit of the seamen.

Captain Mulcahy thanked the ladies of the various societies of the city for their hearty co-operation in all work in connection with the relief of suffering families of seamen. W. Brindle also thanked the ladies for their help during the season at the institute.

After the reports were read the election of officers took place. All the officers of last year were re-elected. They are as follows: Honorary president, Mayor Schofield; president, R. E. Armstrong; vice-president, A. J. Mulcahy; secretary, C. B. Allan; treasurer, H. C. Schofield. The members of the executive consist of the president of each branch of the league in the province; the regent of each chapter of the I. O. D. E.; commodore of the R. K. Y. C.; commodore of the Power Boat Club; regent of the Municipal Chapter; president and officers, ex officio, of the Seamen's Institute, and R. H. Smith, D. Ledingham, E. L. Rising, W. H. Lugsden, L. P. D. Tilley, Chief Justice McKeown, Mrs. J. B. Edwards, Mrs. F. S. White, Mrs. Mulcahy, Mrs. J. B. Travers, Mrs. J. F. Robertson, T. H. Bullock, R. T. Hayes and Col. E. T. Sturdee.

The meeting authorized expenditures up to \$5,000 on improvements to the Seamen's Institute. They voted \$250 to the N. B. Tourist Association for the rental of that association's rooms. The meeting also appointed the president and secretary as the local representatives at the Dominion Council of the Navy League to be held at Halifax in June.

## THE SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARIES

The school room of St. Mary's church probably never held so large a gathering as it did last night when between 500 and 600 people were present at the congregational reunion which was part of the sixtieth anniversary celebrations. Rev. R. P. McKim welcomed the gathering and more particularly greeted those former members of St. Mary's who had moved to another part of the city and were no longer members of the congregation, many of whom were present. St. Mary's band, under the able direction of Bandmaster Harold Williams, provided an excellent programme of music during the evening. Archdeacon W. O. Raymond, in speaking of the band, told how it had originated with its members composed of the cadet corps boys, how it had enlisted as a body and gone overseas and afterwards had become the band of the Princess Pats. He congratulated the band on its performance and on its record. The archdeacon also made feeling reference to the more than 2,000 members of the congregation who had been laid to rest since he was first rector in 1884. Regret at the absence of Mrs. Raymond was expressed. Mrs. Raymond, since her arrival in St. John, has been in poor health and unable to attend the anniversary celebrations. She is making a very satisfactory progress towards recovery and it is hoped she will be able to be out today. Light refresh-

ments were served at the close of the evening and the young ladies of the congregation assisted.

In St. Jude's.

The Bible class, Boy Scouts, Girl Guides and other organizations of St. Jude's church met last night to observe the sixtieth anniversary of the church and spent a very happy evening.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF WATERLOO ST. BAPTIST CHURCH

The annual meeting of the Waterloo Street Baptist church was well attended last evening. The pastor of the church, Rev. L. B. Gray, occupied the chair. The reports from the various societies were read and officers elected for the year.

The report from the C. G. I. T. was read by Miss Hazel Hamilton; the report from the Trail Rangers by John Mott; from the Junior League by Miss Margaret Hamilton; B. Y. P. U. by Miss Florence Kierstead; Sunday school by Leslie Day; Mission Band by Miss Ada Coates; music by the church choir; advisory board, Leslie Day; house committee, H. Hoyt; the "Tens," Mrs. Thos. Robinson; treasurer's report, James Patterson.

The treasurer's report showed that the last year had not been so successful financially as expected, as the amount raised was \$1,878.20 and the expenditures totalled \$2,216.05, leaving a deficit for the year of \$337.85. The report showed that the church had contributed \$870 towards the forward movement in Canada. A special donation of \$100 had been made by the B. Y. P. U. to the general running expenses of the church and a contribution of \$155.48 by the Women's Missionary Aid Society to foreign missions.

The pastor, Rev. L. B. Gray, reviewed his work since he accepted the pastorate last summer. He showed that there had been nine baptisms during that time and that several others were taken into the church.

The officers elected last evening were as follows: Treasurer, James Patterson; superintendent of the Sunday school, John Mott; members of the advisory board, Rev. L. B. Gray, James Patterson, H. E. Hoyt, J. W. Mott, M. W. Galley, W. B. Kierstead, G. Brown, G. Willgar, C. E. E. E. Hamilton, F. McColegan, T. A. Robinson and Leslie Day.

The business meeting was followed by a short social entertainment in which the ladies of the church server refreshments. Mrs. H. E. Hoyt acted as convener of the refreshment committee.

## FOR CARMARTHEN STREET BOYS

The young men's class of the Carmarthen Street Methodist church held a social last evening for the boys of the

Sunday school. The president of the class, Isaac Mercer, occupied the chair. Rev. H. E. Goodwin was the chief speaker and he gave the boys an inspiring address. Rev. E. E. Styles, W.

Brindle and P. Gibbons also addressed the boys in connection with the work of the school. A special feature of the evening was several readings given by Gordon Stevens for the benefit of the

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