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THE NEW CABINET

An interesting fact in connection with Mr. Borden's cabinet making is that it appears to be getting along very well without summoning anybody from New Brunswick to lend assistance. He has summoned many leaders from Manitoba, Quebec and Ontario, but does not seem to have felt the need of the ripe wisdom of the Statesmen of this province.

THE WORKING VOCABULARY

The English language is enormously wealthy in expressive words, yet the statement is repeated again and again by educationists and we suppose believed by the public, that the speaking vocabulary of that people is limited to a few hundred words. In a public address a few years ago, an officer in one of the large universities declared that in that institution the average senior did not employ more than eight hundred or a thousand words in all the writing and speaking involved in all the activities of his life.

Prof. Brown of Wabash College submits some data to show that the real size of the working vocabulary is much larger than traditional estimates. He reports that six representative freshmen in the college last year attempted to record their own vocabularies, and that after he had sifted the words in each list to avoid all possible repetitions, the total ranged from 2,972 to 4,460 words. Three of these freshmen were brought up in the country and three in small cities; some of them have read much, others little; and their classroom records for the first term of the year ranged from the highest to the lowest. The words recorded are not unusual, although they reveal a striking diversity of experience, yet nothing more than one would expect to find in a group of young men who are beginning their college course.

adians will henceforth know who is their best friend and who is their wisest guide, whether Laurier and the Liberal party, the party of conciliation and harmony, or Bourassa and his Nationalist group, the group of intolerance and sectarianism.

The advocates of slaughter house reform in St. John will find encouragement in the annual report of Dr. J. C. Rutherford, Dominion veterinary general and live stock commissioner. He refers to the conditions of extreme danger to human life that obtain in unregulated slaughter houses in this country, and advocates municipal regulation of the same.

During the recent election campaign we were told by Mr. Sifton and others that reciprocity would destroy the winter port trade. In reply it was pointed out that not only does Canadian freight come this way in winter but more than one-third of last winter's exports through St. John originated in the United States, going through this port free of bond.

SIXTY YEARS OF PROHIBITION IN MAINE

History of the Anti-Liquor Legislation and the Constitutional Provision Which Has Just Been Voted Out

(New York Tribune) Prohibition in Maine is 60 years old. This is the first time in 27 years that liquor laws have been called on to vote on the subject. Big Gen. Neal Dow was the father of the movement. It was he who in 1851 drafted the first severe prohibitory law of the state. He did not rest there, but was in the forefront of the fight over all succeeding prohibitory laws, which culminated in the constitutional amendment of 1884, repeal of which was voted on yesterday.

The amendment came up for consideration after Maine had tried state-wide statutory prohibition for over a quarter of a century. It was proposed by the Sixty-first Legislature and submitted to a vote on September 8, 1884. It was overwhelmingly approved, 70,778 persons voting for it and only 28,811 against it. Governor Robie issued a proclamation in regard to it on the following December 3, and the amendment actually went into effect in January, 1885. It prohibited the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, not including cider, but legalizing sale of liquors for medicinal purposes and for arts. The article in full reads:

"The manufacture of intoxicating liquors, not including cider, and the sale and keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors are and shall be forever prohibited, except as hereinafter provided, and the sale of such liquors for medicinal purposes and for arts, and the sale and keeping for sale of cider, may be permitted under such regulations as the legislature may provide."

"The legislature shall enact laws with suitable penalties for the suppression of the manufacture, sale and keeping for sale of intoxicating liquors with the exceptions herein specified. This clause of the constitution was unquestioned for 30 years. Then, in 1904, a reaction set in when Governor Cobb attempted a strict enforcement of the prohibition law. When he ran for re-election his plurality shrank from 27,000 to 7,000. With the swinging of the state this year from the republican to the democratic side, state leaders began to believe that a majority of the voters were not in favor of "no license."

In fact the whole history of prohibition in Maine has been marked by wide violation of the law. Secret bars have flourished all over the state. In Portland and Bangor the liquor men defied the law so openly that many persons asserted that the traffic was protected by the authorities. The mail order liquor dealers smuggled liquor into the state by trainloads. Moonshine distillers flourished.

Goaded by a storm of criticism, the legislature enacted the Sturgis law, authorizing Governor Cobb to appoint a commission to search homes for forbidden beverages. This people resented so bitterly that the legislature repealed the Sturgis law in 1906, but Governor Cobb vetoed the repeal. Then arose the clamor for a re-amendment of the constitution. The campaign just closed has been a hard-fought one on both sides that has attracted the attention of temperance workers all over the world. Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, national president of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and herself a Portland woman, took charge of the fight for the prohibition element. Campaigners were enlisted from all over the country. The International Prohibition Association flooded the state with literature containing interviews with prominent men and women gathered all over the world. The National Temperance Society, the Anti-Saloon league and the Good Templars have also been active.

LEARN TO SAY NO. John was very crest-fallen indeed, and had promised his wife that never more would he be tempted to waste his substance in riotous living. "Yes, I know," sighed the good lady, "but I'm getting to doubt your promise. The great trouble with you, John, is that you do not seem to be able to say 'No.' Learn to do it. Will you promise me that you will never leave off trying till you have learned to say 'No.' " "Yes," said the contrite John. "That's right! And now can you let me have a little money this morning?" "No," said John, with apparent ease.

BAD PLAYED IT. "Bridge spoils conversation." "Only temporarily. You ought to hear the remarks it inspires after the game breaks up."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

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WHEN MY SHIP COMES IN. Somewhere, out on the blue sea sailing, Where the winds dance and spin; Beyond the reach of my eager hailing, Over the breakers' din; Out where the dark storm-clouds are lifting, Out where the blinding fog is drifting, Out where the treacherous sand is sitting, My ship is coming in.

O, I have watched till my eyes were aching, Swiftly she's coming in; Day after weary day; O, I have hoped till my heart was breaking, Never my faith in my ship has faltered, I know she is coming in. For through the restless ways of her roaming, Through the mad rush of the wild waves foaming, Through the white crest of the billows coming, My ship is coming in.

Breathing the tides where the gulls are flying, Swiftly she's coming in; Shallows and deeps and rocks defying, Bravely she's coming in. Precious the love she will bring to bless me, Snowy the arms she will bring to caress me, In the proud purple of kings she will dress me— My ship that is coming in.

IN LIGHTER VEIN



DISABLED. Judge—You say that because of injuries inflicted by your wife you have been unable to pursue your vacation? What is your business? Mr. Strong—Your honor, I am a lion tamer.

WALL STREET NOTES OF TODAY

Wall Street Notes. (J. M. Robinson & Sons, private wire telegram) New York, Sept. 29.—Official strike ordered on the Illinois Central and Harriman lines in effect at 10 o'clock this morning, concerns 20,000 men. Southern Railway declares dividend of 10 c. on preferred. Stockholders approve cable merger of Anglo-American and Western Union companies. Lockawanna strike ends and men return to work. International Banking House engages \$1,000,000 gold bars for shipment to Paris. Gross earnings of railroads in July exceeded any month since December, but 1.1 p. c. less than July 1910. Annual report of Omaha shows 10.0 p. c. earned on common. Prime minister of France assures foreign financiers that no new disagreement with Germany over Morocco question has arisen. Chicago & Northwestern for year shows 8.23 p. c. earned on common and preferred stock. Twelve industrials advanced 10. Twenty active rails declined 29. DOW, JONES & CO.

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