

# From All Sides.

## Expressions of Opinions of Two Leading Manufacturers and One Leading Merchant on License Reduction Question.

Mr. Wm. Dobie, President and General Manager of the E. W. Gillett Co., Ltd., said it was unquestionably the duty of the city to keep faith with the license holders, and in his opinion to carry out the drastic provisions embodied in the License Reduction Bylaw would be a distinct breach of faith. In continental cities the drink evil was abating owing to the fact that the people had become educated up to the drinking of the lighter alcoholic beverages. Curtailing the number of hotels would have a tendency to check any reform in that direction in this city.

Mr. Dobie was convinced that any reduction in the number of licensed places in Toronto would be a decidedly retrograde movement. There was not any more than sufficient hotel accommodation in the city now, and what good purpose could be served by cutting off an assured revenue to the city, interfering with vested rights, breaking faith with law-abiding citizens, to create what would surely become a very pronounced monopoly if the number of hotels were placed at 110 in a growing city like Toronto.

Mr. James Morrison of the Morrison Brass Works expressed the opinion that the cutting off of 40 licenses without making any provision for compensating the people thus arbitrarily deprived of their livelihood, would be a measure that he as a business man, to say the least, could not countenance for a moment. "I never make a practice of rushing into print if I can avoid it," said Mr. Morrison, "but I do not believe in confiscation. I am a firm believer in fair dealing all around. Except when my business calls me out of town, I never have occasion to frequent hotels, but I have gathered from my travelers and the out of town customers who visit me, that our hotel service at many seasons of the year is inadequate for the demands made upon it."

Mr. John Catto, of John Catto & Son, said that it had always been his motto to counsel moderation in all things. As a firm believer in temperance he was forced to the opinion that no good results would flow from the reduction of 40 hotel licenses in Toronto. He did not wish to be dogmatic in the matter, but he felt if the existing liquor regulations were rigidly enforced, and matters allowed to proceed as at present, every good purpose for the moral welfare of the city would be served. He held to the opinion that the hotel accommodation of Toronto was not any more than adequate for the growing needs of the City, and he was aware that at certain seasons of the year it had been difficult to provide necessary quarters for visitors.

### Hamilton Happenings

**WRESTLING AND BOXING TOURNAMENT VERY FINE**

Hamilton Basketball Team Takes Revenge on Toronto Central

Y. M. C. A.

HAMILTON, Dec. 25.—(Special).—The wrestling and boxing tournament held at the armory rink to-night turned out to be a pretty tame affair. A wrestling bout between Chrysler and Roehm of Buffalo was to have been the feature, but Roehm quit after eight minutes. Chrysler went at him vigorously and resorted to some short arm jabs and other tactics which Roehm didn't like. Roehm claimed that this was not fair, but only punching was barred. Referee Hayes told him to go ahead. He refused and the decision was given to Chrysler. Bert Tenevich, the terrible, and Hackmann of Buffalo were to have boxed three rounds, but the terror did not show up, and Charlie Gonick went on. The bout was declared a draw, as was the three round bout between Cox of the National A. C. and Wall of the Victoria A. C., who boxed for 125 lbs.

**DARK SIDE OF CHRISTMAS WANTS OF UNEMPLOYED**

Salvation Army, Leaders in Relief Work, Unable to Supply Needs of Thousands.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—The dark side of the English Christmas is the great number of unemployed and the distressing prevalence of destitution and suffering. This is seen principally in London and at Glasgow and along the Tyne and other shipbuilding centres, where many establishments have been closed and thousands of men are out of work.

**MADE A FARE!**

Editor World: Suggested by the vagaries of the temperance aldermen, the above question raises a larger one than that of license reduction, viz., that of representative, responsible government.

**THREE DAYS UNDER DECKS PASSENGERS' ROUGH TRIP**

Steamer Pretoria Tossed About by Succession of Gales in Three Weeks' Passage.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Having taken the usual time to make her run to port from Hamburg, which she left 21 days ago, the SS. Pretoria of the Hamburg-American line, arrived to-day with her log jammed full of entries, including practically all the passengers of the steamer's history. The Pretoria was so delayed by the heavy weather that her coal supply ran short and she was forced to put, in to St. John's Nfld., to replenish it.

**PROBLEMS IN MANAGEMENT.**

In attempting to better and strengthen the American repair and manufacturing plants, says a writer in The Engineering Magazine, it is found necessary to be guided by the perseverance of the British, the innovating logic of the French, the thoroughness of the Germans, the open-mindedness of the Japanese, and the adaptability of the American, and first to determine and then to facilitate their attainment.

**THE OLDEST POSTMASTER.**

Cincinnati Times-Star: The oldest living postmaster is out of a job. The only way he could be paid loose was to discontinue the post office. That is what happened to George H. Chamberlain, postmaster of Rock Falls, Wis., a village located a few miles west of Eau Claire. Rural free delivery made a separate office at that point no longer desirable, and the position held by Chamberlain since 1857 has been abolished.

**Healey's Query.**

Mr. H. G. Healey, a great friend of the late William E. Henley, tells this story of a magazine. The New Review, which he brilliantly edited, was not a financial success. One day, as Mr. Healey sat at his desk in the office of the magazine, a funeral bell in the street outside. He looked out of the window and regarded the cortege for a moment in silence. Then he turned to his companion and said, with a word from: "Can that be our subscriber?"

**Bernhardt Before Cam.**

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 25.—Sarah Bernhardt, who is playing here, was given an audience by Emperor Nicholas at the Tsarsko Selo to-day and was presented with a portrait of the empress.

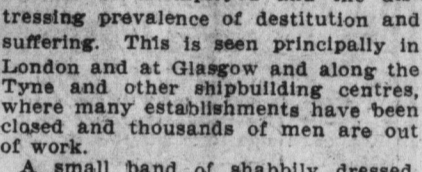
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**LICENSE REDUCTION.**

Editor World: I have read your recent editorial on license reduction, and I want to commend you for the effort you put forth to bring out facts, not fancies, for the consideration of the public on this important subject.

**THE REAL REASON.**

Song, amusing stories of Richard Wagner are given in a little French collection of anecdotes suggested by the coming of the Gods. "Twilight of the Gods."

**New Twin Story.**

Mark Twain's latest story is about a friend of his who was constantly receiving demands for loans from another friend. "This time he decided to resist the usual order of things, and I enclose herewith a cheque for \$25, which I shall ask you to lay aside for a rainy day."

**Hard on Pitcher Howell.**

A St. Louis pitcher played a mean trick on Harry Howell the other day. The crack pitcher of the Browns is picking up a bit of easy money during the winter as lecturer on the big moving picture shows in the Mound City.

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