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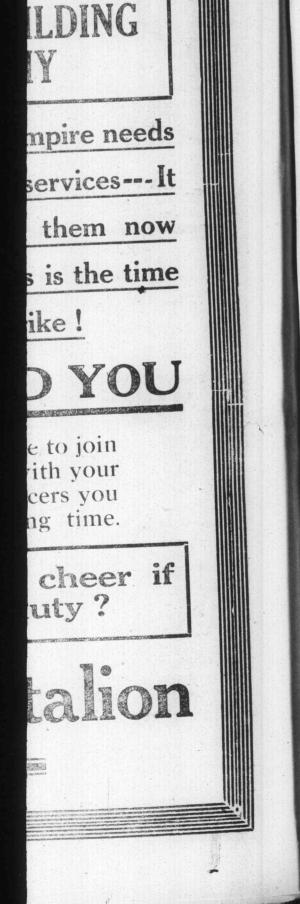


at Belleville's Hands

Belleville, Feb. 10-Belleville jun-Ontario vacancies, probably that oc-casioned by the death of Hon. Thomas Coffey, will be filled this week The in the second of the home-and-home games by 5 to 2, and won the district

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PROHIBITION FALLACY EXPLODED

A FAVORITE slogan of the Prohibitionists is that liquor is the chief cause of poverty. Remove the drink, they say, and sobriety and thrift will take the place of drunkenness and pauperism. Facts and figures, absolutely incontrovertible, have, of course, again and again been marshalled to show that Prohibition States are poorer and less sober than License States; and as to nations and races, there are on the Prohibition side the Turks, the Arabs, a few Malay Aborigines, and so on; but these do not seem to be adduced as shining examples by our friends, the Citizens' Committee of One Hundred.

Drastic Legislation versus Education

It is beginning to be seen, however, that sobriety, with its attendant blessings, is to be brought about, not by drastic legislation, but by education in its widest sense. This truth is emphasized in the Report for 1915 of The Children's Aid and Protective Society of the Oranges, N. J., which says: "The Society firmly be-lieves that its work along educational lines among the families with which it deals from year to year has been a prime factor in reducing intoxication.

So Frances E. Willard, late President of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, says:

"The only way to have a sober people is to strike at the root of the evil which causes inebriety. Poverty, many hours of labor, the nerve-strain under which men toil, the anxiety from the insecurity of their jobs: remove all these, and in a short time the de-mand for a stimulant would cease and drunkenness would be unknown.

Prohibition Crusaders Should Study the Question

In the same strain Mary E. Garbutt, Women's Christian Temperance Worker, points out that if a man is employed only a part of his time and his wages are low, poverty must as a matter of fact follow, whether he drinks or not; while former Mayor "Tom" L. Johnson, of Cleveland, Ohio, uttered a wise truth when he said: "There are more people who drink because they are miserable than there are people who are miserable because they drink."

The difficulty with most of these Prohibitionist crusaders—although one does not like to say so—is that they are ill-informed, having studied these questions only superficially and only from one side. To get down to bed rock requires time, patience, and honest research; but it is so easy and pleasant to make sensational speeches and hurl denunciations at opponents amidst the applause of sympathetic audiences.

Study up the question and get to know something about it--that is what these self-appointed reformers ought to do.

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