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WHY NOT ENFORCE IT?

The doctors have been heard from on the matter of the enforcement of the prohibitory law. If the law had been thoroughly enforced they would have been less severe in their remarks.

There is no satisfactory explanation of the smallpox quarantine by the United States against these provinces. It is entirely uncalculated and will effect not only our own people desiring to visit the States but large numbers of Americans who are scattered through the provinces at the present time.

The chief jail inspector of New York state recently complimented the police authorities of the town of Olean on the cleanliness of the jail, which was also empty. In explanation of the conditions a correspondent writes: "With the passing of old John Barleycorn, crime seemed to almost pass from Olean. Arrests since June 30 have averaged less than one a day. And, of the total, only two were for intoxication."

St. John should have a real celebration when the Prince of Wales comes. There will be the dual opportunity of welcoming our future king and giving a fitting reception to the returned soldiers who will gather to cheer one who was at one time or another with every Canadian Division in France and won the hearty good will of every man by his unassuming manner and fine soldierly qualities.

If the Standard knows who the provincial government candidates in this constituency will be in the next elections, it should also know whom the looters of the Valley Railway and the crown lands will put up to fight the battle of parity. If so, why not stand them up and let us all have a look at them?

Addresses worthy of the great occasion were delivered yesterday in King square by Lieut.-Governor Paisley, Chief Justice McKeown and Sir Douglas Hailey, three eminent citizens retired from the turmoil of politics but able to express with force and eloquence the feelings of Canadians in a day of rejoicing throughout the Empire.

This week will see the farmers in the midst of laying with a rather light crop in most sections of the province. Conditions in Hungary today are another striking illustration of the curse of Balkanism.

ST. JOHN'S GREATEST MERCANTILE EVENT

Final Week to Take Advantage of This Splendid Opportunity.

The greatest mercantile event in the city of St. John during the month of July, which is now conceded to be Oak Hall's annual midsummer sale, is now on its final week, coming to a close Saturday at 1 o'clock.

Many people wonder how it is that Oak Hall can offer such exceptionally low values during their big sales—and at other times, too—the answer is very simple. Rather than sit back and wait for travelers to come around with their regular lines of merchandise at standard prices and buy small quantities at a time from each manufacturer, Oak Hall makes it point to have the buyers of the different departments make periodical visits to the big manufacturing centres, such as Montreal and New York.

In this way Oak Hall gets many price concessions, and this combined with their motto of large volume at minimum profit, whereby they mark their goods at the very lowest of prices, is the simple explanation of why Oak Hall is able to offer such unusual values, more particularly during their big July sales.

Friday will be the last full day of St. John's greatest mercantile event, so those who have not as yet taken advantage of it cannot afford to delay much longer.

NO ROOM FOR EXTREMISTS.

Canadian Finance, of Winnipeg, speaking out of the knowledge gained by recent experiences in that city, makes some observations that ought to appeal to the good sense of the people of every part of Canada. We quote:

"A Winnipeg labor leader stated some months ago that there could be no peace between capital and labor under present conditions. He was an extremist. A manufacturer stated recently at Ottawa: 'Our mill is not built for the glory of God or anybody else.' If it was built for the benefit of the shareholders, this man is an extremist and a dangerous one at that. His company made 72.9 per cent profits in 1918, compared with 6.88 per cent in 1914. To allow either of these men, the labor extremist or the manufacturer extremist, to carry on is courting disaster. These types of men are a danger to the people and the governments—federal and provincial—must take definite steps to curtail their activities. There is no room in Canada for these men and they should be plainly told so. If the worker finds men in the trade unions using those organizations for improper purposes he must compel them, to live up to the standard which has been set or drive them out. If the manufacturers find that one of their associates is not living up to proper business standards they should discipline him and if this is not sufficient, drive him out of business. He is a danger to the country in general and to them in particular. We must discard the idea that we are not responsible for the doings of our associates. We are one big family, and each member is interested in the welfare of the other fellow. Nothing can be gained by industrial strife and the reactionary brings ruin in his trail. We should all get together and build up in this country a contented nation. There is ample opportunity for all and progress depends entirely upon the manner in which we as a nation unite to carry on the works of peace as we did to carry on the task of war. If we would have prosperity as well as peace it is time that we dismissed the extremist, abolished the power to profiteers and recognized that whether our fellow man is an employer or an employee, he is one of the great Canadian family and is entitled to a square deal in all things. Wise men do not measure the prosperity of a nation in dollars and cents, they measure it in terms of individual happiness, health and education, as well as in money values."

Scarcely a day passes but we read of some foreigner or foreigners figuring in a murder or stabbing case. Canada's criminal records would be had enough with none of these, and it is unfortunate that so many persons who seek to settle disputes with knife or pistol have been permitted to land in this country.

St. John was not the only city to take the peace celebration very quietly. The same story comes from Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, Halifax and other cities. This city, therefore, was not in a class by itself.

It is not surprising that the ministers should have something to say to the doctors on the question of prohibition.

There is a cold wave in Italy. That's something to think about when the mercury flirts with the eighties in St. John.

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