

BIG TEMPERANCE WAVE

Threatens to Engulf Some Congressmen

Many Are Advised to Stand on the Popular Side of the Question, Senators, Too, Are Notified That the Liquor Issue Will Be Prominent in Election of State Legislatures.

Washington, April 14.—The temperance question will not down in Congress. A week ago the liquor interests were confident they had won their fight to prevent legislation of any sort at this session inimical to their business. Today they see indications which lead them to fear the temperance forces will get about all they ask for before the session ends. It is the "word from home" that is bringing about the change. Both senators and representatives are receiving letters from constituents, saying that unless they take their stand with the temperance forces they will be punished in the coming campaign. Members of the House of Representatives who are candidates for re-election are particularly solicitous about the outlook. Without being told of their constituents' views, they know something of the temperance wave that is sweeping over the country, and they do not want to be caught on the wrong side. Senators who are up for re-election have received warnings that members of State Legislatures are to be chosen this year with special reference to the liquor traffic, and that if they expect re-election they must take "care not to stand with the unpopular side in this battle."

Careful observers of the movements of public opinion are predicting that more public men will go up or down on the temperance question next fall than on any other one question that will enter into the campaign. It will not surprise these observers if the question becomes national in its aspect during the coming campaign. Whether it shall pass from a state to a national issue depends on the action of Congress at this session, it is asserted. The temperance forces of the Anti-Saloon League are ready to make it a national issue if that shall become necessary. The situation is this: The movement for stricter temperance laws is making headway everywhere. In some States it is taking the form of prohibition; in others it is for local option, high license, or abstaining by remonstrance. The "dry" territory is being widened in scope month by month. The larger the "dry" territory becomes the more apparent stands out the fact that the States cannot meet with a full measure of success so long as the federal government interferes with the work of the States. Under existing Federal law no State can create absolutely "dry" territory, because liquor may be shipped into that territory from another state with impunity. It is also impossible to make a state or any portion of a state "dry" as long as the federal government will issue a permit to a person to sell intoxicants in the territory which will give a state license, or eliminating by remonstrance. The "dry" territory is being widened in scope month by month. The larger the "dry" territory becomes the more apparent stands out the fact that the States cannot meet with a full measure of success so long as the federal government interferes with the work of the States. Under existing Federal law no State can create absolutely "dry" territory, because liquor may be shipped into that territory from another state with impunity. It is also impossible to make a state or any portion of a state "dry" as long as the federal government will issue a permit to a person to sell intoxicants in the territory which will give a state license, or eliminating by remonstrance.

CHAMPLAIN MONUMENT

It is probable that work on the Champlain monument will be commenced very soon as the committee have accepted the proposal of the sculptor to pay over to him the money now on hand in order that he may proceed. The secretary, D. R. Jack, has sent to Mr. McCarthy a cheque for \$1,500, which is the amount already paid in. The dominion government has promised a grant of \$5,000, the provincial government, \$1,500, and the common council \$1,000, which make a total of \$8,000. This leaves \$9,000 still to be collected. A portion of this amount is already subscribed but not paid in. Following is a copy of the letter sent to the sculptor by Mr. Jack:

"St. John, N. B., April 14, '08. Hamilton McCarthy, Esq., 377 O'Connor street, Ottawa.

"Dear Sir—Your tender to construct the Champlain monument has dated 9th inst., has been handed to the committee by the Honorable Senator Ellis.

"In accordance therewith please find enclosed cheque on the Bank of B. N. A. here for \$1,500.

"Your tender is accepted, and this payment is made to you conditionally on the committee not being held responsible personally liable for payment of any monies except such as may come into their hands.

"Kindly acknowledge receipt of the money on these conditions by return mail. I am yours very truly,

"D. R. Jack, Secretary to Committee."

Probate Court.

Estate of Clara L. Cushing, late of Houlton, Maine. Application on behalf of Alleton Cushing, husband of the deceased, who was appointed administrator in the state of Maine, for administration of the estate within the province of New Brunswick. Real estate placed at \$100—personal estate to be granted to Richmond H. Cushing. Letters issued accordingly. Barnhill, Ewing & Sanford, proctors.

Estate of Margaret Blaine. Last will proved, leaving her property to her husband for life, Real and personal estate, \$1,000. Probate granted to Alexander Blaine and James Blaine. E. G. Kaye, K.C., proctor.

ROSS RIFLE LIKE RIP VAN WINKLE'S

Cadet Weapon Shattered to Pieces by Fall on Floor.

GOVERNMENT LIKES THEM

Gives an Order for 10,000 More After Commandant of School of Musketry Has Condemned the Gun-Bank Letter About Advances to Company.

(Montreal Gazette.) Ottawa, April 9.—Correspondence in reference to the Ross rifle was presented to the house today in three separate returns. From the papers it appears that an additional order for 10,000 rifles was given to Sir Charles Ross on the 17th of March last. The question of the right had been making its way through the ranks of the Militia Council, it was decided to continue to accept the present mark III rifle until a satisfactory new rifle can be determined upon. On March 25, an additional payment of \$4,745 was passed to the company, this being the balance of advance of seventy-five per cent on 52,000 Ross rifles, the orders for which have been placed with the company. In connection with these payments there is a letter, dated September 13, 1907, from the manager of the Bank of Montreal at Quebec, to the Auditor-General, which states that for some years the bank has been making advances to Sir Charles Ross in connection with his contract with the government, the moneys received by him under the contract being assigned to the bank as security for the advances. It is pointed out that a certificate for \$22,000 payable in March, 1907, had been refused payment, and the bank had been given to understand that the reason for this was that certain changes were to be made in connection with the company's business. Mr. Fraser, auditor-general, says his office was not responsible for the delay, the matter being one entirely between the Ross Rifle Company and the Militia Department. He says that the bank had been given to understand that the reason for this was that certain changes were to be made in connection with the company's business. Mr. Fraser, auditor-general, says his office was not responsible for the delay, the matter being one entirely between the Ross Rifle Company and the Militia Department. He says that the bank had been given to understand that the reason for this was that certain changes were to be made in connection with the company's business.

On the whole it is one of the most important questions that is going on before the house at this time. The temperance forces and the beer forces are working together to prevent legislation if possible. They have maintained a press bureau here for months and have worked on members of the house through local liquor interests. It is interesting to see the temperance question leap into the national campaign.

Hartland Happenings.

Hartland, N. B., April 13.—Mr. Percy Graham returned on Saturday from a visit with his father, George F. Smith, at Woodcut. Edmund C. Morgan has been confined to the house by illness for more than a week. Mrs. S. M. Boyer, after ten weeks in hospital, is now able to sit up, and her condition is encouraging to her friends. The roads are in a terrible condition for travel. Rev. E. J. Webster, pastor of the Methodist church, was unable to get to his out-of-town appointments yesterday. Charles Benham continues very ill. His recovery is not looked for. Miss Lulu Vanwart returned from Houlton on Saturday. On Monday evening fire destroyed a two-story frame building occupied on the ground floor by the Hartland Poultry Farm hatching department and upstairs by Mr. Hartland.

River Navigation.

It is probable that the steamer Elaine will be the first to make up the river dash. It is hoped that she will start for Hampton tomorrow.

Reports from Brown's Flats are that there is about three quarters of a mile of ice on the reach, and this, it is believed, will go out during this afternoon. Everything is clear from the head of the reach to Gagetown.

A Paterson, N. J. theatre manager has established a rule that men patrons who do not wear white collars shall not be permitted to enter the orchestra floor.

ELOPEMENT CASE

Married Business Man and Church Pillar Said to Be Missing in Company With Girl of Twenty-one—A Queer Story.

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A story of an elopement with some unusual complications comes from Carleton County. It is to the effect that a well known business man and church pillar, who has been a member of the church for many years, has disappeared in company with a girl of twenty-one, the daughter of one of the most highly respected business firms in the place. The man, who has an invalid wife and several small children, is about forty years of age and has always been regarded as of irreproachable character, holding positions of trust and being active in church affairs. Reports say that he lately got an extension of credit from the bank, and was also raised \$1,000 on his stock by mortgage; it is alleged he held 400 of church funds and was possessed of a \$2,000 endowment policy maturing next year.

When last heard of the two were at Quebec, presumably en route to the United States. The man's wife, who is a young woman has hitherto been much respected. The people are much surprised that the man should have done anything questionable. He has always been considered the impeccable Sunday school teacher, the class leader, the solemn-voiced man of the street.

BLIND PREACHER

COURTS TWO SISTERS

Evangelist, They Say, Promised to Marry Both of Them Same Day.

Baltimore, Md.—Two sisters, Miss Ella and Lily Owen, the former of New York, claim to have both been engaged to marry the same day to Frederick W. O'Donnell, a blind evangelist, who disappeared and for whose arrest a warrant has been issued. The two sisters have been sued by the evangelist for breach of promise. He fixed the date of the marriage for the same day in both cases. In addition to the two disappointed fiancées, O'Donnell had behind him, the police say, a trail of indebtedness and the charge to conduct a series of evangelistic meetings in this city. A large tent with a seating capacity of about five hundred was sent to him from New York, but so far as can be learned O'Donnell never held any meetings. For a while the tent was stored in a basement of a church on Park Avenue Heights.

C. P. R. SHOP HANDS

WILL FIGHT A CUT IN WAGES

(Wall Street Journal.) Some say that there can be no return of prosperity until Roosevelt is retired to private life. Others say that there can be no return of prosperity until the Standard Oil pays that \$25,000,000 fine and Harman and Ryan are deposed from financial power. Some say that there can be no revival of prosperity until Congress, with its 226 bills to regulate the railroads, adjourns. Others say that revival depends upon a physical valuation of the railroads, made with a view to lower freight rates. Some say that the future of the country depends upon putting rich malefactors in jail, while others declare that it will go to ruin unless the Anarchists are deported and the Socialists suppressed. Some declare that the nation will be involved in moral wreck unless the Standard Oil change is closed up, while others just as insistently declare that there will be an industrial collapse, unless the doctrine of the closed shop is overthrown. Some say that the most important problem before the people is the revision of the tariff, while others say that the other problems fade into insignificance beside that of the prohibition of the liquor traffic. Some declare that national safety depends on the maintenance of the rights of private property and the inviolability of contracts, while others hold that there can be no hope for the future until there is a more equal distribution of wealth. A complete list of "the most important issues before the country" would fill an entire issue of the Wall Street Journal, and it is constantly growing. It is barely possible that the time may soon arrive when the people will get tired of problems and sweeping "the most important issues" into the dustpan and thence into the ash heap, will simply go to work. Time and work are the greatest solvers of problems in the world.

BOYCOTT GROWS

AGAINST JAPAN IN PORTS OF CHINA

Exporters Refuse to Ship Any Goods in Vessels Under Japanese Flag

(Special Cable to The N.Y. Herald.) As Judge Armstrong will be absent from the city for a few days the next hearings will be on Monday at 11 a. m. Canton, April 14.—The Admiralty at Hong Kong reports the receipt of information that another Japanese steamship loaded with arms has left for China. Captain Woo King Ying, who was degraded on demand of the Vau Wu Pu (the foreign Board) because he seized the Tatsu Maru, has been restored to his former rank and reappointed to the command of the cruiser Pau Pih. The Canton Self-Government Society has decided to join similar organizations at Shanghai and elsewhere in memorializing the throne to create immediately a national assembly for China. The anti-Japanese boycott is apparently gaining strength daily. It is certain that the principal exporters sympathize with the boycott movement, because the trans-Pacific Japanese steamship America Maru steamed for San Francisco last Saturday carrying only one small shipment of Chinese goods.

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Liberal Convention Postponed

At the request of the New Brunswick Liberal members of Parliament, the Provincial Liberal Convention, which was fixed for Wednesday, April 22, has been postponed.

This decision was in accordance with the following telegram received by the President of the New Brunswick Liberal Association:

"All N. B. Liberal members have expressed earnest desire to be present at convention, but as parliament resumes sittings on Tuesday, 21st, they will find it impossible to attend. After consideration have decided to ask you to have convention postponed until later date, of which time notice will be given."

WILLIAM PUGLEY, President N. B. Liberal Association.

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