

got over the Jesuit Estates Bill yet; and we cannot own the whole country in a few years. But of course you can count on me as a faithful son of the Church."

THE PROHIBITION COMMISSION.

VALUABLE TESTIMONY AS TO THE DRINK TRAFFIC AND ITS EFFECTS.

BUDGEVILLE, N.S., Aug. 11th.—The Prohibition Commission resumed its sessions here yesterday and took the evidence of a number of witnesses.

Deacon Josiah Peasley said that Budgeville had unfortunately the reputation of being one of the most drunken places in the Province. Intoxication was frightfully prevalent. It was a common sight to see men, women and children under the influence of liquor. He was strongly in favor of prohibition.

QUESTION.—"To what do you attribute the prevalence of intoxication?"

ANS.—"After years of careful observation I have come to the conclusion that intoxication is due to the habit of drinking. Therefore it seems to me that by preventing drinking intoxication will be obviated, or at least minimized."

QUESTION.—"Do you regard the drinking habit as hereditary?"

ANS.—"In some cases I have known infants addicted to the bottle." (Sensation.)

Samuel Boozey testified that Budgeville was emphatically a sober and moral community. He had never during twenty years seen anybody the worse of liquor. Did not think any liquor was sold there. If anybody wanted to get drunk he had to go out of town to get it. The cause of intoxication, in his opinion, was the efforts of so called temperance men to suppress it. It could never be suppressed.

THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER.—"But I understood you to say there was no drinking in Budgeville."

WITNESS.—"Well, none to speak of. But there would be a good deal more if the Prohibitionists had their way."

QUESTION.—"In your candid opinion is not intoxication the result of the frequent and undue imbibition of fluids of an alcoholic character?"

ANS.—"More or less, as the case might be."

QUESTION.—"But rather more than less, as a usual thing?"

ANS.—"Well, maybe, but as I said, there's no drunkenness around here."

Peter Maloney said there was altogether too much drinking in Budgeville. The principal reason was the lamentable weakness of the liquor. If there wasn't so much water in it they wouldn't have to drink half so much, d'ye mind.

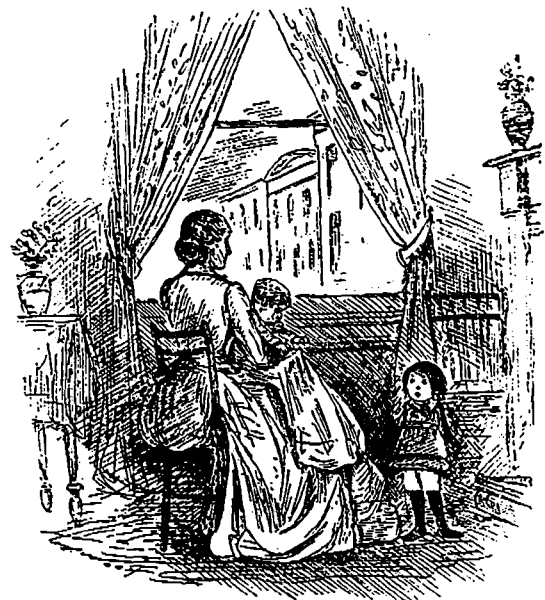
QUESTION.—"Do you ever drink?"

ANS.—"Thank ye, I don't mind if I do."

CHIEF COMMISSIONER.—"You mean us to infer, I presume, that you have the habit so far under control that you are perfectly indifferent as to whether you indulge it or not?"

ANS.—(*In a tone of disappointment*) "Well, yez can put it that way, av ye like."

The Commission then adjourned.



SOMETHING TO LOOK FORWARD TO.

"Will you be glad, Sammy, when your little brother gets old enough to talk?"

"Won't I, though; an' if he uses cuss words I'll smash his little head for him."

WILL THE OLD MAN RISK IT?

EASIGO.—"You would not dare to express such opinions if you were in public office."

HARDUP.—"Yes sir! I would. Just let old Mowat give me an office, and see if it will shut me up. He daren't do it, and I told him as much."

THE GREAT DETERRENT.

HE.—"It is a horrible scandal. I am amazed that a man of his position could be so vicious."

SHE.—"Yes! In such a small town he was sure to be found out."

PICKED UP NEAR THE UNIVERSITY.

IS it not a little strange in connection with the deadlock and the Mulock now causing so much trouble in Toronto University, that nobody suggests calling in the services of Prof. Keyes?

QUIZ, M.A.

Naturally, this duty should devolve on Prof. McCall-him.

FIZZ, B.A.

But is it not queer that things have been so badly knocked out of shape by Prof. Squair.

BIZ, M.B.

Yes, but paradoxical as it may appear, another though not so noisy has been quite as Loudon the subject of abuses.

SIZZ, 3RD YR.

Don't you think Mulock is Wright?

LIZ, 1ST YR

Houston-ning that interrogation of yours is Liz, my dear.

WIZ, 2ND YR.

WHEN Dr. G. W. Ross was asked a few days ago whether it was his intention to place the Chicago educational exhibit in charge of Ontario's Chevalier of the Legion of Honor or Honneur, he simply looked like a sphinx and replied, "It may not be."

LORD IVEAGH, otherwise Guinness the brewer, has purchased the seat of Lord Ailesbury. This seems to accord with the fitness of things.