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Note and Comment

Down in the San Quentin (California) penitentiary three convicts have offered to go to the gallows in the place of a condemned man who has been pitching winning games for the prison baseball team. Could the devotion of the baseball fan go further? Any time one of our neighborhood teams needs a bit of skin or a pint of blood or any little thing like that to make repairs, there surely should be no difficulty in securing the needful.

The story is going the rounds of various newspapers to the effect that traffic officers in Detroit have effectively suppressed the intense glare of automobile headlights by stopping such cars on the street and giving the headlights a coating of tar with a broad whitewash brush. While the story may be true, we doubt it, although it has often been noticed that Detroit's ranaea etc etc (that Detroit's traffic cops usurp authority and hurl insolence at an offending motorist that would never be permitted more than once in any Ontario police courts.

Orillia Packet:—The Scotland Yard police and detectives have their own newspaper that is published in London twice a day. The paper publishes all the news events of the day of interest to policemen and detectives and gives numerous pictures that enable them to apprehend offenders. Within a few hours after an offense has been committed police in all sections of London know of it through their own newspaper. The paper is distributed twice a day and great secrecy is maintained not to let its contents become known.

The engineer on the early train on Monday saw a dark object on the track and brought the train to a standstill when only a few feet from the object, which proved to be a "knight of the road" who thought to shuffle off this mortal coil by letting the car wheels pass over him. The tramp was kicked off the track and he will have to choose some other way of getting rid of working. The place chosen was near the cemetery, which will go to show that the tramp didn't want to put the Canadian National to a big expense in funeral conveyances.—Chesley Enterprise.

A page of the Toronto World dated February 21st, 1895, is interesting for the comparison with the present day of market quotations as follows:—Granulated sugar at 30 lbs. for \$1.00; tea at 15c; coffee at 25c; raisin for 25c; 6 bars soap 25c; hardwood (real cords not the so-called "cord" of today) cut and split \$5; coal, per ton, \$3.75, and so on. One coal merchant advertises that "not till apples grow on lilac trees" will prices be lower. He said a mouthful.

Motorists throughout the Province would do well to make strong protest against the proposal to centralize the issuing of motor licenses at Toronto. Such centralization might effect a slight addition to the provincial revenues but the inconvenience to thousands of motorists throughout the country would be appalling. The present system of district distribution may be slightly more costly, but there is nothing to indicate that the matter of economy keeps the government awake at night, and the public convenience is entitled to some consideration at least.

The "fiver" aeroplane has arrived; it is only fifteen feet long and has a wing spread of forty feet. The motor is of twelve horsepower and the little machine can get up a speed of seventy miles an hour. It will rise and land in comparatively narrow space and "takes off" when going only ten miles an hour. The pilot, a Frenchman, says that the aeroplanes can be built in quantity for \$400 each and that they will fly one hundred and twenty-five miles on a gallon of gasoline.

Cigarette smoking has become so common that few parents realize how the habit has grown. By encouraging boys of seven and eight years of age to collect cards placed in cigarette packages, the manufacturers have made children quite familiar with cigarettes before they know anything about the effect smoking has upon a growing boy. Now a cigarette maker offers to send a free sample package of cigarettes to all boys who haven't learned to smoke. There ought to be some way of protecting boys from such seductive temptations. Next thing we'll have similar offers of samples of other dopes under some misleading name. This summer the use of cigarettes amongst boys of twelve and under has grown rapidly.

Bobbed Hair Not New

These bright young women of ours think they are smart and modern in their bobbed tresses, but they are just 3 centuries behind in the style. Many, many years ago short-haired fashions for women were signs of wickedness or waywardness of whatever the old uplifter used to call womanly wiles of his day. Women of fashion bobbed their hair once until men folk grew frantic at their wantonness. Moreover, quite a funny account of this extraordinary craze is given in a letter written by John Chamberlain, Jan. 25, 1680. He made the following record: "Yesterday the Bishop of London called together all his clergy about this town, and told them he had expresse commandment from the king to will them to inveigh vehemently against the insolence of our women, theyre wearing of brode brimed hats, pointed dublets, theyre haire cut short or shorne, and some of them stilletoes or poinards, and such other trinketts of like moment; adding withal that if pulpit admintions will not reforme them he would proceed by another course; he truth is the world is very much out of order, but whether this will mende it, God knowes."

To Correspondents

Now that the holiday season is over we would like our correspondents to send in all the news they can. If you are not a regular correspondent and would like the news from your locality in the Guide-Advocate, let us know and we will send you all stationary required.

Tolerance Urged

Two questions are to be submitted to the people in the plebiscite on the Ontario Temperance Act on October 23. The voter will be asked to choose between the continuance of the present law and some form of government control. As to the form of government control there is no definite information. From the government's statement announcing the questions we learn that if the majority's answer is in favor of continuing the Ontario Temperance Act, there will be no doubt as to the course to be followed; but if the majority answer is against continuance it will mean that "some new method of controlling the sale as a beverage of beer and spirituous liquors must be adopted." What that new system will be the government does not explain, further than that "it will not mean a system of sale such as is in operation in Quebec and in British Columbia. It will mean some system of sale of beer and spirituous liquors in sealed packages under government control. Apparently there is no provision for the licensed sale of beer.

The issue, therefore, is not between "Drys" and "Wets"; it is not between prohibition and anti-prohibition; it is not between license and no license. The choice is between the Ontario Temperance Act, which, while a prohibitory measure so far as it goes, is not prohibition, and some form of government control providing for the sale of beer and spirituous liquors in sealed packages.

It is probable that by this time most people have their minds made up as to how they will vote. One word of advice may be given to people on all sides: Be temperate in language and tolerant in thought. You are sure you are right, of course; those who differ from you may be equally sure that they are right, and they may be just as honest and just as capable of forming a judgment as you are. It is a question on which honest men and women may honestly differ. A man may believe in prohibition without being a fanatic and a man may not believe in prohibition without being a drinker and without being in league with the liquor interests.

Use the "Want Ads" to buy or sell

A Position of Stability

Through following invariably a policy of decided conservatism, the Sterling Bank occupies a position of stability today.

This position offers Savings Depositors absolute security for their funds. It enables us to offer credit to respectable firms in a sound financial position and conservatively managed.

THE STERLING BANK OF CANADA

Omitted From Fair Prize List

Owing to the Judge's book not being returned promptly to the Secretary the list of prize winners in the Light Horses section was unintentionally omitted last week from the complete list of prizewinners at East Lambton Fall Fair.

Judge—S. A. Kitchen, Waterford.
Carriage—Span, M. A. McAlpine; single carriage, M. A. McAlpine 1 and 2; mare with colt by side, E. A. Edwards and Son; sucking colt, E. A. Edwards and Son; 2 year gelding or filly, E. A. Edwards and Son.
Roadster—span, R. R. Heaton, single roadster in harness, Ches. McLellan, Lloyd Hall, T. S. Smith; mare with colt, W. E. Parker; sucking colt Cecil McNaughton 1, W. E. Parker 3, E. A. Edwards and Son.
3; yearling colt, M. A. McAlpine, W. E. Parker, E. A. Edwards and Son.

Specials—Best light horse, M. A. McAlpine; saddle horse, M. A. McAlpine, R. R. Heaton; pony, Herb. Morgan; W. J. Coupland, for best span carriage horses, M. A. McAlpine; J. W. McConkey, best single roadster, Chas. McLellan; Sterling Bank for best roadster on line, Lloyd Hall, M. A. McAlpine; Canadian Racing Association, for best foal, sired by their stallions, Cecil McNaughton, E. A. Edwards and Son, W. E. Parker.

The Growing Girl

Requires a Mother's Constant Care and Watchfulness.

In their early teens it is quite common for girls to outgrow their strength, and mothers should carefully watch the health of their daughters at this time, for it is when strength is sapped by too rapid growth that anaemia develops. The first signs may be noticed by peevishness, languor and headaches. The face grows pale, breathless and palpitation follow, with low spirits.

At the first symptom of anaemia mothers should act at once. Neglected anaemia often leads to decline, but if you see that your daughter's blood is enriched there need be no cause for anxiety. The finest blood enricher ever discovered is Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. The pure, red blood created by these pills will quickly banish all signs of anaemia. They will build up your girl's health and ensure her a robust girlhood. Give your daughter a course of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills now. Make her strong like thousands of girls and women throughout Canada who have been rescued from the clutches of anaemia by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

You can get Dr. Williams' Pink Pills through any dealer in medicine, or by mail at 50c a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Progress or Reaction Ontario Electors Must Choose

THE issue of the Plebiscite of October 23rd is: Shall the sale of intoxicating liquor as a beverage continue to be prohibited, or the traffic be re-established and conducted by the Government? Since September 16th, 1916, the legalized sale of liquor for beverage purposes has been prohibited. During eight years the Ontario Temperance Act has wrought a moral, social and economic transformation, gradual but real. A new generation knows nothing of the evils of the liquor traffic before the O. T. A. came into force. Older generations may have forgotten. Think of it! There is not a man or woman 29 years of age who has legally seen the inside of a bar-room or liquor shop in the Province of Ontario. Booze is banned! It is a discredited and dishonored outlaw. Now, it wants to come back. It seeks not only re-instatement, but that the Government itself shall be an active partner.

Do You Remember?

The old-time Bar-Room and Liquor Shop, with their disgusting sights and sounds and smells;

The staggering, cursing, drunken men who jostled us on the streets and on the cars—particularly on holidays or at public demonstrations—and who filled our jails;

The poor, battered, bedraggled hulks of men and women—God's children, our brothers and sisters, every one of them;

The destitution, misery, wretchedness, squalor, filth and disorder in many hovels that might, and should, have been homes;

The vice, the immorality, the crime, the debauchery, incited by liquor, that appalled good citizens.

The O.T.A. Has Made Good

Contrast those conditions with the situation today. The Ontario Temperance Act has brought immeasurable improvement. Drunkenness has decreased. Crime has been lessened. Homes are happier. Children have been given a better chance. Savings Bank deposits have increased. All down the line, PROGRESS has been written into the history of Old Ontario!

OFFICIAL RECORDS PROVE ALL THIS!

The following table shows that, in Ontario under the O. T. A., there has been a substantial decrease in the offences that are usually associated with drink:

	1914	1922
Assaults	1,627	756
Cruelty to Animals	1,172	256
Vagrancy	4,703	1,507
Keeping and Frequencing Bawdy Houses	802	352
Loose, Idle and Disorderly	6,411	1,736
Drunkenness	17,703	10,063

NOTE THE OPINION OF OUR MANUFACTURERS:

"Does Prohibition, under the O. T. A., result in more comfortable homes and better supplies of food and clothing for wives and children?"

When this question was asked of leading Ontario manufacturers by the Ontario Board of License Commissioners, 1,165, or 82 per cent., answered "Yes", while only 239, or 17 per cent., said "No".

All Systems of Government Sales Have Failed

So-called "Government Control" has proven a dismal failure wherever tried. Drinking, drunkenness and bootlegging have reached appalling proportions. Every Canadian Province that has tried any form of "Government Sale" has already learned a hard lesson.

Take BRITISH COLUMBIA: Hon. H. H. Stevens, M.P., in a public address in Vancouver recently, declared:

"Never, in the history of the country, was bootlegging comparable in magnitude and murderous results to what it is today."

Or, MANITOBA: Figures furnished by the Chief of Police of Winnipeg show an increase of 45 per cent. in the number of

drunk and disorderly cases in the first five months under Government Sale, as compared with the corresponding five months of the previous year under Prohibition.

And, finally, QUEBEC: The following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Presbytery of Montreal, April 15th, 1924:

"That we regard it to be a patriotic duty to make it known that the drug traffic flourishes here as never before and is on the increase, bootlegging flourishes in and from this Province as never before, that drunkenness is on the increase and that the Quebec system of Government Control is socially injurious and not a success."

Ontario Must Hold the Line

If a majority vote for "continuance", it means that we will have a better law more effectively enforced, with correspondingly improved results. The Government, through the Prime Minister, has definitely pledged itself to "strengthen" the Act and "give it active and vigorous enforcement".

If a majority vote for "Sale", it means the re-establishment of the old, discredited Liquor Traffic, in the guise of respectability under a system that makes the Government the bartender and every citizen a partner, acting as sales agent for the brewers and distillers and making profit for them out of the destruction of life and happiness.

The Ontario Plebiscite Committee, uniting the temperance forces of Ontario, calls upon all who love their Province and wish its continued and increasing prosperity and the happiness of its people to VOTE FOR THE LAW that has accomplished immeasurable good, and not for a return of the traffic that has wrought such havoc in the past, and would do it again.

For the Honor of Old Ontario mark Your Ballot thus:

1 Are you in favour of the continuance of The Ontario Temperance Act?

2 Are you in favour of the sale as a beverage of beer and spirituous liquor in sealed packages under Government control?

The Ontario Plebiscite Committee

2 Toronto Street, Toronto

G. B. Nicholson, Chairman