



DRUGS AND PROHIBITION

Rev. Peter Bryon "I believed in Prohibition, absolutely. My faith is shaken," said a friend to me a few days ago.

Judge Emily Murphy, in her book, "The Black Candle, in the chapter devoted to "Prohibition and Drugs", makes it clear that she does not consider Prohibition to be the cause of increased addiction in drugs.

Many medical authorities confirm Judge Murphy's statement. "Joseph C. Dams, M. D., the Chief Resident Physician of the Philadelphia General Hospital states that from the testimony of their drug patients, there is no connection whatever between drug-disease and the inability to get liquor."

The New York City Health Department in the year 1919-1920, asked 1,403 drug patients the cause of their addiction. Only 1 per cent. came to it from alcoholic indulgence.

The City Health Officer of Jacksonville, Florida, reports that from the histories of addicts registered, "it appears that there is no relation between the habitual use of alcoholic liquor and the drug addict."

The Medical Committee of the Kiwanis Club, Vancouver states: "Practically all observers state that there seems to be no special connection between the use of alcohol and the use of drugs. There is no evidence to show that the suppression of the use of alcohol increases to any appreciable extent the addiction to drugs, as drug addicts are rarely alcoholics."

Cora Frances Stoddard in her "Pre-

liminary Study" on the relation between prohibition and drug addicts says, "Of 1,169 patients treated at the New York Narcotic Relief Station in one week (April 10-16, 1919), most of them were mere youths, nearly one-third of them are not out of their teens. One boy began at the age of thirteen."

Dr. C. M. Crawford, the Ontario Hospital, Whitby, says: "Morphine and cocaine are responsible for certain type of mental disorder. There has been no increase so far as we can determine in either Morphine addiction or cocaine addiction since prohibition came into effect."

Dr. G. H. Kirby, Medical Director of the New York State Hospitals, says: "Since prohibition has come into effect alcoholic mental disorders have practically disappeared and further morphine and cocaine addiction have not increased at all." He bases his statement on many thousands of cases.

If other causes have not shaken my friend's faith in Prohibition, there is evidently no cause for the foundation of his faith being shaken by the facts regarding the drug traffic.

CANNING SCORES WIN IN GAME AGAINST KENTVILLE

KENTVILLE, Feb 1—Five hundred enthusiastic hockey followers witnessed the overtime game here tonight between Canning and Kentville, the former outfit capturing the honors three to two after scoring two goals in the extra session to the locals one. Seldom has a hockey game caused so much excitement and although the local team came out on the short end of the score, their supporters were not backward in admitting defeat in the hands of the snappy team from Canning.

Canning—Grant, goal; Baxter and Dickie, defence; Bennett, Lyons and Eaton, forwards; Christie, Jackson and Leslie, subs.

Kentville—Walsh, goal; Wigmore and Corbin, defence; Leitch, Benzanson and Bishop, forwards; Simmonds, Neary and Kilcup, subs.

Referee—Ves Laing.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

There are six rules that every public speaker who would be successful should follow, according to the Hon. Albert Beveridge, who spoke at Evanville College this spring:

"Speak only when you have something to say."

"Be so plain, so simple in your language and statement that the dullest person may understand clearly."

"In your speech be so just that your worst opponent will say you are fair."

"Say nothing that you do not honestly believe."

"Stop when you get through."

In regard to delivery he said: "Be quiet, have self-mastery, gesture only when the impulse comes from within, be a gentleman, show emotion only when sincerely moved, dress with neatness and care."

Mr. Beveridge condemned backbiting in public speaking. "Denunciation of the other fellow is cheap."

"Consider your audience as a big person, a composite person. Talk to them conversationally."

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THE FARMERS AND THEIR TROUBLES

CANADA is not the only country where the farmers are seeking relief in the form of easier credits. In the United States, in Australia and in other countries where a large portion of the population is engaged in agricultural pursuits there is the same demand for something to offset the economic consequences of the slump in the markets for farm products the prices of which are directly affected by the buying power of Europe.

The extent of the depression which the farmer is feeling is the reaction from the prosperity which he experienced some years ago, and economic laws adjust the extent of the swing. But did the farmer keep his house in order? Did he save for the lean years from the fat years? Many did not.

One might well have supposed that in such a period of rising prices the farmers would have reduced indebtedness of all kinds—paid off the mortgage and paid off what might be owing to the bank. On the contrary we find that in the United States farm mortgage indebtedness was very largely increased during this period and bank loans extended. In older parts of Canada there was some disposition to burn the mortgage but in the West the tendency was in the other direction.

The war-time greater production campaign was resorted to. In the arithmetic of bushels by acres there were paper profits by buying more land, by borrowing more money, by sowing more acres. The idea of conserving profits or even of improving farming methods was largely lost sight of in the understandable optimism of acreage multiplied by price.

Then came the slump. With the decline in market prices on the one hand and high cost of production and overhead on the other the farmers have suffered—suffered in many cases, particularly in the West, in proportion to their acreage. Canada perhaps more than any other country in the world is dependent upon the profit-making farming for the prosperity of all her people. Every thing that can be done should be done to make agriculture profitable to our people on the land and attractive to newcomers, but it must not be forgotten that there have been some economic sins committed which must be lived down—economic laws apply to farming as to any other business.—Financial Post.

POKES FUN AT YANKS

"Dey" Rhymes in London Cafe Causes Great Merriment

In the main dining-room of Simpson's, the famous restaurant in the Strand, London, there is a painting of the quasi-historical incident of the dish of four-and-twenty blackbirds being set before the king. Not long ago a couple of English frequenters of the restaurant arrived at a state of mind wherein the production of the following rhyme was achieved:

Four-and-twenty Yankoes,
Feeling mighty dry,
Took a train to Canada
And bought a case of rye.

When the case was opened
The Yankoes began to sing:
"To Blazes with the President!
God Save the King!"

The parody is going the rounds of London's clubs and hotels to the accompaniment of much laughter—and feeble grins from Americans.—New York Tribune.

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- No. 97 From Halifax, arrives 6.27 p.m.
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