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A SENSIBLE OPINION.

Commander Booth Tucker, of the Salvation Army, after stating that Bishop Potter's subway tavern would prove more of an evil than a blessing, said:

"The Salvation Army teaches teetotalism from the start, and that is the only system in which it believes. There is enough drinking in private among both men and women without putting the temptation before them in public. The whole idea is abhorrent to me, and I cannot conceive that anyone who is sincere in his purpose of wrestling with the drink problem can place his endorsement on it."

"Women and all are tempted sufficiently without putting temptation before them with the endorsement of religion upon it. No church, no sect, no religion should permit any of its members to put the stamp of approval upon any such project."

DUNDONALD.

The Ottawa Citizen, which is well informed in respect to Lord Dundonald's intentions, so far as Canada is concerned, gives us this information: Now that Lord Dundonald has left Canada, the Liberal press is assiduously spreading the report that he proposes to return to Canada and run for parliament.

As a matter of fact Lord Dundonald has not the slightest intention of entering Canadian politics, or of accepting a nomination for parliament. He made that perfectly clear before he left, and will give the report an emphatic denial as soon as the fact that his name is being used in that connection reaches him. The intention of the government press in spreading the report is obvious. It is desired to create the impression that Lord Dundonald is a partisan in Canadian politics, whereas his interest in Canada and in the militia of this country is of a purely imperial and patriotic character.

The probabilities are good that the imperial government will exhibit its confidence in and appreciation of the general by appointing him to a high command under the new army council scheme which is now going into effect. Premier Balfour has already announced that such was the government's intention prior to the trouble arising here between Lord Dundonald and the Canadian government, and we are satisfied that when the entire facts are in the possession of the imperial authorities the result will be to still further convince them of the general's fitness for a high command.

WILL THE UNITED STATES SUBMIT?

The Russian prize court at Vladivostok has given a decision in the case of the steamer Arabia, captured by the Russian cruiser Gromoboi. The Arabia is a British ship, but carried a cargo of flour consigned by Americans to Japanese ports. The prize court orders the confiscation of the flour, laying down a principle which no other nation has affirmed in recent times, namely, that provisions are contraband of war. The United States cannot consistently submit to this ruling. In 1793, when war was being waged in Europe, she resisted the attempt to make foodstuffs contraband, except when consigned to a blockaded port, or obviously for military use. She has never receded from that position, but has continually asserted it. In the Boer war when a British cruiser seized a cargo of American foodstuffs in Delagoa Bay, the United States demanded and was at once awarded damages.

Great Britain is in accordance with the United States on this question. Their interests are mutual. Last year the United States shipped to the British market \$160,000,000 worth of provisions. If Great Britain were at war with any European power, this enormous commerce would be imperiled. Every vessel under an American or any neutral flag, carrying foodstuffs to Great Britain for consumption by the British people, would be liable to confiscation of cargo. It is plain, therefore, that neither the United States nor Great Britain can afford to allow the decision of the Vladivostok prize court to pass into international law. The confiscation would have been regular had it been shown that the cargo of the Arabia was intended for the troops in Manchuria and Korea, but the Russians seem to have acted on the assumption that the destination of the cargo to a Japanese port was in itself sufficient ground for confiscation. The United States last year shipped \$12,000,000 worth of wheat and flour to Japan, so that



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her Pacific commerce will be paralyzed during the continuance of the war, if the Russian decision holds. Great Britain has already entered a protest against the seizure of the Arabia. The United States, to be consistent, cannot allow the confiscation of the cargo to go unchallenged. In declaring coal to be contraband of war Russia stands alone, but the inclusion of provisions in the list of contraband is even more intolerable. No action can be a law unto itself in such matters. This war has shown the necessity for a convention of the powers to frame laws regarding contraband of war, which shall be binding upon every country.

A BAD DREAM

"Say, I had a dream last night," said a prominent city automobilist this morning to a friend at the market, "that makes Frank Tschirhart's dream look like the end of a hard winter. It was all owing to one of those Welsh rarebit chafing dish suppers, which put so many to the bad. No sooner had I turned in and turned over, than it seemed as if I were standing in front of the Garner House. There were two automobiles—one red and one black—standing side by side on King street, and they were apparently talking to each other. 'Having much fun these days?' asked the red auto. 'Sure,' answered the black auto. 'Why, only yesterday I ran my master out here yesterday I ran my master out here and then broke my chain. Say, but he was sore. He got out and looked me over, but couldn't find out the trouble. Then he got under me on the dusty road, lying on his back, and whacked away at the bearings. At last, after perspiring and sweating in a most gentlemanly manner, he found the broken chain. Joy filled his eyes, for he had an extra one. Coming back I got a feeling of devilment in me and ran him into a ditch. Then there was fun to burn. It took three farmers with their teams to haul me out, and of all the cursing and bitter language I ever heard those farmers certainly took the cake. But oh fudge, those things are not in it with knocking people down and killing dogs and chickens. I like to hear the people yell, and the dogs howl, and to feel the chicken's crunch. Say, Reddy, if you want to get the best out of your three thousand dollar life, just let your sparker get put out of business, grind your bearings up, break your chain, and do it all when your about ten miles from nowhere, also when the weather's hot and the road dusty. I must say, the horses all give us the horse laugh, but to hear all the swearing and fuming that goes on makes us fast it. Well, Reddy, here comes my master, and I think he is going to challenge your master for one of those races down Queen street. Say Red, the cops are a dead cinch in this town, aren't they? I guess we've got 'em all fixed, all right, all right.'"

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SACHEL OF THE SATELLITE

The Council strike the rate and then the people berate the aldermen.

Combining the worship of Bacchus and Terpsichore—dancing on the bar. I suppose the Americans couldn't bear to take the cup. At least they couldn't induce the White Bear to bear it away.

If the aldermanic baseball outfit could only strike the ball like they strike the rate, their batting averages would be a thousand per cent.

"We are going to raise the rate and thereby raise money," remarked Finance Minister Marshall as he boosted the rate a couple more notches. "We're going to pay our way."

The young man who dances at the Driftwood Club's hop next Saturday night may rest secure in the conviction that he is not the first young man who has been caught dancing on the bar.

Those close races for the Seawanhaka cup were all right, because all's well that ends well. Come again Mr. Yankee and play the Lipton role.

ECHOES FROM BRIEAU

Mrs. S. M. Glenn is spending the day in Chatham.

Last night T. J. Rutley caught the largest speckled bass that has been caught this year.

Miss Hattie Northwood, has returned to the city, after a pleasant visit with Mrs. E. B. Northwood.

E. B. Jones and A. E. Jones went dragging for their anchor last night and found it with scarcely any trouble. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harper, of Sandeveau Cottage, spent last night at Erie Beach, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Holmes.

Miss Jessie Harper went to Chatham to-day and took the train for St. Thomas on an extended visit with friends and relatives.

Rev. T. Beverley Smith and H. J. Stevens established a new trolling record yesterday. In a little less than half an hour's trolling they caught four fine large pike.

There was a strike among the men who unload the coal boats at Erieau.

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They have to get up at all hours to unload coal and they wanted more money. The strike has been adjusted and the boat was unloaded yesterday.

The Baden-Powell and Outlaw had a brush last night. Will Bennett, Stanley Merritt and Morley Williamson were sailing the Outlaw. The boys in the latter boat had decided by the best of it, and Commodore Philimore, in the Baden, bore away and never came back. The boys were highly pleased and took no pains to conceal it.

The Centreville are going to give a dance at the Bungalow on Saturday night and a great time is expected. The invitations are out. Apropos of one of the features of the bar, the invitations are printed on Sandpaper, and in verse. In the following muse, the guests are asked to come: Ho! Friends there's going to be a dance On Saturday eve at Erie Eau; Ye lads and lassies must be there To join in fun at the Bungalow. A sail, a bathe, a cornroast on the sand Good entertainment we have planned, So let us know by Thursday, each, If you'll be merry on the beach.

The Cottagers' Driftwood Club, Mrs. A. C. Woodward and Miss Lyn. Greening are the chief conspirators and that is sufficient assurance that everybody will have a delightful time.

Staging Birds.
Among birds the females do not sing, and although many species have musical call notes and agreeable tones in conversation which are shared in by both sexes still the true song is only rendered by the male bird. I am sincere in saying that the lady bird talks more than her mate about the house, but I will admit that when away from home she is very discreet in this respect. In attending to her duties of incubation she is very quiet, and it is seldom that a note is heard from her while on the nest. It has even been said that all birds are silent when incubating, so as to avoid observation. However, although most species are quiet when sitting, there are a few which chirp loudly when so engaged, and some even burst into exuberant song.—Science.

All the Bargains Were Gone.
An American of hitherto undoubted veracity tells this story of a restaurant in Berlin to which he and a friend went one evening: The fare and the music were so good and the people about them so amusing that they lingered on and on. When at last they rose to go the American's hat was not to be found.

"What sort of hat was it, mein herr?" inquired the stolid person in charge.

"It was a new top hat," said the American briskly.

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Proposing in Holland.
In many of the provinces of Holland there is a marriage custom in vogue which is as curious as any to be found in a year's search through South Africa.

When a Dutch swain falls so deeply in love that he feels it imperative to breathe the story of his affections into the ears of his loved one, he starts out for her home, bearing in one hand a sweet seed cake wrapped in paper. Arrived at the family residence, he enters the living room, and without addressing the girl he places the cake upon a table near her. If she opens the paper and begins to eat, it is a sign that the love suit is acceptable to all.

But if the cake is left upon the table untouched then the lover must look somewhere else for a sweetheart. Sometimes the girl teases her lover by dallying with the cake before eating. In case she refuses him the whole affair is kept entirely secret, and no one outside the family is ever the wiser.

An Odd Escape.
Perhaps the strangest escape from death after being swallowed up by an earthquake is that which is recorded on a Jamaican gravestone. "Here lieth the body of Lewis Gaily, Esq., who died on the 22d of September, 1787, aged eighty. He was born at Montpellier, in France, which place he left for his religion, and settled on this island, where, in the great earthquake, 1672, he was swallowed up and, by the wonderful providence of God, by a second shock was thrown out into the sea, where he continued swimming until he was taken up by a boat and thus miraculously preserved."

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