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## PROHIBITION.

To successfully enforce a prohibitory law there must of necessity be a strong sentiment in its favor throughout the community. Without this sentiment the carrying out of such prohibitory laws has often proven a farce and thrown discredit upon measures which were in themselves good. In the present state of society laws of a social nature must have the force of public opinion behind them before they can be effectively enforced. Premier Hazen, in his reply to the temperance delegation which recently presented petitions in favor of provincial prohibition, makes this point very clear, and shows, moreover, the almost insurmountable difficulty that would attend the enforcement of an act in a province of which at least one-half the communities are opposed. While it is true that the petitions were largely signed, yet it is equally true that they are only a small proportion of the total population of the province, and that the larger number of signers were from counties in which the temperance sentiment is very strong. As Premier Hazen pointed out, several counties have been under the operation of the Canada Temperance Act for years, and any measure within the jurisdiction of the Provincial Legislature would be hardly as stringent a character as the provisions of that act. A Provincial act would at the best be nothing more than an enlarged Scott Act. Under the present circumstances, whereby any county which wishes it can come under the provisions of the Canada Temperance Act, it would appear extremely unwise to force prohibition upon the people of counties who do not desire it, and to whom its enforcement would appear an injustice.

Premier Hazen further points out that a measure of local option is already in force in this province through provincial legislation, whereby any parish with a large sentiment in favor of the abolishment of the bar may attain their desires. Some of the provisions of this act are not as clear as they might be, and the government promises at the approaching session to amend the act as to make it readily workable, so that the people of any ward or parish can give expression to their desire through the ballot box to do away with the sale of intoxicants in their districts.

With the Canada Temperance Act and the Local Option Act at their disposal, the temperance people of New Brunswick should feel satisfied that they have the means at hand wherewith to fight for the advancement of the cause they advocate. A provincial prohibitory law at the present time would not be in the best interests of temperance or of the general public.

## A CONSISTENT COURSE.

Brought to book for its inconsistency in applauding Premier Murray of Nova Scotia for holding views which under precisely similar circumstances it condemns when expressed by Premier Hazen, the St. John Sun now attempts to excuse itself by the statement that it has never condemned Mr. Hazen for holding these views, "but for the shifty and insincere temporizing which has marked his attitude with regard to the question." Such a statement is a thoroughly characteristic attempt on the part of the Sun to shuffle out of an awkward situation. The Sun knows, or should know, if it would only keep itself properly informed on public affairs, that there is no public man in this province whose attitude on public questions has been more thoroughly consistent throughout his whole career than has that of Mr. Hazen. The Sun is careful to deal only in generalities; it values the desirability of making its mischievous falsities sufficiently indefinite to escape being called to account for them.

In making the statement that Mr. Hazen dodged the issue until penned in a corner by the advocates of prohibition, the Sun deliberately states what it knows to be false. The issue was never brought before Mr. Hazen until the other day, when in a manly and straightforward way he at once told the temperance delegation that in his opinion the province was not

yet prepared for the enactment of a law such as they desired, neither did he think it necessary, having regard to the existing machinery for dealing with the liquor traffic. This is precisely the same reply as was given by the Premier of Nova Scotia to a similar deputation a few days later; the difference in the Sun's treatment of it is accounted for by the fact that the Sun is owned by a member of Premier Murray's government, which declines to accede to the request of the temperance delegation.

Compare for one moment the straightforward, consistent course taken by the present administration with that pursued by the provincial government of which Mr. Pugsley was a member. Pressed by temperance delegations from various sections of the province for amendments to the existing License Law, Mr. Pugsley considered it politically dangerous to altogether ignore the contentions of the temperance people, and therefore promised compliance in a measure with their wishes. And almost in the same breath an intimation was sent out to the liquor trade that whatever legislation was passed would not be detrimental to their interests, for it would not be enforced.

Premier Hazen does not intend that the temperance cause shall be made a football of politics, and therefore takes an open stand on a matter of such vital importance and refuses to "blow hot and cold" to the diverse interests. It is something new in New Brunswick politics, but will be duly appreciated by an honest public.

## MESSINA RISING FROM ITS RUINS

Messina, March 1.—The work of constructing wooden houses with material sent out from America to shelter the earthquake survivors, is progressing favorably under the direction of Lieut. Commander Belknap, United States naval attaché in Berlin and Rome. A large portable house already is in use as a store-room and headquarters. The lack of carts and horses has made the transportation of lumber from the dock to the point of erection both slow and expensive. It costs \$4,000 to deliver enough to build 500 houses. It has been decided to build 1,000 houses in Messina, 1,000 in Reggio and 100 in the settlement called Regina Elena, the village three miles from here being constructed under the personal direction of Queen Helena.

## FUNERALS.

## The Late Miss Vandine.

The funeral of the late Miss Lottie Vandine, one of the oldest members of the teaching staff of the city schools in point of service, took place this afternoon and was largely attended by many friends of the bereaved family, as well as the trustees, teachers and scholars of the city schools, who gathered to pay their last respects to one who had been beloved by all who came in contact with her.

The services were conducted at the residence of the bereaved parents by Revs. A. A. Rideout and Dr. Kierstead, and the choir of the George street United Baptist Church rendered suitable hymns.

Under the direction of Undertaker John G. Adams the funeral cortege formed in the following order:

Scholars of City Schools.  
Barouche with Floral Tributes.  
House.

Mourners.  
R. Vandine, Dow Vandine, E. Vandine, F.W. McCausland, R. S. Barker, George Christie, George Smith, Theo. Barker, Brock Allen, A. A. Treadwell, Robert Colwell, C. A. Burchill, W. T. Chestnut, School Trustees, Teaching Staff, Representatives of Customs House, General Public.

The floral tributes included the following:  
Broken Star—Family.  
Wreath—Scholars of her own department.  
Star—Fredericton Teachers' Association.  
Pillow—School Trustees.  
Harp—Choir of George Street United Baptist Church.  
Wreath—Fredericton Lodge, Knights of Pythias.

## THAT LETTER.

To the Editor of The Gleaner.  
Sir,—I read in your paper, upon my return to the city after a few days' absence, a letter from a civic official in which was included a formidable array of words. The writer evidently is still a student of the dictionary and Thesaurus. The poet has well expressed the general verdict upon the effusion:—

"Such labored nothings, in so strange a style,  
Amazed the unlearned, and made the learned smile."

Yours,  
Agent for the Century.

## SENTENCED TO DEATH.

St. Petersburg, March 1.—A man named Avatinoff was to-day sentenced by a court martial to death on the technical charge of having tried to kill an officer and resisting arrest. Avatinoff was arrested at Pondery last November, a few moments before the train bearing the Dowager Empress of Russia passed through on its way from Copenhagen to St. Petersburg. He was acting suspiciously and the allegation was made that he was concerned in a plot against the life of Her Majesty. In the court proceedings, however, no mention of a conspiracy was made.

## MAY HOLD THEIR GRANTS A YEAR

Canadian Veterans Won't Have to Perform Settlers' Duties For a Year—Other Considerations.

Ottawa, Feb. 28.—The annual meeting of the Canadian South African Veterans' Association was held on Saturday. Officers were elected for the coming year.

It was stated that the associations of Halifax, Charlottetown, St. John, Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Toronto, London, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary, Vancouver and Victoria, eleven in all, were now affiliated with the central organization. It was stated by Mr. Lowery that he had interviewed Hon. Frank Oliver, Minister of Interior, and had been informed that veterans would be able to hold their grants for a year without the performance of settlers' duties and that in regard to other features of the regulations the veterans would be treated with consideration. A sub-committee was named to deal with such matters as the distribution of the South African Patriotic fund.

The meeting decided that it would not use its influence on behalf of other veteran organizations which are endeavoring to obtain land grants.



MRS. WILLIAM J. LEMP.

Known as the "Lavender Lady" and a St. Louis beauty who obtained a divorce from her husband, a millionaire brewer, a few days ago.

## POPE INDISPOSED.

Rome, March 1.—The condition of the Pope, who has been suffering from a cold lately, is much better to-day. While he is not confined, Drs. Petacci and Macchifava, who visited him this morning, insist that he shall not yet resume his audiences. He was permitted, however, to receive the Papal Secretary of State, Merry Del Val, with whom he transacted business. The temperature of the patient is about normal.

## GOVERNOR RESIGNS.

Salem, Oregon, March 1.—When Secretary of State Frank L. Benson reached his office to-day he found the resignation of George F. Chamberlain, Governor of Oregon. This document will make Mr. Benson Governor of Oregon. Mr. Chamberlain is now on his way to Washington to take the oath of office of United States Senator from Oregon.

## LAWN TENNIS CHALLENGE.

New York, March 1.—President Dwight of the United States National Lawn Tennis Association, to-day cabled a challenge for the Dwight F. Davis Challenge Cup, to Secretary Hicks, of the Australian Lawn Tennis Club, the present holder of the trophy. Norman E. Brooks and A. F. Wildings successfully defended the Davis Cup for the Australian Association last year, against Beals C. Wright and Fredericton B. Alexander.

## Too Late for Classification

## CARD OF THANKS

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Gregory wish to extend their heartfelt thanks to their many friends for the kindness and sympathy extended to them in their late and bereavement.

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## GOOD CITIZENS' MEETING

A stirring meeting to be addressed by Dr. McLeod and some of the aldermanic candidates is on for tonight at Church Hall. Men who want to hear something worth while should be there.

## LOST.

LOST—Between Gibson and Fredericton, a gold chain and locket. Finder please leave at Gleaner office.—112d.

St. Petersburg, March 1.—Baron Von Menderoff, who commanded a regiment in the Russo-Japanese war, was accidentally killed to-day while hunting on the estate of General Shuvaloff. He was a son of the Commander of the Emperor Nicholas' bodyguard.

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