

grocery stores. Then for the three following years, '95-6 and 7, reduce these each year $33\frac{1}{3}$ per cent. on the original number.

After considerable thought and consultation with men whom we think to be level-headed, we have come to the conclusion that a gradual method along these lines is the most business-like, and that which has the best chance of making a prohibitory law, when we have it, a success. Let it be remembered that when it is passed it is going to take men of the first water to enforce it: in fact it will be work for angels; and consequently it is wise to bring it about in that way in which it is going to be the most easily enforced. Four years or thereabout of gradual training will be a great assistance in its enforcement. The best results will be attained by having it arrived at gradually.

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C. E. Local Unions. Thanks are due to the Montreal Local Union of the Christian Endeavor for the lecture of John G. Wooley, in the American Presbyterian Church, on Tuesday evening, December 19th. It was a treat and much good must follow from it. Many thanks.

It has suggested something to us that we consider worth saying. When such a man as Mr. Wooley comes to Montreal, why are not arrangements made to have him lecture at some of the chief points

in our neighborhood? e.g., Quebec, Sherbrooke, Cornwall and Ottawa. The Local Unions at these places need good lecturers, and by co-operation could not Montreal and these surrounding communities make arrangements that, when a good lecturer comes to Montreal, these other places might also enjoy his services. When we heard Mr. Wooley we were sorry to think that on this visit this part of Canada was to hear him but once. Will it be the same with the next great man that is brought along? Could not a week's lectures be arranged, for? Let there be one evening at each of the four points named, with more than one at Montreal if it be desired. This ought also to be less expensive. The rate *per* evening for a number of evenings should not come so high as for a single lecture.

We would respectfully suggest that the Local Unions of the places named and of any other near to Montreal correspond with the Montreal Union and seek to enjoy some of the advantages that fall to the more favoured in a large centre like our commercial metropolis. The Local Unions can possibly be able to help each other in this respect.

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Instruction in Music. Some years ago, music was made one of the compulsory subjects for theological students in this college. Every student in second year theology had to