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POLITICS AND THE LICENSE AD-
MINISTRATION.

In his report on the liquor license
advisory in Toronto, Mr. Starr, the
Ontario Government's commissioner,
has not concealed his partisan bias,
but nothing that he alleges against
the administration of the license law
under the previous government is so
bad as the condition of things in To-
ronto, under the Whitney regime,
which he is honest enough to expose.
The change from municipal to Prov-
incial control of the liquor traffic was
one of the most beneficent measures
of the Mowat Government. It paved
the way for the wholesale reduction
of licenses and a series of wholesome
restrictions upon the sale of liquor,
which were effected under an admin-
istration which sympathized with tem-
perance reform. Many dangerous
abuses were banished, although there
is no pretense that the new system
was perfect. Occasionally license
commissioners were no doubt influenc-
ed by local political pressure, but in
the main a vast improvement re-
sulted, and the liquor traffic was
brought within limits which would
have been impossible under municipal
control.

The Conservative party in Ontario
opposed Provincial control in the first
place, but yielded to the logic of
events. The present Premier, before
and after he obtained office, pledged
himself to go further, and place the
administration of the license system
where there could be no possibility of
party interference. His first act was
a brazen repudiation of his pledge.
He dismissed all the license inspectors
of the Province, and replaced them
by party workers, chosen mainly by
local patronage committees.

In Toronto this was the signal for
the party organization to seize the
whole license administration as an
instrument of graft and patronage. For
a time a board of conscientious license
commissioners stood in the way, but
the Government sided with the wire-
pullers, and made the retention of of-
fice by the commissioners impossible.
The alliance between the licensehold-
ers and the heads of the party ma-
chine in Toronto was perfected. Mr.
Starr, in his report, does not spare
some of these men. He reproves the
chief license inspector for his asso-
ciation with them, and advises one of
the board commissioners, an insurance
agent, who was showered with prem-
iums by licensees, to resign.

Mr. Starr discloses his party feel-
ings chiefly in his gingerly treatment
of the Minister of Education, Dr.
Pyne. The latter canvassed the chair-
man of the first Whitney board of
license commissioners, on behalf of
one Courtney, who had an unfavorable
record. Mr. Starr merely says Dr.
Pyne was unwise. He points out that
Courtney's application for a license
was refused, and adds that Dr. Pyne
took no further interest in the mat-
ter. But this is not the whole story.
The remainder is told by the Toronto
News, whose owner, Mr. Flavell, was
the license commissioner whom Dr.
Pyne first approached. The News
says that Dr. Pyne brought also pres-
sure to bear upon Mr. Flavell's col-
leagues, and upon the chief inspector,
Mr. Hastings. Other active Conserva-
tive members of the Legislature, says
the News, saw Mr. Hastings, and im-
pressed upon the official the wisdom
of submission to party representation
and the advantage of attaching to
himself the interested petitioners who
could stand in his defense with the
Government and in the Legislature.
The News adds:

"It is true that with this failure
Dr. Pyne made no further attempt
to influence the license board. He
carried his influence to the council
chamber in Queen's Park, and there
he was more successful. It had
become evident that the board was
not submissive to political represen-
tations, and therefore new machinery
had to be provided. As a result,
the old license officials were dis-
missed, and officials in sympathy
with the party were appointed. As
a further result, the general hand-
ling of licenses passed into the
hands of Conservative workers, and
a public inquiry into the whole sys-
tem of license administration in To-
ronto became necessary. The old
commissioners understood that the
dismissal of the inspector was an
intimation that officials in active
alliance with the party would be
appointed, that under these circum-
stances a non-partisan adminis-
tration of the law would be difficult
or impossible, and that, in face of this
violation of the understanding upon
which they took office, they had no
alternative but to resign their
places."

influence with the Government. The
dismissal of Mr. Hastings was an
incident, a necessary incident in the
Pyne campaign, but it is not the
chief fact which should engage pub-
lic attention. The chief fact is that
a license board who were pledged
to give a non-partisan adminis-
tration of the license system were sub-
jected to partisan pressure, and,
when they would not yield, the case
was carried to Queen's Park, the in-
spectors dismissed, and active Con-
servative workers put into their
places in the expectation that their
ears would be open to party repre-
sentations, and through whom, as
the result has proved, the license
office would become an active center
of party intrigue and party manipu-
lation."

The News winds up by saying that
the pretense that the Whitney Gov-
ernment has taken the license ques-
tion out of politics is a sham and a
humbug.

FLOUR AND APPENDICITIS.

To the layman, if not to the medi-
cal profession, the great increase in
late years in the number of cases of
appendicitis has been a matter of con-
siderable wonder and speculation.
There are those now living who can
easily remember the time when the
disease was rarely heard of; indeed
investigations into the post-mortem
examinations of the London Hospital
show that in forty years prior to 1884
only nineteen cases of trouble in the
appendix are on record. The prevalence
of the ailment in recent years, however,
has been such as to increase the alarms
of those with whom dread of
disease is itself almost a dis-
ease, for scarcely a week passes
but operations on the appendix
are recorded.

Many theories have been advanced
as to the reason for the increase, a
popular one being that it resulted from
eating seed-bearing fruits, and not a
few timorous people have as a conse-
quence been induced to eschew grapes,
berries, apples and suchlike luxuries.
The latest theory is advanced by Dr.
W. H. Battle, surgeon to St. Thomas'
Hospital, London. His idea is that on
the introduction of the roller process
of turning wheat into flour, particles
of iron began to be common in flour,
and that these particles found their
way into the appendix and formed the
nucleus for concretions that cause the
trouble. It is such concretions as were
at one time described as fruit seeds,
but in the great majority of cases they
are now recognized to be of an alto-
gether different character, being, in-
stead of carried in from without,
formed around some minute nucleus
inside the appendix. Dr. Battle does
not claim that every case of appendi-
citis is due to the presence of such
concretions, neither does he pretend
that iron particles are the nuclei in
all cases where concretions occur;
he merely suggests that to the pre-
valence of iron particles in rolled
flour is very probably
due the great increase of appendi-
citis. Some force is given the theory
of this London practitioner, apart from
the results of pathological investiga-
tion, by the fact that with the intro-
duction of roller process flour began
the increase in the disease.

The remedy seems to be not in dis-
continuing the use of wheat flour, as
some of the more cautious among us
might be inclined to do, but in the en-
actment of a law compelling the puri-
fication of flour from iron particles.
This can be accomplished by the use
of magnets as the flour passes from the
rollers to the bags—a plan in use in
not a few mills at the present time.
The old-fashioned stone-ground flour
is still prepared by many people, but
as time passes it is becoming a scarcer
commodity. But in view of this latest
theory it is not altogether unlikely that
stone-grinding of wheat may again be
found a profitable industry.

Just as we are getting through the
water shortage nicely, a coal famine is
predicted.

Is there any omen in the fact that
Mr. Borden visits London on Friday,
the 13th?

The Dreadnought and the Lusitania
furnish further proof, if it were need-
ed, that Britannia rules the waves and
means to keep it up.

The way that London's water sup-
ply has held out in the dry spell demon-
strates that rivers are more prone to
dry up than springs.

Why does Mr. Borden insult consen-
tious Conservatives by bringing Rufus
Pope in his train? Perhaps because
he lacks the courage to cast off a
hanger-on. But is this the stuff leaders
are made of?

NO RACE SUICIDE IN EGYPT.

[Harriet Quimby, in Leslie's Weekly.]

There is no race suicide in Egypt. From
Alexandria to Assuan the country is filled
with babies, round faced, and solemn ex-
pressioned little tykes, who look out upon
the world with great eyes that are pain-
fully big, making their tiny faces ap-
pear top-heavy, so large do they seem.
As in all Oriental countries, children in
Egypt are welcomed. The more the mer-
rier. The wife is not even considered a
true wife until she becomes a mother.
The estimation in which she is held, not
only by her husband, but also by her
friends, depends, in a great degree, upon
her fruitfulness, and upon the preser-
vation of her children; for, by men and
women, rich and poor, barrenness is con-
sidered a curse and a reproach. So high
is babies esteemed in that strange
country of the Nile that in the days be-
fore slavery was abolished, a slave who
contributed a child to her master's family
circle, and which he acknowledged as his
own, thereby earned her freedom accord-

ing to the law; and in the majority of
instances she was further honored by be-
ing taken as her master's wife, or one of
them, and becoming entitled to the luxu-
ries of the harem. So frequently do
babies come, and so numerous are their
deaths, that the Egyptian Government
has never been able to procure a census
that was at all satisfactory, and even the
recent attempt made this year cannot be
accepted as an official statement of the
country's population. In Egypt births and
deaths are not recorded, except in the
memories of those immediately concerned.
Three characteristics of Egyptian babies
impress themselves upon the tourist. The
first is their beauty, for, although many
of them are blind, or nearly so, from un-
cleanness and ophthalmia, they are all
round faced and exquisitely modeled, their
features are classically beautiful, and their
color is exactly like bronze. Self-control
is the next most impressive feature about
these little folk, for it is a most unusual
thing to hear an Egyptian baby cry.
Noticeable, also, is these little folks' use-
fulness. It is an odd thing to see an in-
fant person indeed to fail to notice the infant
toilers in Egypt.

RECUOPERATED.

[Exchange.]

A—You look really recuperated this
year. Have you been to the seaside?
B—No, but my wife has.

A LONG LOOK AHEAD.

[Exchange.]

Jacob Jacobs—How much does a bath
cost?
Clerk—Half a shilling; but if you buy a
dozen tickets you'll save 10 per cent.
Jacob Jacobs—What? A dozen tickets?
Do you think I'm going to live a hundred
years?

BAD HABITS?

[Exchange.]

Clerk—Please, sir, I should like a three
days' holiday.
Banker—What for?
Clerk—Please, sir, I'm going to be mar-
ried.
Banker—A little while ago you were
away ill for three days. Why didn't you
get married then or wait till now to fall
ill? Don't let this sort of thing happen
again!

NATURAL HISTORY.

[Exchange.]

"You see, Tommy, that is an elephant."
"Ah! Yes, papa—the thing that makes
the billiard balls!"

NOT IN TOUCH.

[Exchange.]

Wife (to husband)—Poor children! When
you get up they have gone to school.
When you come back from the club they
are asleep. Send them a picture postcard
from time to time."

TAKES NO PART.

[Chicago Tribune.]

"He seems to be a good man, but he
cheats in a horse trade. How can he
reconcile that with his conscience?"
"My dear sir, when a man trades horses
his conscience always goes to sleep."

HIS TROUBLE.

[Exchange.]

Smith—Do you mean to say you don't
have any trouble in keeping your wife
dressed in the height of fashion?
Weldner—That's what I said. My
trouble comes when I don't keep her
dressed that way.

RETRIBUTION.

[Chicago Tribune.]

Letter Carrier—Little girl, will you
please call off your dog?
Little Girl—Got any mail for our flat?
Letter Carrier—Not this time.
Little Girl—Sick 'im, Rover!

MONEY IN IT.

[Life.]

Mrs. Wall Street (to farmer by roadside)—
I'm so glad to see you going in for
wheat. Mr. Hayrick, my husband has
made a great deal of money out of that
in the city.

ARTISTICALLY SPEAKING.

[Chicago Tribune.]

Mrs. Kowler (looking at photograph)—
It's an excellent picture of you, but it's
an exceedingly poor one of your husband.
Mrs. Crowsfoot—I know it, but I like it
all the better on that account. He makes
such a admirable—er—foil, you know.

GREAT SHOW OF DOGS AT FAIR

Continued from page ten.

Holy Rood Meek, D. Thody, 3; Res.
Teddy, Mrs. Connolly, London; Res.
Bob, James L. Vance, Ingersoll, H. C.
Novice dogs—Colla Cobbler, 1; Jen-
mie, James L. Vance, 2; Duke, 3; Res.
Holy Rood Meek.

Limit dogs—Colla Cobbler, 1; Falk-
irk Chief, Mr. A. Aitchison, Guelph;
2; Marvel Cheevers, Mr. P. A. Cheev-
ers, London, 3.

Open dogs—Champion Balmoral
Baron, Colla Kennels, 1; Falkirk
Chief, 2; Marvel Cheevers, 3.

Open dogs, other than sable or a
sable and white—Champion Balmoral
Baron, 1; Holy Rood Meek, 2.

Puppies, bitches—Walden Primrose,
F. A. Metcalfe, Toronto, 1; Colla, 2;
Sparkle, D. Thody, 3; Dot, H. G. Wat-
son, Ingersoll.

Novice bitches—Roady Burch, D.
Thody, 1; Bessie II, A. Harvey, Sim-
coe, 2; Colla Primrose, 3; Fly, James
V. Neill, London, H. C.

Limit bitches—Roady Burch, 1; Bes-
sie II, 2; Walden Primrose, 3; Colla
Beatrice, Res.

Open bitches—Colla Dawtie, Colla
Kennels, 1; Roady Burch, 2; Bessie
II, 3; Walden Primrose Res.; Ploss,
H. G. Watson, H. C.

Open bitches, other than sable or
sable and white—Colla Dawtie, 1;
Walden Primrose, 2; Sparkle, 3; Colla
Beatrice H. C.; Rosie, Colla Kennels,
V. H. C.

Poodles—Peggy From Paris, Miss M.
L. Jacobs, Philadelphia, and Toodle,
Mr. H. Scafe, London Junction, equal.

The same award was made in limit
class. Toodle won the Gilean special.

Dalmatians—Novice dogs—Cabby,
Starr Bros., Swift, E. Baker, Gen-
eral Jackson, W. L. Mitchell; Gal-
comb, W. L. Mitchell.

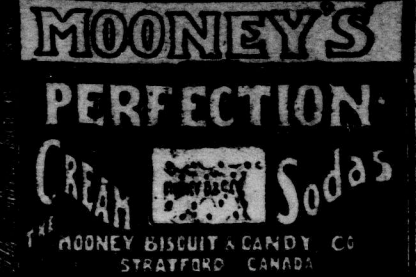
Limit dogs—Cabby, 1; Swift, 2;
General Jackson, 3; Galcomb, reserve.

Open dogs—Cabby.

Novice bitches—Polly, Leslie Harris.
Alredale Terriers—Puppies, dogs and
bitches—Rock Prince, Miss F. A. G.
Phonak, Hamilton, 1; Dutch, Mr. A.
B. McKay, Hamilton, 2.

Novice dogs—Rock Prince, 1; Dutch,
2; Rock Commander, Miss Pheop, 3.

Limit dogs—Commodore of Cling-
stone, Mr. E. W. Thorpe, Toronto, 1;

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Rock Prince, 2; Rock Commander, 3.
Open dogs—Commodore of Clingstone
1; Champion Colin Master Royal, Mr.
Jos. A. Laurin, Montreal, 2; Rock
Descendant, A. B. McKay, Hamilton, 3.

Winners dogs—Commodore of Cling-
stone.

Novice bitches—Exmoor Lass, Mr.
P. Bowden, Ridgetown.

Limit bitches—Gypsy Belle, Harry
Green, Montreal, 1; Colla Princess
Maud, Jos. A. Laurin, 2; Nell, A. B.
McKay, 3.

Open bitches—Gypsy Belle, Harry
Green, 1; Champion Mistress Royal,
Joseph A. Laurin, 2; Princess Maud, 3;
Winners, bitches—Gypsy Belle, 1;
Nell, 2.

Butterflies, limit dogs—Brantford
Crystal, Mrs. E. C. N. Bennett, Det-
roit.

Open dogs—Brantford Crystal.
Puppies, bitches—Stockwood Polly
Perkins, D. Thody.

Novice bitches—Stockwood Polly
Perkins.

Stockwood Polly Perkins won also
limit, open and winners' classes for
bitches.

Boston-terriers—Novice Combustion,
J. A. Meadows, Toronto.

Limit—Novice Combustion, 1; Bad
Boy, W. Austin, Toronto, 2; Peter
Pan, J. Meadows, 3.

Open dogs—Bad Boy, 1; Peter Pan,
2; Rex, W. L. C. Lackie, London, 3.

Puppies, bitches—Peggy Brady, W.
O. Ruse, London.

Novice, bitches—Lady Snowball, J.
Meadows, 1; Peggy Brady, 2; Tody, R.
Oke, London, 3.

Limit, bitches—Lady Snowball, 1;
Peggy Brady, 2; Tody, 3.

Open, bitches—Lady Snowball, 1;
Tody, 2; Kiddo II, W. O. Ruse, 3.

Winner, bitches—Lady Snowball.
Foxterriers, smooth, puppies, dogs—The
Don, Oxford Kennels, Ottawa, 1; Kenil-
worth Tartar, Dr. Drake, 2; Kenilworth
Flash, Dr. Drake, 3.

Novice, dogs—The Don, 1; Kenilworth
Flash, 2; Buster, A. M. Heaman, 3.

Limit, dogs—Forard On, Dr. Drake.
Open, dogs—Forard On, 1; Buster, 2.

Winners, dogs—Forard On, Dr. Drake.
Novice, bitches—Kenilworth Doreas, Dr.
Drake, 1; Oxford Shotover, 2; Horton
Princess, H. Durant, London, 3.

Limit, bitches—Kenilworth Doreas, 1;
Horton Princess, 2.

Winners, bitches—Kenilworth Blue Bell,
1; Kenilworth Doreas, res.

Puppies, bitches—Oxford Brilliant, 1;
Kenilworth Blue Bell, 2.

Open, bitches—Oxford Shotover.
Foxterriers, wire-haired, puppies, dogs—
The Meddler, Miss I. A. Lebart, London.

Novice, dogs—Finisher, A. D. Armour, To-
ronto, Guilmont special, 1; The Med-
dler, 2.

Limit, dogs—Carleton, J. Stanford, Mon-
treal, 1; Fusilier, 2; Coastman, Dan D.
Lyne, Port Huron, 3; The Meddler, H. C.
Rags, H. Durant, C.

Open, dogs—Carleton, 1; Fusilier, 2;
Coastman, 3.

Winners, dogs—Fusilier.
Novice, bitches—Topsy, Thomas McCar-
roll, London, 1; London Bustles, J. J.
Biggs, London, 2; Horton Sally, 3.

Limit, bitches—Topsy, 1; Nancy Brittle
IV, J. J. Biggs, 2.

Irish terriers, puppies, dogs and bitches
—Mr. Hogan, J. J. Lyne, Port Huron, 1;
Drumclaph Foker, Drumclaph Ken-
nels, Montreal, 2.

Special, puppy bitches—Drumclaph
Fairrest, 1; Drumclaph Florrie, 2; Bridget,
Keir Bros., Brantford, 3.

Novice, dogs—Mr. Hogan.
Limit, dogs—Mr. Hogan, 1; Red Cushen-
dum, Keir Bros., Brantford, 2.

Open, dogs—Mr. Hogan, 1; Red Cushen-
dum, 2.

Novice, bitches—Peggy O'Neill, Drum-
claph Kennels, 2; Bridget, 2; Troubles, D.
Thody, 3.

Limit, bitches—Red Cross, Drumclaph
Kennels, 1; Drumclaph Fairy, 2.

Open, bitches—Red Cross, 1; Drumclaph
Fairy, 2.

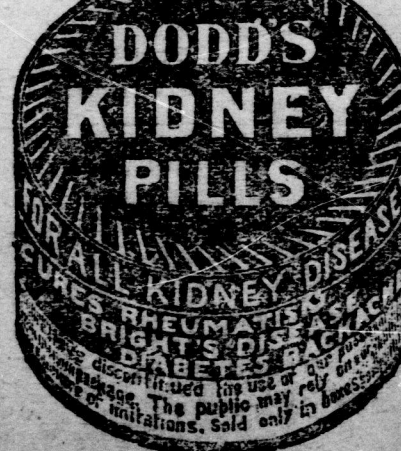
Scottish terriers, limit, dogs or bitches—
Camontie, Miss Eadie, Montreal.

Open, dogs or bitches—Camontie.
Black and tan terriers, novice—The
King's Son, F. C. McLean, Hull.

Open—The King's Son.
Bedlington terriers, limit, dogs or
bitches—Crownier, 1; Haslingden Nellie, 2;
Nellie, 3; all owned by J. H. Kenyon, To-
ronto.

Open, dogs and bitches—Crownier, 1; True
Grame, 2; Nellie, 3.

Welsh terriers, limit, dogs and bitches—
Budge, W. Webber, Ottawa.

CHAPMAN'S
Visitors Shopping

Hundreds of visitors are in our city, who come at Western Fair time with
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.....\$1 48

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