

his house by the agent and signed for by some adult. Penalties should be provided for breaches of the law and regulations in the shape of forfeiture or suspension of individual licenses and every precaution should be adopted for the honest and efficient conduct of the stores. Lieut.-Col. Machin makes no statement of policy about the agency of manufacture, but presumably he would not object to what would be the obvious course, that it should be undertaken by the State. In Lieut.-Col. Machin's opinion the liquor should be sold at 10% over cost and after operating expenses had been paid, one-half of the profits should be given to the municipality for the improvement of education and the other half paid into the consolidated revenue funds of the province towards the establishment of pensions for provincial civil servants.

This proposed solution is well worthy of serious consideration by the people of Canada, and their statesmen, if by such name any of our politicians may be dignified. It is of course a sort of improved Gothenburg system, but it meets some of the criticisms brought against the latter. It gives every scope for prohibition sentiment to exert its influence, and it would without doubt remove in a large measure the attractions and profits of bootlegging and illicit drinking.