

SCOTT ACT POINTERS.

A Chat About the Scott Act, Its Supporters, Its Violators, And Why Grog is Bought and Sold in the City of Fredericton.

What Must be Done to Secure the Enforcement of the Act.

Just about a year ago I had a talk with you about the difficulties the way of enforcing the Scott Act in this city. You gave publicity to the subject matter of our conversation, and I believe, in fact, I know, that it was the means of stirring the people up in the work, and led to the revolutionary measures soon after adopted, which, backed up in such an able manner by several members of the police force, fairly drove the rum trade out of the city.

It was a Scott Act advocate who spoke and it was a Glasgow representative who answered.

In that case who should the rumrunner blame for spoiling their business last year? asked the Scot.

"Never mind about the blame or credit," rejoined the advocate for temperance. "There are enough differences just now in the city over this Scott Act business, without raising any further questions of doubt."

What, in your opinion, is the reason that nothing has been done since, say election time last winter, in the way of enforcing the act in the city. Why is it that no more of any kind was made during all the summer months to check the traffic and to enforce the law? asked the newspaper man.

"Well, you see, what's everybody's business is nobody's business; and this is the great drawback in the proper enforcement of the Scott Act. On one side we have an army of men who keep up the fight constantly because there's money in it for them; on the other side to keep up the war, the supporters of the law have to put their hands in their pocket pretty often and, with a principle only at stake, if we have men who are true blue every time, and men who are willing and ready to stand by their guns at all times and under all circumstances, political or otherwise, the law will never be much good to us."

"Then the law is in part a failure in your estimation?"

"No, I would not be understood as saying the law was a failure. It is not as good as I would like to see it, but with all its defects, if we had a few more temperance men in this town, men who would not play fast and loose with the law, and who would be found true to their word, we might be in a position to enforce the act in the city and keep it enforced. As matters stand at present we cannot."

The opinion is now quite freely expressed among the supporters of the temperance party that unless a good majority of those in favor of having the law enforced in the city, do it in the work, it is thought desirable to insist upon the law's enforcement.

UNIONS RETURN.

An increase in the St. Lawrence-Brook St. Union and the Free Goods. The customs revenue for the port of Fredericton during the month of August shows an increase of \$304.90 over the corresponding month of last year. Iron and steel was imported here during the month to the value of \$8,302 for which duty of \$2,514 was paid. This does not include the \$1,200 duty on machinery paid the day before yesterday by Mr. Henry Chisholm, who is agent here for F. A. Lyon & Co. of Montreal.

During the month Mr. Chisholm received two large consignments of raw cotton, one to the value of which was \$24,000 and the other \$15,280, which swelled the value of free goods to \$40,780 for the month. Below is the statement in full of the value of goods and the duty paid thereon during the month of August, 1887—

	Duty.
1887—By St. Lawrence-Brook St. Union	\$14,840
Free Goods	\$41,935
Washburne	135
Free	80
Total	\$56,777
1886—By St. Lawrence-Brook St. Union	\$42,920
Free Goods	\$13,482
Washburne	133
Free	108
Total	\$56,605
Increase for 1887	\$94.90

A Joke on a Preacher.

There was an old preacher, not a thousand miles away, who told some boys of the bible class the lesson which he would read the next day. The boys finding the place in the bible, glued the connecting pages together for a joke. The next day he read the following on the text: "When Noah was 120 years of age he took unto himself a wife, who was"—(turning the leaf) "he cohabited long (laughter) who cohabited with him for a long time (laughter) and covered inside and out with pitch (more loud and prolonged laughter)."

"He was naturally puzzled at this, so he read it again, verified it first time; 'My friends, this is the first time I ever met in the bible, but I accept it as evidence of the assurance that we are fearfully, wonderfully made.' (Immense laughter.)"

Work on the Bridge.

The pile foundations of the bridge piers are nearly completed. Three of the caissons are finished and launched, and will be used early next week. The work of sawing of the piles under water is progressing, two of the pile foundations having been made ready for the caissons. During the moonlight nights of this week considerable night work has been done. It is expected that the scene of operations looking with electricity as soon as the mason work on the piers begins.

Cannings in Sheffield.

Canning operations were begun at Rogers' cannery at Sheffield on Thursday. About 3,500 cans of green corn were turned out as the result of the first day's work. The factory at Sheffield has been much enlarged and the operations considerably extended. About six thousand cans will be turned out about this season, or about one thousand more than last. About fifty hands are employed. Some big fields of corn have been raised by the Sheffield farmers for the factory.

Railway Accidents.

Mr. Strang, the recently appointed accountant of the Northern & Western railway at Glasgow, has resigned his charge, and Mr. J. A. Wetmore, formerly station agent at Carleton, has been appointed to the position. Mr. Wetmore entered upon the discharge of his new duties this morning.

Extort of Lemons, try the "Boyal."

SPORTING MATTERS.

New Brunswick Wins at Ottawa. The Dominion Match Won by a Grand Victory. Nova Scotia Wins at Fredericton.

The result of Thursday's shooting at Ottawa was most happy for the New Brunswick team as two of its members stand at the top of the grand aggregate. The champion is Lieut. R. A. Smith, and he wins the R. A. medal with 257 points, next to him is Lieut. R. A. Smith, who takes the D. R. A. medal, with 245 points. The third winner is Capt. W. H. Smith, who takes the D. R. A. medal, with 245 points. The following compose the Wimbledon team of 1887—

- 1st, Lt. Smith, St. John.
- 2nd, Sgt. Carr, Halifax.
- 3rd, Lt. Chamberlain, Ottawa.
- 4th, Sgt. Ashby, Toronto.
- 5th, Lt. Fiske, Halifax.
- 6th, Lt. Dyer, Toronto.
- 7th, Pte. Dyer, Toronto.
- 8th, Pte. Dyer, Toronto.
- 9th, Lt. Gray, Ottawa.
- 10th, Lt. Gray, Ottawa.
- 11th, Sgt. Wilson, Goldrich.
- 12th, Sgt. Adams, St. John.
- 13th, Pte. Armstrong, Ottawa.
- 14th, Sgt. Short, Ottawa.
- 15th, Sgt. Mack, Montreal.
- 16th, Sgt. Galloway, Hamilton.
- 17th, Gunner Campbell, Halifax.
- 18th, Pte. Mack, Montreal.
- 19th, Capt. McKelving, Niagara.
- 20th, Sgt. Miller, St. John.

Fifteen thousand spectators witnessed the Banger racing on Thursday. A large number of New Brunswickers were on the park grounds, in the running race Golden Mainstee Yorktown in two straight heats, May Queen, of Montreal third. The 23rd class was won by Able, and Able captured the 24th class.

In the two-mile running race, yesterday, Yorktown was first, Maxim second, and May Queen third.

Finest Collection of Horses.

The Messrs. Todd, of St. Stephen, have collected a large number of fine horses for breeding purposes at great expense. When his collection is completed, it will make the finest in Canada. If the object which the Messrs. Todd have in view can be realized, St. Stephen will soon become famous for its fine horses and a resort for horse fanciers from all portions of America. Among the purchases are the little pacing mare Ruber and Egarde. Both are splendid horses and give promise of great things in the near future. The other horses purchased by the Messrs. Todd are—Fortuna, brood mare, bay, 3 years old, by Jay Gould by Regal's Hambletonian; first dam Pandora, by Clark Chief, by Mambrino Chief. Ermo, brood mare, bay, 5 years old, by Sorcerer, by Regal's Hambletonian; first dam Pandora, by Clark Chief, by Mambrino Chief. Ermo, brood mare, bay, 5 years old, by Sorcerer, by Regal's Hambletonian; first dam Pandora, by Clark Chief, by Mambrino Chief.

The Champion Runner.

Fred. Harmon, the New Brunswick champion runner, who retired from the sport some four months ago, is again in the arena, and is entered as one of the "great sprinters" to take part in the handicap foot races to take place in Bristol, England, in November. Harmon is down for fourteen races, in which he will contend with the best runners in the world. It is now said that he has retired in May last, but he had no intention of retiring for good, but that he merely made an announcement in order to attract attention for the English races. He has been in the city several times, but every time he has come out again. Harmon is now in St. Francis, Olay, the guest of Judge Bouteiller there.

Temperance Defeat.

The regatta between professional cricketers at Saratoga began Wednesday, in the presence of the largest crowd ever seen there. Six contestants appeared for the three-mile race, who were assigned their heats as follows: "When Noah was 120 years of age he took unto himself a wife, who was"—(turning the leaf) "he cohabited long (laughter) who cohabited with him for a long time (laughter) and covered inside and out with pitch (more loud and prolonged laughter)."

Accident to a Clerk.

Indolent Stephen, clerk in Tenness, Davis & Co.'s dry goods store, while carrying packages across the second story floor, on Thursday night, stumbled and fell through the balcony to the floor below, a distance of fifteen feet. He fortunately escaped any serious injury, and is rapidly recovering from his hurt.

Choir Notes.

This favorite society, assisted by an excellent company, will appear in the city hall on Tuesday evening next in "Mary Stuart, Queen of Scots," one night only. The following is clipped from the Boston Herald: "Miss Claire Scott began a week's engagement in this city yesterday, and 'fourteen rounds' greeted the late comers. The play was 'Mary Stuart, Queen of Scots,' and in this place, strong in public and powerful in situation, Miss Scott has unlimited opportunities to test her worth as an actress. She was assisted by a generally excellent company, with Mr. S. K. Coburn well and favorably known here, as her leading man. Miss Scott gave a powerful and highly artistic interpretation throughout. In the second act where the fiery interview between Elizabeth and Mary takes place, she arose to the situation with an earnestness and fire which carried her hearers by storm, and a double call for her hearty applause and a double call for the organ. Mr. Coburn was excellent as Sir Edward, and the same may be said in a general way of the balance of the company. Miss Scott opens her engagement with every prospect of a brilliant week."

Battery Notes.

Track laying on the Central railway will be begun at the Grand Lake end of the road on Monday.

It is stated that since the Boston & Maine

railroad made its mileage tickets good to the bearer over 2,000,000 miles have been sold. The call for the mileage books is so great that the printers cannot turn them out fast enough to meet the demand.

Mr. H. L. Sturges, manager of the Grand Southern railway, says the road is in very much better condition than he was led to believe from the newspaper reports published from time to time. It is the intention of the manager to begin to improve the railway at once by adding to rolling stock, repairing the station houses and bettering the road bed. There will be no change in the official of the road.

The Military Campaign.

A correspondent signing himself "Tommy Atkins" has written a letter to the "Fredericton Gazette" complaining of the system of management of the eastern of the R. I. S. O. The letter is not published as it is a matter that does not concern the public. If grievance does exist and the accounts are not kept strict as alleged, there is a proper way to have such matters set right.

Andover-Battery Bridge.

One of the spans of the Andover railway bridge settled about two feet while a train was passing over it the other day. When built, this bridge was considered to be the best wooden structure on the road. It is now being thoroughly overhauled and repaired under the supervision of Mr. Z. C. Currie, bridge inspector.

THE UPPER ST. JOHN.

Building Operations and Other Improvements.

In Three Stirring Villages Up River.

An Action for Libel at Grand Falls.

ANDOVER.

Bridges on the Tobique—The Andover Band—American Tourists Return Home—Promised.

ANDOVER, Sept. 1st.—Messrs. R. W. L. Tibbitts and G. F. Gregory of Fredericton are in town.

Mr. Lewis Brewer has commenced work on the new highway bridge over Larrie's gulch opposite Andover.

Messrs. Simmons & Burpee have a crew of men at work building a bridge across the Tobique River at the foot of the Narrows. This when completed will make four bridges across Tobique within a distance of fifty miles.

The span of the Riley Brook bridge, which was blown down last fall, is to be replaced immediately.

The 6th Battalion Band of Andover have secured the services of Mr. C. Gibb, late of the Royal I. S. O. as a band leader and are making rapid progress.

Residents along Tobique River are thinking of petitioning the Dominion Government to prevent its fishing on the river. They think that if fishermen are allowed to continue at the present rate, the fish will become exterminated.

Major Hovess and party left on the Flycatcher this morning for their typical homes in New York, Boston, and Indianapolis. The party all speak in high terms of the climate and beautiful scenery on the upper St. John, and the Major reports that the fishing was good on the Tobique and Miramichi Rivers. They spent about two months in the surrounding country making their headquarters at Newcomb's Hotel.

REBURNING.

Work was commenced on the New Brunswick end of the River de Loup railway on Monday. It was intended to have laid the line completed this fall, but as the contractors have some twenty-five miles yet to go, it is thought that it will not be completed before next summer. The contractors are now engaged in the work of rebuilding the line, and are offering good wages for men and teams, but labor is scarce. A large number of the men employed on the road are ex-convicts, and the contractors are unable to fill their places.

Scott Act in violation.

Since our last report the following convictions for violations of the Scott Act have been made by the police magistrate, the list in each case being \$20, Edward Gault, 26; Thos. G. Logan, 1; Timothy McCarthy, 1; Elizabeth T. Logan, 1; F. P. Thompson, 1; W. H. Wilmut, 4; and P. S. Williams, 6.

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In Short Memo.

Stops are being taken in Woodstock to organize a rifle club.

The apple crop is reported almost a complete failure in this country. Farmers account for it by the severe winter.

Mr. Sanderson who has the contract for making some improvements about the military barracks has been his job.

A social dance is to be held in the hall at Barker's Point this Wednesday night.

About six barrels of Miramichi freestone are landed at Gibson daily for the new bridge.

A customs official of St. John has skipped his accounts.

The grass yield upon the river islands this year will not be an average one.

Travel on the river steamers is falling off.

One day to the day, the Saturday country market was poorly supplied this morning.

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The Forestry extension from Chatham will reach here at noon on Monday.

A collection in aid of the Jubilee fund for the Pope will be taken up at St. Daniel's church to-morrow at both masses.

A good attendance is requested at the Young Men's Association meeting on Monday night.

Mr. Jones of St. Mary's has the care of the Fredericton bridge during Mr. Miller's absence.

For Toothache. Dr. Miller, of the New York, and find relief in the use of a toothache.

Personal. Dr. Miller, returned yesterday from his trip to the States.

Mr. Moore, deputy inland revenue inspector, has been in town this week on official business.

The Address Verba and Miss Laura Verba, of Boston, who have been spending the summer at New Brunswick, returned home this morning. They were accompanied by Mrs. Verba, who has been in town for some weeks, and Mr. Hartley Read who has gone to Boston to remain.

Stokes Goes to Salem. Murphy's pacer Stokes was sold yesterday to W. K. Mills of Salem, Mass., who has purchased the animal for the firm of Tremblay & Co. of Salem. Mr. Murphy set his price on the pacer when the animal arrived in town a few days ago and got it before they left.

On the afternoon of the same day the bell of St. Andrew's church where 21 persons renewed the solemn promise and vow. The Godfather Henry conducted the greater part of the service. He presided at an attentive audience from Luke xv. 22. His Lordship also gave an interesting discourse in the evening.

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THE RAILWAY TRACK.

There is quite a ripple of excitement in the lower part of the town over the proposed change of the location of the St. John railway track. It has been pretty well circulated that the bridge company intend to build the track on the upper side of the St. John street to Babbitt's grounds, then to cut across the lots adjoining the street on the upper side to the N. E. Railway. In consequence of this reported change a number of the residents and owners of the lots in the locality are in arms.

A Glasgow representative called at the greater St. John's office this morning to ascertain the facts. Mr. Brown said the change of route had been talked of, but nothing definite had been decided upon. He could not say at present whether the change talked of would be made or not. No conclusion had been arrived at in the matter. Mr. E. H. Wilmut, who owns lots in the locality in question, including the park-like cricket grounds, says he will not allow the company to destroy his grounds and will fight the right of way to the bitter end. Other owners of lots have entered their protest.

It is a Handsome One.

Those of our citizens who were led to expect something nice and ornamental in the new fence around the Officers' Square have again had their hopes blighted by the government and the city authorities. Instead of the "handsome stone foundation and the beauty and joy forever" we have a humble apology for a gravelled lane going up the hill and under the supervision of Mr. Moss White and Mr. P. S. Hilyard. In fact some of the Queen street merchants want to see the fence and the gravelled lane, and they will not admit that it is a disgrace to the city.

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The work of fixing the contributors of the Maritime Bank is being continued in St. John. The list is nearly through, although the Fredericton contributors have been added to the list. Mr. Alex. Burdick, 1 share; H. S. Bridges, 2; G. H. Fisher, 2; Wm. Leonard, 2; Thos. G. Logan, 1; Timothy McCarthy, 1; Elizabeth T. Logan, 1; F. P. Thompson, 1; W. H. Wilmut, 4; and P. S. Williams, 6.

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