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THE REASONABLE COURSE.

It would be interesting to know what Mr. Farquharson thinks of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's conduct with regard to prohibition. If he be the strong prohibitionist that he pretends to be, if he be not a stronger partisan than he is as a temperance man, he will refuse to pass a Senate Reform resolution for Sir Wilfrid until after Sir Wilfrid has brought down a prohibitory law. At any rate there are good grounds in all the provinces, except Quebec, for the passage of resolutions by their respective Legislatures calling upon Sir Wilfrid and his friends to do their duty and fulfil their pledges, expressed and implied, in regard to Prohibition. Every province in Canada, except Quebec, gave a plebiscite majority for a prohibitory law; and the total majority in favor of such a law aggregated the large number of 13,000. Therefore, the logical action for the Provincial Legislatures to take is to pass resolutions calling upon the Dominion Government to follow up their plebiscite by a prohibition law. Will Premier Farquharson take this reasonable course,—the course indicated and justified by the result of the plebiscite vote in this province. We shall soon see what kind of a temperance man Premier Farquharson is.

PROVINCIAL PROHIBITION.

We note that the Guardian suggests that resort shall now be had to Provincial Prohibition. That is to say, having got its friend, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in a tight place in respect to the question, the temperance men of this province shall so far as they are concerned, hasten to let him out of it! We have no doubt that thick and thin partisans of the Dominion Government—those who prefer the Laurier-Tarte-Sifton-Blair administration before the cause of temperance—will fall in with this idea of the Guardian. But all Liberals who are really temperance men will rather unite to bring pressure to bear upon the Government to fulfil the pledge implied by the plebiscite. If the Government do not go on to fulfil that pledge, as consistency and honesty demand, the cause of temperance and prohibition will receive a set-back throughout Canada. Besides the province cannot enact and enforce a prohibitory law in its true sense. It cannot prohibit the importation of liquors from abroad; we doubt if it can prohibit the manufacture of liquors within its own limits; and experience with the Scott Act has proved, over and over again, that where liquor is—in all the towns, at least—there it will be consumed and there drunkenness will abound in spite of a law prohibiting the sale and consumption. More than that, this province is not in a position to effectively enforce a law prohibiting the sale and consumption of liquor imported. To do this an expensive force of officials will be required; and the expenses of the province are already greater than its taxpayers care to bear. No; the proper course of the people and Legislature of this Province to pursue is to follow the lead of the people of Montague who, at a public temperance meeting held, a few evenings ago, passed the following resolution by an unanimous vote:

Whereas the people of Canada were afforded an opportunity to express their

mind on the desirability of the prohibition by statute of the liquor traffic in Canada;

"And whereas the people of Canada availed themselves of such opportunity, and through the plebiscite on Sept. 29, 1898, expressed their mind on the question.

"And whereas the desirability of such prohibition was supported by a majority of 13,000 popular votes throughout the Dominion and by majorities in nearly two-thirds of the electoral constituencies, and further by large majorities in all the territories and provinces—except one only,—

"Be it therefore resolved, that we, the citizens of Montague and vicinity, assembled, respectfully urge upon the government and parliament of Canada, that the wishes of the people—as signified in such majorities, and of the provinces,—be duly acceded to, through the granting of such legislation as shall initiate the banishment from our land of the liquor traffic with all its associated evils."

HON. NEIL McLEOD, M. A.

The March number of the Acadia Athenaeum contains an interesting biographical sketch (with likeness) of Hon. Neil McLeod, M. A., Judge of the County Court of Prince County. Judge McLeod, it is pointed out, was born in Uigg, that section of this province from which so many clever men have come; and his course is traced through Prince of Wales College and Horton Academy and Acadia College. Speaking of his college course it is pointed out that,—

"Judge McLeod was a hard student. Keen in perception, with a deep love of literature, thorough and painstaking in whatever he did, analytic and logical in his thinking, conversant with books of the higher type—books which contain the true pabulum—he founded and buttressed himself for the coming work of life. As is said in Boswell's Johnson, the desire of knowledge was his habitual feeling, and he was willing to give all that he had to get knowledge. He was conscious that the only jewel that will not decay is knowledge. With all thy getting, get knowledge. Of authors, Macaulay was a favorite, if not his favorite author. This was made evident from a conversation held with him near the close of his college course. Something of the flavor of Macaulay's style is manifested in an essay which he had prepared. Attention was called to this, and Mr. McLeod at once said that he read the works of 'Omniscient Tom' more largely than those of any other author. It was simply the aroma of style, that and nothing more. McLeod did no surreptitious work."

A short outline of his career at the bar and in the Provincial Legislature follows, and his elevation to the bench is also spoken of. In conclusion it is pointed out that as a man of probity, intelligence and culture Judge McLeod stands high. "In all the important offices he has filled he has honored his office and thus brought honor to himself, and some of these offices are the highest in the gift of our country. Judge McLeod is where he is to-day because merit receives reward and the man makes his place. The true interests of his native land and the Dominion of Canada have been well subserved by his righteous administration, and may he long live a terror to evil doers and praise to such as do well."

—It is proposed that the Imperial Cabinet shall include a Secretary of State for Africa. Sir Robert Griffin who is supporting the proposition, says that a Secretary for Africa is now as essential as a Secretary for India, and refers to the increasing demands of Egypt and South Africa upon the attention of the Imperial Government.

Carters' for Wall Paper

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars spent for a plebiscite with which to fool the temperance workers. That's the way the money goes.

—The Guardian is now anxious that the Conservative party shall take up the question of prohibition. It is, at all events, certain that if the Conservative party should follow the Guardian's advice it will not deceive and disappoint the people as the Liberals have done. Sir Charles Tupper and Mr. Foster, Sir McKenzie Bowell and Senator Ferguson are all temperance men, if we mistake not; and they are supported in Parliament and in the country by many persons who have been consistently temperate all their lives. But they will not, we may be sure, take up prohibition merely to retrieve their political fortunes. Conservatives are not "opportunists."

—The English Stud Book authorities have refused to register any of the eighty-six American-bred fillies sent abroad last season by J. B. Haggia. Experts say they can race as half breeds, but neither these fillies or any of their descendants can ever be recorded as thoroughbreds on the other side of the water, owing to the difference between the English and American definition of the term thoroughbred. In the United States, any horse having five crosses of thoroughbred blood on all sides can be entered in the stud book, even though his sixth dam was a mongrel of unknown pedigree, while in England a thoroughbred horse is one whose ancestors trace back in every direction to recorded animals of supposedly pure Barb and Arab blood, without a contaminating cross.

ESTEEMED EXCHANGES.

Ottawa Journal: While Kipling was ill, the German Emperor cabled sympathy to Mrs. Kipling. That was a kindly recognition by a crowned monarch of an uncrowned one.

Montreal Gazette: Sir Charles Tupper is being criticized by the Laurier press because he sometimes talks in the past. There were great events in the past, which Sir Charles Tupper took a hand in shaping. He can afford to talk of the past; and it is his advantage over his opponents. There are not many of them who can even afford to talk of the present.

Montreal Gazette: Government papers are claiming that the returns to date of the financial year show a surplus of five million dollars. It must have been to give the London bankers a share of the good times, in the shape of a tidy interest payment, that the government borrowed two and a half millions from them the other day. With such a surplus the ministers never could have needed the money.

The Prince Edward Island Magazine is for sale at all Bookstores and at R. H. Mason's news stand. Price 5 cents

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THOS. DRISCOLL, Secretary.

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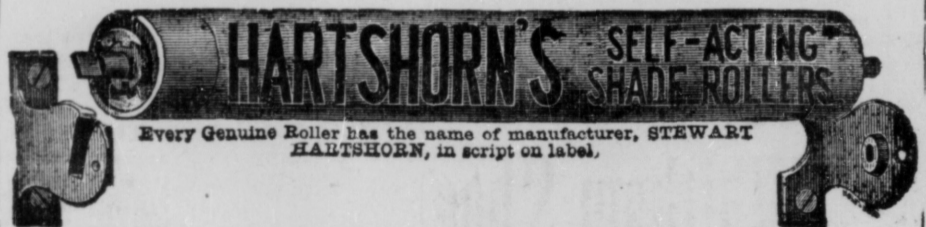
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