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PROHIBITION AND THE PROVINCES.

(Montreal Star.)

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said down the doctrine during the debate on the Franchise Bill that the opinions and even the prejudices of a province cannot be overridden by a Federal enactment, though the object to be gained be so important as the maintenance of a uniform Federal franchise. Thus Quebec does not like manhood suffrage, and the Dominion must not force it upon her, choosing rather to fall back upon the inequalities of the Provincial franchise.

Without criticising this position favorably or unfavorably, it may be permissible to ask whether the same principle applies in the Premier's mind to the important question of prohibition. He has promised to provide for a plebiscite this session. In this way it is to be presumed that all the provinces will be given an opportunity to declare whether or not they want to see a law enacted prohibiting the manufacture importation and sale of alcoholic beverages. Now let us suppose that one or two of the provinces differ from the rest; what does the Premier intend to do about it? Whether he calls the cause of the difference an opinion or a prejudice, does he intend to over-ride it? Should the majority of the whole vote be for prohibition, let us say, but should Quebec and British Columbia give large majorities against it; then a situation will be created not unlike that presented to the Premier when he finds a majority of the Provinces for manhood suffrage and one or two against it.

It is certainly a fair question then to ask whether under such circumstances he will consistently apply the principle of respecting the opinions and prejudices of the dissenting provinces respecting prohibition in the same manner as he has applied it in the franchise matter. And it is a question of the greatest importance to both Prohibitionists and non-Prohibitionists. A Prohibitory law—especially the important clause of it—cannot be applied to this country by provinces. If the Premier intends to give a dissenting province its way he must deny the majority the law they have asked for; but if he does not intend to apply the same treatment to prohibition as to the franchise question, then he must undertake the enormous task of forcing prohibition on an unwilling province.

It is a question that ought, too, to be answered before the vote. If the Prohibitionists must gain a majority in each and every province in order to win, they ought to know it; and if a majority against prohibition in one province is enough to kill the measure, the anti-Prohibitionists ought to know it.

The Premier will probably be prepared to make his position clear on this point when he brings down the plebiscite bill.

Boys Reefers at Paton's.

A Common Cold

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GLADSTONE.

Some of his Habits and Characteristics.

The first place of interest on the way to Hawarden is the little parish church where Mr. Gladstone has been wont to read the prayers on Sunday. It is built in the early English style of architecture, and has nothing remarkable about it other than being the place where the most distinguished man in Great Britain worships. Every Sunday, rain or shine, when at Hawarden, the statesman was, not long since found in his seat within the chancel of the little church. His place is on the front bench, which is fitted up with a rubber air cushion and contains a prayer book and Bible.

His day is opened and closed with prayer, and when the cares of state have pressed hard upon him he has gone to his "secret closet" many times in the course of twenty-four hours. It is a well known fact that during a cabinet crisis he went to church no less than three times in one day. And as if to encourage the ex-Premier in appealing to the Almighty for aid at all times, there is this text in his bedroom hanging over the mantelpiece.

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee."

The Gladstone family, which represents three generations, sits immediately behind the head of the house, while the servants have seats near the choir. The little church is filled every Sunday, many visitors coming for the purpose of seeing and hearing the foremost statesman in Great Britain performing the humble service of reading prayers.

The average day at Hawarden Castle used to be passed substantially as follows: Mr. Gladstone when in health awoke at 7.30 o'clock, and had a light breakfast served him in bed in his room. He generally made it a point to rise at 10 o'clock, after reading in bed a couple of hours, and then went through his mail. As he did not employ a secretary, this took some little time. Very soon, however, he had a pack of postal cards ready for mailing, for letters were rarely written by him in these latter days. Lunch was then served, after which he read till 4 o'clock and then took an hour's walk. Dinner came at 8 o'clock, and the remainder of the evening was divided between the family fireside and the library. Mr. Gladstone is methodical to a degree. Indeed, he has been called a human chronometer. His theory as to his study was certainly good. During the day he worked on knotty and hard problems, but in the evening turns his attention to lighter literature.

OBITUARY.

It becomes our painful duty to chronicle the death, owing to heart failure, of Mr. Dougald Munn, of Roseneath, in the 56th year of his age. This sad event occurred on Sunday evening, March 20th. The deceased was a native of Wood Islands, and moved with his family to New Perth about twenty years ago, from which place he subsequently removed to Roseneath having purchased the mills formerly owned by the late Edward Poole, Esq. He was a gentleman very widely known in the southern portions of King's and Queen's Counties, and in all his relations in life was characterized by his inflexible rectitude and high moral character. He was a consistent and faithful member of the Presbyterian Church at Cardigan, and although fixity of principle was his guiding star he was never obtrusive nor attempted to thrust those principles on others. For upwards of twenty years he filled the position of Road Supervisor, the duties of which he discharged with credit to himself and satisfaction to the people. The large number who attended his funeral to Montserrat en route to Wood Islands, the place of interment bore unmistakable evidence of the esteem and respect in which the deceased was held in the place of his adoption, whilst the number who met the funeral cortege at Caledonia bore testimony to the fond remembrance in which he was held in the place of his birth. The intense sorrow that was manifested when the casket was opened and the companions of his youth crowded around the grave to take a last look at all that was mortal of one they loved so well will not readily be forgotten and serves as an illustration that "To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die."

Gigantic Ice Breakers.

Boats described as steam-rams are now in use in ice-locked Russian harbours and rivers, and have proved that they can force their way through thick ice, even with 72 degrees of frost. The harbor of Vladivostok, till of late hermetically sealed for four or five months, has since 1893 been kept accessible through the winter; the Finnish port of Hango is now open to commerce throughout the year. And last winter a similar steam-ram kept up connection with the Ural railway through the ice of the Volga at Saratoff. It is proposed now to keep open, by stronger boats of this kind, the communication of St. Petersburg with the sea, and to force a winter connection through the ice from Archangel to the mouth of the Yenisei. Admiral Makarof, addressing the Russian geographical society, insists that still more powerful boats of this kind might safely be counted on to cope with polar ice, such as Nansen had to deal with, and to cut a passage to the North Pole.—Chambers's Journal.

Struck it Rich.—Letters received from the Pacific Coast state that Norman Woodworth, a former Hopewell boy, has struck it rich in the Klondyke, having recently made a claim of \$30,000. Mr. Woodworth is a son of Daniel Woodworth, formerly of Albert A. Co., and went to the Pacific coast some years ago. For the last two or three years he has been in the gold region.—Moncton Times.

JOBS ARE SCARCE.

British Columbia is not What it is Cracked Up to be.

The Moncton Times says: The fear that the rush of eastern young men to British Columbia this spring would exceed the demand has been realized. A letter from a young man who left here some time ago to a friend in Moncton, expresses disappointment in the country and says there are ten men for every job in sight. Board is \$5 a week and wages are not sky high for those who are fortunate enough to have work. The letter gives the names of a number of Monctonians, recent arrivals in Vancouver, none of whom had obtained work at the time of writing, though one of them had the promise of a job on a steamer if nothing better turned up. The writer says he has made up his mind to return east and he would strongly advise the boys to stay at home.

A Richibucto correspondent of the St. John Sun says: A number of letters received here this week from parties who went to Vancouver, B. C., about a month ago, contain discouraging reports about the prospects of work there. Our letter says that four fifths of the reports about good times there are not true. Hundreds of men are walking the streets unable to get work. Board is away up and the advice is to stay at home.

ENTERTAINMENT.

A social and entertainment in aid of the new church at Fort Augustus was held at that place on St. Patrick's evening. The roads and weather were anything but favorable, yet a large and appreciative audience assembled, and the proceeds resulting from the sale of baskets amounted to \$100. Rev. A. J. McDonald presided, and the following programme was rendered: Organ selection.....Katie Power Chorus—"Tenting on the Old Camp Ground".....Daniel Stewart Reading.....David McDonald Song.....Joseph Power Violin solo.....Joseph Power Duet.....Messrs. David and William McDonald Recitation.....Julia Trainor Chorus—"Sailors' Glee".....Instrumental selection.....Joseph and Katie Power Song.....John O'Keefe Duet.....Mary Power and D. McDonald Recitation.....Maggie Longbrun Song.....Joseph Power Reading.....Daniel Stewart Duet.....Katie Power and John O'Keefe Chorus—"Home by the Sea".....God Save the Queen.

ZELICA.

ROSENEATH NOTES.

The business of the late Dougald Munn, to which was devoted and to which in a great measure his death is due, will be carried on by his eldest son Edward P. Munn, a young man of sterling character and excellent executive ability.

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