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The following accounts were passed:

J.C. Shute, pay roll water works to Nov. 18..... \$6.45

Chief Becker McCutcheon..... 13.50

Alex. Wilson..... 3.70

A. Walker, repairing bridge..... 10.70

etc..... 3.70

R. G. Noble, repairing telephone line to power house..... 3.85

Hill Bros., account..... 2.44

W. J. Bowes, account..... 5.28

James Sewell, team work..... 4.00

R. W. Ennis, shortage on pay roll, 1911..... 35.20

By Retail of spirituous liquors or other manufactured beverages within the Municipality of Markdale, received its required readings, and ordered to be published.

Meeting adjourned at 10.30.

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OUR COSY CORNER

The Markdale man who does not stand for Local Option will soon stand for nothing.

For Local Option is destined to win the day.

The smashing impact of cold, indurated facts makes short work of all the poor, spavined arguments of the liquor men. It completely pulverizes their knock-kneed logic.

If there is any more drinking under Local Option than under license, will some Philadelphia lawyer get up on his hind feet and tell us why under the sun the brewers and distillers denounce it? If drinking increases, will not their dividends increase? Would they prefer to have their gin-mills run full-time? Are these the reasons for which they strip, and these the reasons for which they fight Local Option? Are these the reasons they cough up so copiously when asked to stop?

Right well they know, these booze magnats, that when the demand is cut off the supply must cease. There you have it in a nutshell. Yet these gentry think they can bamboozle the public mind. They imagine they can bamboozle an intelligent people!

"Local Option injures business." So it does. It injures the booze business. It knocks it silly. It gives it such a lathering that it staggers and drops. The friends of the booze business have seldom worked up enough courage to attempt repeal measures where Local Option has once carried. And in most of the cases where they have done so, they have been whalloped by a larger vote than before. Indeed, it is currently reported that the liquor men have decided they will donate no more funds to try to effect repeal!

Proms, discredit, in all these places, the liquor traffic lies, and the business men are the men, too, who will help to keep it down.

Dollars instead of dimes; steak instead of liver; furs instead of shoddy; cash instead of long credit—that is the merchant's story, always and everywhere, under Local Option. Nor does it take an expert in things occult to see that it must be so. It is self-evident. When a man's wages are not gruzzled down, he has them in his hand for food and clothing for his family. What formerly went for whiskey, or bluestone decorations, is put in circulation where it blesses both him that gives and him that takes.

These bogies of the liquor men! How they make them grim, and dance, and chatter through the land! But, once stripped of the attire with which liquor sophistry covers them, we find them the most wooden and clumsy things that ever did bogey duty in the world of men. We see all the strings with which the figures work, and get the key to the whole trick of their manipulation.

Bluff disturbs no facts. Insult upsets no arguments. A liquor writer in the last issue of this paper deals mainly in both. Possibly he seeks a newspaper controversy. Nothing could be more to our taste, providing each party were measurably fitted for the fray. An elementary knowledge, at least, of English grammar and composition is an essential qualification. So also is a knowledge of the proper limits of the subject to be discussed. A glance at last week's letter shows that the writer in question has neither the one nor the other. His want of them exposes him and his cause to immediate peril. No fighter is inhuman enough to take up the challenge of one who is blind of an eye and lame on both feet.

Mr. Clark Resigns.

Mr. G. A. Clark, who has been Principal of the Markdale Continuation School since its commencement, has tendered his resignation, the same to take effect at the conclusion of the present term. Mr. Clark has proven himself a very capable teacher and an excellent citizen, and much regret is expressed at his removal. He has accepted a similar situation at Brantford Ont.

Better Than the Best.

While it is generally admitted that the Family Herald and Weekly Star of Montreal is the best family and farmer's weekly paper printed, the Publishers are determined to make it still better. They are spending no expense to give the subscribers of 1913 bigger value than ever. Their beautiful picture, "Mother's Treasures," is a delightful subject for the home and it is safe to say that no one who receives a copy would part with it for double the money.

No mistake can be made in sending one dollar for that great weekly paper for 1913. Every subscriber gets the picture, "Mother's Treasures," size 23 by 29 inches free. It is the biggest dollar's worth offered to-day.

Will Distribute Free Seed

It is the intention of the Department of Agriculture to make a distribution of grain and potato seed free of charge to the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec. The samples which will be sent free from Ottawa, will consist of spring wheat (5 lbs.), white oats (4 lbs.), barley (5 lbs.), field peas (5 lbs.) and potatoes (3 lbs.). Only one sample of grain and one sample of potatoes will be sent to each farm and applications for these must be in writing and must be sent in by the end of January. Applicant must give particulars in regard to the soil on their farms and some account of their experience with such kinds of grain and potatoes as they have grown so that a promising sort may be selected to suit their conditions. Preference will be given to the most thoughtful and explicit requests. The applications require no postage and should be addressed to the Dominion Cereal Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa.

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