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EDITORIAL NOTES

The Courts have confirmed the vote carrying Local Option in Seaforth, Tuckersmith and Chesley, during the past week. All attempts to quash by-laws carried in January throughout the province have so far failed.

The "high cost of living" was the chief argument advanced for a change in the remuneration allowed to County and Township Councils by the Municipal Committee of the Legislature last week. In the present Act the maximum rate allowed is \$3 per day. In future it will be \$5.

Her. Montague Fowler lecturing on the subject of "Hazing and Gambling," last week in London, quoted from a letter written by King Edward, as follows: "I have a horror of gambling, and shall always do my utmost to discourage it, as well as to prevent its spread, as the spirit of gambling is like an insidious weed, one of the greatest evils that can afflict a country."

Acting Premier Rogers, of Manitoba, has notified the Government that he has decided to resign from the Government in Ontario in regard to the administration of liquor laws, etc., that where ratepayers have signified by the vote that the majority favor local option, but where the laws are opposed by the majority, no license will afterwards be granted by the commission.

The Customs revenue of Canada, has broken all records. The first eleven months of the year closed to day with a total revenue of \$51,611,777, which is more than half a million dollars beyond the previous high-water mark made in 1907. It is confidently expected that when the year closes, March 31st, the Customs' collections will have amounted to \$90,000,000. The gain for the first eleven months this year amounts to \$11,461,228.

The New British Parliament is moving on with business and Premier Assiniboia speaks with a zest and courage of intention as to the future which is refreshing. Financial business first and the question of the House of Lords second is the program laid down by the Premier in a statement made in the House of Commons, in moving that the government business have precedence at every sitting up to March 25th. The resolution was adopted without a division. When parliament re-assembles after the Easter recess, the Premier said, the government will present resolutions affirming the necessity of excluding the House of Lords altogether from the domain of finance and restricting its power to veto to other legislation. To secure this finally, the Premier added, will use all methods that seem proper and adequate within the limits of the constitution, and upon its successful accomplishment the cabinet and Liberal party shall stake not only the fortunes of the ministry, but their very existence as a party.

SHALL HOME WORK BE ABOLISHED?
It is Believed Scholars in the Lower Classes Do Better Without It

An agitation is going the rounds of the press to abolish home-work given to pupils in the public schools. It is declared to be an old-time custom that has out-lived its usefulness.

Red-tape for little children is often passed and the home work unfinished. Keep the school open till 4.30 p. m., if necessary, but cut out the home work. Those who do their home work most faithfully are high-achievers both physically and mentally, and are wearing their little lives out rather than stand poorly in the class, but they will pay for it later in life.

Boys and girls are trying entrance examinations to the High School before they are physically qualified to bear the load. There are other good things in this big world besides school lessons. Let the youngsters learn them.

There comes a time when the constitution permits of night study without injury, but that stage cannot be said to have been reached when the pupil is studying in the second book.

If the boys and girls will spend their out-of-school-hours recreation and in doing helpful things in the home, they will make broader and better men and women than if they occupied the time in poring over books continually. It should be part of their education to learn to think for themselves and nothing stunts and self-centers child-life like too much study.

REVIEWS
Following is the Elementary school report for S. H. No. 10, regarding:
S. H. No. 10 - Ida Livingston 82%, Sarah K. - Ida Livingston 82%, Howard Martin 47%, Isabel Dredge 30%, Nellie Cawshaw 32%, Laura Brown 32%.
S. H. No. 11 - Marie McMenemy, Gordon Hale, Clarence Winfield, Gordon Hale.
S. H. No. 12 - Nora Winfield, Joe McMenemy.
A Class - John McMenemy.
No. on Roll, 17. Average attendance, 14. Present every day, Clarence Winfield, Nora Winfield, Gordon Hale.
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FOR LAW AGAINST GAMBLING

Parliament will be asked to prohibit House Trunk Gambling. NO EXCEPTION TO GENERAL LAW

Ottawa, March 7. - Before the select committee on the bill to prohibit the business of race-track gambling, Mr. W. K. Hanney, K. C., of Toronto, presented his argument yesterday in support of the bill. The committee consists of Messrs. H. H. Miller, Chairman; K. H. Monk, J. B. Stratton, R. Hain, J. H. McCall, J. H. Sinclair, and W. M. Martin. The chief arguments presented by Mr. Hanney were as follows:

"Parliament is being asked on the one hand by the promoters of this bill to make clear and uniform the law against the business of gambling, so that it will be an offence by anybody to carry on such a business, anywhere, and at any time. On the other hand, Parliament is being asked by the opponents of the bill to make a clear exception to the general law against the business of gambling in the case of certain persons, for certain localities, and for certain days."

Mr. Hanney quoted the following opinions of eminent English Judges on the matter of bookmaking: "I know of nothing more fairly and honestly done than the system of betting which goes on around us."

Mr. Justice Granton: "Gambling with bookmakers is the cause of more crime and misery than anything else in the land."

Mr. Justice Dalrymple: "No one could attend the Civil and Criminal Courts without knowing that many persons spent a much larger amount of time in betting than they devoted to their own business."

Lord (Chief Justice) Lord Alverstone: "Sport never ought to be of necessity associated with gambling or betting. Those who had to do with the administration of the law knew there was something in the great laws—and he was afraid in the smaller ones, too—that brought more people to the lumber walks of life misery and ruin than the betting agents."

He then enumerated the supporters of the bill—First, the farmers of Canada; the Minister of Agriculture, and every agricultural newspaper in the country so far as I know, and the principals of the agricultural colleges of Canada, so far as I heard from, support the bill unreservedly; the master of the Dominion Grange, Mr. Drury, and other prominent members of the Executive of the Grange, support the bill.

Second, the wage-earners of Canada, as represented by the Trades and Labor Congress, are a unit in supporting this bill.

Third, the Churches of Canada, as represented by the resolutions of synods, assemblies, conferences and councils, are as one in support of this bill.

Fourth, the business-men of the Pacific Province whose views were reflected before the committee by Hon. Wm. Tompkins, Mr. Cowan, Mr. P. for Vancouver, Mr. Bernard, M. P. for Victoria, B. C., speak as with one voice, and, if it were necessary, thousands of letters of a similar character could be had from every section of the Dominion.

Fifth, even the jockey clubs of British Columbia are praying for protection from the horde of undesirable which follow in the trail of the American gamblers.

And finally, the great body of public opinion throughout the country, as voiced by the petitions which have been presented to Parliament, is in favor of this bill.

Of this great body of supporters of the bill, I need say no more at this stage than this, that whether they are right or wrong in their views, at all events it cannot be said that they are here promoting any selfish or sectional interests.

SOME OBSERVATIONS

It seems that a large majority has been in the Council Chamber, and the bill is now in the hands of the House. There may be some delay in its passage, but it is only a question of time before it will be adopted. An opportunity for the Institute ladies to adjust properly their millinery creations after discussions are over; that the youthful Clerk of the Council may be able to correctly park his horse and automobile in the middle; or that the Council has adopted House's plan: "Oh, was some power the gifts are us, to see our's as theirs are us."

Speaking of unions, one of the "funny bits" in an old statement had that Sidney Smith the great humorist, once entered a room around the walls of which were a considerable number of large looking glasses. Looking himself reflected in every direction he remarked, "I perceive that I have come into a meeting of the clergy, and really, I must say they present a very respectable appearance."

A recent English paper says: "Mr. H. H. Kelly tells in his 'Memories' that at one time he was often mistaken for Mr. Mark Guy Pearse, and that even Mr. Pearse's mother once took him for her son. But the queerest thing is that Mr. Kelly himself fell into the same error on one occasion. It was in the old-Milton House, and in the committee-room there, was a long mirror that reached from ceiling to floor. At that time ministers were in white cravat with small bows under the chin. "As we sat there," writes Mr. Kelly, "I noticed that the bow was not in the center, but near the shoulder. I lifted my hand to put it right, and found I could not touch it. It was Mr. Pearse's bow that was wrong not mine. He was close behind me."

Now that the hanging up business has been introduced into our Municipal building, I would like to suggest that there is now enough antiquity behind us as a corporation to justify the placing of portraits, either in group or individually, of the founders of our municipal organization, in the main entrance hall. It would give dignity to the place, and be a fitting remembrance of men who in their day and largely to their opportunity served their own and coming generations.

Acton in 1873 was very small and compared with that it has become, but from that day onward has been in a fairly well governed. I therefore would like to know that soon some monument of the kind should be placed to the memory of Acton's first Council: W. H. Storey, Reeve; A. H. Hall, C. T. Hill, John Speight, Dr. N. McGarvie, all of whom with the exception of the latter have passed into the "great beyond."

In my occasional tours abroad I try to see things and once in a while drift into our great Provincial building in Toronto, and gaze with admiration at the fine portraits of some of the mighty men of Ontario's legislation. Most of them have gone, some are still left, but to young people, students for instance, these faces may suggest strength for life's work, and be an incentive to national pride. Similarly, the view of statues in the grounds outside, of some of the chief actors in Canada's development in its long days, is very impressive as they stand there in sublime stillness, all unbleeding—and, alas, thousands often unremembered—turn of life's life not far from their feet. And yet it is a sad commentary on the instability and sometimes inconsequence of historic greatness, that last fall I noticed a large dust-covered cobweb reaching from Hon. George Brown's nose to his shoulder.

Observer

DANGEROUS DANDRUFF
Will Make Canada a Baldheaded Nation If Not Checked

M. Pasteur, the great French Physician, of Paris, once said: "I believe that one day rid the world of all diseases caused by germs."

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MILTON'S LIGHTING SYSTEM
Points About the Same as Derived from Acton's Plant

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For current \$1,162 00
Meter rent 100 00
Fuel and supplies 250 00
Stock on hand 117 77
Lighting street and hall and heating hall 1,090 00
Total \$2,720 77

Expenses for supplies, repairs, etc., as passed by council \$1,113 67
Interest 601 25
Amount in excess of expenditure \$805 85

Lights installed during the year, 1911. Previously installed, 1972. Previously installed are lights, 37. The net profit of the electric light plant for each year, was as follows:

1st year \$120 00
2nd 700 11
3rd 1881 31
4th \$3015 47

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