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WHEN MOTHER READS A STORY

When mother reads a story just before we go to bed, there's not one of all of us that is a sleep-head; all of them are wide awake, alert and ready for action. And you know I watch the light glowing in her eyes as she reads, and many a time I have said, "Mother, it's a pretty old story-teller, but I'm sorry for the dragon when he ate the little lamb dead." When mother reads a story just before we go to bed.

When another reads a story just before we go to bed,

I can't close and hold the book so

far that the giant's yelling noise,

It's awful nice to know

That mother's arm is holding you,

And will not let you go.

Oh, Buddy's mouth was open again,

He puts it all closed up again,

And when the end is near

We're in the room. "They're happy

Now, mother, if you want me,

Then mother reads a story just before we go to bed."

THE PRESENT OUTLOOK FOR PROHIBITION

The present situation as regards Provincial and Federal Prohibition calls for calm reflection on the probable results. During the last few years most of the work has been done on the original Manitoba Liquor Law. This law was adopted as a basis because its beautiful features had tested—and approved by the people of Canada. The central object of that law was the abolition of the bar-room in any of "the open" or "vested" forms. Provision of public facilities for drinking purposes, for example, complete intoxication, was abolished. The slogan must heard during the campaign was "Abolish the bar."

The working of the acts has led to various individual acts and not stop all drinking of alcoholic beverages is no evidence of failure to do the thing which was attempted. Those acts were adopted in the absence of the knowledge of citizens who fundamentally are pro-individual against any legislation which "shoves men's mouths."

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Individual acts are favorable to consumption

1st. Citizens of conservative disposition are favorably disposed to consider more drastic restriction. Family

"is lessening the social life,"

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In connection with the "short-out" arrangement by which orders may be sent in an urgent manner the Provincial act, in this respect, is bold and delivered by a firm in one's own neighborhood.

Also grave difficulties have arisen regarding the prescription sale by druggists and physicians. It is well known that such should really be reserved as bona fide medical treatment. It

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It must be noted that these defects, while a valid ground of criticism of the acts, are not the main cause of the opposition which advocated the adoption of the acts.

The real question is whether the sale of various liquors is two-fold.

First, the better regulation of the sale by physicians and druggists, and second, that further regulation of the quantity of alcohol to be allowed in one's own private cellar.

The proposal to invade the cellar marks a definite advance beyond the previous acts and it is well that all should be taking this step, fully aware of the new principle involved.

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