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**EDITORIAL**

**Canada a Creditor Nation**

This Dominion certainly occupies a gratifying position when it is able to pay off its debts considerably faster than new debts are incurred. In the very near future Canada is likely to enter the list of the creditor nations of the world, according to Ray Hall, of the United States Department of Commerce.

Since 1923 Canada has been an exporter of capital, exporting products in such a ratio that she has paid off her indebtedness faster than new debts have been incurred. In the past four years net capital exports from Canada exceeded six hundred million dollars. This fact is borne out by the record of actual transactions in the capital market.

**Abolish the Bootlegger**

There is a tendency in some quarters to inquire whether Sir Henry Drayton is justified in going to so much trouble to stop the exportation of Canadian liquor into the arid wastes of the United States. The answer to this is that Sir Henry is not so much concerned with the liquor that goes to U. S. as he is with the liquor that, headed for the U. S., takes a circuitous route and lands back into Ontario. Sir Henry Drayton is making an honest effort to control the sale of liquor in Ontario. As an essential step he must abolish the bootlegger. To do this he must cut off their supplies. And those supplies come largely from liquor that is ostensibly exported to foreign countries, but really short-circuited back into Ontario. Sir Henry's activities should be unpopular with the bootlegger, but popular with every law-abiding citizen. It may be difficult for some to believe it, but the above is an editorial verbatim which appeared in the Toronto Telegram the other day. It reveals two or three things. 1st. That the bootleggers still thrive, though it was declared by the Premier and his supporters that the bootlegger would be put out of business. 2nd. That the bootlegger thrives on liquor sold under the Liquor Control Act. 3rd. That the short-circuiting of liquor, which is now of much greater volume than it was under the Ontario Temperance Act, has greatly increased under the Liquor Control Act. We, too, say Sir Henry Drayton's activities should be popular with law-abiding citizens.

**Here, but Not Advertised**

Imported bodily from the United States, apparently the product of the service and booster clubs, anxious to create good-will to the end of increasing business, are the "Welcome" signs which greet one on entering Western Ontario towns and villages. Remarks the London Free Press. "At the other end," it adds, "is the inevitable 'Good-bye Come Again'." One could debate whether or not such signs served any purpose, but at least they give the tourist the idea that the town he is entering is delighted to take his money. A great improvement on these stereotyped greetings could be effected if Western Ontario towns and villages could but a literal welcome on the doormat instead of on sideboards. Almost without exception the streets leading into the smaller places are actual distresses. Invariably, after the smooth country or Provincial Highway ends and the village road begins, there come the pot holes and bumps and mud and ruts. After the pavement or gravel highway the motorist, bumped about and rattled around by these bad roads, becomes so angry that he would not spend a nickel in the town if he could help it. In fact, there are some towns in Western Ontario that one would go 20 miles out of one's way to avoid if possible, because of the terrible condition of the streets. And it is all so unnecessary. A little work would remedy the situation, yet the people of these towns and villages seem to be afflicted with a congenital and perpetual laziness. Why erect "Welcome" signs, why want to be on a highway, why go to the trouble and expense to cater to tourists when the entrance to the communities make the "first so mad he wouldn't do business if he could possibly help it?" This is the reverse of the case with Acton. The town does not display a welcome sign at its main highway entrances but the welcome is on the doormat in real earnest. Acton's streets are in keeping with the good highways entering the town. In fact they set a high example for some of the county connecting links to aim at. The visitor is bound to see the welcome that Acton extends to him with its splendid streets. It at least would be appropriate to extend a formal welcome to tourists at the town boundaries. Not one of the stereotyped ones that are so common on the highways, but one displaying a little individuality on the part of the town.

**Neighborhood News**

**Driving into the town of Picton recently no announcement of the name of the municipality was noted on the highway. Following "Beautiful Barrie's" example the Prince Edward county town might, with ample justification, proclaim itself "Pretty Picton." And we might say "Alluring Alliston." Similarly one might not be surprised to see "Sickly Shelburne." Long have we heard of the "Orgies of Orangeville." Alliston Herald.**

**Back to School!**  
On Tuesday the pupils resumed their studies and started back in their classes at school. In most cases advancement has been made as a result of the previous year's work. But right now, at the very beginning of the term, is the time to lay a foundation for an easy success at examination time, which now seems a long way off. The work the pupils do in these first months will go far toward doing away with cramming in the last few weeks of the term. These first days and weeks are the time to prepare for examinations.

**Halt on the C. N. E.**  
It must have been a source of pride for Haltonians who visited the Canadian National Exhibition to view the exhibit of Halton County in the Ontario Government Building. Besides the value from a publicity standpoint, this will mean much to Halton County in inculcating the pride of the natives in this section in their own riding, and will be worth many times the trouble and expense of the work of arranging the showing. The exhibit gives a splendid portrayal of the agricultural activities of the county. If some idea could also be given of the industrial status of this county a truer portrayal of the county's varied activities would be given in this exhibit. The exhibit was arranged by Agricultural Representative A. P. MacVannell and Mr. D. A. Andrew, the former Agricultural Representative of Halton.

**Championships**  
The past week seems to have distributed its share of championships to Acton. The Beardmore tug-war team brought home two. The bowlers carried off top place at Kitchener and the local exhibitors of horses had a rich innings at the Canadian National Exhibition. Everyone cannot be a winner and every team or individual cannot bring home a championship. In nearly every one of these cases it has been a hard-fought battle.

Acton is proud of the champions the past week has shown up. The home town folks rejoice in their achievements and admire the persistency that has resulted in success. May the success be an incentive to others to go after the honors. Acton has other individuals and organizations that rank with the best in their class. Let us have a showing of more competition for championships. The honor may not come on the first attempt but with determination and persistency more honors can be secured for Acton.

**"While Under the Influence of Alcohol"**  
The verdict of the jury enquiring into the death of Oscar Crane at Guelph last week brought in the following verdict: "That Oscar Crane came to his death by an overdose of strychnine, self administered while under the influence of alcohol. We recommend that a certificate be presented at the drug store, signed by a police magistrate, or physician, known to the applicant, before poisons, listed under the Act, be sold, and that this recommendation be submitted for consideration to the Provincial Attorney-General." It is significant that while the jury brought in a recommendation governing the sale of drugs it has no recommendation for the poison under the influence of which he administered a more deadly poison. The suicide act was committed while the victim was under the influence of alcohol. The sale of this liquor was sanctioned and doubtless made by the Government. Why should a Government that dispenses and legalizes the sale of poison under which a man administered himself a deadly dose pass any act to govern the sale of another poison? Wouldn't it be well to get out of the poison vending business ourselves and then the Government would be in a position to pass acts governing the sale of other poisons? The biggest blood stain is on the hands of the vendors of the alcohol poison that adds brains so that rash deeds are committed. The Government should clean its own doorstep before it sets in judgment on the dispensation of other poisons.

**EDITORIAL NOTES**

President R. J. Kerr and his directors of the Acton Fall Fair are certainly painting the countryside red with Fall Fair advertising these days.

A newspaper heading the other morning read: "Six Mayor's Pants and \$8 Stolen by Hamilton Thief." And now the trousers may also share in his title and be termed ex-pants.

Hillsburg and Rockwood have recently held very successful horticultural shows. Why cannot Acton have its horticultural society again revived and hold a flower and vegetable show every year?

Coal production in Canada during July was 23 per cent greater than average July production. The largest production was in Nova Scotia, followed by Alberta and British Columbia in the order stated.

A statement issued by the Manitoba Department of Agriculture shows that the area in that Province planted to wheat, oats, barley, rye and flax has increased 10.7 per cent over a year ago. The barley increase is the highest on record.

It may be surprising, but none the less agreeable news to many, that the liquor traffic is waging a losing fight in Scotland. One sign of no little importance is the rejection of the distillers' appeal for reduction in the excise duty on liquor. Another indication is the fact that forty distilleries have been closed since the war. Similar indications are reported from Ireland.

Governor Smith favors the adoption by the United States of a liquor policy controlled by states. If such a policy wants to be considered we would advise Mr. Smith to come over and examine the working out of this same control we have in Canada. It is not far and its inspection at close range would be the best argument we could offer toward changing his opinion. But possibly he doesn't want to be changed.

**HOLY MILKMEN OF INDIA**

The Today, a peculiar tribe in Southern India, regard their purveyors of milk as Holy Men, says a writer in The Hill. The chief of these is the Holy Milkman, who has an official residence, the Sacred Dairy, which he is not allowed to leave during his term of office. The Holy Milkman, moreover, is usually a bachelor; if he married before being appointed to his high office, he must leave his wife and devote himself entirely to observing the stringent rites of the Sacred Dairy. No ordinary person may touch him, for to do so would defile his exalted office and he would be compelled to resign. Another restriction is that Holy Milkmen must not be spoken to except on Mondays and Thursdays. On other days, any message must be abated from a considerable distance. The dairy-temples are usually built in conical form, and the milkman-priest must always sleep in the cow-house, a draughty structure with a small fireplace. There is no door to the dairy, and a Holy Milkman is allowed to wear only one coarse robe. When he is eating his food he must not touch his lips, and to prevent this the milkman throws his feet into his mouth. When drinking, he must hold the vessel aloft and pour the liquid down his throat as from a tap.

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