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THE NEW LIBERAL PLATFORM

The banishment of the bar, and the retention of the liquor shops, is to be the main plank in the Liberal Provincial platform, according to the announcement last week of N. W. Rowell, the Liberal Leader.

With temperance Ontario, Mr. Rowell's plank might win favor if it were not for that knot in the middle of it—the retention of the shop license. Just what benefit will accrue from doing away with the bars and leaving the shops will have to be thoroughly explained before Mr. Rowell captures very many temperance votes. Sir Oliver Mowatt and Geo. W. Ross both carried Ontario on the prohibition ticket, in 1878 and 1902 respectively—but whatever became of it, "Birds of a feather flock together," is an old adage, and may well be applied to the present case. If the Liberals, on at least two former occasions failed to live up to their prohibition promises, why not N. W. Rowell? He was with the other leaders when their platforms were framed, and, having passed through the same school with them, will undoubtedly have acquired a majority of their tricks.

On the other hand, the only objection raised by the temperance workers against the Whitney Administration is the three-fifths clause, and on this grievance, the temperance people are themselves divided. Where a town is under local option, you find the temperance people favoring the three-fifths clause; where it is under license, and local option is to be tried, you will find temperance workers against the measure. Taken as a whole, however, the temperance class is well satisfied with the Conservative Administration, and the addition of an "abolish the bar" plank in the Liberal platform is not causing much worry at Tory headquarters.

POOL AND BILLIARDS

From The Toronto Star.

In the town of Durham, where Local Option is in force, a new problem calls for handling. One day a man came along and sought permission to open a pool and billiard room in town. The suggestion did not meet with favor and a by-law was passed fixing a license of \$200 per year for the first table and \$100 for each additional table. This was considered prohibitive. But somebody came to town, paid the money, and is operating three tables. Now the town of Durham is wondering what to do about it.

The question has far more than a local interest and deserves consideration everywhere. When a town closes its bars, it should, perhaps, open something else.

In this case the license fee for a pool and billiard room was fixed at what was supposed to be a prohibitive figure, but it did not prove to be prohibitive, because the young men of the town were willing to pay whatever it cost to have more diversion than the place ordinarily afforded. The moral of it is that a town cannot be conducted entirely to please its oldest inhabitants.

A pool and billiard room is what its owners and frequenters make it. Pool and billiards are games of skill. There is little of chance, and no call for gaming in connection with them. Any ill-favor in which a pool room may stand in a town is due to readily ascertained causes. The place may be so managed that betting is indulged in, but there is no more need for betting in connection with a game of pool or of billiards than in connection with a game of checkers. Another fault found with such a place is that a young fellow may become so wrapped up in the game that he may neglect his work in order to be present, and may spend money there which he cannot afford to part with.

These objections are real. The pool room frequented almost exclusively by those who are willing to make a little bet, and by young fellows who cannot quite afford to waste time and money earns the censure of the community.

But a huge license fee merely makes pool and billiards expensive to those young men in a town who are bound to seek amusement somewhere. When the bars are closed—and they are closing in more towns every year—why should not the leading people in

a town face the fact that reform must not only be destructive, but constructive? If liquor-selling public houses are to be closed, another kind of public houses should be opened. Liquor may be evil, but is there any reason why pool and billiards should be abandoned to the cause of evil? Hundreds of people in Toronto have tables for these games in their own houses, and thousands more would like to have.

In a small town there is no evil connected with the games that could not be brushed aside in a moment. How would it do if the town of Durham should buy out the pool and billiard business, run it as a municipal enterprise at cost in connection with the public library, make it popular and respectable, and see how the idea would work out?

MORE MEDICAL TYRANNY

From The Ottawa Citizen.

The despatches on Monday from Toronto informed us that Dr. Jamieson, M.L.A. for South Grey, has introduced a bill in the Ontario Legislature, the object of which is to place those who are qualified to practice the osteopathic system of healing under the control of the Ontario Medical Council. The latter body is the governing authority of those who are qualified to practice medical or drug healing in the province. As such, it does a necessary work. Those who desire to practice medicine—that is administer drugs, some of which are harmful and deadly—should be required to qualify to a prescribed standard of efficiency. This is essential to protect the people from incompetent drug practitioners. By this process those desiring attendance by a medical practitioner will know that any medical doctor practising in Ontario has measured up to the standard set by the provincial hierarchy—the Ontario Medical Council. But to give this body which governs the medical doctors of the province authority over those who practise other systems of healing which have no use for drugs and do not prescribe nor administer them—as is proposed by the Dr. Jamieson bill—is the height of injustice.

This bill is virtually a move towards securing a monopoly of the healing art to the medical doctors of the province. As such it will not be countenanced by the leading and more thoughtful members of the profession. If the practice of medicine is viewed in the light of an ordinary business, Dr. Jamieson's bill to strengthen the position of himself and those who are engaged in the same business would be quite legitimate. But if the members of the Ontario legislature were to pass the Jamieson bill they would be legalizing the latter's attempt to throttle a rival school of drugless healing. While the legislature is not likely to pass this bill the newly formed Ontario League for Medical Freedom should see that it is intelligently opposed in the interests of the objects for which that body was organized. The Citizen will oppose any similar legislation in behalf of a system of medical practise which has for years endeavored to make general vaccination compulsory throughout the country. The proposed revisions of the Public Health Act and the Vaccination Act of Ontario which have aroused such opposition are instigated by the same school of medicine which offers the Jamieson bill, and are examples of the length it will go to override the liberties of the individual and the public.

You will look a good while before you will find a better medicine for coughs and colds than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It not only gives relief—it cures. Try it when you have a cough or cold and you are certain to be pleased with the prompt cure which it will effect. For sale by all dealers.

RIVERDALE.

Mrs. Wm. McIntosh, accompanied by her daughter, Margaret, visited a few days last week with the Weir and Atkinson families, before leaving for the west.

Mr. Jas. Atkinson had Mr. Dan. McArthur with his circular saw one day last week, and got a nice pile of wood cut.

Councillor Lindsay disposed of a nice bunch of fat cattle last week which brought a nice sum of money.

The last few days have made the snow pretty soft. The roads are almost impassable; some places there is too much snow, and other places there is no snow at all. This is the 1st of April, and very little sign of plowing weather as yet.

Dr. Farquharson held a prayer-

meeting in the school last Thursday night, which was fairly well attended. The Bible class will meet in the school every Sunday afternoon, commencing April 7th.

We are pleased to see Mr. M.J. Staples on the mend, and hope to soon see him out again.

Mr. Wm. Atkinson had a gang of men taking down the timbers of the barn on the Greenwood farm last Saturday. Messrs. James Eden and Wm. Haas had the contract, and everything went smoothly.

Quite a number from this part took in the party at Mr. Angus McArthur's last Wednesday night, and had a very enjoyable time.

Mrs. Hannah, of Mt. Forest, visited her sister, Mrs. Wm. McFarlane, last week.

Don't be surprised if you have an attack of rheumatism this spring. Just rub the affected parts freely with Chamberlain's Liniment and it will soon disappear. Sold by all dealers.

SACKETT'S CORNERS

Well, Mr. Editor, the first of April is nearly at hand, and in all directions, there are snow banks galore.

Mr. Geo. Lane had the misfortune to cut his foot this week. We trust it may not keep him under the weather very long.

We regret to chronicle the death of George Watson, of Swinton Park. Interment took place on the 27th inst. Rev. Mr. Matheson officiated at the house and grave, also the Free Masons. There was a large concourse of people followed the remains to the cemetery. We extend our sincere sympathy to the bereaved widow and family, of whom the eldest daughter, Miss Flo, is very ill.

Mr. Sam McMurdo is still in the cattle trade. He gets there, too, when there is a bargain to be got.

Mrs. Nell Clark and family leave this place on April 1st, for the west. We would sooner see them stay, as they have always been quiet and peaceful. We wish them a safe journey, and prosperity in their new home.

Mr. Sandy McPadden sold his horse to Dan Ferguson to take west with him. He realized \$165 for him.

Wm. Sackett has finished his contract with Nelson brothers, and is now engaged as head sawyer at Hugh Wilson's mill.

James Marshall, of Boothville, has purchased James Eccles' farm, on the 19th of Egremont. We wish him success.

TRAVERTON

To all Chronicle readers, a most joyous Easter tide

After spending the winter with her aunt and uncle at Rochester, Missy Amelia Blair arrived home on Thursday last, being driven across from Markdale by Grandpa R. Bradley. The latter sold a fine colt to Lorne McNally, who is in need of a driver in the near future.

Most fortunate is Mr. Wm. McNally, of the 6th con, in securing the services of Rob Bryans, of Varney, for the summer season. Rob was with him last year, and proved a most industrious and clever help, taking more than the ordinary interest in the welfare of both the stock and the work of the farm.

Miss Maggie Farr, of Huron Co., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. J. Robson.

Mr. John Robson disposed of a runt pig last week that netted him \$20. He was a pretty decent runt.

Mr. Will Ryan, of the 6th con, left on Monday for Bruce, Alta, where a position as engineer on a plough and threshing outfit awaits him, with wages at \$60 a month and board.

Councillor Young and family gave a monster party on Friday night, where both young and old spent till near the break of Saturday morn in varied forms of enjoyment. Everyone present have warm words of praise for the kindness and hospitality shown them. Mr. Young is proving a good local legislator.

McWILLIAMSVILLE.

Mr. Thos. Scott left on Saturday with a car load of settlers' effects for New Ontario.

Mr. Herb Harrison sold one of his horses recently for a good sum.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Lawrence intend leaving next week for North Dakota. He has rented his farm to his brother William for a term.

Mr. Donald Watson is moving this week to the Dennett farm which he has rented for a term.

THOUGHT IT WAS CANCER

"Fruit-a-tives" completely restored me SYDNEY MINES, N.S., Jan. 25th, 1910. "For many years, I suffered tortures from indigestion and dyspepsia. Two years ago, I was so bad that I vomited my food constantly. I also suffered with constipation. I consulted physicians, as I was afraid the disease was cancer, but medicine gave only temporary relief.



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The Rifle Association, of North Egremont, spent Friday evening at Mr. Wm. Ramage's.

Miss Elsie Eccles, of Dromore, spent a week visiting at our cabin.

Miss Emma Brown is on the sick list at present.

Mr. Jos. Watson, after spending the winter at his old home here, left last week for Brock, Sask.

For rheumatism you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Liniment. Try it and see how quickly it gives relief. For sale by all dealers.

HAMPDEN.

On account of the poor roads and the wet day on Sunday last, Rev. Mr. McLean was unable to get over to Hampden. Their will also, be no prayer meeting this week.

A few of the young people from around Hampden corner spent last Thursday evening in the Durham skating rink.

On March 24th, to Mr. and Mrs. John Whiteford was born a son.

Mr. Norman Anderson intends coming home on Thursday evening of this week to spend his Easter holidays.

Mr. Wm. Henderson has purchased a horse-power and straw cutter with which he intends to cut his feed for his stock. Will is a young farmer, but looks as though he is going to be a prosperous one.

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WHISKEY AT COLLINGWOOD.

The police believe that Saturday in all probability was a dry day for some of the blind pig patrons the supply of liquid refreshments being unexpectedly shortened by a big seizure they made on Friday at the J.F.R. freight shed. While wandering about the shed on St. Paul street the officers ran across two barrel common-place looking barrels, which attracted their attention. They were not addressed to any full name, but simply bore the marks "M.M., Collingwood." The suspicions of the police being aroused, it was opportune to make an investigation. They did so, and

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FOX-LADALI CONCERT MONDAY, APRIL 8th

Mr. George Fox, the well-known violinist, of Walkerton, will appear in the interest of the Boy Scouts, in the town hall, Durham, April 8th, assisted by Miss LaDeil. Mr. Fox will render the popular airs and Scottish selections. Plan of hall at Gun's Drug Store. Admission 25c. and 35c.

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instead of the barrels being filled with sugar, apples or groceries, they were found to contain sixty bottles each, one hundred and twenty all told, all fully charged with genuine fire-water. It was truly a boozorium they had struck, and this led the police to another decision, to take the shipment into their official care until such time as its presence in this local option town was properly and satisfactorily accounted for. Now in their possession, a closer inspection was made, when it was discovered that the shipper, or perhaps the purchaser, was a most impartial cuss. Instead of giving all his patronage to one brand, he split it, one-half of the bottles being G. & W., while the other was Seagram's best. No enquiries being forthcoming as to the arrival of the liquor, the police issued a complaint against "M. M., Collingwood," whoever he, she or it may be. The warrant was left with the G.T.R. officials, and upon appearance, the applicant for possession of the booze will receive

MARKET REPORT

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Fall Wheat	\$1.00 to \$1.00
Spring Wheat	1.00 to 1.00
Oats	.45 to .45
Peas	.90 to 1.05
Barley	.65 to .65
Hay	12.00 to 13.00
Butter	20 to 20
Eggs	22 to 22
Potatoes, per bag	1.00 to 1.25
Dried Apples	7 to 7
Flour, per cwt	2.50 to 3.00
Oatmeal, per sack	2.00 to 3.00
Chop, per cwt	1.25 to 1.00
Live Hogs, per cwt	7.50 to 7.50
Hides, per lb.	8 to 9
Sheepskins	30 to 50
Wool	18 to 23
Tallow	5 to 5
Lard	11 to 11
Turkeys	18 to 18
Geese	12 to 12
Ducks	12 to 12
Chickens	12 to 12

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It instead of the barrels, it will no doubt be more easily taken care of, but may be more difficult to get away from. The police waited until yesterday morning, when the case was called. No one appearing the liquor was formally confiscated and ordered destroyed or disposed of, as the Minister may direct. Collingwood Bulletin.