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THE SCARCITY OF ALCOHOL.

The new liquor law has its defects. One of them is that there is no provision for the sale of alcohol for educational purposes.

When the Liberal Government was in power it ordered, at the request of the provinces, an exhaustive enquiry into technical education.

RASCALTIES IN THE WEST. Some one has jokingly said that it is time Mr. Rogers, or some other politician equally alert, was drawing a herring across the trail in Regina.

This road work has been under consideration for some time, and John Probianzki, an inspector of the late Roblin government, has been making tearful confessions with regard to his guilt.

Election funds were wanted in 1914, and he was referred to Dr. Montague, who was then the minister of public works.

Now he is very contrite of heart, and most eager to recoup the government, Zachous-like, to the fullest extent of his stealing.

The exposures in the west have evidently been to some purpose. They have stricken with terror the hearts of the political degenerates.

The under-secretary for the militia department—who may be fired when Sir Sam Hughes returns to Canada—says that recruiting is going on at the rate of 1,500 a week.

LIBERAL LEADERS' STRENGTH.

The Ottawa Citizen, which is absolutely independent politically, and is disposed to criticize both the government and the opposition in the federal house, is to be congratulated upon its effective defence of Sir Wilfrid Laurier from the venomous attacks of the conservative press.

It will be a fortunate thing for the conservative party, with its record of so many broken promises, and with diminishing hopes, to find the liberal leader incompetent in any way, or showing evidence of impaired vigor, mental and physical; and the eagerness of his assailants to do him injury is seen in their abortive attempts to misrepresent him.

The Citizen regards Sir Wilfrid Laurier as a stalwart figure in public life. It regards him as a man of high character, one who rises above his fellowmen intellectually, morally and politically.

This is the knowledge that has embittered the souls of so many people and prompted them to say mean and wicked and unmerited things about the liberal leader.

EDITORIAL NOTES. Will there be an extension of the parliamentary term? Not likely.

Yes, Laurier is coming back. The politicians and some newspapers seek to prevent it by their abuse, but they are only accentuating a great and positive proof.

It would have been better, as the Hamilton Herald remarks, had the Liberals abolished life senatorships when they had the power?

Bourassa is showing his teeth these days. He would destroy Sir Wilfrid Laurier if he could.

The sympathetic strike in New York is over. It has been a failure, as nearly all strikes of the kind have been.

Conservative papers scoff at the Laurier idea of old age pensions and insurance against sickness and unemployment.

The clocks of Britain and France have been changed, and their hands have been put back for an hour.

The plan, says a cablegram, "has generally proved a success." The government, however, has appointed a committee which will report upon the subject before another summer season comes around.

KINGSTON EVENTS 25 YEARS AGO

To-day was the coldest day since May 17th. The Portsmouth council has been besieged with applications for the position of village constable.

NEW ZEALAND AND HER ARMY

Mr. Brierly in Montreal Herald. The making of a National Register need not cost an inordinate sum.

The Register showed the following results: Willing to serve overseas 110,683; Willing to serve in civil capacity 43,524.

COERCION IS NOT FOUND IN CANADA

Montreal Mail (Can.). Canada has not been asked by Great Britain to furnish a single man for the present war.

Three large villages and several square miles of territory have been taken by the British Allies in Macedonia.

Random Reels

THE OLD MAID. The old maid is a thoughtful, far-seeing female who looks over her husbands she has known and realizes that it might be worse.

Ever since the landing of the Mayflower it has been a popular pastime to poke fun at the old maid. Man has always believed that if women were left to her own resources she would languish like a withered sunflower.

The modern old maid earns more money than a union bricklayer and would rather live alone than try to make her salary stretch around the upkeep of a nine-room house.

Rippling Rhymes

VACATIONS

"The toiler needs a good vacation, a time of rest and recreation," we hear the sages say. "For work, without an intermission, without a fortnight off for fishing, will make him old and gray."

TORTURE AND MASSACRE

INFLICTED UPON THE RUMANIANS AT TURTKUKAI

Germans and Bulgarians Killed and Maimed Helpless Civilians—Bulgarian Women and Children Taken Part.

Bulgars Organized Massacre. "A regular massacre of the Rumanian civil population was organized by the Bulgarian soldiery, aided by Bulgarian inhabitants, going from street to street, killing, maiming and torturing as they went."

Crazed By Fearful Sight. "There is in the hospital to-day in Bucharest a raving lunatic, a lady of good Rumanian family, wife of a judge, who, hearing that the Rumanians were being massacred, rushed half-dressed to the tribunal to save her husband."

Billy Sunday To Preach. New York, Oct. 4.—Billy Sunday, the evangelist, will preach in New York during April, May and June of 1917.

Announcement of the definite date for the services was made by James M. Speers, chairman of the campaign. An auditorium with a seating capacity of 20,000 will be erected.

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