

A TOUCHING TRIBUTE.

English Children Decorate Graves of Canadians.

The following excerpts are taken from the Hythe Reporter's account of the English school children's tribute to the Canadians buried in Shorncliffe Cemetery:

With the passing of the years and the rising of a generation which knows nothing of the horrors of war, it may be that the loving enthusiasm of the children to take the part of laying floral tributes on the graves of the Canadians in Shorncliffe Cemetery will gradually diminish; but so far as the picturesque and moving ceremony on Wednesday afternoon was concerned there was no noticeable difference. The day was perfect, and a prettier or more touching picture has seldom been presented than the one of the serried ranks of the little ones, each carrying their posy and surrounded by a Guard of Honor from the Machine Gun Corps, Royal Irish Regiment, 8th (K.R.L.) Hussars, and Canadian Forces which lay away on the overlooking hill were grouped the mothers and fathers, sisters and brothers, and also including many in hospital blue. Among those who attracted attention were the Canadian nurses. In the centre of the square was a distinguished party which included Sir Stephen Penfold (Mayor of Folkestone) in his robes and chain of office, with his attendant Town Sergeant (W. Chadwick), the Rev. H. D. and Mrs. Dale (Hythe), Ald. R. Prior (Hythe Town Council), the Mayor (Dr. W. E. Cobay) being unfortunately unable to be present; Maj.-Gen. E. M. Perceval, C.B., D.S.O.; Col. W. A. Scott, C.A. M.C., Mr. Waite, representing the Folkestone Water Company, Mr. W. E. Cross, the Amusement Association, Mr. G. Osborne, the Bowling Club, and Mr. Knott on behalf of Sir Philip Sassoon, M.P. There were also many staff officers, and a considerable number of Canadian officers.

The excellent band of the 8th Hussars under Bandmaster Cheeseman, played the following selections while the children were assembling: "Symphonie Marche of the London Scottish," "O Canada," and the incidental music from "The Merchant of Venice."

The ceremony followed the general lines of previous years. Led by the band of the 8th (K.R.L.) Hussars, under Bandmaster Cheeseman, it began with the singing of "The Maple Leaf." Then came a short address from Sir Stephen Penfold, who said this was the third time he had had the privilege of addressing to them a few words on the subject for which they had assembled that afternoon. The first and second years, as they knew, they were fully engaged in one of the most terrible wars the world had ever seen. Thank God they might say there was every prospect that peace was in sight, and he hoped that before another week the treaty would be signed. They were all very thankful that this terrible bloodshed had ceased, but they were met here to-day to pay a tribute of respect to the memory of those brave men who left their home and country to help the Empire in its great battle for justice and righteousness. It was rather interesting to know that after the first celebration they had there, a lady from British Columbia sent him some seeds for his children to plant in their gardens that they might lay some of the flowers on those graves. Some of the seeds had been planted there and some of the flowers had been brought. He thought this was very touching, and it must be a solace to the men of Canada who had now gone back to their own country to know that the memory of their dear ones left here was being respected. The mausoleum also reminded them of those Belgians who were driven from their country and whose cause they espoused as their own, and to whose memory they were also paying this tribute. In conclusion, he said how glad he was to see the children had come in such numbers to pay their tribute of respect.

The Rev. H. D. Dale said they might be sure their French friends did not forget to lay flowers on the graves of the brave soldiers who were buried "over there." They did not forget that they shed their blood for France as well as for Britain, and their dear brothers from Canada had done the same for the Old Country and for the cause of justice.

Maj.-Gen. H. M. Perceval said he should like them to know he had ordered no parade that day, but officers, N.C.O.'s and men had come there of their own accord.

Col. Scott said they had come there to-day to decorate the graves of the Canadians who lay in that beautiful place. The most touching and moving spectacle showed, in a striking manner, the feelings they had towards them, and the respect they paid to those who had fallen in the cause of justice and freedom. When the people of Canada knew what they were doing there to-day, they would be profoundly moved. These men heard the call to duty and answered, and laid down their lives in the cause of what all proper thinking people deemed to be right. For those who were left there, they paid them the tribute of respect by adorning their graves, and on behalf of Canada, and on behalf of the Canadians, he thanked them most profoundly.

The National Anthem was then sung and whilst the band played a selection the children advanced and placed flowers reverently on the graves marked with the wooden crosses, on which were the names of those who had died. So many and beautiful were the flowers that they covered the ground and made it a bower of sweetness and color. In all 2,500 children from Cheriton, Hythe, Sandgate and Folkestone took part, and it can easily be imagined what a moving spectacle it presented, and one which will ever linger in the memory of those who witnessed it.

A Russian inventor has developed a method of making felt boots and knit goods from dog hair.

What Little Harold Said. Little Harold, having climbed to the pinnacle of the roof of a very steep shed, lost his footing and began to slide with terrifying swiftness toward that point where the roof swept gracefully into space: "O Lord, save me! O Lord! ... Never mind. I've caught on a nail."

A wise barber asks the young man who is sometimes kidded remember that it is a test tube of character you will read with care your own action.—Detroit Journal.

# Booze Costs Years of Life

## Insurance Records Prove Moderate Drinking Increases Death-rate 35%



FOR ages folly has accredited "a short life but a merry one" to those who made free with alcohol. Plain truth shows that the misery outweighs the "merriment." Life Insurance figures prove that the excess of deaths among moderate drinkers over abstainers runs from 11% to 74%.

And the highest percentage applies to men in the prime of life.

It is the business of Life Insurance Companies to know the risks a man takes when he uses liquor. Actuaries of the big companies, with access to records of many years and covering hundreds of thousands of lives, have tabulated your chances of death by the great law of averages. And these chances vary according to your use of alcohol.

### Actuarial Comparison of Death Records

Ages	Total Abstainers	Moderate Drinkers	Excess Deaths Among Moderate Drinkers
20-30	4,221	4,617	11%
30-40	4,201	7,041	68%
40-50	6,246	10,861	74%
50-60	13,056	18,524	42%
60-70	29,078	34,568	19%

From tables prepared by R. H. Moore, Actuary of the United Kingdom Temperance and General Insurance Company, based on Records of over 60 years' experience.

These Insurance men have no theories to prove and no doctrine to preach. Their figures are as cold as ice, and they make you pay for the risks you run. To them it is simply business—a matter of dollars and cents. But to you it is a matter of life and death.

## Are You Willing to Die Before Your Time for Sake of Booze?

BY actual experience of the United Kingdom Temperance and General Insurance Company covering a period of sixty years the number of deaths among moderate drinkers averaged 35% higher than among abstainers.

All insurance companies prefer risks upon lives of total abstainers. Some companies charge lower rates to abstainers. Other companies allot a larger share of the participating profits to policy-holders who abstain from alcohol.

Certain companies in Canada, several companies in the United States, England and elsewhere specialize on Temperance Insurance. Their records invariably show a lower percentage of deaths among abstainers, the average for the Canadian Companies being only 31.5% of ordinary expectation.

Every insurance company wants to know your alcoholic habits before issuing your life insurance policy. If you are and have been a drinker to excess, no Company will insure you.

If during the working years of your life you have habitually taken two glasses of whiskey per day or the alcoholic equivalent in beer or other intoxicating beverages, your chances of

dying before your time are double those of total abstainers.

If when you apply for a policy your present alcoholic habits are satisfactory to the company, but your history records excessive drinking in the past, the company deducts four years from your life chances.

And it has been costing total abstainers yearly millions of dollars in premiums to help pay for excessive deaths among drinkers!

Ontario has suffered the loss of 25,000 men killed in battle. We have entered upon a period of Reconstruction. Human life is the nation's greatest asset. In the face of this enormous wastage Ontario cannot afford to lose a single life, or a single year or a day of life, because of beer or whiskey or any other form of alcoholic intoxicant. Ontario's men and women should be 100% efficient.

Vote "No" to repealing the Ontario Temperance Act. Vote "No" to 2.51% beer (equal to 5.46% proof spirits) in Government Liquor shops. Vote "No" to the sale of 2.51% beer (5.46% proof spirits) in standard Hotel Bars. Vote "No" to sale of whiskey, beer, and all spirituous and malted liquors in Government shops for consumption in the home.

### Beer of the Ballot

The public should be warned that the Beer proposed in the ballot and described as "light" beer is intoxicating. It is 118% stronger than the beer allowed by the Ontario Temperance Act, and over five times as strong as the limit allowed for beer defined as non-intoxicating in Great Britain and the United States.

Beer 2.51% Alcohol by weight equals 5.46% Proof Spirits as compared to 2.50% proof spirits now permitted.

"The difference between those who drink beer and those who drink water is unmistakable, while the loss on beer drinkers has been almost the same as among wine and spirit drinkers"—From the report of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, New York, after an investigation of classified death records among policy holders over a period of fifteen years.

## "No!"—Four Times—"No!"

Answer every question on the Referendum Ballot with an X under the heading "No," and herein fail not, or your vote is lost to Temperance Progress.

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### GENTLE ART OF "KIDDING."

Great American Pastime Index of Humanness. It's a great American pastime—this kidding business. It has taken the place of the old-time practical joke, which was rarely a joke and never practical.

ists of sending unwitting apprentices for left-hand monkey wrenches and of describing to the unknowing some plausible, but unreal happening.

More popular than this is the kind of kidding that makes stock of some accidental remark or action and

Kidding rarely does harm in small doses, in spite of the fact that it displays a little meanness in the nature of those of us who do it. There is something unworthy in holding the magnifying glass to our fellow-man's defects, even in a jovial manner, unless our purpose is correction and

it creates irritation that may not easily be cured. In spite of the faults of kidding it is an index of humanness. When we cannot be kidded at all, it is high time to examine ourselves and see if we do not hold too high an idea of our own worth.

son still has the ability to see his own faults—a most hopeful sign! The man who can't take a joke, can't be joshed or kidded, has reached an intellectual and moral deadline that is unfortunate, for it is all too likely impassable. If you are one who like to kid

who is sometimes kidded remember that it is a test tube of character you will read with care your own action.—Detroit Journal.

There's always a reason for a big advertisement. It usually carries a big message. However, the early hour does