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DECREASE IN DRUNKENNESS INCIDENTS OF THE DAY

BUT CRIME IN GENERAL SHOWS A CONSIDERABLE INCREASE.

Drunkenness Decreased by Nearly Twenty-five Per Cent. in Canada During Last Year—Value of Wartime Prohibition Demonstrated.

A considerable increase in crime throughout the Dominion is shown by the blue book dealing with criminal statistics for the year 1918, just issued from the office of the Dominion statistician.

Prosecution for breaches of the country's prohibition regulations is, of course, largely responsible for the increase.

According to the returns there were during the year 21,747 charges and 17,370 convictions for ind. offenses in the several provinces, as compared with 19,559 charges and 15,559 convictions the year before, being an increase of 22.28, or nearly twelve per cent. for charges and an increase of 13.54, or slightly over eleven and one-half per cent., for convictions during the year.

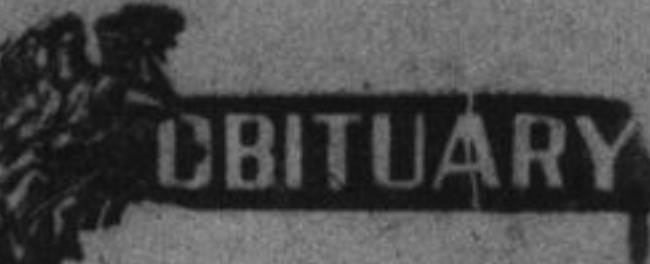
The percentage of acquittals ran from twelve per cent. in Prince Edward Island to over twenty-seven per cent. in Nova Scotia.

The number of convictions increased during the year in all the provinces except Alberta, British Columbia, and the Yukon. The higher increases were in Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba and Nova Scotia, and the larger decrease in British Columbia.

The number of summary convictions jumped from 38,462 in 1914 to 108,839 in 1918. Of those less than eight per cent. were women offenders. Eighty-two per cent. of the number of persons convicted of minor offences were fined, three per cent. were sentenced to imprisonment without option of a fine and fifteen per cent. were allowed to go on suspended sentence. Of the minor offenders against the law, 21,036 were convicted for drunkenness as against 27,882 during the previous year.

Drunkenness decreased by nearly twenty-five per cent. in Canada during the year, increases being confined to the provinces of Manitoba and Alberta. In the last named province convictions numbered 325, as compared with 391 the previous year, an increase of 11 per cent., while in Manitoba convictions grew from 1,085 to 1,123, an increase of three and one-half per cent.

The beneficial effect of wartime prohibition is demonstrated by a table showing that for the war period 1914-18 there is a decline of 65 per cent. in the number of convictions for drunkenness. The percentage decrease by provinces was as follows: Prince Edward Island, 72; Nova Scotia, 39; New Brunswick, 40; Quebec, 43; Ontario, 55; Manitoba, 52; Saskatchewan, 78; Alberta, 83; British Columbia, 92; Yukon, 63.



OBITUARY

The Late Bruce M. Dunn. Bruce M. Dunn, 29 Mach street, passed away on Friday at 5 a.m. Deceased, who was only fourteen years of age, had been attending school right up to Tuesday night, and fell ill on Wednesday. He was removed to hospital on Thursday. Deceased was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Dunn, and his death has come as a terrible blow to his parents and his many friends. His father, M. C. Dunn, is the manager of the local C.N.R. offices and the sympathy of his many friends in the city goes out to him and his family. The funeral will take place on Sunday at 10 a.m. Rev. G. Brown will officiate at the service. The remains are to be taken to Yarker for interment.

IN MARINE CIRCLES.

The Movements of Vessels Reported Along the Harbor.

Steamer Sarnor arrived from Oswego with coal, and cleared again for that port for another load.

Steamer Phoenix cleared for Oswego to load coal.

Steamer Belleville cleared for Montreal, with package freight from Toronto and Hamilton.

Steamer Jonk cleared from Swift's wharf, and anchored by the Cornwall wharf, and into dry dock at the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company's dock.

Steamer Viking cleared from the Locomotive Works, where she unloaded a large cargo of coal.

Steamer Ketchum arrived, from the Welland Canal, and unloaded 1,000 bushels of grain at Richardson's elevator, and then passed on down the river.

Made Fourteen Voyages. Sergt-Major Leonard J. Hood, formerly a sergeant in the 21st Battalion, who has been engaged since January last as conducting officer on the Atlantic, is in town visiting his aunt, Mrs. C. Knight, Charles street, says the Brockville Recorder Times. Sergt-Major Hood returned to Brockville from France on New Year's Day last and a few days later went to Kingston for discharge. Instead he was assigned to transport work and since that time has been engaged in conducting soldiers and dependents to Canada from England. During the eleven months he has made fourteen voyages across the Atlantic. He arrived in Quebec on the SS. Tunisian, on Monday, and will return to Montreal to board that steamer for the return voyage.

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Weather Notes. The barometer is high over the United States and Eastern Canada and relatively low over the western provinces and northern Ontario. The weather is fair throughout the Dominion. Rather cold in Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, elsewhere mild.

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LOCAL NOTES AND ITEMS OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Happenings in the City and Vicinity—What the Merchants Offer to the Readers of the Whig.

W. Swaine, piano tuner, orders at McAuley's, or phone 884w.

Four prisoners were brought down from Sudbury to the penitentiary this week.

Millinery sale all trimmed hats greatly reduced at Misses Graham & Butler's, 370 Princess street.

A small fire occurred in the arts building at Queen's on Friday morning.

The fire broke out between the two floors, but the engineers were soon on the job and put it out.

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A meeting of the Board of Works was called for this afternoon for the purpose of considering the question of the city engineer's department.

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A banquet will be given to Major T. A. Kidd in the Frontenac Club to-night by the divisional headquarters of the G.A.A. and Q.M.G. for his return to civil life. Major Kidd has been G.A.A. and Q.M.G. for the past two years. He has been succeeded by Lieut.-Col. W. H. Brown, late of the C.E.F.

St. Paul's Tea and Sale. A successful tea and sale was held in the school room of St. Paul's church Thursday afternoon. The tables were prettily decorated in red and white, with white chrysanthemums. A goodly sum was realized. The Edison machine, which supplied music for the afternoon was kindly loaned by the J. M. Greene Music Company, Limited.

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Talked Over Old Times. Capt. Van Black, Piloton, of the schooner Eliza Quinlan, and one of the best known of the old timers sailing on the lake, spent a few days in Kingston recently. With Capt. Andrew Mitchell and Mate Stephen Tye, he paid a visit to Capt. Joseph Dix, and all had a great time talking over old times on the lake, and recalled their visits to the Main Ducks when they "doffed to westward to bury their sea cat head."

Robert McLaughlin, of Oshawa, on his 33rd birthday and the 50th anniversary of his business, was tendered a banquet by his employees. Half a century ago, in a barn on his farm, he made his first vehicle.

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NEWS FROM PICTON.

Sale of a Farm, and Visitors Are Mentioned.

Picton, Nov. 20.—C. Beits has made his last tour of threshing through South Greenbush. Mr. Eysenlot, of Fish Lake, has moved to the farm formerly owned by Mrs. J. English. S. G. Fox has sold his farm to D. Head. Before moving to Picton Mr. Fox was given a surprise party by the residents. Mr. Fox has purchased the R. J. Carson property, corner Union and Portland streets. P. McCrimmon has also moved to town, having purchased Mrs. Richards' property on King street. Claude Wannamaker, of Salem, who was at Maple Dell farm for the auction sale, has returned home. Among recent town visitors were: Mr. and Mrs. Black, William McCaw and B. McCoy. Miss Gertrude McCoy, who is clerking at Kellogg's bakery, was a week-end visitor at her home in the country.

Rideau Lake Briefs. Rideau Lake, Nov. 21.—The recent snow storm was sufficient here to at least remind us of the approaching winter. The land, however, is still in a suitable condition for the plough. The Westport branch of the Women's Institute held a most successful as well as enjoyable meeting at the home of Mrs. F. B. Ewing recently. Miss Ada Brugh has returned after a delightful holiday in Kingston. Miss Margaret Fraser, of Lansing, Mich., has returned, after visiting her cousin, Miss Loretta Doucane. Miss Margaret Howes has returned to her home after a pleasant week with her cousin, Mrs. James Scanlin. Mrs. J. J. Donaghy is visiting her daughter at Oshawa. Mrs. William Breece is dangerously ill at time of writing.

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