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WEATHER REPORT FOR JUNE.
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Temperature: Maximum, 67. Minimum, 47.
Highest Max. (17th) 79. Lowest Min. (10th) 32
Rainfall, 2.21 inches.
Rainfall for the year (1915) 34.33 inches.

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Road to Lemburg Now Opened

Petrograd, July 20.—Reported that a Russian army under Gen. Letchetzky has succeeded in penetrating the Carpathians and is only one day's march from Hungary, threatening the Austrian rear. Austro-German forces evacuated large area southwest of Lutsk. Road to Lemberg now opened.

French Make Progress

Paris, July 20.—French made progress in the Verdun sector by hand grenade fighting in the vicinity of Fleury. Germans also made raids in the region of Paschendaal and north of the Aisne; all raids checked with light losses to us.

Italians Capture Position

Rome, July 20.—Italians captured yesterday new positions in Trentino and repulsed all Austrian attacks in the Pasubio sector. The Austrian losses for May and June on the Italian front totalled, thirty thousand killed, one hundred thousand wounded and fifty thousand ill or disabled.

British Recapture Lost Ground

Submarine Campaign in Full Swing

London, July 20.—Germans being heavily reinforced and after intense artillery fire delivered heavy attacks in dense formation, the enemy succeeded in penetrating the outskirts of Longuevall and a portion of Delville Wood, but not before they had suffered very heavy losses; the fight is still going on. Three German attacks on Waterlot farm repulsed.

Later despatch says, British recapture all lost ground, terrific fighting continues.

General Smuts reports that the forces operating against him have now been driven down the Pangani river.

Submarine campaign is in full swing, both allies and neutrals being among the victims.

U.S. Troops Leaving Mexico

Rio Janeiro, July 20.—James L. Rogers, representative of the United States, informed the Mexican secretary of war that the American expeditionary forces are being gradually withdrawn from Mexican territory.

Sydney, July 20.—A serious outbreak of Meningitis is alarming Australian authorities.

Ottawa, July 20.—484 men employed in the Interior Department of the civil service have joined the army. Only fifty have been taken on to fill vacancies.

Trenches and Prisoners Taken by French

Paris, July 21—French attacks in the Somme region were delivered last night on both sides of the river. On the north bank trenches in the Hardecourt sector were taken, while south of the river all the German front line trenches between Barleaux and Soyecourt fell into French hands. The trenches captured on the north bank run from Halecourt-Momelon to east of Hardecourt, along the railway from Combles to Clery. Four hundred prisoners also were captured. In Verdun region there was a continuous bombardment of the Avancourt and Chattancourt sector on left bank of Meuse with grenade engagement to northeast of Hill 304. On east bank of Meuse the French progressed west of Thiaumont earthworks, while to south Fleury they took a strongly fortified German post and 150 prisoners. A German aeroplane was brought down in the Somme region east of Peronne.

Russians Resume Offensive at Kovel

London, July 21.—A wireless despatch from Rome says it is reported from Petrograd that a great battle is developing at Jablenitza, the results of which thus far have been favorable to the Russians. In addition to heavy fighting in the Carpathians the Russian offensive has been resumed before Kovel and Vladimir-Volynski and in the Riga area. There are two Jablonitza's, one is in the Carpathians south of Kolomea, on the river Bigby Czercemorz. The other is at the entrance to the pass of same name. Russians are in the neighborhood of both places.

Heavy Fighting on Somme Front

London, July 21.—Heavy fighting continues on Somme front. British gained ground in Delville woods and Longueval. North of Longueval-Bazentin position the British pushed forward their line. East of the Leipsic redoubt bombing parties made a substantial advance during the night.

Kugi Occupied by Russians

Petrograd, July 21.—Kugi, an important point in the Caucasus was occupied by the Russians on Tuesday. Kugi is a junction point of high roads in the Erzerum district.

Vancouver, July 20—The Duke and Duchess of Connaught and Princess Patricia were cheered by dense crowds in the streets today, boy scouts and women's volunteer reserves were out in full force.

Jottings of Bella Coola and District

S. S. Camosun on her weekly visit gladdened the hearts of our people by arriving at 4 o'clock on Sunday afternoon. The list of passengers for this port contained the names of F. E. McFeely, B. Robb, Walter Ratcliff and Antoine Capoose.

Among the outgoing passengers were: R. O. Jennings, J. R. Morrison, Frank Broughton, A. C. Christenson and Miss Addie Gibson.

Miss Addie Gibson is off on a a trip to Victoria to spend her vacation.

J. R. Morrison went to Safety Cove where he will be engaged for the summer in superintending public works.

R. O. Jennings, road superintendent of the district, after laying out the work to be done in the valley for the season took his departure for the islands between Bella Bella and Queen Charlotte Sound, which requires the recognition of the public works department in view of the many settlers located there.

As his district is of generous dimensions he therefore finds it impossible to give every locality the personal superintendence he deems necessary he has drafted Frank Broughton into his service as an assistant.

Frank, in consequence, had to leave the Bella Coola people to maintain order among themselves as best they can as he was ordered to accompany the superintendent on his tour of this part of the district in order to familiarize himself with the work to be carried out.

We do not think the absence of the provincial constable will be taken advantage of by any rash individuals.

Mr. F. E. McFeely, of the wholesale hardware firm McLennan, McFeely, & Co. Ltd., Vancouver, spent a few days in town this week. This is Mr. McFeely's first trip to Bella Coola and he expresses himself as well pleased with what he saw of the valley.

Among the number coming up on last Sunday's steamer was B. Robb, travelling salesman for the Kelly, Douglas, Co. Ltd., Vancouver. After interviewing the local merchants he left for the south on Tuesday.

Walter Ratcliff had to come back to see how his interests prosper up the valley. He has been absent for a number of weeks visiting his people in Oregon. He must be considered to be one of the grittiest among pioneers, as his ranch is located in the wilderness far away from neighbors some seventy miles up the valley.

Men of strong character like his are those who build a nation enduring and strong.

Antoine Capoose, the energetic Indian merchant of Anaham Lake, returned on Sunday from his third trip to Vancouver this summer.

The Indians of the interior are unusually prosperous this year, as their trapping of last winter was highly successful.

Capt. G. B. Hull, district Dominion engineer, and Mr. J. Millar, his assistant, came in last Tuesday on a Dominion government launch from Prince Rupert. They came here in response to a petition sent early this spring by residents of the town to the government for the dredging of a basin where small crafts could find anchorage and shelter.

Their stay was very brief, but during the time at their disposal they elaborated a plan which in due course will be presented to the proper authorities and placed before the parliament at its next session for consideration.

The plan of the proposed basin as outlined by the engineer before leaving, is to dredge a channel 60 feet wide and 10 feet deep at low water from the government wharf parallel to the approach to a point near the boathouse and two warehouses. Here there will be excavated a basin of equal depth with the channel 100 feet square, with wharves on the west and north sides.

We are glad to note the promptitude with which the Dominion government responded to the appeal and believe it to be an indication of its willingness to carry out the undertaking. Captain Hull assured our citizens that he would give it his recommendation.

Captain Hull and Mr. Millar were accompanied on the trip by J. W. Scott of the Kaien Hardware Co., C. H. Orne, druggist, and Mr. Thompson, mining engineer, all of Prince Rupert.

The party left the following day at noon on the return trip for Prince Rupert direct.

It is regrettable that Captain Hull was unable to extend his visit for a week at least as he, besides performing his duties as government engineer, is also an officer of the 238th Canadian Forestry Battalion, and is actively engaged in recruiting men to join the colors.

We believe that there are some men still left in the valley who would enlist if approached by duly authorized parties.

Captain Hull explained that this battalion is to be made up of men who are not expected to fight the enemy, but whose duties shall be to cut timber, build bridges and houses, and perform other work requiring some skill in the use of wood-working tools.

The headquarters of the battalion is at Ottawa, and it is the intention to raise a force of 200 men in this province. Besides woodsmen and sawmill men there are especially wanted camp cooks, sawyers and handy men, also one bugler, two tailors and two shoemakers. The pay is the same as for regular soldiers, $1.10 per day with board and clothes, etc.

Anyone desiring to join should communicate with either J. H. McMullen, Dr. H. E. Tremayne, or Geo. B. Hull, Prince Rupert, for full information. Free passage will be provided to Prince Rupert.

It is the intention that the men leave for Ottawa in about two months, and shortly after that for France.

The captain gave as a fact, that it had been a surprise to learn that very few of the soldiers on active service had any knowledge of woodcraft, that for instance in the falling of a tree they would try to pull it down with ropes.

If that is the case it is certainly necessary to get men enlisted who can use the tools needed in handling timber; and in a battalion of that kind Bella Coola boys would certainly be able to distinguish themselves.

A. C. Christensen is at Smiths Inlet on a visit to his cattle ranch.

Olaf Fosbak on his way home from town last Tuesday night disturbed a big black bear and a cub at the side hill near the Bella Coola bridge. Nobody was hurt as the bears took to the woods and Olaf did not want to fight.

John Widsten, our vigilant fishery officer, caught one fisherman violating the law on Sunday afternoon last week. It seems the unfortunate party in his anxiety to earn an honest dollar was unable to restrain himself until the legalized time of six o'clock, but throwed out his net at an earlier hour with the result that he had to appease outraged justice by the payment of five dollars and cost.

The court was lenient as the poor man very penitently promised never to do so again.

H. C. Brewster, leader of the Liberal party in British Columbia, and M. A. Macdonald, Liberal candidate for Vancouver, are now touring the northern part of the province. One of the best attended meetings held in Prince Rupert took place Friday last week. The largest building in the city was packed, all eager to hear the leader and his able lieutenant expose the Bowser trickeries and promulgate the program of the Liberal party. The party will visit Granby Bay, and returning they will proceed along the G. T. P. line holding meetings at Terrace, Hazelton, Smithers, Fort Fraser, Vanderhoof, Fort George. Places throughout the Cariboo district will also be visited. After visiting Ashcroft, where a large meeting is being arranged for, the party will go to the Kootenay and boundary country. It is expected the greater part of July will be past before the leaders will reach the coast.

The local Liberals are not able to state at this time whether any of the leaders will be able to make Bella Coola before the election or not. Every community wishes to hear these men explain the political situation, and it is, under the circumstances, deemed best to forego that pleasure on the part of Bella Coola in order to give districts that have not met the coming premier a chance to hear him.

Last week proved very wet for the most part of the coast. Reports from Rivers Inlet and Namu state that the downpour for the first two weeks of July has been above the average.

Again Chas. Tucker, our ever vigilant Dominion constable, has brought bibulous Indians to grief.

Two Stick Indians who were camping on the peaceful banks of the Paisley river, inferring that the constable would sleep in the night and it therefore would be reasonably safe to indulge in a slight indiscretion, allowed themselves in the middle of the night or in the small hours of Wednesday morning last week the joy of becoming drunk. But their deductions were wrong. Charlie was on the spot at two o'clock in the morning and arrested them. In due course of the same day Indian-agent Fougner relieved them of fifteen and twenty five dollars respectively and admonished them not to do so again.

Moral: A wrong-doer is never safe. "Be sure your sins will find you out."

Weather conditions for the curing of hay crop, now being more than ready for gathering, are about as unfavorable as they can be. Almost every day there is more or less rain; generally more.

It is the lower part of the valley that suffers the most. The part of the valley above Hagensborg does not receive the amount of rain of the lower valley, and it is learned that some of the farmers in the upper valley have their hay cut and in cocks.

It must now be concluded that the run of Sockeyes at this point is a failure. The catch is the smallest since the cannery started. The humpbacks are already arriving in the usual large numbers and are being canned.

The mail-boxes for Hagensborg Route No. 1, have arrived.

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Conserve the Land.

A great deal has been said about the necessity of conserving the resources of the country; and it may be that something also has been done in different directions to carry out a policy of that nature.

But living as we do in a farming community our attention has been called to a state of affairs that calls for the immediate attention of a government which claims it has the Conservation of our natural resources at heart.

We refer to the wholesale erosion of the agricultural lands of the community by the action of the river. On a recent trip up the valley numerous evidences of the havoc played by the river when at flood height, were forced upon our attention.

It was stated that some farmers have, in the course of a few years, had as much as sixty acres of their land washed away by the river.

Losses of this kind are permanent, not only to the present owners but to succeeding owners and to the country as a whole. Other losses may be repaired, but not these.

The attention of both the Dominion and the Provincial governments has been called to the necessity of putting a stop to this state of affairs, but neither one nor the other finds it in accordance with its rules to deal with the problem. The Dominion government refuses to do anything because the river is not a navigable stream, and the Provincial government is equally powerless as long as the action of the river does not threaten any public works.

The farmers who are the immediate sufferers have so many other difficulties to contend with that they find that this one is beyond their ability and means.

But difficulties are met with to be overcome and we believe that in spite of indifference and red tape a solution will be found and the river be confined to its channels.

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A Plan Proposed.

Because of the magnitude of the task of confining the river to its bed and because of the value such work will have to the province the government is the party which should be chiefly interested in getting the work done speedily.

But as former experience has taught us that it will very likely take years before it will be possible by appeals to make an impression upon the stolidity of officials concerned where their pocket books are not immediately affected, we will submit a plan which will it is hoped, meet with an earlier and possibly immediate consideration.

If the government is unwilling to bear the expense of protecting the land from being carried to the sea, it can at least extend its aid by financing the undertaking and assessing the cost to the farmers along the river in proportion to the extent each one is benefited.

The government claims it is in a position to loan millions of dollars to the farmers. In this case it can use some of this money for the protection of the land and give the farmere benefited a chance to pay the cost in yearly instalments in accordance with the provisions of the Agricultural Act.

The government should at its own expense send a competent engineer to Bella Coola to examine the river and formulate a plan of how the work should be done. Then it might submit the plan to the farmers in order to give them a chance to voice their opinion of how, by whom, and when the work should be carried out.

Each farmer should be given an opportunity for employment on the works at regular wages and if so inclined he could apply the wages as part payment of the cost assessed to him.

In giving the farmer a number of years to pay he would not be so seriously handicapped as he would be if required to pay the cost all at once.

We would like to call the attention of the Minister of Agriculture and the superintendent of public works in our district to this problem for their immediate consideration and action as soon as conditions permit.

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Weak Criticism.

We do not like to appear rude towards our highly respected contemporary the News-Advertiser, but when we read the following extract from one of its editorials, it is difficult from our point of view to refrain from suspecting that the News-Advertiser in making such a statement is hypocritical, because it knows it is not true:

"Mr. M. A. Macdonald is still going about suggesting that Conservatives were responsible for the hundreds or thousands of Seattle pluggers brought here by his own officers, to vote five or ten times each for Mr. Macdonald himself."

At this time we do not deem it necessary to show that the evidence from the Conservatives own unsavory witnesses proved that the Conservative leaders themselves were in touch with the vote pluggers before and on election day and did nothing to stop them then; and that neither at the present time is the Attorney-General doing anything to unearth and bring the prime movers and chief criminals in the case to justice.

Did it ever occur to the News-Advertiser that if the election in Vancouver was seriously affected in favor of the Liberal candidate by the alleged vote plugging why at Victoria where nothing of the kind is known to have occurred, the Liberal majority was proportionately larger even than in Vancouver?

We shall await with much interest the solving of this connundrum.

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The Conservative press must be very short of arguments when it becomes necessary for it to resort to assertions so weak that they can be refuted by almost anybody.

Here is another of equally feeble strength:

"Mr. Macdonald is now going about the country protesting that he is a failure as the head of a department. He is trying to prove that when the administration of the Provincial Liberal party entrusted to him was criminally controlled and used by a gang of lawless conspirators, he as the chairman of the committee and the employer of the plotters, whom he engaged and retained and paid, was in no way responsible.

"By this argument Mr. Macdonald surely proves too negligent and too irresponsible to be entrusted with the control of a large public department."

In the above extract the News-Advertiser asserts that assuming that John T. Scott was criminally implicated in the vote plugging, Mr. Macdonald was to blame also, because Scott happened to be in the employ of the Liberal Association, of which Mr. Macdonald was the president, during the campaign.

If, as the News-Advertiser claims, the fact that John T. Scott was a criminal is proof positive that his employer is not capable of being at the head of a governmental department is true, then we fear it will be hard to find a single head of any government department anywheres that is not a failure on a charge of that kind.

Human nature is frail, and where there are large numbers of men employed and exposed to temptation, there is almost sure to be one or more that will succumb to temptation.

But in our acquaintance with public affairs we never heard it claimed before that the employer on account of the wrong doings of one of his men could be charged with incompetence and of being a failure.

Even Hon. Mr. Borden himself, as clean a man in our estimation as is found in Canada, could not escape a charge of this nature.

But we will say this: that if a head of a department when apprised of the criminal acts of a person in his employ, does not take adequate measures to bring the offender to justice, then he is guilty not of incompetence only but of being a partner in the crime.

Mr. Macdonald has shown a willingness to bring the criminals in this case to justice, but he has been balked in his efforts by the very men who are his accusers.

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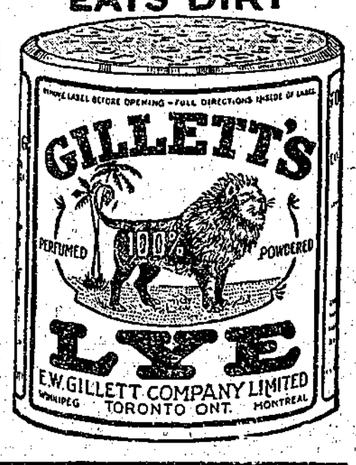
The Referendum.

With all due deference to The Week of Victoria, and the Independent Conservatives of Cowichan, who express themselves strongly against the principles of referendum, we beg to state that the Bowser government, in spite of its many sins of omission and commission, did take an entirely correct attitude in regard to the prohibition question in submitting it in a form of a referendum to the people.

It was a question on which none of the political parties cared or dared to take a pronounced stand. And in view of the important questions which now divide the people and, furthermore, in view of the fact that there very likely are proportionately as many prohibitionists in one party as in another it would not have been fair to make the question of prohibition a government or party measure.

If this important question were to be kept out of politics, the candidates for legislature should not be required to express their individual opinions upon it. It



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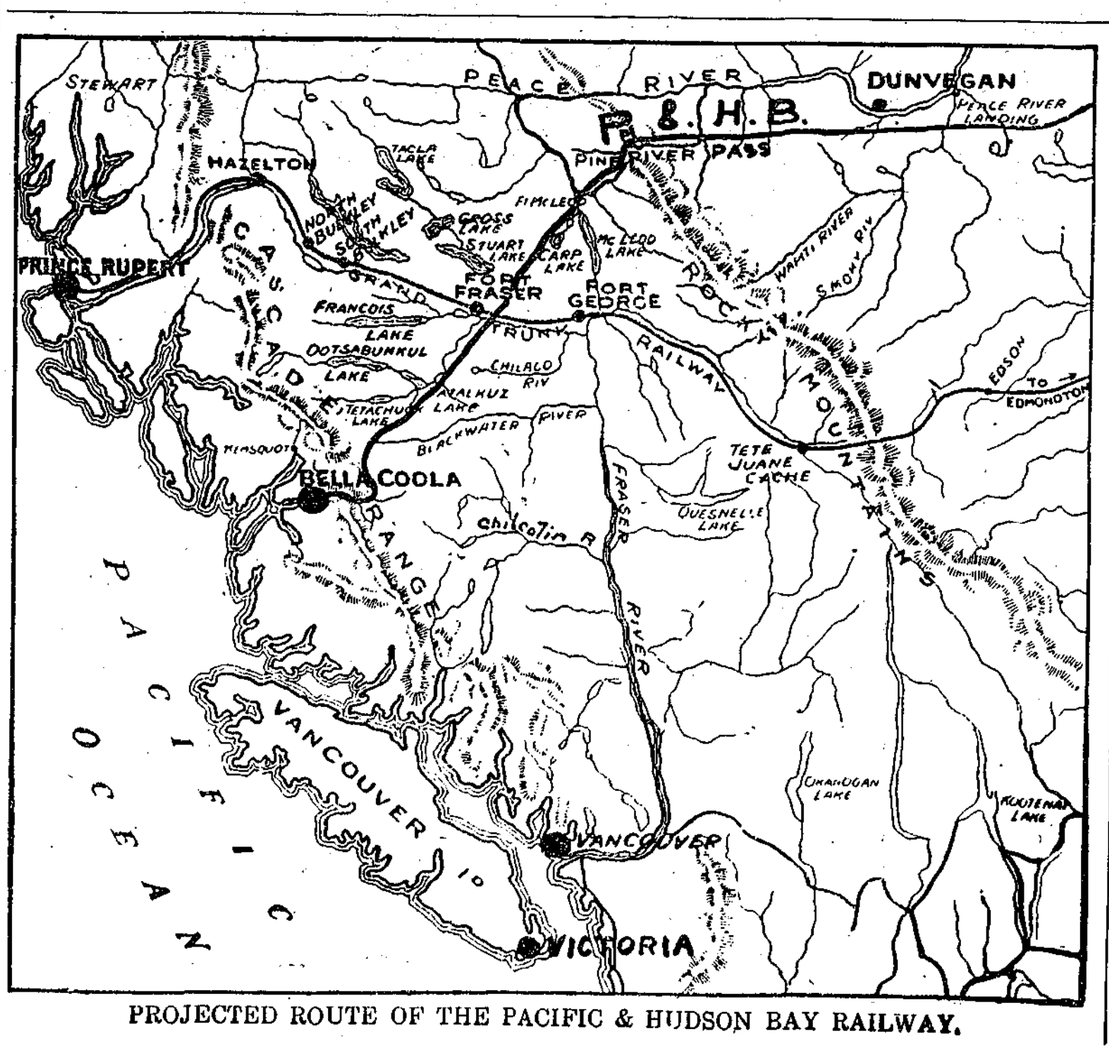

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would not affect the prospects of the election of the candidates of either party, whether they were prohibitionists or anti-prohibitionists. If, in the words of the Week, this "American abomination" of a referendum had not been adopted, but simply a question submitted to the voters whether they were for or against prohibition, it is not very hard to imagine that in case prohibition had been adopted and at the same time a legislative majority of anti-prohibitionits had been elected, this in its hostility might have passed a measure which in name only would have been a Prohibition Act and in its workings would make prohibition in British Columbia a farce and cause everybody to become so disgusted with it that a repeal would be demanded.

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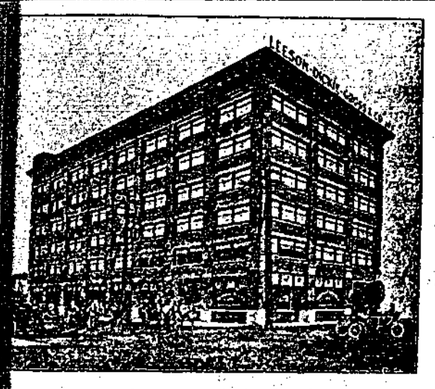

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All of which goes to show that it is advisable that the elector who desires to vote intelligently on the subject should carefully examine the Act before election day.

The "wide open" clause of the Act, Clause 57, reads in part as follows:

"NOTHING IN THIS ACT SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO INTERFERE (a) WITH THE RIGHT OF ANY PERSON TO IMPORT FROM WITHOUT THE PROVINCE LIQUOR FOR BONA FIDE USE IN HIS PRIVATE DWELLING HOUSE."

This clause means that any resident of the province is allowed to purchase all the liquor he desires, just as often as he wishes, without control or regulation by the government, so long as he sends his money outside the province for his supply.

This clause would, for instance, allow any person to place a standing order with any liquor dealer outside the province for a weekly or monthly shipment of whisky to be delivered to his dwelling. On such an order the supply of liquor would reach him constantly as long as he met the bills. In the face of such conditions the question may well be asked "Is this Prohibition?"

In the preliminary campaign in connection with the bill and at the present time prohibitionists have made a grand stand play, both on the platform and through their propaganda literature, of the drunkard and the frightful evils which accompany drinking. Yet, in the bill for which they themselves are admittedly entirely responsible they have done absolutely nothing to lessen the consumption of liquor in British Columbia, the sole effect of the legislation being to send money spent for liquor outside the province. Incidentally it may be mentioned that the drunkard who already has the taste and the habit, is the man most likely to be the first to take advantage of the privilege to buy outside and, should the Act pass, would therefore have liquor in quantity in his home whereas he now takes his liquor by the glass. As the small boy would say "What's the use?"

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ADMIRAL JELLICOE'S REPORT.

When the great naval battle off Jutland had taken place there was a feeling abroad, especially among those who sympathize with our enemies, that it was a German victory. That feeling has undergone appreciable changes as more light is thrown on the event, but still some pro-Germans hold it did not show up very favorably for the British.

Admiral Jellicoe has now made his official report of the battle. He is very careful and conservative in his estimate of the enemy's losses.

The report explains why the German admiralty after claiming a victory took the precaution of closing the naval bases to visitors after the fleet had returned. The losses suffered were so heavy that the authorities dare not let the people know the actual facts.

The German fleet lost 21 vessels, they were: two dreadnoughts, one battleship, three battlecruisers, five light cruisers, nine destroyers and one submarine.

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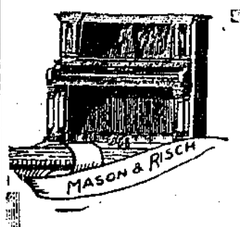

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To many farmers it seems a great waste to turn under a nice second crop of clover, and very few can muster up sufficient resolution to do so. But it is a good investment to do it and the dividends will begin coming in the next year. But even the plowing under of the sod after the crop is taken off will also improve the soil, but in order that there may be a gain and not a loss there must not be hay on the same field more than two years in succession.

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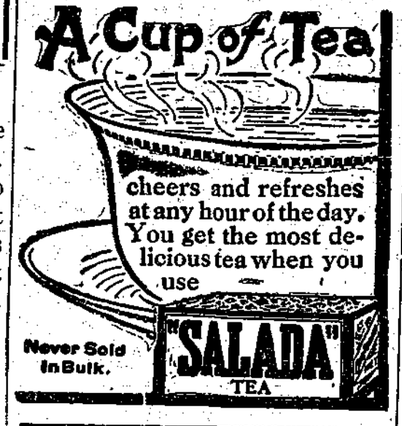

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