

PROHIBITION OR DISPENSARY?

SOME OF THE RESULTS OF PROHIBITION IN MAINE POINTED OUT BY A CORRESPONDENT.

Editor County Record:—
The prohibitionists always point with pride to the good old State of Maine as a shining example of the success of prohibition, but before accepting their dictum as conclusive, let us go over into the Pine-tree State and see if it is a fact that prohibition has succeeded there. Let us hear the evidence of witnesses who are on the spot. We want to know the truth.

The New York World sent a special representative to Maine to investigate the working of the liquor law in that State, and upon the strength of his report The World made the following editorial comment:

"A World correspondent has made an extended tour of the State of Maine, and presents the facts as they came under his careful observation in relation to the working of the liquor law. Liquor is procured without difficulty in Portland, Augusta, Bangor, Bath, Belfast, Lewiston, Brunswick, Eastport and elsewhere. In Portland The World representative found 144 places where intoxicants were sold in some form or other, and he estimates that there are as many as 2,500 open bars in the State. Such a condition cannot fail to be demoralizing to the public service, and there is a growing feeling manifesting itself in favor of the repeal of the law. The arrests for drunkenness in the little city of Portland alone for six weeks were 922."

The following excerpt from an editorial in the Portland (Me) Herald corroborates the statements of the World. The Herald, by the way, is a prohibition paper.

"Crime is alarmingly prevalent. Murders have continuously increased year by year. Our jails and prisons are unpleasantly full. Robberies and burglaries are occurring in all directions. Crime of all kinds is increasing. One hundred and thirty-four liquor sellers in Portland! One hundred and twenty-seven in Bangor! and fifty-five in Lewiston!!! Is it any wonder that crime is increasing? Are our citizens less law-abiding than Western people? Is public sentiment at a lower ebb in the good old State of Maine than it is in a Western State, where people from all countries have congregated? Wouldn't it be well for the Maine Legislature to appoint an investigating committee to ascertain why it is that the prohibitory laws cannot be enforced in Maine?"

Says the Portland (Me) Argus: "Here is a fact: The prohibitory liquor law—so far as its enforcement or non-enforcement is concerned—is a tool in the hands of politicians, used to compel liquor dealers to vote with the party in power on penalty of confiscation of property and imprisonment of person."

Gail Hamilton, speaking of prohibition in Maine, says in the North American Review:

"The actual result is that liquor is sold to all who wish to obtain it in nearly every town in the State. Enforcement of the prohibition law seems to have but little effect. For the last six years the city of Bangor has practically had free rum. In more than one hundred places liquor is sold, and no attempt is made to enforce the law. In Bath, Lewiston, Augusta and other cities no real difficulty is experienced in procuring liquor. In Portland enforcement of the law has been faithfully attempted, yet the liquor traffic flourishes for all classes from the highest to the lowest."

Bishop Satterlee says: "Prohibition has been tried in other places and it has been found wanting. In Maine, which has been pointed out as the first place where prohibitory laws were enacted, prohibition is a farce."

Bishop Neely of Maine says: "The clubs are simply coteries of young men who call themselves clubs and get together and have their bottles in the closets. I am sure these clubs have a very bad effect, in that young men who never drank at all previ-

ously have done so in the secrecy of the club, as they call it; they would not be seen drinking publicly, but they do it in the club rooms."

Up to 1850 there had been no prohibition in Maine. In that year there in the penitentiaries of that State 100 convicts, or 171 convicts to every million of population. Between 1850 and 1860 prohibition became the law of the State, and in the latter year the number of criminals had increased to 225, or 358 to every million of population. The number of criminals further increased in 1870 to 261, in 1880 to 405 and in 1904 to 496, or to 700 convicts for every million of population.

There were, therefore, in Maine in 1904, after fifty years of prohibition, more than four times as many criminals for every million population as there were in the same State before it had prohibition.

The United States census shows that three only of the States of the Union have ever suffered a decrease in population. One of these, Nevada, is a mining State exclusively, and the fluctuation in its population is due to the transient nature of mining population, which comes and goes as mining excitement arises or subsides.

The two other States suffering a decrease in population, Maine and New Hampshire, were prohibition States, and the loss occurred during a decade of intense prohibitory agitation. This might seem merely incidental, if it were not given significance by the more general fact that all States, without exception, which have adopted prohibitory laws have increased in population less rapidly after their adoption than before, and also by the fact that in a majority of the States the repeal of the law was followed by an increased percentage of growth in population over that enjoyed by them under prohibition. These statements could be demonstrated by an analysis of the census reports, but it would consume too much space to make the demonstration.

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D E McCUTCHEN, Secy.
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7-22-21

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