

St. John, N. B. Canada.
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Dear Miss Tarbell;

Your creature "Ladies at the Bar" states prostitution is on the increase in New York City, and infer Prohibition is responsible. Very good. I have been in Canada for nearly six months. Most of this time has been spent in Toronto, Montreal, Quebec, and St. John. All of these cities are located in provinces, where liquor is legally sold by the Provincial Governments. In all of these cities prostitution appears to have gotten beyond the control of the police officials. In Montreal, where beer and wines are sold in eating houses, most of these places are over run with harlots, who if a man is alone, will walk over to his table and ask him to buy her a drink. Most of these eating houses pay these depraved women commissions for this kind of work. A merchant in Montreal told me a week ago, that he hardly knew a place to eat outside of the leading hotels in Montreal, where he could take his wife and family. ~~there~~. Toronto, where liquor must be consumed in the home or hotel room, has a large army of street walkers. When Ontario was Dry, Toronto was one of the cleanest cities morally on the American Continent. It is the old, old story, Booze and Prostitution, are inseparable partners.

Government Control Of Liquor, has utterly failed in Canada to stop the bootlegging business. When the Government Liquor Stores close for the day, the Speakeasies open up.

As a former saloon keeper, I wish to inform you Miss Tarbell, that you and others who are attacking Prohibition will live to regret it. Liquor was distilled in Hell in the first and last place.

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