

INTEMPERANCE IN SCOTLAND.

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The Scotch are a sober nation, but they can get drunk occasionally, and it appears from a return just issued that during the year ending June 30 last 54,330 persons were taken in charge in Scotland for being drunk, of whom, however, it is fair to say that 31,146 were simply incapable, and only 23,184 were disorderly as well as drunk. Of these drunkards Glasgow claims 15,231 cases, and the neighboring burghs of Govan, Maryhill, and Patrick contribute 1,982 cases between them, making a grand total for Glasgow of 17,213. These are all returned under the head of "incapable," there being no such charge as drunk and disorderly in the Glasgow Police act. It is, however, difficult to believe that 17,213 persons could have drunk themselves into a condition of such incapability that they were none of them capable of disorderly behavior. Edinburgh contributes 6,925 incapable and disorderly drunkards, and Dundee 3,807. The town of Aberdeen shows well on the list, with only 596 of both classes; Greenock gives 2,464; Leith, 1,991; Paisley, 1,693; Port Glasgow, 923; Hamilton, 763; Kilmarnock, 735; Ayr, 699; Stirling, 671; Dumfries, 621; Forfar, 263; Montrose, 227; Brechin, 190; Arbroath, 76; Broughty Ferry, 27; Kirriemuir, 16; Dunfermline, 176; and other places in Fifeshire, 452. The total for the County of Aberdeen is 415. Perth County numbers 763, and Perth City 226. The County of Kincardine gives a total of 122, and Kinross County, 5. To the town of Lerwick alone belongs the honor of having no drunkards, of any variety, to figure on the list.

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