

Local Option Campaign.

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More Testimony from Midland.

"In answer to your inquiry, I have no hesitation in saying that I consider local option a success here, and a great benefit to the town.

"My observations of its working have largely been in connection with the workmen of the firm with which I am connected. Previous to the closing of the bars it was a usual thing for many of our men to be absent from duty for two or three days after each pay day, and after any shut down of the works we always had difficulty in getting a full staff for starting up again. In the advent of local option this has ceased. We now experience no difficulty after pay days or after temporary shut downs. Unquestionably local option has given us more steady, reliable and contented workmen.

"The laboring class were the largest gainers by the closing of the bars. This is born out by the fact that we are now served with fewer garnishees against our employees wages, than was formerly the case, indicating that they are paying their obligations as they go along and in many cases liquidating old debts. "The condition of our streets and the atmosphere prevailing there speaks so well for the effectiveness of local option to those acquainted with former conditions, that this phase of the question requires no comment.

Notwithstanding the fact that there is room for improvement in the enforcement of the law, I am convinced of its success here from a moral, material and financial standpoint, and if the question came up again I would vote for its continuance." A. C. ADAMS, Supt. Canada Iron Corp., Ltd.

"The reports that are circulated against local option in this town are made by people who have no principal and who cannot back up their statements, their purpose being to benefit their own ends. I am positive these reports came from people interested in the liquor business directly or indirectly. Of course I don't say there is no liquor sold in town. I think, no matter what law there is, this will go on. It is against the law to steal and a good many other things, but yet they are done.

"Ever since local option was passed in Midland I have noticed a change in the town. I am positive that the wives and children of a good many men have reaped great benefit by it. I am pleased that you found the Queen's Hotel up to the mark."

JAMES PLAYFAIR, Lumberman and Financier.

A good test of Local Option is the probability for repeal. Here is the testimony of a travelling man whose home is in Midland:—

"Midland is the last place in which to try repeal of Local Option, for the simple reason there is no grievance. Employers of labor are well satisfied. We never got such good service out of our men. Merchants are doing better, selling more goods, a better class of goods, and getting more cash. Accommodation is good. Enforcement has been good, preventing largely illegal sale, and yet the rights of the individual are respected. I am not a temperance crank, but I do not want to see Local Option repealed in Midland."

C. M. TREMEER.

"We have expended \$12,000 on new streets this year, and \$3,000 on roads. I had to pay \$500 this summer for a lot which I could have purchased two years ago for \$150. We paid \$1,800 debentures that were due last year, and cut the rate from 20 to 25 mills. This is the biggest year's building the town has ever seen. Over fifty new houses are now in process of erection. I am building thirty-one myself, and have been obliged to turn some jobs away. I am doing more work this summer than I ever did in two years before."

J. C. McMULLEN, Alderman and Contractor.

"Local Option in Midland has been a great success in every way. Men who used to spend their money in the hotels now take it home to their families and provide food and clothing for them, which they had not done before. You can walk the streets night or day and you cannot see a drunken man, but before local option came into force you could see them any time night or day.

Local option has not injured business in any way; in fact business is better than it has ever been. I have been informed by the managers of two of the leading stores, Messrs. Playfair & Preston and J. B. Horrell & Son, that they have done a larger trade during the past two years than ever before, and more than that, they inform me that they have received payment of old accounts contracted before local option came into force, because moneys that went to the bar-room now go to pay accounts.

I say, as I have always said in every place I have been in, that it was a God-send for the town of Midland to get local option and I know whereof I speak, having lived in this town for twenty years." W. J. PARKHILL, Customs Officer.

CHRISTMAS STAMP CAMPAIGN

THE 1909 BATTLE AGAINST THE DREAD WHITE PLAGUE.

Available Beds in the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives Increased Three-Fold as a Result of Last Year's Sale of Christmas Stamps. The Number Can Be Doubled This Year If Everyone Will Help.



Nearly \$3,000.00 was netted from last year's sale, making it possible for the trustees to increase the available beds for needy patients from an average of fifty-five a year ago to one hundred and forty, the accommodation to-day.

The trustees are hopeful that they may bring the accommodation up to 300 beds as the outcome of this year's sale of this little one cent messenger of hope and healing.

The Christmas Stamp, as a means of fighting the dread white plague, had its origin in Denmark in 1904, the sale from which has financed a hospital for consumptives in that country. The idea was taken up by the Red Cross Society of the United States in 1907, and interest has grown each year.

A year ago a Christmas stamp of special design was put in circulation by the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives with the success already indicated in this article.

The price of the individual stamp is only one cent, but what wonderful things can be accomplished by so tiny an instrument. There is no reason why everyone who writes a letter, addresses a postcard, mails a newspaper or parcel from this day out should not use one of these stamps.

The educational value of the stamp appearing on every piece of mail matter would be enormous. One can hardly figure up the material results. It would mean a routing of the enemy

of Tuberculosis that would bring hope and joy and gladness to thousands of homes and communities in all parts of Canada.

The stamp of 1909 is more beautiful than that of a year ago. The design is as shown in this article, but printed in red and green, and is of same size as the regular government postage stamp.

This Christmas stamp will not carry any kind of mail, but any kind of mail will carry it—and carry too the happy Season's Greetings from sender to receiver. The stamps will be done up in envelopes of ten, twenty-five, fifty and one hundred for ordinary selling, and large users will be supplied in quantities. The price for ten or for one thousand is a cent each.

The banks, departmental stores, drug stores, book and stationery stores and many other stores will sell them. Women's clubs, church organizations, bible classes and Sunday schools, public schools, and many other organizations and individuals will help this year as last year.

There would seem to be no reason why everybody everywhere may not help in forming an army of willing workers to sell these stamps all over the Dominion. The Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives is in the fullest sense a national institution caring for patients from every province in Canada.

The first issue of the stamp for this year is one million, and these will be put into circulation immediately, but there can hardly be any reason why the issue should not be increased many times over before Christmas.

The direction of the sale of Christmas Stamps is in the hands of Mr. J. S. Robertson, Sec.-Treasurer, National Sanitarium Association, 347 King Street, West, Toronto, who will give prompt reply to any enquiries regarding the stamp.

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Wheat, fall, 98 to \$1
Wheat, spring, 93 to 95
Barley, per bushel, 45 to 50
Oats, per bushel, 32 to 35
Pease, per bushel, 80 to 90
Potatoes, 25 to 30
Butter, per pound, 20 to 23
Eggs, per dozen, 23 to 24
Hay, per ton, \$14 to \$15
Hides, \$10 to \$11
Hogs, live, \$6.75 to \$7.50
Hogs, dressed, \$10 to \$11
Beef, \$5.50 to \$6
Sheepskins, 50 to 80
Wool, 17 to 18
Flour, Brandon's Best, \$2.90 to \$3.10
Flour, Silver Leaf, \$2.70 to \$2.90
Flour, Victoria, \$2.65 to \$2.85
Flour, new process, \$2.60 to \$2.80
Flour, family, clipper, \$2.55 to \$2.75
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