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## SITUATION IN KANSAS

The Hon. John S. Dawson, Attorney General of the state of Kansas, at a banquet in the Auditorium Hotel at Chicago, delivered an address in unhesitating language that carried conviction to his hearers, he told of what has been accomplished, evoking the intelligent enthusiasm that grows out of inspiring facts. During his speech, he said:—

The growth and extent of the private and denominational schools is correspondingly large. With over seven hundred newspapers and magazines in Kansas, less than a dozen carry any whiskey advertising whatsoever. Illiteracy has been reduced from 49 per cent to less than 2 per cent., and that trifling amount is almost entirely among the foreign element in our mining regions of the south-east.

With one hundred and five counties in the state, eighty-seven of them have no insane, fifty-four have no feeble-minded, ninety-six have no inebriates, and the few we do have come from the cities which defied the law to the very last. Thirty-eight county poor farms have no inmates. Only one pauper to every three thousand population. In July, 1911, fifty-three county jails were empty; sixty-five counties had no prisoners serving sentence. Some counties have not called a jury to try a criminal case in ten years and a grand jury is so uncommon that half of our people wouldn't know what it is. In my home county in western Kansas, there has never been but one grand jury in its history, and that was twenty-five years ago.

In 1880 the savings bank deposits were \$30,000,000. To-day they are \$200,000,000.

Again prior to 1880 the death rate in Michigan and Wisconsin, Iowa and Kansas was practically the same, viz seventeen to the thousand. After

thirty years of prohibition in Kansas our death rate has dropped to seven and one-half, while that of the other state has slightly increased. It is not fair to say that thirty years of prohibition had something to do with this?

At the close of our law enforcement campaign in Bourbon county, Fort Scott commenced to improve its churches. Y. M. C. A. and other properties, and in a short time they spent \$50,000 in this work. The clean-up in the city financially and commercially was equally as great. A number of big religious revivals followed the cleaning up so successful that 8,100 converts were added to the church life of that city, over half of them being men and boys.

Kansas has fewer commitments to the penitentiary and jails and penal institutions of its state per 100,000 people than any other state in the union except North Dakota and North Carolina. This is from the advance sheets of the Census Bulletin.

Prohibition has taken politics out of the saloons, and has driven the saloon out of politics. It has made our poor houses a liability instead of an asset. It has abolished illiteracy. It has made us the wealthiest of states per capita. It has caused that peculiar genius homo, the red nosed bum, to be a curiosity instead of a citizen; and better yet, it has stopped the breeding and maturing of this species. It has demonstrated that the saloon is not a business, but that it is a parasite on business. It has demonstrated, that while the saloon at eight time, with its bright lights, its nude and lewd pictures, with its men going in and out, may look like business, when the inventory is taken at the end of the year, it is not a business. It is a gold brick. Prohibition has demonstrated that revenue from crime and license is a bad business proposition.

pense. It is an indisputable fact that people who drink least have most money to spend and the business that comes when liquor goes is far larger and better than that which leaves.

2. The result of local option will be to lower the character of hotel accommodation, or deprive the public of such accommodation altogether.

The very reverse has been the case where local option has been adopted. In some places local temperance workers have bought out existing hotels and conducted them on a better scale than before. In others, the hotel men have kept on their hotel business. In both these cases, the business has been operated for the purpose of making money and providing the public with accommodation, and has been generally carried on in a more satisfactory manner than when it was operated simply for the purpose of qualifying the hotelkeeper to sell liquor.

Many a hotel guest has testified to the increased decency, comfort and convenience of the hotels which are not made secondary to bar rooms, or disturbed by the conduct which bar rooms provoke and promote. Statements of well-informed citizens to this effect have been, and will be published in the Pioneer.

3. Local option is the Scott Act over again. The Scott Act was a failure and local option will be also. This assertion is generally made, only by glib advocates of the liquor traffic, who frequently know that it is absolutely untrue. Without accepting the statement that the Scott Act was a failure, which is at least open to discussion, it may be said that in nearly every important detail a local option bylaw is a better and more just measure than was the Scott Act when it was tried in this province. Even the Scott Act today has been much strengthened and improved, and is in successful operation in a large part of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

In respect to the area affected, the rigidity of the prohibition it imposes, the penalties it provides, and the machinery for its operation, local option is far superior to the old law, and in fact, to any kind of local option prohibition that has ever been tried in any part of the Dominion. Any reasonable reader will understand and admit this fact, after carefully examining the articles descriptive of the local option law.

4. Local option drives drinking and drink-selling into secret places, and this wrong doing is more mischievous than if it were public. Yes, there may be some devotees of drink who would patronize a bar room under license, but under local option will strive to obtain drink secretly, because drink is not sold openly, just as other existing laws against wrong doing make it necessary for roost-robbers, sneak thieves, adulterers, assassins, and other criminals to indulge their vicious propensities under the cover of secrecy. The law-breaking liquor-seller seeks to hide his wrong doing just as does the burglar, the incendiary, or any other scoundrel who fears the law. Liquor-selling goes on secretly under license, and there is abundant evidence that license laws are broken oftener than local option laws.

5. Local option lessens beer drinking and increases whiskey drinking, because whiskey is less bulky, although more harmful.

There has been, during the past two years a substantial falling off in the amount of liquor consumed in Great Britain, in the United States and in Canada. This falling off has been co-incident with a substantial reduction in the number of liquor licenses issued. In the year 1874, the amount of spirits consumed in Canada was 1,994 gallons for every one thousand of the population; last year (1911) it was 859 for every one thousand of the population. During the same period of time the consumption of beer increased. If, however, we take recent years, during which local option has been spreading, we find that the falling off has been in both whiskey and beer. Here are the figures for the per capita consumption of all liquors in Canada during the past five years:

Year	Spirits	Beer	Wine	Total
1907	... 947	5,585	.092	6,624
1908	... 889	5,812	.096	6,797
1909	... 806	5,348	.085	6,239
1910	... 815	5,276	.097	6,188
1911	... 859	5,434	.104	6,397

The point at issue, however, is not whether or not local option lessens beer drinking more than it lessens whiskey drinking. The case for it is complete when we show, as can be shown, that under it drinking and drunkenness are lessened.

6. Local option encourages home drinking because men who will have drink, buy bottles and take them home instead of drinking at the bar. No one has attempted to substantiate this statement by any evidence to show that under local option there is increased home drinking, while there is abundant evidence of improved home conditions following the closing of bar rooms. As a matter of

## SHE FAINTED WITH THE AGONY

"Fruit-a-lives" Cured Her Kidneys



Miss MAGGIE JANNACK

MOUNTAIN, ONT., Dec. 14th, 1910  
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For six years, I suffered from dreadful Kidney Disease. My legs and lower part of my body were fearfully swollen. The pain in my side and legs would be so bad that I would faint with the agony.  
Five different doctors attended me and all said it was Kidney Disease and gave me no hope of getting well.  
A kind neighbor visited me and mentioned the case of Mrs. Fenwick who had been cured of a sickness like mine. I took 'Fruit-a-lives' and in a short time, I began to feel better—the swelling went down—the pains were easier—and soon I was well.  
I have gained over 30 pounds since taking 'Fruit-a-lives'—and my friends look upon my recovery as a miracle."  
(Miss) MAGGIE JANNACK.

"Fruit-a-lives" are sold by all dealers at 50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c.—or sent on receipt of price by Fruit-a-lives Limited, Ottawa.

fact the man who buys a bottle of liquor and takes it home is generally the man who has first fuddled his brain in a bar room. There is little danger of sober men purchasing liquor to take to their homes, and it is a matter of experience that the lessening of bar drinking lessens home drinking also. The treating system, which is the root of most drunkenness, and the cause of most home drinking, is killed by local option.

## WAS NOT KILLED IN BALKAN WAR

Examiner—Peterborough will be glad to learn that there is no truth in the report from Toronto to the effect that Nicholas Douros, proprietor of the Boston Cafe, had been killed in a battle of Monastir while fighting against the Turks. Mr. Douros' comrade, of Monastir while fighting against the Turks, the rumor reached them, but their fears were dissipated last night, when Mr. Wm. Kouros, of the Boston Cafe, a cousin of Mr. Douros, received a telegram from Mr. Douros' relatives in Athens to the effect that he was safe with the Crown Prince's army at Oanina. On Tuesday morning the local Greeks called Athens to inquire as to the truth of the report, and Mr. Douros' cousin in Athens wired to Salonica for information. It was found that the local man was with the Crown Prince's army and unhurt. He took part in the terrific fighting which resulted in the capture of Monastir by the Greeks and came through unscathed. The Greek army is now preparing to attack Janina.

The report of his death originated in a postcard sent to Toronto friends by Mr. Louis Yeotes of Peterborough who is also at the front, in which he said, "My friend has been killed"—referring to an officer under whom he had served. The Toronto Greeks, who received the message, however, came to the conclusion that he meant Mr. Douros and the report quickly spread that the latter had been killed, the news reaching Peterborough in a short time.

Mrs. J. D. McMillan, 40 Sussex-st., will receive tomorrow (Tuesday) and afterwards on the second Tuesdays of the month.

## Xmas Stock All Here

Not hard to find suitable Xmas gifts this year. Our stock is now ready for early shoppers.

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## PROSPEROUS CENTRES UNDER LOCAL OPTION

Appended will be found information from three centres under local option in Ontario. The testimonials speak for themselves.

**KINGSVILLE**  
(In absence of Mayor, Town Clerk answers message as he thinks Mayor would.)

Town was never more prosperous. No houses to let, applications for houses turned away every day. 2. Not much change in hotel accommodation. One hotel partially burned, and not completely repaired. Otherwise better than under license. 3. Only business injured is division court, which is much lower than before and police magistrate. Fines under by-laws this year, two dollars.

GEO. PEARSE, Clerk.

**ALLISTON**  
Town is thriving and future looks bright. One hotel closed down and changed into grist mill. Good accommodation at two other hotels. Law strictly obeyed and enforced. Neither hotelkeepers will sell liquor. Local option has not hurt business nor can I see how it could.

W. A. J. BELL, Reeve.

**ATHENS**  
In common with small towns and villages throughout Ontario, Athens has felt the effect of the heavy emigration to the Canadian Northwest. Despite this fact, however, there are very few vacant houses here, and our merchants report a fair volume of business, with increasing cash receipts from year to year. Our hotel accommodation is pronounced good by commercial travellers, and they are admitted competent judges of hotels.

M. B. HOLMES, Reeve.

## BEARS WERE SHOT IN NORTH HARVEY

Bycageon Independent—Mr. James Humphreys not being very busy on Wednesday thought he would take a stroll through the woods on Wednesday, so he shouldered his rifle and putting a few cartridges into his pocket went down the road a piece, and took into the woods. While mooring around John Carew's woods north of the woods that the Peterborough Forest Products Coy. is working in, Jim struck some bear tracks. There was just a flutter of snow here and there that was fast melting, and the tracks could only be seen occasionally, but Jim is a pretty good man in the woods, and does not need a beaten pad for him to follow. It was not very long before he caught sight of his game, an old bear and two good husky cubs. Then he got canny and stole along to a better position. The bears were not very far apart but one of the cubs was showing signs of getting on to the presence of a stranger, so Jim decided it was time to begin pumping a little lead.

One of the cubs was nearest to him but he considered it best to take the old one first, as the cubs would be almost likely to stay around. Drawing a careful lead he let fly, and the bullet went through the head, the bear dropping dead in his tracks without a squeak. Drawing fine on one of the cubs Jim put a bullet through his head. By this time the second cub was in a great state of fright, and tearing around so that it was difficult to get a line on him with the trees around. Jim is certain he wounded him, but he made off and Jim quite realized that he had a job before him to get out the two he had secured. They were both fat and in good condition, and the pelts in fine order.

## REEVE HICKSON IS A CANDIDATE

Mr. Joseph Hickson, Reeve, of Manvers, was in town on Tuesday, Joe is one of the most popular members of the Counties' Council. He is again a candidate for Warden, and no doubt will be elected. Two years ago he ran a tie with Warden Kelly who was elected by the double vote of Reeve Millson, who represented the highest assessed municipality in the Counties Cobourg Sentinel Star.

## LINDSAY MAN IN A WRECK

About 1.30 o'clock on Friday morning two G.T.R. extras bound for Toronto met with a mishap about thirty miles from that city. While the first engine (No. 1281) was taking water on a bad curve the engine following (1269) smashed into the rear. The van and several grain cars were

## THE VICTORIA LOAN and SAVINGS COMPANY

DIVIDEND No. 42

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Dividend at the rate of Seven per cent. per annum has this day been declared upon the Paid Up Capital Stock of the Company, for the quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1912, and the same will be payable at the Company's Office on and after Thursday, January 2nd, 1913.

The Stock Transfer Ledger will be closed from Dec. 25th to January 15th inclusive. By order of the Board.

C. E. WEEKS, Manager  
Lindsay, Dec. 9th, 1912.

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## THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

CAPITAL, \$15,000,000 REST, \$12,500,000  
DRAFTS ON FOREIGN COUNTRIES  
Drafts on the principal cities in the following countries issued without delay:  
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These drafts can be drawn in sterling, francs, marks, lire, kronen, yen, taels, roubles, etc., according to the money of the country in which they are payable. This enables the payee to obtain the exact amount intended.

H. A. HOLMES, Manager Lindsay Branch

badly wrecked. Conductor Gagnon of Allandale and brakeman Irwin of Lindsay jumped from the first engine and Engineer Rogers and Fireman Bell of Allandale jumped from Engine 1289. Bell was badly hurt and was taken to Toronto hospital.

## OBITUARY

GEO. W. ROOK.  
On Monday night, Geo. W. Rook passed away at his home in Madoc township after a short illness with pneumonia. Deceased was well known in this vicinity, and at the time of his death was an influential member of the Madoc township council, in which capacity he had served for four years.

Born in Newburg, near Kingston, 54 years ago, he afterwards moved to Lindsay where he lived for several years, following the occupation of a tanner. In 1886 he came to Madoc and located on a farm about six miles west of this village, where he has since resided.  
A widow and family of three young boys and three girls are bereft of a kind-hearted husband and father.

THE LEE STUDIO  
over Gregory's Drug Store

## SOME OBJECTIONS TO LOCAL OPTION OPEN BAR ARGUMENTS ARE ANSWERED

In the campaign literature distributed through the local mails by the advocates of the local bar in this town some five objections are made to the adoption of the local option bylaw. The objections with the answers appear below. Read them carefully and draw your own conclusions:—

1. Local option injures business and drives trade to other towns.  
Invariably and everywhere the suppression, or even diminution of liquor-selling helps every line of business, except such business as that of

pawnbrokers, police courts, and other undertakings that flourish when poverty and crime are prevalent.

The Post has published, and will publish, abundant testimony to this fact. Business in food and clothes, and books and furniture, and all that makes men and families happier and better off, is always helped when the bar room business is curtailed. As a rule, the class of people who go away and stay away from temperance towns, is not the class that helps business, but the class that puts the town to trouble and ex-

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