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IT MEANS LICENSE OR LOCAL OPTION

The choice to be made by the electors on January 6th next is between license and local option. Yet license and local option are provided for by the same statute, and to a certain extent for the same purpose. The chief object of both is the restriction of the liquor evil. The statute embodies very effective provisions for the enforcement of law, the results of many years of careful study and long experience, making the Ontario liquor law exceptionally useful and effective.

These provisions, the outcome of a growing public opinion, aim at making a very important feature of this legislation strong and well-devised machinery for the prevention and punishment of the sale of liquor by any persons who are not regularly authorized licensees.

A local option bylaw prohibits the issue of licenses, but leaves in force the carefully devised and effective methods and machinery of the liquor law, simply making them operative against everybody, instead of against everybody except a certain licensed few.

Concerning the good done by the license law there is no dispute. That

good is attained through the stringency of the measure, and its effectiveness in restraining liquor-selling. All the evil effects of the license law come from its granting permission to certain persons to sell liquor. Under local option, all the useful features of the license law remain and the mischievous part of that law is abolished.

All the license law provisions against the selling of liquor on Sunday, or election day, or to minors, or to drunkards, or to Indians, or in any other improper way, are practically still in force under local option, the only change being that they are now applied to the sale on all days and to all persons.

All that can be considered defective in local option is to be found in the license law, along with much more that is bad. All that is good in the license law remains under local option, only strengthened, intensified, and made still more useful and effective.

Surely every intelligent friend and advocate of the Ontario license law, if consistent, will be ready to vote for a local option bylaw.

THE OPEN BAR IS ONE OF THE MISTAKES OF ANGLO-SAXONDOM

The bar is one of the mistakes of Anglo-Saxondom. One need not be a Prohibitionist to see that the upright drinking booth where everything induces a man to pour his liquor quickly down his throat, and thus leave his glass obviously empty for another "charge" is one of the chief sources of the evil of drink. There is not a "bar" on the Continent of Europe except those which have been established by the pitying natives for the benefit of the travelling Briton and American. The European does not take his liquor as he does his medicine—in gulps.

Who would suffer if the bar were abolished? Certainly not the man who tells you that he must have a little ale with his dinner or the aristocrat who likes to see a wine decanter on the sideboard. The other sort of individual who needs a "night cap" to make him sleep, never thinks of dressing and going out to the nearest bar for it. He keeps it far handier. The bar is the resort of the man who is ashamed to drink at home because his family know he should never touch the stuff at all.

He must get among strangers to drink with any sort of enjoyment, and he dodges into the bar and rubs elbows with the confidence man and the man of lower degree, while he guiltily gulps down what is to him literally his "poison."

We do not believe in drinking in any form but we are aware that the community is not a unit on this point. There are those who talk of "personal liberty," whenever it is proposed to abolish the custom by legislation. But we can surely all agree that the drinking which does not make drunkards is a smaller evil, than that which leads by quicker stages to a condition of silly or homicidal insanity, as does drinking at the bar. This menace to young manhood, this machine for making drunkards, this foe of the family should most assuredly be voted out of existence.—St. Mary's Journal.

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Fisher Office Furniture Factory In Operation in a Few Weeks

Mr. F. R. Fisher, of Newmarket, head of the Fisher Furniture Factory here, arrived in Lindsay Tuesday and will probably be in town right along now to push forward the work of preparing the company's building for occupation. Some of the flooring in one or two of the departments have been laid, and Mr. Fisher is today looking

over the plant with a view to proper power distribution. In addition to three families already in town, some half dozen more will arrive next week. The machinery will also likely be installed next week. According to present indications, the factory will likely be in operation shortly after the new year.

MAKING MEN SOBER BY LAW

There are some very common expressions, oft-quoted sayings, that embody serious fallacies. They have an oracular sound, and an aphoristic style, that mislead those who do not take the time and trouble necessary to investigate them. One of these is the trite, would-be maxim, frequently used as an argument against the prohibition of the liquor traffic: "You cannot make men sober by legislation."

We reply: You must! That is what legislation is for. The object of law is the well-being of the community, the protection of the rights and interests of the individuals that constitute society. Now a drunkard is a danger to society. The inebriate without mental restraint to control his inclination to crime, is, as far as his fellows are concerned, on a par with the scoundrel without moral restraint to keep him from crime.

Both evils must be dealt with by the same authority, that is, by law. We have laws framed expressly for the suppression of gambling houses, brothels, places for the receipt of stolen goods, and other agencies that facilitate certain crimes; why not for the suppression of the liquor traffic that facilitates drunkenness and all its attendant woes and crimes?

True, there are crimes today notwithstanding good laws relating to them, and probably there would be intemperance, notwithstanding good laws relating to it. But good laws restrain and minimize those evils. So they would this.

If we keep drink from drunkards we make them sober. The drunkard is a danger to society. Law is intended for the protection of society. If law

cannot protect us against the drunkard, then government is a failure, and legislation is a humbug. You must make men sober by law.

Law does make men sober, when it finds them drunk. We would change the plan of doing it, because the protection to society, thus secured, is only temporary. We want it permanent. Who ever heard of fines or imprisonment curing a confirmed drunkard? We complain of the present expensive system, because it is ineffectual, and plead for better and cheaper protection, by the simple method of LOCKING UP THE DRINK INSTEAD OF LOCKING UP THE DRUNKARDS, or fining them generally at the expense of those who are already the greatest, and often innocent sufferers.

Law works against crime in two ways. It provides deterrent and reformatory penalties. It also provides preventative enlightenment and education. It assumes that intelligence will act in discernment of the nature of wrong, and moral principle will impel to avoidance of it, so it furnishes agencies for development of intelligence and moral principle. Drunkenness prevents appreciation of the penalties, and destroys the intelligence and moral principle.

If the operation of law is to be effective at all upon those who need it most, the counter-working agency must be removed. Law ought to make men sober, because intemperance is the deadliest foe to the carrying out of the object of right legislation. It can do this only by putting down the drink traffic. Freedom for the right means suppression of the wrong.

STANDING OF THE CONVANT PUPILS THOSE WHO HAVE ADVANCED IN MONTH

The following is the standing of the pupils of St. Joseph's Convent for December, 1912:

Sr. IV, total 800—Genevieve Murphy 688, Marguerite Mulvihill 670, Mary Hogan 636, Florence Anderson 631, Mary Murphy 607, Mary O'Loughlin 605, Irene Curtin 594, Mary Brunk 570, Lena Hutton 569, Gertrude Flurey 562, Helen Breen 547, Pauline Carroll 535, Ada Sullivan 496, Helen Duck 495.

Jr. IV, total 800—Grace Meehan 604, Mary LeHane 584, Clara Houlihan 541, Marguerite Tangley 488, Stasia White 425, Julia Skipworth 375.

Sr. III, total 625—Emile Brunck, 511, Aileen Meehan 505, Alexandrine Blanchard 501, Teresa Hargrove 475, Grace Teevins 474, Bernice Carroll 452, Frances Murphy 450, Aileen Murphy 443, Marie Murphy 437, Mary Fox 428, Gertrude Dovey 418, Annie O'Neill 412, Camille Blanchard 396, Philomena Dwyer 383, Violet Rivers, 371, Marjorie Walsh 343, Agnes O'Callaghan 320.

Jr. III, total 600—Lena Train 509, Margaret Sadler 499, Kathleen Murphy 490, Bernadine LeHane 479, Margaret O'Loughlin 478, Esther Gillogly 451, Kathleen Baker 430, Evelyn Cote 427, Mabel Commerford 413, Corinne Williams 409, Irene Martin 381, Marjorie Duck 353, Margaret Cudabee 342, Genevieve Gassien 283, Nellie Duke 249, Irene Walsh 228.

Second Class, (sen.) total 336—Teresa O'Connell 318, Pearl Teatro 282, Helen O'Reilly 239, Madeline Hutton 239, Agnes Ayotte 213, Lucille Meehan 206, Ethel Hennessy 201. Edna

Healey 185, Rose Dennis 181, Vivian Healey 177, Margaret McCabe 172, Lavina O'Neill 164, Agnew Duke 161, Madeline Cain 156.

Second Class, (jr.) total 230—Helen Tanguay 216, Helen Murray 132, Rose McCabe 149, Lizzie Tully 143, Amelia St. Thomas 132, Mary McMahon 128, Ursula Connolly 124, Boniface Cunningham 122, Leona Carroll 121, Frances Duke 115, Lucy McIntyre 106, Lizzie Fortier 98, Valerie Saunders 57, Marion Blanchard 34.

CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS FROM OLD LAND

The Post scribe called at the Post Office this morning to enquire if there might perchance be an English plum pudding that had gone astray and was in need of an owner and he was told by the busy Post Master, Mr. their owners. He said one had a very narrow escape yesterday, as it had been sent in a dish which in the course of its long journey had become broken and the fat juicy, fruity, pudding, with appetizing odor was loose. A. Palen, that they were coming through the mails fast and furious and in each case were claimed by in the bag. Work in the office was temporarily suspended but the terrible temptation was finally overcome and the tempting morsel was carefully wrapped and sent to its destination.

CONSTABLE THORNBURY HANDLED THE CASE

In reference to the arrest of Jake Smith and Kay in connection with the theft of shovels on the Wellington st storm sewer, full credit was not given to Constable Thornbury. The Post was informed that Mr. Thornbury handled the case from the start, made all the investigations and secured the evidence which led to the arrest of the guilty ones. This explanation is made in justice to Mr. Thornbury.

BORN
GRAHAM—In West Ops, on Monday, Dec. 16th, 1912, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Graham, a daughter.

RESULTS IN VOTERS' LIST COURT

Below will be found a statement regarding the result of the Voters' List Court which closed this morning. A perusal of the summary will afford interesting reading, and from a local option standpoint the results achieved are highly satisfactory.

The hotelkeepers succeeded in adding to the list 176 names out of 389 submitted. Of the 176, 97 are income voters. They thus failed to add 213 names. Four changes were made in qualifications on their add on list.

On the local option side 48 names were added. Nine cases either failed or were abandoned. In the strike off list the hotelmen struck off 45 names, none of which were contested by the local optionists. Some 31 of their appeals were either dismissed or changed to Part II of list.

The local option force succeeded in striking off 61 names, including those on their prepared list as hotel tenants. Twenty-eight local option appeals to strike off were either dismissed or abandoned or changed to Part II.

The net result of the fight is that what was gained by the antis was practically on income voters, of which nearly one hundred were placed on the list.

PURELY PERSONAL

Mr. R. J. McLaughlin, K. C., went back to Toronto to day.

Miss Margaret Carver is spending Xmas at Renfrew.

Mr. G. A. Milne and Miss Ethel visited Toronto yesterday.

Miss Nina Allin has returned home for Christmas.

Miss Beatrice Lambert is spending Christmas at Orono with her sister.

Mr. Gervin Devitt, of Toronto, an ex L. C. I. student, has returned to his home for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Resor were in Toronto for a brief stay and returned last evening.

Mr. Arthur Beal, who has been visiting friends in Toronto for several days returned to town last evening.

Mr. Arthur Stewart, of Toronto University, returned home last night for the holidays.

Miss Jessie Graham, of Sunderland, is spending the midwinter vacation with her parents on Bond street.

Mr. David Stinson, of Omemece, spent the day in Lindsay in preparation for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bruck, of Buffalo, are spending Christmas with Mr and Mrs. W. Workman.

Mr. Nelson Hart, of Varsity, spent the day in town, leaving for his home early this evening.

Mr. Herbert Naylor, of Toronto, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Naylor, Colborne street.

Miss Voden, of the public school staff, left to spend Xmas at Peterboro.

Miss Colvin, of the staff of the public schools, will spend the holidays at North Bay.

Miss Gowanlock, of the public school staff, left last night to spend Xmas at her home.

Miss Ethel Greezan, teacher at St. Miss Lily Jordan arrived home from Toronto at noon to day to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jordan Cambridge st.

Miss Isabella Jordan, of the Faculty of Education, Toronto, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Jordan, Huron-st.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Skitch left this morning to spend Sunday with Mr. W. F. Skitch, at Peterboro, and Xmas with Mr. A. E. Skitch at Trenton.

John school, Kingston Road, Toronto, is home for the holidays.

Mr. Melville Brokenshire, of Faculty of Education, Toronto is spending Christmas with his parents here.

Miss Grace Mitchell, of the faculty of Education, Toronto, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Mitchell, William street.

Miss Cassie Haugh, of Faculty of Education, Toronto, arrived home last night to spend Christmas with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Smith, guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. Edwards, Cambridge st. south, leaves to-day on a brief stay in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. R. H. Hopkins, of the staff of Toronto University, arrived home last evening to spend the vacation with his parents.

Miss Helen Flavelle, of the Toronto Conservatory of Music, returned to town last evening to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents.

Miss Jessie Brown, of Midland, arrived home last night to spend Xmas and New Years with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Thos. Brown.

Mr. Wm. Flavelle, of Halifax, is spending a few days in town, and is receiving a warm welcome from old friends.

Mrs. Herb Elliott left this morning for Midland to be with her husband. Mr. Elliott is progressing favorably.

Mr. Reginald Adams and Miss Irene Adams, of Port Arthur, who have attending Toronto University, are visiting their cousin, Miss Muriel Sut, cliff.

Miss Mabel Cinnamon, of Annsley Hall, Toronto, returned home last evening to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Cinnamon Bond street.

Mr. Lester Hopkins, of Toronto University, last evening arrived home to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hopkins, Cambridge street.

Miss Helen Kirkcounell, of Faculty of Education, Toronto, arrived home last night to spend the Xmas vacation with her parents, Principal and Mrs. T. A. Kirkcounell.

Mr. Geo. Simpson is spending a month or so with friends in Lindsay having just returned from a six months trip to the Pacific Coast and the Canadian West.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Jones, of Newmarket, arrived in town yesterday to take up residence here. Mr. Jones is connected with Lindsay Library and Office Fittings Ltd.

CANADIAN FORESTERS ELECTED OFFICERS

Court Lindsay No. 135 C.O.F. held the regular election of officers for 1913 last evening. There was a good attendance and much enthusiasm manifested. The installation ceremonies take place on January 14th, 1913.

The officers are:

C. R.—Bro. J. T. B. Chilton.
V. C. R.—Bro. J. A. A. McLean.
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J. B.—Bro. John Timms.
Physician—Bro. Dr. J. A. White.
Auditor—Bro. Wilbert Nicholls.
Trustees—Bros. Robert H. Graham, W. E. Kelcher, Robert Naylor.
Court Deputy—Bro. Dr. White.

SCHOOLS CLOSED HOLIDAYS LONGER

The Lindsay Collegiate Institute and the Public schools closed this afternoon for the Christmas vacation and the scholars from out of town all returned to their respective homes to partake of the Christmas turkey and plum pudding under the parental roof.

The holidays this year will be several days longer than usual because since the legal day for the school opening, January 3rd falls on Friday the Department of Education sent out a notice that pupils will not be required to come back before Monday January 6th, thus giving the children Saturday and Sunday at their own homes.

POPULAR MANAGER WAS REMEMBERED

A pleasing presentation took place yesterday when Mr. Jos. MacDonnell local Manager for the Canadian Cereal and Flour Mills Ltd received as a Christmas present from the staff of the mill an handsome black sealion club bag.

The bag is completely fitted out in every particular. A list with the names of the donors accompanied the gift and Mr. MacDonnell is greatly pleased with the kind thought at the Christmas season.

Mr. MacDonnell has been granted a three months leave of absence and is leaving after Christmas to visit friends in Quebec.

The Pigs Weight

Dear Sir,—I noticed in your edition of December 13th a problem, which I have solved.

The man's weight was 135 lbs.; the woman's weight was 100 lbs. The woman would have the long end of the board. 100 lbs. on the long end balances 135 lbs. on the short end. 1 lb. on the long end balances 1-100 of 135 lbs. on the short end. 135 lbs. on the long end balances 1-100 of 135 lbs or 132 1/2 lbs. on the short end. Wife had pig on her lap, and wife weighed 100 lbs. Therefore the pig weighed 182 1/2 lbs.—100 lbs.—82 1/2 lbs.

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