

ment will bring all applications for relief from forfeiture before the Mining Commissioner, if made within three months. The Mining Commissioner will have power to deal with the matter if no third person has intervened by restaking the claim. This places the matter of forfeiture entirely between the Crown and the claimant. Where there has been neglect to file a report of work actually done the penalty fee of \$25 is imposed as under the present act.

An amendment to section 86 gives the Lieutenant-Governor in Council power, upon the recommendation of the Minister, to give relief in cases of exceptional hardship. An instance is given where a valuable claim, upon which a large amount has been expended, is declared forfeited through some cause. The Minister thinks this power should be sparingly exercised, as it occasionally happens that through fraud, ignorance or dishonesty an injustice may be wrought. In such cases the Lieutenant-Governor will take the responsibility of interfering. The evidence in all such cases must be taken before the Mining Commissioner, who will report the facts to the Minister.

The time for making application and payment for a patent to a claim is extended from three years and six months to four years.

For further protecting the miners the law is amended to provide for an improvement in the type of skips or cages used for lowering or hoisting men in a mine. The cage must have a steel hood and sheet iron or steel sides. This section will not come into force until January 1 next, in order that mine owners may have time to make the necessary changes. This requirement is adopted on the advice of the American Mining Congress.

DISAPPROVAL OF EVANTUREL'S STAND

Formal Protest Received From His Own Constituency

**Citizens' League of Vankleek Hill and
West Hawkesbury in Favor of Bar
Abolition—Also Ask for Investiga-
tion Into License Law Enforcement**

The Globe yesterday received copies of two documents from the Citizens' League of Vankleek Hill and West Hawkesbury, Prescott county, dealing with the Evanturel case. Copies of both have also been forwarded to Hon. Mr. Foy, Attorney-General and Acting Premier of the Province. In the first the attitude of the League on the abolish-the-bar policy is clearly set forth, and the second is a request for an investigation into the charges made by Mr. Evanturel as to the administration of the license law in the county. The documents follow:

Approve "Abolish the Bar."

Vankleek Hill, Mar. 2, 1914.

At a meeting of the Citizens' League for the town of Vankleek Hill and the township of West Hawkesbury, held on the twenty-eighth day of February inst., consideration was given to a statement which recently appeared in the public press of this Province, and is alleged to have been made by Mr. Evanturel, M.P.P., to the effect that the electors of the county of Prescott approved of his (Mr. Evanturel's) opposition to the "abolish-the-bar" policy of the leader of the Liberal party in Ontario.

It was unanimously resolved that

this Citizens' League protest against the statement that the electors of this county are opposed to the abolish-the-bar policy or to any other advanced temperance legislation, and we contend that in his attitude with regard thereto Mr. Evanturel has acted on his own authority only, and without consulting this portion of the constituency which he was elected to represent.

This United Citizens' League for Vankleek Hill and West Hawkesbury hereby affirm their approval of the proposal to abolish the bar throughout the Province of Ontario, and of all other measures calculated to restrict or prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquor; and we declare that Mr. Evanturel has no mandate from his constituents, as a whole, which authorizes him to quote them as opposed to any legislation calculated to promote the cause of temperance.

Further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Attorney-General of the Province, to Mr. N. W. Rowell, K.C., and be published in the Toronto newspapers.—
Carried unanimously.

Certified: (Signed) A. G. Cheney,
President; J. S. McIntosh, Secretary.

Request an Investigation.

To the Hon. J. J. Foy, K.C., Attorney-General for the Province of Ontario:

The memorial of the Citizens' League for the town of Vankleek Hill and for the township of West Hawkesbury, in the county of Prescott, respectfully sheweth:

That it appears by the public press reports of recent debates in Parliament that charges have been made to the effect that corruption and graft has prevailed to a greater or less extent in the administration of the license law in the county of Prescott.

Your petitioners consider that the public interests require that an investigation be held in order that it may be determined whether such charges are founded in fact or not.

Wherefore your petitioners pray that an investigation may be directed to inquire into and report upon the administration of the license law in the county of Prescott, and particularly as to the truth or falsity of the allegations recently made on the floor of the Legislative Assembly of this Province to the effect that graft and corruption had prevailed therein. And your petitioners, as in duty bound, shall ever pray, etc.

By order and on behalf of the League,
(Signed) A. G. Cheney, President;
J. S. McIntosh, Secretary.
Vankleek Hill, March 2, 1914.

WANT MEDICAL INSPECTION.

**Doctors Ask its Application to all
Ontario Schools.**

With the view of having medical inspection in schools extended to the whole Province an influential deputation of physicians waited on Hon. R. A. Pyne, Minister of Education, yesterday. It was pointed out that the introduction of medical inspection in Toronto schools had been such a success that it would be worth while to have it applied generally. To make the matter workable it was suggested that if the inspection is extended as desired, uniform regulations should be adopted for the whole Province. At present there were practically no regulations governing the matter.