Ottawa Ready to Help

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OTTAWA, Feb. 19.—The Dominion Government and Parliament will be favorably inclined toward the proposal of six Provinces, whose officials met in Toronto, to make the Criminal Code more effective with respect to "short selling" by brokers "against the client," it was thought tonight in official circles. The Dominion authorities will also be prepared to consider the recommendations of the Attorneys-General conference for the better control of certain Dominion-incorporated companies.

Offhand, however, it was considered most unlikely that the Federal authorities would accede to the suggestion that Dominion-in-corporated companies should be further controlled by the Provinces than they are at present. Such companies are under Provincial control now for all necessary purposes, it was stated by a high official, who thought the Dominion, having jurisdiction under the Constitution, would not permit the Provinces to wield exclusive control over Dominion companies.

The Federal attitude is that the Provinces have all the control they need over Federal-incorporated companies by virtue of the Security Frauds Prevention Act.

"The Toronto Stock Exchange is heartily in favor of practical measures that work for the better protection of the public," stated C. E. Abbs, President of that organization, last night. Commenting on the statement issued by the Attorney-General, he stated that many of the suggestions are already in effect on the Toronto Exchange.

F. J. Crawford, President of the Standard Exchange, questioned by The Globe, stated that he would be quite willing to make a comment or statement when he had the complete context of the Attorney-General's statement. Other representatives of the exchanges also preferred to read the complete statement before making any comment.

OAKWOOD SITUATION BEING INVESTIGATED. BY LIQUOR BOARD

Drayton Expects Report Within 48 Hours—"No Injustice Will Be Done to Anybody," He Declares, Stating, "Our Duty Is Entirely to the Public"

In conversation with The Globe yesterday afternoon, in connection with the proposed new liquor store at Oakwood and Robina Avenues, Sir Henry Drayton, Chairman of the Liquor Control Board of Ontario, said: "As you know, we have instituted a complete investigation into that matter, from every angle. I anticipate to have that report within 48 hours or so. I will be very pleased to let you have what information may be available at that time."

Asked as to what extent local autonomy and local opinion could exert itself in the matter of the board's choice of a location for one of its stores, Sir Henry replied: "Our duty is entirely to the public, and within that comes our responsibility as to the proper administration of the act. As is well known, one can obtain a petition opposing mostly

everything in these days.

"Many people appear to think that we are building a new store within a few blocks of our present one. However, we are not building anything. The premises would merely be rented, and it is simply a matter of our present store being too small to enable us to serve the public efficiently, or properly to enforce the act.

"There are, of course, certain areas where we would not think of locating a store—such sections as are historically 'dry.' In any event, we are looking into the Oakwood situation thoroughly. No injustice will be done to any-

body."

At the regular meeting of Orient Division, No. 213, Sons of Temperance, whose meeting place is at Robina and St.

Clair Avenues, the following resolution was passed:

"That this Orient Division, No. 213, of the Sons of Temperance, desires to respectfully request the Liquor Control Board not to permit the locating of a store for the sale of intoxicating liquors anywhere within reach of any church or school or college. Especially are we in sympathy with the wishes of the people of this fine neighborhood not to have the young people of the very excellent schools of this part familiarized with the sight of the purchasing of the articles sold in a liquor store."

CANADIAN OUTLOOK BROADENED BY WAR, STATES FINLAYSON

Stresses Surveying's Value in Developing Canada and Empire

PLEAS AT CONVENTION

The Great War broke Canadians of their "inferiority complex," showed them they were a match for other nations, turned their eyes to the undeveloped resources of their own country, so that today "the educated and professional Canadian must look no longer to the south, but northward to the undeveloped wealth of field, mine, forest and river—the hope and prospect of the Dominion."

Hon. William Finlayson, Minister of Lands and Forests, thus described the new Canadian outlook at a dinner of the Ontario Land Surveyors' Association in the King Edward Hotel last night. Together with Senator Pierre F. Casgrain of Quebec and Mayor Wemp, he urged greater individual realization of Canada's opportunities, stressed Canada's part in Empire development, and fold the surveyors that "their profession has done more than any other for the development of Canada and the British Empire."

Sessions Close.

The dinner closed the annual convention of the association. Adoption of resolutions, election of officers and hearing of committee reports occupied morning and afternoon sessions.

Senator Casgrain, formerly a surveyor himself, who is this year observing his thirtieth year in the Senate, urged the strengthening of Imperial unity and praised the work of the Provincial Government in developing the North country.

Mayor Wemp told the delegates that "the local talent" in the surveying profession sufficed to take care of the schemes for the city's development. G. F. Henderson, K.C., Drainage Referee, and Dr. James L. Morris, Inspector of Surveys, also were speakers.

The association at the afternoon seszions adopted three resolutions. One was that "a course in topographical surveying be provided immediately by the University of Toronto Extension, to be followed at a later date by a course in geodetic surveying to co-operate with the Government on aerial photography."

Mining Inspection.

Another was that "Governmental inspection of mining surveys is desirable." The third asked that "field notes be standardized."

The association also asked that the Canadian Historical Society preserve certain historic spots in the Bay of Quinte region, including the old church at Adolphustown, which was attended in his boyhood by Sir John Macdonald.

The afternoon session heard an address by A. R. Davis of Toronto on two early Canadian land surveyors. Samuel Holland and John Colline, the latter Surveyor-General of Canada and a friend of George Washington. Other speakers at the session were J. E. C. Butterfield, Major J. I. Harty, Superintendent of Timber Operations of Ontario; H. W. Sutcliffe, N. B. MacRostie and J. L. Morris.

R. M. Lee of Brantford was elected President to succeed A. T. Ward of Toronto. T. D. LeMay of Toronto was elected Secretary-Treasurer, and D. D. James and G. L. Berkeley were elected Auditors. The election for one Vice-President and two Councillors will be

President and two Conheld by letter ballot.