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2. Because there has been less drinking during the last 30 months than ever in the history of Richmond Hill. VOTE FOR LOCAL OPTION!
3. Because what most sane men desire—the stopping of the treating habit—has been accomplished. VOTE FOR LOCAL OPTION!
4. Because we like our children to be free from temptation and free from the presence and obscene profanity of the drunken. VOTE FOR LOCAL OPTION!
5. Because every influence of the village has been advanced under its influence. VOTE FOR LOCAL OPTION!
6. Because we have better accommodation and no Bar. VOTE FOR LOCAL OPTION!
7. Because we have no more illicit sale of liquor than under License. VOTE FOR LOCAL OPTION!
8. Because many homes and hearts are happier and more contented than under License. VOTE FOR LOCAL OPTION!
9. Because it is better for the man who would sell, better for the man who would buy, and for "the collective good" of the whole community. VOTE FOR LOCAL OPTION!
10. Because we wish to give it a fair trial, we will re-endorse it for a generation. VOTE FOR LOCAL OPTION!

A saloon-keeper writes, after an experience of 20 years of Prohibition—surely a fair test:
Fargo, N.D., Sept. 25, 1903.
Judge Chas. A. Pollock:
My Dear Sir.—In response to what you ask about Prohibition in our city and state, let me say that in my judgment it was a fortunate day when the Prohibition law was adopted. When the question of changing from a license system to Prohibition was first proposed in 1884, and for several years afterward, I was bitterly opposed to Prohibition, but I am now glad that the change was made, and there is no man in the State of North Dakota that would fight the return of the saloon in any guise stronger than I would should the occasion arise, and I do not believe the people of North Dakota will ever permit the saloon's return to our state.
Yours respectfully,
JAMES KENNEDY.

The above words of a former liquor-seller are worth pondering.

The liquor business tends to produce criminality in the population at large, and law-breaking among the saloon-keepers themselves. Debauches not only the body social but the body politic as well.—Pres. Theodore Roosevelt.

It costs our country more for drink-caused crimes alone than the liquor traffic contributes to the public funds—federal, provincial and municipal, all combined.

The late Cardinal Manning, the great and popular Roman Catholic prelate, once said:
"I wish well to all trades, but with a reserve. . . . I cannot say in my heart and conscience that I hope the brewer may brew more beer, or the distiller distil more spirits, or the publican sell more of both. [Cheers.] There is a limit to my good wishes. I wish all trades may prosper, except one. The prosperity that I wish to that one trade is that it should cease."

Archbishop Buechsi of Quebec has so practically followed the above wish that under his endorsement 60% of the Province of Quebec is under Local Option or some other form of Prohibition.

We can on Monday next wield
"That weapon which comes down as still
As snowflakes fall upon the sod,
Yet executes the freeman's will
As lightnings do the will of God—
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LETTER FROM "ONLOOKER."
To the Editor of THE LIBERAL:
Dear Sir,—In your last issue a correspondent remarked that the discussion in your paper was too one-sided. If it was, who was to blame? Not the Editor, for the columns of THE LIBERAL were open to both sides. Surely the Local Option people are not expected to discuss BOTH sides of the question. Are we wrong if we suspect that there who support license are shy of putting their REAL reasons for opposing Local Option in print. Underlying it all is the desire of a few individuals for personal gain, namely, to head off the dollars that now go north or south for the wherewith to quench chronic thirst. Mr. Haverson says that as troughs are provided for horses to drink water by the wayside, so bars should be provided for men who thirst for whiskey as horses do for water. It is an argument worthy of the man, and the position he fills. If such wayside refreshment had the same wholesome effect on the man as it has on the horse, all would be well. Unfortunately, the usual results are otherwise, especially if the thirst is excessive. How Christian people can support a license law is beyond my depth. Church members who vote for license become indirect or silent partners in the business themselves, and make the liquor seller as legally respectable as they are. But here comes the rub. Having made himself and his business legally respectable, he is practically ostracised and debarred from membership in nearly all churches. Not that church membership saves anyone, or that the above parties often figure as anxious but disappointed applicants, but the utter inconsistency of it is what stuns us. What refined cruelty to support a measure that, while enriching a few men in this world, yet (from a human standpoint) calmly relegates them to perdition in the next. Selling whiskey under a license law is as legally respectable as store-keeping or blacksmithing, because the people make it so. Under Local Option it is a criminal offense, because the people by their votes make it such.
I have no sympathy with the wholesale abuse of hotelkeepers indulged in by some temperance people. It is a good thing to hate sin, but we should love the sinner and seek his betterment. One of the best ways of doing this in a radical manner is to vote for Local Option. No Christian man will go home with a guilty conscience who votes that way, even if it is not enforced as it should be. All this talk about the vast host of empty bottles on the highway, and men teaching boys to drink, should be noted with due regard as to who makes the statements. It would be refreshing if we could obtain a list of the names of those who have suffered through Local Option in Richmond Hill, Markham and Vaughan during the last three years, duly describing the extent and kind of the aforesaid suffering. "The greatest good to the greatest number" should ever be our motto, regardless of selfish or pecuniary considerations.
ONLOOKER.

News Notes.
Tom Longboat, the famous Indian runner, was on Monday evening married to Miss L. Maracle, a school teacher of Deseronto.
Charles A. Gough, late of Kleinburg, died at Bay City, Michigan. Interment in Mount Hope Cemetery, near Toronto, last Saturday.
Italy has been visited by another earthquake, the most disastrous of modern times. It is estimated that 100,000 people are dead in the ruins.
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DEATH OF CHARLES E. KYLE.
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