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For Pickering Voters.

Next Wednesday, Nov. 17th, is the day set to decide the fate of local option in Pickering, and both sides are working hard.

In the liquor interests the forces are being handled by Toronto lawyers and others in the pay of the brewers and distillers.

These are being aided by every bummer and soaker in the township and surrounding country. There is not an immoral man or immoral agency in miles around Pickering that is not at work influencing people to vote for whiskey at the bar.

Should local option be defeated every prophet of vice and sin and wrong will rejoice.

Against license every good and religious man is working every true lover of humanity. All who feel an honest interest in removing temptation and evil influences from the boys and men are struggling to keep local option in force, because they are as those who are opposing it know that it is fast squeezing the liquor business to death in Pickering.

If a man says he is a temperance man but is opposed to local option he may be put down as a man who takes his whiskey straight, and who takes it crooked when he cannot get it straight. We hear of many men who say they are red hot for prohibition, but want no half measures. The common Dominion plebiscite will expose the hollowness of their talk. If a man is for prohibition at all he will always be ready to cut off one township, or one hotel, or to support anything that will stop the drinking of even one glass of liquor.

Those in favor of liquor have already this year put the township to an expense which caused an increase in the taxes of about a mill, about \$500. The same liquor party and lawyers they have hired have forced on this present vote, which will cost the township \$500 more. A people who would put up with Toronto lawyers and others in the pay of the brewers and distillers—forcing everlasting trouble and expense upon them would be deserving of little sympathy.

Pickering never voted for license, and has always rejected blood money coming from the licensing of this evil. Such a record is not to be proud of, and we doubt if one will be sustained. However, the forces of drink are strong, and are always backed up by money, and it always requires the full vote of the prohibitionists to win the day; therefore we hope no temperance voter will stay away from the poll on any account.

Short Notes.

The Oshawa Reformer is in a covert manner steering public opinion towards the overthrow of Hon John Dryden at the coming Liberal convention. It says: "The severity of his (Mr Calder) defeat will depend somewhat upon the candidate yet to be chosen by the Liberals. If that party, in convention, acts wisely the riding can, in our opinion, be held by a very substantial majority."

The New York city election has made it clear that the man to look out for is he who says nothing but saws wood. Van Wyck made no speeches, attended no meetings, published no interviews. At each of the little meetings held by his friends a circular letter was read from him stating that he was too busy to attend, but that if elected he would oppose the enforcement of the present vice and stringent liquor laws which meant that the political power taken away from the saloons by the Republicans would be restored. This enlisted the thousands of drink vendors for Van Wyck, and the moral element of the city was swamped.

It seems necessary to have a brutal murder or a tragedy every week. This week we have to record one of the most blood-thirsty acts on record, near Montreal. A young man named Nulty of Rawdon, Que., took an axe and chopped the heads off three sisters and a brother aged 18, 16, 14 and 12 respectively. He has confessed the crime, and appears to have had no special motive in perpetrating the deed. He was forced to do it by an irresistible craving for blood. Knowing that the law is almost useless to punish such criminals he has confessed the crime, and gives the particulars of how he took an axe and slew his helpless sisters and brother wherever he found them at their households, and in the absence of their parents. The spectacle of such a massacre as presented to the Nulty parents on their return must have been horrible in the extreme; but what must have been their feelings when they learned that the atrocity had been committed by their own son? And the further horror they have to undergo in the process of prosecution and hanging of their bloodthirsty son is shocking to think of. The slaughter is said to have been the outcome of a family feud which had existed for some time, and this illustrates a common belief that so quarrel is so deep-rooted and venomous as a family row.

Questions for Pickering township voters to answer: Am I in favor of prohibiting the liquor traffic? In considering this matter am I prompted by honest motives of humanity and the welfare of the community, habit or appetite, being ignored? Are the interests of the people of Pickering in harmony with the interests of the brewers,

distillers and keepers of barrooms? Shall I vote for the interests of the brewers, distillers and barroom keepers or for the interests of the people? Shall I go to the poll and vote on the same side with the tavern keeper and his barroom patrons or with those who love God and their neighbor? Am I a member of the company I am acting with? Do I believe in licensing any evil for the sake of the blood money it can pay? For the sake of license fees am I willing to have a flat and uneducated, contented and homes wrecked, helpless woman degraded and innocent children brought up starved, naked and uneducated? Have I answered each and every one of these questions accord and every one of science, and in keeping with my intelligence and in harmony with the advancement of this age? We ask each voter in Pickering to consider and answer these questions with God and his conscience as witnesses, and then to vote whichever way he is thus directed.

The Toronto board of trade carries a big swelling on its head and tries to direct the business of the whole country. It is composed of such wonderful men of business that they don't know when they put their heads together would not be sufficient to run a peanut stand. A few years ago the board of trade found that all its time was not taken up in attending to other peoples' business, so it fell to do a few things for itself. First of all it organized a gratuity branch, which was merely another name for an assessment insurance scheme, and members of all ages and conditions were admitted on the same basis. Such a fool plan never heard of outside a board of trade. Old fellows who had long ago made their wills and who were dodging death every day, were insured on the same terms as young members. Of course the old fellows were away like leaves in autumn, and the much boasted gratuity scheme which was to set the world afire has crumbled to pieces. Like the Ancient Order of United Workmen the board of trade is trying to reorganize its life insurance on the ordinary plan which both bodies affected to despise until they found themselves falling to pieces. Another big splurge made by the board of trade was the erection of a \$500,000 building, which under their superb business management cost \$500,000 and which will now rent for 1 per cent. of the total cost. Verily the Toronto board of trade has wonderful array of superior business men!

Ill Vote For Local Option

Kind friends, come listen while I tell my story to you all. I'm a soldier who has served his time with old King Alcohol. I've stood by him through thick and thin, and until he called me a sot. And when for him I sold my coat, this is the coat I got. I fought for him, I bled for him, As through the streets I'd rave, And when through him I lost my hat, This is the hat he gave. My boots were of the finest fit, As fine as boots could be, For him I gave away my boots, And then he booted me. My eyes were of the deepest blue, Nor nuster did they lack; But now you see they both are red, And one is also blind. My nose was never beautiful, But still was not amiss; Old Alcohol he touched it up, And what do you think of this? He promised I should courage have For all the ills of life; The bravest thing he made me do Was beat my little wife. He promised he would give me wit And I should ne'er be sad, Instead of that he took away The little sense I had. The health and wealth he promised me He never, never gave; But when he'd taken all I had I found myself a slave. So now I'll fight for him no more, Nor with his temptations will I fight against this cursed foe, And vote for local option.

Whitby Town Locals

Big sacrifice in ready made clothing at A D Urline's. Mrs R Richardson, of the base-line west, is under the doctors care. Cows must be off the street after Nov 15th. So says Constable Calverley. St Andrew is to be celebrated this year by a banquet at the Royal hotel. Corticelli and bedding paul silk spools 5c each twist, 2 for 5c at W G Walters. Railway cars came down from the north on Wednesday with several inches of snow on top.

We publish two poems this week which are very suggestive to local option voters of Pickering.

Mr "Dobin" Thompson has returned home from Owen Sound, near where he has been employed during the past summer.

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