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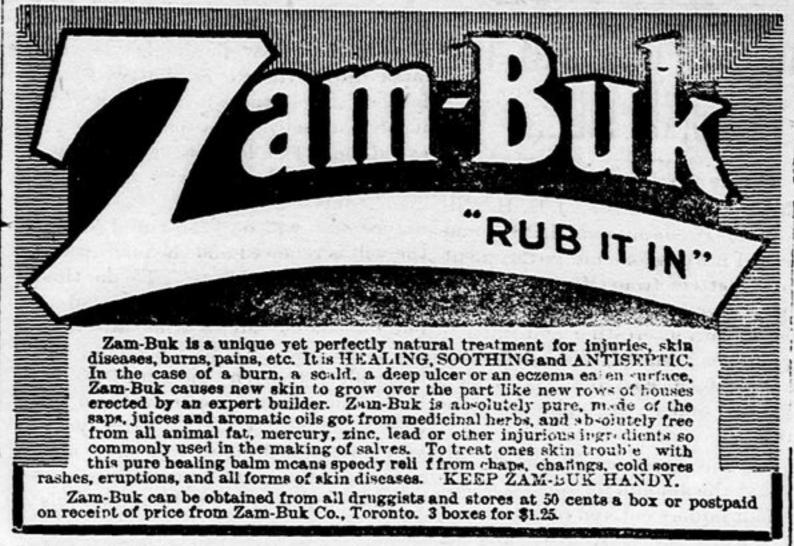
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IN OWEN SOUND.

Mayor Kenedy Says the Town is Ready to Repeal Local Option by 500.

(Toronto News.)

Owen Sound, Dec. 12,-When Mayor Kennedy was asked for his opinion on local option as seen in ense law. It is the duty of all to see operation in Owen Sound, he produc ed the following letter to which his signature was attached, and which, he declared, he intended sending to

"To Whom it May Concern:

"Local option differs in operation very little from the Scott or Dunken | Acts, which were tried some years ago. In O .. en Sound there is a good capable license inspector who does what he can to enforce the law, but public sentiment is against doing so, notwithstanding the large majority by which it was carried. Liquor is (some five in number)

"The writer knows places where struck off. liquor can be purchased in which it such places in the town.

Yet, the sale goes on, and no convictions are made by them. Public sentiment is against its enforcement.

was in force now go to Wiarton, Chesley, Port Elgin, Markdale, Meaford, etc. It has divided our citizens into two hostile sections, local option ists and antis. who are jealous and with the other, and lose no opportun- can be made because of local option. ity to injure the other's business, and the bad feature of this is, it is ing: The writer has lived continuousdone not secretly or on the side, but ly in Owen Sound for 50 years, has

divided against itself in this respect. "The evils arising from drinking have not been lessened, but rather increased. Under the license law. liquors were sold in eleven hotels. and would be purchased in very few, if any, other places by the glass, out side of them. Now it is sold in many places, and drunkenness is as prevalent as ever, if not more so. There may be less open drinking at the bars but drinking from bottles has largely increased, especially among youths

and young men. "It takes place in private rooms, in offices, in closets, in cellars, out-Implement Agent and Auctioneers buildings, etc. It may be asked, Where do they get it? It comes in on the railways. in trunks, in suit cases, in valises, in satchels, in boxes, barrels, etc. It comes in on boats, wagons, carriages, etc. Friends bring it in for freends. There are those who bring it in to make money and those who get it out of friend ship. It is impossible to stop it. Evidence of this can be seen in the shape of empty and broken bottles in lanes and out of the way places, in

Police Court, on the streets and docks. "Local option was carried in Owen Sound under a semi-religious, total abstinence wave of excitement, gotten up by people who mean well enough, but whose ideas are based on theory as Crossley and Hunter, "Black by-law will be defeated by 500. Knight," Oliver, etc., were brought | Should the Mayor's letter be used in for the occasion. Meetings were in the local option campaign in Barheld in the churches during the week rie, it will certainly not be allowed nights, and in the Town Hall on to go unchallenged, as the local weeks before voting.

that if such and such a law were active opposition.

enacted all the evils which they have in their minds would disappear.

same evils break out in an aggravated form in some other direction-and the last state is worse than the first.

"The temperate use of liquor is not considered wrong by the great majority of people. The excessive use and active town, making it a most desirable of it is an axil which all condamn. of it is an evil which all condemn, and are willing to curtail. I believe this can be best done by regulating WM. JOHNSTON, and restricting its sale under a licthat men of good sound, practical common-sense are appointed to administer it, and let these men see that no more licenses are issued than are necessary for the wants of the community. Let the evils resulting from the sale of intoxicating liquors be taught in the schools. let people be persuaded to leave it alone. By these means the evils will gradually be reduced to a minimum. I do not believe they can be entirely eliminated. I am sure they cannot be lessened by local option.

"The effect on the financial condistill sold in large quantities, yet tion of the town is this. At the there has not been a single instance Court of Revision nine cases of appeal of anyone having been sent to jail, were heard, the appellants claiming although several convictions have that their properties had been lessen been secured against nine hotels ed in value by local option. On here. Lately some seventeen infor hearing the evidence, the Judge ormations were laid by the license dered that their assessment be reducinspector, every one of which was ed \$57,750, and the corporation lost dismissed with costs, although he \$1,357.12 in taxes. The owner of one had two detectives who swore that hotel (the Coulson House) neglected they got liquor in the cases tried to enter an appeal, or in all probability another \$50,000 would have been

"The revenue derived from hotel was never seen before local option and shop licenses, amounting to came into force, and is credibly in \$1,694, has been entirely cut off, formed that there are sixty-one of making an annual loss from these sources of \$3,091.12. Besides, the "The corporation has four police- corporation has had to pay for legal men, and the statutes, the by-law advice, counsel fees, etc., fully \$500 appointing them, a special by law more defending the by-law. Our and special resolution passed by the citizens who tried to quash it lost, Council lately make it the duty of perhaps, another \$4,000, and their these men to enforce local option, relations as citizens were embittered.

'It was said that, under local option, the town would require fewer policemen, and the saving to be made "Local trade has been injured by in this way would almost, if not local option. Scores of people in the altogether, offset the loss in revenue, sarrounding country who used to It has been found that this cannot be trade in Owen Sound when license done In fact, the salaries of the policemen had to be raised very materially, and the police force should be increased.

"Some active local optionists went distrustful of each other. What one so far as to ask that these additional proposes the other opposes, or will men should be put on. There are have nothing to do with it. Many four now. No reduction in the mnnof one section will have no dealings | icipal expenditure of Owen Sound

"I respectfully submit the follow. open.y. Owen Sound is a house been in active business in Owen Sound for over 40 years, and is in business yet He has had to do with employing men during all that time and has a lot under his control now. He has large pecaniary interests in several large manufacturing estab lishments here and has occupied the position of school trustee, councillor, reeve, mayor and license commission. er, member of the Board of Trade, as one of its council and as president and knows Owen Sound thoroughly,

"I have seen Owen Sound under indiscriminate license. under restricted license, under the Duncan Act, and under the present license Act and finally under local option, and have no hesitation in saying that local option has not lessened drunkenness, has not improved business or the financial position of the people generally. Neither has it improved the moral tone of its citizens as a whole, but on the contrary has injured local trade and lowered the moral well-being of very many.

"I deeply regret to have to say these things, but I believe it is my duty to do so, if thereby I may help to prevent others making the mistake made in Owen Sound."

(Signed) MATTHEW KENNEDY, Mayor.

In proof of the statement that the morals of the community have not which will not work out in everyday been improved, Mr. Kennedy has practice. They were aided by clergy- taken figures from the official records men who had churches here, and showing that the number of Police who, almost without exception, have Court cases last year was 362, whereleft Owen Sound since the by law as this year the number is 510. He came into force. Evangelists such believes that if submitted again the

Sundays, to promote the by-law for optionists of Owen Sound will be among those present with facts and "Now, a by-law carried under such figures which they claim to be quite circumstances cannot be enforced as convincing on the other side. when people get over the excitement Local option, moreover, promises to and back to their normal everyday be an outstanding issue in the Owen condition. Their good intentions Sound municipal campaign, and carried them beyond practical life. Mayor Kennedy, who intends to enter Under such conditions they imagine the field, will undoubtedly meet with

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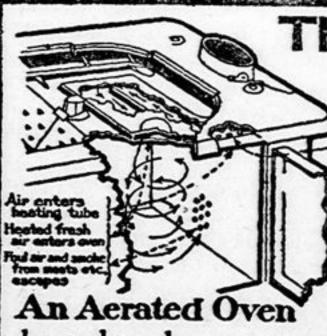
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