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A "DIVIDED HOUSE" IN OWEN SOUND.

Mayor Kennedy 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 operation in Owen Sound, he produced the following letter to which his signature was attached, and which, he declared, he intended sending to Barrie:

"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 Owen 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 still sold in large quantities, yet there has not been a single instance of anyone having been sent to jail, although several convictions have been secured against nine hotels here. Lately some seventeen informants were laid by the license inspector, every one of which was dismissed with costs, although he had two detectives who swore that they got liquor in the cases tried (some five in number).

"The writer knows places where liquor can be purchased in which it was never seen before local option came into force, and is credibly informed that there are sixty-one of such places in the town.

"The corporation has four policemen, and the statutes, the by-law appointing them, a special by-law and special resolution passed by the Council lately make it the duty of these men to enforce local option. Yet, the sale goes on, and no convictions are made by them. Public sentiment is against its enforcement.

"Local trade has been injured by local option. Scores of people in the surrounding country who used to trade in Owen Sound when license was in force now go to Warton, Chesley, Port Elgin, Markdale, Meaford, etc. It has divided our citizens into two hostile sections, local optionists and anti's, who are jealous and distrustful of each other. What one proposes the other opposes, or will have nothing to do with it. Many of one section will have no dealings with the other, and lose no opportunity to injure the other's business, and the bad feature of this is, it is done not secretly or on the side, but openly. Owen Sound is a house 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, outside 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-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 friends. 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 which will not work out in everyday practice. They were aided by clergymen who had churches here, and who, almost without exception, have left Owen Sound since the by-law came into force. Evangelists such as Crossley and Hunter, "Black Knight," Oliver, etc., were brought in for the occasion. Meetings were held in the churches during the week nights, and in the Town Hall on Sundays, to promote the by-law for weeks before voting.

"Now, a by-law carried under such circumstances cannot be enforced when people get over the excitement and back to their normal everyday condition. Their good intentions carried them beyond practical life. Under such conditions they imagine that if such and such a law were

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

"They find out, however, that the 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 of it is an evil which all condemn, and are willing to curtail. I believe this can be best done by regulating and restricting its sale under a license law. It is the duty of all to see that 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 condition of the town is this. At the Court of Revision nine cases of appeal were heard, the appellants claiming that their properties had been lessened in value by local option. On hearing the evidence, the Judge ordered that their assessment be reduced \$57,750, and the corporation lost \$1,357.12 in taxes. The owner of one hotel (the Coulson House) neglected to enter an appeal, or in all probability another \$50,000 would have been struck off.

"The revenue derived from hotel and shop licenses, amounting to \$1,694, has been entirely cut off, making an annual loss from these sources of \$3,091.12. Besides, the corporation has had to pay for legal advice, counsel fees, etc., fully \$500 more defending the by-law. Our citizens who tried to quash it lost, perhaps, another \$4,000, and their relations as citizens were embittered.

"It was said that, under local option, the town would require fewer policemen, and the saving to be made in this way would almost, if not altogether, offset the loss in revenue. It has been found that this cannot be 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 so far as to ask that these additional men should be put on. There are four now. No reduction in the municipal expenditure of Owen Sound can be made because of local option.

"I respectfully submit the following: The writer has lived continuously in Owen Sound for 50 years, has 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 pecuniary interests in several large manufacturing establishments here and has occupied the position of school trustee, councillor, reeve, mayor and license commissioner, 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 been improved, Mr. Kennedy has taken figures from the official records showing that the number of Police Court cases last year was 362, whereas this year the number is 510. He believes that if submitted again the by-law will be defeated by 500.

Should the Mayor's letter be used in the local option campaign in Barrie, it will certainly not be allowed to go unchallenged, as the local optionists of Owen Sound will be among those present with facts and figures which they claim to be quite as convincing on the other side. Local option, moreover, promises to be an outstanding issue in the Owen Sound municipal campaign, and Mayor Kennedy, who intends to enter the field, will undoubtedly meet with active opposition.

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