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OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE.

The following were elected officers of the conference:

Rev. W. Scott, Oshawa, Ont.,—President.
R. T. Babbit, Gagetown, N.B.,—Vice-President.
W. S. Williams, Napanee, Ont., } Secretaries.
Rev. T. Gales, Montreal, Que., }

Interesting accounts of the present position of the temperance movement were given by gentlemen from the various provinces represented, and the conference was favored by Hon. A. Vidal and G. W. Ross, M.P., and others, with a statement of the work done by the Committees of both Houses of Parliament, as well as the plans resolved upon by the respective Committees.

The following resolutions of the Conference will, it is hoped, meet with a hearty response from temperance reformers in every part of the Dominion.

(1) *Resolved*,—That this Conference rejoices in the growing strength of public sentiment throughout the Dominion in favor of Temperance and Prohibition as manifested by the petition movement and the reports presented by delegates from various Provinces.

(2) *Resolved*,—That in the opinion of this Conference the time has arrived when a prohibitory law (if enacted by the legislature) would be sustained by public sentiment.

(3) Inasmuch as there exist conflicting opinions as to the success of prohibitory legislation in other countries. *Resolved* that we approve of the appointment of a Royal Commission to obtain reliable information on this subject, being fully satisfied that the result of the authoritative information thereby secured will fully justify the conclusion at which we have arrived in favor of the passage of a prohibitory Law, and we most respectfully suggest that said Commission should be instructed to report at an early date and that the Government cause such report to be published, as soon as possible thereafter, for general information.

(4) *Resolved*,—That we gratefully acknowledge the efforts of our friends in Parliament on behalf of a Prohibitory Liquor Law,—we beg to express our approval of the course now being pursued by them and the plans which have been suggested to attain that desirable end, we also assure them of all the support we can give in any further efforts, necessary to secure for Canada a sound and workable Prohibitory Law.

(5) *Resolved*,—That we hereby express our appreciation of the help already rendered to our cause by those of our fellow subjects who have availed themselves of the privilege of petitioning Parliament in favor of Prohibition, and we urge upon all temperance organizations and friends generally the great importance of continued and persistent effort in the same direction during the coming year to the end that Parliament may be still more fully informed of the state of public sentiment on this important question.