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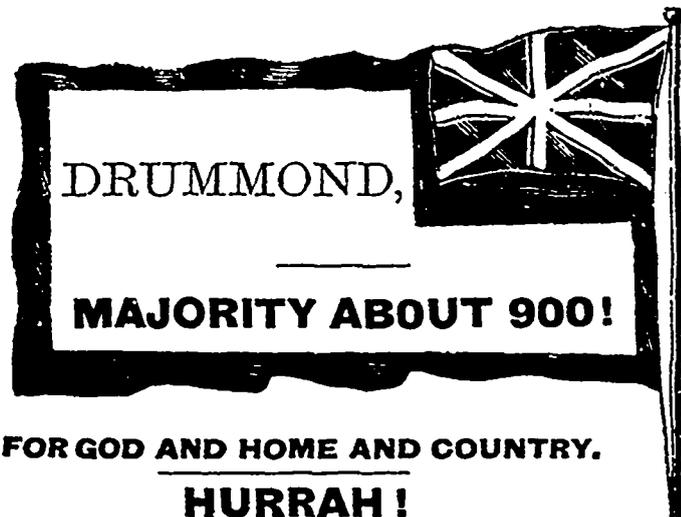
FREEDOM FOR THE RIGHT MEANS SUPPRESSION OF THE WRONG.

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ANOTHER GLORIOUS VICTORY!



Another county heard from. Drummond, in Quebec, adopted the Scott Act on the 9th inst, by a very large majority. Fully two-thirds of this county's population are French. All nationalities and creeds are together in the line of this glorious march of victory. The ball keeps rolling. "We thank God and take courage."

Peterborough, Victoria and Haldimand were organized last week with probably the largest and most enthusiastic conventions that have yet been held. In each of them the campaign will be put through with the utmost energy and despatch. We expect that by the close of the present year every Ontario county will have been polled.

It is specially requested that all persons who have taken, or who will take, in hand the circulation of petitions against mutilation of the Scott Act, will push the matter through as vigorously and speedily as possible. Petition forms will be forwarded free to the address of any person desiring to participate in the good work. Apply to F. S. Spence, 8 King St. East, Toronto.

A Scott Act prayer and praise meeting will be held at the office of this paper, 8 King St. East, on Thursday evening, March 19th, at 8 p.m. to receive news from the fields of battle, and to ask God's blessing upon our armies and our cause.

POLLINGS FIXED.

REMEMBER THE WORKERS IN YOUR PRAYERS.

Elgin, Ont.....	March 19	St. Thomas (City), Ont. .	Mar. 19
Lambton, Ont.....	March 19	Wellington, Ont.....	April 2
Missisquoi, Que.....	March 19	Chicoutimi, Que.....	April 9

In the House of Commons, last week, Mr. Baker (Victoria) introduced a bill to amend the Canada Temperance Act. British Columbia has not general municipal organization similar to that which exists in the other provinces, and the object of Mr. Baker's bill is to provide that in the absence of such organization the Scott Act may be available for the territory comprised in electoral districts. This is a move in the right direction, as it is highly desirable that the people in every part of the Dominion should be able to avail themselves of the benefits of this successful law. There is in the Province of Ontario, as well as in British Columbia, a large extent of unorganized territory; and it would be well if our friends in the House would see that Mr. Baker's bill is made general for all parts of the Dominion.

Mr. Wm. Kyle, has issued a circular in which he tells Toronto liquor-selling grocers that they may sell liquor after the 1st of May next, in spite of the by-law prohibiting them from doing so. Mr. Hardy, the Provincial Secretary, has stated that the Ontario Government will prosecute every person who sells groceries and liquor together, by retail, after the date named. Mr. Kyle has a heavy contract on hand. A little while ago he announced his intention of opposing the Dominion Government, if that Government would not comply with certain demands. The Government has not complied. Now, Mr. Kyle announces his superiority over the Supreme Court, and his intention of defying the Ontario Government. Our boastful friend will therefore, no doubt, fight the Supreme Court, the Dominion Government and Provincial authorities all together. It is worthy of note that this heroic individual confines his prowess to advice, and merely recommends *other people* to violate the law.

Before the Alliance petitions were circulated, the following petition was being signed in Prince Edward Island, and it will shortly be laid before Parliament with an enormous number of signatures attached:—

To the Honorable, the House of Commons of Canada, in Parliament assembled:

THE PETITION of the undersigned Electors of the Province of Prince Edward Island, Respectfully Sheweth:

That by the enactment of the Canada Temperance Act, Parliament has accepted the principle of local option as to the sale of intoxicating liquors; and that that Act has been adopted throughout the whole of this Province, and in many places in other Provinces.

That in all cases, it is found very difficult to enforce the said Act from the fact of the manufacture and importation of intoxicating liquors being permitted.

WHEREFORE YOUR PETITIONERS PRAY:

That your Honorable House will be pleased either to give to each Province power to vote for the adoption of a law prohibiting within its own limits the manufacture and importation of intoxicating liquors (except for absolutely necessary purposes) or else to enact such a prohibitory law for the whole Dominion.