

That all the words after "Municipality" be struck out, and the following inserted in lieu thereof:—"To decide to whom licenses shall be granted in their respective municipalities, having regard to the limitations imposed by the Act 39 Vict., Chap. 26."

The resolution or amendment then proposed read as follows:—

That the Bill be not now read a third time, but be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House, with instructions so to amend the Bill as to **enable the Council of every municipality to decide to whom licenses shall be granted** in their respective municipalities, having regard to the limitations imposed by Act 39 Vict., Chap. 26. It was declared lost on a vote of yeas 9, nays 60.

Policy in 1882.

That they are and have been in favor of the vicious expedient of returning to the municipalities this source of danger and trouble, however, was again made manifest from the position taken at the Conservative Convention in Toronto, on September 14th, 1882, when it was unanimously resolved to be

"The opinion of this Convention that without interfering with the laws regulating the liquor traffic, and limiting the number of licenses that may be issued, the power of issuing licenses and the fees derived therefrom, should **be restored to the municipalities.**"

In speaking to this resolution Mr. Meredith said that

"He was prepared to say that the present Opposition, if it took office, would be prepared to wipe away the partizan commissioners. (Cheers.) He was prepared to restore to the people of the Province the rights they formerly exercised. (Cheers.) He was prepared to give back to the municipal bodies **the rights they formerly enjoyed.**" (Cheers.)—[From report in Mail.]

Policy in 1883.

This policy was further pursued in a resolution in amendment to a motion to go into Committee of Supply, 24th January, 1883, when it was moved by Mr. Meredith, seconded by Hon. Mr. Morris:—

That all the words in the motion after "That" be struck out, and the following substituted therefor:—"This House, while recognizing the necessity of maintaining the other provisions of the existing liquor license law, and strictly enforcing them, is of opinion that it is not in the public interest or calculated to promote the cause of temperance to continue the mode of appointing Boards of License Commissioners, and License Inspectors now in force, and is further of opinion that these Boards should, in order to remove them as far as possible from the influences of political partizanship, be appointed in counties by the county councils, and in cities and towns separate from counties by the councils thereof, and that the power of ap-

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