

3. Admitting then that with a view to the raising of a revenue the Provincial Legislatures have a regulating power, the Dominion, for the purpose of securing "peace, order and good government" have also the same power, in which case the Dominion law would supersede that of the Legislative Assembly. It was said in *Queen v. Hodge* that the objects aimed at by the Ontario License Act were to preserve "peace and public decency, and repress drunkenness and disorderly and riotous conduct." These are matters in respect of which the local Legislature may legislate, not directly, but only if they arise incidentally, and as ancillary to some ulterior object over which it has jurisdiction. The local Legislature has power to issue licenses, and may in connection with that subject of jurisdiction provide that its licensees may be of a certain class and shall conduct themselves in a certain manner—a peaceable, orderly and proper manner. On the other hand, the Dominion Parliament has jurisdiction to legislate directly as to all matters respecting peace, order and good government, and its laws upon these subjects will supersede local laws.

4. There is no antagonism in the fact that a local statute may be valid in the absence of any Dominion Act upon the subject, and yet be subject to be superseded by such an Act. In *L'Union St. Jacques de Montreal v. Helisle*, *L. R. 6 P. C. 31*, the Quebec Statute, 33 Vic., c. 58, which relieved a particular society from extreme financial embarrassment by the imposition of forced commutations of the existing rights of two annuitants, was held to be valid; but at the same time Lord Selborne said:—The hypothesis was suggested in argument of a law having been previously passed by the Dominion Legislature to the effect that any association of this particular kind throughout the Dominion, on certain specified conditions, assumed to be exactly those which appear upon the face of this statute, should thereupon, *ipso facto*, fall under the legal administration in bankruptcy or insolvency. Their Lordships are by no means prepared to say that if any such law as that had been passed by the Dominion Legislature, it would have been beyond their