

"different from those same interests in Vermont or Michigan, or New York, or any other states engaged in the industry. And yet no two of these states have laws alike governing this industry, and some of them have no laws at all.

"We need uniform laws in all these states engaged in producing maple sugar and syrup, to regulate and protect the industry within the borders of our own states, and then we need that larger, that federal law, that will reach out and protect our pure products after they have gone beyond the bounds of the state in which they were produced. Isn't this right? Isn't that what we want? Let us then work together to attain that result for 'tis a consummation devoutly to be wished."

"In regard to a uniform law in all maple producing states, I suggest our own Ohio law, that was passed last Spring, as one that would be a model, and a safe one to adopt. We in Ohio are satisfied that we have a law that will stand all constitutional tests, and is adequate to the full and satisfactory protection of our maple industry. It is up to date, and is already showing its efficiency by clearing the shelves of our retailers of all spurious maple goods by depriving them of the use of that one word 'Maple!'"

Now if, as Mr. Phillips so well points out, uniformity of legislation is a good thing for the various States of the American Union, why would it not be a good thing to assimilate Canadian legislation to the best type of American Law? That the American type is upon the whole better than the Canadian is demonstrated by the fact that unlike the Canadian, it is remarkably effective. Of course the effectiveness is largely dependent upon the thoroughness of administration; but that also can be largely secured by well-considered legislative provision.

The Ohio law reads as follows:

"That maple sugar, or pure maple sugar, or maple syrup, or pure maple syrup, shall be the unadulterated product produced by the evaporation of pure sap from the maple tree.

"Any person who shall manufacture for sale, offer for sale, or have in his possession with intent to sell, or sell or deliver as and for maple syrup or maple sugar any adulteration of maple syrup or maple sugar as herein defined shall, upon conviction, be punished as provided in section 5 of this Act.

"Any person who shall offer for sale, have in his possession with intent to sell or sell or deliver as and for maple syrup or as and for maple sugar, any articles which do not bear the name and address of the packer and also the state, territory, or county in which the goods were produced, in plain legible type upon the label, shall upon conviction, be punished as provided in section 6 of this Act.

"Any person who shall offer for sale, have in his possession with intent to sell, or sell or deliver any adulteration of maple syrup or maple sugar in any box, can, bottle or other package having the word