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THE CITIZEN PUBLISHING COMPANY.

We referred last week to som changes being made in our company. The Ontario Government has issued Letters Patent authorizing the increase of our expital stock from \$10,000 to \$50,000. By unanimous vote of our shareholders it has been decided that the new stock shall be made preferential as regards dividends over all previously subscribed for. We expect on this arrangement to be able to enlarge and more vigorously push our business, and in this work we respectfully request the co-operation of every friend of moral reform.

It having become necessary for us to concentrate as much force as possi ble in the direct personal supervision of our company's efforts, some changes have been made in our management. Our good friend Hon. Mr. Vidal, who is still as enthusiastic and true a friend as ever, was not able to be personally with us to sny extent, and his place as President of the Company has been taken by Mr. W. H. Howland, known everywhere as a leader in moral reform and a gentleman of high business ability. Mr. J. S. Robertson, an experienced journalist and publisher, has also been added to our directorate.

We have now a printing office of our own and expect that all delays in the getting out of our paper are at an end This department of our work will be under the management of Mr. Corney Simmonds, who is at once an experienced printer and a gentleman of ability ing Canada his permanent home.

Bengough, of this city, has kindly charge. undertaken to give us his assistance in From the evidence it is apparent that you wisely and liberally operating? securing subscriptions for the new commit one of the next diabelical crimes stock to be issued. Mr. F. S Spence known or heard of in this land, and a man is still managing director and editor, found guilty of the commission of such an offence, it is right, it is notice the fo 18 still managing director and editor, offence, it is right, it is proper, that he He expects with more assistance and should be made an example of. Not that more time to devote to his desk, to be the law wishes to punish you any more than able to turn out the Cavana Cirizey stances, but the laws of the land must be vastly improved in every respect.

Few of our readers have any conception of the work involved in placing assert its supremay, and no matter ho weekly before them the compendium of they may heige inemserses be sindicated at all hazards. fact and argument which the Canada The evidence that was given at the · Citizan presents, and fewer still are fully aware of the power and influence i that such a journal exerts in the theusands of homes to which it earries its weekly message, in the campaigns for which is furnishes the amountion, and in the political circles in which it is closely w 'ched and studied. We earnestly desire to make our journal: more than ever representative of the most advanced and best thought of our country and our age, and in this effort we carneatly solicit the co-operation of public welfare. every friend of that which is good and

REEP UP THE ORGANIZATIONS.

work. The L.O.O.T., the S. of T., fee to law fixelf, as well as to every-from it ! What should be our plan working with local option instead of and the R. T. of T. should be encour thing that is pure and good. true friend of Temperance Reform, of the vilest kind, secondrels clever pected from the Scott Act. The people effective. The liquor traffic is an evil, The W. C. T. U is an agency, the enough to employ wretched tools like were and are thoroughly sick of the a curse, an infamy. Its effect on any potency of which cannot be over-esti Macey and Sidey to do its meanest demoralizing fuffuences and evil te community is invariably and inevitably mated. Church Temperance Societies work, mean enough to refuse to pay sults of the liquor traffic. They voted bad. Governments exist for the beneare doing incalculable good. In some the miserable pittance promised for for the Scott Act, hoping thereby to the communities they govern, and parts of the country the Temperance the villainy. Can law be honored, can excape from those results and in so have no right to favor, protect, vote varied just in proportion to the a community be educated, can any fluences. The vote taken last week tob rate, or make money out of a busiextent to which Temperance organiza good results be attained by legalizing was to a great extent an expression of new that is in direct antagonism to the tions were kept up Public sentiment such a system, and debauching the pub I theh disappointment. Why were they welfare of the community. It is a is the motive power in the Temperance lie conscience with the unhely bribe of disappointed t reform; but it is impotent unless or la revenue derived from its operation f ganized. Stand by your Temperance The dynamiters are vile and low; the

THE MONTREAL CONVENTION.

Oen good friends in Montreal are making extensive preparations for the Convention to be held in their city in July, particulars of which may be found on page 3 of this paper. Daily we are receiving letters and inquiries in relation to this gathering. It will in all probability surpass in interest and dimensions the original anticipations! of its promoters. The time is opportune. The place is central Public interest is already gathering round the approaching event. Let there be a grand rally of temperance workers for unfet tered discussion and definite action.

An enthusiastic Scott Act worker said some days ago :-"We could easily have whipped the liquor party, we can down them any time in a fair fight, but we are not yet strong enough to light the liquor party and the Domin ion Government and the Provincial Government all together." Perhaps the implication was a too severe reflection, but it is certain that neither gov ernment has given the temperance question, or temperance legislation, or the temperance electorate, fair play. We earnestly hope that the coming meeting will be able to devise some policy upon which temperance workers can all UNITE, and so step into the politically potential position to which their character and numbers fairly entitle them. We have more than enough motive power of right public sentiment to accomplish all we desire if it were only operative through wisely devised methods. We have plenty of steamhow let us have the right kind of an

THE GREATER CRIMINALS.

and standing, having been for years the severe sentence pronounced by of patients treated without alcoholic they were charged to enforce. Let us the sentiment is stronger in the east with both voice and pen one of the Judge McMahon at Chatham, Ont., on medication, a much larger percentage not be misunderstood; some License than it is here. There are more temmost effective British workers in the the dynamiter, Macey. There are very recovers, than of those not placed under Inspectors are grand, honest men, who temperance reform. He purposes mak- few people of any other opinion, than such restriction. The Women's Tem- have done their duty nobly; but the They had a great deal of local prohibi-Mr. John Stuart, late of Hastings, dynamited the Scott Act Inspector's American friends is successfully teach. not hesitated during the past three England, an able and energetic advo-house, to jail for fourteen years. We ling the same great lesson. cate of progressive thought, and a would like to call attention, however, noted temperance advocate has also to the facts referred to in the following Canadian undertaking of this kind, on again it has been our painful duty to partizonship is not so rife in the Maribeen added to our staff Mr. Thos. statement of the learned Judge's a scale even more extensive than that

> maintained and those who instigated you and others attempted to commit must know that the law is supreme and the law will

> trial fully warranted his Lordship's. charge, against the villams connected with the liquor tradic, who in the trial? were shown to have been accomplices in the diabolical outrage that was committed. Just as, in the case of the Georgetown "fire-bug" Sidey, justice has fallen upon their wretched tool, and the worst scoundrels have escaped.

> The liquor traffic is an organized conspiracy against justice, law, and the

such creatures as Macey, to wreak its favoring it. vengeance upon men, who in the discharge of duty have come in contact; Now, what is really the situation? with it, ought not for a moment to be Seven counties, which three years ago It is impossible to too strongly em-tolerated in a civilized community, adopted the Scott Act by majorities phosize the imperative necessity that Laws for the taxation and protection aggregating about 7,500, have repealexists at the present crisis of our coun- of such a business are themselves a ed that Act by a majority of about the mind, that the Temperance people of there he a grand, united rally at Mon-

aged and supported cordially by every The liquor traffic develops secundrels In the first place, too much was ex the unsatisfactory and comparatively inmen who employ them are rustly worse; the liquor traffic which de in endeavoring to use the liquor traffic, is against it. That opinion ought to be velops such wickedness is an auful the Scott Act, and its enforcement, and embedied in national law. If selling curse; the law that telerates and taxes temperance sentiment, for the promo- liquor does as much harm as horsesuch a traffic is utterly infamous,

A TEMPERANCE BED.

taken by the organization which she pected to alienate an influence, which represents. These carnest ladies have would otherwise have been valuable determined to take a step, which, they political assistance or support. trust, will demonstrate the practical advantages of non alcoholic treatment! The Dominion Government has of disease. They are going to endow a hampered the Scott Act by sundry bed in the new Victoria Hospital, at a orders in Counc I, and by refusing to cost of 8200 per annum, stipulating provide (which it easily could have that no alcoholic liquor shall be used in done) amendments that would have the treatment of any patient occupying made the Act more workable, without the accommodation which they thus at all touching the principles which it

lishment is largely due), strongly ap- enforcing officers in the Province of proves of this movement, and her ca. Ontario to get hold of them; appointalso in harmony with it. We commend Scott Act voting at a time when it practical line of effort.

prominent W.C.T.U. lady in Quebec of the law. Province, a suggestion, that something | On the other hand, the Ontario Gov. direction, preventing a realization of ought to be done in connection with ernment, when, in obedience to unmis the real nature of the liquor traffic, and the Toronto General Hospital, to make takable public sentiment, it took hold leading the public into imagining it less more clear to the general public, the of Scott Act enforcement, did not deal vile than it really is. The result of fact which the Fredericton ladies ex. justly with the law. Men were appect to demonstrate. The matter was pointed as Inspectors simply from a cial to the enforcement of law; hence mentioned to workers here, but the partizan standpoint. It is well known it is that local option can never be proposition fell through. Most of our that the ordinary ward politician or Total Prohibition. readers are aware that there is already party back is not, as a rule, in facor of in operation in London, England, a either Temperance or Prohibition, and Temperance Hospital, with a record many License Inspectors were known WE have already called attention to absolutely startling in its evidence that to be bitter opponents of the law which

> Is there not opportunity for some for the license system. Over and over on which the Fredericton ladies are so men were administering the law, some-

THE SCOTT ACT.

Elsewhere will be found a number of extracts from different journals, any other individual under like circum making reference to the recent Scott Act defeats, and the lessons to be and more serious aspect. The failure and others to commit offences such as you drawn therefrom. We have endeave of the Scott Act, in so far as it was due ored to avoid, in making these quota- to the Dominion Government, roused tions, a repetition of strong express bitter feelings among Temperance Rethey may helpe themselves acound it will sions of partizanship. Almost invari- formers, and so far as it was due to the ably, Liberal journals attribute the indifference of Provincial Government traffic, diminished drunkenness, lessendisaster mainly to the refusal of the officials, it roused similar feelings among Dominion Government to secure the Temperance Conservatives. There was amendment of the law while Conser All through the country, dissatisfaction, in charging it largely to the Ontario though doing good, was falling far worth any amount of effort put forth Government's failure to see the law short of its possibilities. At every enforced. Other opinions we have turn, it became complicated with partibeen excelul to retain statements of zan projudices and intrigues. The evils without involving repetition, so that of our deplorable party system came most of 'e theories and conclusions down with two-handed force upon the to which expression has been given Scott Act, which could only be a com are set out. We have taken the exciplete success, if totally free from such tracts indiscriminately from journals complications. When the vote came

for further action t

politicians have been busily engaged The general concensus of public opinion tion of their partizan objects. We do stealing, the law against it should be as men as a whole, we simply call attending. This being the case, the fact that tion to the fact that in both parties in any locality there is a sentiment in An enthusiastic W.C.T.U. worker of there has been a lamentable failure to favor of the wrong, makes the more Fredericton, N.B., has sent us un inter- do fairly by the Scott Act, in instances necessary the application of the law to esting report of an enterprise under- in which so doing might have been ex- that locality.

embodied; making regulations facili-Lady Tilley, who has interested her | tating the importation of liquor into self very largely in the Hospital (and Sc.tt Act counties; appropriating Scatt to whose efforts and liberality its established fines, so as to make it difficult for teemed husband, Sir Leonard Tilley, ing as inspectors and vendors (under Lieut. Governor of the Province-a the McCarthy Act) men notoriously well-known Temperanco worker - is opposed to the law; and lastly, fixing to other Temperance workers the ex. must be almost impossible to poll the exceedingly pernicious. The local opample of the ladies engaged in this temperance vote. All these lines of tion principle-whether applied to a action manifested a hostility that could village, a township, a county, a Province Some time ago we received from a not fail to prevent a fair working out for the Dominion-is in itself an edu-

> times solely in the interests of their party, and sometimes actually in the interests of the liquor traffic. The result was what might have been antici pated by any thoughtful person.

But the situation had another by its history in Ontario. sative journals are almost unanimous discouragement and disgust. The law, The business that would er loy opposed to prohibition as well as those on dissatisfied Reformers went against gathered in the recent struggle:--all the law, dissetisfied Conservatives went the energies of temperatice reformers against it : some Temperance workers were so disheartened that they did mined, persistent, definite, uncomlittle, and everylody knows the roult. Promising effort, prayer, agitation, in-

try's history, for the sustaining and ex- standing menace to social order, en- same figure. What led to the change! Canada are not in any sense responsi- treal on July 3rd to devise MATHODS. saling of every form of Temperance couraging as they do, a traffic that is a What are the lessons to be derived ble for the fact that they have been and inaugurate work.

Prohibition. Local option must always business of so essentially bad a character, that legislation against it should There is no doubt whatever that just be local, permissive or variable. not, in saying this, accuse our public general as the law against horse steal-

> Prohibition should be thorough-going. Laws prohibiting the sale and permitting the manufacture-suppress. ing the retail traffic, but telerating the distiller who takes the biggest share of the wealth plundered from the unfortunate victims - are simply of the same character as would be legislation that was almed against sheep stealers, but contained provisions for licensing, encouraging and protecting butchers who regularly received the stolen animals and employed and pe d the thickes who gathered them in,

Again, the doctrine, however embodied or expressed, that the liquor traffic is not a crime, except in places where people have voted it a crime, is cator of public sentiment in the wrong this education must always be prejudi-

Is it not strange, however, that the Maritime Provinces sustained the Scott Act when Untario repealed it 1 Pubperance societies in active operation years to openly avow their preference so much complicated and intertangled with politics as it is in Ontario, and draw attention to the fact that these time Provinces as it is here. Notwithslanding all this, it is worthy of note, that in repeal contests the Act has been nearly always sustained by majorlities an aller than these by which it was adopted. The history of the Scott Act in the Maritime Provinces teaches precisely the same lessons that are taught

Whatever the future of our cause must be, the fact will always remain, that the Scott Act in Ontario did im-Impasurable good, cut down the liquor ed crime, and benefitted the public, wherever it was in operation. It was, and is, worth all the effort it cost, and as a temporary measure, it will be to sustain it in the counties, that are likely soon to vote on the question of

But above and beyond everything elte there stands out clear and definite this great lesson made more prominent in the light of the knowledge we have ought to be concentrated into deter fluence and vote, for INERDIATE TOTAL It ought to be distinctly borne in Pronintrion. This is our object. Let