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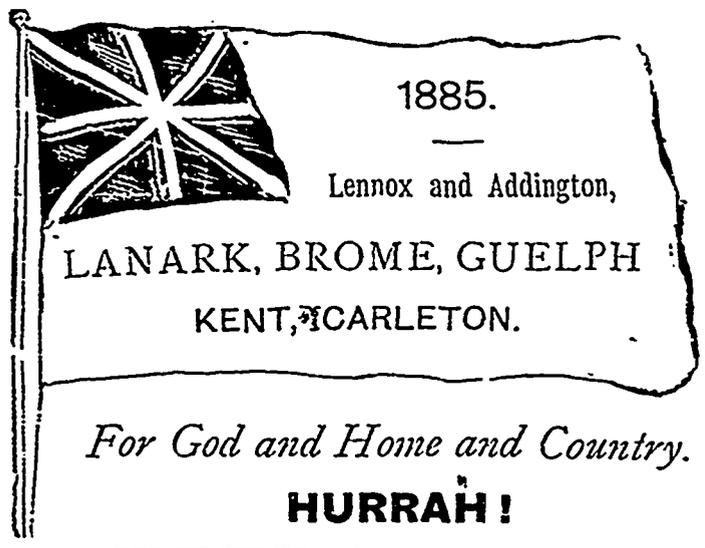
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A mistake was made last week in stating that Col. G. W. Bain was working in Ontario under the direction of the Executive Committee of the I.O.G.T. Col. Bain is doing grand and noble work, but it is under other auspices. The speaker engaged by the I.O.G.T., is Col. J. J. Hickman, formerly of Kentucky, but now of Missouri, who commenced his work in this Province on Tuesday last. He is a speaker and organizer of unusual ability and success. The object of the Good Templars in engaging Bro. Hickman is to bring the very best organizing talent in the Order to bear in the accomplishment of a two-fold work, namely (1) organizing strong and effective working lodges at central points where none now exist that an influence may extend therefrom to surrounding places that will help our home workers in their subsequent efforts, and (2) building up and strengthening lodges now in existence, where it may appear that work of that kind can be done to advantage. We wish him the largest success of the very best kind.

Orders in Council were published last Saturday, fixing voting days for the counties of Lambton, Elgin and Missisquoi and the City of St. Thomas.

THE SCOTT ACT HERALD for February is a splendid number, and ought to be widely circulated in every county that is getting ready to vote. For specimen copies, and remarkably low prices for free distribution, write to the office of the CANADA CITIZEN.

In counties in which the Scott Act comes into operation on the first day of next May, License Commissioners are being appointed by the Ontario Government to hold office only to that date. This indicates that the Ontario Government purposes leaving the enforcement of the Scott Act to the Dominion authorities.

A serious danger threatens the Dominion Government. The celebrated Mr. Kyle, chief promoter of the proposed whiskey sellers' excursion to Ottawa, having failed to secure the co-operation of the general drink party in his scheme, has asserted his intention to go himself at any rate, and if the Government will not mutilate the Scott Act as he requests, then *he will oppose the Government.*

The petitions against the mutilation of the Scott Act are coming in very fast. Already there have been sent to Parliament 562 petitions, with an aggregate of 34,356 signatures. A great many more are at this office waiting to be forwarded.

It is specially requested that all persons who have taken, or who will take, in hand the circulation of these petitions, 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.

The aggregate result of the Scott Act campaign thus far is as follows:—

Contests won by the Temperance party.....	54
Contests won by the Anti-Temperance party.....	11
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Total number of contests.....	65
Cities and counties whose latest vote was in favor of the Scott Act.....	47
Cities and counties whose latest vote was against the Scott Act.....	10
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Total cities and counties that have voted....	57

There have been two contests in each of eight counties. In one of these cases the Scott Act was carried on the first vote, but the Courts held the election invalid on technical grounds, and the second vote was against the Act; in another case the Act was defeated on the first vote, but carried on the second, in the remaining six cases the second contest was on the question of repeal, and in every instance the Act was sustained. The aggregate vote polled in the sixty five elections was as follows:—

In favor of the Scott Act.....	109,549
Against the Scott Act.....	71,918
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Majority for the Scott Act.....	37,497

Omitting the former vote in those counties in which two pollings have taken place, we have the following as the record of the votes polled in the fifty-seven cities and counties that have voted:—

In favor of the Scott Act.....	99,002
Against the Scott Act.....	65,983
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Net majority for the Scott Act.....	33,019