

No. 5.

Colonial Office to Home Office.

Sir,

Downing-street, 7 May 1888.

With reference to previous correspondence, I am directed by Lord Knutsford to transmit to you, for communication to Mr. Secretary Matthews, a copy of a Despatch* from the Governor General of Canada, with extracts from the "Toronto Mail," showing the result of the voting on the "Canada Temperance Act, 1878," which has recently taken place in eight counties.

I am to request that these extracts may be returned to this Department, as they will probably be included in a Paper to be given to Parliament on the subject.

I am, &c.

The Under Secretary of State,
Home Office.

(signed) *John Bramston.*

No. 6.

The Marquis of *Lansdowne* to Lord *Knutsford*.

(Received 1 June 1888.)

My Lord,

Government House, Ottawa, 15 May 1888.

With reference to your Lordship's Circular Despatch of the 26th January last,† in which you requested to be furnished with any information respecting the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Colonies of a later date than that laid before the Imperial Parliament in 1883, I have the honour to forward herewith copy of an approved minute of the Privy Council, submitting a tabulated statement of statistics with reference to elections held under the "Canada Temperance Act," commonly known as the "Scott Act."

You will observe that application has been made to the Minister of Justice for additional information touching Dominion and Provincial legislation, which, when received, will be duly forwarded.

I have, &c.

The Right Hon. Lord Knutsford, G.C.M.G.,
&c. &c. &c.

(signed) *Lansdowne.*

Enclosure in No. 6.

CERTIFIED COPY of a REPORT of a Committee of the Honourable the Privy Council, approved by his Excellency the Governor General in Council on the 11th May 1888.

THE Committee of the Privy Council have had under consideration a Circular Despatch dated 26th January 1888, from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, requesting to be furnished with any information respecting the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Colonies of a later date than that laid before Parliament in 1883.

The Secretary of State, to whom the matter was referred, submits herewith a tabulated statement of the elections held under the "Canada Temperance Act," commonly known as the "Scott Act," since the passing of the Act; said statement embracing the names of cities, counties, and union of counties where elections have been held, the total number of votes polled for and against the Act, the total number of voters on the lists, together with the majorities recorded for or against the Act, or for repeal.

The Minister states that the Minister of Justice has been applied to for additional information touching Dominion and Provincial legislation, which, when received, will be forwarded without delay.

The Committee recommend that your Excellency be moved to forward the information herewith to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

All which is respectfully submitted for your Excellency's approval.

(signed) *John J. McGee,*
Clerk, Privy Council.