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Results of Local Option in Ontario

Local Option prohibitory by-laws are in operation in 199 municipalities in the Province of Ontario. As a rule they are working satisfactorily. The Provincial Licensing Department gives a good deal of attention to the matter of law enforcement, and there is no open liquor-selling in any of the 199 municipalities.

A few of these places were freed from bar-rooms before they adopted Local Option by-laws and the action taken was for the purpose of preventing the granting of licenses at any future time. In the great majority, however, the Local Option by-laws closed up bar-rooms, and in these municipalities there is a general expression of satisfaction at the improved conditions that now prevail. Drunkenness is lessened. Many men who formerly spent their money on drink, are now better citizens, with more comfortable homes and are prospering.

It would be easy to fill a volume with testimonials from prominent citizens, to the advantage derived from the abolition of the bar-room. Space can be spared for only a few statements,

all of which are of comparatively recent dates and nearly all made by persons who had experience of the working of license, and opportunity to note the change made by the introduction of Local Option prohibition. The subjoined quotations represent widely scattered parts of the Province, and show that Local Option prohibition does good wherever it is tried.

Owen Sound Town

The town of Owen Sound is the most populous place in the Province in which a Local Option by-law is in force. It is a picturesque lake-port town with a population of nearly 12,000, and it adopted a Local Option by-law, after a hot contest, in January, 1906. A repeal vote was brought on in the beginning of 1909, and after three years' experiment the by-law was sustained by a majority of 186, notwithstanding desperate efforts to defeat it on the part of a strong liquor organization, aided by the then Mayor, who is this year out of public life.

After the Local Option by-law had been in operation for over a year and