

ENTHUSIASTIC PROHIBITION MEETING AT CONCEPTION

Messrs. White, Cowan, Callahan, Coughlan and Allan Address Electors.

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
Dear Sir,—Last night Conception had the pleasure of listening to the above named gentleman, who delivered very eloquent speeches on behalf of Prohibition. The hall was packed. Mr. M. F. O'Toole, magistrate, occupied the chair, and in introducing the speakers asked for a fair field and an unbiased hearing which was most decidedly accorded them.

The first speaker was Mr. T. M. White, who, after congratulating the people on their beautiful parish church, splendid schools, their comfortable homes and surroundings, outlined the object of their visit. In the most pathetic manner he quoted some of the most heart-rending instances where mothers were heart-broken, wives driven from their homes and children half-starved and almost naked, begged from door to door to secure enough food to keep them from dying from hunger.

He vividly portrayed the downward course of the young man after his first visit to the saloon. He appealed to the mothers, if any were present to think of their own sons and use their influence with their husbands in behalf of suffering humanity.

And who could resist that eloquent appeal? I am sure no one could if one considered for a moment that the young man whom by voting for Prohibition we would save was once a mother's pride, the darling rosy-lipped, pink-and-cream baby into whose dimpled smile a mother looked with soulful tenderness—saints above us, but it is pathetic! A sanctuary profaned, innocence bespattered, beauty and manhood trodden in to the mire of the gutter, the finest possibility of life turned into the most disheartening by that Hydra-headed monster, drink!

Before closing his speech Mr. White asked the voters of Conception to help those unfortunates, who could not help themselves, by voting for Prohibition on the 4th of Nov. and thereby save many from untimely deaths, and children, wives and mothers from privation and suffering.

Mr. H. E. Cowan was the next speaker and after endorsing the sentiments expressed by Mr. White as regards church, schools etc., in a very lucid and masterly speech discussed the question from an economic standpoint. He said that the amount spent on liquor—about \$1,500,000—under Prohibition would mostly be spent on dutiable goods and after a very short time the revenue would increase and the country would thereby be in a better position.

He clearly showed that the public purse would be saved some large expenditures. We now spend some \$600,000 per year to support our Poor and Insane Asylums, Orphanages, Hospitals, Penitentiary and Jails, and it is proven clearly by authentic investigation that a large proportion of this is directly caused by liquor.

He appealed to the voters to think of the matter seriously and then answer to the dictates of their conscience, and he felt sure that Conception would poll a good vote for Prohibition on Nov. the 4th.

The next speaker was Mr. R. Callahan who discussed the matter from a serio-comic standpoint. Although the stories he narrated caused outbursts of laughter yet he revealed the disgusting side also and showed how the man in a state of intoxication is below the best. He depicted the downward career of the drunkard, the untimely death, the grass-covered grave with no stone to mark his last resting place, while the costly monument of the saloon-keeper glistened in the sun.

The fourth speaker was Mr. Allan who told the audience that unlike the others so far being a temperance man all his life, he spoke from experience and explained to his listeners the baneful effects of intoxicating liquors.

The late speaker was Mr. Coughlan who in a telling speech, to which the audience listened with drapt attention, convinced all present of the benefits that would accrue from Prohibition. His speech which was from both an economic and moral standpoint was all that could be desired.

He then proposed a vote of thanks for the chairman and highly complimented him on the able way in which he conducted the meeting. It was seconded by Mr. Callahan. A very hearty vote of thanks proposed by Mr. O'Toole for the delegate and seconded by Mr. P. Mahoney was carried with great applause.

After this Mr. Coughlan, on behalf of the committee thanked the Secretary for his promptness in connection with the correspondence and which tended so much to the success of the meeting.

The singing of the National Anthem brought the meeting to a close. If we are to judge by the reception which the speakers got, the attention which was shown and the applause accorded them, King Alcohol will meet his Waterloo in Conception on Nov. 4th, for a good solid vote will surely be piled on that day for the glorious cause of Prohibition.

SECRETARY.
Conception,
Nov. 1st, 1915.

For Prohibition

(Editor Mail and Advocate)
Dear Sir,—Please will you allow me space to make a few remarks or give a few suggestions on Prohibition. The time is at hand when we, as individuals, representing this colony, have the privilege to abolish this liquor traffic from our midst.

Are we going to stop this evil by voting Total Prohibition or are we going still to allow it to go on. Fathers who have children growing up to manhood, and those who are grandfathers, consider and ask yourselves this question: Is it reasonable for you to vote for liquor? Is it sensible for you to vote for liquor? Is it intelligible to vote for liquor?

I think it is a question of very grave importance at this particular occasion, that such a matter that

should not trifle with. You may argue the point of liquor being not harmful and that it has not hurt us in any way; why, should I vote against it. This has been the talk of to-day, not stopping to consider the harm it does to others.

It is just as reasonable for one to see another commit suicide, or see another drowning, and insist on saying, I won't be the means to stop the suicidal or prevent the drowning, but I say this is a great error of judgement to any right-thinking person. I say this license-prohibition question is rather far more important an issue, as the abolition of this cursed stuff is the preventing of hundreds.

It is the right to believe that every man has some good principles, and now, are we not persuaded to believe in this particular crisis that this is the time of action, for him to emancipate his mind entirely from amongst us. For one glass or two of this stuff perhaps on Christmas Day or some other special occasion, just for indulgence sake we forfeit hundreds of wives and little children the pleasure in life, that they should enjoy.

We are not drunkards, but the little drop seems to be enjoyable on certain occasions. For the sake of our fellow-creatures vote for Prohibition on Nov. 4th. It will be a great blessing to all, and our people will become better people without it. Thanking you for space,

I remain,
WM. H. DALLEY,
Port Blandford,
Oct. 24th, 1915.

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Another 'Pill' for Hon. Patsy

(Editor Mail and Advocate)

DEAR SIR,—While evading the question I put to him in your issue of Friday evening, the Honorable P. T. McGrath, editor of The Official Organ of the Morris Government, observes that the letters recently appearing in The Mail and Advocate re the sectarian controversy he has raised emanates from your reporters.

The small souled little cur evidently measures other people's corn by his own dirty bushel, for if reports are true the very practice he now refers to as "shop worn" have been originated by himself, practiced persistently in the past and have been in evidence in the present discussion.

Reporters may or may not be good writers of missives, but editors are better, and the Hon. P.T. wrote one to a certain Chicago paper which made history, and incidentally displayed the double dealing and duplicity of a little rascal who now has the supreme arrogance and impudence of thrusting himself forward as a Champion of Catholic rights and Exemplar of Catholic thought.

And Honourable P.T. you had a "sharp difference" with the late revered Archbishop. Yes, Mr. McGrath, well we know it, for many of us have painful recollections of them. Our late Archbishop was humiliated by your scurrilous pen. Too well we know of your sharp difference of opinion with the late revered Archbishop. How painful it was to us Catholics that an overestimated little scoundrel like you could hurl such insults at one so much above you physically, morally and intellectually.

You, an exponent of Catholicity! Why the very thought of it would make our Irish ancestors turn over in their graves and cry out in protest. Archbishop How-

ley, bighearted, kindly and holy man that he was, left you to God. Beware then, Honourable McGrath, for the Catholic people you have outraged through their spiritual head may be the instrument employed for your undoing.

You an advocate of fair play to Catholics! Why, hardly a Catholic man in public life during your career whom you did not try to smear with the mud from whence you sprung and in which you wallow. The late Hon. L. O'B. Furlong, E. M. Jackman, E. P. Morris, W. Woodford, T. J. Murphy and many others received the darts of your venom, while you shielded yourself behind the rag for which you wrote.

You are certainly a leader to be proud of and honoured!

I may, if necessary, later serve up a few of the elegant epithets you applied to some of these Catholic gentlemen to refresh the memories of Catholics generally to illuminate the mind of the King's representative and to show my fellow Catholics what a noble honourable and distinguished representative we have in P. T. McGrath.

—IRISH CATHOLIC.
St. John's, Nov. 1, '15.

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(Editor Mail and Advocate)

Dear Sir,—Will you kindly allow me space in your much read paper to publish a short account of the special service regarding Prohibition, which was held here on the 24th Oct by Mr. Geo. Grimes, M.H.A., assisted by our Pastor, Rev. C. A. Blount.

Mr. Grimes related to us some interesting facts which result through liquor, and in response to the Prohibition question all stood on their feet. By his splendid address and common sense arguments in favour of Prohibition man who were not in favour of the measure were convinced to vote yes on November 4th. We were glad to know that Port de Grave has such a good speaker in the House of Assembly in the Opposition ranks as Mr. Grimes. St. Paul says: "Be kindly affectioned one to another in brotherly love; in honour; preferring one another;" and "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good."

If then we have love for our brother it will be in this great struggle we can help him by casting the liquor traffic from our island. And if this great evil can be overcome, it will be by the good will of the electors on the 4th November. May we not merely sing from our lips but mean as we sing oft times that little verse:—
Help us to build each other up,
Each others cross to bear,
Let each his kindly aid afford
And feel his brother's care.

All the voters here are going to mark their X opposite "YES" on their ballot on Thursday next.
PROHIBITION.
Burnt Point, Bay de Verde,
Oct. 29, 1915.

Elliston Will Support Prohibition

Messrs. Coaker and Stone Deliver Stirring Addresses and Get a Hearty Reception.

(Special to Mail and Advocate)

ELLISTON, Nov. 1.—President Coaker and Mr. J. G. Stone arrived here from Catalina at 3 o'clock this evening and received a warm welcome.

A Union meeting was held immediately and was addressed by Messrs. Stone and Coaker. The President spoke for 90 minutes. Mr. Stone delivered a splendid address, saying he intended to support Prohibition and felt sure all at Elliston would do likewise. Mr. Coaker spoke mostly on Prohibition and the work of the Union during the year.

The meeting closed with great enthusiasm, hundreds coming forward to shake hands with the President.

Before the meeting closed the President asked if all intended to vote for Prohibition and there was not one opposite vote. Fully 200 votes will be cast here for Prohibition.

Messrs. Coaker and Stone left for Bonavista after partaking of refreshment.

Well done Coaker, and may Prohibition be carried in the general wish of Elliston.

—F.P.U. COUNCIL.
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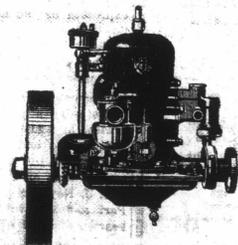
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