

we are going to open Lutheran churches. Consequently we will have no use for your fine churches, buildings, halls, etc. We will close them all up, and you can turn them into warehouses if you want to, but you cannot use them for worshipping. What would you say?

Is not this war waged in Europe today in order to maintain our legal and traditional liberties? Why, therefore, will you dare suggest that you will destroy our legal and vested and traditional rights, and not grant us any compensation whatever? Is this Moral? If this conduct of yours is moral, then what Germany has done in Belgium is moral. We only want justice; and will you, and do you, and dare you blame us for requesting that you deal fairly by us and do unto us as you would be done by.

But there is another principle which Britishers have always recognized as inalienable under any circumstances or conditions, and that is the sacred right of personal property. We have always maintained, and the law has always upheld, that no person or number of persons have a right to abuse or harm or in any way depreciate or injure that which is mine. The law has always granted full compensation for injury to my property or to my business.

Shall we now deviate from this ancient and sacred principle? What kind of people, and what can be the moral quality and legal honor of a class of people who want to hurt another man's property and business and not give him full compensation and recompense?

Surely the majority of the fair-minded, law-abiding citizens of this province of ours won't stand for one minute to even consider such an action.

I believe that the public should secure from every candidate for the Provincial Legislature a declaration that he is in favor of an equitable compensation to all bona-fide holders of licenses, should Prohibition become law.