

ing majority, and now the Hon. Neil Dow tells us there is no such thing as a repeal party in the State. This fact speaks volumes.

It is not generally known that prohibitory enactments similar to the one we are now seeking have for years been enforced in parts of England, Scotland and Ireland, and with the greatest success. Let the following, which I copy from the pamphlet just referred to, testify :

### PROVINCE OF CANTERBURY, ENGLAND.

In February, 1869, a Committee of the Lower House of Convocation of the Province of Canterbury reported 1,475 parishes where Prohibition prevails, and say that

"Few, it may be believed, are cognizant of the fact—which has been elicited by the present enquiry—that there are at this time, within the Province of Canterbury, upwards of one thousand parishes in which there is neither public-house nor beer-shop, and where, in consequence of the absence of these inducements to crime and pauperism, according to the evidence now before the committee, the intelligence, morality, and comfort of the people are such as the friends of temperance would have anticipated."

A writer in the *Edinburgh Review* for January, 1873, says :

"We have seen a list of eighty-nine estates in England and Scotland where the drink-traffic has been altogether suppressed, with the very happiest social results. The late Lord Palmerston suppressed the beer-shops in Romsey as the leases fell in. We know an estate which stretches for miles along the romantic shore of Loch Fyne where no whiskey is allowed to be sold. The peasants and fishermen are flourishing. They all have their money in the bank, and they obtain higher wages than their neighbours when they go to sea."

### SALTAIRE, YORKSHIRE, ENGLAND.

Prohibition has prevailed for many years, and not a beer-shop or beer-house exists. The *Daily Telegraph* says :

"In short, the stage of experiment has been long passed ; the scheme has survived open hostility, envy, and detraction, and is now a brilliant success."

### BESSBROOK, IRELAND.

Bessbrook, a town in Ireland of 4,000 inhabitants, has no liquor shop, and whiskey and strong drink are strictly prohibited. There is no poor-house, pawn-shop, or police station. The town is entirely free from strife, discord, or disturbance.