

Prohibition would ruin our distilleries, which bear so large a burden of taxation, and also our breweries and alcohol would take the place of malt liquor as was the case in the Scott Act counties. Licensed saloons would be shut and in their place would spring up unlicensed dens, unchecked by inspection, where the quality of the drink would deteriorate and the associations would be contaminating. Whether prohibitory laws are viewed from moral or financial standpoints they are altogether bad.

From a financial point of view alone the Liquor Act would be ruinous to the country. The moment a prohibitory law is passed that immense amount of revenue which is now derived from the liquor interests would be immediately cut off. There is no source from which this can be raised, except Direct Taxation. The withdrawal and displacement of so much capital, which is the effect of prohibition, will have a depressing influence on all forms of business. Young men will be forced to alien lands to seek fields for their energy denied them at home. Heavy direct taxes and a "dry" country will effectually frighten immigration from our shores. The financial outlook is as gloomy as the moral prospect. Prohibition means pecuniary loss and increased drunkenness.

**In short the passing of the "Liquor Act" means Direct Taxation, and the way to guard against Direct Taxation is to vote against The Liquor Act.**

