

definitely until a Plebiscite has been taken against it, until the people of that community expressed their wish to the contrary. Something along that particular line would, to my mind, meet the situation. It would give control to the Government absolutely and it would ensure that the people of the Province, if they wanted liquor, could go and get it and have it in the proper place to have it, that is, in their homes. If a man wants to have liquor to drink, the proper place to do it is in his home. One other word: By that, of course, the travelling public would be deprived of anything to drink unless they had friends in the particular town who were good enough to ask them up and give them a drink. But I could not come from Kenora to Toronto and buy anything here. I want it for my home if I want it at all. I certainly want the right to have it and I do not want anyone to tell me I shall not have it. I realize that this is only a suggestion.

There may be other plans far better of which I know nothing, which others think might meet the requirements—that is, to preserve the rights of the British subject. If they do, then I am prepared to support them; otherwise, frankly, I am not. I do not altogether like my proposal because I cannot see how adequate care can be taken of the working man. Now we must feel, as thinking men, that attention has to be paid to the demands of the working organizations when you consider that on the fifth of last month a delegation of labour representatives, headed by Tom Moore, President of the Trades and Labour Congress of Canada, waited upon the Dominion Government and presented a petition representing the views of some 1,500 out of 1,900 labour organizations, asking for a stronger beer. It would be untrue, unjust and a vilification to say that the men who presented these petitions do not mean exactly what they say, or to insinuate for an instant that these labour organizations were the innocent tools and victims of the brewing interests. So I say to the Government that it is absolutely essential that, if you do not want unrest in this Province, due care and consideration be given to the just demands of the labour organizations of the Province.

Recently, Sir, an editorial published in a United States paper was brought to my attention in which the Editor speaks of a new word just coined and which he prophesied would at a very near date become a standard word in our language. It is unnecessary for me to give the full circumstances here, but the word is so apt that perhaps I may be permitted to use it, and in doing so I do not do it with any malice, but to my mind it so fits our circumstances that I thought I would take the chance of using it. The word so coined was that of "sin-hound." You are aware, Mr. Speaker, that in various parts of our Dominion, packs of hounds are kept for various phases of sport, deer hounds, fox hounds and other hounds, so that the meaning of this word so aptly coined must be obvious because a sin-hound is one used to chase sinners. He differs from other species of hounds in that he is only two-legged, but nevertheless his activity and his keenness are as great as his four-footed prototype. In the article, it is pointed out that the word denotes a rich Pharisee who pursues sinners for the mere pleasure of seeing them run just as the other hound does. It says that many of them are rich and that they amuse themselves chasing sinners as others chase jack rabbits or wolves, that they busy themselves forming societies to chase sinners, that they have become so powerful that they force newspapers and Legislatures to obey their wishes. Isn't that true? It is further pointed out that some of these organizations have become so powerful that they force the sinners themselves to contribute to the funds of these organizations. The editor mentions the various sin-hound societies and states that they have trained experts in the sport in receipt usually of large incomes provided by rich men and by contributions forced from the sinners themselves. Sunday baseball players are chased, that is in the United States, of course. We have the Lord's Day Alliance, etc., here. The patrons of the movie shows are chased, and so are the beer drinkers. Sinners of all varieties are chased, mainly for the pleasure of seeing how fast they can run and how much noise they make in clattering over the bridges. A moment's reflection, Sir, will, I think, cause you to agree with me, that we in Ontario are plentifully supplied with these societies.

The suggestions I have made to the Government are given as a method whereby the rights of the subject will be respected and as