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### DOMINION ALLIANCE—ONTARIO BRANCH.

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8 KING ST. EAST, TORONTO,

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TO ALL WHO FAVOR OUR CAUSE:

The Annual Convention for 1884 of the Ontario Branch of the Dominion Alliance, for the suppression of the Liquor Traffic, will be held in the Temperance Hall, Temperance Street, Toronto, on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, January 20th, 21st, and 22nd.

It is expected that this meeting will be unusually large and interesting. Arrangements have been made to secure the coöperation of all classes of temperance workers, and discussions upon the different questions connected with the prohibitory movement will be initiated by prominent gentlemen of ability and experience, among whom are the following:—W. B. Geikie, Esq., M.D., F.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.; J. J. McLaren, Esq., M.A., Q.C.; W. H. Howland, Esq.; Wm. Houston, Esq., M.A.; W. H. Young, Esq., Police Magistrate, Halton County; Prof. G. E. Foster, M.A., M.P.

On the evening of the first day a complimentary supper will be given to the members and delegates from a distance, and addresses will be delivered by the President, Hon. S. H. Blake, Q. C., and other prominent citizens and visitors. On the evening of the second day there will be held a mass meeting in St. Andrew's Hall to be addressed by delegates, and on Thursday evening there will be a grand campaign meeting addressed by some of the ablest speakers of the day.

All the sessions of the convention will be open to the public, but only members and delegates will be expected to take part in the discussions and voting. The public are cordially invited to attend.

This circular is sent to all temperance societies, to church organizations, and to known temperance workers. The bodies named are earnestly requested to select delegates to the convention, and all who desire to aid the great prohibition movement are invited to become Alliance members. Cards entitling members and delegates to the privileges of the convention may be secured by application to the Secretary.

Members and friends of the Alliance in other provinces are cordially invited to attend, and will be accorded full privilege in all discussions, etc., as visiting members.

### REDUCED FARES.

All the principal railways have agreed to issue return tickets to parties attending the convention for one first-class fare and a third. To secure this reduction, parties purposing attending the convention must procure certificates to that effect, signed by the Secretary of the Alliance, and present them at the commencement of their journey. The Northern Railway return tickets will be issued from the 15th to the 22nd inst., and will be good to return up to the 25th inst. Intercolonial tickets will be good to return up to the 31st inst. The Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railways will issue tickets from the 17th to the 23rd inst., good to return up to the 26th inst. The necessary certificates will be promptly furnished by the Secretary to parties applying for them and entitled to receive them.

The Alliance, as an organization, is not in any sense in competition with any other organization. It is simply the Legislative Committee of the various temperance societies and workers. It is composed of members and delegates. Any temperance or church organization that contributes annually one dollar or upwards to the funds of the Alliance is considered a branch, and has a right to send to the Convention one delegate for every dollar so contributed. In addition to the delegates so constituted, any temperance worker approving of the objects of the Alliance, may become a member by paying one dollar or more. All members contributing one dollar and a half or more, are entitled to receive free *The Canada Citizen*, the organ of the Alliance. Delegates and other members may, upon application to the Secretary, obtain certificates entitling them to reduced rates of travel to attend the Alliance Conventions; they have all equal privileges of speaking and voting at the Convention. The Alliance funds are used solely for the furtherance of Scott Act and other prohibitory work. The money is carefully expended for this purpose, and although the Alliance operations have been somewhat restricted for want of money, much has been accomplished. Those in sympathy with the prohibition movement are earnestly requested to contribute as liberally as their circumstances will permit.

Friends are earnestly urged to give this announcement as wide a circulation as possible. Ministers will oblige by calling the attention of their congregations to it, and officers of Temperance Societies by laying it before their respective organizations. All editors are respectfully requested to notice it in their journals. To this grand Canadian Prohibition Parliament we cordially invite every well wisher of the great Temperance Reform.

S. H. BLAKE, President.

F. S. SPENOE, Secretary.