

MILESTONES OF PROGRESS NOTED IN PROHIBITION IN DOMINION

Has Developed from Personal Idea to Social One; From Advocacy of Abstinence by Individual to Prohibition by the State.

TORONTO, Feb. 1.—(By Canadian Press)—In connection with the latest phase of the Prohibition movement in Canada...

Organized temperance reform in Canada began early in the 19th century. Starting with a few individuals, it was not long before these had banded together...

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One of the earliest anti-liquor laws in Canada was enacted in New Brunswick in 1855. This prohibited the importation, manufacture and sale of intoxicating beverages.

1864—Dunkin Act. The next stage was the passing of the Dunkin Act in 1864. This Act gave to counties, cities, towns, townships and villages of Ontario and Quebec authority to prohibit the retail sale of liquor within their respective limits.

1875—Dominion Royal Commission. 1876—Formation of Dominion Alliance. Crook's Act (Ontario License Act).

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tion, compared with a total majority of 108,011 in favor of prohibition, cast by the remaining provinces. The Government declared that the results did not justify the introduction of a prohibitory measure and threw the burden back upon the provinces to go as far as they could constitutionally.

1900—Prince Edward Island adopts prohibition. 1903—Manitoba Referendum. Majority against prohibition 6,857.

In 1900 the Manitoba legislature passed a drastic measure prohibiting all liquor transactions originating and ending within the province. This law was never put into force, however, a new government disclaiming any responsibility for the act and holding a referendum in 1902 on the question of its enforcement. As a result of this election the Act was repealed by a majority of 6,857.

In 1902 the Ontario government introduced an Act similar to that of Manitoba prohibiting the sale of liquor. This Act was rejected by the Ontario legislature by a majority of 98,201 falling short of the 213,733 required majority.

Interest in the prohibition movement revived in Ontario and Quebec and by the year 1918 there were 672 municipalities in Ontario under local option, adopted, in many instances notwithstanding the three-fifths majority later on demanded by the Ontario legislature. Quebec had 1,097 municipalities out of 1,187 under "no license" in 1917.

1910—Nova Scotia legislature passes prohibition for province except Halifax. 1915—Saskatchewan passes partial prohibition; establishes Dispensaries. Alberta votes prohibition. Majority 21,086.

1916—British Columbia votes prohibition. Majority 10,512 (not counting overseas vote). Ontario Legislature passes prohibition.

Saskatchewan votes out dispensaries. Majority 71,583. Nova Scotia Legislature passes prohibition. In 1916 Halifax became "dry" and thereby put the whole province under prohibition. In 1917 the provincial law went into operation in New Brunswick and the electors in 1920 voted in favor of the retention of the law and voted against the sale of light wines and beer.

In 1916 the Ontario Temperance Act was carried by unanimous vote of the members of the legislature, and went into effect the same year. The electors of Ontario in 1919 voted on the continuance of the act and sustained it by a majority of 407,789.

The Manitoba legislature in 1915 passed a prohibition act, subject to ratification by the people. This was voted on, passed and went into operation in 1916. Alberta came under the "dry" banner in 1916, while the sister province of Saskatchewan followed in 1917.

1917—Union Government announces prohibition policy. British Columbia Legislature passes prohibition. 1918—Dominion Government passes prohibition Orders in Council.

Quebec passes partial prohibition. Yukon Territory Council passes partial prohibition, established dispensaries. 1919—Quebec votes to allow beer and wine. "Yes" 179,112; "No" 48,418.

Ontario Referendum. Prohibition sustained. Majority 406,876. British Columbia's legislature in 1916 passed a prohibition bill. This was approved by popular vote and went into operation in 1917.

Quebec, the only remaining "wet" territory in Canada in 1918, passed a prohibition measure in that year. This law remained in force for only one year, a referendum vote in 1919 favoring the sale of light beer, cider and wine.

During the war, when every province but one had enacted a prohibitory law the federal parliament supplemented the provincial laws by war-time orders-in-council. Appeal was made to parliament by the prohibitionists, endeavoring to have the war time measures made permanent. This resulted in an amendment to the Canada Temperance Act being passed. This amendment, known as Bill 26, provided that a vote of the electors may be taken in a province for or against prohibition of the importation and bringing in of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes under that province. A vote under the provisions of Bill No. 26 was taken in October in the provinces of Nova Scotia, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, and the Yukon Territory. Ontario is to vote on the bill in April of this year.

On October 20th., voting in British Columbia took place on the question, "Which Do You Prefer?" (1) The present "Prohibition Act" or (2) An Act to provide for government control and sale in sealed packages of spirituous and malt liquors.

By a majority of 27,000 the voters decided in favor of government control, and the province was removed

not removed from here unless it be at the summons of the 2nd Battalion, East Ontario Regiment. We charge you that, as our colors remained inviolate while they abode with us, that you surround them with equal devotion. This is your trust and your responsibility. As we endeavored to be faithful to all they represented to us, we ask that you guard them for a remembrance to those who may come hereafter of what they continue to represent. Should any future perils of our beloved country demand again the mustering of the 2nd Battalion, East Ontario Regiment, we seek that our colors be returned. They were to us the symbol of unswerving loyalty and faith. For the preservation of these our comrades gave their lives, and in proud perpetuation of their all sacred memory may they continue to all who may come hereafter.

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The colors of the Second Battalion, C.E.F., were on Sunday morning deposited in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Bowmanville, with due ceremony. To Belleville fell the honor of furnishing the escort for the Colors—Lt. Col. Roscoe Vanderwater, D. S. O.; Capt. T. D. McManus, Captain R. B. Cooper, Lieut. W. R. Jack, D. C. M., M. M.; Lieut. H. Broad, M. C. M., M. M.; Sergt-Major Hugh Campbell, Sergt-Major H. Munnings, M. M.; Sergt-Major J. Armitage, D. C. M.; and Co. Sergt-Major W. Wardhaugh, M. M.; Capt. Gilmour and Pte. James Booth were also present at the ceremony. The battalion paraded eighty strong.

The colors comprise the King's colors and the battalion colors, on which are worked in silver and gold the battalion crest and floral design. These were donated by Charles Walter Band, a prominent Canadian who lives in New York. The gift was in honor of his son, Capt. Percy C. Band, M. C., and Croix de Guerre, who commanded No. 3 Company of the battalion for a long period at the front. Col. Lorne T. McLaughlin, C.M.G., D.S.O., O.C., of the 2nd Battalion, presented the colors to Rev. D. W. Best, B. A., minister of St. Paul's Church for safe-keeping.

In his address, Col. McLaughlin after giving a complete history of the battalion in the four years and eight months it was in service, said: "We request that our colors be

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