

were also interviewed. While they were for the most part utterly opposed to Local Option, they did not wish their names used as it would hurt their local trade should their statements get back to Owen Sound people.

These excerpts from interviews are given merely for information that the people of Chatham may know what the representative people of Owen Sound think of Local Option as it is found there. They are given merely as OPINIONS, and they should be so regarded and taken for whatever the people of this city think they are worth.

Probably the most important interview was with Rev. Dr. Daniel, a former pastor of the Park Street Methodist church of Chatham, and a man well known and highly respected by all men of this city. Dr. Daniel has been in Owen Sound for the same length of time that Rev. Mr. Morris has been in Chatham. The Planet representative met him on the main street in Owen Sound, and incidentally asked him for his opinion of Local Option.

"Well," said the doctor in a serious manner, "that is a very hard question to answer. I find that it is a very big question, and I do not consider that I have been in Owen Sound long enough to give a definite statement as to whether Local Option is a success or a failure in this town. I find that it is a question upon which big, broad-minded men—Christian men—differ widely. I find that there are so many preponderous features connected with it that it would be impossible for me to form a definite opinion of whether it is good or bad."

Now this is sensible talk. If all the men of both sides would take the sensible view that Dr. Daniel takes on this great question there would be less bitterness in Local Option campaigns, and we feel justified in adding that it would be better for the real cause of temperance.

If Local Option were a glowing success in Owen Sound and Dr. Daniel knew it, we believe he would be glad to come out boldly and say so. If Local Option were a failure and Dr. Daniel knew it, we feel justified in stating that we know Dr. Daniel well enough to venture that he would not hesitate to express his opinion to the public. Dr. Daniel has been in Owen Sound as a Methodist pastor for almost six months, and yet he is undecided. This goes to show the proposition that the casual visitor is "up