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MONDAY, JAN. 4th

TWENTY-FIFTH YEAR

# Toronto Junction Votes to Close Bars

## Township of York Swaps Local Option

### Etobicoke Township Re-Elects Old Council, All of Whom Opposed Reference.

### NIAGARA TOWNSHIP VOTES "DRY"

BY SMALL MAJORITY OF SIXTEEN.

Local option carried yesterday in the town of Toronto Junction (population over 7500). The vote defeated in York township (population about 11,000). It was carried in the Township of Niagara, Lincoln County. The majority was 16 to 1.

North Toronto town a petition was presented to the Council asking for a vote on local option. The Council refused the petition on a unanimous vote. A temperance ticket was brought out for the Council, three of whom were elected and four rejected.

The election of Reeve Bryan and the three councillors of Etobicoke Township who opposed the reference of the local option by-law to the people, is an indication of the feeling in that township where the reform was made the chief issue.

The members of the Council of the Township of York divided on the question of local option as follows:

To refer the question to the electors, Councillors Henry, Maclean, Wanless.

Against the reference, Reeve Sylvester and Councillor Syme.

The whole Council sought re-election yesterday, and all were successful except Mr. Maclean, who supported the local option by-law.

### Territory Affected by Local Option.

The entire population of York Township, the new federal riding of South Toronto, is affected by the local option.

The Township of York, which has a population of 23,000, is divided into three wards. In the Township of York, the population is 7500, local option carried; the Town of North Toronto did not have it; East Toronto did not have it; South Toronto did not have it; West Toronto did not have it.

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# Prices Falling Rapidly

## WHAT IS ALARMING TOKIO?

### Incessant Arrival of Russian Troops

In the Far East Indicates War's Approach.

### TRICE OF THE BEAR.

"When he shows as seeking quarter, with paw like hands in prayer, they'll see the time as he begins to be a man."

London, Jan. 5.—Despatches from the Far East say market prices in Tokio have fallen rapidly, despite the fact that the Japanese government has announced that it will not accept the Russian proposal for a truce. The Japanese government is now in the hands of Admiral Alexieff, the Russian Viceroy in the Far East, who has been reported to have departed for Port Arthur, and the impending departure of four other cruisers, while the population is alarmed at the incessant arrival of Russian troops.

# Junction Anti-Optionists Lament Poor Organization

### Temperance Sentiment Made a Difference in Voting

Thru the Town.

Toronto Junction, Jan. 4.—Local option carried the day at Toronto Junction by a majority of 190. It was a clean fight on both sides. The electors went about it quietly and there was no bitter discussions outside of any of the polling booths. Both sides were well organized and each had a good supply of rigs, so that there was no difficulty in getting out the vote. It was the largest vote ever polled in Toronto Junction. There was no uncertainty about the result. The candidates who were in-ay were opposed to the measure received smaller votes than last year. Councillor Hain in Ward 2, who voted against the by-law, was successful by a majority of three against an opponent who did not live in the ward, and his victory is more to be attributed to his personal standing in the ward than to the anti-local option sentiment of the district.

The anti-local optionists blame to a very large extent their organization, and the taking for granted reports brought to their committee-room as their favor, which were not correct. They also think a larger vote from the city might have been polled had the weather not been so cold, but it is almost safe to say that more enthusiastic anti-local optionists came from the city than those in favor of the measure, and a bigger vote might have been in their favor.

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### Result of Elections Held in Cities, Towns and Villages in the Province Yesterday.

### CITY MAYORS:

Bellevue—W. W. Chown.  
Chatham—W. McKeough.  
Hamilton—W. J. Morden.  
St. Thomas—Chas. P. Maxwell.  
Niagara Falls—George Hagan.  
Windsor—Mayor White.  
St. Catharines—A. W. Marquis.  
Brantford—M. K. Halloran.  
Windsor—J. W. Drake.  
London—Adam Beck.  
Kitchener—G. M. Rogers.  
Niagara Falls—George Hagan.  
Ottawa—Ald. Ellis.

### FROM GERMAN SOURCE:

Cologne, Germany, Jan. 4.—The tension between Russia and Japan has appreciably decreased and the situation in regard to borrowing powers is not quite reassuring, according to a despatch to the Cologne (Gazette) from St. Petersburg. The Russian government is not immediately to be interrupted, but the Russian government is not immediately to be interrupted, but the Russian government is not immediately to be interrupted.

### FROM RUSSIAN SOURCE:

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### TORPEDO BOATS SAIL:

Malta, Jan. 4.—Five Russian torpedo boats sailed from here today in an eastward direction.

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