

respected and revered father never allowed to become a political organ for any party. I make that statement with the full responsibility and knowledge of what I am saying.

"Is it fair that Mr. Rowell to whom I gave my full support when he was leader in the House, should now, without any suggestion of truth or fact, refer to me as "the rising hope of the liquor party?" I have no connection, direct or indirect, with any liquor men or liquor interests in this Province, and I do not propose so long as I retain the position I do, or at any time, to allow any such affiliation. I stand upon the policy of the Liberal Party."

The Conservative Government has no policy in regard to the liquor question. The force of public opinion, coupled with the energetic and continued championship of the cause by the Liberal Party, gave to the Province such temperance legislation as we now have, and the Liberal Party has re-affirmed its position in favour of progressive temperance legislation to the fullest extent of the provincial jurisdiction; and, as will be seen from the resolution passed at the Provincial Convention, pledges itself to take all necessary steps to vigorously and effectively carry into effect the will of the majority of the people as expressed by the referendum vote.

"May I repeat what I said at Weston on the 11th July upon the first occasion that I had the opportunity of addressing the people after my appointment as leader:

'As leader of the Liberal Party in this Province, I do not intend to be dragooned by either political, journalistic or clerical dictation, or drawn aside from the clear-cut Liberal principle that issues which are submitted to the people must be decided by the people, and that on the question of general policy the people must independently judge and decide between us and our opponents. To the people of this Province we confidently appeal.'

L. H. H. Dewar