

PROHIBITION ACT DISCUSSED

N. B. Temperance Alliance Hears Reports and Passes Resolutions

AT WOODSTOCK

Criticizes Work of Chief Inspector and Asks That Exportation From New Brunswick be Prohibited—Goes on Record as Opposed to Quebec and British Columbia Systems.

Woodstock, Oct. 11.—Resolutions calling for energetic action towards better enforcement of the prohibitory law in the province were passed at the annual meeting of the New Brunswick Temperance Alliance held yesterday at Woodstock with the president, Donald Fraser, in the chair. The meeting was largely attended and keen interest was

taken in the proceedings. It was one of the most enthusiastic meetings yet held. The financial report of the treasurer was in every way satisfactory. In the evening a public meeting was held and there was a fair attendance. Many of the delegates were not able to remain for the evening meeting. The resolutions and reports were as follows:

Resolutions Adopted.
Whereas, the federal government has so amended the Canada Temperance Act that the importation of liquor shall be prohibited by the passing of an order-in-council by any provincial government; therefore
Resolved, that the government of New Brunswick be urged to request the passing of such an order-in-council at the earliest possible opportunity.
Whereas reports from all parts of the province clearly indicate that no serious attempt is being made to enforce the provincial prohibition law; and
Whereas, we believe this condition of affairs to be largely due to the attitude of the chief inspector, who repeatedly expresses himself as satisfied with the present measure of enforcement; therefore
Resolved, that we heartily concur in the request of our executive that the present chief inspector be removed from office.
Resolved further, that in the appointment of his successor a man be chosen whose sympathies and convictions are favorable to strict enforcement of the law.
Resolved, that the Alliance again express its sincere appreciation and fullest confidence in the work and person of its general secretary, Rev. W. D. Wilson, not only in his public platform addresses and appeals, but also in his watchful care over our interests both in law enforcement and law function.

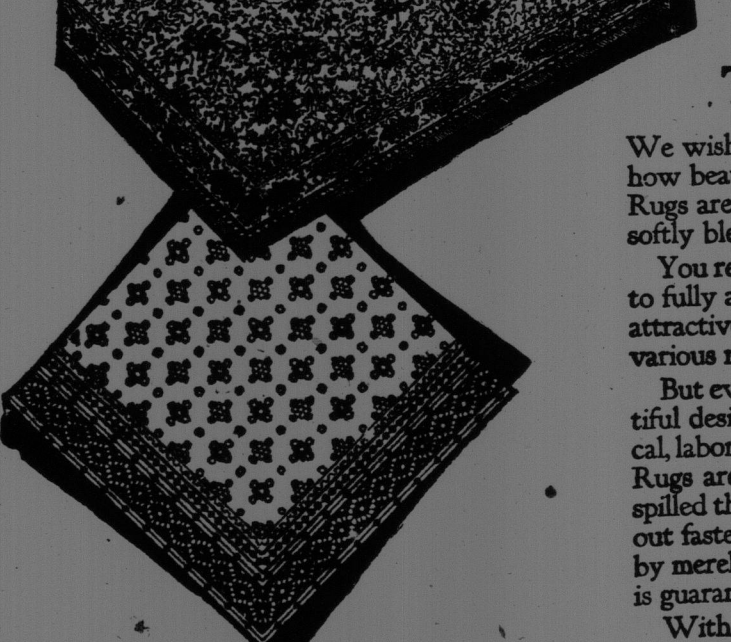
Resolved, that the Alliance acknowledge its indebtedness to the treasurer, W. G. Clark, and the secretary, Rev. Z. L. Fash, who without any remuneration give of their time and work and personal influence for the advancement of our principles.
Resolved, that the Alliance express its gratitude for and affirm its loyalty to the leadership of Donald Fraser, who for many years has so ably led the Alliance and furthered its interests by the generous use of his time, talents and money.
Resolved, that the thanks of the Alliance be tendered to the pastor and trustees of the United Baptist church of Woodstock for the use of their church building for their annual convention.

Whereas, the alliance recognizes the vast amount of good accruing from the prohibition law even as at present partially enforced; therefore
Resolved, that we affirm our adherence to the prohibition principle and to the prohibition law, and decidedly resent any attack upon it calculated to weaken or discredit it, and this we believe to be the attitude of the province at large.
Resolved, that the alliance is unalterably opposed to the present law allowing the operation of export liquor agencies through which an open door is provided for the illegal distribution of liquor over the province and flooding it into the neighboring republic, the carrier receipts given from such houses being in operation simply boot-leggers' licenses.
Report of Executive.
Your executive begs leave to submit the following annual report:
That since our last annual meeting our work has been continually carried on. Many and varied have been its problems that we have had to contend with.
Your executive, acting under the instructions received at the last annual meeting, submitted to the government a communication pointing out definitely and specifically serious conditions created by laxity in the enforcement of the Prohibition Act. A copy of this communication and the premier's reply to the same is herewith appended. It was found necessary to bring further information to the government in another communication, which is also appended. No reply has been received to our last letter bearing on this matter.
Your executive learned of a proposition that was being urged in every part of this province to defeat the Prohibition Act, and substitute in its place a liquor act for the purpose of producing revenue. It developed later that the government had had a representative in British Columbia investigating conditions in that province. The programme of the Alliance was to meet this propaganda and defeat it. Several methods were used quite successfully, and it gives us much satisfaction to report that the means used by the Alliance prevented any change being made in the Prohibition principle.
Your executive regrets the persistent attempt on the part of the premier of the province to foist upon the people at the last session of the Legislative Assembly a liquor act which would in effect be a repeal of the Prohibition Act. This was actually prepared and was submitted to the caucus of government supporters for approval. It was defeated by the opposition. The present Prohibition Act is still in force.

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We are appending hereto a copy of the Premier's statement regarding this matter. We shall need to watch carefully lest another attempt be made in the future.
During the session of the Legislative Assembly several statements made by Premier Foster called for a reply. Early in the session of the Legislative Assembly there was introduced a measure for the purpose of placing a tax upon liquor held in the Export Liquor Warehouse in the city of St. John. Your executive protested against the passing of this measure, which violates the principle of the Prohibition Act. Copies of the communications sent to the members of the Legislative Assembly are herewith attached. Despite our protest this measure was enacted, thus practically legalizing the exportation of liquor from New Brunswick. On June 7, last, the regulations dealing with the exportation of liquor were published in the Royal Gazette, a copy of which is on file.

There can be no doubt but that large quantities of liquor from these export warehouses are finding their way into many communities in the province of New Brunswick in violation of the law, thus adding to the difficulties of law enforcement and creating additional lawlessness in the province. During the latter days of the last federal parliament an act was considered and later became law that provides for us a remedy for the evils in reference to the wholesale liquor export warehouses. This remedy in brief is that the government of New Brunswick can pass an order-in-council asking the federal government to bring into operation the amendment to the Canada Temperance Act prohibiting the exportation of liquors. Your president has urged the government that this order-in-council be passed as early as possible.

The very government charged with the responsibility for the rigid and honest enforcement of law is likely to use its own manifest failure, whether due to inefficiency of officers or insincerity of purpose, as an excuse to repeal the present restrictive legislation. Are we to have in these provinces as they had in Quebec a period of bad administration to be followed by an effort to repeal the prohibitory law and establish government control? The existing administrators are creating a suspicion that their failure in law enforcement is meant to be used as a justification of the repeal of existing legislation.
The situation is serious today because existing temperance legislation is so inefficiently administered as to encourage doubt as to the real value of the province.
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Your executive would state again that the New Brunswick Temperance Alliance is an educational organization and not a political organization. Our position is non-partisan. We stand ready to oppose any party or individual which opposes temperance principles. We again emphasize the necessity of temperance people putting temperance principles before party politics. We are favorable to all those who truly favor the cause of prohibition.

Your executive takes this occasion again to express their appreciation of the valuable service which our general secretary, Rev. W. D. Wilson, is rendering to the cause of temperance. He is unceasing in his labors. It was largely due to his skillful handling of the situation that a new liquor act for revenue purposes, similar to that in British Columbia, was not enacted at the last session of the legislature. Such a law would be a calamity to this province as it is to British Columbia. Your executive believes that Mr. Wilson has the confidence and esteem of the temperance and Christian people of this province.

An application was made by Dr. J. G. Shearer, secretary of the Social Service Council of Canada, that the Temperance Alliance of New Brunswick amalgamate with the Social Service Council of New Brunswick. After mature and careful consideration your executive took the responsibility of declining this invitation, believing the time was not opportune.
In order that our constituency might receive in permanent form fuller information concerning the temperance situation in the province, your executive published Bulletin No. 1 and circulated several thousands of the same. We believe that such a bulletin might well be a regular and frequent feature of our work. The W. C. T. U. have been asked to co-operate in such a publication.

Recommendations.
We urge that every influence possible be brought to bear upon the govern-

ment to induce them to pass at an early date the order-in-council bringing into operation the amendment to the Canada Temperance Act prohibiting the exportation of liquor from New Brunswick and the importation of liquor into New Brunswick.
We urge the alliance to approve the action of the executive in asking through our president and our treasurer, the removal from office of the present chief inspector.
In view of the many and serious violations of law and the apparent laxity in enforcement in nearly every part of the province, we would urge immediate action in a strenuous campaign for law enforcement. We are convinced that the numerous and serious crimes in the province are in large measure induced by laxity in the enforcement of the prohibitory and other laws.

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD FRASER,
President.
Woodstock (N. B.), Oct. 10, 1922.

General Secretary's Report.
As general secretary of the Alliance I beg to submit the following report of the work of the last year:
Throughout the whole of the year I have kept in close touch with your executive. Special attention was given to the propaganda of government control. In the following sections I review for your information the situation as we viewed it:
1. The situation throughout the last year has been peculiar in this respect that the liquor interests waged a vigorous campaign looking to a partial repeal of the prohibition acts and the extension of the traffic. The campaign has taken two forms.
A. An attempt to amend and change existing legislation in a way to permit larger sale of liquors. In some cases they have advocated as an entering wedge the sale of wines and beers.
In the province of New Brunswick a bold attempt was made to introduce new legislation for the purpose of foisting upon the people a system called "government control" of the sale and distribution of liquors, wines and beer as exists in the provinces of Quebec and British Columbia. It was stated that such a system would eliminate illicit manufacture and sale, that it would promote temperance and sobriety and that our "most citizens" would no longer need to be law-breakers. These specious arguments are put forward to deceive, while the real motives behind the promotion of such legislation are (1) The desire of the liquor traffic to increase its sales and extend its power; (2) The desire of habitual users to secure sufficient supplies of strong drink without the present humiliating restrictions; and (3) The necessity of larger revenues and the opportunity which the monopoly of the liquor trade offers to fill the coffers of the government if it would turn saloon-keeper.
In both British Columbia and Quebec, government sale has not lessened but rather increased bootlegging; it has not prevented law violation but has increased the consumption of liquor enormously, bringing thereby all its attendant evils.
The province of British Columbia made a profit of little more than \$2,000,000 while its citizens spent over \$15,000,000 on strong drink, and if we take into consideration the amount spent on wine and beer probably \$25,000,000 of the people's money was diverted from the homes of the people and from the channels of industry of the province.
Our people should remember that for every dollar that goes into the treasury of the province from the sale of liquors \$5 must be taken out of the incomes of the people, as the provincial profit is 20 per cent of the sale price. The liquor traffic has also been very persistent and in its violation of existing laws serves a two-fold purpose. It increases the trade of traffic; makes evident inefficiency in administration; and weakens the law and weakens the faith of the people in the value of the law.

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The very government charged with the responsibility for the rigid and honest enforcement of law is likely to use its own manifest failure, whether due to inefficiency of officers or insincerity of purpose, as an excuse to repeal the present restrictive legislation. Are we to have in these provinces as they had in Quebec a period of bad administration to be followed by an effort to repeal the prohibitory law and establish government control? The existing administrators are creating a suspicion that their failure in law enforcement is meant to be used as a justification of the repeal of existing legislation.

Your secretary of this Alliance desires to place on record his opposition to the adoption (1) of any system of government control and sale of liquors for beverage purposes, (2) opposition to any existing legislation calculated to weaken its prohibitory character or to interfere with its adequate enforcement, (3) would urge upon the government of this province the necessity of appointing capable and fearless officers who are in sympathy with the aims of the legislation and that these be held responsible for faithful and full discharge of duty.
One important feature has been the splendid reception given our work wherever we have gone. Those who would misrepresent and traduce get their answer in the success of the work of our organization. I wish to express my appreciation to the members of

the executive for their co-operation in every detail of the work carried out. I wish to express to Mr. C. N. Vroom of St. Stephen, my appreciation for his help and companionship on several occasions in different parts of the province.
We are face to face with a crisis in our temperance work, and here at this annual meeting we should meet the situation frankly and decide what policy can be best followed in the days ahead. In every part of New Brunswick people are asking what should be done, what can we do, and today we must define a course calculated to benefit the cause of righteousness and thus help individuals and communities to a higher ideal in the Kingdom. Respectfully submitted,
W. D. WILSON,
General Secretary.

TO SEND CATTLE TO ROYAL FAIR
(Canadian Press Despatch.)
Halifax, Oct. 11.—More than ninety head of Guernsey cattle, seventy-five from this province, will be sent from Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island to the Royal Winter Fair in Toronto next month. H. W. Corning, M. P. P., secretary of the Canadian Guernsey Breeders' Association said here tonight.

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