

## The Campaign Everywhere.

**COUNTIES OF LINCOLN AND GREY.**—The petitions of these counties were deposited with the Secretary of State, at Ottawa, a few days ago. It is expected that the dates for voting will soon be fixed.

**FRONTENAC.**—The petition for this County was filed in the Registrar's office, at Kingston, on Saturday, there being a sufficient number of names signed without those which were wrongly subscribed. The Licensed Victuallers are raising money with which to oppose the passage of the Scott Act.

**PERTH.**—The Scott Act men and hotel-keepers of Stratford are at war over the question of which shall be first officially announced in the *Gazette*, the promotion of Stratford to the ranks of a city, or the date upon which the Scott Act will be submitted to the electors of Perth county. If the former is first announced, then Stratford will escape the Scott Act vote, which will have to be submitted separately.—*London Advertiser*.

**SIMCOE.**—It is generally understood that there is one, if not two, illicit stills not far from Orillia, and it is known that liquor is sold contrary to law in more than one place within the town, while outside of Orillia there is said to be scarcely a semblance of secrecy about the Sunday liquor traffic. Such a state of things is not regarded as evidence against the license laws. But if a tittle of this illegal traffic should continue after the first of May, what a howl we shall hear about the failure of the Scott Act.—*Orillia Packet*.

**HASTINGS.**—South Hastings Scott Act Committee held its usual weekly meeting last Saturday afternoon at Belleville. In Mr. A. McClatchie's unavoidable absence, Dr. Coleman occupied the chair. On motion of Mr. Lazier, a hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. S. J. Clarke for his official services as secretary. A meeting was arranged for Point Ann on Tuesday evening, March 17th. The petitions are now nearly all returned and will soon be ready for the Registrar's office.—*Lx*.

**RENFREW.**—The following are advertised by Mr. McKimm Chief Inspector, as applicants for licenses in this County.—For wholesale licenses: Edward Behan, John Cunningham, O'Meara & Howe, and Wm. Murray, Pembroke; Murrays & Tuffy, Cobden; and Dennis McNamara, Arnprior. For shop (or druggist) licenses: Dickson Drug Company, Jas. Findlay and R. B. Gray, Pembroke; A. Menzies, Arnprior; Davy & Clark, Renfrew; Warren Bros. and Alex. Hudson, Cobden; Andrew George, Killaloe; Mrs. E. Hudson, Combermere; A. Acheson, Westmeath; B. Shanahan, Admaston.—By the Scott Act, those who obtain these shop licenses will be able to sell only when certificates are presented from physicians, clergymen or magistrates; while the wholesalers can only supply those licensed shop-keepers and people outside of the County. Only one shop license can be granted in a township or village.—*Mercury*.

**ST. JOHN, N.B.**—The friends of good order and temperance in this city are doing good work, with every intention of a great and substantial victory. Three years ago 1074 votes were polled for the Act, and the same number against, so the measure was defeated. There is no doubt that much information on the subject has been spread since then, with the natural result of largely increasing the power of public sentiment against the present system of legalizing the sale of alcoholic drinks. Ours is a cause that can stand the brightest light to which it can be subjected. When the electors are in possession of the real facts—not dishonestly garbled "facts" and figures circulated by interested hypocritical parties—there is little fear of the result. Whenever and wherever a prohibitory law has been enacted, and enforced by honorable administrators, it has been a great success. It will be a great success in St. John, too, for we know that there are public-spirited men in the city who will see that the law is not left to enforce itself. Besides, every fresh constituency that gives a majority for the Scott Act brings the time nearer when Parliament will redeem its pledge to prohibit not only the sale but the manufacture and importation of liquor throughout the Dominion; and then the liquor trade, it is confessed, will not have a chance.—*War Notes*.

**ONTARIO.**—The North Ontario Executive Committee held their regular meeting at Uxbridge on Monday last. Attendance very full. The question of the time for taking the vote was discussed among those present, and also by telephone with the South Executive, when it was concluded to ask that the voting be held about the last week in May as the time most favorable to the farmers. Committees on Local Organization, Finance, Campaign Literature, and Lecturers, were appointed, who will report Monday.

The Local Executive for Uxbridge Township met at Goodwood on Tuesday and completed the organizations of the Township by the appointment of Committees for each polling sub-division, who will at once commence the active canvass in the confident expectation that they will remove the stigma hitherto attached to them that they were one of the few townships in which a majority could be polled against temperance.—*Uxbridge Journal*.

The petitions will be deposited in the office of the Registrar at Whitby for public inspection at the expiration of the time required by law for advertising the same.

**HALDIMAND.**—The first official meeting of the county representatives of Haldimand Scott Act Alliance met on Thursday last at 2 p.m. in the basement of the Presbyterian church. Many of the canvassers had not sufficiently worked up their respective beats and were consequently absent, but a very good representation was present and the utmost enthusiasm and confidence were manifested by all—the prevailing impression being one of encouragement and hope of a sure victory. Owing to the unfinished state of many of the petitions the whole session was absorbed in arranging and completing the lists, that were in, many, however, are not yet in. The result, so far as known, is a good showing and far more than the necessary number of signatures have already been appended, with several canvassers to hear from yet. The opinion expressed by many of the ratepayers is that they have been only waiting an opportunity to enroll their names on the side of right, and several expressed surprise that Haldimand had not made a move in the matter sooner, all going to show that the people are ready and although we would have liked to have seen the Act in force this coming May, yet deem it better to wait and be sure of success than hurry matters and perhaps injure the cause.—*Hagersville Times*.

Mr. D. Lucas Huff has been holding meetings through South Cayuga with great success, and has been ably seconded by ministers of different denominations and other workers in the good cause. The people of Haldimand expect to roll up a majority in favor of the Scott Act.

**WELLINGTON.**—Work in this county is being pushed vigorously on. The vote takes place on Thursday of next week, and our friends are working with determination and hope. The County of Wellington occupies an important position, being territory bordering on eight other counties, in three of which the Scott Act has been already adopted, and in the other five of which agitation is going on. Owing to the important character of this contest a special meeting of the Consulting Committee of the Dominion Alliance was called last Saturday in Toronto, and the whole situation thoroughly discussed. A number of our best workers are going for the coming week into the County, and will do all they can to second the earnest efforts of the local workers. Mr. F. S. Spence was in the county last week, as were also Rev. D. L. Brethour, and Mr. W. H. Young. Rev. J. R. Black, is Secretary of the County Association, and Mr. Stewart, of Milton, is managing the details of organization. Among those who are kindly lending their assistance, are the gentlemen just named, Rev. B. B. Keefer, Mr. William Munns, Mr. John Milne, Rev. John Smith, Rev. J. Neill, Mr. W. G. Fee, and several others.

A Convention was held at Fergus, on Tuesday, to complete the details for polling. The people are thoroughly alive and enthusiastic, and will, we believe, record a grand majority for the centre county of West Ontario. The following is the *Guelph Daily Mercury's* opinion of the situation:—

All around the wave is sweeping the whiskey shops out of existence. In a very brief period every place will be on an equality and prohibition will be general. Let it not be said that Wellington, famous as one of the most advanced counties in agriculture and in mechanics, in intelligence and morality, shall lag behind on this important matter. Surely, since Kent, with its large French and coloured population, rolled up a majority of 2,600, Wellington can