

WILLIAMS, REV. THOMAS G.—*Continued.*

sidered licensing of the traffic as sinful, and as an error in legislation (25781-86). Total prohibition should be enacted; this was the deliverance of the General Conference of the Methodist Church held in 1890 (25787-89); improvements should be made in the license law (27790); applicants for liquor licenses should be compelled to secure a majority of the residents of the district, and these signatures should be obtained annually; no license should be granted in residential portions of the city (25791-2); difficult to determine whether the hotel bar or the saloon bar is the greater evil (25798); no sale or delivery should be made to a minor (25700-800); shameful and extensive adulterations practised (25801-3); deplorable effects on women following liquor sale in groceries (25804); liquor sale on Sunday (25805); careful inspection of liquors would be valuable and an inspecting officer should visit and seize impure liquor in hotels and saloons, (24807-8); liquor sale should be prohibited in Sohmer Park and the public parks (25809-11); light beer stimulates a taste for intoxicants; excessive and continued use of beer is more destructive than the use of whisky (25812-14). Favours the passing of a prohibitory law at the present time: it would be more efficiently enforced than the present license law, and would be a success (25818-21): the plebiscite vote in Manitoba and the public sentiment in Quebec and Ontario indicated that a prohibitory law could be enforced (25822); difficulties in regard to enforcement could be largely remedied by breaking up political combinations (25824-6); would not object to remunerate brewers and distillers if the burdens were adjusted in the proper way, (25827-8); as regards the loss of revenue, no doubt the financiers would make up the loss (25829); would not be unwilling to bear his share of taxation to remunerate brewers and distillers for loss of plant, for the sake of obtaining prohibition (25830); the Methodist Church demands total abstinence on the part of its members; had only found it necessary to take disciplinary steps in four or five cases in the use of intoxicants (25833). Improved social customs of the people due to increased enlightenment and increased stringency of the license laws, together with moral influences of the church and school (25834-36 very little temperance education in the schools of Quebec, and it should be increased (25837-8); would favour legislation to limit the liquor traffic and secure rigid inspection of liquor; high license would not diminish the sale of liquor (25839-40); the license law does not regulate the trade; would prefer license to free sale; the liquor trade is not well regulated by the license law; it does not diminish drinking (25846); the Scott Act, the Dunkin Act, and the withholding of licenses have all been superior to licensed sale; the Scott Act has been better enforced; everywhere under the license there are transgressions of the license law; the Scott Act made drinking more disreputable (25847-52); could not imagine a condition under which he would favour licenses, and could not consent to free sale (25855-68); Charlottetown under free sale. The Scott Act in Ontario was adopted as being the next step to prohibition; after a certain period the people became discouraged, and various reasons conspired to cause its repeal (25859-64); the vote on the repeal of the Scott Act was not against prohibition, but against a law which promised prohibition and proved ineffective; these men would largely vote for general prohibition, as would many opponents of the Scott Act (25866-67); Scott Act people would vote generally for prohibition (25869); would favour the exemption of wine for sacramental and medicinal and scientific purposes from the operation of a prohibitory law (25870-4); gave records of votes in Renfrew for and against the Scott Act (25875-78); after a considerable experience in Ontario the people re-introduced and re-adopted the license law. Favours opening public parks on Sunday, but not places of amusement (25880-8-91-902); is opposed to street cars running on Sunday; The Scott Act does not produce more perjury than the license law; the man who wants to cover his sin will perjure himself (25902).