

THE PROHIBITION PARTY.

Arranging to Submit the Scott Act to the Ontario Legislature—A Committee to Look After the Prohibition Cause.

Nineteen gentlemen interested in the Temperance cause attended a meeting of the Scott Act Committee in Victoria Hall last night in response to the invitation contained in the advertisement calling the meeting. Mr. William Bowman presided. The first business taken up was the subject of the necessary petitions for the submission of the Scott Act to a popular vote in this city. As the addition of No. 5 Ward will make it necessary to get more signatures, it was decided to proceed at once with the canvass in that Ward, and have the petitions filed up and sent in as soon as possible.

The chairman reported, as one of the delegates to the convention at Toronto, that it had been there decided to take a decided stand as a Temperance party, and only support such men for Municipal and Board of Education representatives as would pledge themselves to the support of prohibition. They believed that these municipal officers were the key to public life, and by watching carefully the men who would soon have none but desirable men in the Local Legislature and Dominion Parliament. He read the following resolutions adopted at the convention:

(1) That this Convention affirms the necessity of electing prohibitionists to all representative bodies, municipal, educational and parliamentary. (2) That it is desirable to form a prohibitory union in each municipality throughout the Province, the members of which shall be pledged to support for Municipal and Parliamentary positions, such candidates as are known and professed prohibitionists, and who will work and vote for the making and enforcing of prohibitory legislation.

It was proposed that these resolutions be adopted by the meeting.

Mr. Webster said the only question was in a ward where there were no such candidates in the approaching municipal election, it would be necessary to elect men of their own party. Now, he would vote for a prohibition candidate without hesitation, but when there was no such man out as thought they should have the right of voting for the best objectionable of the candidates in the field, and so do their best to keep the out-and-out whiskey men at home.

Mr. D. H. Williams thought they would certainly have that option.

Another member objected to any half measures. If he could not get a prohibition candidate he would not vote at all. If the temperance men did their duty they would not only have pledged candidates in all their wards, but with the aid of the 700 lady voters they would elect every one of them. He proposed immediate action, as the municipal elections were fast approaching.

The chairman said this question had been fully discussed at the conventions, and it had been decided there that the temperance party, if it was to succeed, must stop trimming. They should vote for prohibition candidates only and hold the negative vote where there were none. If this programme was adopted to this might lose the first time but would be sure to win in the end. Such a course would be sure to bring the party into prominence in every case after it had been tried once.

The resolutions were then adopted. It was also decided to appoint a sub-committee of five, one from each ward, to select and recommend candidates for mayor, aldermen and school trustees in each ward. The following gentlemen were appointed:—Ward No. 1, W. R. Hobbs; Ward No. 2, E. T. Esery; Ward No. 3, William Bowman; Ward No. 4, William Treloar; Ward No. 5, D. H. Williams.

The sub-committee will meet on Wednesday evening next and report at the adjourned meeting on Friday evening next. In reply to a question the President said it would be better not to approach the men proposed for candidates to get their pledges, but to go by their records. If they asked a man for his pledge, and then the Alliance decided to substitute some other name for his, they would have an offended brother to deal with.

A member—How if Mr. Esery decides to become a candidate?

Mr. Bowman—If all the members of the Sub-Committee consent to run we will have five good men.

Adjourned.

THE TOBACCO-SMOKING CLUB.

An Organization Effected Yesterday Afternoon.

A well-attended meeting of persons interested in the erection of a tobacco smoking club in this city was held at the Bank of Montreal yesterday afternoon. On the suggestion of Mr. Street, the meeting decided to form itself into an association to be called "The London Tobacco-Smoking Club," with Mr. W. R. Meredith, Q. C., as President. Subsequently a committee of management was appointed for the coming season to draw rules and regulations for the management of the Club, select a site for the club, and report their decision to a subsequent meeting of the Club. The following committee were named:—Messrs. W. J. Anderson, W. P. R. Street, R. W. Baker, H. A. Nicholson, C. S. Hyman, Geo. C. Gibson, J. B. Loring, P. Leonard, Geo. B. Cronin, M. Masurel, W. N. Rogers, G. B. Beddome, A. J. Ferguson, Ernest Smith and the President and Secretary.

A PARLOR SOCIAL.—Rev. R. J. Treloar, the pastor of the London South Methodist Church, threw open the doors of his residence last night to receive numerous guests to a parlor concert, and his endeavor met with every encouragement at the hands of his congregation, perhaps more so from the fact that the silver collection taken up during the evening was in aid of the Ladies' Auxiliary, in connection with the church. A very pleasant social evening was passed with singing, recitations and readings, concluding with the National Anthem. The following is the programme rendered:—Instrumental solo, Miss Cofford; duet by the Misses Westman; reading, Miss Rudd; solo, Miss Bremner; instrumental duet by the Masters Bert and Harry Harding; duet, Mrs. Dwyer and Miss Boudry of Glasgow; vocal and recitations, Mrs. Rowell; solo, Mr. Strickland; duet, Messrs. Westman and reading, Miss Cutler.

356 Richmond street. 356 Big Discount for 30 days. 24 different kinds of harness, 12 different kinds of saddles, 50 different kinds of trunks, 75 different kinds of bags, 12 different kinds of boots. Call and examine goods and prices. No trouble to show goods. L. O'NEILL, 356 Richmond street, East side Richmond, south of King.

LOCAL AND DISTRICT.

Mr. J. A. Kerr, late station master at the Falls, has been transferred from Stratford to Mary's.

Mr. Richard Jernyn, of Granton, has rented his farm to Mr. A. Gibson, of London township.

J. M. Kennedy, formerly of the Hamilton Palladium, has assumed control of the Whiting Chronicle.

Miss B. K. Egan, of Toronto, who has been visiting Miss Minnie Powers here, returned home yesterday.

The voluntary collection last Sunday at the reopening of the Episcopal church at Delaware was \$155.

Fifty new looms are to be put into the Dunham cotton mill before December. The firm has orders for four months ahead.

Mrs. Cox, wife of the G. W. R. engineer who met with a fatal accident last week, yesterday afternoon and was arrested. She was charged with keeping a disorderly house.

Mr. Allen Embury has been engaged for a year by the Ontario Board of Education, as the Principal of the Model School.

Mr. A. F. Phillips, G. T. R. station agent at St. Mary's, has been removed to Stratford to fill a higher position. Mr. J. Kerr succeeds him.

Mr. Symons, station agent of the C. P. R. at Ingersoll, has a curiosity in the shape of an antique letter of Geo. Crankshaw, the famous English artist.

Wm. Graves, his wife and two women named Gregory, have been sent to Saratoga Jail for three months for keeping a disorderly house in that town.

Mr. Charles Cox is busy engaged in the sale of the Council Chamber in preparing plans for the exhibition buildings to be erected on Queen's Park.

Catherine Morrison picked up a herring from the floor of McLean Bros' grocery yesterday afternoon and was arrested. She was charged with larceny to-day.

Mr. Geo. Hess, M. P. P. of Listowel, was the other night at a Waterloo hotel. The thief broke into his room and stole his watch and about \$30 in money.

The winners of the several premiums offered by the Lucknow golfing club are as follows:—1st, M. Corvign, cup; 2nd, Harry Davis, medal; 3rd, Wm. Allin, medal.

The 4,000 pound bull presented to St. Paul's (Catholic) church, in Bradford, by Mr. Timothy Cusker, can be heard distinctly at various points ten or more miles from the city.

American bank cashiers seem to have a particular regard for Canadian hospitality these days. The latest visitor is J. J. Sturges, cashier of the defunct Hunabolt Bank of Erie, Pa.

The Berlin News says it costs \$1.95 to ride from that place to Toronto, and only \$1.35 from Galt, which is twelve miles further away. It asks the railway authorities why is this?

Harvey Smith, brother of Havelock Smith, who is charged with the murder of Mr. McLean, is expected to go to Port Austin, Mich., to conduct a trial for the murder of a woman.

There is a report current that the present representatives of No. 5 Ward will not offer again for aldermanic honors, and their places will be taken by three other members of the late London East Council.

Geo. Pattullo, of Woodstock, President of the Canadian Press Association, has offered a gold medal as an award toward the encouragement of model journalism, to be bestowed upon the best weekly journal in Ontario.

The Council of North Easthope have decided to receive every man, woman and child in the township at \$200.00—more, if necessary. Dr. Clemens, of Wellesley, is the medical man appointed for the purpose.

The proprietors of the dry goods store in Ingersoll have agreed to close their stores at six o'clock sharp every evening during the winter, except Saturday evening, when their stores will be kept open until nine o'clock.

Major General Strange met with a serious accident on the 18th inst. at the N. W. T. While attempting to mount a horse he was kicked and his leg broken. He was taken to the hospital and is now in a dangerous condition.

Mr. B. J. Coghlin, of Montreal, has sold Easter and Lady Lucy before returning east. Easter, bay mare, by Victorburg out of Roxaline, was purchased by Mr. John Forbes, of Woodstock, and Lady Lucy, brown filly (by imported Kentucky), out of Endeavor, was sold to Mr. T. J. Hodgins, of this city.

The other night Mr. George Hannah, of Brookville, had six head of cattle stolen from the old Macdonald farm on the Nauro road. A man working for Mr. Willoughby, by the name of a horse and rider, standing near the barn that night, but did not pay much attention to them. The cattle were driven through Carroll's woods to the 12th, and then east to St. and from there south toward Glenora.

Government Detective Murray has been working up the Phenix mystery at Welland, and developments in the case are expected. He is strongly of the opinion that the unfortunate man, who, it is believed, was murdered in an M. C. R. freight car with his throat cut, was murdered. Daly, the tramp who was arrested on suspicion of being the murderer, will be sentenced to six months' imprisonment for vagrancy in order to hold him.

Miss Fanny Newhall, of Boston, and Prof. Wyman, of Philadelphia, gave an exhibition of their skill as roller skaters at Westminster rink last night before a large crowd of spectators. It is a somewhat difficult task to determine from amongst the legion of professional skaters who are entitled to the palm for scientific and graceful skating, but it can be truthfully said that Newhall and Wyman are not students in the procession. They appear again this afternoon and evening.

The grand sacred concert to be given in St. Andrew's church, Queen's avenue, on Monday evening, 30th November, will afford the people a pleasant and suitable entertainment for Thanksgiving Day. This concert, and the special pulpit services on the Sabbath previous are in commemoration of the opening of that handsome church edifice in 1869—sixteen years ago, with a good pastor, harmony in the congregation, and a good choir, both church and manse (as the managers hope to report at end of current year) and occupying the finest church property in the city. The forthcoming anniversary should be a joyous one, and successful.

Furs at Seliz's of every description and quality. Largest stock in the city. Furs made to order. Old furs renovated and made as good as new at the London Bear. Seliz's sells the Latest in Hats, and they are Hats that R. Seliz's, 251-253, King street, East side, in the city, and ten per cent. off for cash.

The residents in the immediate vicinity of the Westminster Rink, and the people of that popular resort, are annoyed almost nightly by the antics of a number of youths, the sons of respectable parents in the neighborhood, who congregate around the rink, and make themselves as obnoxious as possible by their unseemly antics to the occupants of residences thereabout. If the parents do not make an effort to check the lawlessness by keeping their sons within doors, it is Mr. Thomas' intention to have them summoned before a magistrate. They had better take this hint, and stop away.

The dining cars on the Great Western division appear to be highly appreciated by the traveling public, and probably the most popular conductor on the line is Mr. D. Albert Shilcock. He has been running the dining cars for some time, and by his courtesy and attention to guests has made himself a general favorite. Recently he conducted a party of no longer "one alone," and on Wednesday he was united at Detroit in the sacred bonds of matrimony by Rev. G. A. Allen, of that city. Miss Ida Augusta Johns. His many friends are heartily congratulating him, and expressing sincere wishes for the long life and prosperity of himself and wife.

Rev. Dr. Sanderson passed through the city yesterday.

THE FAUCETT ESTATE CASE.—The suit of Eastman vs. Bank of Montreal was argued before Chancellor Boyd in this city at the recent chancery sittings here, and judgment was reserved. Since then the following decision has been given:—The claims of the bank declared to have been properly made against the estate in question at the time they were respectively sent. All receipts on collateral securities prior to that date to be credited, but dividends to be paid on balance then appearing due, until dividends with subsequent receipts from the estate are equal to \$100,000 in the sum of the amount due. Cost of all parties to be paid out of the estate. The action was brought by Mr. Eastman vs. Bank of Montreal, and the Fawcett estate in order to determine what the Bank should receive from the estate, and whether the same should be credited to the estate as dividends or collection of collateral securities and as to whatever dividends might be declared. The result was a judgment of which the above is a brief summary. The meaning appears to be that the banks are to rank on the estate for the amount of their claims when filed, and at the same time to be paid whatever dividend may be declared by the estate as if they had realized in full the amount of their claims prior to that date. They at that time held a large amount of collateral in the shape of notes and other securities. The decision is that they are to be allowed to collect whatever they can upon these collaterals prior to the date of the bankruptcy, and the amount which they may realize on their collateral taken together are to be credited to the estate. In the event of these two amounts together netting over \$100,000 on the dollar of the bank's claims, the estate is to be paid the surplus.

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