The Ontario Local Option Law.

This work need not interfere with the other. It may help it. A local contest will rouse interest, unite temperance workers and develop temperance sentiment more effectively than could be done by any other form of campaign.

At the present crisis it would be very unwise to precipitate a contest in which a victory was not almost certain. There are places, however, where the recent vote shows so much strength of sentiment against the liquor traffic, that it would certainly be wise to take steps to have that sentiment made immediately effective.

I Method of Procedure.

To bring into operation a prohibitory by-law i is necessary to have such by-law first passed by the municipal council of the municipality in which it is to prevail, and then to have it ratified by a popular vote of the municipal electors.

The active friends of moral reform in different localities are always the best judges of the time and plan for commencing operations. A meeting of workers should first be convened, to which representative, prominent men and women might be invited. All churches and temperance organizations should be requested to take part in such meeting. Clergymen of the different churches will nearly always be found willing to co-operate. At such a gathering the whole situation could be discussed, a committee or committees to direct campaign work appointed, and plans for action decided upon.

As has been stated in order to secure the benefits of this legislation the initiative has to be taken by the municipal councils. There are, however, very few councils that V ma ca ma of or sui for sai

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