

ENTHUSIASTIC MASS MEETING OF FRIENDS OF TEMPERANCE

The Civic Election Campaign Discussed at Opera House Sunday Evening by City Clergymen and Others--The Endeavor of Violators of the Laws to Wipe Out the Police Commission, and the Aid They Received From a Certain Portion of the City Council--The Liquor Business Behind the So Called Citizens Ticket.

At the Opera House last evening at the conclusion of the church services, a mass temperance meeting was held, being occasioned by the questions involved in the present civic election campaign.

The main auditorium was crowded, and the gallery was also well filled, ladies composing the majority of the audience. The chairman was J. D. Phinney, K. C., and the following city ministers had seats upon the platform: Rev. J. H. MacDonald, Rev. Dr. McLeod, Rev. A. A. Rideout, Rev. Dr. Kierstead, Rev. J. W. McConnell and Rev. Dr. Smith. The singing was in charge of Mr. J. W. Spurden, and a mixed chorus from city choirs assisted.

The speakers of the evening were Revs. MacDonald, McConnell, Rideout and Smith, and they discussed the moral issue of the civic election. Rev. Dr. Kierstead opened the meeting with prayer and Rev. Dr. McLeod pronounced the benediction at the close. The speakers were each allowed ten minutes for their addresses.

Mr. J. D. Phinney, K. C.

Mr. Phinney, in opening the meeting with introductory remarks, said the subject which called the meeting together was an old one, that of good government and the strict enforcement of the temperance laws.

Previous to the Scott Act election of ten months ago those engaged in the liquor business in the city had said they would go out of the business if the people voted against the license law; but they did not keep their promise. What had followed included the use of violence, tampering with witnesses, and St. John brewers had carried local offenders' cases to the Supreme Court for decision. The majority of the city council had later assumed an unbecoming prerogative and ordered cases against their friends to be withdrawn.

The citizens would not support the people who did such a thing. It was now said that the Citizens' Ticket (so called) would sweep things before them, but the citizens should not be led away by such talk.

The city now had an efficient and faithful officer at the head of the police force. The policy of the opposing candidates was to wipe out the commission and allow the administration of justice committee to handle the police business.

Rev. J. H. MacDonald.

Rev. J. H. MacDonald's subject was The Moral Issue. Defined, and his opening remarks on the idea of keeping four preachers down to 10 minute addresses evoked much laughter.

In the present civic election campaign there were no personal issues, nor any particular question of policy, but the moral issue of righteousness or unrighteousness. Following the late Scott Act election it had been found advisable to have a new method of administration of the police, and the government, upon request of the majority of the City Council, named a board of police commissioners, and chose three of as reputable men as there are in the city. Instead of their being given a free hand, every move of the commission found a "ring" in the council throwing themselves in the way. He asked anybody to challenge the statement.

It was a case of the upholding of the laws vs. lawlessness, and insult had been added to injury by calling the ticket opposed to the temperance ticket the "citizens' ticket." He said that a newspaper reporter was responsible for that title, but he better call it the "citizens' ticket," said the reporter, "as the 'rum ticket' would not sound very well."

"The issue is one between law-abiding citizenship and lawlessness; between righteousness and rum," concluded the speaker.

Rev. J. W. McConnell.

The next speaker was Rev. J. W. McConnell, whose subject was The Minister's Relation to the Issue. In the development of nations, he said, the ministers have allied themselves with righteousness. Of all things that ministers had to contend with, the liquor traffic was the worst; it tore down young manhood and young womanhood, while the ministers tried to build up.

Several interesting and dramatic incidents told of by Dr. Chapman, the noted evangelist, in his recent Boston revival and dealing with degradations brought about by excessive use of liquor were told of by the speaker.

The liquor business was behind the ticket they were opposed to, and he called upon his listeners not to stand on the same side where the whiskey men stand.

Rev. A. A. Rideout.

The committee meetings and several public meetings for the week were announced by Mr. Phinney, and following the singing of the hymn Onward Christian Soldiers, Rev. A. A. Rideout spoke on The Relation of the Issue to the Kingdom of God.

The good government ticket, he said, stood for the enforcement of all laws; the Citizens' Ticket said that they stood for the enforcement of the laws, except that they wanted to put out the police commission. The reason for this was that the commission did not suit Regent street, because Regent street could not tamper with them.

The speaker contended that too much had been said of perjury in the temperance interest, and too little of the actions committed by the other

side; they had tampered with witnesses and paid them to leave the country and one witness had been assaulted for giving evidence, etc.

The citizens needed an honest enforcement of the laws of the city. There would be no peace so long as there was liquor in the city, and he called on the citizens to emphasize their decision in the Scott Act election of ten months ago.

Rev. Dr. Smith.

The last speaker was Rev. Dr. W. H. Smith, whose subject was The Relation of the Issue to Civic Righteousness.

He said that to have an ideal city it was necessary to have men in official positions who honor the laws which happened to be in force in the city. The citizens were like unto the stockholders of a company; and the stockholders and council should, like directors of a company, do what the citizens or stockholders said was to be done. Men who respected the authority of the people were the ones who were wanted. There was no reason for people to come to this city unless the laws in force were to his liking, and a city to be self-respecting must see that those within its confines respect the laws. What was wanted was a city in which it was easy to do right and hard to do wrong—where people would honor and respect the laws and the people would be taught to do right or get out. This would build up the young manhood and young womanhood. If lawlessness was allowed to go rampant, virtue would not be respected.

Continuing, Dr. Smith said that if the people were united in favor of carrying out the Canada Temperance Act strictly to the letter there would be nobody who would dare open a saloon in the city to-morrow; now the violators of the law are patted on the back and the law is not respected. It was a fact that a city is known by the men who represent it.

Rev. Dr. Smith closed his address with a pathetic incident which was told in a manner which held the attention of the audience completely. The meeting closed with the benediction pronounced by Rev. Dr. McLeod.

MRS. TEAL GIVEN YEAR IN PRISON

New York, Feb. 28.—Margaret Teal, wife of Ben Teal, theatrical stage manager, was found guilty yesterday by a jury in the Court of General Sessions of attempted subornation of perjury, and was at once sentenced to serve one year in the penitentiary. The jury had been in deliberation over the case for more than twenty hours, and Col. Robert Haire said he would apply for a certificate of reasonable doubt on the ground that it was not a fair verdict, but had been reached as a compromise, so that the jurors could escape from the jury room.

CARROLLS

Carroll's, Feb. 25.—The boys who have been in the woods have recently returned to their various homes. It is indeed a pleasure to see them around again.

The many friends of Mrs. Alex. O'Donnell will be pleased to hear that her health is rapidly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Cosman are rejoicing over the advent of a stranger at their home—it's a girl.

A party was held at the home of Miss Edith Holmes on Friday evening. Games and music were indulged in and refreshments served. An enjoyable time was spent by all.

Miss J. B. Carroll, who has been spending the past few weeks in McNamee, has returned to her home.

Our school is progressing under the management of Miss A. A. Price.

Mr. Frank Holmes is visiting relatives in this place.

Mr. Arthur O'Donnell spent Wednesday last in Fredericton.

Miss Eva Lyons spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents.

Mr. W. H. Lyons, who has been ailing of late, is able to be out again.

OBITUARY.

George Lovely. George Lovely died at his home in Bristol on Friday, Feb. 19th, in the 75th year of his age. He will be greatly missed as an honest citizen, a kind and obliging friend and neighbor, and as a kind and loving husband and father. He is survived by a widow, three sons and four daughters—A. B. Lovely, of East Florenceville; Ramsford, of Bristol; Harry, of Lowell, Mass.; Mrs. Samuel Bishop, of River de Chute; Mrs. Frank Spaulding, Mrs. John Sinnott, Mrs. Henry Ackley, of Lowell, Mass. The funeral took place on Sunday, the services being conducted by Rev. D. E. Brooks, and burial was at Florenceville.

Warm bread and cake should be cut with a knife, the blade of which has been heated by standing it in boiling water.

Silk dresses should never be brushed, but should be carefully rubbed with an old piece of velvet kept specially for the purpose.

ELECTION FUND WAS PROTECTED

Cassel's Enquiry Did Not Allow Witnesses to Tell How Much They Had to Subscribe to it.

(Montreal Gazette.)

One of the witnesses examined during the Marine enquiry at Quebec was Mr. Elzear Audibert, accountant for Mr. F. X. Drolet, who has had extensive dealings with the department. Mr. Audibert's evidence was taken at his residence, he being ill at the time. He testified to the payment of sums of money at different times to officers of the department whose signatures were necessary for the payment of the Drolet accounts. He was cross-examined by counsel for some of these officers, among them being Mr. Ahearn, who appeared for Mr. G. D. O'Farrell, to whom he testified certain payments had been made. A portion of the cross-examination conducted by Mr. Ahearn, as given in the printed report, reads:

"Q. Is it not true that you have advanced, that you have paid, certain sums towards the election funds?"

By the Hon. Mr. Justice Cassels to Mr. O'Farrell's counsel:

"I believe this question should not be asked."

"Mr. Ahearn withdraws the last question and continues."

Mr. Justice Cassels held that the terms of the reference under which he held the enquiry did not extend to campaign contributions, but only to illegal payments made to officials of the department. Any dollar that went to the campaign fund, however, cost the people of Canada just as many cents as the dollar that went to the grafting officials, and they are just as much interested in knowing how many of them there were and who got them. Until that information has been obtained the government stands robbed in hypocrisy. The election fund is not entitled to the protection the dishonest official did not receive.



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