

canvassers in all election districts, North, South, East and West.—

"We, the undersigned, candidates for Senator of York district, in the State of South Carolina, each for himself, hereby pledge our honor to each other, and the people whom we seek to represent, not to employ, hereafter, directly or indirectly, any alcoholic or intoxicating drink for the purpose of influencing or procuring votes, during the present canvass; nor directly or indirectly to sanction such use by any friend, nor to pay for the same hereafter, if any such use be made, and all deposits and orders or funds contravening this agreement, are to be recalled and discontinued.

I. D. WITHERSPOON,  
R. G. McCaw."

MASSACHUSETTS.—The *Boston Telegraph* is reliably informed, there are now 60 per cent more criminals in the House of Correction and jails of Worcester county than there were last year, when the anti-liquor law was enforced. Last year the law was well enforced. The increase of criminals arises mainly from the city of Worcester, where the law is now disregarded. The veteran, John Hawkins, has been lecturing in many of the towns with more than his usual success. A great and enthusiastic Temperance meeting, consisting of delegates from Plymouth, Norfolk and Suffolk counties, was lately held at Abington. Neal Dow, Judge Marshall and others spoke. Gov. Gardiner, who signed the present Prohibitory Law, has been re-nominated by the American party.

The Supreme Court at its recent session at Springfield, overruled every point raised against the constitutionality of the Prohibitory Law, and fully sustained it in every particular. In no State, not excepting New York, has Prohibition been more determinedly and vigorously contested, than in Massachusetts. Lawyers of the first standing and legal talent in the State, have been brought up by the liquor interest to combat it, and it had to run the gauntlet of the legal profession, from the petty justice up to Choate & Co. But the full bench of the Supreme Court have at last placed it upon a solid basis, and its friends in the old Bay State can now go to work understandingly with the common enemy, without fear of failure. The cases appealed up, were sent back with orders to sentence the offenders. The *Boston Telegraph*, gives an account of the formation of new societies and the holding of several meetings in the State, as also of seizures of liquors and successful trials in Northampton, Concord, Lowell, and other places.

The Temperance woman at Rockport, Cape Cod, in a company of about seventy-five, headed by an American flag, carried by a stout sailor, recently paraded through the streets, and proceeding from place to place, destroyed all the liquor they could lay their hands on. Demijohns and decanters were smashed, and barrels of rum, gin and brandy were rolled into the streets and their heads knocked in.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Gov. Metcalf, of New Hampshire, lately re-elected Governor of that State, testifies in the following emphatic and inspiring terms, to the efficacy of the Law, for good, and the promising aspects of Prohibition in the Granite State. We quote from his Annual Message to the Legislature of the State:—

#### *The Law is Enforced.*

"The act for the suppression of intemperance is having a salutary effect. It is more fully regarded and practically sustained than any license law we ever had in the State.—In many towns the sale of intoxicating liquors is wholly abandoned, and in others it is sold only, as other penal offences are committed, in secret. I am not aware that there is a city or town in the State where spirituous liquors are openly sold. That there are places where the law is secretly violated, is not doubted, and the same may be said of every law, whether statute or common, from the highest to the lowest grades of offence. But this is a feeble reason why a law may not be salutary and effective, or why it should be repealed. Our national revenue laws are often violated with impunity if not with boldness, but I have never yet heard that urged as a reason why all laws against smuggling should be repealed. The sale of lottery tickets is strictly prohibited in this State, yet the law is constantly violated; but no one for that reason suggests that the prohibition should be taken off and the sale left open and free, or "a well-regulated license system" established in its stead. The sale of lottery tickets is all but harmless when compared with the ruin and desolation of mind, body, and estate, caused by the sale of intoxicating drinks. The sale in either of the above cases has ever been a matter of municipal regulation, and if the prohibition of the former has met with less opposition and a less reluctant acquiescence than that of the latter, it is because the sale is more limited, less profitable, and pampers less to the appetites and passions of men. Yet after years of experience, but few would be willing to invite into the State this species of gambling by a repeal of the prohibition, though men are found who will sell and who will buy lottery tickets, whether the sale be prohibited or not. So many will be found who will have, if possible to be obtained, spirituous liquors, and others will be found sufficiently sordid and reckless to furnish it; yet when the good effects of a prohibitory law shall have been affirmed by time and experience, and when no selfish purposes are to be attained by misrepresenting its provisions, its objects or its friends, there is reason to believe the law will be as efficacious in suppressing intemperance, and will meet with as much favor from a virtuous community, as its most ardent friends could hope for, or anticipate."

#### *And with Good Effect.*

"That the sale of spirituous liquors has greatly diminished since the act took effect, is plainly visible, and this fact is freely conceded by most candid men, whether they approve of its objects and provisions or not.—Those engaged in the illegal trade dare not expose it openly, but sell it in the darkness of midnight. It is very evident to all, and it is next to an impossibility to be otherwise, that sales must be extremely limited in number and quantity where the traffic must be carried on in dark holes and loathsome dens, where men tremblingly feel their way and where the light of day is not admitted to witness the transaction or countenance the offence."

#### *Must End in Entire Prohibition.*

"If there is to be any restraining law, any law to prevent an unlimited sale, the present law is as mild and liberal as an efficient law can be. The license system has ever proved and everywhere proves only a special privilege to a favored few—an unlimited sale by a

licensed class, a legalized method of encouraging intemperance with all its train of acknowledged evils. The result of the controversy will and must end in an entire prohibition, or a free, unlimited sale. I cannot believe any respectable portion of the community are yet prepared to adopt the latter alternative. The law of the former has not been in operation a sufficient time to test its effect and expediency in all its minute provisions. I trust it may be permitted to stand until it shall have had a fair trial, and then, if it be found not to answer the objects designed, and meet the expectations of the people, it will be in season to amend or repeal it."

NOVEL ADVERTISEMENT.—The wholesale and retail dealers in, and manufacturers of, whisky, wine, lager beer, etc., in Cincinnati, take this opportunity of informing their friends and the public, that they continue the trade of making drunkards, bankrupts, beggars, thieves, and murderers, at short notice and very low prices. They return their thanks to their numerous customers for the extensive patronage they now receive; and they hope that the many proofs that are to be found of their success in the above line of business, will secure to them the increased support of all. They bring themselves under obligation to send more children to the House of Refuge, more vagrants and criminals to the Police Court, more victims to the gallows and graveyards, than all other citizens combined. For their fidelity and success in business, reference is hereby given to his Honor, the Mayor of the city, Judge Pruden of the Police Court, the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Hamilton county, Prosecuting Attorney Joseph Cox, Esq., the members of the Grand Jury, the keepers of the Jail, Lunatic Asylum, city and county Infirmary, the Rev Horace Busnell, City Missionary, and the police of the city generally. They are constantly receiving new supplies of whisky, brandy, gin, catawba, lager beer, etc., which they sell by the glass, bottle, keg, barrel, or hoghead, to suit their customers.—Many of us are supplied with billiards, cards, dice, etc., and encourage horse-racing, gaming, fighting, swearing, and other similar entertainments. For the special accommodation of young men who are piously inclined, we have Sunday lunches, turtle soup, etc., during the hours of divine service. There are generally located in our neighborhoods houses of infamy for the convenience of our customers, in reference to which information can be had at the bar. All who wish to take the road to hell, leading down to the chambers of eternal death, are requested to call, as we can supply them with experienced guides.

N.B.—Temperance fanatics, ministers of the Gospel, and decent people generally, are respectfully requested to keep at a proper distance, as we are opposed to all infringements on private rights and the Constitution.

From the St. John N. B. Temp. Telegraph.

#### "THREE CHEERS FOR MAINE!"

A very unfair attempt has been made to suppress the glorious fact that the recent election in Maine, resulted in a splendid Prohibitory Law triumph.

The last *Prohibitionist* contains the following letter from the Hon. NEAL Dow, which we copy together with the