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TORONTO, FRIDAY, PEBRUARY 1818, 1888

HALTON county votes on the repeal of the Scott Act on March lat, A large number of our papers are going into that county. We therefore feel certain that none of our readers will object to our giving a good deal of space in this issue to matter having

" Watchman, what of the night? 'A host with banners bright March forth to meet the foe, The line of the advance Meets vice and ignorance, With victory in the blow. The light reveals the coming day

sach, for \$4 per thousand. Special arrangements may also be made GOD'S PROVIDENCE. USE THAT for mailing single copies from this office PRIVILEGE IN GOD'S SERVICE.

When temperance shall bear the away,""

ELECTORS OF HALTON

Tuz Dominion of Canada is watching you to-day. The liquor traffic is looking on with eagerness and anxiety, knowing option in the Dominion of Canada is an that the defeat of repeal in Halton will be little short of a death-blow, while a success for liquor in your county would open the door to repeal in many other places. We have confidence that on March 1st you will "let your light shine before men." Set our country a noble example by giving, in favor of the Scott PLEASE READ THIS! Act, a majority greater even that which it was last time austained. Act, a majority greater even than that by

VOTE for the SCOTT ACT ON MARCH 1st.

A WORD OF WARNING. WE believe that Halton will never go confidence that the Scott Act will be ausearnestly desire to impress upon our friends the fact that it may be lost through indifference. It may be that one unpolled vote would change the situation, and leave the liquor party nominally victorious, through a majority of votes, although a majority of electors was opposed to them. Moreover, the Scott Act will be judged in many places by Halton's verdict-that is, by the extent of the majority recorded again t repeal Your victory must be as complete as it can possibly be made, and there is not a vote that should be polled for the Scott Act that can be left out of that majority with-

Mark your ballot AGAINST THE PETITION, against the traffic that curses and kills.

out detriment to our cause. Let every

rote be polled.

FATHER

REMEMBER that it is possible, that if the Scott Act is repealed on March lat. your own boy may become a drunkard through a licensed liquor-traffic. Your vote counts one in this matter. Are you willing to shoulder the responsibility of rain in the way of your own boy. Think of it i Ponder the question! Will you vote to sustain the Scott Act to make God help you to do right !

\mathbf{VOTE}

Against the Petition and for the eighteen counties and cities. In Nova Country and your Home. People. Against the Bar-room and for the Boys. For God and Happinees and Home.

For God and Home and Country-VOTE AGAINST the PETI-TION.

THE FORM OF BALLOT.

Tire time for action has come. The battle for God, and Home, and Country, is at our doors. The ballot is about to be placed in the electors' bands, and right or wrong is about to win a victory at the polls. The utmost care should be taken that no mistake is made by our friends. The Anti-Scott-Act party have petitioned for the repeal of the Scott Act, and the vote will be taken upon their request. Those who vote "for the petition" in the repeal contest, vote for the Auti-Scott-Act party... for the liquor-traffic, and against the Act which is now in operation. These who oppeds a return to the license system, and who want to stand by the law for the suppression of the drink traffic, will vote ' against the petition."

MARK YOUR BALLOT THUS

FOR THE PETITION. AGAINST THE PRTITION.

Place a cross in the lower space of the ballot paper, opposite the words "Auxtyst THE PETITION, and be careful to make no other mark on the ballot paper."

The Scott Act has never been repealed.

LET NOT HALTON BREAK THE RECORD.

VOTE FOR THE SCOTT ACT.

IT KEEPS DOWN DRINKING.

The Latest Official Figures.

THE Dominion Government Inland Revenue report for the year ending June 30th, 1887, contains some remarkable figures, which are of incalculable value, as showing that the working of local immense success, viewed from the standconsumption of liquor. Taking Canada altogether, it is safe to say that threefourths of our territory, and probably twothirds of our population are under prohibition, and to-day our annual consump tion of strong drink is less than four galloss per head of our population. In the United States the amount consumed per capita is over twelve gallons, and in Great Britain it is upwards of thirty gallous.

Further, a little examination shows the way through, the amount of drink orders,-[Lord Stanhope] consumed is proportionate to the extent of territory that is under prohibition, back upon her record. We have strong going gradually down from British Columbia, in which the Scott Act has not yet tained by a good majority. But, we would been tried, and where heense laws are extremely lax, down to Prince Edward Island, where the Scott Act is in operation over the whole Province: British Columbia's consumption of drink is over eight Majority for repeal in the two towns of Milton and Oakville. consumption is less than three-fourths of Majority against repeal in the town a gallon. The Scott Act works.

The following table, showing the per capita consumption for the year ending June 30th, 1887, will make this point very clear. It must be borne in mind that a large portion of Quebec is under prohibition through a Provincial Act, which gives municipalities the power to suppress the retail sale of liquor within their reapoctive limits.

GALLONS OF LIQUOR CONSUMED PER CAPITA

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During the year the Scott Act was not in operation in any part of British Columbis. It was in force in twenty-seven out voting to put a legalized temptation to of forty-nine cities and countries in Ontario, not including however any large cities. A large portion of Quebec was under local prohibition. The South Act your county a safer place for your boys? had been carried, but was inoperative in a large portion of Manitoba; all the Northwest Territories were, however, under prohibition The Scott Act was the law in ten or of New Brunswick's Do all you can for your God, your Scotis it was in force in twelve out of nineteen counties and cities. It was in operation over the whole Province of Prince Edward Island.

ELECTORS OF HALTON!

You are standing face to face with a duty and a responsibility that you cannot evade. Seven years ago you voted for the outlawry of strong drink in your county. Over three years since you declared yourselves again in favor of the principle of probibition and on the side of humanity and home, by a majority more than double ! that by which the Scott Act was first car-

Stimulated by your noble example wenty-four other counties and two cities in this province have declared themselves on the right side of the greatest question of the age. Another contest is upon you. Your county is looked upon as a pisotal point in the terrible atruggle that the liquor-trafile is making to secure the ground it has lost in our fair Dominion. You are voting for your homes-for the reputation of your county-for a cause that is noble and holy, - but, remember, you are voting in a certain extent for the Province of Ontario and for the Dominion Canada.

Against you are arrayed the forces that have cursed our country in the days gone by -the torces that have fought against order and law in every part of our fair Dominion-the forces that have resorted to incendiarism, assassination and brutalities of every description. It matters not that good men have been misled into supporting the fiquor-traffic. Their alliance does not alter the character of that traffic one whit. All that has been charged against it in the Word of God, in the deliverances of every branch of the Christian church, are true.

You are not asked to vote the liquortraffic out of the county at this time; you are simply maked to vote against its attempt to obtain a foothold in territory upon which it has been forbidden by law to operate. It is fighting for the right to legally debauch your boys and ruin your homes. Let nothing induce you to do anything else than the utmost in your power to defeat this awful conspiracy. Let no vote be left unpolled.

A fair majority in this contest will not be enough. Halton led in the great campaign of 1881. Halton was at the front in the tremendous contest during the winter of 1884-5. Halton has been chosen again as the scene of the opening of another desperate struggle between the powers of good and the powers of evil. point of its effectiveness in preventing the God help the electors of Halton to do their duty and come manfully up once again "to the help of the Lord against the

I claim, as a citizen, the right to legislate whenever my rights are invaded by the social acts of others. If anything invades my social rights, certainly the traffic in strong drink does. It destroys my primary right to security by constantthat, taking our different provinces, all ly creating and stimulating social dis-

How the Halton Farmers Vote.

THE following analysis of the last repeal vote in Halton shows that the farmers of that county are overwhelmingly in favor of the Scott Act :-Total majority against repeal. ...

ships and tillages only 300

But this is not all. An extensive brewery has for the last twenty or thirty years been operated by Messrs. Brain Bros., who have all that time supplied to the neighboring farmers of Esquesing and Trafalgar a home barley-market, and who have always been respected as good neigh bors and fair-dealing husiness men This brewery lies in the south corner of the Norval polling sub-division, north of Drumquin, and west of Ligny The re-peal majorities in these three politics places amounted to 116, and may be fairly left out of the reckoning, as being rather an expression of kindly feeling towards the Brain Broat, than of disastisaction with the Act. The verdict of the rest of the county may then be arrived at as fol-

Majorities all over against repeal-in Milton and Oakville for repeal. in Norval, Dromquin, and 120 Ligny for repeal 116

Majority in remainder of county

"Your money or your life" is the threat of the highwayman. "Your money and your life" is the demand And the lips that should glad hosannas of the saloon-keeper.

This is no time for dodging.

VOTE AGAINST THE PETITION AND AGAINST THE SALOON.

YOTE FOR THE SCOTT ACT, BY YOTHWE AGAINST THE PETITION.

' We come to take the Outlaw's flag That holds us in derision, And plant on every tower and craz Our Banner "Prohibition." Come on, brave boys, and look not back, Your deels shall live in atory ; Keep watch I the victor on his track Will bring our new-born glory."

REMEMBER YOUR LITTLE ONES WHEN YOU STAND BY THE BALLOT

> " The voice of the conscience Is bidding us come, We'll fly to the rescue Of home against rum; We'll gird on our armor, Well march to the fight, And see the glad victory, Wrong conquered by right,

> > Home, home, dear, dear home, Come to the rescue Of every loved home."

"The struggle between the church, school and library on the one side. and the liquor traffic on the other, is one phase of the warfare between heaven and hell-[Class. Buxton, M.P.]

Meet the Issue.

MEET it with the sword of truth, Meet it with the strength of youth ; Smite it with the ballot-box, As the lightning emitor the rocks.

Meet the mighty issue r.ow: Lay the mighty giant low; Match his weapons, face his frown, Bring the great Goliath down.

Let the sad days shortened be, End the dreadful agony; Stay a nation's flowing tears, Usher in the happier years.

Meet the issue fair and square, Braver be to do and dare: Cavaliers, with martyr blood, Meet it in the truce of God,

Hasten ye, no longer wait; Lo, the foe is at the gate ! And these hours of dread delay Brook dusaster and dismay.

Ye who now are young and strong, Yours to lead the hosts along; Guard the citadel of State, Rout the foe, and conquer fate.

Then from city and from town Rise and hunt the evil down : Whip the rum hordes anyhow, Meet the issue-meet it now. -A. Parke Burgess, D.D.

VOTE FOR WHAT YOU PRAY FOR.

An Appeal to Christians.

"So then every one of us shall give account of himself to Got."-Itom. 14. 12.

Your vote is a trust that God has given, lts record is taken up in heaven. As well as on earth below; We sing of angels hovering round, Urseen at our side they are ever found, Their deep eyes watch us now,

No spot or stain on their white wings fair, They watch as they sweep through our tainted air-

Shall they carry the news to heaven, That one Christian man has his trust be-

His guardian angel would shrink dismayed As the traiter vote was given.

Will you vote to open the bar-room door! Will you vote to increase its master a store? Will you vote for crime and woo ! Will you vote that the liquor may freely flow t

Till, instead of God's kingdom here below, Hell's kingdom on carth may grow.

Will you vote that your child on the village street, The drunkard's staggering form shall recet,

And his filthy ravings hear ! Till an oath shall soom a familiar thing, aing.

Speak words that defile the ear.

Will you vote that the tempters shall be-

And entice your boys to the evil way, That leads where the lost abide? Nay I God forbid ! In His name we pray, Destroy them not with your vote to-day For whom the Saviour died.

-8. R. G.