

# REV. R. G. FULTON GIVES IMPORTANT INTERVIEW ON WORKING OF GOVERNMENT CONTROL VS PROHIBITION

## W. C. T. U. And So Called Reformers Severely Criticised.



By JAMES MARTIN MILLER. District President Fulton was attacked savagely from many of the pulpits of certain of the Protestant churches, but not from the pulpits of the Anglican, Catholic and a few other churches. The local newspapers made no attacks upon Mr. Fulton, but printed without comment the bitter words of certain preachers who denounced him from their pulpits. While the excitement within certain church circles has died down considerably, the radical preachers and some of the church members are still very critical of Dr. Fulton, recent pastor of the large and aristocratic Centenary Methodist Church (now United Church) of Saint John, N.B., at a salary of \$4,200 a year. Mr. Alfred M. Peters, manager of the Bank of Montreal, is an official member of Centenary Church and his Sunday School superintendent, Mr. Peters said:

"Dr. Fulton has far more friends, who are sympathetic with his views on prohibition, and as the head of the Government's liquor selling, and controlling agencies, than most of the radical prohibitionists imagine. Premier Baxter was wise in selecting such an upstanding and extremely able man of the highest character to head the Liquor Control branch of the Government, as Dr. Fulton. Some of the extremists among the preachers expressed themselves as believing that the proper man for the position was some characterless bootlegger or smuggler," said Mr. Peters.

### RESIGNED CHURCH POST.

Last year he resigned as minister to become Chairman of the Liquor Control Board of New Brunswick. Although he resigned from the ministry, he still retains his parchment as an ordained minister of the Gospel, but now worships, with his family, as a lay member of one of the churches of his denomination, here in Fredericton, the capital city of New Brunswick.

"I happen to know the well thought out reasons which induced Mr. Fulton to take the Chairmanship of the Government Liquor Control Board. He, as well as all of us, have witnessed, during our eleven years of the prohibition law, the things it has failed to do which its proponents promised it would accomplish, and the viciousness and lawlessness it has brought about, with a few exceptions, in the liquor business, taxes free, in the hands of the smugglers and the bootleggers and the underworld of criminals co-laboring with them.

### IN WOLF'S CLOTHING.

"I went away from him quietly because I was speechless. I said to my wife and church associates: 'Here is the eloquent and forceful Reverend Fulton, whom we so long thought was serving his Master's call, and the church so well, who has gone astray and put on the vicious wolf's clothing. We have always taken pride in calling our Province and Canada a Christian country, that has now gone into the accused liquor business, given it legal sanction, and has bribed the flower of our Christian ministry, to be the arch devil of this wicked traffic.'

"Religious circles throughout the Maritime Provinces, the New England of Canada, were dazed and stunned by Dr. Fulton's act, and some of us haven't gotten over it yet. It is the worst calamity the Church and the Christian people of this country have ever encountered," said this preacher and ardent prohibitionist.

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"I am heartily with Dr. Fulton as are many church people, in his stand for real temperance. Some of the preachers, however, I regret to say, oppose and condemn him. Only the fanatics who seem to believe that every man who opposes the principle of prohibition because, in fact, he is a drunkard, regardless of the truth, made a furious noise when Dr. Fulton took this step and some of them are still talking, much to the disgust of a large proportion of the church membership who still try to put up with it and await a better day for the church.

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gotten into our churches—our temples for the worship of God. And I fear many church heads, and some in the congregations, have been worshipping prohibition more than God. Many of them permitted professional reformers and political adventurers to occupy their pulpits and capitalize the prohibition zeal of the splendid people in the pews for their political devices. A large percentage of these office seekers, after the church vote, were political drys and personal wets; they were drinking intoxicants, getting possession of liquor illegally and were more despicable than the bootlegger who sold the liquor to them. I have witnessed the religious services and worship set aside to accommodate some politician or professional reformer. Besides prohibition had become the paramount issue of the day, and political issues. Prohibition has no place in politics but it was there, and left little time to the law makers and the Government to take care of necessary and vital issues, and the normal functions of Government."

"I wanted to be a humble instrument in enforcing the new liquor control and regulatory law, and thus stamp out the lawless bootlegger and smuggler, and take the financial and political power that prohibition had given him and the criminal underworld he had created under prohibition, away from him; his Church to a pastorate at Halifax and Nova Scotia. So it will be seen that Dr. Fulton made a close study of prohibition in all its complexities, from a close-up inside. He came to realize, as he expressed himself to me, that the only way to handle the liquor problem was through the Provincial Government liquor control and regulation, by the Government.

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beer or several cases at one purchase. This is done openly and publicly. Those who resell or whose families cannot afford it, or those known to have been intoxicated are cut off from making purchases. Jail sentences are certain for those having legal possession of liquor. Purchases must be made from the Government Liquor Stores of which we now have 34. Others are opened up gradually in districts that ask for them.

My two associates on the Commission are Mr. E. R. Teed, who is an active member of my own church and Mr. F. J. Robidoux, a leading barrister and our legal adviser, the Roman Catholic. All the men employed at the liquor stores are respectable church members. Two-thirds of them are Protestants and one-third Roman Catholics. Our liquor business is conducted by men of character, however humble their position. Our employees are not permitted to drink in the stores, but are granted the right, as other citizens, to make purchases to take home with them. But we will not tolerate any excessive drinking. Some of the extremists among the preachers attempted to discipline and have expelled from the church, their members who accepted positions in our liquor stores, but did not get very far with their threats.

"It was a surprise to jump from the Christian ministry into this position. Friends of a lifetime have become alienated and I have been threatened with social ostracism. I have given up preaching, of course, but am still a member of the church, and wish to help my family through the church of my denomination here. Some of the radicals in the conference demanded that I be expelled as a church member.

"As to the Women's Christian Temperance Union I will say this: 'The ladies making up the membership of that organization are for the most part, spiritless and ideal women, who have long been associated with them and closely observed their work, and have only the kindest feeling for them and high consideration for their sincerity as individuals. However, the W.C.T.U. today number an elderly and middle-aged women, mostly old ladies, and are not being recruited by the younger women. These good ladies of the W.C.T.U. have fought the cigarette and tobacco, as well as John Barleycorn for these many years. Some of them have not been able to save their own daughters from smoking cigarettes, and their own sons, brothers, and husbands from drinking bootleg whiskey. Cigarette consumption on the part of girls and women has become a national disgrace in Canada. We are now providing smoking apartments for women as well as men, in their passenger coaches. We all remember how vigorously and persistently the W.C.T.U. fought the cigarette and demanded cigarette prohibition laws. Indeed some states passed anti-cigarette laws at the behest of the W.C.T.U. These laws were exactly the same kind of a farce that the liquor prohibition laws have passed themselves to be, to all reasonable people.

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"The churches, I fear, have laid themselves open in unjust criticism on the part of unbelieving critics, who claim the churches have failed and 'admit failure' in their pronounced work of salvation, through the religion of Christ; in their resort to the Civil law to force people to be good and have habits that are arbitrarily approved by the radical and arrogant reformers.

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in effect, with the lowest criminal classes in the frantic efforts of both to keep the farcical prohibition law on the statute books, the one honest and sincere, with good motives, but the other corrupt and vicious, thinking only of the money they make.

Many preachers and reformers are mistakenly trying to deal with mankind as they think mankind ought to be instead of with mankind as it is. These sentimentalists have shaped up in their imaginations a rigid mold for human conduct that every man and woman must be made to fit into as to their habits and ordinary conduct, whether they want to or not. And we all know, if we are practical, that humans resist this intrusion into their personal affairs and rebel vigorously against it.

"The spirit of the Holy Scriptures and of Christ's many examples, is to deal with mankind (free moral agents) as mankind is and to lead men (not drive them) to 'Follow Me.'

"The vigorous antagonism of the Prohibition forces to Government Liquor Control is the basis of the Act bringing into existence official recognition of the liquor traffic is not unlike the controversy which exists in the church concerning Modernism and Fundamentalism. The churchman recognizes the existence of sin, but the churchman who is a Modernist says Education and Scientific teaching is the solution—it is salvation by Social Evolution and Education. The Fundamentalist, on the other hand, says salvation can only be brought about by renunciation and the acceptance of time-honored creeds in their plenary statement, and the struggle has not ceased.

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In proportion to population Sao Paulo leads all Brazilian cities in its expenditures for education.

Patented by an Illinois man, a motor vehicle tire is made of spring steel and has a renewable rubber tread.

English manufacturers have produced theatre seats, table tops and some other articles of furniture from rubber.

Lead pencils of any length can be inserted in one leg of compasses for draftsman patented by a Maine inventor.

A Russian scientist claims to have transmitted thought by capturing electromagnetic waves emitted from persons.

A San Francisco inventor has patented a flatiron as wide as an ironing board and which does not need to be lifted.

An electric flashlight and memorandum pad that can be carried in a pocket have been combined by an English inventor.

An Iowa man has invented a machine for home use for smoothing dents from fruit jar covers to insure airtight joints.

The first factory in Czechoslovakia for the manufacture of matches and wrist watches has been established in Prague.

Oil and gas burners that may be used together or separately are included in a furnace patented by a Los Angeles man.

The government of Bolivia has opened its private wireless telegraph stations to the public to facilitate communication.

A metal sleeve has been patented by an Idaho inventor to protect poles from decay below ground and from grass fires above.

A government concession has been granted in Egypt to a company that plans to educate natives by the use of motion pictures.

Patented by a Tennessee inventor, a support for highway guard cables prevents vehicles striking posts on which they are mounted.

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