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K. D. O. What is it?

THE SCOTT ACT.

Its Place in the History of Canadian Temperance Reform.

[The following notice accounts for what follows.—At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Epworth League, held Friday morning, it was resolved that Mr. B. D. Higgs, editor of THE GUARDIAN, be requested to publish his paper on "The Scott Act," read before this Society on Monday evening, and that 1,000 copies be secured for free distribution in the city.—H. D. JOHNSON, M. D., Sec'y.]
I have endeavored, under great pressure, in moments snatched here and there from a busy week, to prepare a paper on the Scott Act and its place in the history of Canadian Temperance Reform. The importance of the subject no one will question, and I feel sure that in its discussion I will have the sympathy of all good Methodists, who will agree with me in saying that the Scott Act should be thoroughly understood by the members of a Church, whose highest parliament has unhesitatingly declared that it is the imperative duty of all its adherents to support that measure until more advanced temperance legislation is secured; and that conference has gone farther and expressed the conviction that it is impossible to license the liquor traffic without sin.

A DEVASTATING SCOURGE.

At any rate, I may surely take it for granted that everybody here present considers that intoxicating drinks have no right and were never intended to be on man's bill of fare, or to be the means of his living; in short, that the world would be better without them and that, therefore, we should strive after prohibition. The highest authorities can be quoted in support of this position. The queen's physician declares intoxicating liquor to be poisonous. Gladstone says it has been more devastating than the three historic scourges of war, famine and pestilence. General Wolsey laments its use, and describes the licensed taverns as "earthly hells;" even Lord Randolph Churchill, the man of politics and the club room, denounces the liquor traffic as a "devilish business;" and Sam Small ends up in plaintive tones: "30,000 a year, tramp, tramp, tramp, the boys are marching to a drunkard's grave." What then shall we say of the moderate drinker? We cannot say he is immortal; but we do say, that knowing all this, his example is anything but Christ like. Neither would we say that the moderate drinkers will not go to Heaven; but nevertheless somebody has said that the sooner they all go there the better.

WHY IT IS USED.

But why then has this alcohol become such a staple article with so many all the world over? For the same reason, I doubt, as that which made our great parents turn in ungrateful dissatisfaction from everything and more than was useful for their enjoyment, to pluck "The fruit of that forbidden tree, Whose mortal taste brought death into the world and all our woe."

COULD ANYTHING BE MORE TYPICAL OF THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC!

Unsatisfied with nature's provision, man turned to its poisons, and all through the centuries the habit has been growing on him. Every generation of habitual liquor drinkers, even the moderate, has transmitted to his posterity a craving to their descendants. The chain has been growing stronger, the rivers firmer, and now there stands in what otherwise would be a veritable Eden, a mammoth poisonous *Uvas tree*—a tree whose fruit the voice of God speaking through his universal Church in tones both loud and clear, condemns as the fruit in the midst of the Garden that man shall not eat, neither touch lest he die—the fruit of "the forbidden tree of modern History." And yet men say we are fanatics, and would deprive them of a gift of God.

THE REVIVAL OF 1874-5.

It was about the years 1874 and 1875 that the people of Canada began to count in earnest the cost of licensed saloons. Those years were remarkable for a revival of temperance reform. A revival seems to have swept over the Dominion. Down here in these Maritime Provinces, license in every shape and form had been tried, and it only showed that license high or low is practically free run. The people were aroused to the evil, and their responsibility in the matter as never before, and the consequence was that when parliament met at Ottawa in 1874, they were confronted by a pile of nearly 1,000 petitions, representing over 600,000 electors of Canada, praying for a prohibitory liquor law. Of those petitions, 147 were from municipal councils, and 9 from other representative bodies, including the Legislative Assembly of Ontario. Prince Edward Island sent 43 petitions. It is said that no instance is recorded in history where petitions signed by such a large proportion of the electors was ever presented in a British Parliament. To such an overwhelming expression of public opinion the Legislature could only bow in obedience, and accordingly a committee of the Senate was at once appointed, and to them were referred the petitions.

WHY THE ACT SHOULD BE SUPPORTED.

I. Local option is the natural step between high license and prohibition. This the liquor dealers, wiser often than the children of light, realize, and hence their determined opposition. We need the experience of the Scott Act is giving us to prepare us for the next step. Even when prohibition comes it will not be completely successful in a day. A struggle will even then be necessary. But the Scott Act is the messenger preparing its way and making its path straight, and our great aim should be to prevent the *Horde* of the liquor traffic from turning off its head until its work is done. Even if there were nothing else to urge in its behalf, surely this one reason is sufficient.
II. The Scott Act releases us from all responsibility in the traffic. We are no longer sharing its profits, we no longer authorize the sale of liquor with all its terrible consequences. The public has its own business as the curse of God has ever been, and our laws as well as our voices tell the rising generation that to enter a saloon is to dishonor all that is true and manly. We no longer act the Judas to our fellow-men and allow the liquor dealers to betray them for their pieces of silver. If it must needs be that liquor be sold, let the man who sells it be responsible for the consequences.

when the earnest attention of the legislature should be given to this important subject with the view of discovering and applying

THE BEST REMEDY
for the gigantic evil which is such a blight upon the fair prospects of our young Dominion. They therefore recommended that steps be taken to test by official investigation the several systems in existence, and to find out how far prohibition in the American States had been effective for the suppression of intemperance. In accordance with this recommendation a delegation of two, one an anti-prohibitionist, was sent across the border during the recess of Parliament. At the best session their report was presented. It was highly favorable as to the good results attending Prohibitory Laws. Canada, already affirmed its power to prohibit by a stringent prohibitory law in the Northwest, and in view of the facts brought to their notice the Senate of experienced statesmen considered it just and expedient that the prayer of the petitioners should be granted.

SENATOR SCOTT.

The gentleman to whom was entrusted the preparation of a bill was Senator Scott, the then Secretary of State, a gentleman of Irish parentage, a native of Ontario, a Roman Catholic by faith, and a lawyer by profession. Mr. Scott and his colleagues, however, did not think it possible to prohibit the sale of liquor, manufacture and importation of intoxicating liquor. Parliament was not prepared to prohibit totally, but they would allow the people to prohibit the sale of liquor themselves. Accordingly a measure since known as the Scott Act was introduced. It is based on the principle of local option. At this time liquor-law in existence in Canada was the *Dunkin Act*, a local option law, which was applicable only to the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario. On this Act was framed the Scott Act. In fact the Canada Temperance Act of 1878 is really an enlargement of the old *Dunkin Act*, which measure had many defects from which the Scott Act is free. The machinery for ascertaining the opinions of the people was controlled by the Municipal authorities who often threw obstacles in the way; the measure was open and somewhat extended only to 12 or 14 days, there was a clause permitting the sale of liquor in 5 gallon lots, and yet defective as it was, it showed clearly that such a law in the hands of faithful enforcers, was a great advance on license. The Mayor of Naperville, on writing of its effects there said: "12 or 14 days in jail, except one—a lunatic—no fights, no quarrels, no arrests; we have no municipal law better kept than this."

IN THE SCOTT ACT.

new principles were embodied. Its adoption is determined by plebiscite; the election can only be brought about by petition of one-fourth of the electors, and the vote is by ballot and the law totally prohibits the sale of liquor for consumption in the municipality where in force except for medicinal purposes, etc. The wholesale and retail sale in quantities of not less than 10 gallons and only for consumption outside the locality where the law exists. This was admitted to be a great advance on the *Dunkin Act*, but still nobody expected that it would be entirely prohibitive. Senator Scott said: "I have no doubt you can entirely control the drinking us gas of society by prohibitory laws. People must be educated to correct views on the subject before they can be kept sober. But you can remove temptation from a considerable number of persons who will not yield to vice unless temptation is placed before them. It is because he thought there were counties where prohibitory laws could not be enforced and others where they would. "Success or non-success," said he, "depends upon the people." Judging from the public sentiment shown in the petitions from this Island, our parliament had a right to expect its success here.

PREMIER MCKENZIE'S OPINION.

Mr. McKenzie, the then Premier, expressed the hope that with efficient inspection and control of the sale of liquor and punishing the engaged in the illegal traffic the law might fairly be carried out. "We should be able, in some way or other," said he, "to check the torrent of intoxication which for many years has been increasing and pouring in an unlimited stream on this land." Who can deny that the Scott Act has done far more than check the increase of that torrent! If it had done nothing more it would deserve our gratitude. Before the passage of this Act we had been merely lapping off by license the twigs and branches of the poisonous *Uvas tree*; by the Scott Act we cut down all but the stump, and the spurs that will spring up from that stump in the form of illicit taverns will disappear before the stamping machine of Prohibition. True, in some places the Scott Act has been repealed, but with disastrous results, while in some places, notably Fredericton, N. B., though fiercely assailed, it has been carried four times.

LET ME NOW INDICATE BRIEFLY A FEW REASONS.

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