

The Scott Act in Ontario.

A MOVEMENT TO POLL THE COUNTY COUNCILS OF THE PROVINCE ON THE PROHIBITION ISSUE.

The Carleton County Scott Act Association has decided to take steps to thoroughly reorganize the temperance forces in the county to defeat the petition for a repeal of the Scott Act.

A good opportunity will be afforded this session to test prohibition sentiment in the House if that is thought advisable. The county council of Oxford, Ont., is at the head of a movement to poll the county councils of the province on the prohibition issue.

The only strength in liquor is that which is imparted to it by the grain of which it is made. The average price of barley is only 90 cents per bushel including the cost of interest and storage.

What Does It.

High License is the one defect in the working of the Philadelphia Brooks law. It is the power to prohibit that the law gives the judges, the barring out all applicants who are not American citizens, etc.—these Prohibitory features have cut down the saloons and done the good work the law has wrought, and done it in spite of, not by the help of, the High License feature.

Nova Scotia News.

Amherst Division, No. 182, intend celebrating their 26th anniversary on Wednesday next, Feb. 5th, by a Mass Temperance Meeting in the Y. M. C. A. Hall.

The annual meeting of the N. S. Branch Dominion Alliance will be held in Halifax, on Tuesday, Feb. 12th, commencing at 2 p. m. All Provincial bodies, County Alliances, and local temperance Societies are invited to send delegates.

Grand Division of Nova Scotia.

The annual meeting of the Annapolis county district division of the sons of temperance took place at Bridgetown on the 15th inst. There was quite a gathering of the representative temperance men of the county present, and nearly all showed in their expression of devotion to the cause, and in their practical work before and during the session, that

the good cause is in a healthy condition in the county. Election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows;

E H Armstrong, D W P; J R Elliott, D W A; O T Daniels, D Scribe; L W Elliott, D Treas; N V Vroom, D Chap; Richard Kay, D Con; Fellows, D Sent;

The next meeting will be held at Middleton.

Fire at Dorn Ridge.

On Sunday morning, 20th inst., a fire broke out in Hiram Haines' house, at Dorn Ridge, and completely destroyed it with all the furniture, bedding, and clothing of the inmates, the family barely escaping with their lives.

The family are left in absolute need, with the husband incapable for work. They are now living in a cold unfurnished house and sleeping on the floors is telling seriously on the health of the family.

This is an opportunity for practical well-deserved, hearty giving. Friends who will assist are requested to leave their gifts at the REPORTER office, and we will see that they are promptly forwarded to the afflicted family.

Grand Division of New Jersey.

Annual session of Grand Division of N. J. met in Trenton, on 23d inst. The reports of the officers show a very gratifying increase in membership during the year.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted in the choice of Rev. A G Van Aken, of New Brunswick for G W P; Mrs. M Vickery, of New Brunswick G W A; Henry B Howell, Trenton, G Scribe; Wm. Robbins Trenton, G Treasurer; P G W P, J H Hoagland New Brunswick, G Chaplain; Chas R Munn Newark, G Conductor; Mrs G Rittenhouse Plainfield, G Sentinel.

Bro. Van Aken, is now entering his third term in the office of G W P and the present prosperity of the order in New Jersey is due very largely to his efforts in that position. P G W P Hoagland is one of his able lieutenants.—Quill

Internal Revenue Taxation.

The National Temperance Society has just published a pamphlet with above title, by Wm. H. Armstrong, Esq., for many years Assistant Solicitor of Internal Revenue at Washington. It is the most comprehensive and thorough presentation of the subject of Internal Revenue liquor taxation yet made by any one.

It gives extracts of approval from Hon. Neal Dow, ex-Justice Strong, Hon. John Sherman, Hon. J. J. Ingalls, Hon. L. C. Miller, John R. C. Pitman, Rev. Dr. R. S. Storrs, Rev. Dr. Howard Crosby, Rev. Dr. T. L. Cuyler, and others. 12 mo, 62 pages. Price only ten cents.

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Temperance News and Notes.

There are 93,000,060 gallons of whisky "in sight."

San Francisco, California, has 277 groceries with bars attached.

There are 136,000 drink-sellers in Belgium, or one for every ten families.

Nellie Reynolds, four years old, died recently at New York from alcoholism.

Dr. Tanner, the fasting man, issues a challenge to any six of the "giants of wine, beer and whisky" to meet him in a fasting contest, they to have all the liquor they want and he to have only water.

The Missouri Alliance, a non-political organization, has prepared for presentation to the Legislature a stringent excise measure, to more effectively restrain and control the liquor traffic.

A Cruel Custom.

Our city is full of men young and old who pride themselves in keeping good horses and in taking the best care of them. However if we believe the statements of leading veterinary surgeons, many of our citizens, unwittingly no doubt, are subjecting their noble animals to cruel treatment by the almost universal custom of using the over-draw check-rein.

"I think nothing can be more absurd than check-reins. They are against reason altogether. They place the animal in a false position. The horse stands with a check-rein exactly as a man would stand with a stick under his arms, behind his back, when told to write. It is extremely cruel, also. I have no doubt, if the public could only realize the fact that it throws away a large portion of the horse's power altogether, and is very cruel besides, this rein would be discontinued. It is not only the head that suffers; but from his head to his tail, from his shoulder to his hoof, and over his whole body, he suffers more or less."

It would be just as reasonable to use such an instrument of torture in the case of a man carrying parcels or drawing a hand-cart. It is well known—

"That if a man has a heavy load to push or draw, he lowers his head by bending forward, and throws the weight of his body against, so as to propel, the load, as does the ox or horse under similar circumstances, if permitted.

"If the man's head were tied to a belt around his body, so that he could not bend forward, he would lose the advantage of his weight, and could only pull or push with his muscles; so also with the ox or horse.

"A horse's check-rein should also be so loose as to let him put his head where he wants to when going up hill, and draught horses should never have check-reins."

Iowa, Maine, Kansas and Rhode Island are among the leading States having constitutional prohibition against the sale of liquor.

Francis Murphy, who has been laboring in the temperance field for twelve years, estimates that 14,000,000 persons have signed the pledge under the crusade, and that of these eighty-five per cent. have remained faithful to their vows.

Free whisky, it would appear, is terribly destructive to the mental as well as the moral and physical condition of a nation. It is reported from Norway, that since the removal of the tax on whisky, insanity has increased 50 per cent. and idiocy 150 per cent.

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Orange Hall Portland; Portland, 7; Monday; A. Y. Paterson.
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Gagetown; Queens, 21; Saturday; H. J. DeVeber.
Chatham; Northumberland, 37; Friday; G. Stohart.
St. John; Mariners and Mechanics, 38; Tuesday; John Kinney.
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