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## EDITORIAL

### THE NEW BRUNSWICK LIQUOR CONTROL BILL, AND OUR ATTITUDE TOWARD IT

By Rev. H. C. Archer

Those who were responsible for and instrumental in bringing into existence the above law, which will soon come into force in this province, look upon the temperance people and wonder why they do not give it their hearty support and co-operation. This may be hard to understand by those whose minds are filled with the thought of gain, but one has only to stop and carefully consider the matter, to see that there is only one position for all true temperance people to take.

How can one give their support to a measure which is bound to produce more drinking than we have had for years? The Prohibitory law, which although not as well enforced as it might have been, has accomplished much, as drinking has been almost eliminated in many localities.

It is not our intention here to condemn the Government, which certainly disregarded their pledges made to those who elected them, and forced upon the people of this province the open sale of liquor.

Nor do we wish to condemn the new law before it is put in operation and tested, but the question is, what should be our attitude toward the "Liquor Control Bill" of 1927?

To decide this question, one has only to read our "Church Covenant" as printed in the year-book of 1888 (page 77, Art. 5). This says: "We will not traffic in nor use intoxicating drinks as a beverage, but will use our influence to advance the principles of temperance, to aid in the legal suppression of the liquor traffic, in order that ultimately it may be totally prohibited." The attitude of our people is here clearly defined, for no one thinks for a moment that the open sale of liquor, even under government control, is going to advance the principles of temperance, or aid in the legal suppression of the liquor traffic. The fact is that in all the provinces of the Dominion of Canada which are now under government control, the sale of liquor is increasing each year, and even bootlegging and other forms of illegal sale which the government said would be stopped under the new law, are even increasing.

There is only one remedy for all these evils, and that is "Prohibition."

Let us then as temperance people begin to plan and work for the return of this. We need in the first place a "Temperance Column" in *The King's Highway*. Then let us appoint in all our Sunday schools temperance superintendents who will see that each Temperance Sunday is observed and the temperance lesson taught. The signing of temperance cards in the Sunday school would be another good thing.

Then let our pastors preach a temperance sermon at least once each quarter. Let the subject be taken up at our Quarterly Meetings and kept before the people in every way possible. Through these different channels the evils of intemperance will be taught and the truths of temperance will be instilled into the minds of the youth of the land.

Let us as temperance people give our assistance and full co-operation to the New Brunswick Temperance Alliance, which has stood so firm for temperance principles, and also are not in sympathy in any way with the new law which has been forced upon us in this province.

Later we may have something more to say in reference to the evils of "Government Control." The Board appointed to carry out the law tells us as temperance people that we should at least support the law and help to enforce it against bootlegging, and all who sell outside of the government store.

But personally we see no difference between liquor sold by the bootlegger and that sold over the counter of the government store. It is true that one is breaking the law of the land, while the other is keeping the law, and selling the same kind of liquor, and often to the same party, yet the latter is under the protection of the government.

Both are alike guilty before God, in that they are breaking His law, and must surely give account for so doing.

Let us not be deceived. Stand firm for Prohibition and pray and work that it may soon be brought back again.

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We are now at the closing of our denominational year and in consequence we naturally look back over the past, and as we do so, many thoughts crowd our minds; it seems natural, for we humans to dwell on the failures for they seem to stand out so clearly in our mind. Our successes cannot be measured by us, for we cannot judge by present manifestations, the records of the future will reveal it all. God alone knows how deep are our failures and how high our successes. Our failures, many of them might have been avoided if we had watched more carefully and prayed more earnestly. One thing the Bible enjoins upon us Let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. This covers a wide area. Too many people we fear are merely giving attention to having their emotions stirred, and in consequence are not living the life of faith. Have we continued in well doing by personal evangelism, seeking for others to bring them to Jesus. It seems to us this is the most important of all. A large percentage of so called holiness people have not the passion for souls; something wrong, for in the early church, they went everywhere talking about Jesus. If folk receive the Holy Spirit and keep the fire, there will be this passion continuous, with its expression in well doing.

## LIGHT ON "OLD PATHS," FROM THE MEMOIRS OF "OLD WORTHIES."

Rev. Wm. Bramwell

His gospel ministry continued: Intimate communion with God produces the fruit of deep humility. Although Paul had been "caught up into the third heaven, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter," yet he esteemed himself "less than the least of all saints," and "chief of sinners," still his desires after holiness were intense, and his language to the Phillipians is: "But this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." The manner in which Mr. Bramwell reciprocated these feelings is admirably expressed in the following letters to his friends. To Mr. Drake he writes: "Oh my brother, I am more than ever ashamed of myself! I am mourning before the Lord, longing for a depth of salvation which I have not yet received. I do assure you I am now inwardly in full stretch for heaven. I want the prayers of all. My soul is continually engaged with God. I can tell you I am quite tired with my manner of life, it is so far below my privilege. To be cleansed from sin is a preparation for growth. I want always to be among the company of angels. We certainly are surrounded with this glory, and we may enjoy a very great degree of the Divine Presence. The Lord gives us peace through the circuit. In standing quite still I have once more seen the salvation of God, but not without a struggle in prayer. A work is going on; many have lately been brought to God, both rich and poor. Glory, glory be to God! But we want a greater breaking out through the circuit. Notwithstanding the great peace among the preachers we certainly want, in general, that Spirit which God uses in saving the world. And how can we be the means of the great glory unless we have that Spirit given to us? Mr. T. is walking with God, and Brother E. is striving to follow him in love. I will run after them with all my soul, and seek to do the will of God every day."

To Dr. Taft he writes: "I rejoice in your union and prosperity. I bless the Lord for His goodness to the little flock. He cares for you and will help you. I trust your own soul prospers more and more. There is a work for every day. The Lord waits to impart more of His love, and will give more to the hungry. Oh my brother Taft, give yourself to Him in much prayer and faith; keep yourself as much as possible composed; let not little things dissipate your thoughts; be fixed in God. The world will tempt and seek to draw you; but your work is for God, for heaven, for glory. Oh, run the race, fight the battle, conquer through the blood! I believe you will receive the crown. If you are not called to preach, or exhort, or teach, you are called to live, to pray, to walk with God. Fear not, salvation will come. Wait for all He has to give. Wait to prove His utmost will, and have your heaven about you still. I am seeking the Lord every day. I am sure I grow in grace. This is my labour—to see God and love Him. My union is stronger than when I was with you. I have left all in His hands; I have no care but to please Him; I am dead and my life is hid with Christ in God. I am more dependable than ever, see myself more and more, and can only say, "Yet not I, but