

**Temperance Notes.**

The *Orillia Times* says: Mr. Buchanan's address in the Opera House on Friday evening was a vote-winner for the Liquor Act of 1902.

To refrain from voting on Dec. 4th is a vote for the continuance of the liquor business. You vote whether you go to the poll or not, and escape from responsibility is impossible.

The *Liberator* says: "The cartoon tract, which presents Prof. Goldwin Smith's telling indictment of the saloon, is the most striking piece of literature issued in this campaign."

Every temperance elector who fails to poll his vote on Dec. 4, is voting most surely for the continuance of the bar-room and the saloon. Make no mistake about it. Votes are absolutely necessary to success.

In view of the nearness of the referendum vote would it not be well for ladies to write to such of their friends and acquaintances as have votes and urge the importance of voting on December 4th. A personal letter has often greater weight than a personal interview.

The Premier of Ontario, Hon. G. W. Ross, has openly asserted that he will vote for prohibition on the referendum on Dec. 4th. He also calls upon all his friends and admirers to do likewise. Let all political and other differences be set aside and let there be an overwhelming vote on Thursday next in the interest of temperance reform.

The *Presbyterian*—"The bar-room has everywhere proved itself a positive enemy to society and to all the social and industrial enterprises of the community. Every dollar spent in the bar-room and the saloon is at the expense of home improvement or of benevolence, or is withdrawn from the capital of legitimate business, and no return is made either in service or in life."

The total vote polled in Bradford for the plebiscite in 1898 was 147. Of this number 102 marked their ballot in favor of prohibition and 45 against, or a majority for prohibition of 57. In West Gwillimbury the majority for prohibition was 145, the vote being:

	For.	Agst.	Maj.
Bond Head	71	14	57
Middleton	65	33	32
Coulson's	63	29	34
Cookstown	45	22	22

The Canadian Baptist rightly says: "If prohibition is carried, the anti-prohibitionist has none of the honors that will rest upon those who won the victory for purity, sobriety and safety. If it is defeated, he will have the shame that belongs to the drink traffic everywhere, and the responsibility, in his own degree, for the results that follow from the traffic that he voted, should continue."

To make victory sure on December 4th it will require the friends of temperance to be exceedingly active during the next few days and every prohibitionist and every friend of the cause must do his own part in this the most important battle ever waged in Ontario. In the plebiscite of 1898, 154,499 affirmative votes were cast in opposition to 115,275 negative ballots. In this plebiscite we require at least 212,723 affirmative votes, or 58,224 more than were given four years ago.

The people of Midland are alive on the temperance question. The ministers of that town have been rendering practical and active service for the past two or three weeks and on Sunday night next a grand rally will be held in the Methodist church, the largest auditorium in the place, at the close of the regular services. On Monday night last Rev. Mr. Redditt, of Barrie, gave a rousing temperance address. Midland is expected to give a good account of itself on the day of voting.

A well known religious paper in the United States publishes the following, which is part of an address given at a meeting of the Liquor League of Ohio. For cold-blooded, shameless, atrocious wickedness it exceeds anything we have ever before read: "The success of our business is dependent, largely, upon the creation of appetite for drink. Men who drink liquor, like others, will die, and if there is no new appetite created our counters will be empty, as will be our coffers. After men have grown and their habits are formed, they rarely even change in this regard. It will be needful, therefore, that missionary work be done among the boys, and I make the suggestion, gentlemen, that nickels expended in treats to the boys now will return in dollars to your tills after the habit has been formed. Above all things create appetite."

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**Vote for the Liquor Act of 1902**

**And SAVE the BOYS.**

**HOW TO VOTE ON DECEMBER 4TH.**

	YES	NO
Are you in favor of the bringing into force the Liquor Act, 1902.	X	

☞ "Yes" stands for prohibition, "No" for the bar-room.