

LEGISLATION PROPOSED BY ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

Will Seek To Have Sweeping Reforms Instituted in This State Anent Sale of Liquor

Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 7.—The following are the features of the temperance legislation proposed by the Executive Committee of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League in session with authorized representatives of the North Carolina Methodist Conference and the Baptist State Convention:

1. Prohibition of sale or manufacture of intoxicating liquors outside of incorporated towns. Prohibition of sale of liquors in towns of less than 500 population, whether incorporated or not. Prohibition of manufacture of liquors in towns of less than 1,000 population, whether incorporated or not.

2. Local Option elections in incorporated towns of more than 500 inhabitants at any time upon 30 days notice and upon petition of one-third of the qualified voters; provided elections shall not take place oftener than once in two years.

3. Prohibition of the importation of liquors by any means into prohibited or dispensary territory.

4. After July 1, 1903, all applicants for license to sell or manufacture liquors shall present with their applications in their behalf signed by a majority of the qualified voters, save in those towns and cities in which between the date of the enactment of this bill and July 1, 1903, an election shall have been held and carried for saloons.

These propositions are clear, and need no exposition. They look to the suppression of the saloon and distillery in the rural districts, and to local option elections in the towns and cities in the near future on a fair and reasonable basis. There should not be a saloon in any town or city unless the majority of the people expressly call for it.

The people of North Carolina are entitled to this. They have long been opposed to the saloon. They have never had a fair chance in a struggle with it. They have been hampered by the ignorant vote. They have stood in fear of division. But these things are now passed. And now that they are passed, the General Assembly should freely grant the people's petition for a fair opportunity to grapple with the evil that in their long affliction fastened itself upon them.

Special attention is directed to paragraph four. That calls for the recognition on the part of the General Assembly that the people of North Carolina are moral people. The saloons now exist with the consent of the people of North Carolina, but solely because conditions have prevented the moral forces of the State from asserting themselves in elections against the saloons. Every intelligent public man in the State knows that this is true. It is but reasonable to ask now that the patience of the people be rewarded, and that the true attitude of the majority be recognized. Is it unreasonable to presume that the saloons should not be opened unless it is expressly voted by the majority to open them? Is it more reasonable to presume that the people of North Carolina desire the saloons—recognized as ruinous, as the sources of all manner of crime—to go on with their work unless they vote to the contrary? To be reasonable to presume that the character of the people who holds that they favor saloons and that saloons must exist until they have been voted out. One does not ask a good man if he loves virtue.

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His character is answer. One who believes in the people of North Carolina will say that the people desire the saloons closed, and he will not ask the people to prove this, but will bid the saloon men disprove it. This is just what paragraph four calls for. It is fair; it is representative; it is reasonable; it is only a just recognition of the patience of the moral forces of North Carolina; it presents them with the opportunity that they have long waited for. In their name we ask for this recognition and this opportunity to vindicate themselves and those who respect them.

J. W. BAILEY. Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 7, 1903. The Executive Committee: N. B. Broughton, A. J. McKelway, J. O. Atkinson, T. N. Ivey, I. C. Blair, J. O. Oates, J. W. Bailey, and Q. K. Nimrocks, representing the N. C. Conference, and M. L. Kesler, representing the Baptist State Convention.

Theatre

Creator, the great Italian band leader, whose interpretations of the music of the masters have won him great renown in New York city and elsewhere, will be here with his band at the Academy of Music next Friday night. On this occasion some of the most entrancing band music ever heard will be played, the numbers being selected from the most successful music this band played during its run in New York, where it was the music-craze all summer. Several of the band soloists will be heard, including Mme. Barilli, the prima donna soprano of adequate merit to be one of the features of this great organization.

Otis Skinner, who has given to the stage many notable productions, promises in "Lazarus," which he presents at the Academy of Music next Monday night another fine dramatic offering that ought to appeal to every lover of good stage art. Mr. Skinner has spared no expense in his revival of "Francesca da Rimini," the play presented by him last season, and he intends to maintain the high standard as a producer that he has achieved, with the Booker play. Mr. Skinner has undoubtedly increased his reputation by his performance of Lanciotto, and established a clientele of new admirers throughout the country. His leading woman this season will be Nannette Comstock.

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THE WEATHER.

Forecasts for tonight and Thursday. For Charlotte and vicinity: Fair tonight and Thursday. For North Carolina: Fair, warmer tonight, Thursday fair, colder in western portion. Brisk southwest to west winds. For South Carolina: Fair, warmer tonight, Thursday fair, colder in north-west portion. Brisk southwest to south winds becoming west. The storm in the Northwest yesterday has moved eastward and is central over Michigan this morning. It has increased greatly in energy, influencing the weather conditions from Canada to the Gulf and from the Rocky mountain slopes to the Atlantic coast this morning. Light snow is falling in the central Mississippi valley and in the Lake region and brisk to high winds prevail throughout the eastern half of the country. Comparatively mild temperatures are found in all sections this morning. Light precipitation occurred in the past 24 hours in the Northeast.

G. R. OBERHOLZER, Observer.

Friend With a Reservation. (Brooklyn Life.) Mooney—Brace up, man! Troth, vez luk as if yez didn't hov a fr'nd in th' whole wur'ld. Mooney—'I wan! If it ain't money yez want t' borry. O'f'm as good a fr'nd as iver yez had.

Miss Elderleigh—My friends say these photographs fail to do me justice. Mr. Frank—Of course they do. But then justice should always be tempered with mercy, you know.—Chicago News.

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GERMANY FIGHTS TRUST INVASION

Efforts of American Tobacco Company to Control Market Being Met With Fierce Resistance

Dresden, Saxony, Jan. 7.—The American Tobacco Combine has formally opened a campaign for the control of the German market. This city, because the large opposing cigarette and tobacco firms are located here, is to be the headquarters from which the battle is to be waged. In anticipation of this so-called "American invasion" all the big independent tobacco and cigarette manufacturers of Saxony have formed a co-operative committee for the purpose of arousing public sentiment against the American products and of invoking a boycott of the goods labeled with the trust trademark. The trust will work through the George A. Jasmatzki Company, the largest cigarette-manufacturing concern in Germany, which is controlled by the American Tobacco Company. Several days ago the German committee held an indignation meeting to protest against the trust's methods and to perfect a close combination to oppose the scheme. At this meeting the trust was severely scored by E. Robert Bohme, one of the largest cigarette manufacturers of Dresden and vice-president of the protective committee. Appeals have been directed during the last few days to Count Posadowsky-Wehner, the Prussian Minister of the Interior, and also to the Saxon Ministry of Commerce. Count Posadowsky-Wehner considers that the German tobacco interests should refuse to sell out their plants to the American combination. The Saxon Ministry is attempting to enact special legislative precautions to prevent the trust from controlling the market. For weeks the most bitter campaign has been waged by the leading Dresden companies, including E. Robert Bohme, the Laferme Company, the Tuma Company, the Adler Company, the Monopol Company, the Association of Dresden Cigar Dealers and numerous other manufacturers against the Jasmatzki Company. Not only manufacturers but also dealers and importers are associated in the fight, and every resistance is offered to the attempt of the American company to obtain additional options. Small leaflets are inclosed in packets of German-made cigarettes and tobacco, headed as follows: "This brand is free from American money." "It is your duty to guard against Germany becoming the slave of American trust capital in the fatherland." "Germans, remain true to your colors." "Buy only cigarettes made by Germans, unless you want to deprive thousands of Germans of labor."

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THE WAY OF THE LORD. (Atlanta Constitution, Dem.) The way of the Lord into the hearts of men must be prepared by that emptying which results from an honest and hearty repentance of the sins that have leavened the life with unrighteousness. The surest and only satisfactory repentance is that which the whole gospel on that point is summed up in the plain words: "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts, and let him return unto the Lord!"

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