

## God Hates A Coward

I dare the Professed prohibitionists to come out from under the log and tell the people of Michigan why a clause was not added to the proposed amendment so that it would stop not merely the manufacture of liquor in Michigan but also the Shipping of liquor into this state?

The proposed amendment is not a prohibition amendment. While it would stop the manufacture of liquor in this state; while it would destroy from \$20,000,000 to \$40,000,000 worth of property; while it would destroy a revenue of \$2,500,000 a year, thus bringing about an enormous increase in taxes and a huge reduction in real estate value; while it would rob 50,000 men of their employment, thereby doing great damage to Labor—it Would Not prevent the shipping of liquor into every part of Michigan from across the State-line.

As a lawyer I want to say to my fellow citizens that the prohibitionists had full legal warrant under the Constitution of Michigan, backed up by National legislation to frame a law to shut out liquor shipments from this state and to propose real, genuine and valid prohibition—AND THEY DIDN'T DO IT.

### MORE LIGHT FOR AN EDITOR

The Editor of the Detroit Journal, taking pity on the Silent and Craven Professed prohibitionists who are afraid to tell why they refused to put into the Proposed prohibition amendment a clause that would stop the Shipping of Liquor into Michigan, ventures to say:

"To Prevent importation it would be necessary to invoke Federal aid."

It would not be necessary to do anything of the kind—Congress having enacted the Webb-Kenyon law which prohibits the "shipment or transportation in any manner by any means whatsoever of any spirituous, malted, vinous, fermented or other intoxicating liquor of any kind" from any foreign country or from any place subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, into any State, territory, or district, or locality subject to the jurisdiction of the United States if the "liquor is intended by any persons interested therein to be received, possessed or in any manner used either in the original package or otherwise in violation of the law of such State, territory or district \* \* \*"

The Webb-Kenyon law is still in full force and effect. It has not been repealed or declared invalid. Under its terms any shipment of liquor into Michigan could be stopped by a State law that should declare such shipment unlawful. On page 111 the 1916 American Prohibition Year Book says that the law puts the interstate shipments of liquor under the SOLE JURISDICTION OF THE STATE.

But the Editor of the Journal lets the cat out of the bag when he says:

"The use of beer in the homes is not offensive to a great many people."

Neither is the use of whisky "offensive" to those who refused to try to stop its being shipped into Michigan if "prohibition" should be adopt.

### THIS FIGHT HINGES

On public realization of certain facts that have been falsified, concealed and befogged by those Professed prohibitionists who would like to assume guardianship over a free and prosperous people.

Fact No. 1. The Proposed prohibition amendment is Not a Prohibition measure. Its framers were afraid to put in a clause that would stop the shipping of liquor into Michigan.

Fact No. 2. The Proposed amendment is not a Temperance measure. When liquor is ordered in wholesale quantities for use in the home there is a vast increase in the consumption of Whisky. Six States went "dry" last year and the drinking of whisky increased at the rate of a million gallons a month in the past fiscal year.

Fact No. 3. The Proposed prohibition amendment would make the Proper Regulation of the liquor business impossible. The law cannot Deny that there is a liquor business and Regulate the liquor business at the same time. There are no regulations in the Bootlegger business. Michigan, under Regulation, is a State of Sobriety, while Maine, under Prohibition, is a State of Intoxication.

### JUST AS I EXPECTED

The Professed prohibitionists, thinking that the alleged virtue of being for prohibition excuses every sin and crime in the calendar, have adopted DECEPTION as their chief weapon in their effort to foist FAKE prohibition on the people of Michigan.

They are making the claim, which they know to be false, that the Home Rule Amendment would make all of Michigan "wet"—whereas, in fact, the Home Rule Amendment would protect the townships, villages and cities from being voted "DRY"—OR "WET"—against the express wishes of the people of these governmental units.

You should judge this matter for yourself—let me send you a free copy of the Home Rule Amendment.

(Advertisement)

*Dwight G. F. Warner*

### STATE LABOR FEDERATION OPPOSES PROHIBITION

Saginaw, Mich.—At its annual meeting here the Michigan State Federation of Labor adopted, by practically unanimous vote, resolutions putting the Federation on record as protesting against any movement circumscribing the liberty of the individual, destroying lawfully established property values or depriving wage earners of the means of existence, the resolutions being in full as follows:

"This convention protests against any movement which has for its purpose the circumscribing of that liberty of individual thought and action which is essentially the underlying principle of a democracy founded on the basic, declaratory guarantees such as inaugurated the United States.

"As an organization for the purpose of assisting the economic progress of the wage worker, it is entirely within the province of moral consistency to emphasize that more especially do we take issue with all the propaganda which, if adopted, would not only destroy vested property values, acquired and developed under protection of law, but also deprive a great multitude of wage earners of their means of existence, as being without justice or equity.

"The intellectual, commercial, industrial, political, social, and physical conditions of citizens in countries where some of the theories now being agitated here have already been in force are not such as to invite or warrant application or experiment in the state." (Advertisement.)

at one dollar a bushel and eight bushels of small ones valued at fifty cents a bushel. The value of the crop was \$34.00

The actual cost of plowing and dragging was \$3.50. For Paris green, manure, cultivating, and my labor it cost, with rent of land and seed potatoes, \$9.20.

The cost was \$13.00 and the returns \$34.00. Therefore I gained \$21.00 and experience.

George Floodstran.

### How I Did My Gardening.

I enrolled as a club member for the purpose of raising vegetables for home use.

I spaded up my plat with a shovel, which was not a very hard job, as the top soil was very soft. I planted six kinds of vegetables; carrots, cucumbers, beets, lettuce, cabbage and tomatoes. The three rows of carrots I planted three feet apart, three rows of cucumbers two feet apart, three rows of beets two feet apart, and two rows of lettuce about two feet apart. The cabbage I planted one foot apart and that was not any too much. The tomatoes were planted the same. Next year, if I have a garden, and I think that I will, I am going to plant the tomatoes two feet apart. I had about twenty-four cabbage plants and six tomato plants, but my cabbage were not very good as I had lots of trouble with insects on them. I tried spraying salt on them but the more I sprayed the more insects there were. I had a great deal of trouble with weeds. I weeded my garden about once a week while I hoed it about twice a month. My carrots, beets, lettuce and cucumbers came out fine, the reason the rest didn't grow was because the season was too wet for them. The lettuce was especially good. In about a week after I planted it, it came up and we had plenty from then on.

I got about a bushel of carrots, a bushel and one-half of cucumbers, a bushel of beets, and a bushel of tomatoes.

The cabbage was very good and sound, but the heads were so small. A large share of my tomatoes were frozen before I could pick them.

The reason I selected these particular vegetables was because they were the only kinds we liked for family use.

The object of this club is to help one another. If anyone has any information to give or wants to get any help about his garden, he can get it from other members and so make it better than working alone. I am thinking of taking up another garden project next year on a larger scale, and I think that I will earn much more because I learned a great deal about gardening this summer. I didn't expect so much this summer as it was my first garden, but I hope my garden next year will be much better.

Arthur Valine.

### DEAR OLD SCHOOL DAYS.

It's just as well, suggests the Emporia, Kas., Gazette, that the sentimental man of 40 or 50 can't realize his cherished wish and be a schoolboy again. He'd find school life sadly changed.

He couldn't spit on his slate, because there are no slates—they have been abolished as germ carriers. He couldn't get a drink of water, because he wouldn't have an individual drinking cup. If he started a roughhouse, just for old time's sake, he would promptly be suppressed by a "students' governing club." A mutiny against the teacher would fail for lack of mutineers. And most disappointing of all to the man who likes to brag—as all men do—about how wicked he was when he went to school he couldn't even get a licking no matter how richly he deserved it, because modern educators don't believe in lickings.

There would be nothing for him but studying his books and taking drawing and music lessons and doing fancy work. The present generation can endure that sort of thing, because they don't know anything different. But thank heaven, their dads and their granddads don't have to stand it.

### JAMES GOT 20,000 VOTES.

Congressman James received 20,000 votes in the recent primary although he had no opposition. This means that 20,000 voters went out of their way to place a cross in the little square before Representative James' name.

Immediately upon the return of the representative from Washington he announced he would make as thorough a pre-primary campaign as though he had opposition.

### FOR SALE.

One full bred Yorkshire Sow, 13 months old, and eight pigs, seven weeks old. Also a number of first class White Wyandotte Cockerels of J. G. Poorman's 200 egg strain. 2 wks. Chas. M. Rogers & Son.

Read The Diamond Drill

# HAS LOCAL OPTION HURT IRON COUNTY?

The Liquor interests told the citizens of Iron county two years ago that Prohibition would HURT business, yet business has IMPROVED; that it would LOWER rents, but rents have INCREASED; that it would LOWER the value of real estate, but real estate has ADVANCED.

Valuation in Iron county has increased from \$30,000,000 to \$34,023,440, an increase of over 4,000,000 or 14 per cent.

The Bank Deposits in one year under Local Option increased \$336,414.59 or 23 1-3 per cent.

During the year ending June 30, 1915, WET, there were confined in the county jail 212 prisoners, thirteen for nigh crimes, such as murder and grand larceny. During the year ending June 30, 1916, DRY, there were 82 prisoners confined in the county jail, six for high crimes. This report shows a reduction of 60 per cent in criminality.

Property Valuation	1916	DRY	\$34,023,440.00	
Property Valuation	1915	WET	30,000,000.00	
		DRY	\$ 4,023,440.00	or 14 per cent
Bank Deposits	1916	DRY	\$1,779,078.99	
Bank Deposits	1915	WET	1,442,664.40	
Increase		DRY	\$ 336,414.59	or 23 1-3 per cent
Prisoners	1915	WET	212	for high crimes 13
Prisoners	1916	DRY	82	for high crimes 6
Reduction in crime		DRY	130	for high crimes 7

Crime has been reduced 60 per cent.

Make Michigan DRY next November by voting YES for STATE-WIDE PROHIBITION and at the same time vote NO on the "HOME RULE AMENDMENT."