
PETITION.

To the Honourable the Speaker and the Members of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia.

The petition of the Executive Temperance Association, Vancouver, December 19th, 1894, humbly sheweth:—

That whereas this is a new Province, and subject to rapid changes;

And whereas, in rural districts, applicants for license to sell intoxicating liquors are required by law to present to the License Commissioners of such districts a petition for such license, signed by at least two-thirds of its resident house and land-holders;

And whereas such license may, without such house and land-holders' petition, be renewed year after year;

And whereas, in rural districts, licenses have been renewed, and under them intoxicating liquors have been sold, contrary to the wishes of a majority of the present house and land-holders, and greatly to the annoyance and injury of many:

Therefore, your petitioners humbly pray that, during the present Session of Parliament, your Honourable Body will enact such law as will make the requirements for renewal of license, especially in rural districts, similar to the requirements for the obtaining of a new license.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Signed on behalf of the various Divisions of the Sons of Temperance, Councils of Royal Templars of Temperance, Lodges of the Independent Order of Good Templars, and Women's Christian Temperance Unions.

GEO. F. JOHNSTONE,
President.

J. BROWN,
Secretary.

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