

G ENERAL BOOTH says:---''It is no use attempting prohibition when the majority wish to drink." General Booth believes in moral suasion. Is it not better that a man should openly enter a clean, well-regulated hotel (which is always under police supervision) where he can get a glass of good whole-some beer, than that he should steal round the corner into a sly grog den where he probably obtains only raw spirits of a most harmful character, and where the surroundings are immoral and degrading? No intelligent man or woman who has the moral and financial welfare of Auckland at heart can vote for No-License.

NO-LICENSE A FAILURE.

MR. GEO. HARNETT, Manager of the British rootball Team, said (vide "Auckland Star," 25th July, 1908): "I saw drunken men in Invercargill (No-License) at 9 in the morning, and later in the evening I saw more drunken men in Invercargill than I have seen in any other city of the Dominion. This seems to show that where there is No-License liquor can be obtained, and as it has to be obtained on the sly, it is doubtiess of the worst description. From undoubted sources I learnt that drinking in private houses down there was daily on the increase. This leads to the same evil as the grocers' licenses un in England. Per-sonally, I may say that I have always taken a glass of beer, but in strict moderation. The locker system for controlling liquor seems to me to be another very undesirable method of dealing with alcoholic refreshment. In fact, the whole thing seems to be too full of deceit and fraud to appeal to those who desire to see a nation built up of strong, clean characters."