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The following brief notes of an address by our Dominion President at the Wellington Provincial Convention will amply repay every White Ribboner for the time spent in reading them.

The first question she was asked at public meetings, in trains, on the street, and in the homes, was if Prohibition is carried, what will happen to the revenue. She said that the revenue from the liquor traffic was one and a quarter millions per annum, and that question was easily answered. In the first place, the seven millions per annum spent on liquor was absolutely waste, and was not turning over money, as it did in other trades. It was proved that there were 8600 arrests per annum for drunkenness. If those 8600 arrests (and also a few among them were women) were

ranked four-deep and marched through our streets for inspection, would we not then see some of the results of that wasteful expenditure? She never saw a man the worse for drink, or even merry with it, without looking beyond him to the woman who had to suffer him in the home. Is it worth money to wreck our men? What do the inebriate homes and gaols, etc., cost? Mrs Don declared that the liquor traffic is the greatest crime producer the world knows. Confining herself to New Zealand figures, she quoted from Sir Robert Stout and the Stipendiary Magistrates of Taranaki and Otago, who admit that two-thirds of the cases that pass through their hands are caused through alcohol. One Magistrate said that he was alarmed and appalled at the matrimonial disturbances, which are largely due to alcohol indulgences. The people working for the liquor traffic tell us that our household necessities will be taxed if we go "dry" to make up the revenue. This is absurd. No groceries or household necessities were taxed in U.S.A. when they went "dry." Nor will they be in this country. In regard to revenue, if the seven and a quarter millions now spent on the liquor traffic were diverted through the tradesmen's hands and freely circulated, the question of revenue would be speedily solved, as there would be more money spent on furnishing, building material, drapery, footwear, and such commodities. As there would be more money, more work would be provided for the labourers. Mrs Don warned her hearers not to take any notice of the cablegrams that appear in the papers re the failure of Prohibition in America, as it is a well-known fact that they emanate from one source, and are printed in 25 languages. She expressed herself as believing that when Prohibition is carried a wave of prosperity and a revival of religion will sweep through the land like a prairie fire, and urged her hearers to vote New Zealand "dry" at the next poll.

Magistrate: "And what was the prisoner doing?" Constable: "I were 'avin' a very 'eated argument with a cabdriver, your Worship." Magistrate: "But that doesn't prove he was drunk." Constable: "Ah! But there worn't no cabdriver there, yer Worship!"

"God be with you as you vote again!

Vote for all that's pure and holy.
Vote for home and native country.
God be with you as you vote again.

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Vote for right and prohibition;
For a pure and stainless nation,
God be with you as you vote again.

Chorus.

As you vote, as you vote;
As you vote our nation free;
As you vote, as you vote,
God be with you as you vote again."

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