

and 75 counties. It is now in force in only one of the cities and in 33 of the counties.

The following is a summary of the result of the voting :—

	Places.
Carried 3 times and still in force.....	2
“ 2 “ “	5
“ 1 “ “	27
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At present in force in	34
Defeated and not submitted again in	16
Carried the 1st time, defeated the 2nd time in	28
“ twice, defeated twice, in.....	1
“ once “ “ in	1
“ twice “ once, in.....	1
Defeated twice in	1
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	48
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Total in which submitted	82
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738. The following statement shows the aggregate number of convictions for drunkenness in the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island, in the years named :—

	Convictions.
1884.....	8,537
1885.....	10,427
1886.....	10,136
1887.....	10,895
1888.....	11,922
1889.....	12,841

739. The business transacted by the Patent Office in 1890 was larger than in any previous year, the receipts for fees showing an increase of \$6,869 over 1889, and \$82,975 over 1868. There was an increase of 281 in the number of applications, but a decrease of 297 in the number of patents granted, indicative of the great care displayed by the examiners.

740. The following table shows the different transactions of the Patent Office in each year since 1st of July, 1867 :—

Business
of the Pa-
tent Office
1868-1890.