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Old Board Re-Elected and Valentine Will Have Saloons.

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Considerable interest was taken in our city election last Tuesday. The organized efforts of the anti-saloon and those who had a grievance against the present town board because of ordinances passed during the past year which failed to please, and the ordinances enforced as they had never been before drawing support, all combined to defeat the license of saloons but failed in their combined strength to elect their candidates. They had "ward heelers" and "stump speakers", handbills and "curbstone" orators, statistics from Gordon and testimonials from 40 Gordon men. They voted homesteaders and men who were here only temporarily. They sent to Lincoln and to Chadron, to Crookston and to Sparks, for voters to vote 'er dry, and were persistent to a man that they should vote and the Methodist preacher led them, but the people who built Valentine and who have stood loyally by her schools and business interests for years past and to whom the great credit is due and friends of education conducted a business campaign for the town and succeeded in re-electing W. S. Barker, A. N. Compton and Walter S. Jackson who will now go ahead with the city's business interests, re-build the water works system, and our school will have the financial support that it needs.

Those who were so anxious to contribute a few hundred to our school will yet have a chance to spend their money, for there will be one less saloon this year which lops off \$500, but the license for the four saloons will be raised to \$1,000 each. The school will receive \$2,000 and the city \$2,000.

This seems to have been the decision of the village board at a meeting held Wednesday evening. The city needs the money just now for water works.

The fight was bitter because of the combined elements that patted each other on the back and resolved to stand together.

Think of "Josh" Hitt, Preacher Connell and John Yeast resolving together and you can understand only a part of their combination which was joined by would-be boot-leggers, the fellows who sought revenge, the anti-base ball, the anti-dog ordinance, the anti-hog ordinance, the anti-ashes or-

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dinance, the anti-sidewalk ordinance, the fellow who thought it to be his religious duty, and the fellows who were "agin the town board on general principles and wanted somebody that hadn't been runnin' this town for the past 20 year." They massed their strength and failed. They'll hardly be able to combine such elements another time. The harmonious opposition will find some discord as their paths separate and new issues arise.

Let us hope that Valentine will not forget that we are all here to live and prosper and smile and cause others to smile and stand shoulder to shoulder to boost for the good of our little city.

The chronic kickers, the reformed element and those who are too good to enjoy life in our town should remember how it was when they came here, and that they yet have the privilege of seeking a location of their choice. No one drove them here and no one will attempt to drive them away, but they ought to be good.

Several enthusiastic prohibitionists, some from out of town, hung around the election polls all day Tuesday, hoping to have a shout coming in the evening and no doubt believed they would win. Their meetings during the past month at different places to campaign the town and their grand finale Monday night gave them encouragement. They had worked the town hard on every proposition available and used the temperance cause to good effect against saloons. Many became interested in the speaking contest pulled off on the eve before election which brought out a crowded opera house and the occasion used for temperance orations.

Work is progressing rapidly on Mark Cyphers' new house north of the school house.

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