

To

The Honorable The Legislative  
Assembly of the Province of Canada  
in Parliament assembled.

The Petition of the undersigned Members of the  
Parnia Indian Band.

Humbly Sheweth

That Your Petitioners are of opinion that  
the Indians of the Great Manitoulin cannot be kept from  
intemperance if spirituous liquors are by law allowed to be  
sold on said Island.

That there are many of the best White Men and Indians  
of Canada who would gladly if they could retreat to some place  
where they would not be tempted by a person by the law au-  
thorized to sell them spirituous liquors.

Your Petitioners would therefore humbly pray that the  
law of Canada may be so amended as to prevent for all time  
to come both the manufacture and sale of every description of  
spirituous liquors upon the Great Manitoulin and other  
Canadian Islands in Lake Huron and Georgian Bay.

And Your Petitioners as in duty bound  
will ever pray &c

Dated the 18<sup>th</sup> August 1865.