

## **J. C. Harkness to Governor John St. John**

A letter from temperance worker J. C. Harkness of Abilene, offers to work hard against "King Alcohol" and offers predictions on the ensuing Governor's race, declaring his motto to be "Give us men of principle for our principal Men."

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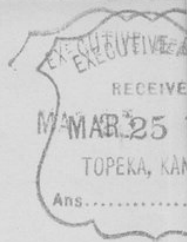
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Gov. J. P. St. John!

Dear Sir, Sent  
the testimonials required,  
to Rev. A. M. Richardson,  
last Monday. Am ready  
for aggressive work against  
the common enemy of  
mankind - King Alcohol.  
My testimonials were signed  
by Wm. T. C. Henry & Hodge  
by J. W. Robson, Fisher the  
banker, and Hart editor of  
one of our city papers.

Whatever instructions you  
may give me in regard to the  
coming campaign for Governor  
I will thankfully receive.



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If this county is carefully and quietly worked I have an idea that a second term to you may be secured, as far as this county is concerned. I don't know when the primaries are to be held but there is the place that the story probably will be told.

I have reasons that I think are good for the above assertions. I don't choose to put them on paper. I have been feeling of the pulse of quite a number and they say their preference is for you but that Dickinson Co. of course will be solid for Henry. I suppose they say "of course" because it is his county and because he is a lively energetic business man. My motto is "Give us men of principle for our principal men".

Yours &c  
J. C. Harkness  
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