

prove as successful in the boot and shoe business as he did in the rum business and I'm sure he will find more peace of mind for himself, and greater esteem from his friends of whom he has many.

Occasionally we find a rumseller who is not so hardened by the evil influences of the business as to be insensible to the influence of friends and relatives who are striving to induce him to give it up and enter upon a career of usefulness that will cause him to respect himself and inspire respect in others. Unfortunately, however, these cases are few and far between and the strong arm of the law is in most cases necessary to drive them from their disreputable calling. Moral suasion is a beautiful but very ineffectual agent in dealing with the law breakers, much as it is admired by some people, and it is only an isolated case of reformation here and there among this class that can be shown to have been the result of this agency. The Band of Hope has resumed its meetings which were suspended through the summer and we hope to see a large ingathering of the boys and girls to help swell the ranks of this noble institution which is doing so much to prevent the rising generation from falling into bad habits.

I hope the approaching session of the Grand Division may be largely attended, for the time seems ripe for temperance work in our line and we can learn much from the members gathered together from all parts of the jurisdiction, as to the work being done, and talk over new plans for future action.

There is every indication of an interesting session and much cause for gratitude to God for the many blessings that have attended our efforts during the past year, and I wish that each division might be represented at this session.

Owing to the political meeting in Chipman's Hall our attendance last Friday night was not up to the average, but we had an interesting session notwithstanding.

Bro George Anderson, of Campbell Division of Woodstock and a former active member of "Old Howard," was present and addressed the division. He was warmly welcomed by the friends present who had been his co-workers in days gone by.

He was the bearer of an invitation from Campbell division to attend an "At Home" to be given by them, which invitation was accepted coupled with a recommendation that all who could make it convenient should attend. We feel a somewhat lively interest in Campbell division bearing as it does the name of one of our most honorable members, and regret that the distance between us is so great that we cannot visit each other often.

Hoping to meet with many of our good brothers and sisters at Moncton on the 20th. I will bring this somewhat lengthy letter to a close with the wish that our meeting together may be profitable to ourselves and to the order.

HOWARD.
St. Stephen, N. B., Oct. 16th, 1886.

BOYCOTT STRONG DRINK.

If the timely and important message of the official head of the Knights of Labor to "boycott strong drink" could be at once heard and heeded by every working man and woman, in all departments of industry throughout the country, a great step forward would be taken towards a practical solution of the otherwise difficult and confessedly dangerous labor problem. Mr Powerly affirmed a fundamental truth when he declared: "The firmest link in the chain of oppression is the one I forge when I drown manhood and reason in drink." Other wrongs there are to be righted undoubtedly, but the oppression which strong drink begets in wasting the substance and therefore increasing the helplessness and dependence of the wage earning portion of society is greater than that of any and all other monopolies combine. There is no waste at all comparable with the drink waste in the nation.

The costly saloon system of the country draws its life-blood very largely from workingmen. Of the 180,000 retail liquor-dealers and saloon-keepers, workingmen chiefly are the supporters. It would probably be below their actual receipts to estimate the annual income of the 180,000 saloon-keepers at an average

of \$5,000 each. This would give the enormous aggregate of \$900,000,000 a year paid to retail liquor-dealers only. Among the very wealthy patrons of "wine and liquors merchants" the trade in stocking wine-cellar and providing other costly liquor supplies is presumably largely with the wholesale dealers, who are not included in the above account. Among the "wealthy monopolists" and "battered bond-holders" of the period are notably members of the "whiskey ring" and the "millionaire brewers." Where do those colossal fortunes come from? A careful analysis would show that to a very large extent they have been contributed from the earnings of workingmen, unwisely expended in the 150,000, more or less, drinking saloons, of which they have been the especial patrons.

Of course, no one can eat his cake and have it too. Working men cannot pay drink and tobacco bills aggregating hundreds of millions of dollars, and, upon eight or ten hours a day wage seven at what would be considered advanced rates, have much money left to buy and furnish homes, to clothe their families, and educate their children. In his "Worse than wasted," based upon the official census reports of 1880, and published by the National Temperance Society, Dr. Hargreaves show that the wages paid in 1880 for all mechanical and manufacturing industries was \$947,953,795. He estimates that during the same period \$733,816,495 were spent for strong drink. The value of some of the manufactures for 1880 is given as follows: Textiles \$437,502,299; articles of wear, \$482,047,361; boots, \$196,920,481; cotton goods, \$210,950,383; woollen, \$160,606,721. It will be seen that the aggregate value of all the boots and shoes and cotton and woollen goods combined was nearly \$2,000,000 less than the drink bill for that year. The value of the food and food preparations for 1880 was about \$963,335,000; not much more than, if as much as, the cost, direct and indirect, of strong drink to the nation.

THE DRINK HABIT AS THE ENEMY OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

Rev. W. T. Sabine, D. D., is writing a series of able and valuable articles in the *Episcopal Recorder*, of Philadelphia, upon "The Drink Habit an Enemy of the Church," from one of which we take the following concerning the drink habit and the Sunday-School:

"The drinking usages prevalent among us impair and, to a great extent, destroy the influence of the Sunday school. Thousands of children leaving the Sunday-school return to homes where these usages prevail in varied stages of development. In so far as they determine the home influence their effect is to dissipate and destroy the effort and instruction of the faithful teacher. The Sunday-school teacher has no more subtle and influential foe than the bottle in the home, vitiating in the degree of its use the moral atmosphere of the household and impairing and perverting parental character and example. "As the result of an investigation instituted some years ago, it was ascertained that, of 10,361 inmates of prisons and penitentiaries in England, Scotland, and Wales, not fewer than 6,572 had previously received instruction in Sunday schools, and, upon pursuing the inquiry, it was almost uniformly found that the use of intoxicating liquor was the cause, directly or indirectly, of so many Sabbath-school scholars becoming criminals."

SAVE THE CHILDREN.

Forty years ago in Edwards county, Ill., an old Cumberland Presbyterian minister went into every district in that county and taught the boys and girls temperance, and pledged them to total abstinence and for Prohibition, Edwards county, at that time, was a great drinking place, and its case seemed almost a hopeless one. But this humble and faithful soul saw a work to be done, and he did it, though he was doubtless called fool, fanatic and crank. Ten years went by, and those children he taught and pledged were grown up, and behold! it was a temperance army that said to the saloon "Go!" and go it had to, and for nearly 30 years that county has been rid of that abominable besom of destruction.

Edwards county has been blessed; her taxes are light, her paupers are few. She has sent but one man to penitentiary in 25 years, and he got

liquor in another county that caused him to commit the crime. Dear friends, do you go to work with the children if you can see no other work to do, and, as in Edwards county so in Effingham county, the children shall drive the saloon out. Drunkards we can seldom reform, but we can save the children and stop the making of drunkards out of them, and in a few years we shall find them our best soldiers in the warfare for temperance, for God, and home, and native land. So to work, to work at once. Let no precious time be wasted.—*Friend of the Home, Effingham County, Ill.*

A drunken father once sold the Testament of his child to obtain a drink of whiskey. When dying she said: "Father I am going to see Jesus, what shall I tell Him you did with my testament?" From that hour, it is said, the father became a sober man.

Every wife and mother in the country should know the great value of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, as a blood purifier. It gives tone, health, and strength, to the vital organs, corrects all irregularities, and expels impurities from the system. Young and old use it. Price \$1.

NOT MY BUSINESS.

A wealthy man in St. Louis was asked to aid in a series of temperance meetings, but he scornfully refused. After being further pressed he said:

"Gentlemen, it is not my business. A few days after his wife and daughters were coming home in the lightning express. In his grand carriage with liveried attendants he rode to the depot, thinking of his grand business, and planning for the morrow. Hark! Did some one say, 'accident?'"

There are twenty-five railroads centering in St. Louis. If there has been an accident, it is not likely to happen on the—and Mississippi railroad. Yet it troubles him.

It is his business, now. The horses are stopped on the instant, and upon inquiry he finds it has occurred twenty miles distant, on the—and Mississippi. He telegraphs to the Superintendent:

"I will give you \$500 for an extra engine."

The answer flashes back: "No. I will give you \$1,000 for an engine."

A train with surgeons and nurses has already gone forward, and we have no other. With white face and anxious brow the man pressed to the station and walked to and fro. That is his business now. In half an hour, perhaps, which seemed to him like half a century, the train arrived. He hurried towards it, and in the tender found the mangled and lifeless remains of his wife and one of his daughters. In the car following lay his other daughter, with her ribs crushed in, and her precious life oozing slowly away.

A quart of whiskey, which was drunk fifty miles away by a railroad employe, was the cause of the catastrophe.

Who dares to say of this tremendous question: "It is not my business?"—*The Free Press.*

Why suffer with that head when you may be cured with Ayer's Cathartic Pills?

Send a 2 cent stamp to Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass., for a set of their attractive album cards.

WOMEN AND WINE.

Pop! went the gay cork flying,
Sparkled the bright champagne;
By the light of day that was dying,
He filled up the goblet again.
Let the last, best toast be woman,
"Woman, dear woman," said he,
"Empty your glass, my darling,
When you drink to your sex with me."

But she caught his strong, brown fingers,
And held them tight as in fear;
And through the gathering twilight
Her clear voice fell on his ear:
"Nay, ere you drink, I implore you,
By all that you hold divine,
Pledge to a woman in tear-drops,
Rather by far than in wine."

"By the woes of the drunkard's mother,
By the children that beg for bread,
By the face of her whose beloved one,
Looks on the wine when 'tis red,
By the kisses changed to curses,
By the tears more bitter than brine,
By many a fond heart broken,
Pledge no woman in wine."

"What has this wine brought to a woman?
Nothing but tears and pain,
It has torn from the heart the lover,
And proved her prayer in vain;
And her household goods all scattered,
Lie tangled up in the vine;
O, prithes, pledge not to woman
In the curse of so many—wine."



Mail Contract.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General will be received at Ottawa until noon, on 12th November, for the conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails, on a proposed Contract for four years, twice per week each way, between Keswick Ridge and Millville from the 1st January next.

The conveyance to be made in a suitable vehicle drawn by one or more horses.

The Mails to leave Keswick Ridge on Monday and Thursday of each week at 12 o'clock, noon, reaching Millville at 5.30 o'clock, p. m.

Returning, to leave Millville on Tuesday and Friday of each week at 8 o'clock, a. m. reaching Keswick Ridge at 2 o'clock, P. m., on same days.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the Post Offices of Keswick Ridge, Millville and Upper Keswick Ridge and at this office.

J. DEWE,
Chief Post Office Inspector

Post Office Inspector's Office,
St. John, Oct. 1st 1886.



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The conveyance to be made in a suitable vehicle, drawn by one or more horses.

The Mails to leave Canterbury on Tuesday and Saturday of each week at 11.30 o'clock a. m. reaching Woodstock at 1.30, p. m.

Returning to leave Woodstock on same days as soon as practicable after arrival of day mail train from McAdam Junction, reaching Canterbury in two hours from time of despatch.

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The Mails to leave North Lake on Monday and Thursday of each week at 6.30 o'clock, a. m., reaching Canterbury Station at 11 o'clock, a. m.

Returning to leave Canterbury Station on same days immediately after arrival of day mail train from McAdam Junction reaching North Lake in four hours and thirty minutes after despatch.

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Baillie, St. James, Char. Co.; Baillie, 248; Wednesday; J. W. Mann.
Weldford, Kent Co.; Harcourt, 249; Saturday; H. Wather.
Portland; Valley, 250; Tuesday; J. Fowler.
Butternut Ridge, King's Co.; Havelock, 251; Friday; E. Keith.
Petitcodiac, West Co.; Petitcodiac, 252; Tuesday; D. Jonah.
Lewis Mountain, West Co.; Sunnyside, Saturday; R. Lewis.
Deer Island, Char. Co.; Moss Rose 254; Saturday; A. T. Lloyd.
Millstream, Kings Co.; Britannia, 255; Friday; C. W. Weyman.
Little Ridge, Char. Co.; Spreading Oak, 256; Tuesday; A. P. Matheson.
Fredericton; Lansdowne, 257; Thursday; H. H. Pitts.
Kouchibouguac, Kent Co.; Union, 258; D. W. Grierson.
River Charlo, Rest. Co.; Charlo, 259; Thursday; J. H. Galbraith.
Steeves' Mountain, West Co.; Mountain Rose, 260; Saturday; R. Lutz, Sr.
Lawrence Station, Char. Co.; Lawrenceville, 261; Saturday; F. S. Richardson.
Hampton, King's Co.; Spring, 262; Monday; G. Barnes.
Pomroy Ridge, Char. Co.; Mayflower, 263; Thursday; W. Moulton.
Scotch Ridge, Char. Co.; Iona, 264; Wednesday; Alex. M. McKenzie.
Oak Hill, Char. Co.; Oak, 265; Thursday; Dr. J. G. Atkinson.
Tower Hill, Char. Co.; Wills, 266; Saturday; S. S. Smith.
Graves' Settlement, West Co.; Rockland, 267; Friday; G. Johnston.
McAdam Junction, York Co.; Star Branch, 268; E. W. Brownell.
2d Falls, St. George Char. Co.; Stewart, 269; Saturday; A. Sherwood.
St. George, Char. Co.; Red Granite, 270; Saturday; T. McGowan.
Penobscus, King's Co.; Cardwell, 271; Thursday; J. W. Floyd.
St. Nicholas River, Kent Co.; Milltown, 272; Friday; J. Murray.
Hampton Village, King's Co.; Hampton, 273; Tuesday; G. Flewelling.
Bloomfield, King's Co.; Leading Star, 274; Thursday; O. A. Wetmore.
St. John, 102 King Street; Gordon Division, No. 275; Monday; H. P. Sandall.
Eagle Settlement West'd Co.; Twilight, 276; Wednesday; G. A. Taylor.
Salsbury, Westmoreland Co.; Middleton, 277; Friday; Jas. Henry.
Healthland, Charlotte Co.; Rising Sun, 278; Tuesday; L. Hall.
Goshen Corner, Albert Co.; Star of Hope, 279; Thursday; D. W. Goodall.
St. Mary's Kent Co.; Rosefield, 280; Saturday; W. Vincent.
Elgin, Albert Co.; Elgin, 281; Saturday; G. Smith, A. B.
Springfield, King's Co.; Springfield, 282; Friday; G. M. Wetmore.
White Cove, Grand Lake; Grand Lake, 283; H. E. White.
Clifton, Gloucester Co.; Gloucester Division, 284; Wednesday; N. R. Ritchie.
Lewisville, Moncton; Lewisville, 285; Tuesday; John Keenan.
Port Elgin, West Co.; Fort Moncton, 286; Tuesday; W. M. Spence.
Centerville, Kings Co.; Centerville, 287; Saturday; H. W. Balkins.
Waterford, K. C.; Essex Division 288; Monday; John W. DeForest.
Dubec, Carleton Co.; Centenary, 289; Wm. V. Benn.
Forest Glen, West Co.; Forest Glen 290; Saturday; Miss A. Hubley.
Bristol, Carleton Co.; Bristol Union, 291; B. Pines; Rev. John Gravinor.
East Florenceville, Carleton Co.; East Florenceville, 292; Saturday; Wm. Tompkins.
Waterville, Carleton Co.; Waterville, 293; Saturday; J. T. Fletcher.
Bath Carleton Co.; Ray of Hope, 294; Friday; Hubert Gray.
Lower Coverdale, Albert Co.; Coverdale 295; Tuesday; E. A. Steeves.
Canterbury, York Co.; Dufferin, 296; Friday; S. A. Baker.
River Louison, Restigouche Co.; Louison, 297; Thursday; Donald Stewart.
Kirkland, Carleton Co.; Monument, 298; Thursday; John Lyons, Deputy.
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Manuhurst, Kings Co.; Lincluden, 301; Thursday; D. S. Mann.
Dundee, Restigouche Co.; Dundee, 302; Thursday; Jas. Crawford.
Morcaner, P. O. Kings Co.; Rising Star, 303; Wednesday; Martin Freeze.
Scotch Settlement, Westmorland Co.; McCarthy, 304; David Murray.
Upper Millstream, Kings Co.; Millstream, 305; Zebulon Gannac.
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Portland, N. B.; Silver, 308; Friday; Rev. J. Spencer.
Old Ridge, Char. Co.; Brunswick Division, No. 309; Monday; Edward Maxwell.
Northampton; Carleton Co.; Caledonia, 310; Thursday; Gen. Watson.
Waterville, Parish of Harvey, Albert Co.; Gladstone No. 311; Saturday; Rev. S. C. Moore.
Pognoick, York Co.; Pognoick, 312; Wednesday; Edward Tru. Deputy.
North Lake, Canterbury; York County; Star No. 313; Hiram Vasey Deputy.
Janeville, Gloucester Co.; Janeville, 314; Saturday; Edward L. Caie, Deputy.
King-clear, York Co.; Kingclear, 315; Saturday; Chas Kilburn, Sr. Deputy.
Rolling Dam, Charlotte Co.; Rolling Dam, 316; Monday; Neill McDermott.
Buctouche, Kent Co.; Buctouche, 317; Rev. J. D. Murray.

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Orange Hall, Portland; Portland, 7; Monday; A. Y. Paterson.
Market Building, St. John; Albion, 14; Wednesday; J. S. B. DeWebber.
Gagetown; Queens, 21; Saturday; H. J. DeWebber.
Chatham; Northumberland, 37; Friday; G. Stohart.
St. John; Mariners and Mechanics, 38; Tuesday; Robt. Wills.
Hillsboro, Albert Co.; Albert, 39; Wednesday; J. J. Steeves.
Sackville, West Co.; Sackville, 40; Tuesday; J. C. Harper.
Richibucto, Kent Co.; Richibucto, 42; Wednesday; A. Haines.
Kingston, Kent Co.; Kingston, 44; Tuesday; B. S. Bailey.
Newcastle; Newcastle, 45; Thursday; D. McGruar.
Point de Bute, West Co.; Westmorland, 50; Thursday; J. Amos Trueman.
Hopewell Hill, Albert Co.; Golden Rule, 51; Tuesday; L. R. Moore.
Pennfield, Charlotte C.; Safeguard, 53; Saturday; W. N. Bucknam.
Cambridge, Queen's Co.; Johnston, 62; Saturday; George S. Wilson.
Dalhousie; Dalhousie, 64; Monday; G. Haddow.
Baie Verte; Baie Verte, 65; Wednesday; R. Goodwin.
Dover, West Co.; Dover, 70; Saturday; W. Steeves.
Caledon, St. John; Granite Rock, 77; Tuesday; Henry Finch.
Derby, North Co.; Nelson, 99; Monday; J. Betts.
Douglstown, North Co.; Caledonia, 126; Tuesday; J. Henderson.
Collins Corner, Kings Co.; Collina, 129; Thursday; Jacob I. Keirstead.
Upper Gagetown, Queens Co.; Oxford, 134; Saturday; James E. Coy.
Benton, Carleton Co.; Garibaldi, 151; A. Teed.
St. Martins, St. John Co.; St. Martins, 164; Tuesday; Cudlip Miller.
Moncton; Moncton, 183; Monday; E. McCarthy.
St. George; St. George, 189; R. H. Davis.
Salsbury, West Co.; Crystal Stream, 191; Saturday; C. A. Beck.
South Bay, St. John Co.; Lime Rock, 207; Monday; Wm. Roxborough.
Milford, St. John Co.; Everett, 238; Wednesday; John Waring.
Moncton; Intercolonial 243; Friday; Alex. Ford.
Victoria Mills, West Co.; Victoria, 245; Thursday; A. J. Main.

St. Stephen; Howard, 1; Friday; S. Webber.
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