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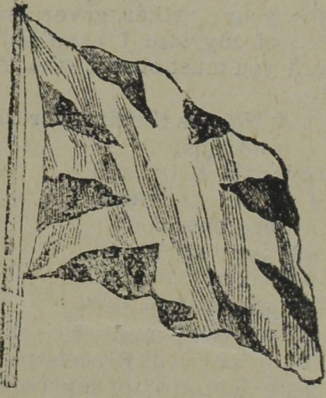
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As a Son of Temperance, and no doubt anxious to promulgate the principles of our order, will you not kindly bring the matter of the JOURNAL, and this method of distributing temperance literature, before your division. Every subscription helps us make the paper better, and more useful as a temperance medium. The divisions are as a general thing not particularly burdened with funds, but almost any division could subscribe for 10 copies, or at least 5 copies, or surely ONE copy, and every one helps.

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NATIONAL PROHIBITION.

Temperance Journal.

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All subscriptions must be invariably paid in advance. If the JOURNAL is worth reading it is worth paying for.

Brick Pomroy put it this way, "It is not a help or kindness to a man to trust him to a newspaper any more than to give him credit for the liquor he calls for."

CAROL.

Ring, merry bells, ring,
In the light of the Christmas morn;
Sing, happy hearts, sing,
For your Saviour, the Lord, is born.
Follow the star
To the manger far,
And look on your swaddled king.

Give, worshippers, give,
With the Wise from the Eastern plains;
Let the suffering children receive
From the hoards of your golden gains,
Then shall ye see
The sweet mystery,
That the Christ-child lives and reigns.
MARIA UPHAM DRAKE.

WE WANT YOUR HELP.

Every reader of the JOURNAL should be interested in having its subscription list increase, its influence increase, and the news in its columns increase. It is within the scope of every one of them to materially assist in this.

FIRST.—It is a grand help to pay up your own subscription promptly, and more so, if you are in a club to stir around and have the others put in their pro rates, and get the club list off promptly for the year. Also, by speaking a good word for the paper when with members of the Order, and recommending it to those whom you think are progressive members of the Order. Old "fogies," who live in the past, who are forever howling about the days that are gone by, don't want the JOURNAL, for they don't want the present times to be better than the years that have gone by. Every pushing member of the Order will take the paper when he sets his eyes on a sample copy, because he sees it is just what he wants,—has been looking for.

SECONDLY.—You can help the paper by sending short reports of what is going on in your Division, or in the temperance cause in your locality. Every little item is carefully read by thousands of readers each week, and what somemight be thought uninteresting, will be interesting to others.

THIRDLY.—Impress it upon every member that it is his or her duty as well a

privilege, to assist the JOURNAL. It is the only general Sons of Temperance paper in the world, that reaches out beyond a local sphere. Anything like a generous support from the membership, would make the paper one of the best on the continent. Will you not be one to help make it so?

And now we are nearing the close of the year 1889, and the fourth volume of the TEMPERANCE JOURNAL. It is fitting we should say a few words regarding our intentions and the position we hold to-day in the hearts of the members of the Order, so far as we can judge by correspondence and by personal conversation.

As we have often intimated the JOURNAL has been, first, last and all the time devoted to the interests of the Order. It has been the object of the editor to follow closely the position as taken by the National and Grand Divisions on all matters of polity. Notwithstanding the fact that in some cases the Order has adopted a course not in accord with the private views of the editor, it has been the purpose and intention of the paper to

EXPRESS THE VIEWS OF THE MAJORITY OF THE ORDER

as laid down at the sessions of the various bodies.

And now beginning another year we ask the readers,—members of our Order and others—to

STAND BY US THROUGH THE YEAR 1890.

Sympathy and kindly words are appreciated, but to get out a good paper we must have hard cash, and this must come in from subscriptions.

We hope that our readers will not drop the weekly visits of our paper, but will, rather, assist us in introducing it into other homes. We want every present reader for 1890.

It will be satisfactory to our friends to know that 1889 closes with

A SUBSCRIPTION LIST OF MORE THAN DOUBLE

what 1889 began with. We have to thank Providence, that the year has been better for the JOURNAL than any preceding it, and the first year that it has come anyway near paying the cost of the printing.

We hope to make CONSIDERABLE IMPROVEMENT IN 1890 if spared to continue the publication of the paper. We shall make it thoroughly representative of the Order of the Sons of Temperance. News will be published from over the jurisdiction. It will be our endeavor to cultivate a strong public sentiment in favor of our Order, and our methods of work, and to inspire our young members with enthusiasm and zeal for the cause, and the Order in which they are enlisted. Our sermon, and the Sabbath School lessons, both of which seem so highly appreciated, will be continued, and we hope to still further increase the staff in the mechanical department of the paper, so as to be able to give still more temperance reading matter. This, of course depends upon the practical assistance of the membership. Every subscriber and renewal helps to make the paper better.

A MERRY Christmas to all our Readers.

IT HAS been years since John B. Gough passed away yet his name still lives. A noble epitaph that, written by himself, and placed upon his tomb by his own request. "I can desire nothing better for this great country than that a barrier high as heaven should be raised between the unpolluted lips of the Christian and the intoxicating cup; that everywhere men and women should raise strong and determined hands against whatever will defile the body, pollute the mind, or harden the heart against God and His truth."

BISHOP Ireland, at the now famous Catholic Total Abstinence Union, held in Minneapolis in June last, spoke these brave words with reference to the liquor traffic. "We thought we meant business years ago in this warfare; but I hope God will forgive us for our weakness, for we went into the battlefield without sufficient resolution. We have seen there is no hope of improving, in any shape or form, the liquor traffic.

There is nothing now to be done but to wipe it out completely. Some of us are growing old, and do not intend to be throwing away our time in arguing with people who will not be converted; and I, for one, am going to go in with terrific earnestness in the future, in this war against liquor in all shapes. I mean business this time. Now, in order to succeed, I wish to enroll every man. We Catholics will unite with our fellow-citizens of all classes and denominations to do away with the terrible shame, sin and disgrace of the saloon. So come and say to your friends that you have enlisted for the war, but meaning business this time, clean out the whole institution of dramselling."

The Grand Lecturer.

As will be seen by the notice of G. W. P. Thorne in another column, a Grand Lecturer has been secured in the person of Bro. H. B. Hetherington who goes into the field in Kings County. We have not the personal acquaintance of the brother, but he comes to the Committee well recommended and we trust members will give him all the assistance possible. The Order in this province has never given the hearty assistance to the lecturers that is extended by the members in our sister province of Nova Scotia, probably because they have not as yet, been educated up to that point. We shall doubtless here from the brother on his tour, and will keep the members posted as to the direction he will likely take.

It is but fair to the brother to state that he does not go into the work as a financial enterprise, but with a sincere and earnest desire to help along the cause of temperance and extend the border and influence of the Order. As his income will barely pay his expenses—if it does that—we therefore refer to this particularly that all the membership will feel duty bound to render him such assistance in the way of moving from place to place, and care and lodging while in the several localities, as within their power. Undoubtedly every little assistance will be greatly appreciated; and help to the Lecturer will be appreciated as well, by the Propagation Committee of the Grand Division.

ST. STEPHEN LETTER.

This is the season of stir and bustle in the household, on the street and in the store; everyone is busy and while some are making great efforts to gain money, others appear almost as anxious to spend it, and to nearly all of us comes some share of the general feeling of "good will" that seems to pervade the air at this happy Christmas season. The children seem to gain the greatest amount of happiness from this season, and so it should be, and while we endeavour to gladden their young hearts let us not forget those who are not so favorably situated as ourselves, but remembering the words of Him, whose birth we commemorate, "The poor ye have always with you," give to them of our abundance and thus bring some of the Christmas joy to hearts whose joys are few and sorrows many.

In St. Stephen you will find, probably, as little poverty as in any town of its size in Canada, but we have some, and as is the case in all other places, you can trace the most of it directly to the rum-shop as the cause. Fathers who could earn and do enough to keep their families in comfort leave their earnings at the rum-shop to help fill the coffers of those vampires who have all they want, and live in luxury and indolence, while the poor suffering wives and children of their customers go without proper food and clothing.

What a grand Christmas present it would be to some such families if we could give them a husband and father restored to manhood, freed from the bondage of drink. How much in keeping with the spirit of the Master who "went about doing good."

Is it not worth the effort brothers and sisters? If each member of our Order through this province would make the effort to influence someone to sign the pledge during this Holiday season, how many souls might be reclaimed and how much comfort and joy brought to hearts that have known naught but sorrow for long weary years.

Perhaps in your Division there are some, who, last Christmas, joined with gay companions in drinking

and having what they call a "good time." Can you not do something to offset the peculiar temptations that are liable to surround these brothers during this season of good cheer.

In many places, it would not be a bad idea to have the Division room open all day Christmas and let the members understand that is headquarters for the day. Show your interest in these weak brothers by giving them a little attention during the day in any way that may suggest itself to your mind. Have you a brother among you whose home is at a distance? There is no time in the year probably, when he will feel more homesick than on this day when all endeavour to gather around the family circle. If he has been addicted to drink, temptation will assail him at his weakest point and he may endeavour to drown his homesickness in the old way.

A little friendly interest, perhaps an invitation to your own home might be the means of saving him from disgrace and at least will give him a warmer regard for our Order to strengthen him to resist temptation.

Let us remember "that the world has claims upon us" and while we, should at all times aim to do good to those with whom we come in contact let us especially endeavour to make some victim of the curse of rum happier and better at this Christmas season.

All reports from this section indicate a steady advance in the work of the Divisions. We hear of seven or eight candidates being admitted each night of meeting in Wilberforce lately and although we cannot report such gains we are having quite an accession to our numbers.

The circular letter from the Grand Worthy Patriarch was read last Friday night and generally commended as a clear, business-like document. The carrying out of his suggestion would, no doubt, add greatly to our membership and influence.

The authorities in Milltown, stirred up to their duties by the W. C. T. U. and Rev. J. C. Berrie are again enforcing the Canada Temperance Act with their old-time vigor. The authorities in St. Stephen don't appear to have any vigor to expend in that way so we are still treated to the half-hearted, one-sided enforcement of the law which we have had for the last year. Who will stir them up?

HOWARD.

St. Stephen, N. B., Dec. 18, '89.

Notes from the Divisions.

The G. W. P. reports from the Divisions very encouraging news:

Deputy F. W. Steeves of Moncton Division writes: "Our Division is in a very flourishing condition. During last term we have initiated nearly forty and they are still coming. We had eighteen propositions last night of meeting."

Deputy John Burpee of Jubilee Division, Upper Woodstock writes: "I am happy to tell you that Jubilee Division is active and doing a good work, occasionally losing by withdrawals and other causes. We still make up the loss by new initiations."

Deputy John McFadgen of Shediac Division writes: "I have great pleasure in reporting that Shediac Division is in a very flourishing condition, the work is going on harmoniously and all working for its success and prosperity."

And many more of same tenor which may be given in future issues.

GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCH'S OFFICE
St. John, N. B., Dec. 18, 1889.

Following the action of the Propagation Committee, I have arranged with Bro. H. B. Hetherington to start the first of the year and visit the Divisions in Kings County, hold public meetings and work generally in the interests of our Order; I speak for him wherever he goes the sympathy and support of members of our Order and that every assistance be given him. As a young man in his first effort in the field I ask members to aid and support him.

Yours Fraternaly,
HENRY J. THORNE,
G. W. P.

DEAR SIR, The members of Gordon Division, No 275 S of T have appointed Bro G B Henderson as official correspondent to the JOURNAL

will you kindly make room for any communication he may send you.

We congratulate you most heartily on the recent victory, and are very much delighted that the Canada Temperance Act has been again sustained by the right thinking and God fearing members of your city. May you ever sustain and enforce the Act until we are able to float the Spotless Banner of Total Prohibition over this fair Dominion of ours.

Yours Fraternaly,
R Maxwell,

St John.

ELEVEN REASONS FOR JOINING THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

BY FRANK J. BROWN.

(Article No. 28.)

1. Because of its firm stand for temperance.

2. Because united and organized efforts are the more effectual.

3. Because it is a noble and influential Order meriting the support of the cause.

4. Because it builds up and enables the character of the youth and helps save him from the sorrows and pitfalls of life.

5. Because it causes the moderate drinker to pause and ponder, and awakens him to a just duty to himself, his family and his God.

6. Because it enlists the sympathies of the pure and temperate, impresses them as to the awfulness of intemperance, broadens their views, inspires their hearts and increases their usefulness.

7. Because it is an educator—teaching "parliamentary practices," a knowledge of society usage, business forms, musical and literary attainments, and much general and useful information.

8. Because it restrains and influences the drunkard, takes him from the horrible pit of intemperance, establishes his going upon the "rock" of temperance, gives him good society, cheers, encourages and strengthens him in his honorable course.

9. Because it affords the cheapest, safest and best life insurance, based upon strictest economy, and noblest principles, where total abstainers are not unequally yoked with liquor drinkers, and consequently the death rate is decreased and assessments are less frequent.

10. Because of the social advantages in the sacred retreat of "Love, Purity and Fidelity," where the youth of both sexes can find congenial hearts safe and secure from the taints they might receive in other circles. Fraternity is the foundation rock, the purest society and the best friends are here to be found.

11. Because it is the pioneer temperance society now in existence; it had the courage to take the field first in the early days of doubt and gloom; it has taken the lead in all reformatory movements; a halo of glory clusters around its past history; nearly all of the eminent temperance workers have been connected with the Order, and it is steadily marching forward, with a firm trust in God, and in the righteousness of the cause, to a final victory.

Laconia, N. H.

Temperance News and Notes.

Of the 80,000 Swedes in New York, not one runs a saloon.

Chief Khama, of Middle Drift, Grahamstown, South Africa, declared before a temperance conference that if Local Option were introduced in his district the sale of liquor would be totally stopped by an overwhelming majority of the votes of his people.

John Ruskin says the liquor traffic is one of the most criminal methods of assassination for money hitherto adopted by braves of any age or country. What would have been thought if any "extreme" teetotaler had used such language? Yet it put the truth in a very concrete form.

It is intended to lay before the International Anti-Alcoholic Congress, to be held next year in Christiania, Norway, a proposal to form an International European Temperance Union, with the object of promoting the consolidation of the movement in other countries, the headquarters being in London.