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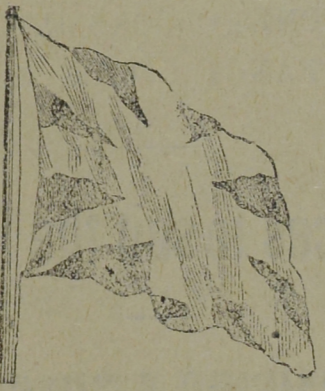
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OUR MOTTO—

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Temperance Journal.

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GOOD news from all parts of the jurisdiction.

WE ARE in receipt of the printed Journal of proceedings of the Grand Division of P. E. I., through the kindness of Bro. Burns, the G. S.

THROUGH the kindness of Bro. Harry Jones, G. S. of G. D. of Pennsylvania, we have been favored with advance sheets of the reports of G. D. of that State. We shall refer to the work done in that jurisdiction later.

THE Ontario Branch of the Dominion Alliance will hold a convention in Toronto, on the 22nd and 23rd, of January in the Temperance Hall, Temperance Street. Reduced fares have been arranged, and every arrangement made to facilitate the gathering of a representative body of temperance men.

THE newly installed officers of Marysville Division gave the Division an oyster supper at Foster's Hotel last evening. It was quite an undertaking, as there are now some 150 members. The library, generously donated by Alex. Gibson, Sr., is much prized by the membership, and well patronized. There are over 200 volumes in the library.

IN Ontario there are quite a number of counties where an effort will be made to repeal the Scott Act. We trust our friends will not put off active work until near the date of the contests. Thorough organization should begin at once in those counties that are known to have a repeal movement on foot. Some of these contests will come on in April, let every voter be seen before the middle of February at least.

THE SCOTT ACT

Reports from the various counties in New Brunswick where the Canada Temperance Act is in operation, show that notwithstanding the fact that the act is not anyway fairly enforced, yet it is very generally conceded that there has not been anything like the amount of liquor sold as under the License Laws. There have been those in the different communities who have seen in it what they thought was a good way to make money by violating the law.

Not having any scruples, and having neither the fear of God or man before their eyes, they have gone on selling. A good many of these have had their fingers burned, while some have been enabled through technicalities and legal quibbles to sell more or less. In nearly every locality however, the number of such places has been diminished although a "chosen few" have been able by hook and by crook to sell along on the quiet.

We wish therefore to impress the friends of temperance with the fact, that those who reside in Scott Act counties should give their encouragement and effort to have it retained, and to give all the assistance they are able to the officers to enforce the act.

We are all well aware that the Act is not Prohibition, that it is easy for liquor to be brought into Scott Act communities, and unless there are conscientious officers determined, to do their duty, that it will be only partly enforced, and yet even that is a great advance on license laws. One important feature is that it does not make the community a partner in the traffic. Where the Scott Act has been adopted the responsibility of the results of the traffic is upon the heads of those who will sell regardless of law.

GRAND DIVISION of ONTARIO

GRAND SCRIBE'S REPORT.

Continued.

PROPAGATION.

In my last report I pointed out the inefficiency and unsatisfactory results of the propagation system that had prevailed for some time. The Grand Division endorsed these views, but did not provide a better method. As any change would necessarily be largely experimental, the Executive Committee did not deem it wise to carry these experiments to any great length, especially where a change would involve increased expenditure. No opportunity for the extension of our Order, that seemed within our reach, has been allowed to pass unimproved. Many of the Divisions organized or resuscitated are the results of work done by neighboring Divisions or Deputies, or by the direct appeals by your G. W. P., or G. Scribe, to present or former Deputies. Special attention has been given to new Divisions, not merely in answering questions, but by frequent correspondence, encouraging, sympathizing, suggesting, or advising, as the case might be. It is gratifying to know that nearly all of the Divisions organized or resuscitated within the last twelve months are in a healthy and flourishing condition.

It was my intention to write to the former Deputies of all Divisions now dormant, that have existed during several years past. I soon discovered that to be impracticable from want of time. I wrote to several, however, and the result was that some Divisions long dormant, were revived. Encouraged thereby I prepared a special circular, and on Nov. 15th I sent out nearly three hundred of these circulars to former D. G. W. P.'s of now dormant or defunct Divisions. Whether any good will result therefrom it is yet too early to predict with confidence, but at least nearly every Division that has existed since 1880 has been communicated with, and earnestly invited to re-enter into active service in the Order. I have endeavored to reach every possible point at the lowest expense to the Grand Division. This has entailed an immense amount of office work, but the labor has not been wholly fruitless.

I believe that if a pamphlet were prepared setting forth the objects, principles, history, simplicity of operation, freedom from machinery, equality of membership, efficiency of work, etc., in our Order, and freely distributed amongst ministers, teachers of high and public schools, merchants, mechanics, farmers, and others who may be in sympathy with our work, but perhaps unacquainted with our Order and its mode of operation, it would have a beneficial effect, and probably result in a wide spread interest in our Order. In view of your possible approval of this suggestion, I occupied some of my time during the latter part of the Summer, when office duties were lighter than usual, in arranging material for this purpose, according to the views I hold as to

what would most likely meet the case.

PROVINCIAL AND COUNTY DEPUTIES.

The office of a Provincial or County D. G. W. P. is indeed an honorable one, but the responsibilities are commensurate with the honor. If this statement, which seems to me a fact, be correct and were fully appreciated, our staff of Provincial and County Deputies might make the influence and dignity of our Order felt throughout the entire Province. If every County or District had an active, efficient, devoted Deputy, and every Division were visited, say, twice a year, by such a Deputy recognized in his official capacity, it would, I think, be a means of greatly extending our Order and its usefulness. Bro. Robt. Coulter, Provincial D. G. W. P. and D. W. P. of Welland District Division, devoted the greater part of last winter to propagation work in his county, with most satisfactory results. Though an active Son of Temperance for an ordinary lifetime, a loyal Division Deputy for thirty-five years, and having nearly completed the allotted three score and ten years of life, yet this winter again he enters upon our work with all the energy and buoyancy and hopefulness of youth, but with the experience, devotion and loyalty of mature years, and with abiding faith in the righteousness and ultimate triumph of our principles. Bro. Coulter gives his time and work to the Order free of charge, and to him this Grand Division is much indebted for the healthy and vigorous state of the Order in Welland County. Bro. W. E. Smallfield, County D. G. W. P. with but a very limited time at his disposal has done excellent services in Renfrew County. Many other Deputies of each grade have performed their duties with credit to themselves and to this Order. Many District Division Officers have entered spiritedly into the work. Bro. J. H. Thompson, D. Scribe of Welland, and Bro. G. F. Stephenson, D. Scribe of York, have given me valuable information and assistance. Some Divisions as Divisions have done efficient work in planting the Order in other localities and in paying fraternal visits to weak Divisions, cheering and strengthening them. The new Divisions at Seagrave and East Toronto were to a great extent prepared for organization by the efforts of neighboring Divisions. Time will not permit me to name all who deserve a place on the roll of honor.

DISTRICT DIVISIONS.

This is a department of our Order that is not utilized as it should be. Where we have live District Divisions the Order is healthy and vigorous. Welland, Brant, York, and Ontario, testify to this fact. In my own county the District Division is the life of the Order, the meetings of our District Divisions are looked forward to with pleasure, and invariably result profitably and successfully thoroughly enjoyed by all. Loyalty to the Order and devotion to the work are developed, and the Sons of Temperance have now a standing in the county that would not have been attained otherwise. Shortly after the last session of this G. D. I had correspondence with Bro. Samuel McLean, County D. G. W. P., with a view to organizing a District Division for a District embracing parts of Grey, Simcoe, and Dufferin. A meeting was called and a District Division organized. I had the pleasure of visiting its next meeting and received a hearty welcome. The District Division has done much good, and will, I doubt not, be a means of doing still more good. I visited York District Division and found, as I expected, an earnest desire to promote the interests of the Order. I also visited Northumberland District Division. The Divisions in the county are few and far apart, and as a consequence the District Division is not so vigorous as the others named. It is hoped that improvement will soon be effected. We have some loyal, earnest brethren in that county. Welland and Brant I did not visit. They received the attention of the G. W. P., and they are both in excellent working order. We hope soon to see an efficient District Division in every county, and heartily commend this branch of our Order to our Divisions, as a means of doing a vast amount of good if properly supported;

If each Division could but feel that it is a necessary, useful, and in-

tegral part of a powerful, efficient, and aggressive brotherhood, the members of which, individually and collectively, are bound together by the most sacred ties of Love, Purity, and Fidelity; that the welfare of the whole Order is the welfare of each member; that each member, however humble, exerts an influence that reflects either credit or reproach upon the whole Order; that each, whether a member of a week or a strong Division, can fill a place that can be filled by no other, that weak Divisions may, and frequently, do a grand work; that the faithful few and the weekly lighted hall are standing rebukes to the evil traffic; that each member and each Division, when in trouble or difficulty, has the sympathy, when aggressive and loyal has the approval, and when in prosperity contributes to the enjoyment of 80,000 Sons of Temperance, then I am sure that the number of withdrawn, suspended, surrendered, etc., would rapidly diminish, and that we would speedily enter upon an era of marked and continued prosperity and usefulness. With an efficient system of fraternal visiting amongst our Divisions, and of official visiting by County D. G. W. P.'s, much could be done in the line indicated. It is clear that all Divisions cannot be visited by the G. W. P. or the G. Scribe, but if each county supported its District Division, these could be visited by Grand Division Officers, and thus the entire Order could be reached every year in a threefold sense. The plan which I have tried to outline may to some seem visionary. I do not think it impossible, but believing as I do that the feeling of isolation and lack of recognition, entertained to some extent amongst our members, forms a serious hindrance to the rapid extension of our work, I earnestly urge that this matter receive careful consideration.

Correspondence is now in progress with a view to the organization of District Divisions for Norfolk, Durham and that part of Grey lying west of the District already referred to.

OPEN MEETINGS.

Wherever tried, experience has proven the efficiency and usefulness of frequent open or public meetings. There is probably no better way of sustaining the interest in the Division than by frequently inviting the public to the Division room for an evening's entertainment. This practice will interest both members and non-members. The more fully the programme of entertainment is provided by members of the Division, the more will it be appreciated by the public, and the higher will be the opinion held as to the usefulness of the Division. There is no locality in which the residents do not take a pride in the accomplishments and ability of their young people, and short addresses, readings, recitations and music of an appropriate character rendered by the members of a Division will frequently reach the indifferent or even the opponent, where an eloquent, logical or profound lecture would fail to do so. "Our boys" and "our girls" are the pride of neighborhoods as well as of homes, and these earnest, devoted young members upon the programme will bring out a class of hearers that a stranger, however able, would fail to draw. The original idea was to hold public meetings at least monthly, and those, whenever practicable, not upon the regular Division night, as that in some measure interferes with Division work. I think we could safely return to this, the original practice and intention of the Order, with great advantage both to Divisions and to the communities in which they are located. There are some Divisions which make a practice of giving all their entertainments to the public free. There are doubtless times when a free entertainment is justifiable, and it may be advisable, yet I am strongly of opinion that this practice is unwise. I believe that the people should be given an opportunity to contribute of their means to temperance work, that they should be invited to do so, that in fact they should be taught to value these entertainments and the work in which the Division is engaged, and that duty requires that they pay for the value received, or at least contribute something in support of the work. Our churches, our schools, and our government all rightfully expect those who avail themselves of the advantages of these institutions to contribute towards the continuance of the work, and there is no valid reason why the

public should not treat our work with the same courtesy and fairness. Many Divisions now weak financially and numerically would soon experience prosperity, and be able to engage able lectures without crippling their finances, thus finding a wide field of usefulness, instead of struggling for mere existence; and strong Divisions by adopting this plan might soon establish a propagation fund in this Grand Division that would enable this body to keep a staff of first-class lecturers in the field all the time, so that the benefit would eventually return to the Divisions and to those who contributed, without interfering with the ordinary income of the Division. I believe that, as a rule, a collection would reach the end sought much better than a fixed admission fee' though at times an admission fee should be charged. I do not know whether the plan suggested is practicable in its entirety, but it should be to some extent, and just so far as it may be utilized will it bring advantages to the public, to the Divisions, and to the Order in general.

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York District Division, No. 1.

The regular quarterly session of York District Division was held at Marysville on Wednesday evening, Jan. 2nd. The attendance of representatives was not large, but a goodly number of visitors from the subordinate divisions were present. The reports from the subordinate divisions are more favorable than at last session. Gibson Division, though not now as active as it has been, reports a slight increase in membership "able to meet all bills, and to pay for improvements". Landsdowne, No. 257 reports a large decrease, having suspended 24 members during the quarter, but there is a much greater interest displayed and the Division on the whole is in a more healthy condition. Kingsclear, No. 315 is getting along splendidly. Quite a number have been initiated during the quarter and there are more to follow.

On the evening of Jan. 23rd, with the assistance of the District Division they will hold a concert and entertainment, with a view to strengthening the interest in the work, and raising money enough for new regalia.

The reports from Marysville, No. 348, our banner division, are very gratifying. This division was organized but a few months ago with 53 charter members and by being reinforced from 2, 8 or 9 members at almost every session, has grown to almost 140.

Unfortunately an entertainment was being held at Douglas on our night of meeting, which prevented the delegates of Farmer's Division from attending. No reports were to hand from this Division.

Dufferin Division was not represented, nor had we any report from it. As this division is some fifty miles above Fredericton and but 12 or 13 miles from Woodstock, we feel that it might be better annexed to Carleton County District.

At the present there is little hope of resuscitating either Poquoick or Star Divisions. However, the executive of the District Division are watching them, and should circumstances become more favorable they will be attended to with "dignity and despatch."

No. 2 Gordon Division although favorable to the District Division at first has since withdrawn. Bro. McKenzie and his associates are working away, and No. 325 is a wide awake Division.

After the business of the session was through the committee on entertainment introduced the following subject for discussion:—"How can we best make our Subordinate Division meetings interesting," which occupied the division for the remainder of the session.

Fraternally Yours,

Y. D. S.

Temperance News and Notes.

More than 30,000 children of school age in the city of Chicago are said to be addicted to the use of strong drink.

Eighty-five per cent. of the whole number of churches in the State of New York, now use unfermented wine, an advance of fifteen per cent. over last year.

Under a retail license fee of \$1000 at Atlanta, Ga., according to the Constitution, there are nearly as many saloons as before, and more drunkenness exists than in all the previous history of the place.

The W. C. T. U. of Kansas is petitioning the Legislature of the State to make the Industrial School for Girls, which was opened and has been supported by the W. C. T. U. for a year past, one of the charitable institutions of the State, that its girls may be cared for as well as its boys.