

Why Does Colchester Repeal the Scott Act?

1. A few years ago the Act was voted in by a large majority. No doubt about that.

2. Mr Carter, a liquor dealer in Truro, filed a protest and demanded a scrutiny, as of course he had a legal right to do.

3. That scrutiny has never been held, and Mr Carter's protest is still standing, and the minute of council declaring the Act in force is held to be illegal, and cannot be legal until the scrutiny is held, and the protest disposed of.

4. Why not have the scrutiny held? Because (1) It can be held only before the Judge of the proper County Court, which Judge is County Judge Blanchard; (2) Judge Blanchard is an uncle of the returning officer, and is therefore precluded from trying the case, and as no other judge can try it without an Act of Parliament amending the Act, it can never be tried as long as Judge Blanchard is Judge of the proper County Court, and we do not want to see the Judge either dead or dismissed—and we can't afford to wait for either of these undesirable events.

5. These circumstances are peculiar to this County, and make the Act altogether inoperative, not because the Act may be defective, but because it is claimed not to be legal in force, and this objection would stand even if the Act were perfect and proved a complete success every where else.

such work, and the temperance sentiment will have been so thoroughly aroused that no district can be found where two-thirds of her ratepayers will sign a petition for license.

I hope I have made the whole case so clear that any misunderstanding is impossible.

Yours truly, D. Stiles Fraser, Springside, 29th March, 1889.

A Monstrous Evil. The liquor traffic is a monstrous evil, and yet it goes on in Maine cities in spite of the laws against it.

Drink Robs One of Precious Years. A collective investigation committee on "Habits of Intemperance," appointed by the British Medical Association, have made a report, published in the British Medical Journal in which, as one of their conclusions they say: "That of men who have passed the age of twenty-five, the strictly temperate on the average live at least ten years longer than those who have become decidedly intemperate."

Kingsclear Division No. 315. DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—As we are about entering upon another quarter I am pleased to submit the following report of the work done by this Division during the last one.

Since we changed our place of meeting to the Temperance Hall, Lower French Village, six months ago, we have added something over forty members to our roll by initiation, and have purchased through G. S. Thompson, of St. John, a very fine set of emblems for our Officers, regalia.

Our meetings are held on Saturday nights, (not Wednesday as reported in the JOURNAL,) and the interest manifested at the outset continues unabated, new members being added on almost every night of meeting.

On the last night of meeting in March two persons were initiated, and the following officers were elected:— Joseph Curry, O.S. Eliza Campbell, I.S. Benj. Burden, Cond. Mrs. Harry Dunphy, A Cond. Byron Kilburn, R.S. Franklin Dunphy, A R.S. Egerton Everett, F.S. John Burnet, Treas. James Yelland, Chap. Albert Everett, P.W.P. Laura Everett, W.A. B.W.Fox, W.P.

ing programme of entertainment by the members of the Division:— 1. Chorus by members, 'Let Temperance and her Sons rejoice.' 2. Address, Bro. Egerton Everett, 'The effects of alcohol on the system.' 3. Recitation, Sister Eliza Campbell, 'A tale of night.' 4. Reading, B.W.Fox, 'Parasites,' also an extract from Bro. Gooseberry's Sermon. 5. Song, Bro. James Yelland, 'Daring Chloe.' 6. Dialogue, Sister Nellie Gallop and Bro. Knight, 'Signing the pledge.' 7. Chorus by members, 'Bringing in the Sheaves.' 8. Recitation, Sister Annie Kilburn, 'Poor House Nan.' 9. Comic Song, Bro. John Campbell, 'Uncle Sam's Rheumatism.' 10. Address, Bro. James Yelland, 'Temperance in England.' 11. Sister Annie Kilburn, 'Save the Boy.' 12. Reading: Bro. Byron Kilburn, 'Catching a mouse.' 13. Song, Bro. Frank Burden, 'The Drunkard's Death.'

Judging from the frequent rounds of applause which greeted the several participants, the audience considered themselves well paid for their walk through the mire to attend the meeting. After a few closing remarks by the W. P., the meeting adjourned by singing the closing ode.

Yours in L. P. and F., O. C. Kingsclear, April 8th, 1887.

Illinois News

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—The Grand Division, of Illinois, will meet in semi-annual session in the hall of Garden City Division, No. 422, at 213, West Madison street, Chicago on Tuesday, April 22rd, at 2 P. M.

A new Division was organized at Galena, Ja. Davis County, on the evening of April 1st, by D. G. W. P. Jack Warburton, with fifty charter members.

Two Divisions, are to be instituted, this week, in Lake County, one with twenty names, and the other with fourteen as charter members.

We expect to institute two other Divisions, before the date of the Grand Division Session. Fraternally, M. D. Forrest, G. S. Chicago, Illinois, April 3rd.

TEMPERANCE DIRECTORY.

NATIONAL DIVISION. M. W. P., Rev. R. Alder Temple, Halifax, N. S.

G S, Harry C Jones, 118 S 7th Street, Philadelphia. CONNECTICUT. G W P, Chas A Baldwin, 32 Martin St, New Haven, Conn.

Victoria Mills, West. Co.; Victoria, 245; Thursday; A. J. Main. Baillie, St. James, Char. Co.; Baillie, 248; Wednesday; Fred H Mann.