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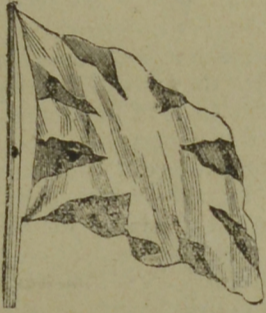
As a Son of Temperance, and no doubt anxious to promulgate the principles of our order, will you not kindly bring the matter of the JOURNAL, and this method of distributing temperance literature, before your division. Every subscription helps us make the paper better, and more useful as a temperance 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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OUR SERMON.

Each issue of our paper contains one of the late sermons preached by Rev. A. J. Mowatt of this city. After you have read your paper, perhaps you could give it to someone who is not able to attend church and who would appreciate the sermon.

ARE YOU going to attend your annual session.

MORE enthusiastic and more consecrated work is wanted in the order? Who will consecrate themselves anew?

THERE ARE evidences of a grand shaking up all along the line, with the opening of the winter campaign. Will you not help along the good work by attending your meetings promptly, and trying to bring in any who are luke-warm.

Every now and then we hear of whiskey drinking preachers, they are well said to be a reproach to Christianity, and a laughing stock for bar-keepers and hangers on. Judases among the disciples.

A LARGE number of communications have unavoidably been held over until next issue. As we shall be very busy with Grand Division work for the next two weeks, we trust our correspondents will assist us by sending in reports from their various divisions.

EVERY DAY we are more and more impressed with the necessity of our membership given the Sons of Temperance National Mutual Relief society their active support as a medium of consolidating the Order, and holding a certain element in the ranks that have a tendency to go off at a tangent every now and then.

This is what an exchange says better not read this paper some more, it is a conscience rouser and it might make you pay some of your old debts or might make you think of old promises long since forgotten (purposely.)

WE EARNESTLY impress upon the deputies the importance of getting their reports in to the Grand Scribe immediately. Do not put off this important matter. A correct knowledge of the standing of the Order can only be ascertained by the promptness and personal interest of the deputies just now. This is not only applicable to the deputies in New Brunswick, but to so many in other jurisdiction when the annual sessions are about to be held.

THE NOVA SCOTIA ORGAN.

The *Clarion* is the official organ of the 16,000 Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia, and is well deserving of the patronage and assistance of every son of Temperance in that jurisdiction. It is well edited, and the selections are among the best that can be had on temperance topics. Another feature of the *Clarion* which meets the approval and commendation of the Order in that province, is the firm ground it takes against the encroachments or wire pulling of politicians who try to use the Order and the temperance sympathies and feelings of the members to work out their own schemes. We are heartily in accord with the *Clarion* in the position it takes in the Third party movements, and we move on the same line, and we believe every loyal son of Temperance should do the same. Referring to its prospects the *Clarion* in a late issue says:—We are happy to be in a position to say that the *Clarion* loses nothing in public sympathy and support since it began to overcome the prejudices which had almost ruined the prospects of a Temperance paper in Nova Scotia. Our Divisions show more interest in their Official Organ, and the feeling all along the line seems to be better than at any time since it came to its present management. We are glad of this for the Order's sake; for after all, we find no temperance work more steady, more persistent and more safely entrenched in the heart of the people than that done by the Sons of Temperance. We assure our friends of the Order that the good words they say, and any co-operation of theirs with the aims of the paper, are always appreciated. The paper is of far more value to the Order than to any individual.

THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE NATIONAL MUTUAL RELIEF SOCIETY.

Among those who are interested in what are called old line insurance companies, and in their days between stock holders, agents and others, there are a good many interested in them, there is a tendency to disparage mutual relief societies, such as the one in which as Sons of Temperance we should be interested. The writer has personally been interested as agent, and in other ways with old line companies, and after much experience is able to say that the prejudice endeavoured to be created is simply in the interest of the old line companies, which are losing many valuable premiums by the relief societies.

It is not our intention however to compare the relative advantages of the two methods of insurance in this article, but to impress upon our membership a few of the claims the Sons of Temperance mutual Relief has upon us as a society.

This society is not intended, or have provisions been made in it for investment of capital as in some of the old line companies. It is simply a relief society. The relief being limited to the sum of \$3,500. It is not intended for speculation, but that the widows and orphans of the society may in a practical way receive a benefit from our order, that in its ordinary form they would not receive.

To the married members of our

Order it presents many advantages. In taking up the burden and responsibility of married life, there should be an equal willingness to make provision for those under our care who rely on the health and life of the head of the family to keep the home together.

ITS LOW COST.—If this were an expensive institution, if the outlay were large we could understand why our membership, made up largely of mechanics, and others who have to work for their living by honest toil, might be unable to avail themselves of its benefits. But there can be no such excuse so far as the Sons of Temperance Relief is concerned. The cost of insurance has been reduced to a minimum. The fact of the membership being composed of thorough temperance men, and the management in the hands of wealthy and honored members who have spent years, the best part of their lives in Sons of Temperance work, should be, yes, and is a guarantee to every member of the society, as to its economical management, its security as a relief society, and the thoroughly honest, upright and business manner in which it is conducted. It is not, however because the society is doubted as good security, or its economical management questioned, or its cost compared with others of a like nature, that the members do not more generally avail themselves of its cheap insurance but, because the members procrastinate, they put off, instead of acting promptly. Is it right, is it honest, for us to put off these matters if we have no provision made for those we have pledged ourselves to care for and provide for? It cost so little for you now, and through the years, to make a provision for them; but when you get old, and broken down, and sickly, you cannot secure these advantages from any society or insurance company.

Not to those who are married only, does this society reach out its care, but to those young men or ladies who have others depending on them, to every one in fact who has friends they think dearly of. Young men and women under 25 years of age may have \$1,000 insurance for about 60 cents per month. Surely any one can pay this amount and not miss it.

We do not urge any one to take a large amount of insurance, but every one is able to pay the cost of from \$500 to \$1,000, as the payments are so small. The admission fee for an insurance of \$500 is only one Dollar, and for \$1,000 only Two Dollars. After this there are no charges whatever, except death assessments, which are as follows:

ASSESSMENTS.

| AGE. | SEC. 1—\$500. | SEC. 2—\$1,000. |
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| From 18 to 25 | 0.25 | 0.50 |
| " 25 to 30 | 0.28 | 0.55 |
| " 30 to 35 | 0.29 | 0.58 |
| " 35 to 40 | 0.30 | 0.60 |
| " 40 to 45 | 0.32 | 0.63 |
| " 45 to 50 | 0.38 | 0.75 |
| " 50 to 55 | 0.45 | 0.90 |
| " 55 to 60 | 0.53 | 1.05 |

A large amount of insurance is given at proportionate cost, as shown in other circulars.

The insurance is prompt and safe, and we believe it is cheaper than any other organization in North America. Information, blanks, circulars, and by-laws will be promptly furnished whenever desired.

If you are seriously thinking of taking a benefit certificate in this society you can get the necessary application paper from F. M. Bradley, Gen. Sec'y, P. O. Box 682, Washington, D. C., or from the editor of the TEMPERANCE JOURNAL, Fredericton, by dropping a postal card to either of them. Do not put this off. Every son of Temperance should have at least \$1,000 in this Relief Society.

A saloon-keeper knows no more about heaven, or cares any more about the torments of hell than a hog does about the maxim that "Honesty is the best policy," or a boy cares about advice given in regard to green apples in the spring of the year.

THE G. W. A.'S VISITS.

We have been somewhat busy this week in visiting various Divisions. On Monday evening the District Division of York County met at Gibson, and the election of officers took place, and other important business transacted. The formation of these District Divisions is going to be a great advantage to the Order, if the members enter into the project with a proper spirit and lots of enthusiasm.

On Thursday evening we had the pleasure of visiting Excelsior Division and Mariners and Mechanics Division of St. John. In Excelsior Division we met with a number of old faces that have been years in the work although in a division that does not boast of an old age. There was one candidate present, and the ceremony was conducted in a most satisfactory manner, Grand Scribe Thomson, acting as W Associate, and P W P, A J Armstrong, filling the chair with much ability and efficiency, Bro. Robert Wills occupied the post of Chaplain, in his usual benignant manner. After the initiation ceremony the Grand Worthy Associate made a few remarks, relative to the work, and the responsibilities of individual members. Mariners and Mechanics Division was then visited and found with a good membership, and in the throes of an exciting debate. After the debate had been closed, apparently to the satisfaction of everyone, and some routine business transacted, the G W A was invited to install the officers for the current quarter. After the installation ceremony there were some speeches, and the Division closed about 11 o'clock.

On Wednesday night we had the pleasure of making an official visit to No. 2 Gordon Division, a branch of the order that has well attended meetings, and keeps the interests up well in the I. S. C. The meeting as usual was well attended and considerable important business transacted. The Grand Worthy Associate installed the officers, after which there was a brief address by the Installing Officer, of a congratulatory nature as to the success of the division, and information with reference to the annual session, which it is expected will have several representatives attending it from No. 2 Gordon Division.

On Thursday night we as usual, attended our own Division, Lansdowne. Lansdowne has a large membership but the attendance is not anything like it should be, principally owing to the many attractions in the city that have been lately taking place on Thursday evening.

This evening (Friday) we hoped to officially visit Marysville Division, but extra work on the JOURNAL prevented us doing so; we hope to be with Marysville on next Friday evening. To-morrow evening, Saturday, that of Farmers at Douglas. Monday (D V.) we will be with Tilley Division, in company with Grand Scribe Thomson, and on Tuesday evening assisted by other members of the York District Division, a visit will be made to Poquiock, for the purpose of resuscitating, Poquiock Division if possible. We hope between this and the 17th inst to visit a large number of the divisions in this part of the country with the hope of inducing a large attendance at the annual session, and to stir up an enthusiasm for the coming winter months.

ONTARIO NOTES.

From the "Sons of Temperance"

The Annual Session of the Grand Division will be held (D. V.) in Toronto, commencing Tuesday, December 4th. The M.W.P., Rev. R. Alder Temple, of Halifax, N. S. has announced his intention to be present. Let every Div. be represented. The session will be important as well as enjoyable.

Important circulars, etc., are frequently sent to each Div., from the G. S.'s, office. These are intended to be read in the Division, and having received proper attention filed for refer-

ence. All official circulars should receive full consideration, and officers receiving them should in no case fail to lay them properly before the Division.

Do not fail to send promptly to the G. S. the returns and per cap, tax for quarter ending September. These must form the basis of official reports to the G. S., and in order that they may be completed in time for the session, their preparation must begin early in November. If any Divisions are then in arrears or delinquent in making returns, etc., they must be so reported to the G. D. Let there be no delinquents this quarter.

Now is the time for active, united, persistent Division work. Each member can do something. Each Division can do very much to increase the membership of the Division, and to extend its influence and usefulness. The great work in which we are engaged is neither play nor pastime. It is a stupendous conflict in which all the powers of darkness and sin, selfishness and appetite, prejudice, ignorance and indifference are arrayed against that which is good and noble. Satan and the liquor traffic take no holidays and never suspend business. We should be equally vigilant. In conflict now. Victory will surely come.

Herman H. Pitts, G. W. A. of the G. D. of N. B., and proprietor of the Temperance Journal of Fredericton, N. B., has undertaken to prepare and publish a complete report of the Order of S. of T., in North America. With a view to collecting the information necessary to enable him to carry out this project, he has prepared a special blank form. A copy of this form will be sent to each D. G. W. P., in every State and Province who it is earnestly requested will carefully and promptly answer the various questions therein and return it to Bro. Pitts. If more convenient it may be sent to the G. S., who will forward it. The magnitude and importance of the work are evident. Bro. Pitts is an earnest enthusiastic Son of Temperance of much experience in the Order and in journalism, and it is hoped that every D. G. W., will heartily co-operate with him, by filling and returning the forms as requested, and thus aid in bringing this laudable undertaking to a successful and practical issue.

The following deputies have been appointed by the G. W. P. since last report. Sis. E. Rowland, Grand River, Div., 68, Paris; Bros. Rev. C. E. Bolton, Wiaraton Div. 159; Wm. Lees, Pleasant Hill, Div. 235; Walsingham Centre P. O.; Henderson Campbell, Clyde Forks Div. 408, Caldwell's Mills P. O.; Rev. T. Watson, Flesher-ton Div. 412; Rev. C. E. Bolton Wiaraton, P. O., Co. D. G. W. P., for North Grey and North Bruce. Rev. J. Blatherwick, Delhi P. O., Co. D, G. W. P., for Norfolk.

The following official copy of a resolution adopted by the National Division at its late session in Toronto has just been received from the M. W. S. Bro. B. R. Jewell, of Boston, Mass. "Resolved, that to the G. D. of Ont., and its Reception Committee are due, and are hereby tendered, our sincerest thanks for the hearty welcome and for the great kindness shown us during our sojourn there. We carry to our homes most pleasant memories of our visit."

It makes the devil laugh to see a bar-keeper standing up quoting scripture in defence of his soul-destroying trade, and it makes God's angels weep to see a whisky-loving, lying churchman voting with and assisting the saloon power.

The people make the laws the saloon exists by the consent of the people. The people can withdraw their consent, and the saloon will cease to be legal and will disappear.

Your son may go to hell and fill a drunkard's grave and you may not thank us for telling you so, but that won't alter the case all the same, you better have the paper coming into your house, it might reform some of your family, even if you are beyond hope.