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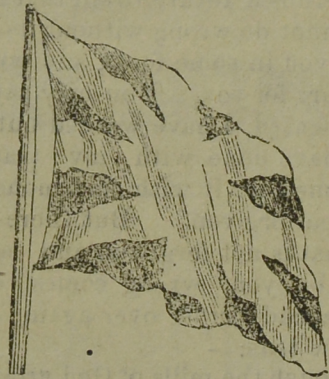
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RAISE THE STANDARD

—OUR MOTTO—

'NATIONAL PROHIBITION.'

Temperance Journal.

SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 1888.

Have you sent your return in yet.

Bro. J. A. Armstrong, of Valley Division, Portland, favored us with a call this week. He looks well, and says he feels well.

Gordon Division has public temperance meetings every other Wednesday evening. The last open meeting was on the 11th inst.

The W. A. of Boiestown Division was in town this week, we believe, but failed to show up at the JOURNAL office. Probably he is not aware that he is liable to a fine, or vote of censure, for such neglect.

We are pleased to see that Mayor Thorne repudiates any sanction to the recent amendments offered in the Assembly to the License Act. We could hardly believe His Worship would favor the amendments in the way he was said to, but it is well for the temperance public to understand that a public denial has been made by him as to any sanction or that he was at all in favor of them.

THE GRAND SCRIBE.

A communication from the Grand Scribe from River Louison dated April 6th is the last word we have had from that officer on his travels. He states that the divisions as far as visited up to that time were in a fairly prosperous condition. The travelling is very bad, and the weather most disagreeable, snow and ice abounding in plentiful quantities in the north. On Saturday last he was in Bathurst but did not visit the Divisions in Gloucester County but pushed on to Dalhousie, and visited the Division there; Tuesday night he was at Dundee, good attendance and much interest in the work. Dalhousie division is largely made up of young members. The attendance when he was there was some 30 odd. On Wednesday evening he attended "Maple Green" and installed the officers, the majority in this division are adults. Thursday, visited 'River Charlo.' About 20 were in attendance. He speaks particularly of the fine Hall, and the fine division. On the evening of the 6th he was to visit Louison Division and thence to

Campbellton. In our next issue we shall probably have a communication giving some further of his experience among the divisions.

CHOOSE YOUR CROWD.

This paper, and this article may be read by some who have not taken an active part for the temperance question, who have been trying to be on the fence when this great principle was at stake. To such we would say—"Choose your crowd." You cannot remain neutral and preserve your manhood in this question, however you may waver in politics. You must be for prohibition or against it.

"God and the best people are for prohibition; the devil and the worst people are for the saloon.

The Bible, the book of God, says of all evil, 'Thou shall not,' which is prohibition. The devil and evil doers say, 'Let us alone, we will do as we please.'

There is also a lot of 'go betweens,' that say, 'Good Lord, good devil,' as the occasion may seem to require.

Now, choose your crowd and stand up and be counted, or sneak away with the 'go betweens.'

THE SEMI-ANNUAL SESSION.

So many forget the Semi-annual Session, or think it not of sufficient consequence to make much effort to attend. We hope the members will not look at this matter in such a constrained manner. It appears too true that a great many of those attending the annual session do so for the pleasant time they imagine there will be, and an anxiety for the prosperity of our order is not as prominent in their minds as it should be. Now, the session which will open in "Granite Rock" Hall, Carleton, will be one of no little interest to the order, and it is expected that every prominent member, who can afford to, will attend the sessions, of course the Grand Officers will be there, but the earnest temperance workers should also be on hand to give their advice, and the benefit of their judgment. A good deal is expected of the deputies this session. There should be reports in from each deputy to the Grand Worthy Patriarch, giving a report of the state of the Order in his vicinity. From this the committee on the State of the Order will be in a position to bring in an intelligent report for the past half year's work, and also to make suggestions as to the future. The deputies should remember there is something more than honor in connection with their office. There is a duty to perform; not only to keep alive the interest in their locality, but to make such recommendations, and forward such communications to the G. W. P. as will enable that officer to do the most for the order, while holding that important office. Let us all try and get to the semi-annual session this year.

TOTAL ABSTINENCE.

Recent Vindications of it from a business Standpoint.

"The law of averages as exhibited in the experience of life-insurance societies for nearly half a century is the pedestal on which the temperance principle of total abstinence now stands triumphant and unassailable. Every one knows, or ought to know, that life-assurance societies are accustomed, many of them, to assure total abstainers and moderate drinkers in separate sections; and that a bonus or premium of seventeen, twenty-three, and, in some cases, twenty-six per cent., has been paid to the total abstainers over that paid to moderate drinkers. This large commercial fact shows that total abstinence increases by nearly one-third the chances for long life. This assertion is made, not by fanatical agitators, nor by partisan temperance organizations, but by business companies governed exclusively by cool commercial prudence.

Temperance life-assurance societies were first inaugurated in England in 1849. Mr. R. Warner found that because of his teetotalism his wife was refused assurance at the ordinary rate. He founded the United Kingdom Temperance Provident Institution, which now has annual income of more than three million dollars, and an accumulated fund of nearly twenty millions. This Institution insured only teetotalers till 1850, when a general section was opened. The premium rates were the same in both sections. The receipts and expenditures of each were kept entirely distinct. Each section

shared its own profits. From 1886 to 1883, the number of expected deaths in the temperance and general sections was 2,879 and 4,741. The number of actual deaths was respectively 2,035 and 4,640, or about seventy and ninety-seven per cent.—showing a much larger death-rate in the general section.

The forty-sixth annual meeting of this Institution was held last May; and it was found that in the totals for the period of twenty-one years from 1866 to 1886 inclusive, the temperance section had an advantage over the general section of twenty-six per cent.

The Scottish Temperance Company has had a similar experience. It was the first which insured teetotalers at reduced rates. It claims that the death-rate of the general insuring public is fully one-third higher than that of abstainers. It makes to the latter, in both its life and accidental departments, an immediate and annual reduction of ten per cent. (See Hazell's Annual Cyclopaedia, London, 1886, p. 440.)

Colonel J. L. Green, president of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, delivered an address, a few years ago, at Hartford, in which he said speaking of the results of his own experience: "The death-rate is more profoundly affected by the use of intoxicating drinks than from any other one cause apart from heredity. That habitual drunkenness should issue in disease and death most people can understand; but that moderate, orderly, decorous indulgence should issue in congested brains, insanity, suicide, paralysis, disease of the kidneys, liver and stomach, pneumonia, rheumatism, and, in general, in those forms of illness which at bottom means a poison imparted to the blood, most persons do not know, and are slow to believe. . . For two or three years there was nothing very remarkable to be noted among the selected lives of beer-drinkers, otherwise temperate. Presently death began to strike this group, and until it had dwindled to a fraction of its original proportions, the mortality in it was astounding in extent, and still more remarkable in the manifest identity of cause and mode. . . It was as if the system had been kept fair outside, while within it was eaten to a shell, and at the first touch of disease there was utter collapse, every fibre was poisoned and weak." (See Dr. Daniel Dorchester's "Latest Drink Sophistries vs. Total Abstinence," pp. 65, 66.)

In Australia, in Canada, in the United States, as well as in England, life-assurance societies in large numbers, and after an experience of more than a generation, find that the law of averages requires a payment of twenty-five or more per cent premium to total abstainers above what is paid to moderate drinkers.

It must be remembered that many total abstainers have not been such from birth. Their health has been injured in not a few instances by early indulgence. Ultimately, when life-assurance societies come to have sections filled by men who have been total abstainers from birth, the average of premiums to the temperance sections will be even higher than now. The sections not made up of total abstainers are, of course, not drunkards, for their lives are not assured, but merely moderate drinkers, respectable men, most of them indulging only in beer and wine.

On April 18th a vote will be taken in Simcoe County, Ontario, on the repeal Scott Act petition, and on the following day in Bruce, Dufferin, Stormont and Glengarry, Renfrew and Dundas. The most vigorous campaign is probably in Simcoe County. The Scott Act association there has engaged among other eloquent speakers, Mrs. Yeomans, president of the W. C. T. U., Mr. John A. Nicholls, of the Dominion Alliance, and the Hon. Ansley Gray.

An Ontario paper alleges that the shebeen keepers are opposing the repeal of the Scott Act. The reason assigned for this is that they know their gin mills possess no qualification for hotel licenses, and they therefore prefer to take their chances under the existing regime.

The road to success leads out by the gate of opportunity, which opens but once. The time to do a thing is when the opportunity offers, for in the kaleidoscopic changes of life it is all but impossible that the same conditions will again be presented.

Communications.

Garibaldi Division, No. 151.

The following officers were elected at the last meeting for the ensuing quarter viz:

Wilmot Teed, W P;
Susie Hendry, W A;
John Henry, R S;
Willie Sharp, A R S;
John Boyd, F S;
Ira Teed, Treas;
Mrs. J. Goddard, Chap;
Herbert Teeling, Con;
Julia Howie, A Con;
Bruce Smith, I S;
Leslia Mills, O S;
Robert Sharp, P W P.

After the election the following programme of entertainment was enacted by Br. McElroy and his force viz:

Music, entitled 'Marching to battle,' by Sisters Edith and Ida Mills, Sandre Comben, Susie Hendry, Eliza Reed, and Bros. Hendry and Campbell; Dialogue, entitled 'Personating olders,' by Ettie Teeling and Emma Mills; Duet, entitled 'The two lives,' by Emma Mills, Susie Hendry and Ida Mills, which was well delivered; Song, entitled 'The whippoorwill's song,' by Ida Mills and Sandre Comben, which was thoroughly enjoyed; Reading, entitled 'The Rum Maniac,' by Mrs. Porter, was very appropriate and well delivered; Reading, entitled 'The drunkard's dream' by A. F. Campbell, was also very suitable; Song, entitled 'A rolling stone gathers no moss,' by McLeod and Harry Mills; Solo, entitled 'A bird in the hand,' by Sandre Comben, which was fully appreciated by all; A love story by Wallace Gibson was very laughable; Song, by Sisters Chambers, Reed and Mills; Song, entitled 'Jotham and Hulda,' by Edith Mills and A. F. Campbell, which was well well rendered and brought forth much praise; Bro. Wallace Gibson again stepped forth with another comical reading entitled 'Carpentry'; Song, entitled 'The drunkard's dying child,' by Geo. Maxon; Song, entitled 'A fight for prohibition,' by J. Hendry, A. F. Campbell, Edith and Emma Mills; Song, entitled 'A man is a man,' by our efficient chorister John Hendry in his usual pleasant talent.

The evening's entertainment closed with a dialogue, entitled 'The old and the new,' by Sisters Veness; Comben, Reed, Mills, and Bro. McLeod Mills, which was well acted.

The whole programme was well carried out and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Yours in L. P. and F.,
J. L. Speer.
Benton, N. B., April 5th 1888.

Havelock Division, No. 251.

At our usual meeting on 6th inst., the following officers for present quarter were installed by G. D. W. P., Ezra Keith:

C. F. Alward, W P;
Sophia Keith, W A;
Van B. Thorne, R S;
Mrs. H. A. Bonnel, A R S;
P. Girdwood, F S;
T. Edgar Keith, Treas;
E. M. Sharpe, Chap;
Jas. L. Wilmot, Con;
Rennie Gray, A Con;
Barret Price, I S;
Jas. Keith, O S;
Trueman V. Freeze, P W P.

The officers' reports show a membership of 117; with twelve meetings held during last quarter.

Our Division is in good working order, many of our members (the stand-by brigade) are enthusiastic temperance workers, second to none in earnest endeavors to promote the interests thereof in our own and surrounding Districts. Our doings have not been heralded much or often in your able JOURNAL, but wherever work is to be done, our Division is ever ready to hold up its own end and even help others. Lately we have been having some lively debates in the "Good of order" part of our routine programme. On Friday evening last, on the occasion of public installation, our hall was well filled, and an interesting debate on "Nature vs. Art," was listened to with appreciation by visitors as well as members. I shall endeavor to write more frequently in future.

O. C.

Golden Rule Division, No. 51.

The officers of Golden Rule Division, No. 51, S. of T., were publicly installed on the evening of the 3rd

inst., by D. G. W. P., L. R. Moore, assisted by P. W. P., Mrs. James C. Wright, as Grand Conductor, the following is the list of officers:

Mariner M. Tingley, W P;
James T. Horseman, W A;
Wm. J. McAlmon, R S;
Ellie K. Moore, A R S;
Leonard H. Stiles, F S;
W. Temple Wright, T;
Achah G. Gallacher, Chap;
David Stiles, Con;
Edna Stiles, A Con;
Jessie E. Bishop, I S;
Herman Robinson, O S;
Albert Stiles, P W P.
Speeches, Readings and Music closed the evening's entertainment.

Rising Star Division.

MR. EDITOR,—As the official correspondent of our Division tendered his resignation a few nights since, I have been elected in his stead. I will here state that the reason of Bro. Hazen T. Murray's resignation, is that he purposes leaving this locality for a time to attend Pictou Academy. By his departure our Division loses one of its best members and most earnest workers. The quarter which has just ended has been one of steady and quiet growth, and we anticipate the same for the coming quarter. Rising Star was organized on Feb. 15th 1886 with 20 charter members, we have now upwards of 50 in good standing connected with our Division. Another feature worthy of notice is that during that time we have never had to expel a member for violation of the pledge.

The Division has the full confidence of the people in this vicinity, and whenever we find it necessary to appeal to them for aid, they most generously respond. The success, achieved by Rising Star in the past, has been in a large measure due to the noble and untiring efforts of the ladies associated with it. At our last regular meeting, Mr. John Northrup, a veteran in the temperance cause, but who still retains his love for the work, was elected to the position of Worthy Patriarch.

G. S. Thompson visited Collina and Snowflake Divisions lately, but was unable to give us a call.

Below is the list of officers elected for the current quarter:

John H. Northrup, W P;
Miss J. A. Fairweather, W A;
Fred Scovill, R S;
Mina Freeze, A R S;
Jesse Fowley, F S;
Eliza Murray, Treas;
Leah Fowler, Chap;
Oscar Folkins, Con;
Adeline Freeze, A Con;
George Long, I S;
S. L. T. McNight, O S.

Trusting that I have not intruded too much upon your valuable space, and hoping to do better in the future,

I remain,

Yours Fraternally,

O. C.

Gloucester Division, S. of T., No. 254.

MR. EDITOR,—On Saturday 31st inst., the members of Gloucester Division elected their officers for the ensuing quarter, viz:

Horace Hornbrook, W P;
Maggie J. Douglass, W A;
Telom Rogers, R S;
Harmony Daley, A R S;
Sadie Connacher, F S;
Edward Hoduett, Treas;
N. R. Richey, Chap;
Wallace Daley, Con;
Lizzie Hoduett, A Con;
William Collins, I S;
Oswald Daley, O S;
Irvin Daley, P W P;
Emeline Hoduett, Organist.

The past quarter has been a very successful one in many ways. We have increased considerably in membership and added to the comforts of our hall. We are expecting Mr. Thompson, G. S., to visit us on Wednesday, 11th inst., and expect to re-organize Janeville Division (which hasn't been working for some time past) while he is with us. We also expect to organize Divisions in Caraqueet and Shippegan, as one of our brothers, J. W. Wixon, residing there says we have every chance of doing so. If we succeed we will then have six divisions in our county, where a little over two years ago we hadn't any.

Bro. Barker and Rev. Mr. Tredrea of Ever Onward Division, Bathurst, were visitors on our last night of meeting, and each favoured us with a very encouraging address.