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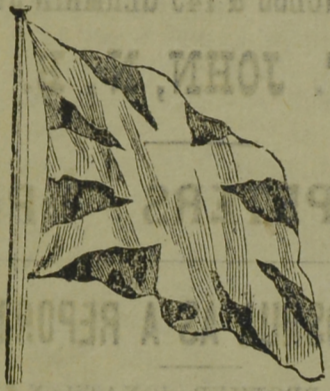
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RAISE THE STANDARD.

—OUR MOTTO—

"NATIONAL PROHIBITION."

Temperance Journal.

THURSDAY, AUGUST, 26, 1886.

Picnic season.

St. John Divisions are booming.

Open the Division up sharp on the hour.

We have to thank many of the brethren for their prompt renewals of subscriptions.

It is expected there will be a very large gathering of Sons at Moncton this year at the Annual Session.

Always be courteous to visiting members. They will go away with a good impression of your Division.

It is a good time now to look up the old members who have not been attending very regularly during the summer months.

We should have communications from Wilberforce, Albion, Newcastle, Dalhousie, Collina, Baillie, Valley, Britannia, Poquik, Gibson and Kingsclear Divisions for the next issue.

Please notice the slip on your paper, and if the date is not correct, that is to say if you have paid for a subscription and not been credited, kindly drop us a postal and have it righted.

Will not some good brother at St. Martins tell the readers of the JOURNAL what is going on in that thriving community. We have not had any correspondence from our Grand Worthy Associate for some time.

CIDER AND THE PLEDGE.

Not long since an application was made to a member of the Propagation Committee for a Charter for a new Division, the applicants desiring to know if that part of our pledge having reference to "cider" as a beverage, did not mean "hard cider" so called, or cider which had stood some time and was in the course of

fermentation. For the information of any of our membership who are in doubt on the point we might state that the National Division by a late decision will not draw the line on cider of any kind, so that the manufacture, sale or use of cider, sweet, sour, hard or soft, is a violation of the obligation of a Son of Temperance. And it is a good decision, too, on the part of the National Division, for who can tell where the line can be drawn as to when cider is intoxicating? We have heard of many cases of intoxication from cider, and we hardly think any good Son of Temperance will want to run any risks, even were sweet cider included in the pledge.

WORK FOR YOU.

Boys and girls, you must not fancy that neither you nor your actions are of any particular consequence until you become men and women. Shall I tell you who are making the men and women of by and by? Who else but the little boys and girls of today? The little thoughts, and words and acts which you imagine are of no consequence because you are young and small are just the very materials that are daily forming, bit by bit, both your bodies and your minds. In all that you think and do you are laying the foundation of your own future. Your words and deeds of every day are so many bricks added in the growing edifice, which will one day become either a man or a woman.

I am so glad that so many boys and girls all over this broad land have joined the temperance army, for temperance boys and girls are apt to make temperance men and women. The work has great need of you, of each and every one. Your little lips can utter sounds far more effective than those proceeding from the lips of grown persons, and you can plead often to better purpose than the most learned grown person.

MY TEETOTALISM.

I signed the pledge of total abstinence in 1840, after hearing a lecture on the subject by the late John Cassell. I have therefore tried it for more than forty years, and I most gladly give my experience as to its effects.

In the first place, it has greatly benefited my health. From childhood I have been delicate, and yet for years I have been able to work seven days in the week. I travel from one end of the country to the other, have all sorts of irregularities of diet and hours of rest. My brain is taxed with a large amount of writing, speaking and preaching, and yet I generally begin my Sabbath without any exhaustion. Indeed, I believe that my teetotalism has enabled me to get through an amount of work that would have crushed me if I had taken stimulants.

I will say of the effects of teetotalism 'it has been a blessing to me, and has made me a blessing to others.—Rev. Charles Garrett.

POLITICAL ACTION DEMANDED.

Success must be limited while professed Christians in such large numbers vote to perpetuate and honor this traffic by authority of law. The grand triumph for which suffering men and women vote and pray will never come till members of churches generally rise up in their might and compel political parties to accept this higher morality, and nominate only men who will prohibit by law this heaven-daring crime.—Pastoral Letter of the Bishops of the M. E. Church.

STRIKE AGAINST RUM.

We urge all railway employees in the land to strike against rum. Whiskey is an infinite greater evil to them than long hours or poor pay. Vastly more money is squandered in strong drink than any advance in wages can offset. Intemperance, not capital, is the great oppressor of labor. Let the Knights of Labor and all other labor organizations inaugurate a determined strike against strong drink, and the greatest evil of the age and of the world may be overthrown.—The Railway Age.

A MORAL AND PHYSICAL PESTILENCE.

It is too clear that the rapid extension of this system of saloon-drinking is threatening the very life of the community; that it is producing a physical and moral pestilence more deadly in the deepest sense than any

other plague which stalks the infected cities of the East; that it is bringing great masses of our working classes to a self-imposed bondage, more complete and more degrading than slavery itself; that it is undoing for the people; that it is undoing the present with unspeakable misery and vice, but blighting the prospects of labor for the future. Prof. Goldwin Smith.

ST. STEPHEN.

DOINGS ABOUT TOWN.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDANT.

One after another the rumsellers in town are being brought before Justice Crilley and fined, and in every case they appeal to the Supreme Court of the Province, feeling confident that there, at least, they can find that sympathy which is denied them elsewhere.

The Judges of that honorable Court are doing as they always have done, "taking time to consider," which means a year or two of patient waiting for the large majority of the people, and a year or two more for these destroyers of all that is good to pursue their iniquitous work, undoing to a large extent the good work accomplished by those who are trying to build up instead of to destroy. Well may people say, how long shall the minority rule?

Wherever this great question of rum or no rum has been submitted to the people of this Province to decide upon, they have, I think, with one exception, declared unmistakably for no rum, and it seems a pity that the will of the people cannot be carried out.

I suppose there is no remedy for this evil as long as the Supreme Court benches are filled by the present incumbents; and if so, would it not be consistent for us to pray for a change in order that the cause of temperance may be advanced?

W. C. H. Grimmer appears to be the only lawyer the rummies can get to defend them now, here in St. Stephen.

M. McMonagle who attained some notoriety as their champion in previous cases, is now employed by the town against them. It is not a business the defence of which is calculated to inspire noble sentiments or lofty flights of eloquence, and the dollars which go to pay for the defence of such a traffic cannot bring much comfort to the recipient if he ever reflects on the destitution, misery and crime of which they are the price. As long as evil can pay well there will always be someone to defend it I suppose, but Truth and Right must prevail in the end. Let us see to it that we are always on the side that we can ask God's blessing upon.

The G. W. Patriarch and your correspondent accompanied by Bros. L. W. Hughes and T. M. Boyd, paid a fraternal visit to Iona Division at Scotch Ridge on Wednesday evening last.

We found this Division in a flourishing state, and quite a large number present.

Addresses were delivered by the visitors and some members of the Division, and Brother Hughes contributed one of his humorous recitations. The G. W. P. is visiting as many of the Divisions as he can before the annual session in order to be able to give a full report of the state of the Order and to know what recommendations to make for the furtherance of our principles.

I give you an incident which goes to show how taking the pledge, with many a man, means the ability and the disposition to pay honest debts. In Calais the other day, I was in conversation with a member of Howard Division who was once considered a "hopeless case," so far had he gone on the downward course of intemperance, but who now is a consistent total abstainer.

We were discussing some Division matters, and in the midst of our conversation were joined by the tax collector, who on hearing the conversation, asked in surprise if the brother referred to was a member of our Division. I told him I was glad to say he was, and a consistent one, and with conscious pride the brother told how that for more than four years he had not so much as drank a glass of ginger beer in his determination to keep away as far as possible from the accursed stuff that had been his ruin.

"Well," says the collector, "that

explains to me how for the last three or four years you have been paying your taxes up promptly and getting your discount, while previous to that I had always to call in the aid of the law in order to collect them."

And this is only one of many testimonies I have heard from merchants, landlords and others as to the efficacy of total abstinence to enable a man to meet his obligations in money matters.

Oh! if we could only get rid of this monstrous curse of strong drink and turn the money that is squandered in the gratification of an evil appetite into the channels of legitimate trade, there would be no such thing as "hard times," but prosperity and contentment would reign all over this fair land of ours.

Death has been busy among us of late, and among his victims is Bro. George Vaughan, a young man, whose funeral the Division will attend in regalia on Tuesday afternoon.

The coffee room started by the W. C. T. U. of this town something over a year ago, is quietly, but none the less surely, doing a good work for temperance by providing a comfortable, cosy and convenient place where tired and hungry humanity can get a good lunch or meal at a low figure without frequenting the taverns, where they would be exposed to the temptations common to such places.

It is largely patronized by the country people and many of our business men, and ladies while out shopping find it convenient to satisfy their wants there when they cannot conveniently go home.

Occasionally some poor man trying to break off from a spree which has left him in bad shape, drops in to get a "cup of that which cheers but not inebriates," and perhaps is induced through the influence of the place to mend his ways. It is gratifying to know that its first year was successful, showing a small balance to the credit of the Society, and the ladies hope with the experience gained during the past year, to be able to do better this year. There is some talk of erecting a building for this purpose, to be owned and controlled by the W. C. T. U., and it is hoped they may be successful in doing so.

In my next letter I hope to be able to give you an account of our picnic.

HOWARD.

St. Stephen, N. B.,
Aug. 23, 1886.

AN ONWARD MOVEMENT.

A BOOM AMONG THE DIVISIONS.

GOOD TEMPLAR CONVENTION.

St. JOHN, Aug. 23rd.

In my last I alluded to the inactivity among the order of Sons of Temperance, but at the present writing we are pleased to note a most wonderful change in the Divisions in and around St. John. Grand Scribe Thomson, in his visits among the Division nightly, saw the attendance diminishing, and knew that something must be done to build up the old order. A fortnight ago a committee of five was appointed from Albion to see if a similar committee from all the other divisions could not be appointed to make a tour of the different temperance societies and report the progress made at each visitation. The first of those visits was made to Gordon, on the 16th inst. and the occasion added a new impetus to the order, for a number of other visitors took up the idea that a good time would be had, and accordingly attended No. 275. When "good of the order" came, the visitors were called on and detailed the object of their visit, each member dwelling at considerable length on the work to be accomplished by this mode of infusing new life in the order. Your correspondent being unable to be present cannot report the remarks of the speakers or give their names.) A committee was appointed from Gordon to act in conjunction with the others and on Tuesday evening last a dozen or more met at E. H. Nelson's bookstore, Charlotte Street, and marched to Valley Division Hall. The Division received the visitors very enthusiastically and speeches were made by Bro. D. Thomson, J. D. Robertson, Jas S Mott, of Albion; S B Patterson, and a number of others.

On Wednesday evening Bros. Thomson, Wills, Sandall, Maxwell and Martin paid a visit to Milford and reorganized Everett Division, which body had been inactive for some time past. The following were the officers elected and installed:—

Geo H Waring, W P;
Benj Cole, W A;
Harry Waring, R S;
Miss Mina Cole, A R S;
J J Waring, F S;
Geo Johnston, T;
John I Willis, C;
Richard MacNeill, C;
Miss Hannah Stuart, A C;
Horace Waring, I S;
John W Waring, O S;
Edward Ferris, P W P;
Geo H Waring, D G W P.

On Thursday evening Gurney Division was crowded by representatives from all the Divisions. The occasion was a fraternal visit from Gordon, which turned out in large numbers, it being the first official visit of No. 275 to No. 5. A large number of visitors from abroad were also present. The speeches were brim full of eulogium of the good work performed by the joint visiting committee. J Deverer Wilber, the W P of Gurney Division, received the members of Gordon Division, and S B Bustin replied on behalf of the latter. An entertaining programme was then carried out as follows: Solo Miss M Folyard; address, J C Thomas of Carelton; recitation, Charles Russell of Carelton; address, D Thomson and S B Patterson; piano solo, Miss Ida Lawson; song Thos. McLean; address H A McKeown; address, S Kierstead; piano solo, Master Wilbur; address, A S Kierstead of Colina Corner; reading, James Woodrow; song, J S Turner; address, Mr Young of New Hampshire; reading, Mr. Jas Dinsmore reading Mr. Robt. Maxwell; speeches by H P Sandall, John Law, George Martin, and James A S Mott.

DISTRICT LODGE SESSION, I. O. G. T., AT CARTER'S POINT.

The first annual district meeting of Peerless Lodge, No. 6, I. O. G. T. convened at Carter's Point, Wednesday morning, at the temperance hall. About 100 representatives from St. John and vicinity were present. A number of barges were in waiting to convey the delegates ashore, and the beach was lined with the members of Olive Branch Lodge, who gave the visitors a hearty welcome. There were representatives from the following lodges: Sirion, Finch, City of Portland, Almon Lodge, Baywater, Arbutus, Garfield, Prospect, Olive Branch, and Pearl lodges. Altogether there were about 150 representatives in attendance. There were 27 initiated in the degree of Charity, the following acting as grand officers: John Meahan, G. C. T.; Robert Bartlett, G. V. T.; Hiram Giggie, G. Coun.; Robert White, G. Sec.; J. Frank Goodlere, G. M.; Miss A Staples, G. D. M.; H. Kein, G. F. S.; A. A. Mabee, G. Treas.; W. Hill, G. Guard; P. Wetmore, G. Sen.; Miss Williams, A. R. S.; John Law, P. D. Templar. The lodge immediately went into business of receiving reports from the various committees, which showed the membership comprising Peerless District Lodge to number 617 members, consisting of 11 subordinate lodges. The report of District Chief Templar John Meahan was read, and showed the working of the lodges under his jurisdiction to be in a most flourishing condition. The district lodge was formed last January, and this the first annual reunion was one the order, he said, should to be proud of. The following were the officers elected and installed for the ensuing year, Calvin Power performing the office of G. C. T., and A. A. Mabee G. M.:—

John Meahan, D C T; Capt Wm Watters, D C; Miss Melinda Logan, V T; A P Wilson, R S; H Kein, F S; John Law, T; O W Flewelling, C. G W Fisher, D M; Geo Holder, G; L W Belyea, S; H Giggie, P D T; Miss Fannie Carter, S J T.

In the afternoon session a large amount of business was transacted. Letters were received and read from J R Pidgeon, G P C T, and others regretting their inability to be present.

Dinner was served at the residence of Miss E Fowler. Over 150 persons partook of her hospitality.

The evening session was one of the largest ever held since the lodge was instituted. Over 200 persons were present. The programme comprised