

St. Stephen Notes.

MR. EDITOR.—There died in Philadelphia just a week ago to-day, Mr. Walter R. Boyd, a member of Howard Division, No. 1, S. of T. He had only been ill a very few days, and the news of his illness was very rapidly followed by that of his death. He was the Son of P. W. P., Thomas M. Boyd, who has been a member of the Division for more than twenty years.

His remains were brought for interment and the funeral took place on Sunday. The day was particularly disagreeable but a number of the members of the Division and a good delegation from Star of the East Division, of Calais, Me., attended to pay the last sad tribute of respect to our departed brother.

The following speaks for itself:

Whereas, On the mysterious dispensation of Divine Providence an exceedingly afflictive experience has fallen to the lot of a family, one of whom has been long and honorably connected with the Division, and several of whom are at present highly esteemed members:

Therefore Resolved, That we the members of this Division do hereby tender to our bereaved Brother, Thos. M. Boyd, Mrs. Boyd and the other members of the family, our deep, heartfelt and prayerful sympathy in the distressing loss of their son, Walter R. Boyd, and do earnestly and sincerely trust that the God of all consolation may in His infinite love and mercy, through the power of His Holy Spirit, impart all needed grace and comfort in this hour of darkness and sorrow. And,

Further Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolution be forwarded to Bro. Boyd under the seal of the Division.

O. C.

St. Stephen, March 18th, '89.

W. C. T. U. in Woodstock, N. B.

We clip the following interesting news from the *Woman's Journal*, organ of the W. C. T. U. with reference to the work in Woodstock.

This year opened very auspiciously for us,—being ushered in with Union prayer-meetings, held every afternoon during the week, at which a large representation of the various churches were present. Already grand results have followed that memorable (to us) week of prayer. At no previous time has the interest been so marked. Who will dare dispute that the victory achieved by the temperance party during the recent municipal elections, held on Monday 14th, when many faithful, noble women of our W. C. T. U. followed by the earnest prayers of that body went to the polls, and by their untiring efforts aided largely in the success of our temperance candidates. The day following we proceeded, *en masse*, to the Court House, where the Co. Council were holding their annual session, and presented a petition, asking that Mr. James E. Drysdale, a man whose stirring worth and zeal in temperance matters must be acknowledged even by his enemies (especially at the present time) be appointed Scott Act Inspector, which was granted. He is indeed proving himself to be all, and more than even the most sanguine had anticipated.—A terror to evil doers,—putting to flight the law-breakers—much to the satisfaction of the temperance party. Is not this a large plain seal of the Divine approval upon our work? We think so. At the close of the week of prayer, many of the sisters felt that steps should be taken toward a better observance of the Lord's day in our town; since it had been one of the subjects for prayer, we sought to obey the Apostle's injunction—"See that your prayers be not hindered"—by devising plans for work. Accordingly, our beloved ex-president, Mrs. McLeod, suggested that we have the 4th Commandment printed in large letters and put up in the most public places and on street corners, where the crowd generally resorted, praying that the attention of many careless souls might be attracted by it. (4th Com.) Felt sure good results must follow, for had not God, who cannot lie, said, "My word shall not return unto me void," and again, "And I, if I be lifted up will draw all men unto Me." Action was immediately taken upon her suggestion, and a committee appointed to take charge of the work, which has been done. It was also

decided to hold a Union prayer-meeting on the first Thursday of each month, at 3 p. m., at which we hope to meet very many mothers and women of our town who can possibly attend.

S. A. H., Cor. Sec.

Fraternal Meeting.

On Friday evening last members of Northumberland Division, Chatham, Chatham Lodge of Templars, Chatham, Royal T. of Templars, Chatham Head, Caledonia Division, Douglastown, Newcastle Division, Newcastle, Nelson Division, Derby, W. C. T. Union, Newcastle, Whitneyville Division, Whitneyville, Steadfast Lodge of Templars, Protectionville, Silverstream Division, Black Brook, to the number of four hundred, fraternized with "Hold Fast" Lodge No. 149, I. O. G. T., Newcastle. The following programme was very successfully carried out.

Chorus by the choir.

Address of Welcome by W. R. Robinson.

Remarks—Messrs. Jas. Falconer, of Newcastle Division; Jno. Menzies and C. Forsyth, of Whitneyville Division; Geo. Stothart, of Northumberland Division; W. S. Brown, of Newcastle Division.

Duet—Mrs. H. M. Johnstone and Miss Somers, Holdfast Lodge, I. O. G. T.

Remarks—Mr. D. P. MacLachlan, Northumberland Division; Rev. J. A. Clark, M. A., Holdfast Lodge, I. O. G. T.

Solo—Miss Bessie Miller, Holdfast Lodge, I. O. G. T.

Remarks—Rev. J. D. Murray, Redbank.

The chairman then announced the refreshments. After justice had been done to the good things provided by Holdfast Lodge, the order of business was resumed.

Chorus—by the choir.

By request—Mr. W. R. Robinson replied on behalf of the W. C. T. U. of Newcastle.

Remarks—by Mr. Wm. Johnstone sr., of Chatham Lodge; Mr. W. J. Miller, of Newcastle Division; Mr. B. Wyse, of Chatham Lodge; Mr. D. Petrie, of Steadfast Lodge I. O. G. T. Mr. C. S. Ramsay, of Holdfast Lodge.

Moved by the Rev. J. A. Clark, M. A., and seconded by the Rev. J. D. Murray, and unanimously carried:—

Resolved, That, as it is the sentiment of this meeting that in the absence of prohibition the "Scott Act" is the best legislation available on the temperance question.

We will therefore pledge ourselves as individuals to our utmost to promote and enforce the "Scott Act" in Northumberland County.

The meeting closed by singing God save the Queen.—*Advocate*.

National Division of the Sons of Temperance.

The undersigned Committee of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of Eastern New York on Reception of the National Division, which meets in Saratoga Springs, Wednesday June 24, 1889, announces preliminary arrangements as follows:

The Executive Sessions of the National Division will be held in the lecture room of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and public reception in the church on the first evening of the session.

Arrangements have been made with Congress Hall, one of the largest and best hotels in the place for \$2.50 per day during the session, which is a large reduction from regular rates. The Headquarters will be at this Hotel. Those who desire to stop here should write in advance.

The medical Institute, Dr. Robert Hamilton, proprietor, accommodates representatives as follows: \$1.50 per day, one occupying a room; \$1.25 each, two in a room. Elmwood Hall, Emory Potter, proprietor, at \$1.00 per day. Both of these gentlemen are members of the Order.

Further announcements will be made at a later date.

J. N. Stearns, }
Stephen Merritt, Jr. }
S. R. Stoddard, } Com.
Wm. B. Millard, }
W. W. Smith, }
Edward Crumney, }
Ella A. Hopkins. }

Russia closed 80,000 dram shops by law last year.

ONTARIO NEWS.

THE G. W. P. AT OTTAWA.

Bro. Thomas Webster, G. W. P., of the Sons of Temperance for the Province of Ontario paid a visit last week to the capital which cannot do otherwise than give an impetus to the Order in this part of the country. The Brother has been closely identified with the Order for more than a quarter of a century, during which time he has held almost continuously high office in the Grand Division which is an evidence of the high esteem in which he is justly held by members of the Order. On the evening of the 11th inst., the members of Rideau Union Division, Billings Bridge, were agreeably surprised to receive an official visit from their Chief, who in the course of the evening delivered a very earnest and forcible address which made such an impression upon his hearers that they insisted upon him being present at a public meeting to be held on the following Thursday evening in favor of the retention of the Scott Act in the county which the advocates of the liquor traffic are endeavouring to have repealed. The brother kindly acceded to their request and on that evening accompanied by Bro. J. S. Howe P. G. W. A. Bro. J. K. Stewart P. G. A. attended the meeting which was a great success the enthusiasm being unbounded. Eloquent addresses were made by Bro. Webster, J. S. Howe and J. K. Stewart who were the recipients of much applause. On the previous night the G. W. P. assisted by Bro. Wm. Stewart, P. G. W. A. and Bro. G. H. Hayes, County Deputy G. W. P. succeeded in resuscitating Mount Sherwood Division which had been dormant for some months. The last Division honoured with his presence was Chaudiere which is probably one of the most solid Divisions to be found anywhere. It is a Division which contains a great many Past Grand Officers who are members of the National Division which goes to show the material of which the Division is composed. The Brother was received with all the customary honors of the Order and being called upon delivered a speech of great power urging the members to be more active and aggressive in Temperance work. It is hoped that before long Bro. Webster will be able to pay us another visit.

Massachusetts Notes.

Dorchester, No. 30, is moving along in the tide of prosperity. Nearly every session witnesses initiations, and its beautiful Division room is the scene of much interest. A basket party is to be held in the near future, and like its predecessors, is sure to be both profitable and entertaining. P. W. P., William L. Wash, candidate for G. W. P., is a member of this Division.

Wednesday, Feb. 27th, Old Bay State Division had another rousing meeting.

A large delegation was present from Signal Light Division, whose words of cheer and vocal and instrumental music, added much to the regular "Good of the Order." Five persons were proposed for membership, and one initiated.

Henfield Division, No. 2, of Salem, celebrated its 45th anniversary on Friday evening, March 2nd. This is the oldest Division in the State, and was organized before the Grand Division of Massachusetts, and derived its charter from New York Division, No. 1, of the State of New York which was the grand fountain head of the Order.

P. W. P., Thomas G. Valentine, of Golden Star, No. 84, is a candidate for the position of Grand Sentinel. Brother Valentine's efforts have added materially to the present standing of Golden Star; a young man, full of energy and enthusiasm, believing heartily in the cause, he would prove an efficient officer, and worthily represent the younger element of the Order.

A profitable and enjoyable meeting was held by Old Bay State, No. 32, on the 20th ult. A large number of the most prominent members in the vicinity of Boston were present to inaugurate a series of "Members' Nights." A remarkable feature in connection with this meeting was the presence of no less than six secretaries of Grand or State bodies:—

C. E. Dennett, G. S., S. of T.; Frank P. Dyer, G. S., T. of H.; Sarah A. Leonard, G. S., I. O. G. F.; Wm. J. Stanton, G. S., C. of T.; Benj. R. Jewel, Sec'y Mass. T. A. S. and Alice J. Osborne, Sec'y of Juvenile Work; Annie M. Nixon, G. W. A., S. of T.; and Jessie Forsyth of the R. W. G. L., I. O. G. T., were present.

The principal subject of the evening participated in by the above named and others, was the submission of the Amendment to the Constitution which is so soon to be brought to the vote of the people.—*Record*.

New Hampshire Says "No!"

Last Tuesday the voters of New Hampshire had the opportunity of saying "Yes," or "No" as to whether they would have the constitution of their State prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicants, except cider. In their sovereign capacity they decided not to change the constitution in that regard, and the temperance people must perforce acquiesce in the decision of the majority until they can educate their neighbors to a higher sense of duty.

There is one consolation, however, and that is, the proposed Amendment was deficient in a very important respect—it did not prohibit the manufacture and sale of cider. The reason why cider was exempted was the supposition that if that beverage was excluded from the Amendment the farmers would be more likely to vote for it.

To us it seems that this was a poor way to go to work—laying before the people a measure based on the principle of restricting individual liberty for the benefit of the community, but which exempted a certain large class from the rule which was to be enforced against others. Making fowl of one and fish of another at the cost of principle is a method of being "all things to all men" which St. Paul would never have commended.

Organic law ought to be no reflection of persons or localities. A cider drunk is, they say, the worst kind to get up from the next morning, and the more brutalizing than a drunk got up on beer or even on whiskey.

Nevertheless, we regret that the faithful women of New Hampshire had not the pleasure of seeing their hard work more successful.

In America the majority must get what they vote for, and all the advice we can offer the prohibitionists is to do their utmost to convert the present voters, and, if possible, to have the laws so amended that the large numbers who are at present non-voters, though of age, will be permitted to help in voting out the curse the next opportunity.

Until the change is made there will, we fear, be very little Constitutional prohibition in the New England States, where the voters are every year becoming more foreign and less American.—*The Pioneer*.

The Scott Act in Cumberland.

Scott Act business has boomed during the last fortnight. Inspector Case has had 18 cases in hand, of which the following have been disposed of. Jas. Wells, Tidnish, convicted, and paid \$50. A. Maddin, Maccan, convicted and escaped from constable. M. Dunlap, Maccan Mines, convicted, imprisoned, paid \$50, and released, M. Coffee Amherst convicted. J. Cormier, R. Hebert, convicted, imprisoned applied for release under habeas corpus, conviction sustained before Judge Townsend, A. M. McDonald, Springhill, and G. Davis, Amherst, adjourned. G. McFarlane, Amherst, and A. Pauls, Springhill, for trial to-day. Mr. Hickman appeared for the prosecution in all the cases, and in the five last named, C. R. Smith defended.—*Gazette*.

Dr. Oswald says: During the horrible flood which a few months ago devastated the two richest provinces of the Chinese Empire, a number of vile marauders eked out an existence by fishing out wreckage and plundering floating corpses. The idea of mentioning the profits of these wretches as a compensating offset to the horrors of a public calamity would justly consign its propounder to the custody of a lunatic commission, yet, by an exactly analogous line of argument many of our political economists continue to defend the legal sanction of the liquor traffic.

Ontario News.

The following statement of the work done by the Scott Act inspectors in the west, north and east ridings of Middlesex is for the quarter ending January 31, 1889: West Middlesex, 35 informations, 30 convictions, and the amount of fines imposed, \$2,600. North Middlesex, 14 informations, 8 convictions, and fines, \$500. East Middlesex, 12 informations, 7 convictions, and fines amounting to \$400.

A note from St. Catherine's says that Mr. E. Readhead, of Merriton, who was recently fined \$50 for infraction of the Scott Act was yesterday committed to jail, he refusing to pay the fine. They go to jail for violation of the Scott Act, in Ontario as well as in New Brunswick.

ROMAN LIQUOR LAWS.—The Romans, under the republic, were prohibitionists after a fashion. Men of honorable family were forbidden by law to drink wine before the age of thirty, or to drink to excess; while for women of any condition, free or slave, to touch wine except on some solemn occasion, as a sacrifice, was an offence visited by severe penalties. Hence originated the custom of girls kissing their parents on their lips as a means of discovery whether they had been sampling the contents of the family amphora. But the law, as affecting women, was in time so far modified that they were permitted to drink wine made from boiled raisins.

GOVERNMENT HORSES.

THE STALLIONS belonging to the Government of New Brunswick WILL BE LEASED AT

Public Auction

FOR THE

SEASON OF 1889,

AT FREDERICTON, ON

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29,

When the following animals will be Leased:

The Morgan Stallion Aurora;
The Thoroughbred Sir Peter;
Three Percheron Stallions;
Two Cleveland Bay Stallions;
Two Shire Stallions;
One Coaching Stallion;
Six Clydsdale Stallions.

CHAS. H. LUGRIN,

Secretary for Agriculture.

Department for Agriculture,
Fredericton, March 5th, 1889.

Feb 9th

NEW GOODS.

Hamburg
Embroideries,

Morse & Kaley Mfg. Co.'s

KNITTING COTTON,

HOLLINS & CO.'S BEST

ANGOLA,

NEW PRINTS,

NEW GINGHAMS.

JOHN J. WEDDALL