

The answers to the fifth and sixth questions are less favorable than could be desired, and manifests the close connection subsisting between activity in the cause and harmony in the meetings of the Divisions.

To the seventh question your committee regret that the answers manifest a want of attention to the young, as but six report organizations of youth,—four of which are Bands of Hope.

To the eighth question the answers are in the affirmative from twenty-six only of the thirty-four, and their effect is pronounced good, and in some instances most beneficial. The only instances in which the system is spoken against is on the part of those who have never given it a trial.

In answer to the ninth question only two or three furnish any suggestions, and some of those are prospective. Those from Cape Breton and Bridgewater should be attended to.

The answers to the tenth question are somewhat cheering as regards increased patronage to the *Abstainer*, but much remains to be done ere it receives that support from the Order to which it is justly entitled.

To the eleventh question the answers are so few that the Committee cannot believe there has been that attention paid to it which its importance demands. The requests for a session of the Grand Division in Cape Breton, and Digby, will doubtless receive the attention to which they are entitled. The organising of youth, and other similar suggestions, rest with the Divisions themselves.

To the twelfth question the answers are generally more favorable than formerly, as regards the smaller settlements, but the towns generally represent intemperance as very prevalent.

The answers to the thirteenth question are not all that could be desired; and while we would be thankful for evident improvement, there are yet too many ministers of the Gospel who give only a partial support to the Temperance cause, while others pass by on the other side.

The fourteenth question is answered in a manner that causes both pain and surprise, that men on whom depends so often the lives of others, should have said of them—"They like their glass;" of another, "Gets drunk;" and of another, "Addicted to drinking." The picture is, however, relieved by some honorable exceptions.

The answers to the last question relieves the picture of much