

ed—to give up this injurious branch of traffic. These objects are urged upon the special consideration of the Society, at its future meetings.

At the Temperance Tea Party on Sunday evening, Dr. Mathew's secretary, Mr. McKenna, stated that in 1833 there were 12,096 persons punished for crime in Ireland, and in 1841 only 722, being a decrease of 11,374, as stated by Lord Morpeth at the dinner given to him in Dublin. There are now 50 reading rooms and 44 bands in Cork. A sawyer in Cork was allowed from the Mortality Society 10s. per week for three months' sickness; he died, and three clergymen attended his funeral; 10,000 tectotallers walked in procession, with crape on their hats, and their medals on their breasts.—An elegant coffin was provided, and £10 given to his widow.—*Waterford Mirror*.

TOTAL ABSTINENCE.—This cause is evidently gaining ground in the Midland District. At a District Convention of Delegates from the various Societies held at Switzer's Chapel on Thursday last, we are informed that about 800 persons were present—that the sleighs, when formed in procession, numbered about 200, carrying banners, &c. After the principal business of the day had been disposed of, the subject of establishing a Temperance Hotel in Kingston was taken up, and a Committee appointed to inquire into the feasibility of the matter. At the close of lecture 24 persons joined the Society.—*Cor. Kingston Chronicle*.

From the Novascotian.

"IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE."—*Peter*.

I.

O Saviour! it is good for us
To be assembled here!
For when we meet to worship thus
Thou art divinely near.

II.

We cannot see Thee as of old
Thy favoured people saw;
We cannot in the flesh behold
Thy look of love and awe!

III.

Yet where Thy trusty servants meet
In Thy most holy name,
Thy presence makes devotion sweet,
And purifies its flame.

IV.

Thy smiles such peace and joy impart
That doubt and darkness flee,
And leave the altar of the heart
Not all unmeet for Thee.

J. McP.

March, 1842.

GUYSBORO', March 17th, 1842.

MR. MURDOCH,

Dear Sir—The only apology I can offer for not communicating with you before is, that on arriving at this place and finding the Temperance cause in a disorganized state throughout the County, I found it necessary to make arrangements immediately, for holding a series of meetings in different sections. And that it would be impossible to collect much interesting matter till we could ascertain the result of those meetings. And now having got pretty well through with them I hasten to forward the following infor-

mation, which deserves the appellation of "an account of the Total Abstinence Revival, in the County of Guysboro'."

Thursday, 24th February—I commenced my labours on the north side of the Manchester bay, at Red Head, about twelve miles from Cape Poreupine. Here about twenty persons took the T. A. pledge. Saturday, 26th—met at the Court-house in Guysboro'; a resolution was read by Hiram Blanchard, Esq. and passed by the meeting, That the former Society be dissolved, and that a new one be formed under the designation of "The Guysboro' Total Abstinence and Temperance Society." After several interesting speeches bearing principally on the excellency of Total Abstinence, both pledges were read, and the two columns opened for signatures. One hundred persons came forward and enrolled their names among the friends of humanity in this good cause; and eighty-five of these preferred the more excellent way of Total Abstinence; after which the meeting was then adjourned till Monday evening. Met according to appointment Feb. 28th—after the lecture and an interesting address by the Rev. Peter McGregor, another hundred persons came forward and with very few exceptions signed the T. A. pledge. The Tuesday evening following, March 1st, a meeting was held in Manchester, and again on the Monday following at the same place; the result of which was an accession of one hundred, three-fourths of whom joined the T. A. list, and seven subscribers were obtained for *The Visitor*. Thursday, March 3—held a meeting at the house of Carrigans, Sand point, near the Gut of Canso. * * * On Tuesday, 8th, returned from my tour on the North Bay shore, and being in Guysboro' preparatory to my tour down the South side of the C'habueto Bay, was invited to attend a meeting of the "Ladies Benevolent Society," I complied the more readily with this kind invitation because the members of the society were all supporters and able advocates of the cause I was engaged in advocating. Wednesday, 9th—left Guysboro' in company with Rev. Mr. McGregor for L. Alf-Way Cove, held meeting at the house of Mr. J. Jamson; fourteen persons took the T. A. pledge. Thursday, 10th—met at Crow harbour, upwards of twenty came forward and joined T. A. Friday, 11th—started for Canso in company with a guide, Mr. Nowlan, and after travelling over one of the most deplorably bad roads in the Province, I got safe there, where I was cordially received and my mission acknowledged both by word and deed. Saturday, 12th—meeting was appointed at the Congregationalist Chapel owned by Mr. Abram Whitman, the Father and the Friend of this settlement; but in consequence of the inclemency of the weather the meeting was postponed till Monday evening—when we met, and had one of the most harmonious and interesting meetings I ever attended. The inhabitants with very few exceptions came forward and formed themselves into a Society called the "Canso Total Abstinence Society," one hundred and twenty in number; obtained at the meeting twenty subscribers for the *Visitor*, the greater number of which were taken by the lads, of from ten to fifteen years of age. They concluded at the meeting to provide a large White Flag with a suitable inscription, to be hoisted on a flag staff on the day of each meeting, which will give due notice to the inhabitants and also to the strangers, numbers of whom are constantly in the harbour during the fishing season. I must not neglect to state that although Canso is one of the small-