

doubled its numbers during the last quarter. 'The weekly meetings,' says Deputy W. C. Bill, 'are well attended, and the members are whole-hearted in the cause.' There is a considerable number of Lady Visitors in that division.

"Deputy Vanbuskirk reports that Invincible, Waterloo, and Enterprise Divisions are steadily working their way, and that the influence of the temperance effort is very beneficially felt in that district. 'Still,' he remarks, 'we have a class of persons among us who seem dead to every thing but their own appetites; they are, however, few in number, have no influence, and are fast hastening to poverty and ruin.'

"I have received no report from Deputy Marsters. The divisions under his jurisdiction are, I trust, in a healthy state.

"There is no hope, at present, of resuscitating Lower Horton Division. I should recommend that a strenuous effort be made next Fall both there and at Kentville."

Having no reports from the county Deputies of Hants and Colchester, I proceed to notice the state of temperance in Cumberland, which, if viewed as a battle field between opposing forces, tells both of success and of defeat. Deputy Rogers gives a good account of the two divisions under brother Seaman's charge, and highly commends their fidelity and zeal. Pugwash and Eureka are also represented as in good working order, the members zealous, and the cause sustained. But, as a set off to these facts, several divisions have disappeared. "We believe, however, in the resurrection of the dead."

From Pictou County our only report is from D. G. W. P. Lippincott for New Glasgow and Albion Mines. In New Glasgow there has been some decrease in the members of the Order, more than made up by *increase* at the Albion Mines, where arrangements are being made for the erection of a Hall to be dedicated to Temperance and Education. There has been in New Glasgow, and it is believed in the county, a diminution in the consumption of ardent spirits, and the temperance cause is in such a healthy state that the friends there say that if a permissive bill should be passed by the Legislature, it would soon become operative in that county.

From Guysborough County our only report is from D. G. W. P. McDonald, of Wellington Division, Sherbrooke. This brother reports a healthy temperance agitation—no *licensed groggery* in all that region round about—VERY LITTLE sold in any way—and NO ONE SEEN THE WORSE OF LIQUOR for successive months. I am