

out exception, were traceable to the use of intoxicating drinks and the associations of the bar-room;

That the Church of the living God is suffering directly and indirectly from the liquor traffic and drinking customs; those of her members who "have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way," may be counted by hundreds, if not by thousands, while the money which should pay for carrying the Gospel to a perishing world is foolishly and wickedly squandered on poisonous beverages.

Ye men of God, we ask your help, by word, by action, in the pulpit, on the platform, by the fireside. "The priest's lips should keep knowledge." Let it flow out, baptized with heavenly fire, that the Church, in all its branches and departments, may "come up to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty" evil of intemperance! Is there a greater evil, a more wily and insidious foe, which, while others slay their thousands, slays its tens of thousands every year?

The Order of the Sons of Temperance aims at preventing the spread of this evil by inducing the drunkard to abandon his cups, the moderate drinker his occasional glass, and training the youth of our country to the practice of abstinence; by petitioning our Legislature for the entire prohibition of the traffic in intoxicating drinks as beverages, and the establishment of an asylum for inebriates.

We respectfully solicit your reverend body to aid us by your powerful influence and by such deliverances in the premises as will cheer our hearts in the work we have in hand, and strengthen us to renewed diligence and zeal in this labor of love.

And as in duty bound we will ever pray, &c.

KINGSTON, March, 1863.

Signed on behalf of the Grand Division, Sons of Temperance of Canada West.

R. D. WADSWORTH, Grand Worthy Patriarch.
EDWARD STACEY, Grand Scribe.

Mr. Melville moved, seconded by Mr. Gray, that this Conference receive the memorial, and that we, as a Conference, heartily pledge ourselves to co-operate with the Sons of Temperance in their laudable efforts to put down the evils of Intemperance. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Dr. Howson, seconded by Mr. Watson, that in the event of Mr. Melville's visiting Scotland, he be hereby appointed our delegate to the Evangelical Union Conference to meet in Glasgow in October next, and that he be requested to bring the claims of the Canadian Branch of the Union under the notice of the brethren there assembled, so that a deeper interest may be taken in this field of labour. Carried.

After praise and prayer by the President, the Conference adjourned to meet in the Albert st. E. U. chapel, Toronto, on the first Wednesday of July, 1864.

JAMES ROBERTSON, Secretary.