## CANADA TEMPERANCE ADVOCATE.

godly business must be exterminated. Let us begin the work of retribution in Montreal, by excluding from office every agent of the Distillenes; close the grog-shops, one and all, big and little, licensed and unlicensed. The source of all our intemperance is the traffic. Let us aim at a full arrest of the business, that is now the main work of the temperance reformation.

## Kingston Meeting, Grand Division Sons of Temperance, C. W.

Kingston stands high in our estimation. There are whole souled temperance men there. Long life to them. We are glad the Canada West Grand Division has been there, and sincerely hope that the presence and influence of so many men-good and true friends of temperance, will have proved beneficial to the interests of morality and religion. We have never seen the Advertiser, which we understand is in the temperance ticket, but the Watchman learns from that source that the Grand Division met on the 26th ult, in the Temperance Hall, Lambton Buildings, Kingston. Most of the officers were present-after the Division was regularly opened, the Rev. R. V. Rogers, Rev. Hannibal Mulkins, and 95 others i were initiated, after which the Division proceeded to the business before it.

On Thursday, the business was resumed, when an elaborate report on the state and prospects of the organization was submitted and read by the Grand Worthy Patriarch. On the whole, the order seems progressing hopefully.

The procession was quite an imposing affair, indeed, and did not fail to make a considerable impression on the minds of the spectators, judging from the warm reception and kindly greeting with which it was received wherever it passed. -At two o'clock the members of the various Kingston Divisions, as also several of the country Divisions, assembled at the City Hall in full regalia, where the procession was formed, under the direction of the Marshals appointed for the occasion, and accompanied by Murdock's Saxe Horn Band, proceeded to the Temperance-hall, where they were joined by the members of the Grand Division, also in full regalia.

Towards 7 o'clock, p. m., the crowds tending towards the City Hall told that a jubilee was about to take place, and about half-after seven, the large and elegant room presented a scene as striking as it was sublime. On the platform were seated the members of the Grand Division, numbering about 300, arranged in full regalia, and in the body of the Hall were seated upwards of 500, while upwards of 200, including the members of the various Divisions, also in their regalia, were moving about attending to the guests, &c. It is said that about 900 tickets were sold, which would make with those of the guests upwards of 1000 persons present. This is the most numerous assemblage which has occupied the City Hall on a social occasion of the kind.

The proceedings of the evening were opened by Wm. Rudston, E.q., D. G. W. P., who moved that Mr. Elderbeck, of Brockville take the chair, which being carried by acclamation, that gentleman addressed to the assembly a few same combined action among the friends of the cause to secure

eloquent remarks, illustrative of the objects and importance of such demonstrations. The Chairman then called upon Rev. Mr. Williams to ask a blessing, which he did in most impressive and touching language. The refreshments, consisting of tea, coffee, cakes, sandwiches, fruit, &c., were then introduced and liberally distributed to the guests, and for half an hour all were pleasantly occupied. After the clatter of cups and saucers had subsided, the meeting was again called to order by the chairman, and the Rev. Hannibal Mulkins, the Rev. E. J. Ryerson, and the Rev. Mr. Cook, each in turn addressed the company, and their thrilling and energetic language must have met a warm response in the bosoms of all present, if we are to judge by the enthusiasm with which their remarks were received. About ten o'clock the Grand Division retired, and the company returned to their homes, one and all expressing high gratification with the manner in which they had spent " an evening with Sons of Temperance," " Sons" who are as gallant as the " Daughters" are fair.

On returning fiom the City Hall, the Grand Division reassembled at the Temperance Hall, where they remained in session till an early hour the next morning. An unusual amount of business has been transacted, and several most important matters have been decided. Of these we hope to hear and report more hereafter.

## Toronto and Vicinity-All Alive.

With a view to demonstrate the fact, that the temperance people of a portion of the Home District are numerous, hearty and strong, it was deemed necessary to call a Convention of the most prominent advocates of the cause, and allow the liquor-mongers of Toronto an opportunity of judging whether the Temperance and Maine Law men were likely to be intimidated by their gibes and enmities. The delegates met on the first of November, in the Ontario Division Room. The Rev. Mr. Roaf was called on to preside, and Mr. G. P. Ure to act as Secretary. The Convention organized, delegates were recognized, and business resolutions passed. At the evening Session, several delegates spoke on the state of the work in their respective localities. Next morning there was a public breakfast at the American Hotel. Several excellent speeches were delivered. The same day, at 2 o'clock, the Convention resumed its duties. After prayer, and the reading of the minutes of the previous proceedings,

Mr. McDougall, as chairman of the Committee appointed to dratt resolutions, submitted the following Report :-

1. Resolved,-That this convention, representing the several Temperance organizations in the United Counties of York, Onta. rio, and Peel, is of opinion that the state of the Temperance cause in these Counties domands immediate, united, and energetic action by all friends of good morals and public prosperity.

2. Resolved .- That is view of the powers possessed by the mon cipalities of Upper Canada, it is expedient that a combined effort should be made at the approaching Municipal Elections to secure the return of Candidates pledged to use their official influence and authority for the suppression of Intemperance.

3. Resolved,-That viewing a Prohibitory Liquor Law as the grand triumph of all our associated efforts, we recommend the

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