

conflagration, and raises the cry of fire, and tries to put it out, does not deserve more credit than he who carelessly stands by, and allows the flame to rage unholsted; and lastly, whether, after all, the authors of all the moral and physical evils referred to, are not the proper and the only ones to find fault with.

Prescott, January 31, 1842. W. D. DICKINSON, Sec.

KENTON, Feb. 2.—Within a month we have had two meetings, the first in my own house, addressed by Rev. Daniel Clarke our Minister, when a number of Emigrants from the Island of Skye, where that noted Minister Rev. Roderick McLeod laboured, (some of whom signed before they left Skye,) gave us their names here. The second meeting was held in Mr. John McKenzie's house, addressed by Rev. W. McKillean and myself, where nine names were added to the list. There is no liquor sold within our bounds, and we have got the names of men of the following ranks and offices,—a Minister, 5 Elders, 2 Magistrates, 4 Schoolmasters, 2 Captains, a Lieutenant, 3 Lumbar Merchants, and the most respectable Ladies in the place. Truly the Lord has blessed us. Ministers of the word should know whether Temperance Societies are raised up for a blessing or a curse to the land. If a curse, who should proclaim it more than they, and warn all persons to beware of them. If a blessing, why do we find a blank on the list of temperance society's where the name of a Minister or Ministers should be? why do we find so many of them absent from our meetings, when they should rule and preside?—MURD. McILLAN.

CLARENCE, Feb. 3.—We have gratefully to acknowledge visits during the past year from the Rev. J. T. Byrne, Mr. O. Larwill, and the travelling Agent Mr. Wadsworth. The assistance of these champions in the work, has told beneficially on the cause here. Our list has been augmented by the addition of 24 signatures since last June, which makes our present number 77. The enclosed four dollars you will please place with your funds, for the promotion of Temperance, as a small but sincere expression of our admiration of the laudable exertions of the Montreal Society, and our anxious wish that these exertions may be crowned with abundant success.—WILLIAM EDWARDS, Sec.

REAR OF ROXBURGH, Feb. 4.—We have read Rev. Mr. Clarke's suggestions in the January number of the *Advocate* with interest, and we concur with every paragraph that each total abstinence pay a sum equal to 7½d., that the *Advocate* be published twice a month at the advanced price of 5s., and we have endeavoured to act on the principle, which amounts to 20s. for 32 members (leaving out 4 of our latest subscribers,) which we inclose. We have done what we could, and we hope that all other societies will endeavour to imitate our example.—JOHN FRASER, Sec.

MURRAY, Feb. 10.—The Murray Temperance Society held their anniversary on the 7th ultimo, which was addressed by the Rev. Thomas Webster and others. A few gave in their names, and Mr. John Sammons was chosen Pres.; and Chuyler Waldron Vice-Pres. There was also a Juvenile Society upon the tee-total pledge formed here, on the 10th of October last, which numbers about 40 members, Wilson Cross, Pres.; Nathan Brundage, Sec.—HARVEY BRUNDAGE, Sec.

BRADFORD, Feb. 16.—I am happy to say that the cause of temperance is spreading in these Townships, and that we, in West Gwillimbury, have reached 100 members on the total abstinence plan.—JOHN PEACOCK, P. M.

HALDIMAND, Feb. 17.—Our Committee meetings are regularly held the first Monday in each month, and the different periods and places for temperance addresses during the month planned and notified. Since the formation of our Society in April last, several very interesting meetings have taken place in various parts of the Township, and a steady accession of members has been the result. We now number not less than 350. Although we cannot observe any effects from our operations that lessen those places in which ardent spirits are either manufactured or sold; yet, we flatter ourselves that the quantity consumed within our sphere is diminished, and a general impulse given to the cause. It is a fact much to be lamented, that political and local differences amongst us have tended much to impede the progress of a cause so philanthropic; but marked as it has been with the Divine sanction, it must prosper and surmount every opposing obstacle.—JAMES LAWLESS, Pres.

QUEBEC, Feb. 19.—The Buckingham Society is proceeding but slowly; we hope, however, to give an impetus to the cause here, by attaching a benefit society to it. Several, now respectable men, have given in their names as members.—WM. HOLTHOUSE.

GLoucester, Feb. 23.—We had a good meeting on the 21st inst., at which the Rev. J. Carroll, W. M., of Bytown, delivered an able discourse, and induced 12 to join the society, which now numbers 40; several other gentlemen spoke also.—WM. GLASSFORD, Treas. and Sec.

St. CATHERINES, Feb. 25.—We are doing wonders in the temperance cause here; our list of total abstinence men numbers now about 500. We have had a number of semi-monthly meetings lately, and the interest in the cause is increasing.—J. W. BAYNES, Presbyterian Minister.

PRESOTT, Feb. 29.—Our society met on Tuesday, 22nd inst., the day appointed for simultaneous meetings, when an instructive address was delivered by William B. Wells, Esq., aided by a few remarks from the Rev. C. R. Allison, and the Rev. L. Taylor, all of this place. The congregation was very large, and 20 names were obtained, making since 31st January last, an addition of 52 to the society.—CHARLES H. SER, Sec.

DEMORESTVILLE, March 5.—In April last, we formed a society in this village, on the total abstinence principles, and we are beginning now to exert quite an influence in this vicinity. Several hard cases have been reformed. We number 120, and with much pleasure can say, we are getting the names of men of weight and influence. A short time since, three merchants retailed the awful poison, now not one. One brewery is still living, but the owner is complaining loudly, and not looking as if all were well. Our two taverns are in the wane. Jacob Howell, Esq., Pres.; Gilham Demorest, Esq., Treas.—THOS. DEMOREST, Sec.

STANBRIDGE, EAST VILLAGE, March 7.—A society has been formed in this village, E. J. Briggs, P. M., President, John Carey and Dr. J. E. Bangs, Vice-Presidents, J. C. Baker, Secretary, and a Committee of 7 to procure signatures to the pledge, during the intervals of the meetings of the society. It is called the Stanbridge East Total Abstinence Society. We number 71 members, which have signed in one week. There are 3 stores and one tavern where spirituous liquors are sold, in our small village, but we hope the number will soon diminish.—J. C. BAKER, Sec.

TEMPERANCE AT THE WEST.—We are happy to hear of the spread of the Temperance cause in the Western district. A large society has recently been formed in the township of Moore, which promises great usefulness there. Several Magistrates were present on the occasion, some of whom nobly came forward and signed the pledge, in order that their example might be followed by their neighbors. The society was organized, on the 5th inst., when Frome Talfourd, Esq., was chosen President. There were present, who advocated the cause, the Rev. Messrs. Coleman and Pyne, of the church of England, and M. Cameron, Esq., M. P. P. Forty-two names were enrolled. We mention this, for the encouragement of Temperance Agents and advocates; for we understand that this meeting was held in pursuance of an adjournment of one held under circumstances of discouragement, some few weeks ago, by Mr. Saul, the Agent of the Montreal Temperance Society, and the Rev. Wm. Scott, of Port Sarnia. These gentlemen forcibly explained and defended the principles of tee-totalism, and created a spirit of inquiry, which has led to the favourable results mentioned above. When ministers of religion, members of Parliament, and Magistrates, take the lead, in any great moral enterprise, it must prosper, in spite of all opposition.—*Sandwich Herald*.

The Temperance Society of Niagara recently contributed the necessary funds, and sent out an Agent, (Mr. G. W. Bungay,) to lecture, and recommend the forming of societies in different parts of the district. Last evening he passed through this place, on his return, having assisted in establishing several tee-total associations, some in the back townships, and adding more than 300 names to our ranks.

A Temperance society has lately been formed, at the 15 mile creek, which is in a very flourishing state—now containing nearly 100 members. One circumstance connected with the doings of this society, is worth recording. A most respectable tavern keeper, in the vicinity, having become rationally and fully convinced of the evils of grog selling and drinking, has taken down his