

# RITUAL.

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## OPENING EXERCISES.

The President calls up the Band.

Opening Prayer, or reading of Scripture, and Singing.

## OPENING TIDE.

*TUNE—Spanish Chant. T's Double.*

Welcome, brethren, welcome here,  
Cheerful are our hearts to-day;  
Tell us—we would gladly hear  
How our cause speeds on its way.  
Long undaunted have we striven  
To increase our noble band,  
Ever seeking to remove  
Vile intemperance from the land.

Come and aid us in the fight;  
Make our growing armies strong;  
Joyfully with us unite,  
Swelling the triumphal song.  
Then the foe will swiftly fall,  
When we take our father's seats;  
Here we pledge us one and all,  
We will drive him from our streets.

'Tis on us the work depends,  
On the young and rising race,  
And we'll strive to make amends  
For our fathers' deep disgrace.  
Here we pledge ourselves anew,  
Not to touch the drunkard's drink;  
Proving faithful, proving true,  
We will make the demon shrink.