

Fethi Pasha with the sister of the Sultan took place on the 20th. On the same day Amhet Fethi Pasha presented the wedding presents at the Imperial Palace. The presents consisted of a superb veil, embroidered with pearls and diamonds, of the value of 300,000 piastres; of slippers enriched with precious stones; diadems, shawls, and stuffs; two large chests of perfumery; 150 baskets filled with sweetmeats, and a superb dressing-glass, splendidly ornamented with a variety of precious stones. The Pasha presented the Sultan with a sabre of great value, and of a saddle, splendidly arched with precious stones, and of most beautiful workmanship. The total amount of these presents has been estimated at six millions of piastres. They were placed in open carriages and brought to the hotel of the Minister of Trade. About forty pages followed, carrying on their heads trays covered with cashmeres and brocades, and under glass covers to be seen jewels and about 500,000 piastres in gold coin. The procession was preceded and followed by detachments of cavalry. In the apartments of the Imperial Palace, the consent of the betrothed was attested by the Grand Vizir, the Kislat Aga, and the Sheik Islam, after which the Imam of the Palace produced the nuptial prayer. The marriage will not, it is understood, take place for about three months."

DAMP BEDS.—The following simple means of preventing beds from becoming damp not in general use ought to be as extensively known as possible. If a common earthen jar, of the capacity of four or five gallons, filled with hot water and closely corked, be rolled up in a feather bed it will in the end of two or three hours be found to have lost but little of its heat. By adopting this ready expedient and occasionally shaking the bed, the object will be effectually attained. Beds may be warmed by the same means by a vessel of smaller capacity, without leaving the unwholesome odour imparted from the common bed warming pans.

DISASTERS AT SEA.—The Sailor's Magazine, for February, publishes the number of vessels known to be lost during the 14 months ending with December, 1842.—Many wrecks have been at sea, the fate of whose crews, it is feared, will never be known. Most have been wrecked on the coast of the United States. The total is follows:—ships 68, barks 47, brigs 130, schooners 240, sloops 21, steamboats 5, unknown 40. Of this number 94 were English vessels. In addition to this list, 28 missing vessels have been reported, which it is feared, have gone down with all on board. The number of lives ascertained to have been lost is 650.

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COLBORNE (L. C.) TOTAL-ABSTINENCE SOCIETY.

When we contemplate the great and mighty change that has taken place in the moral atmosphere of this community of late, we may well exclaim, "What hath God wrought?" When we view the almost unparalleled success which has attended the efforts of the friends of morality and religion in this vicinity, what more animating spectacle can be exhibited to cheer us on in the work of philanthropy, benevolence, and love? What greater blessing of Divine Providence could be calculated to inspire the soul with praises to the Most High God!

A twelvemonth only has elapsed since the formation of this Society, and where are now the drunkards that almost literally thronged our streets? A year only is gone by, and why is the sound of revelry and debauchery hushed? A year, and what has quieted the riotous and disgusting assemblies which sometimes disgraced our little village? One year, and in that time what influence has been successfully exerted to promote the peace and harmony at public meetings, where are transacted all the important affairs of our community, and which were marked by strife, discord, quarrelling, the sure concomitants of the stimulating cup and the inebriating draught? What has brightened many a careworn cheek, given lustre to many an eye, and life and buoyancy and spirit to many a desponding and despairing heart? What has rendered comfortable the desolate fireside of the inebriate, filled his cupboard with the necessaries and even luxuries of life, and clothed his almost naked offsprings? And what has softened the obdurate heart of the sinner, and opened a way for the divine light of the Gospel, and resulted in imparting a joyous hope of immortality and eternal life? Verily some benign, soft, and holy influence, to be traced either directly or indirectly to this Society, and to the principles of Temperance and Tee-totalism, which beget sobriety, and sobriety thoughtfulness.

A year ago, and who would have believed, had it been predicted, that nearly 500 of the inhabitants of this vicinity would have foregone all the habits imbibed by the drinking usages of society? Who would have deemed it possible that, in Ireland alone, the Apostle of Temperance could have enlisted more than 5,000,000 of his countrymen under the bloodless banner of Temperance? Who dreamed of a meeting in the ranks of the enemy in the United States, where 75,000 drunkards have asserted their liberty, joined in the general battle cry of "Onward to conquest and to victory," and gloriously fighting in the holy warfare of Tee-totalism?

During the past year this Society has held 26 local meetings in the neighbourhood, within a radius of probably four miles, at all of which, more or less signatures have been added to the pledge, with but one exception. The great success which has attended our labours under Divine Providence is to be attributed to the great zeal and activity displayed by a few individuals.

Your Committee desire to record their high sense of the very great influence exerted by the Montreal Temperance Society in the dissemination of so much intelligence and information through the excellent publications, (Advocate, Anti-Bacchus, and Tracts,) and believe that they have been mainly instrumental in the extension of the great movement in Canada.

They learn with the liveliest satisfaction of the success of the travelling Agents in different parts of the Province. They learn, too, with pleasure, that all efforts put forth are attended with unexpected success in all parts of the world, and rejoice that religion and morality is progressing everywhere. The empire of intemperance totters to the very base, and the great fabric will surely fall.

From the St. John (N. B.) Mirror.

TEMPERANCE PROCESSION IN ST. JOHN, ON ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

According to previous arrangement, the members of the society attended eight o'clock prayers at St. Malachi's church