

Foster, of Iowa, who was most cordially received, and who spoke about ten minutes, giving facts from her personal observation in proof of the failure of high license in Nebraska, and referring to the success of constitutional prohibition in Iowa:

The New York Independent's report says:

"At the close of Mrs. Foster's remarks the following resolution was offered by Mr. Cook and seconded by the Rev. Dr. Gordon:

"Resolved, That it is advisable to take the topic of temperance legislation out of merely partisan politics and submit the question of constitutional prohibition, unencumbered with any other issue, to the whole body of voters in this commonwealth."

"A rising vote was called for, but as the twelve doors to the first balcony were crowded with people already standing it was requested that those groups of auditors would express their dissent by holding up their hands when the negative vote was called. The affirmative being asked for, the whole audience, to all appearance, came to its feet, from the floor to the top of the second balcony. When the negative was called no hand was seen or voice heard, and the result was declared unanimous. The Rev. A. B. Earle, the evangelist, offered prayer. There were from 2,000 to 3,000 people in Tremont Temple at the time of the vote, and great numbers of them were preachers, teachers, students, and other educated men.—N. S. Advocate.

Temperance News.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

CANADIAN.

BRONTE.—A new division of the Order was recently organized in Bronte, County of Halton, to be called "Scott Act Division No. 130," Bro. W. Ingledoe D.G.W.P.

BURFORD.—Royal Division No. 186 at Burford, County of Brant, has been organized with a membership of twenty-seven at first meeting, by Bro. A. D. Perley, D.G.W.P.

WILLOWDALE.—On Thursday, G. W. P., Bro. John McMillan, assisted by Bro. H. Green, of Ontario Division, instituted a new division of the Sons of Temperance at Willowdale, with 28 charter members. This division has been started under very favorable auspices, and includes the most active temperance workers in the neighborhood of Lansing, Willowdale and Newtonbrook.

OTTAWA.—Bro. Colin Campbell, D.G.W.P., of Ottawa, has made arrangements for the organization of two new divisions in the county of Glengarry. The worthy brother is on a tour for the benefit of his health, and is filling in the time by doing some good work for the cause of temperance. During the last four weeks some eight new divisions have been organized in various parts of the Province, and the prospects are very bright for the future.

To all interested:

"The Executive officers of the National Division," in accordance with action taken at Ocean Grove, have fixed upon Wednesday, July 9th, as the day, and 11 o'clock a.m. as the hour for commencing the Fortieth Annual Session of that body at Halifax.

Thursday evening, July 10th, has been selected by the committee of the Grand Division of Nova Scotia, for the Fortieth Anniversary exercises, with the address by Past Most Worthy Patriarch, Sir Leonard Tilley.

Further arrangements will be announced by the local committee, or from this office, when perfected.

Negotiations with steamboat and railroad companies for excursion rates will be commenced as soon as practicable.

H. S. M. Collum, M. W. S.

FOREIGN.

ENGLAND.—An agitation has commenced in Great Britain in favor of a change in the plan of representation in Grand and National Divisions, the present plan being unsatisfactory to many members, especially in Scotland.

COLUMBIA.—There are now nine divisions in the District of Columbia, four of which have been organized since January 1. This is a good showing for so small a jurisdiction, and yet they expect to add more soon.

THE MOST WORTHY PATRIARCH.—Most Worthy Patriarch, Benjamin R. Jewell, on his recent trip, spoke in Brooklyn, February 18; was royally welcomed at Newark, N. J., February 19; Ditto, in Philadelphia, February 20; spoke at Wilmington, Delaware, Febru-

ary 21; spent the 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th in Maryland, speaking each evening and Sunday afternoon; spoke in Richmond, Va., February 26th; twice February 27; once February 28; once February 29. He gave three addresses Sunday, March 2nd, in Washington, D. C.; Monday evening, March 3rd, had a grand reception by the Grand Division of the District; Tuesday evening, March 4th, addressed three subordinate divisions; skipped Wednesday; addressed a large meeting of "The Sons" at New Haven, Conn., Thursday evening, March 6th, and was "home again in Boston, Friday morning, March 7th, after an absence of eighteen days. His was, indeed, a "busy tour," from which large benefits to the Order are expected.—American Reformer.

GOOD TEMPLARS.

CANADIAN.

BROCKVILLE.—A new lodge was instituted in Brockville, on the 7th inst. by Bro. W. H. Rodden. It will be known as the St. Lawrence Lodge. The charter membership gives promise of a highly successful lodge. The following are the principal officers: C. B. Taggart, W.C.T.; C. E. Simpson, W.S.; W. Winter, W.F.S.; H. W. Hutton, W.M.; E. McVagh, P.W.C.T.; C. H. French, L.D.

MALLORY TOWN.—A new lodge was instituted in Mallory town, on the 8th inst. by Bro. Rodden, with a staff of members and officers indicating earnest and progressive work in the cause. The lodge takes the name of the village. The principal officers are: Rev. G. A. Gifford, W.C.T. and L.D.; Mrs. Ira Mallory, W.V.T.; Rev. C. E. Bland, W.S.; Miss Dema Mills, W.I.G.; Amasa Mallory, P.W.C.T.

SOUTH CAYUGA.—South Cayuga Lodge was for years the best and most reliable county lodge in the Province. It was resuscitated a few weeks ago. Bro. Samuel Fry, an old worker, writes: "The lodge is again alive and stirring. Many young people have joined us, and still more are coming. The meetings have so far been highly interesting through a prepared programme of entertainment for each meeting. God bless the temperance cause everywhere, and hasten the day when prohibition shall take the place of license on our statute books."—Truth.

LEEDS COUNTY.—Bro. Thomas Flynn, for many years one of the efficient Grand Lodge Lecturers, though now far advanced in years, has evidently not lost his zeal for the temperance work. He has been addressing some meetings in Leeds County, under the auspices of the County Lodge, and he reports progress as follows: "Flowing Tide" Lodge, No. 385, Lombardy, P. O., reorganized with 25 members. This is one of the old working lodges, but it has been dormant for a time. Bro. Geo. Nichols, L. D. Night of meeting, Saturday. "Princess of Wales," Lodge, No. 33, New Bliss, P. O., reorganized with 22 members, Eliza Lockwood, L. D. Night of meeting, Saturday.—Truth.

FOREIGN.

LONDON, ENG.—The Independent Order of Good Templars have undertaken to carry out the Crystal Palace Temperance Fete for the present year, and Tuesday, July 8th, has been fixed as the date of this great national temperance festival. Mr. F. G. Edwards has again been appointed organist for both concerts.

NEW YORK.—The Grand Lodge of New York has to-day on its rolls 610 lodges, with a membership of over 29,000, taken from January returns, making a clean net gain of over 2,000 members since the report for April 30th, 1883. And better than all it is stronger and more solid than ever before. More thoroughly organized, with a splendid executive, a higher grade of membership. More money to work with. Rooted and grounded in Constitutional Prohibition it is making itself felt throughout the state, and by results is challenging the admiration and respect of every lover of the cause of temperance.—D. W. Hooker, G. W. S.

SOUTH AFRICA.—The sixth annual session of the Central Grand Lodge of South Africa was held at Winburg, Orange Free State, Nov. 21, 1883, and continued in session five days. The proceedings of this Grand Lodge, as reported in its official organ, the *Templar Advocate*, exhibit so much earnestness, zeal and self-sacrifice upon the part of each and every member present, that had we space we would gladly reprint nearly the entire proceedings. No Grand Lodge proceedings that come to this office are read with closer attention and interest than are the proceedings of this Grand Lodge. With a jurisdiction embracing an immense and sparsely