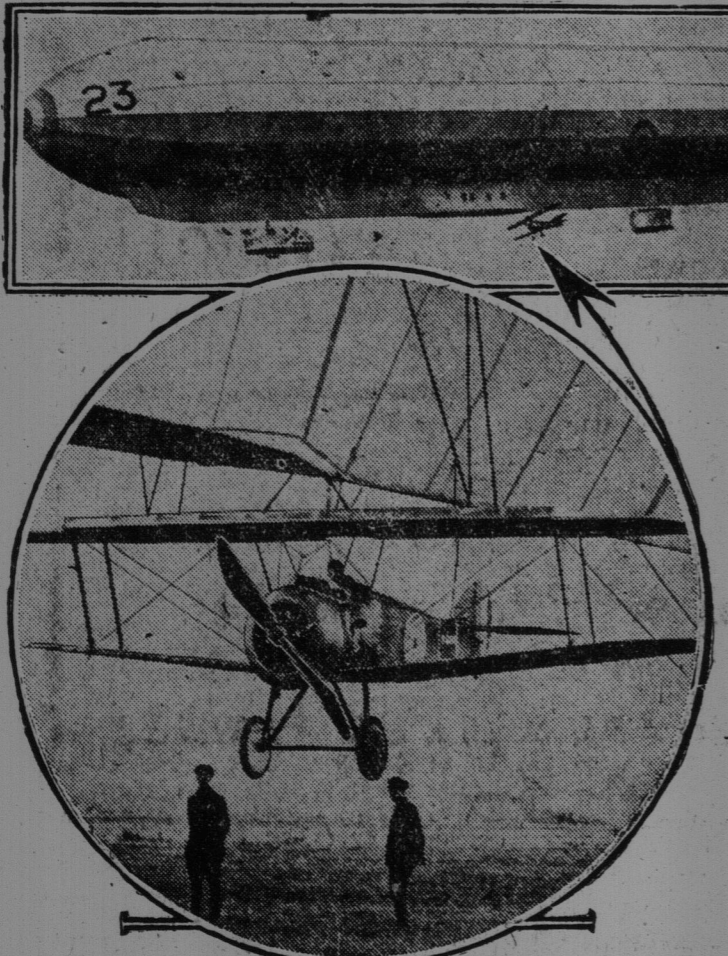


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The upper picture shows one of Britain's newest airships in flight, and the arrow points to a plane hanging from the frame of the great machine. Below is shown this biplane with the pilot in his place. This plane can be dropped loose from the larger machine at any time and fly away on its own mission.

THE TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT IN NEW BRUNSWICK 70 YEARS AGO

ARTICLE NO. II

(F. G. M. in Moncton Transcript.)
Shepody, Albert Co., April 2—As the history of the temperance movement in New Brunswick seventy years ago is inseparably associated with that of the Sons of Temperance, the prominent temperance order of that period, the doings of that order during the first year of its existence in this province is more or less of interest to those who hold in veneration the noble pioneers of the temperance cause who did such grand work and laid such splendid foundations for the future structure of after years. An old and valued journal of the Grand Division, S. of T., covering the seasons 1847-1848, gives considerable facts and figures concerning that order, which had within its ranks so many of the prominent men of the province, and which seems to have created a great temperance awakening among the people.

On April 24, 1848, the first to be held there. To show what a hold the order had there, it is stated there were then in what now comprises the city no less than nine divisions, namely "Gurney," No. 5; "Portland," No. 7; "Portland," (now North End), "Victoria," No. 9; "Carleton," No. 11 (Carleton); "Rehab," No. 12; "Albion," No. 14; "New Brunswick," "Indiantown," "Coldstream," No. 32; "Mariners," No. 38. This latter division, as its name implies, was instituted among the seafaring men of the port. In this report to the Grand Division, October 26, 1848, the grand worthy patriarch makes mention of the fact of receiving a communication of importance from Liverpool, Eng., regarding temperance, and conditions which were the result of the admirable system of Sons of Temperance Flags, for ships under the command of members of "Mariners Division," in this city (St. John), and which will no doubt attract attention to our order in many parts of the world where it is still unknown. It will be seen by this that the men of those old days were much in earnest in

spreading the sentiment and spirit of temperance among their fellowmen. This report, in reference to the spread of the order in the province, mentions that a charter had been applied for by friends of temperance at Hillsboro, Albert county, for "Albert Division, No. 88" and that the necessary documents were sent to that able deputy, Bro. Steadman (afterwards judge) of "Petitcodiac Division," at the Bend. The now thriving railway city of Moncton was then known as the "Bend." Albert Division was therefore organized a few months before that at this village. It had many strong men in its ranks, conspicuous among whom was the late John L. B. Steeves, and for many years was a power for good in this county. It has now long been extinct.

In his report at this date, the grand worthy patriarch refers to the gratifying fact that "whole religious denominations were coming out to the support of total abstinence." Hitherto, evidently, and as we know, the churches were not as strong supporters of and workers in this great cause as could be wished for. But, as this same report states, "the spirit of reform was fast overcoming all opposition."

Another grand move made by these temperance men at this time, 1848, when the cadet branch of the order was formed among the boys and girls, the men of these days, evidently realizing the hope of the temperance cause, after all, was in the young. Of these branches, known as "Sections," the G. W. Patriarch in his report of July 25, 1848, makes these references: "I cannot close this report without noticing the Order of Cadets, now firmly established among us. He quotes Bro. Johnson of Campbell Section, "the cadets are flourishing amazingly, fully sustaining their first promise, they now number 80." Bro. R. Seely, "there is no doubt this section (Portland) will be an ornament to the cause, and as the youngsters seem to take hold with vigor, there is every prospect of its increasing rapidly." Bro. S. L. Tilley of Chrystal Section, "I am confident this will be a well disciplined and thriving section, and shall be much disappointed if it does not number 100 members before the first of September next." Bro. J. McLaughlin of Carleton Section, "This section already numbers thirty members, who have displayed a degree of zeal and energy and intelligent action, which would be creditable to older heads."

More than twenty years have passed since these children received their temperance instruction from those stalwarts of days gone by, and the good numbers that teaching, beyond all estimate, and no doubt had much to do with the temperance sentiment of today.

The strength of the temperance principles of the men of '48 are well shown in a report of a committee composed of James Porter, S. L. Tilley and Geo. A. Garrison, which in strongest terms condemned the entering of a "tavern or saloon where liquors were dispensed," by a Son of Temperance, even to drink "a cup of tea or coffee." That the men of those days believed in the value of honesty and moral character is shown by their warning against the bringing into their ranks of the dishonest and hypocritical. They wished to help the drunkard who wanted to reform, but they said "no bonds can bind base natures. Never let us knowingly admit within our well fortified and well defended lines a man who is not strong in honesty and who does not bear upon his brow the stamp of truth. He who fears to speak what is true, and to do what is right, grossly miscalculates if he expects to find a fellow feeling among the Sons of Temperance." A pretty good creed these men seemed to have.

This article could not better close than with a brief extract from a letter from the most worthy patriarch, S. F. Carey, to G. N. Patriarch Coy., on Jan. 10, 1848, which shows to some extent the faith, the character, the unbending devotion of the temperance men of that day who "builded better than they knew."

"Temperance Cottage, Ohio, "January 10, 1848.
"Most Worthy and Dear Brother Coy: "Your gratifying letter reached me yesterday and I snatch the earliest moment to reply. Like yourself, I formed

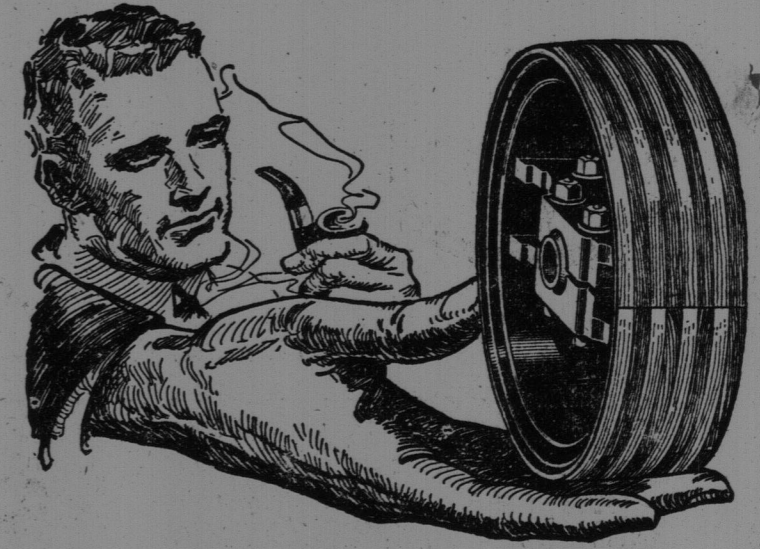
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many strong attachments for my honored brothers at the last session of the National Division. I do not believe the same number of intelligent minds were ever convened where there was so little difference of opinion, and such perfect unity and harmony of sentiment. . . . It gives me unexpressed pleasure to learn that in the far distant portion of my jurisdiction where your lot is cast, the friends of virtue, temperance and good order are active, zealous, devoted. . . . My time is wholly occupied in the prosecution of our good work. I have traveled in the year just closed 8,200 miles and addressed 300,000 people on the subject of temperance. My labors have been fatiguing and almost overwhelming. I have, however, been sustained by a consciousness that our cause was the cause of truth, righteousness, humanity and religion. I have strong confidence in the order, and above all, an abiding faith in God. God has protected me and I am determined not to lay my armor down, but struggle on in the 'cause of all mankind' while I have life and strength to fight; and my prayer to God is that when my labors shall be ended, when I fall, that a more valiant, more faithful, more successful soldier may take my place. Gradually, but I think, surely, we are gaining ground, and I would say to you brethren in the provinces, be of good cheer, take courage, go forward, fight manfully, for we shall be victorious. The Lord of Hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge."

"I close, your brother,
"S. F. CAREY."

To this the G. W. Patriarch says: "Men and Brethren,—You have perused this letter. What think you? That they are but the words of a man—true—

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