

The members of our Division visited New Edinburgh, Chaudiere and Bytown Divisions, and found them all zealous in our cause, and in each received cordial and fraternal greetings. These visits do much to strengthen our Order. The last visit we made was to Bytown Division. Bro. Tyndall read a paper advocating a "Closer unity among the Sons of Temperance," as our Order contained all that was necessary to success in what we aimed at. A pleasing feature of the evening's entertainment was a debate upon the following resolution, "Resolved, that intemperance is a greater evil than war." Bros. G. Neelin and Hannum taking the affirmative, and Bros. Keane and McIntyre the negative side; Bro. W. Tyndall acting as chairman. The decision was rendered in favour of the affirmative, viz: "That intemperance had been proved to be the greatest evil," as the negative had failed to show any beneficial effects in its behalf; whereas it had been shown conclusively, by the affirmative, that although war had its evils, yet it had its good effects in the end and all history plainly proved it; but intemperance not only produced but entailed greater evils on posterity. The debaters displayed no ordinary abilities and intelligence in the arguments advanced, especially Bro. G. Neelin. "Honour to whom honour is due."

On the 4th inst., the Rev. Mr. Clarke lectured in our hall. He traced the origin and fatal consequences of intemperance far back from both sacred and profane history, and shewed its demoralizing power on the people. He also severely criticized and shewed the absurdity of legal protection for the traffic in alcohol. He did not blame our legislators as the law was in the hands of the people, who could have better as soon as they were prepared to sustain it. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the reverend gentleman, through the chairman, Bro. Geo. Lang, Co. D.G.W.P.

Yours etc.,

W. TYNDALL, R.S.
Rockville, March 15, 1880.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

OLD SON.—Your duty is very plain. Now that the Division is weak you should at once return to your allegiance.

M.—Yes; the common sense of the members will support you in your endeavour to smooth matters over.

O. K.—We think you have been rather hasty. On sober reflection you will agree with us. How pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity.

J. M. O.—Will be happy to hear from you again and trust you will not give up the idea of calling the attention of the members to the matter.

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Work! Work!

At no time in our history as an order has it been so necessary, as at the present moment to urge our members to perform their duties, and at no time has a better opportunity presented itself when successful work can be carried out by our Divisions in extending and building up our Order. Many of our members, we regret to say, seem to be under the impression that each of our Divisions should live for itself, and if we are to judge from the lack of energy and interest manifested by many of our friends, we fear the impression is also common that each member should do the same. Many of our "standby's" have retired from active membership by being drawn into new institutions, some of a kindred character, such as reform clubs etc., but a number have, we fear, entirely deserted the old ship, through a desire for something new, and with the hope of some personal benefit through insur-

ance, etc., united with one or more of the many organizations started during the past few years. It is not for us to comment upon the advantages or disadvantages of those organizations, but, to use the words of a Brother, referring to many of our old members retiring, we would say: "I would like to reach the ear and the conscience of those who from any reason are now on the retired list, while I should urge them, by the recollection of the past, the dignity of the present, and the solemnities of the future, to put on again our regalia, and help us to guard it from dishonour." What we now want is individual work by every member, and united effort by our Divisions. Let the old members who have from any cause stood aloof from active work be asked once more to fall into line, let each Division invite all absentees to meet and talk over the interests of the Cause and Order and get them again interested in the work, and let not our organization work be any longer neglected. Each Division has in its power to organize at least another Division, every member can bring in at least one new member. Let them all who talk and pray so earnestly for success get to work in a practical way by organizing new Divisions, standing together, working together, and voting together. Brethren let us not weary in well doing, our work is not for time, but its results will be felt in the future. Let us go to the root of the matter. "Our object is the total annihilation of the liquor traffic," and the Sons of Temperance may