

ability. To my associates in office, viz: Col. Hickman, Bro. Malins and Sister Brown, I return my sincere thanks for their valuable assistance rendered to me whenever required. To Bro. Hickman, my Chief, with whom I have been brought in contact almost daily, I feel deeply indebted. I have always found him prompt, energetic, vigilant, forbearing, kind and courteous, and willing to do his share of the work, and anxious that I should do mine in a proper manner. Without his assistance I could not have done my work so satisfactory to myself or this Grand body. Bro. Malins has given me, during the year, many valuable suggestions, some of which I have acted upon and many others I should.

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Together we may meet no more,
But there is yet a happier shore;
And then released from toil and pain,
May we for ever meet again.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS.—The tabulated statements of numerical strength now furnished, together with the various evidences of progress, are altogether inadequate proofs of the influence which is being exerted on the nations by means of Good Templarism; advancement has been rapid and visible, and these have awakened attention and interest in many circles not heretofore by any other form of temperance activity. The leading journals and magazines of England have been moved to give space for reports and arguments generally favorable to our principles. Churches, Chapels and Cathedrals, have echoed the brave words of Temperance Reforms. Bishops, Judges and Magistrates in both Hemispheres and in greatly increased numbers, have accepted our platform as sound and salutary. Ministerial and Medical Conferences have given decided opinions on the propriety of total abstinence, and the necessity for Prohibition. Without detracting from the value of other Temperance Institutions, we are persuaded that the rapidly aggressive