

will learn more fully the work accomplished by the Juvenile Order, during the past year, from the report to be submitted by our Chief Superintendent, Sister M. B. O'Donnell, who has labored arduously and successfully during the year. Her whole soul seems to be enlisted in the work. She delights to fill the minds and hearts of these little buds of promise with the principles of total abstinence. It is true that this Order has not been self-sustaining thus far, and I presume no one expected that it would be the first year; however, the difference between the receipts and expenditures is of little importance, compared with the work accomplished, and by proper management during the coming year the Juvenile Order may become a source of revenue to us. I hope you will place no obstacles in the way of its success, but aid it all you can. I can say from my heart, God bless this Order, and God bless the children. By a law of Lycurgus, the famous law-giver, the children of Sparta were to be trained for the State, and those children were the men, numbering only *six thousand*, with the brave and gallant Leonidas, stood in the pass of Thermopylae, and drove back and conquered the famous Xerxes, with his two and a half millions of disciplined soldiers. Let the mothers of the land but train the children for the temperance cause, and at no distant day the liquor traffic, with all its attendant evils, will disappear before this advancing army of moralists, philanthropists and Christians.

SUBORDINATE LODGES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE R. W. GRAND LODGE.

There are Lodges in the following countries working under the jurisdiction of the R. W. G. L., viz: In France, Germany, Holland, Belgium, India, Singapore, China, Japan, Ceylon, Natal, West Indies, Honduras, British Guiana, Sandwich Islands; also Lodges in Florida, Louisiana, Dakota Territory, and on the "High Seas"; also one Juvenile Temple in Peru. I have just commissioned our zealous and competent brother, A. D. Wood, Deputy for South America, and I feel quite confident that at an early day subordinate lodges will be instituted by Brother Wood.

For details and interesting information regarding the extension of the Order in the foreign countries named above, I refer you to the report of Bro. Malins, R. W. G. C. To him we are indebted, more than to any one else, for the introduction of the Order into the several countries named.

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During the past year the correspondence of this brother with the officials of the Order in New Zealand and Australia exhibited the fact that there were not only many irregularities in the workings of the Order there, but that considerable discord existed, which was tending greatly to retard not only the progress of the Order, but if not checked, to overthrow it in some localities. Those distant brethren requested that some one should be sent to them to correct these irregularities and restore harmony. Through the Executive Committee, propositions were made to, and