

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

G. R.—Yes; the law is very explicit on the subject. We are pleased to learn you are doing all in your power to make the Division a success.

Mary B.—Will be glad to hear from you again. We would have inserted your letter, but unfortunately it would occupy too much space in our columns. In future we will not undertake to insert any communication if it should exceed in length one of our columns.

Georgia.—We return you your MS. that you may cut it down. There are some good points in it.

Y.—Very glad to hear your Division shows signs of life. You should at least have sixty members.

C. F.—Yes, but the expedient is dangerous. Take our advice and abandon it.

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Our Order.

It becomes every member to be now up and doing to increase our Order during this year. If we do not strive to advance, we shall certainly decline. If we stand still, we go back. Brothers and Sisters what are you doing to advance the interests of the Order? How many new members have you brought into your Division during the last quarter? How many of those brought in are attending? How many of them are being imbued with a love for the old Order? Are you getting the new members into active work?

One of our aims should be to get every member to work. Don't appoint the old members on all the committees of the Divisions, but appoint one or two of the old members and some of the new members, and the new ones will feel it to be of importance that they should attend to the duties

of the committees, and hence to be at the Division to see that the reports are presented. It would be well to keep in our Divisions a visiting committee not to visit the sick only, but to visit all members who absent themselves for three meetings continuously from the Division. This might involve the keeping a roll of the members and mark the attendance each meeting, and it might be advisable to do this. When we think of the evils of intemperance, of the poor creatures going to destruction through strong drink, and of the increase of crime through intemperance, it becomes us to be active in working to stay the ravages of the fell destroyer and to build up our Order, one of the best organizations to promote the cause of temperance. The wonder is why the temperance sentiment is so strong in our country when we consider the changes and ups and downs of temperance organizations. We have had Canada Temperance Unions, Ontario Temperance Unions, Ontario Prohibitory Leagues, Ontario Temperance and Prohibitory Leagues, British Templars, British American Templars, United Temperance Orders, Independent Order of Good Templars, Loyal Independent Order, &c., &c. This is why many persons get tired of our Temperance Societies, because there is so much time and money lost over these changes and alterations. Our Order has been in existence since 1842, and has never changed its name. It has the same object in view it had at the commencement, and it becomes all who wish a sure, stable

society for the promotion of the cause of temperance and for banishing the cursed traffic in liquor from our land, to join our ranks and let us see our membership 250,000, as it was a few years ago. Our principles have not changed, we have lost by other Temperance Societies starting out from us, and, as many of them are getting weak, we invite them to come back and rejoin the old SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

From the Grand Scribe.

Receipts from Divisions, from Dec. 20th, 1879, to Jan. 20th, 1880.

PALGRAVE, 75 cents; Elm Grove, \$3.00; Glenallan, \$2.52; Ontario, 38 cents; Cobourg, \$11.60; Rising Sun, \$1.75; Ayer, \$6.65; Mount Albert, \$1.40; Maple Grove, \$3.36; York Safeguard, \$1.10; Grafton, \$3.71; Tyrone, \$4.83; Welcome, \$2.31; Standard, \$3.03; Huron Belle, \$1.00; Ennis-killen, \$1.40; Lancaster, \$4.00; Mount Meldrum, \$2.10; Rising Star, \$3.50; Prospect, \$4.13; Malton, \$2.03; Byron, \$5.32; Avonbank, \$5.25; Zephyr, \$1.47; Leskard, \$2.24; Ethel, \$3.00; Stamford, \$3.01; Stanley Mills, \$1.00; Ashworth, \$2.66; Sheridan, \$2.03; Port Robinson, \$2.94; New Edinburgh, \$2.38; Newtonville, \$3.22; Plainville, \$5.00; Harvest Home, \$2.38; Galt, \$5.74; Bethesda, \$8.87; Laskay, \$4.04; Mount Hurst, \$1.68; Exeter, \$3.50; Table Rock, \$5.53; Riverside, \$1.61; Ravine, \$2.50; Stirton, \$1.26; Gleamorris, \$2.66; No Surrender, \$4.63; Phoenix, \$2.66; Orono, \$6.30; Salem Star, \$1.33; Centreton, \$2.00; Allenwood, \$2.52; Palgrave, \$2.45; Forest Home, \$1.95; Horton, \$1.68; Ramsay, \$1.75; Bear Line, \$3.43; Orillia, \$3.57; Harwood, \$4.27; Woodham, \$3.01; Cedardale, \$5.11; Sharon, \$1.00; Oshawa, \$3.57; Henderson, \$2.24; Coldstream, \$4.00;