

attached to it, and few will like to be identified with a drinking cause.

We presume much might be done, and that without a greatly increased expenditure, especially if we have cheap postal arrangements throughout the province, by entering into correspondence with all the teachers in our common schools and select academies, known to be favourable to this noble cause. Their co-operation should be solicited, and they should be respectfully requested to employ their influence judiciously, so as to induce their youthful charge to adopt our practice. Ministers of the gospel of every denomination, who are known, or supposed to be on the side of the temperance cause, should have this matter faithfully presented to them.

Probably it might be of advantage to make some representation to our Legislature, and to those who have the selection and appointment of teachers in our common schools, entreating them to employ teachers who are abstainers, or, at least, sober characters.

Parents, masters, servants, and the young who are attached to this good cause have great responsibilities in relation to this work. May their consciences be aroused to consider what they ought to do before it be for ever too late.

In concluding, the Rev. gentleman addressed several other classes on their responsibilities.

#### TO AGENTS.

We are encouraged so far with the evidence which we continue to receive of the willingness of individuals to act as our Agents, as well as the addition to our subscription list; but many more are still wanted to secure us against loss. More than one prominent individual, in certain districts, have, it may be without consulting the parties, given in the names of those who are thought likely to take an interest in the *Advocate*, and it is hoped that some of them will act as Agents. We mention this in case those so circumstanced, on receiving the *Advocate*, may not misunderstand the reason of its coming without direct order. To all such, however, we will send only two numbers, which they will please return immediately, if they do not feel inclined to aid the publication: and, upon receipt of such return paper, we will discontinue sending it. But, if they do not send back the paper marked *Refused*, we will consider them subscribers; and, in the case of those we intend as Agents, will put their names on that list in the 1st of February number.

#### NOTICE TO SOCIETIES.

It has been suggested by a valued correspondent, with the view of placing the success of the *Advocate* beyond doubt. (as all societies throughout the country should take more or less of the *Advocate*.) that the president or secretary of each society should consider it a duty to take so many copies and act as Agents. In this way a constant communication would be kept up with all the societies in the Province, and would be a means of strengthening their own hands. If this plan was generally acted upon, the cause would receive an impetus which would secure its onward progress over all opposition.

#### RETURNS TO THE LATE CONVENTION.

It will be recollected by those societies in the country, who favoured the Montreal Society with returns, at the Convention held on the 5th of October, that promises were made to take a certain number of copies of the *Advocate*, in the event of its being continued for another year. The present publisher was encouraged with these promises, and rested satisfied that all such promises were just so many copies of the *Advocate* ordered for another year; but as no definite instructions were then given respecting the transmission of the paper to the respective societies, it will be necessary that precise instructions be sent forthwith, to prevent disappointment, as well as in fulfillment of the promise then made.

#### ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MONTREAL TEMPERANCE SOCIETY.

As the Annual Meeting of the Montreal Society is fixed for the 19th of January, it is earnestly requested that all contributions that can possibly be collected, should be at Montreal not later than the 25th inst., as it is the intention of the Committee to lay before the public a full statement of their affairs, which will afterwards appear in the *Advocate*.

The accounts will be kept open to the latest moment, to give all an opportunity to send in, on account of consignments, arrears of the *Advocate*, and their free contributions, to aid the Committee in the liquidation of their still heavy debt, by which they will be enabled to continue the effective organization of the society.

J. C. BECKET, Sec.

#### MR. WADSWORTH.

We are gratified to hear of the progress of Mr. Wadsworth, and would hope that it may yet be more distinctly marked with success. We have had several enquiries respecting him, and the wish expressed that he may visit them in his tour, and when it was likely he would do so. All such enquiries we refer to his list of appointments on our last page.

#### OUR PROMISE.

In a recent number we promised to devote a short space for obituary notices, &c., as well as reporting cases of drunkenness in the Police Court. Our subscribers must not forget that our record is to begin with the year, and, as a matter of course, cannot appear until our next number.

ST. PIER AND GRANBY.—Mr. Chiniquy has been preaching Temperance in the Parish of St. Pie. The religious exercises, "*retraite*," commenced on All Saints; 2500 persons have enrolled themselves under the Temperance banner; that is the whole of the parish. A correspondent writes us on this subject, that in the middle of the first day of the exercises many tavern-keepers burned their signs and their licenses. One of those did more—he hoisted a white flag on the top of a May pole standing before his house, to denote that his dwelling should in future be the abode of peace and happiness, both for himself and for his visitors. Mr. Chiniquy repaired to Granby, where the same success attended his labors. All the Catholic population, Canadian and Irish, have followed the example already given by so many parishes, and now among the number of