

not more, needed; while on those who have not *decreed such a testimony*, they would earnestly press an imitation of the example thus shown them.

During the past year, although with the experience of the liberal feeling existing among many of your Society, your Committee have neglected to take up the subscriptions, which might have been obtained. Their only excuse is, that they have not altogether been idle in this and similar institutions, while they feel satisfied the omissions may in part be made up by an immediate application to the public. They feel, therefore, desirous that the succeeding Committee will carry this request into immediate accomplishment.

It might be further stated in extenuation, that your Committee have been at much personal trouble in taking up subscriptions to the *Temperance Advocate*, at the commencement of the present volume.

will be gratifying to you to learn that, in addition to the Temperance Grocery Store kept by Wm. Addy, Main Street, St. Lawrence Suburbs, another has been opened for some months in Wellington Street, St. Ann Suburbs, by Mr. Adam Stevenson, to both of whom, your Committee are persuaded, you will join with them, in wishing much success. On this subject they are afraid the friends of Temperance fail in duty, when they withhold encouragement from individuals who have conscientiously given up the sale of intoxicating liquors. They are aware that circumstances may occasionally put it out of the power of many to purchase all their supplies at such places, still they are fully warranted, they think, in laying down as obligatory on the friends of the cause, to give the preference to such shops, when kept by men of worth and consistency; and as this is peculiarly the case with the individuals named, your Committee trust that the Society will feel themselves bound in principle to deal with them, so long at least as there exist no marked impediments.

Some efforts were made during the past season to obtain the establishment of an inn or public boarding-house, where no intoxicating liquors would be made use of, but it is to be regretted, without success; your Committee, however, are in hopes that the time is not far distant, when such a place will exist in this city. Connected with this subject, they would earnestly press on the friends of Temperance, that no cause be given to its opponents to complain of their behaviour in partaking of the accommodations in travelling of the inns and taverns not conducted on temperance principles, without affording that compensation received by the landlords from others, who, at the same time patronize their bars. They believe, that were this matter attended to, as recommended by them, there would be a much greater increase of Temperance establishments in the country parts.

Your Committee would further remark, that much advantage to the cause would arise, by a greater connection with the social practices of society, and the aid of literature and the arts.—By this they mean the introduction of Songs and Hymns in their praise into our domestic and public meetings, and along with poetry, giving employment to the art of painting and music, the benefits of which, through the help of engraving, might be widely and cheaply extended. To promote this object, they conceive that inducements

be offered, for appropriate pieces of poetry and painting or drawings.

The state of the Society in respect to its funds will be seen by the Treasurer's Account, showing a balance due him of £22 14s. 5d., a sum, which, your Committee trust, an exercise of liberality similar to the past will enable them soon to repay. The number of Members on the book of the Society, will be seen by the following statement:—

Signatures to ordinary pledge, since formation of Society.....	243
Members left, 9; transferred to Total Abstinence pledge, 6; expelled, 4.....	19 234
Do. to total abstinence pledge, since formation of Society.....	419
Left, 10; transferred to old pledge, 1; expelled, 2; dead, 2; withdrawn, 1.....	16 433
Total Members of the Society.....	657

Your Committee however, desirous, as it may be supposed, to present to your notice a favorable report of the standing of the Society, are nevertheless constrained, in giving a faithful report, to acknowledge that, in their opinion, there exists inconsistency to their pledge, even in some of the remaining members. They would, therefore, recommend to their successors a stricter discipline than exercised by them, convinced, that the advantages of the Temperance reformation will be better shown to the world by the consistent practice of a few, than by a large society, the adherence of whose members in many instances to its rules, can neither be guaranteed nor expected.

The progress of the cause in the sister Province, in Great Britain, the United States, and other countries, your Committee have unwillingly been compelled to pass over, in remarking that the Temperance cause continues every where to gain great, and in some places, unhopd for, success.

In Great Britain and the United States there is a great preference given to those Societies whose pledges embrace abstinence from all intoxicating drinks, and your Committee are truly happy to add, that the same feeling is on the increase in this country. They have been so much convinced that in the present state of society, this plan is the most calculated with the Divine blessing, to bring about its reform, as well as encouraged by the decided majority of members of this Society holding similar views—that they have resolved, the third volume of their Temperance paper shall advocate this measure, namely—abstinence from all intoxicating drinks, except for religious, medicinal and mechanical purposes.

In conclusion, your Committee would claim your attention to the high place now taken by this cause among benevolent institutions, and more particularly in respect to the duty to God, thereby taught us. It has attained this eminence in such a way as clearly to show that Divine aid has been largely afforded to its friends. It is directly opposed to the appetites, interests, prejudices and habits of the great mass of society; and over such opposition, no mere human power could have triumphed, not even stood its ground. While, therefore, we give the unfeigned tribute of gratitude to God, let us be encouraged by His past favour, to redouble our activity and zeal for the time to come.

<p><b>Dr.</b></p> <p><b>The Montreal Society for the Promotion of Temperance in Account current with John E. Mills.</b></p> <p><b>Cr.</b></p>	
<p>To paid Postage, Expenses of Public Meetings, Freight and Carriage of Publications, &amp;c.....</p> <p>To paid for Printing and purchasing of Publications.....</p> <p>To paid salary of Secretary, (two years) Agent, expenses of the Rev. Dr. Edwards's visit, of Rev. Wm Taylor and Secretary's visit to Quebec, and of Delegates to Montreal Spring-are Advocate final.....</p> <p>To paid debts due Workman and Postman, and in aid of Temperance Society.....</p> <p>To paid expenses of Store, of the 3d of January last, and including first Transparency.....</p> <p>To balance due Treasurer brought down.....</p>	<p>£26 17 8</p> <p>52 3 1</p> <p>82 15 11</p> <p>18 11 11</p> <p>28 18 1</p> <p>£200 6 8</p> <p>£32 1 5</p>
<p>By received Subscriptions and Collections.....</p> <p>By do for Publications sold.....</p> <p>By do for Tickets sold at Store.....</p> <p>By balance due Treasurer carried down.....</p>	<p>£157 4 5</p> <p>5 9 1</p> <p>23 18 9</p> <p>22 14 4</p> <p>£209 6 8</p>
<p>Audited and found correct.</p> <p>JOHN DONOVAN,</p> <p>MONTEAL, February 1, 1837.</p> <p>JOHN E. MILLS, TREASURER</p>	

It was then moved by the Rev. N Bosworth, seconded by Mr. W. Greig:—

1. That the Report now read be adopted and printed under the superintendance of the Committee who shall be this evening appointed.

In proposing this resolution the Rev. Gentleman addressed the audience in a speech, of which the following is an abridgement:—

The Rev. NEWTON BOSWORTH.—The report itself, he said, in its detail of facts and principles, was a text so clear that it needed nothing to explain it, and so important and impressive as to need little to enforce it. Yet, as the cause of Temperance was of vital moment, and bore closely and effectively upon the best interests of mankind, he could not satisfy himself without giving, in a few remarks, his testimony in its favour. He would not attempt to describe to the meeting the monster which they were associated to destroy; nor was it necessary to do so. His horrid features were too well known from daily observation, and his