

## Campaign Everywhere.

**KINGSTON.**—The Scott Act Association have decided to move for a scrutiny and recount of the votes cast in the late Scott Act election.

**PETERBORO'.**—This county has 1852 names on its list of petitioners for the Scott Act, being 200 more than necessary. Many more could have been obtained, and two municipalities have yet to make returns. Peterboro' will, no doubt, carry the Act by a large majority.

**BRUCE.**—Six prosecutions under the Scott Act were tried at Walkerton on May 23rd. Two were convicted and four dismissed. The parties convicted are J. P. Klempf and A. Ruchty, who were each fined fifty dollars and costs. The trial lasted all day, and the Town hall was crowded. The temperance people of Bruce are determined that the Act will not be violated with impunity. They have a strong organization in the county, and we know they will look to the enforcement of the law.

**HALTON.**—The Esqueving township poor-house at Stewarttown is empty, the first time in many years. Under the Crook's Act the paupers increased, but we are credibly informed that the ratopayers of the township have saved over \$600 in taxes since the adoption of the Scott Act. Surely this shows how the taxes are reduced by the Scott Act.—*Acton Free Press.*

**PERTH.**—A meeting was held in Stratford last week for the purpose of organizing for the voting on the Canada Temperance Act, which is to take place in this county on the 18th of June next. Mr. F. G. Fee was appointed to organize the county for the voting. The meeting, which was large and representative, was a very harmonious one, and every one seemed determined to do all they could to carry the Act in the county.—*St. Marys Argus.*

**TORONTO.**—This week has seen the Scott Act campaign fairly inaugurated in this city. On Sunday last temperance addresses were delivered in a large number of the city churches, by delegates attending the R. W. G. Lodge of Good Templars, now in session in the city.

The public Scott Act meeting for St. Andrew's Ward, held on Tuesday night in the interests of the Scott Act in Occident Hall, was well attended. The chair was occupied by Mr. Jas. Miller, an enthusiastic worker in the temperance cause. Mr. Wm. Munns, the Scott Act organizer, briefly defined the Act, and expressed the hope that it would soon be adopted throughout the Dominion. An interesting paper on temperance was read by Mr. Fanning, of Michigan, after which Hon. Samuel B. Hastings, of Madison, Wis., delivered a stirring address. The choir of the West End Christian Temperance Union, under the leadership of Mr. Geo. Ward, rendered a number of choice selections. They will be present at the meetings to be held in the different wards.

**WATERLOO.**—The Ev. Mennonite church, Breslau, was packed to the doors on Monday evening to hear Mr. W. H. Young, Police Magistrate of Halton county. Rev. Mr. Dierlamm, of Waterloo, took the chair and introduced the Police Magistrate, who gave an excellent practical address, full of facts, figures, and arguments, going to show that the Scott Act had worked surprisingly well in Halton. Business had improved, taxes had not been increased, and despite all that had been said to the contrary, the consumption of liquor had been reduced to a comparatively small proportion. The meeting seemed altogether in favor of the Act, a vote taken at the close being practically unanimous.—*Waterloo Chronicle.*

Mr. Young has arranged to speak at different places throughout the county. He spoke at Winterbourne, Thursday, May 28th; and will speak at Berlin, Sunday afternoon, June 7th; and at Waterloo, Sunday evening, June 7th.

**ONTARIO.**—A meeting of the N. O. Branch of the Alliance was held in the Ontario Hall, Uxbridge, on Monday evening to protest against the Dominion Senate in mutilating the Scott Act. Rev. Mr. Bishop occupied the chair, and Mr. H. A. Crosby acted as secretary. The following resolution was carried unanimously:—"That this meeting express its surprise and indignation at the recent unwarrantable action of the Senate of Canada in passing amendments destructive of the Canada Temperance Act in total disregard of the strongly expressed public opinion embodied in numerous petitions and in overwhelming majorities at the polls; and that inasmuch as the said Act originated with, and was ratified by, this same Senate and accepted by the friends of temperance in good faith, we declare those radical amendments a stultification of the Senate's former action and a flagrant breach of faith with temperance people of this Dominion, and especially with those municipalities where the Act has been adopted and has yet to come into operation." Other resolutions were moved and carried, among which was one expressing the heartfelt thanks of the meeting to those Senators who had shown such zeal and ability in their efforts to preserve the integrity of the Act.

**SORDAN.**—The temperance cause has its workers and advocates in every quarter of the globe, and our brave soldiers in the far off Soudan are not forgetting, while fighting their country's battles, their fealty to the principles of the moral cause they have espoused. Witness the following interesting item clipped from a recent number of the *Irish Templar*:—"At Suakin, Dolphin Lodge, I.O.G.T., held its usual meeting on the 5th of March, Bro. Coleman, W.C.T., presiding. The lodge was opened in its full form and five new candidates initiated, after which the lodge was closed and all repaired to a temperance concert, held close by, presided over by the Rev. W. Sedgwick, B.A., R.N. This concert was held in connection with the Suakin Temperance Union, lately organized in Suakin. The programme was rather a long one, and we were not able to get through it all. The proceedings were commenced by singing "Rescue the Perishing;" then Bro. Foxblade gave a song, Bro. A. Irvine, R.M.L.I., a reading, Bro. Coleman a reading. A temperance discussion was well sustained by Bro. A. Irvine, R.M.L.I., and Bro. Smith—subject, "Good Templarism vs. Moderation." An address by the chairman brought the meeting to a close.

## INDEPENDENT ORDER OF GOOD TEMPLARS.

THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION OF THE RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE.

The R. W. G. Lodge of the I. O. G. T. opened its thirty-first annual session in the lecture room of the Normal School, Toronto, on Tuesday 26th inst., at 10 a.m. A large number of delegates were present from different parts of Canada and the United States. The hall was decorated with the shields describing the victories won for the Scott Act in the Dominion. The following officers were in their places:—

R. W. G. Templar, John B. Finch, Nebraska.  
R. W. G. Counsellor, Oronhyatekha, Ontario.  
R. W. G. V. Templar, Mrs. Sarah A. Leonard, Mass.  
R. W. G. Secretary, Daniel P. Sagendorph, Michigan.  
R. W. G. Treasurer, Uriah Copp, Jr., Illinois.  
C. S. Juv. Templars, Miss Gertrude L. Cushman, Ohio.  
R. W. G. Chaplain, Rev. H. F. Chreitzberg, South Carolina.  
R. W. G. Marshal, P. J. Chisholm, Nova Scotia.  
R. W. G. D. Marshal, Miss Mary F. Peck, New Haven.  
R. W. G. I. Guard, Sallie G. Embree, Penn.  
R. W. G. O. Guard, W. T. Greenwood, Md.  
R. W. G. Messenger, W. H. Lambly, Quebec.  
P. R. W. G. Templar, George B. Katzenstein, Cal.

After the Lodge had been opened in due form the following committees were appointed by the R. W. G. T.:—

On Finance—G. B. Katzenstein, W. H. Lambly, J. N. Stubbs, Bro. E. R. Hutchins, and Mary F. Peck.  
On Juvenile Work—G. L. Cushman, M. E. Richardson, M. B. Logan, T. R. Thompson, Rev. S. C. Stull.  
On State of the Order—W. D. Crandall, Eli Miller, A. Weichman, W. A. Rucker, H. A. Wood.  
On Mileage—B. F. Parker, L. V. Dukeheart, W. A. Struckler, H. C. Munson, H. S. Graves.  
On Petitions—Fowler, J. H. Flagg, M. Brooks, Mrs. Harkness, A. O. Crozier.  
On Mission and Lecture Work—O. W. Nichols, R. S. Cheves, M. A. Root, Mrs. A. F. Sibley, J. J. Keith.  
On Credentials—D. P. Sagendorph, G. A. Bailey, A. Kalstrom, Abbie A. Hinkle.

The committee of Credentials reported, and a large number of representatives, who had not attended the previous meetings as representatives, were initiated in the R. W. G. L. degree.

A communication was read from the Reception Committee of the Ontario Grand Lodge proposing to entertain the delegates by a drive through the city. Friday evening was fixed as the time for the acceptance of the invitation.

The R. W. G. T. then read his annual report, from which we make the following extracts:—

The advance of the temperance forces during the year that closes with this session has been opposed at every point by the consolidated and united liquor interests, but notwithstanding this, the advance has been general throughout all the jurisdictions of the Order. The great struggle for constitutional prohibition in the State of Maine, which was led by the Templar Chief, H. C. Munson, and largely sustained by funds furnished by the Order, resulted in the most important victory ever won by the Templar Armies.

The determination to make the Good Templar Order the aggressive-missionary organization of the reform, is shown to be on the advance, by the action of many of the Grand Lodges in providing funds and perfecting plans for more general work in the future than in the past.

"The present lack of system in the matters of appeal from Subordinate, District, and Grand Lodges is a source of constant annoyance and vexation, both to officers and members.

"I would recommend the appointment of a Special Committee to simplify and perfect the law concerning appeals, and give notice of an amendment to add necessary articles to the Uniform Constitutions.

"I would recommend that Article XII., Section 1, of R.W.G.L. Constitution, be amended by adding after the word 'meet,' in the first line, the word 'quadrennially.'

"As the changes recommended are of vital importance, I would recommend that they be referred to the Committee on Constitutions, with instructions to examine, perfect, and report them as notices of amendment to be acted on at the next session; that the session of 1886 be located at some central point, and especial effort be made to have every Grand and Worthy Grand Lodge represented at that session.