

Tremont, under the charge of Rev. Dr. Tupper, harmonious, and slowly progressing: a total abstinence society in successful operation in their midst. Wolfville has added fourteen during the quarter; Division room well attended; lady visitors zealous and active.

ANNAPOLIS COUNTY.

Most of the Divisions in this county are doing well,—some are highly prosperous. Among the latter I would mention more especially Nelson, Olive Branch, and Clyde: each of these Divisions admit lady visitors, and to them may to some extent be ascribed their respective success.

As usual, some of the Deputies have been very attentive to their duties, and prompt in sending in their reports, while others have been negligent. To the former my thanks are due; to the latter the word of exhortation to greater zeal and faithfulness in the future. Satisfactory reports cannot be made either by the G. S. or G. W. P., unless material is punctually furnished by the Deputies; and until greater attention is paid to this matter, so often referred to, our knowledge of the condition of the Order must be comparatively imperfect.

The annual session is the more appropriate time for discussing grave measures, but it is ever proper to consider important principles connected with the action of the Temperance body. Unquestionably the subject of Prohibition deserves a prominent place. It has for years been the enquiry, by what means can it be procured? This is a difficult matter to decide. All measures, as yet, have failed, and many have been tried: some suggested or resolved upon, which have not been carried out. Of one thing I think we have had ample proof, and that is the reluctance of the powers that be to grant the boon so often craved; and in view of past transactions, it will not require much persuasion to convince all who desire the law that it can only be obtained by bringing the question to the decision of the Polls.

When the country is ready to adopt this course the law will probably be obtained. Let us hope the day is not far distant when, by some agency, the world may be rid of the dreadful vice of intemperance.

We may congratulate ourselves at the permanency and efficiency of the Order throughout the several jurisdictions in different parts of the world. You will be glad to hear that the Order has been, or is about to be, established in Australia—the requisite authority and documents having been forwarded for that purpose.