

THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

WHAT ARE THEY DOING ?

Rolling back the tide of drunkenness, with its adjuncts crime and misery, which for centuries has been rushing with fearful impetuosity across, and overwhelming all those fair portions of the earth called civilized.

WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THEIR SUCCESS ?

All who sympathize with suffering humanity and fallen man;—those who would raise a fallen brother and endeavor to restore him to the image of his God. Listen then to the still small voice from within;—the natural language of your finer feelings; the rushings forth from the fountains of your nobler nature, and aid this benevolent enterprise.

Study the origin and history of the order of the Sons of Temperance. Make yourselves familiar with its secrets and objections. Reflect upon its designs and influence, and be prepared to contribute to the advancement of the glorious cause of Temperance.

Every member of, and friend to the order, should purchase a well-written and neatly printed pamphlet just issued from the press of D. Oliphant, Oshawa, which gives the origin and history of the "Sons" and refers to the secrets, objections, designs and influence of the order—price 7½,—can be mailed at 3d. postage. Orders addressed to T. Oliver, Oshawa, proprietor, will receive attention.

Will the "Son" publish the above,
And oblige yours, &c.,
A. FAREWELL.

ITEMS ON TEMPERANCE AND OTHER SUBJECTS.

SECTIONS OF CADETS.

A Section was opened on Good Friday at Waterdown by Brothers A. E. Vanorman and J. H. Saunders with 10 Charter members. Worthy Archon Master Dunham. Worthy patron Corney Saunders.

A Section is about to be opened at Thornhill.

There are about thirty or forty Unions of Daughters of Temperance, in the progress of formation, in the County of York and neighboring Counties. Also one in Toronto and one in Yorkville.

PRINCE ALBERT SECTION OF CADETS TORONTO.—We direct attention to the address written by one of the Cadets in this Number. This Section is growing and numbers 50 Peter McPhail Worthy Patron and John Hughson Worthy Archon. The Section now meets on Wednesdays at the Toronto division room.

Toronto Section of Cadets is to have a Soiree on the 14th May to-morrow at the Temperance Hall. This Section now numbers 120 Cadet Coulson is worthy Archon.

A Ship called the *Teetotal Ship of the New World* has arrived at Liverpool.

When the Ojibwe Indian Chief was in Toronto a week or two since a boother in the Toronto Division was talking to a prominent friend of alcohol in the street and a gentleman too as it is called, on the subject of temperance. At the time the Chief happened to pass by with his erect and stately form. "See says the gentleman that Indian Chief I'll warrant you he is no teetotaler." "Yes says the Son he is we will ask him." So they asked the Chief and he most emphatically declared he had been a Son of Temperance for some years and all his family were teetotalers.

We direct attention to the extract in this number concerning the cause of the Sons among the great tribe of the Choctaw Indians in the United States. Even the Squaws have formed a union of daughters. The greatest enemy the Indians ever had was the firewater, as they call alcohol.

THE LAGER TRAFFIC IN NEW YORK.—From a statement published in the New York Tribune, it appears that there are 5225 liquor shops in New York City, of which 4425 are licensed, and 751 unlicensed. 3284 of these shops are open on Sunday, in express violation of the law.

The Great Merchant.—Judge Edwards, of New York, in sentencing John Smock, some time since, stated, that in nine years eleven men had been arraigned before him for murdering their wives, ten of whom, like Smock, were drunkards. Judge Edwards expressed the opinion that three-fourths of the crimes committed in America have their origin in intemperance.

Temperance among the Indians.—The Choctaw Intelligencer, published at Doaks, Choctaw Nation, is printed by two natives, half in Choctaw and half in English, and the matter and appearance will compare favorably with most of our country papers. Amongst the excellent matter in the English department is an address delivered before the Choctaw division of the Sons of Temperance, and a notice of an organization of a Female Temperance Society. So says the Lancaster express.—*New York Organ.*

More Clerical Action.—The Philadelphia annual conference of the M. E. Church have put forth the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, Intemperance is a wide spread and growing evil, spreading itself over every part of our country, and exerting a most baneful influence upon many of our fellow men, exposing them to utter ruin in this life and that which is to come. Therefore

Resolved, 1st, That this conference recommend all its preachers to exert their influence in favor of the Temperance cause, by aiding the promotion of Temperance Societies in their several charges.

Resolved, 2d, That when a brother excuses himself upon the ground that he cannot preach or lecture, that he procure Temperance tracts and especially Nos. 123, 134 and 133, and 139 and distribute them among the people.

Temperance Catechism.—The want of a well prepared Temperance Catechism for families and schools has been long felt, and premiums have been offered in some quarters for such a work. Mr. Tomkins influenced by a desire of usefulness, has prepared just such a work which was needed. It was shown to us by General Smith, President of the N. Y. State Temperance Society, who warmly recommends it to the public as well worthy of extensive patronage. We have just published it, in a neat convenient form, and at the low price of 6 cents, single—18 copies for a dollar.—*New York Organ.*

The way to do it.—The Divisions in Jersey City are very much in the habit of doing things up brown, as thus: the Methodist Conference of New Jersey, being in that city last week, and many of the clergy being not well informed in regard to the Order of the Sons. Fidelity Division No. 2 voted to present three copies to each minister of Rev. Mr. Stone's tract on the Claims of the Order on the Religious Community. The tracts were purchased and sent accordingly to each of the 180 ministers in the conference, and we are happy to hear that the courtesy of the Division was highly appreciated by that body. Olive Branch Division of the same city, which work hand in hand with Fidelity, has taken measures in concert with the latter, to put Stone's tract in every family in the city. When two such whole-souled Divisions as Olive Branch and Fidelity work together with one heart, without envy or jealousy, then will the community feel their influence.—*New York Organ.*

CORRESPONDENCE OF SONS. BROTHERS AWAKE.

NEW DIVISIONS AND DOINGS OF THE SONS.

"A friend sends us the following:—

14 April, 1851, Owen Sound.

Owen Sound Division No. 193 was organized a month and a half ago with ten members, and now numbers over forty.

On Monday evening 31st March a public meeting was held here for the purpose of having our regalia presented to us by the ladies of Owen Sound. The regalia were presented by Mrs. Gale Mrs. Vanducan and Mrs. Lenfesty on behalf of the ladies and received from their hands by Owen Vandusen W. P.

This division is doing well of which we are happy to hear.

Grand River, Caledonia Division No. 124.

Our division is doing much good in Caledonia. It was organized September 2nd 1850 and now numbers over 70 members. Our night of meeting is Saturday. We are increasing fast and initiate from 3 to 5 every week. William Hume W. P. Thomas Whitley R. S.

Yours in L. T. and F.

WILLIAM HUME, W. P.

Nelson Division No.—formed April 12th, 1851. Sixteen members, our prospects are good. H. R. O'Reilly W. P. and J. Stewart R. S. Night of meeting Thursday.

Palermo, 22nd April, 1851. We are beginning to do better here. We have gained ten lately. There was a new division formed at the 12 mile Creek Nelson the other night. Hamilton O'Reilly W. P. brother to Judge O'Reilly.

Yours &c.

GILBERT FLICK.

Cummonsville Nelson April 25th, 1851.

In looking over your paper I find that you have forgotten us or else know nothing of us. However if you think proper you may mention that we were organized on the 9th of December 1850 and through hard fighting have captured 31 Sons. Thomas Newton W. P. and your humble servant R. S. Wednesday night of meeting.

JOHN MATTHEWS, R. S.

Holland Landing 19th April, 1851.

I am directed to forward you the Statistics of our division to insert in your valuable journal. Division instituted April 20 1850. We have 40 members and meet on Monday night. Calvin Wilson is W. P. and John Kelly R. S. We have a section of Cadets instituted March 15 1851 with 13 members. Aaron Jakeway W. P. George Noble W. A. Robert Moore R. S. Night of meeting Thursday.

Yours &c.

JOHN KELLY, R. S.

Concord Division No. 221 King.

Our division meet on Saturday and was organized 23th January 1851. At present we number 32 members in good standing. The officers we have chosen for the quarter are Brother Jared Irwin W. P. and James Gray W. A.

Yours in L. P. F.

SAMUEL DENNIS, R. S.

Brunswick Hill Division, Pickering.

Contains 40 members. Robert Healey W. P. and John Elliott R. S. It is increasing rapidly.

BROUGHAM SOIREE.

The Brougham Division, Pickering, will have a grand celebration of their anniversary on the 15th May 1851. This division continues to increase rapidly and contains now about fifty members. Mr. Woodruff has turned his tavern, lately one in which spirituous liquors were sold, into a Temperance house. We wish him success.

The Soiree of this division takes place at Brougham a pleasant little village in Pickering on the above day. Addresses will be made by several gentlemen. Two good bands of music will be in attendance. No pains will be spared to make the soiree interesting. Dinner will be on the table at 2 o'clock P. M. precisely. All surrounding Divisions and Cadets are requested to attend. We hope the Ontario, Toronto, Oshawa, Markham, Whitby and other Divisions will be largely represented. Sons in Toronto can go there and back in one day, and spend several hours at the soiree too.

Ayr Division Dumfries Halton No. 166.

This division has sent us a few names. It is in a very thriving way. The village of Ayr is one of the most thriving we have in Dumfries. Brother Currie the Post Master there is doing a very large business in the mercantile line. The division was formed January 21st, 1851 and now numbers 65 members. James McCray W. P. and George McDonald R. S. Night of Meeting Tuesday. We thank Brother McDonald for the interest he has taken in this paper, and will probably during May pay the division a visit.

Innisfil, April 4th, 1851.

By examining your last number we find you are not in possession of the Statistics of our division.

Innisfil Division No. 177 was formed October 11th 1850 and has 21 members in good standing. Night of meeting Thursday Joseph Ross W. P. James Ellis R. S.

Yours in L. P. and T.

JAMES ELLIS, R. S.

Newmarket, April 8th, 1851.

Newmarket Division No. 103 formed April 22 1850, 92 members night of meeting Tuesday. Joseph W. Collins W. P. Reuben Robinson R. S. and a large division room 22 by 40 well furnished; also a large Section of Cadets. I am happy to say that we are increasing in numbers fast and still expect to do so. We never miss a night without initiating some members.

I am, Yours, in L. P. and F.

HERRY FRATT.

SUMMARY.

Mounthope Division Albion, No. was formed by the Rev. Bro. Wheeler and numbers 12 members, James Monkman, Esq., W. P.

Caledon Division West and Olive Branch Division Caledon are both doing well and contain about 40 members each. The members of these divisions have as yet done nothing for this magazine. They would oblige by sending a list of names.