

*Abstract of the London T. Reformation Society's Report.*—The number of members at the beginning of the year, was 770, at the end, 950, showing an increase of 180. A number of small Societies have also sprung up in the immediate vicinity, five of which, probably, number 500 members, thus showing that within a radius of ten miles, there has been an increase of 700 members. F. Talbot, Esq., President; Rev. W. Holtby, James Givens, Esq., Simeon Morrill, Vice Presidents; Messrs. M'Kenzie and Rolph, Secretaries; D. O. Marsh, Treasurer; and a Committee of Twelve. The thanks of the Society were presented to the late President, Rev. W. Clarke, for his efficient labours in the Temperance cause.

LONDON, March 22.—On the 15th of April, 1842, the Rev. Wm. Rose, of the Methodist connection, delivered a lecture on Temperance at the Baptist School House, the twelfth concession township of London—at the close of which, fourteen names were affixed to a total pledge. A few evenings after, we met for the purpose of forming ourselves into a Society, when 16 names were added to those previously obtained. Our Society was named the "West of London Total Abstinence Society." We have gone on (gradually increasing) since that time, and the Society now numbers about seventy. A few of the leading members of our Society, commiserating with the Montreal Society on account of its pecuniary embarrassments, made a collection at our January monthly meeting, amounting to £1 2s. 6d., currency, which I have great pleasure in transmitting. I wish we could prove the blessing of giving to a greater extent, and that every Society in the Province may contribute according to its ability.—R. WILSON.

GUELPH, April 3.—A Convention, consisting of Delegates from several Temperance Societies within the District, met (this day) at the house of Mr. Hezekiah Hall. The meeting was organized by the appointment of Thomas Sandilands, Esq., as Chairman; and Mr. James Peters as Secretary; and the proceedings commenced with prayer, by the Rev. W. P. Wastell, when, after some preliminary business, the following Constitution was adopted:—

ART. I. This Association shall be called the "Wellington District Total Abstinence Association."

II. The object of this Association is to combine the exertions of all the Total Abstinence Societies in the District, that have been or may be formed, in disseminating and establishing their principles, and in promoting the cause throughout the Province.

III. This Association shall consist of Delegates from the several Total Abstinence Societies in the District; each Society to send two or more Delegates, who shall be elected annually.

IV. The officers may be chosen from the several Total Abstinence Societies in the District, and shall consist of a President and a Vice President, selected from each of the local auxiliaries, Corresponding and Recording Secretaries, Treasurer, and a Committee of Ten, with power to add to their number; three of whom, the President or one of the Vice Presidents being one, shall form a Quorum—the officers shall be ex-officio members of Committee.

The Convention then proceeded to organize a District Association, in accordance with the articles of the Constitution, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year, viz:

Thomas Sandilands, Esq., President; Messrs. C. J. Mickle, Guelph; Frederick Miller, Berlin; James Middleton, Irvinville; Stephen Smith, Bridgeport; W. Tilt, Durhamville; J. Argo, Woolwich; George Masters, Wulmot; James Cowan, Preston; J. Henry, New Hope; James Peters, Eramosa. Vice Presidents: W. Molony, Recording Secretary; Hezekiah Hall, Treasurer—with a Committee of Ten; Charles Mickle, Corresponding Secretary.

[A series of appropriate resolutions were then passed, which we would gladly insert but for want of room. They are, however, we perceive, to be published in a separate form, and extensively circulated; one of them thanks the Niagara District Association for sending their agent, G. W. Bungay, to originate Local Societies and organize a District Union—and another recommends the Advocate to the patronage of Societies within the District.—Ed.]

SENECA, GRAND RIVER, C. W. April 12.—On the 23d January, a meeting was held in the School-House, addressed by some of the Society's members, when forty-four names were received. Our committee sent a delegate to represent the Society in the District Convention, held at St. Catharines, in February, and it was taken into the Association as an auxiliary society. The District Society's indefatigable Agent and lecturer,

Mr. G. W. Bungay, came to our assistance, and, on the 20th February, delivered an able address in the flouring Mill of Mr. Turner. On the 7th March, we were favoured by a call from your Society's agent and zealous advocate, the Rev. R. Saul, who delivered a very impressive address; at the close of which, forty names were added to the pledge. On the 25th March, Mr. J. DeBois, (a Washingtonian,) who is now Agent for the Niagara District Society, addressed a crowded audience in the School-House with effect; twenty-three names were obtained, leaving at the close of the meeting, but three persons in the house who were not pledged tee-totalers. Our meeting for this month took place on the 3d, when eight names were added. The Society now numbers about two hundred and ten members in good standing, including thirty juveniles, belonging to the school in the place. Notwithstanding the regulations of licensed taverns, which expressly enjoin that, "as taverns, are licensed for the accommodation of the travelling public," all tipping, dram-drinking, and habitual resort, thereto, are strictly prohibited, and that the bars of such houses shall be kept closed on the Sabbath day; Many of those houses are kept for and supported almost entirely by the tipping and staggering part of the community; and in them, almost at any time, may be seen enough to sicken and repel any respectable traveller. Nor are such scenes confined to the week days; for it is a notorious fact that there are houses in which more drunkenness and rioting are exhibited on the Sabbath than on any other day in the week. These remarks do not apply to all taverns, for there are exceptions, yet, I fear, that but few of them act up to the letter or spirit of their regulations. When will magistrates and others cease to recommend and license those who keep such pestiferous rum-holes, as fit and proper persons to be intrusted with the administering to their enslaved neighbours the instruments of misery and death? When they themselves cease to manufacture, vend, and use them. Another law exists, which is almost a dead letter, namely—the law prohibiting the sale of spirituous liquors to the Indians; it is daily violated with impunity. About the 23d March last, the frozen corpse of a poor Indian was found near the village of York, and, upon the investigation of a coroner's jury, it appeared that the deceased was drunk at a tavern, where he got liquor, on the previous evening, that the landlord bought his blanket from him, and at a late hour, drove him out into the street to perish. Verdict—found frozen in consequence of excessive drinking—and there the matter ended. When will the laws be enforced for the protection of the poor, abused, and insulted son of the forest?—D. SMITH, Sec.

[Will the Authorities not take notice of the felonious conduct above mentioned?—Ed.]

HUNTINGDON, April 14.—The congregation under the pastoral care of the Rev. D. Dobic, in Huntingdon, opened a new and very commodious house of worship on the 4th April, capable of seating upwards of 400 persons. This Church was organized six years ago on strictly Total Abstinence principles; and its history is a demonstration that the adoption of those principles is no hindrance to the growth of a feeble church, but rather a help. It is an encouraging thought that this new Church is a sanctuary for the Total Abstinence cause. Not a drop of poison was used in the erecting of the building—not a drop has crossed the threshold—and, with the consent of the pastor and people, never will—not even for Sacramental purposes.—A FRIEND.

YAMASKA MOUNTAIN, April 15.—Our annual meeting was held on the 30th March last, and we have held another since. We were, on those occasions, favoured with some very appropriate addresses; the result has been an addition of 28 members, all adults, with the exception of one, seven were heads of families in this place. We thus have another evidence of the almost invariable result of exertion; and for one, I believe, that if but half our members, throughout the country, would redeem what they have solemnly pledged themselves to, that four-fold, both in numbers and influence, would be ours; but while some actually advise us not to hold meetings at all, and others think their duty done by merely not pouring liquor down their own throats, what are we to expect? Surely, but little!—J. CHAMBERLAIN, Sec.

ESQUEWING, April 17.—I have attended and addressed fourteen meetings in the townships of Trafalgar, Esquewasing, and Erin, Gore District, most of them large congregations. I formed four new Societies, and received upwards of four hundred names to the abstinence pledge; among whom were a number of drunkards, who are now sober and happy with their families; and not a few, through the blessing of God, upon the means used, have devoted themselves to the Saviour, and are seen on the Sab-