

and it took its first practical shape when this Division asked its sister city Divisions to join in having Richardson's temperance lesson book placed in the hands of city teachers. Later and more extended action followed, and—though the question was not, as was asked by the Grand Division, placed on the syllabus of examination for teachers—health readers were prescribed for general use. The outcome of a movement originating with Mayflower Division.

The plebiscite movement, culminating in the vote of 1894, was first discussed in this Division, and thence taken to the Grand Division, to be received at the beginning with scornful leers, and spoken of as un-British, and all that kind of thing. (I wish the rum traffic were un-British.) The vote came at last; and as we were first in the field with the proposition, so were we first in the field with our guarantee for the campaign fund. And the guarantee was paid.

But, as the spectator can always see the whole play better than one engaged in the game, and is more likely to be an impartial critic, I will not indulge further in reference to particular points. The records of the Order are open print. The parts Mayflower Division and its members have taken are common property, and we are not going to dwell longer on the glories of the past. Let us rather look to the future.

There is a future for this Division and the Order, and we must do our duty by both. We can only strive to do it as well as it has been done.

The rum sellers say the young must learn to drink, or the business will die. The young must learn to be Sons of Temperance or the Divisions will die. And not only the young should learn. There are others than the young who might, for the sake of their fellows, if not for their own sakes, learn with advantage the lessons to be learned in the Division room.

Will you come and help us? We have no mystic tie to bind