

them the thanks of the division; then followed music by the Weston Band.

The Rev. Mr. Dick then addressed the meeting with an animated and thrilling address setting forth the great evil of intemperance and its consequences.

Then followed an interesting piece of music, sang by two voices. After which a juvenile member of the temperance society recited a very interesting piece shewing the evil consequences of drunkenness.

Then followed Music by the Brampton Band, and the meeting was closed by the benediction being pronounced by the Rev. Mr. Wheeler.

The day was as fine as if the Great Giver of all good was smiling upon the noble efforts that were put forth in behalf of Temperance.

The attention that was paid to the speakers, and the orderly conduct that prevailed, reflected great praise on the whole assembly.

Smithfield, }
June 5, 1851 } A SON.

PROGRESS OF THE CAUSE IN THE UNITED STATES. ✎ GLORIOUS NEWS.

The people of Ohio have placed their feet upon the licensing system and their constitution, the voice of a free people has become a law, with a clause prohibiting the State Legislature to license man to sell liquors. A majority of 20,000 or thereabouts made this the supreme law. When shall we do so? Are we so powerless here as a people, that we cannot make laws to put down this system? The friends of temperance must in time to come use their votes in the right way. Drunkards must not be supported by Sons. We have a long chapter to write on this subject at another time.

The cause of our order is not only trimping in Ohio, but we find in many other States of the American Union the public voice is getting the better of the common enemy.

Massachusetts has passed a law nearly exterminating the traffic in liquors.

Delaware has passed a very severe law, forbidding the Sale of Spirituous liquors on the Sabbath.

ITEMS OF NEWS.

✎ On Saturday the 28th June, the hon. Mr. Howe of Nova Scotia, addressed a company of 200 gentlemen at a public dinner given to him in Toronto. Mr. Howe unfortunately alluded to political subjects and to the United States and annexation in a very strange way. Very little attention was paid to his speech, so says the *North American and Patriot*. The *North American* says many of the gentlemen got drunk. How shameful is such an example in gentlemen! At the very time when they should be calm to hear and consider, they were excited and stupefied. The importance of Mr. Howe's mission should not be underrated on this account, but his allusion to Americans and politics was improper.

CADETS AT THE JUBILEE.

In the Watchman of the 30th June, some writer in giving an account of the Jubilee of the 18th, says that there were 1700 Cadets present. This is a great mistake. We named the number in our account at about 600, which is as nearly correct as possible. A friend of ours counted upwards of 500.

✎ THE CATARACT DIVISION OF MINNESOTA.

At the Falls of St. Anthony, about a thousand miles above St. Louis, there is a division called the Cataract. It takes a paper as long to reach us from this place as it does from Europe.

San Francisco lost \$2,000,000 worth of property by the recent fire and is nearly ruined.

A delegate has been sent to the United States Government from the Sandwich Island, offering to join them as a part of the confederacy, and assume republican institutions.

✎ A great ladies meeting has been held in New York city, in favor of a change of costume, condemning the use of long tailed dresses.

✎ The *Patriot*, and *British American* of Woodstock, abuse temperance lecturers, and applaud circus riders. How very moral is this course, and indicative of good sense!! Abuse of such men as Brothers White and Cary from such sources is the greatest praise.

PAYMENTS AND AGENTS FOR THIS MAGAZINE.

There are no travelling Agents for this paper, and no one is authorised to receive payments except those named in our agent list. We would respectfully request all who have not paid to do so as soon as possible; our terms being in advance to all except clubs of 25.

MOST WORTHY PATRIARCH'S REPORT.

To the National Division of the Sons of Temperance of North America.

MOST WORTHY BROTHERS:—Again has a merciful God permitted us to assemble as the fountain head of the Sons of Temperance. For the first time in our history we leave the country which gave our order birth, and come to take counsel in Her Majesty's dominions. Though in a strange land we find ourselves among brothers. The same glorious banner of Love Purity and Fidelity waves over our heads. The same holy objects animate our hearts. And herein is one of the chief glories of our order made manifest.

May our cause be blessed in our coming together! May our meeting hasten the hoped-for day, when the last moderate drinker shall be enlightened, the last drunkard reclaimed, the last grog-shop closed, and the last distillery fire put out—when in this wide world, no human being shall be found base enough to put the bottle of confusion to his neighbor's mouth—but when the inhabitants of the earth shall dwell together in Temperance Brotherhood, and join with renewed vigour in singing—"Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace and good will towards men."

While I have anticipated this meeting with

pleasure, I am free to confess it has not been unmingled with pain. During the past year the jarring elements of discord have grated upon our ears—for a time forbidding extensive evil. Great has been the responsibility resting upon every previous session of the National Division, a very accumulation rests upon this. Questions will be presented which if not wisely and generously met, may shatter our order, and undo the work of years. May God avert a calamity so terrible, and give us strength according to our necessities! May our love for bleeding humanity triumph over all sectional feeling and personal prejudice!

In this connection, I feel constrained to indicate to the National Division, after extensive observation and mature deliberation, my views as to a leading line of policy which should be adopted. Our order was instituted not for the benefit of a single town, county, state or nation—but for the world. Wherever intemperance has unrolled his bloody flag, or placed his iron heel upon the hearts of men, there should the pure banner of our order be unfurled, there should the heaven-born influence of our fraternity be extended.

From the very inception of our order to the present time, have we been hoping, labouring and praying for a World's Division of the Sons of Temperance—in which the representatives of nations should hold sweet communion together. More than once has the National Division given formal expression to this idea. Even now, this body—originally intended, as its name imports, to be confined in its jurisdiction to the United States—has extended its paternal care to the British Provinces and to England—and its enactments are equally binding on Sons of Temperance in all these sections. The thought then, that I would impress upon the minds of my brethren, is this—If, as we profess, we really desire to render our Order a Temperance Brotherhood for All Nations, the action of the Supreme Tribunal must be as liberal, broad and comprehensive as its jurisdiction. Standing, as we do, at the head of some 300,000 Sons of Temperance, scattered over a large portion of the habitable globe, we must not legislate for a section. In other words we must not narrow down the platform of the National Division. If we do, we shall certainly crowd our brothers off—to the great joy of our enemies, and the lasting injury of a common cause.

No sane person can expect to make our order useful in England or France, in Italy or Germany, at the South or at the North, if we incorporate into our discipline fundamental laws directly inimical to the public sentiment of these sections. We must either show "a decent respect for the opinions of mankind," and abandon sectional legislation at once and forever to the respective Grand Divisions, or see our beloved order contracted to an extremely narrow sphere, and thus shorn of its glory and fair proportions.

After this thoughtful and eloquent opening, the Report proceeds to give a narrative of the leading events of the year in the history of the order, which of course embraces much that has been already furnished to our readers at the time of their occurrence. Among these are noted the planting of the order in California, Oregon, and in Canada East. In England a Grand Division has been instituted, and an informal application made for one in Canada East.

The report gives at length a history of the difficulty in the order in New York State, and closes by recommending that the action taken at Ithaca be confirmed and that charters be issued in conformity therewith for two Grand Divisions, one to be named the Grand Division of Western New York, and the other the Grand Division of Eastern New York.

On the question of a new ceremony for Subordinate Divisions, referred to the Grand Divisions for their opinion by the last National Division, the