

is the right sort of man to lecture to such persons, for he tells the truth, let who will be offended; and if he does not succeed in converting many such, he does a great deal to silence them, and to convince the wavering. His efforts to convince, on that occasion, were not altogether ineffectual, as one of our principal merchants, who happened to be there, and who for many years has done a large business in the liquor line, has since quit selling the "unclean thing" altogether, and has avowed his determination to exert his influence in favour of the Maine Law. I was speaking to this gentleman after the meeting, and I could not but admire his candour in admitting the truth of all that Mr. Kellogg had said, though he himself, in common with others of the same craft, had come in for a good share of well directed sarcasm from Mr. Kellogg. It is, I believe, to the infrequency of such meetings, that the apathy of the people hereabouts in the temperance cause is mainly to be attributed. There is not a temperance association within 15 miles of this place, in any direction. An attempt was made, two years ago, to start a Division of the Sons of Temperance, in the village of Alexandria; but through the bigoted interference of a person, since gone to his reward, the thing was knocked on the head, and has not been received since.

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The Cause in Sophiasburgh, C. W.

Permit me to lay before your readers, the result of a poll which was called for in the Township of Sophiasburgh, with the view of determining the question of license, or no license, to Taverns for the ensuing year. The votes were recorded on Monday and Tuesday last, the 20th and 21st instant, and there were 47 of a majority against license. Strange, however, to say, the construction put upon the law is, that all who have not voted, are supposed to be in favor of license, and consequently our majority, by this construction, is converted into a minority. But certainly this is contrary to all usage, and it does not appear possible, that any Legislature could pass such a law. It is so palpably false, to suppose such a thing, that duplicity, knavery, and the grossest abuse of power would be epithets too mild to apply to a body of men who would enact a law with such extraordinary equivocations. I know that if all were compelled to vote on the question, that, in this Township—I might say County—not one in five would record his vote for License.

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St. Lawrence Division, No. 10, Quebec.

Extracts from the Worthy Patron's Report:—

It is with feelings of sincere and heartfelt pleasure that I have to congratulate the Division on its increased, and increasing, strength and prosperity. The report of your Financial Scriba shows, that in a pecuniary point of view, our condition is very flattering; and to a benefit society such as ours, strength of funds adds not only to its stability and reputation, but also places power in our hands for the prosecution of the ulterior aims of our order, which are by no means to be despised. Taking a moral view of the subject, this increase says much for the zeal and exertions of every member of the Division, and says still more for the progress of the life-renting cause in which we are jointly and severally engaged; shews also very plainly that when men will only take the trouble to think upon the many deteriorating consequences which are the results of intemperance, they must applaud our endeavors,—must feel the might, and strength, and justice of our cause; and when they do feel this, what then?—why they enrol themselves in our lists, appear at our musters, and march forth under the banners of Love, Purity, and Fidelity, to wage a war of annihilation upon the devastating monster whose ravages defy all statistics, all calculations, to raise the warning voice, to urge and implore others to join their well appointed ranks, to point out to

the poor, wretched drunkard, the fearful abyss to which intemperance forms as it were an inclined plane, and that upon this plane he is gradually and imperceptibly gliding downwards, downwards still, and that if he will not now turn and be saved, he will glide on until he finds himself at the brink, and then, then when it is too late, he will cry for the help he has so often thrown aside. We have had thirty-one propositions for membership during the past quarter, of these twenty-six have been initiated into our order; and it is a pleasant reflection; mingled at the same time with feelings of solemn awe, to think that by God's grace we may have been the humble instruments, in His hand, in saving even one of those twenty-six from the fearful doom of the drunkard.

There has been a good deal of business, of one kind and another, transacted during the past quarter; and I will endeavor to give you a synopsis of what I deem the most important portions thereof. It was moved and carried by acclamation, that P.W.P. Brother William Reid send a copy of our By-Laws, and also a copy of the Essay on the Sons of Temperance, to every Protestant Clergyman in Quebec, the postage of the same to be prepaid. Brother Charles Brodie, of Gough Division, was nominated by this Division to fill the office of D.G.W.P. Treasurer Brother Mathieson, and P.W.P. Brother Reid, were elected representatives to the Grand Division.

The good and welfare committee have done everything in their power to prove that they had the good and welfare of the Division at their hearts. On their recommendation, it was decided that Brother ——— who had been long sick, and who had been invalidated to England for recovery of health, should be presented with a donation for the purpose of furnishing himself with a little extras he might wish on the voyage home. The very handsome book case, which now adorns the Division Room, and the substantial stores of knowledge and amusement which it contains, is another evidence that this committee have been doing their devoir nobly.

One great boon to military men has been achieved by the Division during the past quarter—a boon which I am sure, and I speak as a soldier, has been highly appreciated by the men of the 66th and 71st Regiments; and that is, that the division solicited, and were very kindly granted permission, by the Commanding officers of the above named Regiments, to get up a course of lectures on temperance in the barracks of their respective corps; and too much cannot be said in praise of the manner in which Brothers White, Healy, Leaveur, Johnston, and Wilson, have acquitted themselves in giving those lectures—endeavours which, I am happy to say, have gently drawn away many from the broad path of destruction, and made them good men, and good soldiers.

A new Division has also been established, at Point Levi, towards the organization of which, as a matter of course, the St. Lawrence lent a helping hand.

I am also happy to state that by the united exertions of Gough and St. Lawrence Divisions, Mr. Kellogg has promised to lecture at Quebec. The Rev. Mr. Caghey has also made a promise to the same effect, (which he has since fulfilled).

Another thing I am proud and pleased to observe, is the truly brotherly feeling which prevails between Gough and St. Lawrence Divisions; the reciprocal attendance of members, on each respective meeting of the two Divisions is most pleasing; and in our own Rooms the W.P. of Gough Division has most kindly and eloquently congratulated us on our prosperity, and urged us to continue in our good work.

The following are the officers of St. Lawrence Division, for the current quarter:—

M. McEachern, W. P.; J. Budg., W. A.; J. B. Adam, R. S.; H. Pope, A. R. S.; W. Nason, F. S.; G. Mathieson, T.; G. Clerk, C.; A. M. Ginnis, A. C.; J. Coleman, I. S.; T. Thoroughgood, O. S.; R. Smith, C.