

## FATHER MURPHY'S OFFER.

HE WILL DISCLOSE THE SECRET OF THE GOLD CURE UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.

MURPHY GOLD CURE INSTITUTE, 219 Maria Street,

Ottawa, April 13, 1893.

(To the Editor of the Witness.)

SIR,—To you, as the great leading temperance advocate in the press of the Dominion, and as one who has shown a just interest in the work I have undertaken in this country, I address this communication. It is not my intention to answer in it the attacks that have been made on me personally, and on my method of dealing with the great evil of intemperance. My sole object is to convey through you to the public, as briefly as possible, a proposition with reference to the institutes I have established and am now engaged in establishing in the various cities of Canada. I may premise that I am often asked why I do not communicate the secret I possess to the medical profession, in order that it may be more generally applied, as I am applying it, for the cure of drunkenness. My reason for not doing so is, I think you will admit, well founded, but I am prepared to reveal the secret under conditions which I believe will be calculated to serve the great purpose I have in view. These conditions are that my institutions shall be carried on and maintained, either by the temperance organizations in the Dominion, or at the public expense, or by the medical profession, maintaining at the same time all the conditions requisite for a successful operation of such institutions. Hitherto I have sustained my institutions on a self-supporting basis, by treating rich and poor. Now, if the medical profession should only treat those able to pay, as would likely be the case, leaving me the poor only, I could not continue my work. Therefore, I propose not only to divulge the secret of the Keeley formula but also my own improvements on it, provided the medical profession, the Government, or the temperance organizations assume the responsibility of treating the poor free of charge. To remove all doubt from the public mind and to avoid all possibility of imposition, I would suggest that the medical profession should make a practical test of the Keeley formula supplied by me and be assured thereby that it is the veritable one used by the great and only "Keeley Institutes Co.," monopolists. Moreover, that test cases be also made of the superiority of my improvements on Keeley's formula, in order to verify the statements that I have cured men on whom his treatment failed. This surely is a fair offer to the medical profession, to the temperance organizations, and to the Government, if they are sincerely desirous of using the secret for the good of humanity in a practical manner, and of saving the public from the rapacity of an aggressive, heartless monopoly. The conditions are simple and humanitarian, for whilst the rich can help themselves, the poor must be placed in a position to enjoy the benefits of this great discovery. Suppose, for instance, that a company possessed the exclusive knowledge of the use of vaccine as an antidote for smallpox and would only confer its benefits on those able to pay its charges, society at large would derive no benefit from that beneficent discovery, and the poor would be left to rot. Drunkenness, it will not be denied, is a far greater evil than any mere contagious disease, and should be dealt with on the principle of protecting the public health. Hospitals are established for the care and treatment of disease, and it is now admitted that drunkenness is a disease, then why not establish institutes like mine for its cure? I have placed the secret at the disposal of those who have the chief interest in protecting the public health, my only condition being for the benefit of the poor who are unable to pay. As it is, the poor who may be afflicted by disease are treated at the public expense in the public interest. Why not extend the principle to drunkenness, the worst of all physical diseases, and give the poor the same benefit now enjoyed by the rich. No community can exist where the health and happiness of all does not depend on the well-being of its individual members. The rich suffer from the evils that afflict the poor, and in nothing more than through the great evil of drunkenness. Therefore, as my mission is to the poor, I place my secret and the Keeley secret at the command of those who can make them of more general use, on the single condition named herein. The medical profession and the temperance organizations have now no reason to complain on the score of concealment. The public can be saved from the rapacity of monopoly. My institutions are all flourishing. They have been successful from a business point of view, and I am content to go on as I have been doing should my offer not be accepted. Everywhere I find willing, earnest, enthusiastic helpers, and I have abundant reasons for the belief that my institutes will continue to flourish, and endeavors to start opposition to them have merely succeeded in demonstrating my success, and I am content to go on with my work as heretofore. I am, yours faithfully,

L. W. MURPHY, Priest.

### BRIEFLETS.

Dr. Keeley spoke in Tara Hill, Quebec, as follows: "His remedies had never been analyzed and could not be. He challenged the world to analyze them either qualitatively or quantitatively." That is a very bold assertion, for it amounts to this, that there is a compound medicine in the world which is absolutely proof against chemical analysis, that no chemist can separate the Keeley medicine into its component parts—"qualitative" analysis) or, knowing the different ingredients, can state the proportional qualities of each—"quantitative" analysis). Is there any intelligent man who will believe this, or any chemist of repute who will maintain the truth of it, and if this assertion of Doctor Keeley is thus totally incredible, and contrary to what everyone knows to be the fact, what is to be thought of the man who thus publicly makes it, or what reliance can be placed on any other statement of his?

### DOES THE KEELEY CURE MAKE LUNATICS?

Special to *The Press*.

CINCINNATI, May 8.—The Cincinnati Sanitarium's annual report, issued to-day, says the Keeley whiskey cure makes lunatics by wholesale. The above despatch, reproduced precisely as it appeared in the *New York Press*, goes to confirm the growing popular impression that the Keeley treatment is worse than the disease it is supposed to cure.

## THE MURPHY GOLD CURE CLUB

In every city where Murphy Gold Cure Institutes have been established the graduates are so enthusiastic in their gratitude that they have formed clubs for mutual encouragement, assistance, and entertainments. They have also made it a part of their design to assist poor but worthy persons to obtain the benefit of the cure, and generally to advance the great and good cause of temperance through the instrumentality of the Murphy Institutes.

The following correspondence in relation to these clubs will be found interesting:—

FROM BUFFALO, N.Y.

REV. FATHER MURPHY,

Gold Cure Institute, Belmont Retreat.

March 20, 1893.

DEAR FATHER,—As secretary of the Buffalo Gold Cure Club, which now numbers over 400 active members, it gives me great pleasure to inform you that 98 per cent. of the graduates that underwent your treatment are now as free after two years from any desire for strong drink as they were on the day they graduated from your saving and beneficent institution. It seems an absurdity to us now that we could have debased our manhood so much as to indulge in strong drink of any kind. We, with our wives and families, bless you for saving us from an untimely grave, and worse than all, from the loss of our immortal souls, through the intervention of your apostolic labors and the divine agency of your Gold Cure treatment. Our wives and families bless you for the health, prosperity and happiness that now shine in our homes. All the members join me in praying to God to prosper your labors in Canada to save others as you saved us from the terrible curse of drunkenness.

I beg to remain;

Yours very respectfully,

J. H. O'NEIL,

Sec'y Father Murphy's Gold Cure Club, Buffalo, N.Y.

FROM MONTREAL.

REV. FATHER MURPHY,

Belmont Retreat, Quebec.

I have much pleasure in informing you that the Father Murphy Gold Cure Club now numbers 200 active members, all distinguished graduates from your institution at 26 Cathcart Street, Montreal. We all wear the gilded ribbon and are enrolled in the society of Golden Crusade. Our Club is in a very flourishing condition and we have lost only six members, young men sent by force by their parents, and who were not anxious to be cured. The six months graduates say they are astonished at having been drunkards, so obnoxious to them is the thought of intoxicating beverages. All the members are in excellent health and tender to you their heartfelt thanks, and bless the remedies of the Gold Cure for their present happiness. All the members pray for you, and join with me in subscribing myself.

Yours most devotedly,

JOHN TAYLOR,

Vice-President Father Murphy Gold Cure Club Montreal.

FROM TORONTO.

REV. FATHER MURPHY,

Gold Cure Institute, Belmont Retreat, Quebec.

DEAR FATHER.—At the last regular meeting of our Murphy Gold Cure Club, which now numbers 250 active members, a motion was made and carried that we do unanimously congratulate you on your marvellous success in the cities of Montreal and Quebec in saving men there, as you saved us from drunkards' graves. It is now nearly a year since our Club was started by your first gold cure graduates in Toronto, and out of two hundred and sixty graduates only five have relapsed, and those did not take their medicine regularly and did not want to get cured from the cursed disease of strong drink. We are taking in on an average now over thirty new members each month—all saved men and enthusiastic graduates of your miraculous treatment. We are all the time praying for you, and hope you will soon be able to come to us and inspire us and cheer us on by your magnetic and holy influence. With best wishes from all the members of the Club and from your hosts of friends in Toronto, I desire to remain

Yours very respectfully,

JOHN DUNCAN,

Toronto, Ont., March 8th, 1893.

Secretary Father Murphy Gold Cure,

FROM OTTAWA.

14th May 1893.

REV. FATHER L. W. MURPHY.

REV. FATHER,—I have the honor to inform you that at a largely attended meeting of the graduates and members of the Ottawa Institute, held last evening, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

1st. That in the opinion of this meeting it is desirable to form a club, composed of the members of the Ottawa Murphy Gold Cure Institute, to be known as the Ottawa Murphy Gold Cure Club, the objects being first to keep the graduates in touch with the Institute and its work, and, second, to enable those, who have benefitted by the Gold Cure, to assist those afflicted with the disease of alcoholism, and other kindred diseases; who cannot afford to pay the fees.

2nd. That Father Murphy be honorary president, and Mr. Taylor, honorary vice president. The other officers elected are, C. Moore, president; D. Goulden, vice president; Harry Alexander, treasurer; H. R. Holenden, corresponding secretary; Charles Leduc, recording secretary; Mur. W. Stockand, McIlwain, J. O'Shea, W. McKenzie, F. P. McGovein, W. J. Wilson, Todd Lyon, J. Maloney, W. Hay, J. Hawley and F. X. R. Saucier, committee.

I shall be glad to hear of your acceptance of the office of honorary president, and to convey your advice and instructions to the Club, which will meet on Wednesday next.

I am, Rev. Father, Faithfully yours,

H. REED HOLENDEN.