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The St. Paul's Branch of the League of the Cross held its regular meeting on Sunday, May 28th. An interesting paper was read by Mr. J. J. Moran, for which a hearty vote of thanks was tendered the writer. The fellowing synopsis is given, with the regret that want of space prevents us from giving the original text. Mr. Moran began by giving a short history of a Temperance Society of which he was a member. It was called St. Bridget's T.A. & B., and was established in St. Bridget's parish, Montreal, in 1869, under the wise direction of Father Campion. It received powers of incorporation, and in a few years, from dues, concerts, etc., it had some \$5,000 to its credit in the Baving's Bank. The meetings, which were very similar to those of the League of the Cross, were rendered interesting. At the death of any of the members the sum of one hundred dollars was paid the family, and a benefit was also given to the member at the death of his wife, or widowed mother, as the case might be. During the few years that Mr. Moran was an officer there was a membership of 350.

An evil day came; politics crept in; some members quarreled with the spiritual director, and actually dragged him into court. From that moment it went down, and young mon who derived great moral support from the union fell back into old habits, and spent their loisure time in bar-rooms.

The lesson to be derived from this is a simple yet necessary one. "It shows," said Mr Moran, "what a power we may become for good if we but do our duty and stand nobly together, working in harmony with the priests of our parish; and it may also serve as a warning to us of what the consequences may be should we take a backward step in the way of conducting our meetings." Let al! do their duty. If in a weak moment a brother falls, brea. s his pledge, we must not say, as so many do. O he is no good. Go, speak to him kindly, cheer him up and induce him to return and take the pledge again. If this cannot be done let the members act according to the releas a

own words.

The members of the League have it in their power to do an amount of good, if they will each persevere. Let no brother imagine that this work is done when he takes the pledge of the League; it is then that his work is only beginning. For, after a man feels the benefit of belonging to a Society of this kind, he should be very anxious that his friends should come and share his pleasure. And there must certainly be a very great reward for the man who will induce the fathers of a family, or a favorite son or brother, to become sober—for with sobriety in the home, all other blessings are sure to follow.

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"It is true that the temperance man may have his troubles. He may be out of employment; he may have sickness or other troubles that we are all liable to; but he will have the proud satisfaction of eaying to his friends that it was not drink that brought the troubles. On the other hand, let the drinking man have trouble and he will find no sympathizers, and he knows in his heart he deserves no sympathy, for he brought the trouble on himself. Lot us stand together as brothers, doing good when we can and wherever we can, and in a very short time the men of St. Paul's parish will be noted not only in their own circle, but all over the city, for their sobriety and their industry—and where there is sobriety and industry, happy homes and Christian families are sure to be found."

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TORONTO, May 30.—There were about sixty loads of offerings on the market at the Western cattle yards this morning. A good deal of export cattle was purchased at prices that ranged from 4½ to 50 per pound. The supply of butchers' cattle was rather abundant, and quotations in this line cased off; the best butchers' stuff ranged from 3½ to 4½0 per pound with the majority of the deals effected around 3½ and 3½0 and a 600d deal of common stuff changed hands at 3c and occasionally a shade under.

We had close on 180 sheep, and the value was weaker, at from \$5 to \$6 each, this including clipped and unclipped. There were no yearlings here, while the supply of apring lambs much exceeded the demand, and were easy at from \$4 to \$4.75 each.

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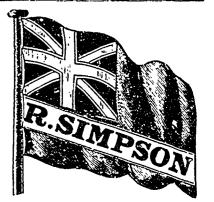
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