

thought of murder, theft, incendiarism, the desecration of the Sabbath, and all kinds of vice and wickedness being produced by that cause, and that liquor is the prime mover of most of the ills to which human nature is subject? We fear that these reflections do not sufficiently occupy the minds of those females who rank as tavern-keepers. In a religious point of view, they and their traffic are condemned—for the holy bible denounces it as unholy and unchristian, and against the laws of God. In a social point of view, they are not respected, and cannot be looked upon with esteem and respect by those whose favor and countenance they would expect to possess, if engaged in any other legitimate line of business. They are praised and adulated by those who daily frequent their places of business; but their flatteries are dangerous. A woman, young or old, married or single, cannot be too cautious in her demeanor or conduct; she cannot have too refined a mind. The mind of woman is more sensitive, and more easily seduced by uncourteous and vulgar remarks than that of a man; and there is no situation that a woman can be placed in, by which her sensitive mind can be so easily vulgarized, than in the company of sots and moderate drinkers. The consequences of such a life often lead to shame and misery. Let them look around and see the many cases of fallen virtue that have occurred by leading such a life; let them inquire into the causes of so many of their sex having deviated from the paths of virtue, and they will find that, nine cases out of ten, wine and liquor have been the seductive causes. There is no apology for any female to carry on such a traffic, for there are other trades and occupations in which their characters would not be exposed to scandal. Let liquor-selling women weigh well and consider over these few hasty written remarks, and let them ask their own conscience, whether they are pursuing the path of life, for which they were born and brought up;—let them think if they are not entailing misery and discomfort in others, and producing evils with which they would not like to be afflicted themselves. Let them lay aside their present occupations, and turn those talents which it has pleased God to give them to a more honest and christian calling in life,—and if they do not reap that temporal benefit to which they would wish to aspire, they have the greater satisfaction in knowing and feeling that they do no evil to their neighbor, and that they are in peace with their God, and they will hereafter reap a happy reward that no tongue can express, nor imagination fathom.

Grand Temperance Celebration and Soiree of the Falkirk Division of S. of T.

Falkirk Division was organized in the village of Carlisle on the 16th of October, 1852, under circumstances by no means flattering. We then numbered ten or twelve members, having met in the lower part of a cold and cheerless grist-mill. Our beautiful village was constantly the scene of drunkenness and detestable licentiousness; in fact, our otherwise promising village had become a reproach and byword. Our brave little band, nothing daunted, attempted the moral regeneration of the place. We struggled on amidst opposition in our work of love and philanthropy un-

til, by unflagging zeal and untiring perseverance in the good cause, we have at length secured a firm and substantial organization, the basis of which shall last as long as the eternal principles of which it forms a part. The ladies of Carlisle and its vicinity, in the midst of our conflict, turned the battle in our favor. They got up a subscription, and purchased a splendid Bible and stand, which they presented on the 4th October.

[After a vivid description of the place and other preparations, for which we have no room, our correspondent says:]

In front of the Temperance Hall, and at the left of the door, a substantial platform was raised, capable of containing seven or eight speakers; this likewise was arched, and so tastefully arranged that fears were at one time entertained that the consummate skill exhibited in the arrangement would too much draw the attention of the congregated hundreds from the more substantial principles so energetically promulgated by the various talented speakers of the day. On the right were arranged the choir, consisting of twelve or fifteen selected for the occasion. At about half-past nine, A.M., members from the neighboring divisions began to come in. By previous arrangement, we were to meet at Brother Lionel Shipley's at half-past ten. Seven waggon loads arrived from Fraternity Division, with music playing, and a most splendid banner waiving in the breeze. Large numbers from Invincible and Lobo Divisions soon arrived, and all uniting with our own, formed one of the most imposing scenes ever before witnessed in this part of the County. The time being now arrived, Brother Atwood acting as select Marshall of the day, organized the procession; after which, we marched about half a mile out of town. Returning, we marched through the length of King Street, the band playing some splendid and stirring tunes. We then proceeded to the Temperance Hall. The ceremony of dedication being postponed, the Temperance Hall was opened by an appropriate prayer by the Rev. Mr. Skinner, of London. The choir then sung one of their spirited and soul-stirring anthems. The opening of the Hall being over, the presentation of the Bible, Stand, &c., was commenced. Miss Cudmore and Miss Waugh, through whose exertions in particular we are indebted, appeared in behalf of the ladies of Carlisle, and presented the following address:—

Worthy Patriarch, Officers, and Brethren of Falkirk Division Sons of Temperance:

In presenting this *Bible*, *Stand*, and *Cushion* to your Association, the ladies of Carlisle feel that they are actuated by various and combined motives. They rejoice that while your Society has for its chief object man's physical good, yet it so far recognizes his moral well-being, that none of its meetings are considered opened till the reading of a portion of this *Holy Book* has sanctified the occasion, and God's blessing been invoked on its efforts.

Moreover, they believe that your Society has the direct sanction of Heaven; for, since the denunciation in this holy book asserts that "no drunkard shall enter the kingdom of Heaven," every reasonable effort to prevent drunkenness must be in accordance with its divine injunction.