"WAR NOTES."—Such is the martial title of a weekly campaign paper just started for the benefit of the general Scott Act Campaign inaugurated by the Dominion Alliance. It is issued by the Witness Publishing House, Montreal, at barely cost price—20 copies weekly for six months for one dollar. War Notes has in fact as well as in name the ring of battle, its articles being crisp and keen, its news got up in pointed style, and its headings trumpet blasts well designed to rally the temperance clans. It gives news of the working of the Scott Act where it is in operation, as well as campaign news.

# Temperance News.

## W. C. T. U.

The York County Superintendent of the county of York, of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, Mrs. E. M. Rutherford, of Toronto, recently organized a union at Eglington, with a membership of sixteen. The prospects of this new organization are very encouraging.

A deputation from the Ontario W. C. T. U., consisting of Mrs. Youmans, Mrs. Fawcett and Miss Orchard, of the committee on "Scientific Instruction in Temperance," accompanied by Mrs. Cowan, Mrs. Brethour, Mrs. Rutherford, Mrs. McFarlane and Miss Bowes, waited on the Minister of Education on the 25th, presenting a petition containing more than 4,000 signatures, asking for the introduction of temperance text-books into the public high schools of the province. They met with a courteous reception, and were assured that in the near future this important branch of education will be taught scientifically to the children and youth of the land.

## GOOD TEMPLARS.

The I. O. G. T. is making rapid progress in activity, numbers and prosperity, as will be seen by the following items (mainly clipped from our exchanges), respecting the work of the past few weeks:

#### ONTARIO.

BRO. J. H. FLAGG, G. W. C. T. of Ontario, has been appointed Police Magistrate for the town of Mitchell. We congratulate the people of that town upon having the administration of their police law placed in the hands of a gentleman whose ability and experience amply qualify him to do justice to his important office, and who at the same time enjoys the fullest respect and confidence of the community.

THE GRAND LODGE DEBT.—A letter from the Grand Worthy Secretary this week conveys to us the very pleasant news that "the last cent of the long standing Grand Lodge debt has been paid, and we will probably have some money in the treasury when our session is held."

LAKELET, HURON Co.—Lakelet Lodge has been resuscitated with fair prospects of doing a good work. W. F. Pentland, W. C.; W. H. Gregg, W. V.: A. P. Sheppard, W. S.; S. Howard, L. D.

TILBURY.—Bro. Wm. Guthrie reports the organization of the Hope of Tilbury Lodge recently. H. White, W. C. T.; Miss Augusta White, W. V. T.

Buxton, Kent Co.—Bro. C. H. Meehan, P. D., of North Buxton, has instituted Rising Star Lodge, at Buxton, with twenty-two charter members. George Teizert; W. C. T.; Adeline Cleland, W. V.; John King, W. S.; Alice Hunt, W. T.; Geo. N. Smith, L. D. Night of meeting, Friday.

MOOREFIELD.—Bro. Alex. Ferguson reports the organization of a new lodge at Moorefield, Wellington county, with thirty charter members. Alex. Malcolm, W. C. T.; Alex. Allen, L. D.

ODESSA.—A new lodge with twenty-two charter members was instituted in Odessa, county of Lennox, by W. H. Rodden. It is to be known as the Odessa Lodge, and will meet on Tuesdays. The following are the charter officers: Edward Wright, W. C. T.; Nancy Ailsworth, W. V. T.; Rev. J. J. Leach, P. W. C. T.; Rev. A. McDonald, W. C.; Dr. Meachem, L. D.; Isaac D. Huycke, W. S.; Frank Allen, W. F. S.; Maud Ham, W. T.; Thomas Gardiner, W. M.; Minnie Jones, W. I. G.; A. O. Snider, W. O. G.

SMITHFIELD.—Bro. W. L. Johnston has reported the organization of Royal Oak Lodge at Smithfield, Northumberland county,

with fifty members to begin with. Daniel Bonter, W. C. T.; W. L. Johnston, L. D.

SOUTH CAYUGA, HALDIMAND Co.—We are very glad to report the resuscitation of South Cayuga Lodge, which has been dormant for some years. It was once one of the best working lodges among the Lake Eric counties, and we trust to have a good report from it again. Samuel Fry, W. C. T.; Maria Drake, W. V.; F. A. Drake, W. V.; Isaac Overholt, W. F. S.; Valentine Honsberger, W. C.; Delman. Fry, L. D. Night of meeting, Saturday.

ARNPRIOR.—A new lodge with forty-two charter members was instituted in Arnprior, county of Renfrew, on the 17th ult., by Bro. W. H. Rodden. It is to be called the Arnprior Lodge, and will meet on Mondays. The following are the charter officers: Ralph Tait, W. C. T.; Agnes Dodd, W. V. T.; William Spence, L. D.; R. H. McEwan, W. S.; Mary Goodwin, W. A. S.; J. J. Neilson, W. F. S.; Annie Goodwin, W. T.; G. H. Allen, W. M.; Maggie Young, W. D. M.; Annie Young, W. I. G.; James Goodwin, W. O. G.; Lizzie Goodwin, W. R. S.; Rev. A. R. Orser, P. W. C. T.; Rev. D. J. McLean, W. C.

## QUEBEC.

BRO. W. H. RODDEN has recently been at work in Quebec province, and the *Canada Casket* gives the following items in reference to his success:

Bro, W. H. Rodden reports having organized Rock Valley Lodge, at Portage du Fort, Quebec, with twenty four charter members. R. Gray, W. T.; Miss Clara Purvis, W. V. T.; H. N. Osborne, W. S.; Dr. Geo. A. Purvis, L. D.; Wm. Beckett, W. F. S.; Mrs. R. Grey, W. T.; Rev. R. Acton, W. Ch.; Wm. H. Dagg, P. W. C. T. This lodge includes in its membership the Mayor of the town and his wife, the Church of England minister, two leading doctors, and other prominent citizens. It will meet on Tuesday evenings.

Bro. W. H. Rodden organized Pontiac's Pride Lodge, in the village of Bryson, on the 20th inst., with thirty-one charter members. A. W. Pattison, W. C. T.; Mrs. E. McDonald, W. V. T.; John Rae, W. S.; Hugh McIndoe, L. D.

Bro. W. H. Rodden, on Monday night, organized Maple Grove Lodge, at Chelsea, Que., with 32 charter members. Arthur Hopper, W. C. T.; Miss Emma Church, W. V. T.; John Hudson, L. D.

# NEW BRUNSWICK

BRO. JAMES P. NOWLAN, D. G. W. C. T., wrote recently from Back Bay, Charlotte county: "On Saturday evening, the 1st inst., I had the pleasure of organizing at Letete, in this county, Wide Awake Lodge, I organized at Back Bay Safe Guard Lodge No. 86, with 35 charter members.

# UNITED STATES.

The Good Templar Order is over one thousand strong in Dakota at the present time.

A thousand members have been initiated into the Order within a few months in Colorado.

The State of Maine has over three hundred lodges, and Illinois over two hundred and fifty.

The Grand Lodge of New York has five gentlemen and four lady lecturers constantly in the field delivering addresses and instituting lodges. Seventy new lodges have been organized lately.

The Grand Lodge of West Virginia reports a membership of 535, having gained 55 during the year; with 18 new lodges, out of debt with a surplus in the Treasury.

The Order in Louisiana is rapidly increasing. Four colored lodges have been instituted lately. A Dual Grand Lodge for the colored people will result from this effort.

The Grand Lodge for the District of Columbia met in Washington lately, and reported the best success for the past year of any previous year. Seven hundred were initiated during the present year. Every report was interesting.

The annual session of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts has just closed. Grand Worthy Chief Templar Stevens retires, after three years' service, from the position of the executive head of the Order in this State, with the best wishes of the entire membership. A year ago, 161 subordinate lodges were reported; this year, 157. Twelve months ago the membership was reported as 8,311; at the present time, 8,420.