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IN THE FARMERS' INTERESTS.

Meeting of the East Middlesex Institute. The President's Address and Election of Officers.

At the Court House on Saturday, a meeting of the East Middlesex Farmers' Institute was held. Mr. John O'Brien, of London, was president of the institute, occupied the chair, and there were present: John McDougall, secretary, O. B. Scott, R. Venning, Robert McEwen (member of A. and A. Association) Jos. Wheaton, S. B. Gervell, John K. Little, T. Scott, J. Elliott, Frank Elliott, Westminister, Wm. Grievie, Arch. Munro, J. K. Little and other prominent farmers.

The president in a brief review of the work performed during the past year, showed that every member was entitled to the reports from the Dominion and Ontario Governments and the Bureau of Industries, Toronto. Reference was also made to the recent cases of grain stealing that had taken place of late, which was greatly to the detriment of farmers. The sentences given the criminals in these cases were inadequate for such crimes and the judges were not doing their duty to the farmers nor the criminals.

From the secretary's report it was shown that meetings had been held during the year in Uxbridge, Thorndale and London. Sixty-three members are now on the list, and a good balance of cash—\$52.80—in hand. The report was adopted. Dr. W. L. Brown addressed the meeting on the subject of "Smut and Chaff in Wheat," a vote of thanks being tendered the lecturer at the close of the address. The election of officers resulted: President, John Elliott, Westminister; vice-president, Jos. Wheaton, Thorndale; secretary-treasurer, Archibald Murdoch, auditor, William Grievie.

Delegates to Central Farmers' Institute, Toronto: S. B. Gervell and Joseph Wheaton.

Directors for township of Dorchester: Mrs. Ed. Beattie, R. Venning and D. B. Thompson, Nissouri; Messrs. J. B. Fram, H. Harding and James Brown, London; Messrs. A. B. Scott, S. B. Gervell and Thos. Knapp, Westminister; Messrs. John Laidlaw, J. K. Little and Robert McEwen.

Missionaries Wrecked. ROSKAM, Ont., Nov. 27.—The passenger steamer "Sibbern," en route from Fort Grey to Roskam in command of Commander Ferguson, with a party of missionaries, ran on Renshaw's Reef, one of the unknown shoals in the lake, last evening. The passengers were rescued by a passing steamer.

Suicide in Ingersoll. INGERSOLL, Nov. 27.—The quiet peacefulness of Ingersoll's everyday life was lately disturbed Saturday evening when it became known that John Avery, one of its respected residents, had committed suicide. The deceased, who was a painter by trade, had lived in Ingersoll for a number of years, and by his exemplary habits earned the respect of all his associates. A short time ago three of his grandchildren died, and it is thought this sad event induced him to commit the crime. He had been working during the day down town, and a short time after returning home he visited the greenhouse of his residence on King street west, where he prepared and drank a dose of poison. Physicians were powerless to save his life. Deceased leaves a widow and grown-up family.

How She Became a Missionary. "I'm doing missionary work a good deal of the time," was the reply of one of the most charming women of New York, to a friend, who asked how she busied herself. "I see by your looks you wonder what I mean by that. I'll tell you. A few years ago life was a burden to me. I had been a victim to female weakness of the most aggravated character for a long time, and the doctors failed to help me. Experience was a long, steady, terrible torture—a lingering, lingering death. One day I saw Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription advertised in the newspaper. Something in the advertisement impressed me favorably. I caught at the glimmer of hope that shone out as the drowning man reaches for a straw. Still, I did not dare to hope. But I got the medicine, and behold the result! I feel so well, so strong, and oh, so thankful, that I go about telling other women what saved me. In no other way can I so well show my gratitude to God, and to the man who has proved such a benefactor of women, and my love for my suffering sisterhood."

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TASTE IT NOT.

A Practical Discourse on the Benefits of Total Abstinence.

By Rev. Thos. Cullen—An Interesting Phase of the Temperance Question Ably Discussed.

Most of the discussion which has so far taken place upon the prohibition plebiscite has been directed towards pointing out the enormities of the liquor traffic. In the Askin Street Methodist Church Sunday morning Rev. Thomas Cullen viewed the question from an altogether different aspect. He devoted himself to defining the beneficial results attendant upon total abstinence. The large audience present were delighted with the vigorous and clear exposition of this phase of the controversy. Mr. Cullen chose as his text Jeremiah, xxv, 18-19. His theme was "The Rechabites' Reward," and he drew from the passage the strong lesson that total abstinence principles had here been strikingly rewarded. Mr. Cullen divided his address into seven propositions. They were as follows:

1. Total abstinence is a safe practice for any man to follow. "If you do not drink you cannot get drunk" seems to be a trite utterance. Yet it is as true as it is simple in its application.

2. Total abstinence is a respectable habit. In an intelligent community, who ever knew an honorable citizen to suffer loss of character because he was a total abstainer from all kinds of narcotics? No man! The common sense of humanity is in favor of the practice of legitimate self-denial on the part of man, either for his own sake or for the sake of his fellows. In many instances even the victims of unnecessary stimulants themselves respect the men who will not follow their example and decline to become their associates in so-called moderation and dangerous self-indulgence.

3. Total abstinence from strong drink preserves and improves health. Without it the highest physical development cannot be reached. Tom Sayers, that king of English pugilists, never touched spirits, ale or porter when training for a prize fight. He revelled in cold water and in dumb-bell exercise. Cold water made him a champion. Alcohol killed him. Both in the frozen regions of the north, in those dangerous exploring expeditions, and in the sweltering heat of the tropics, total abstinence has proved its superiority over moderate drinking. From India's battlefields the praises of "Havelock's Saints" who were always sober, come to us in sweet remembrance, even in this far-off time. And the men who will yet brave the dangers of polar seas and of Arctic frosts will but confirm the social and scientific testimonies already given in favor of total abstinence.

4. Total abstinence from alcohol prolongs life. Man's marvellously constructed frame thrives on good treatment. Good food and plenty of it, wholesome and nourishing drink in abundance, man needs in his daily life. This God has provided, and desires him to have. But he must not put into his stomach anything that may not with safety become incorporated into his system, or that will war against the law of his being. Alcohol refuses to assimilate and to build up. If a man would be good to himself let him abstain from stimulants. The man who does not know the taste of a strong drink has a better knowledge and a purer taste than the man who is a connoisseur in every department of brewing and distillation.

5. There is money in total abstinence. A man rarely drinks himself rich. But abstinence usually tends to wealth. It saves time; and time is money. It also saves money. The healthy brain can best determine what to do with gold honestly earned. While the love of money is the root of all evil, and while there are many total abstainers who make a god of it and lose their souls for its sake, yet money itself God gives as a blessing to men. "It is the Lord thy God that gives thee the power to get wealth." Total abstinence prevents idle habits. It makes a man diligent; and "the hand of the diligent maketh rich." It keeps a man at home with his family when his day's work is done. Here he can encourage, cheer, comfort, and correct, as may be necessary, and supervise along with his faithful wife the efforts of character-building in his home. It never takes him to the public house to spend his evenings. It keeps him in a condition in which he can use all his faculties and make the best use of his every talent.

6. Total abstinence exerts a good influence. It places no stumbling block before the weak. Moderate drinking may be criticised, and by many condemned. But total abstinence is not open to criticism, nor can any sane man condemn it. He who so lives as to place no stumbling block in the path of his fellow, does good not only negatively but preaches also a plain, strong, positive gospel.

7. Total abstinence from this alluring cup pleases God and is honored of him. This but reaffirms the substance of the text. Some men may be moderate drinkers all their lives. Others cannot be. He who can take a glass or two at a time, as far as he himself is concerned, and who will not abandon it for the sake of his weak brother can lay no claim to self-denial, and must be the incarnation of selfishness, because he destroys his weak brother, for whom Christ died. I take this Scriptural ground because every man ought to love his brother, and in some sense his brother's keeper. If every man recognized these principles, and acted upon them, then we would have total abstinence for our own sakes, and prohibition for the sake of our fellows. Let us carry this matter to the ears and hearts of both young and old by honest persuasion and faithful effort, and let our God be true. We cannot conquer without him. With him we are invincible. We have undertaken a great work, the obtaining and enforcement of a prohibitory law. We can conquer through God, and not without him. Let those who best know the finances with which the drink traffic has entrenched itself in the laws, habits and social customs of our country remember that God is on our side. It is said that the night before the battle of Arlesia Alexander the Great heard two mutinous soldiers discussing the impossibility of 30,000 Greeks on the morrow successfully meeting 600,000 Persians. He boldly entered the tent and asked them, "For how many do you count me?" "For one," they answered. "With such a commander it was no marvel that the Greeks were victorious. In this fight with wrong 'for how many do you count God?' Let London and Ontario ask and answer this question believingly. God speed the right. God bless you all. Amen.

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Addresses a Large Crowd of Men in Victoria Hall—Preaches Twice in King Street Methodist Church.

"If there is one thing that Christianity needs today more than another it is men. These words were uttered by Joseph Tait, M.P.P., Toronto, as he gazed around him in Victoria Hall Sunday afternoon at the large crowd of men gathered there. "We need men who are Christians every day," he continued. "Not Christians in the prayer meeting only, but Christians in the workshop; not Christians on Sunday only, but Christians every day during the week. And I have an idea that the Y. M. C. A., by the amount of work that they call forth on the part of the young men and those who are not so young, are doing more to promote this kind of Christianity than any other influence that I know of. If I was going to hold up an illustration of what Christianity ought to be, or what they ought to do, I am not exactly sure that I would pick upon the example generally held up. I would be inclined to go back in history a good while and remember these four Jews who brought the poor paralytic to Christ and lifted him up and carried him to the top of the house and let him down and accomplished their purpose. And what we want are Christians who don't simply seek to amuse themselves with Christianity, but who mean to work it every since, so he was only acquainted with one side of the question. It had been said that keeping one's mouth shut would save them from the evil consequences of liquor. But Mr. Tait's own son who never tasted liquor in his life was nearly killed three years ago on account of a drunken man. Were they then to keep their mouths shut? Mr. Tait then told the story of a Christian slave whose master wanted him to work on Sunday. He argued with him that even the Bible said if a man's ox fall in a pit on Sunday he should be helped out. "Yes," answered the slave, "but if the ox fall in the same hole Sunday after Sunday I would fill up the hole on Saturday night." This answer was the logic of the whole temperance question. It was a dangerous thing to have the traffic as a temptation, therefore have it put out of the way. Miss Jennie Bishop, "The Black Jennie Lind," sang "There is a Green Hill Far Away" in a very sweet voice. Mr. C. R. Sayer occupied the chair.

IN THE PULPIT. The anniversary of the King Street Methodist Church Sunday will long be remembered by those who attended the services. Mr. Tait delivered two instructive discourses, in the evening taking as the subject for consideration a portion of Romans, viii, 11. The speaker said that he desired to hold up as a mirror before the congregation the experience of the Apostle Paul, into which all were invited to look and examine themselves. Had their experience been anything like Paul's it would be well. The apostle, in reviewing his own experience looked at the present, past and future. There were the same three periods in our life before we enter into eternal rest, and there was life in a look at the Crucified One. The question was also often asked why mankind went down the broad way in such an unconcerned manner, thus rendering the turning point in life so difficult; but to this question no answer could be given, as in these days of Sabbath schools and Christian Endeavor there should be an ever increasing number in our midst.

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