

clergy, and all good men, deplored the evil as deeply as their successors do at this day. With equal vehemence did they then, as now, inveigh against the conduct of the white men, who, knowing their infirmity, supply them with the poison.

"Those," says Charlevoix, writing in 1721, who perhaps have greatest reason to reproach themselves with the horrors of Indian intoxication, are the first to ask whether they are Christians. One might answer them, yes, they are Christians, and new converts, knowing not what they do; but those who, in cold blood, and with a perfect knowledge of what they are about, reduce, from sordid motives of avarice, these simple people to this condition, can they be imagined to have any religion at all? We certainly know that an Indian will give all he is worth for one glass of brandy. This is strong temptation to dealers, against which neither the explanations of their pastors nor the zeal and authority of the magistrate, nor respect for the laws, nor the severity of divine justice, nor the dread of the judgments of the Almighty, nor the thoughts of a hell hereafter, of which these barbarians exhibit a very striking picture, have been able to avail.

[We have often heard the opponents of temperance societies declare, that we might as well proclaim total abstinence from bread or beef, as from intoxicating drinks; these articles being equally liable to abuse. We would respectfully ask such objectors to name nations or tribes which have been swept from the face of the earth by bread or beef; as the once powerful Six Nations, and many other tribes, have been by fire-waters.—Ed. C. T. A.]

#### EXTRACT FROM THE SPEECH OF

DANIEL O'CONNELL, LORD MAYOR OF DUBLIN,

UPON THE OCCASION OF A TEMPERANCE PARTY IN THE ROTUNDA,  
DUBLIN, 4TH NOVEMBER, 1841.

His Lordship felt proud (he said) that the first compliment which he was enabled to pay any body of his fellow-citizens, in his official capacity, was to a party of tea-totallers.—(Cheers.) The glorious spread of tea-totalism did not commence with the rich, or the proud—those who congregated round Father Mathew, in that glorious movement, were not to be found among that class of society; but, on the contrary, his principal adherents and supporters were in the humble, lowly, virtuous classes of society, who were poor in worldly matters, but rich in the possession of every moral excellence. (Hear, and cheers.) If he had not been a tea-totaller himself it was impossible he could have got through the quantity of work which he had to perform during the last few weeks, and when he worked harder than any stone mason, but because he drank nothing but water he was more ready for the battle—he was enabled to sleep less and rise in the morning refreshed and invigorated for the labor of the day. Before he took the pledge he hesitated for some time, lest it might not be prudent to do so, considering that he was then 65 years old, but, having once resolved upon doing it, he found from experience that, though at all times temperate, yet he was a better and a stronger man by becoming a tea-totaller. (Cheers.) Oh! what a people were those of Ireland in presenting the grand moral spectacle of five millions of tea-totallers. Yes, the mothers—the wives—the daughters—the sisters—they whose character was written in glorious colours for the page of the future historian, drawn not by his partial tongue, but celebrated and eulogised by Lord Morpeth in the legislative assembly of the land. Yes, the advocates and patrons of every moral virtue, were the women of Ireland.—(Cheers.) He thanked Heaven tea-totalism was placed under their auspices, and if any young man were disposed to ask a young lady any particular question—(Laughter)—let her first reply be, "are you a tea-totaller?"—(Cheers and laughter)—and if he be not, let her look for somebody else.—(Continued laughter.) And if he had one object more than another in becoming Lord Mayor of Dublin, it was that he might in that capacity extend tea-totalism. (Cheers.) It was the most salutary plan ever devised for the regeneration of any nation or any people; and all the tea-totallers had to do was to feel their own importance; and for his own part he would not trust any man on his oath, who would violate his pledge.

## PROGRESS OF THE CAUSE.

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MIDLAND DISTRICT.

Commenced my second tour on November 1st, at the Methodist chapel, Adolphustown. Addressed a large and attentive congregation, Willet Casey, Esq., in the chair. I joined, and a favourable impression generally seemed to have been made here.

Tuesday 2.—Presbyterian chapel, Fredericksburg, Mr. E. Sills in the chair; although not so large a meeting as the preceding, yet 15 gave in their names. The society here is in connection with that of Adolphustown, I regret that the cause is rather backward in these two townships; and, I fear, this may be attributed to the fact, that the magistrates and other leading men stand entirely aloof.

Wednesday 3, Bath.—Here a small society was lately organized, and commenced an aggressive contest with the drinking usage, under many discouraging circumstances, there being about 8 or 9 places of vending. Considering the unfavourable state of the weather, we had a cheering meeting, Dr. Spafford, the President of the society in the chair; about 17 joined, among whom was a magistrate of the village, also obtained a number of subscribers to the Advocate. Was ably assisted at the foregoing appointments by the Rev. Messrs. Haw and Wright, Wesleyans, and Dr. Spafford.

Having missed the boat to the Isle of Tanti, we proceeded on Friday 5th, to the Lutheran Chapel, Earnest Town.—Notwithstanding the rain, we succeeded, after the addresses had been delivered, in organizing a society here, embracing 20 members for a beginning; B. Ham, Esq., Pres.; and B. S. Booth, Sec. The prospects are said to be encouraging.

Saturday 6, Lutheran chapel, Fredericksburgh.—The meeting was numerous attended, J. W. Bristol chairman. After several addresses, a society was organized, in which 40 associated; J. Smith, Pres.; H. Gouineer, Vice-Pres.; and R. Ham, Sec. This meeting and the preceding one were held in thickly settled neighbourhoods, and the local societies formed there will be the means, we trust, of effecting a desirable change in the customs of the community. There had been societies formerly established on the partial system, but which had finally failed. In the latter place, a respectable gentleman made an attempt to induce the meeting to re-organize on that system. Our exertions were ably supported at the several meetings in this township by Rev. Mr. Ladow, Lutheran, and others.

After delivering a lecture on Sunday at Sill's school-house, Mohawk Bay, we proceeded to Napanee. Monday 8.—Mr. Motuck, Pres., chairman. After addresses by the Rev. Mr. Wright and myself to a large audience, 14 gave in their adherence to total abstinence. Napanee was formerly reputed to have been quite an intemperate place, but is now apparently as orderly and sober as any village of the same size; it is said, however, that all of the three resident magistrates are engaged in the traffic, one of them running a distillery. And I saw here the strange sign of intoxicating liquors being sold at the same shop where "cheap Bibles" were advertised. I presume the articles were kept on opposite shelves!

Tuesday 9.—Met a few friends of the cause at the school-house, near L. Caton's, Esq., Richmond, at 11 o'clock, A. M., where I joined, and at T. A. Oliver's school-house, 2nd concession do., in the evening. After the addresses, 24 gave in their names. The friends intended to have formed a society here, but the hour being late it was postponed to a day named for the purpose, it is said a large society can be collected in this locality.

Wednesday 10.—F. Oliver's school-house, 1st concession Richmond. Met at 11 o'clock A. M., a society which was formed here but a few weeks before, numbering 62, 3 were added, and in the evening arrived at Beeman's school-house, 5th concession, Richmond, where there is a flourishing society. Mr. J. Wilson, Pres., in the chair. After the addresses to a numerous and attentive assembly, most of whom were members, 3 signed. 80 Advocates are taken in this small and newly settled township, an indication of the activity of the friends; among the most zealous of whom is Mr. Truman Beeman, Secretary of the above society.

Thursday 11, Switzer's chapel, Earnest Town.—Met a large