

Scholars present.....	500
Divisions visited.....	11
Members present.....	134
Total number of meetings addressed.....	72
Attendance at these.....	3500
Divisions organized.....	3
Charter members.....	68
Miles travelled.....	624
Pages of tracts distributed.....	8230
Collections, Subscriptions and Donations to Agency Fund.....	\$65 79

REPORT OF PAST GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCH HUTCHINGS' TOUR IN THE COUNTY OF DIGBY.

FOR MONTH ENDING NOVEMBER 18, 1880.

Full and complete arrangements having been made with the Agency Committee of the Grand Division, to labor in connection with the Executive Committee of the Digby County Temperance Convention, said organization being desirous to put forth extra efforts to carry the election in connection with the "Canada Temperance Act."

Public meetings were accordingly held at Grand Joggin, Smith's Cove (2 meetings), Bear River, West Branch, Rossway (2 meetings), Sandy Cove, Tiverton, Freeport, Westport (2 meetings), Digby, Weymouth, Centreville (2 meetings). All these gatherings, without a single exception, were largely attended, and a great degree of interest manifested in the great and important question to be presented to the people of the County, and while very little was known as to the actual provisions of the Act, yet it was considered to be an important step in the right direction, and hence a strong desire on the part of every honest and consistent Temperance worker to have the law adopted by the popular vote of the people. Another important and practical point to be gained in the passage of the Act was that the principle of Prohibition is fully recognized, and therefore appreciated by every lover of the cause of Total Abstinence.

Public Meetings were also held by the Executive Committee of the Convention at Marshalltown, Broad Cove, New Tusket, Barton and at the Magan Settlement. They also had charge of one of the meetings held at Centreville and Smith's Cove.

It may be right and proper for me here to say, that for a long time my convictions were strongly in favor of the old *license law*, but as it provisions were declared to be unconstitutional, I have fully examined the *Scott Act* (as it is sometimes called), and feel safe in saying that if it is adopted, and *carried out*, it will be more easily worked in many of its leading provisions.

The day of trial came (Monday the 8th of November) and when the poll closed, as far as could be ascertained, very little if any opposition was shown against the passage of the law, and when the Sheriff held his Court on Friday, the 12th of Nov., for the purpose of counting the ballots, it was found that 944 votes had been polled, only 42 voting in opposition to the Act, leaving a majority in favour of the "Canada Temperance Act," of 902, this being the first election held in the Province, to test the people as to the important question at issue it must be said that Digby has done nobly, and has set an example to the other Counties, to follow up the good work until the Act is adopted throughout the whole Province.

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