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The Prohibition Club. A somewhat-abused young club, But a soon-to-be-used young club, About the right shape, 'Thout any red type, In-pro-ty-good-health young club. A just-the-right-length young club, A getting-its-strength young club, A well-in-the-hand, All over the land, A here-for-a-fact young club. A tol'ably-stout young club. Not troubled-with-gout young club, Proposing to stay Till after the fray, A go-right-ahead young club. A mid'linish-thick young club, An ironwood-stick young club, A practical whacker, With muscle to back 'er, A made-for-the-times young club. It ain't a rum ruled young club, Nor yet-to-be-fooled young club, A sensible poser, A doggery closer, A just-what-we-need young club. An up-and-at-work young club, A never-will-shirk young club, A hit-in-the-face, Or some livin' place, A terror-to-rum young club. A never-will-deal young club, A truer-than-steel young club, Not boodle-propelled, But sturdily held, A hard-to-be-dodged young club. An ambition-fair young club, A go-in-to-get-there young club, A mission of worth, To gladden the earth, A good-thing-to-join, young club. -New Era.

Aerostic. Persevere, ye Temperance men! Raise your floating banners high, Onward still with might and main, Hastening on to victory! In your Captain's name go on, Battling with the giant foe, In his name and his alone. Trust and work while you go on, Intemperance to overthrow. Onward! till the foe is dead, Never more to raise its head. -J. L., in the Methodist.

A Catholic Deliverance. An Ecclesiastical Decree was recently promulgated in all the Catholic Churches of Chicago, in relation to the liquor traffic. The closing paragraph of it reads as follows: "Finally, we warn Catholics engaged in the sale of intoxicating drinks to consider seriously by how many and how great dangers, by how many and how great occasions of sin, their business—though in itself not unlawful—is surrounded. Let them, if they can, choose a more becoming way of making a living. Let them, at any rate, strive with all their might to remove occasions of sin as well from themselves as from others. They must not sell drink to minors; that is to say, to those who have not become of age, nor to those who they foresee will abuse it. They must keep their saloons closed Sunday, and never allow blaspheming, cursing, or obscene language. Saloon keepers should know that if, through their culpable neglect or co-operation, religion is brought into contempt, or men brought to ruin, there is an avenger in heaven who will surely exact from them the severest penalties."

A GRAND PROMENADE CONCERT & CONVERSAZIONE Under the auspices of the United Temperance Societies of this city will be held in

Aid of the W. C. T. U. Building Fund, IN THE Pavilion Tuesday Evening on May 15th 1888. Chair taken at 8 o'clock by W. E. HOWLAND, ESQ. The Citizen's Band will be in attendance, having kindly given their services for the occasion. Part of the vocal numbers of the programme will be furnished by the Conservatory of Music through the kindness of Mr. Fisher. Tickets of Admission 25 cents. May be procured from any of the members. Refreshments at moderate prices. MRS. COLIN KENNEDY, Sec.-Treas. B. Fund.

ALONG THE LINES.

NOTES ABOUT WORK AND WORKERS.

Law-Breaking - Law-Making - Law-Enforcing - Law-Resisting - Savings and Doings of Friends and Foes

More Progress. Fredericton, N.B., has a new Temperance coffee room in connection with its W.C.T.U. Hall of which we have already spoken. This is a good move in the right direction. Every town in Canada ought to have a similar institution.

The Usual Method. Mr. R. B. Thornton, of Orono, was recently appointed a Scott Act constable, and has been doing some enforcing work, to punish him for which his garden has been raided, his young fruit trees cut down, and general vandalism perpetrated.

No More Wholesale. The men who were licensed to sell liquor by wholesale in Oxford, Ont., a Scott Act county, abused their privileges so much last year, that the commissioners have this year decided not to issue any more wholesale licenses in the territory over which they have jurisdiction.

W. C. T. U. Mrs. Susanna Evans Peck was the speaker at the Toronto Pavilion meeting last Sunday afternoon. She made an earnest and able appeal on behalf of the W.C.T.U., the work of which she dwelt upon at much length, giving her audience more light than they ever had before on the magnitude of this great missionary enterprise.

Organising to Go On. Dufferin County Scott Act Association held a meeting immediately after the election, and organised itself into a Prohibition League. Dr. Gaviller, of Grand Valley, is chairman, and Thomas Parsons, of Orangeville, is secretary. A full delegation of representatives to the Montreal convention was elected, and a committee appointed to push campaign work.

No Wonder They Dynamite Him. Mr. Israel Evans, License Inspector for West Kent, the gentleman who was dynamited by the Antis not long ago, send us a report of the work he has accomplished during the past twelve months. The total amount of fines imposed was, in the town of Chatham \$5,200, in the remainder of his district \$2,375, making a total for West Kent of \$7,575. Besides these fines Mr. Evans secured three convictions for third offences.

Worth Attending. The Toronto ladies have arranged for a grand union promenade concert and conversations under the auspices of the different Temperance organizations in the city, in behalf of their "Headquarters Fund." This attractive entertainment will be given in the Horticultural Pavilion on Tuesday next, May 16th. Mr. W. H. Howland will preside; the Citizens Band will be in attendance and altogether there will be furnished such a programme as will make the meeting an event in the Temperance history of Canada.

The Vote in Bruce. The official report of the Bruce County voting has been published. It gives the following as the result: No. of votes polled 8,738 Against the Repeal 3,673 For the Repeal 5,065 Majority against the Scott Act 1,392 In 1884, when the county adopted the Scott Act, the vote was as follows: No. of votes polled 7,680 For the Petition 4,601 Against the Petition 3,189 Majority for the Scott Act 1,312

Grip's Idea of It. Our clever contemporary Grip (always sound on the Temperance question) has a cartoon representing the Rum Power, kicking the Scott Act out of existence, while Sir John Macdonald, representing the Conservative Government looks on approvingly. Grip is however hardly fair in throwing all the blame on the Dominion Government. We have no desire to apologize for the inexorably hostile attitude of that Government, but it must be borne in mind that so far the political power of the other side of the House has not been made an engine of law enforcement. If the officials of the Ontario Government had done their duty in this Province during the past three years, the ballot boxes would have told a different story on the notorious 19th.

Norfolk Vote.

The full returns of the Scott Act vote in the county of Norfolk, shows the following result: Total votes polled 4,860 Votes in favor of Repeal 2,804 Votes against Repeal 2,052 Majority for Repeal 722

Party Sound Still Solid. Few public men in Ontario are more widely known or more generally respected than Mr. Wm. Beatty of Party Sound, the father of the success and advanced position of the district in which he lives. In a letter just received this gentleman says: "In this town and district we sustained the Scott Act by a good majority. The Act was well enforced here and did a great deal of good. There will be no licenses granted in this town or the immediate section of country. The people are determined they will have Prohibition in some form, and local by laws to that effect will be passed."

The Violators Pay the Cost. Ontario County has not been at very much expense in enforcing the Scott Act according to the following statement of the Whitty Chronicle: "During the license year ending 30th April there were 140 informations sworn out in South Ontario Of the parties charged, 3 escaped service, 37 cases were dismissed, 7 were withdrawn and 93 were convicted. The total amount of fines imposed amounted to \$6,000 Of this, 5 who were fined skipped out, 5 more squared off the account by a term in jail, making \$500 that was lost for the 10; \$3,650 has been paid in, and the Inspector says all the rest of the \$5,000 is easily collectable. If North Ontario shows up any such record, the probabilities are in favor of the county coming out about \$8,000 ahead on the year's business."

After McKay. Mr. A. McKay who is Inspector for the East Riding of Simcoe county has had some of usual experiences of Scott Act enforcers. Some of our friends know of the difficulties the Scott Act has met with in Simcoe county; the long interregnum without a Police Magistrate, and the recent campaign, which resulted in a vote in favor of repeal. Mr McKay however has been pushing work. During the last quarter he secured nineteen convictions, one of these was against the proprietor of the Orilla House, the leading hotel in the town where Mr. McKay lives, and among the unwilling witnesses summoned in the case was Mr. J. B. Thomson, Mayor of the town. As the result of this action, vigorous efforts are being made to secure Mr. McKay's dismissal, in fact we understand that the Mayor is doing all he can to induce the Ontario Government to put somebody else in Mr McKay's place. And so the fight goes on.

Scientific Lectures. A series of Temperance lectures has been held in London, under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. and the City Prohibition Club. One of the series was recently delivered by Professor J. H. Bowman, who dealt ably with the scientific aspect of the question, illustrating the lecture by many interesting experiments. This is a line of educational work to be highly commended and well worthy of emulation. The fifth and closing lecture was given by Dr. R. M. Buck, Superintendent of the Asylum for the Insane. He explained how alcoholic molecules operated in destroying the nerve molecules, developing a theory that was both interesting and instructive. Among the facts ably brought out by the learned lecturer, was the remarkable one that since the total disease of alcohol in the London Asylum, the death rate of patients had been remarkably diminished, and there had been a great increase in the proportion discharged as cured.

LOOK CAREFULLY at pages Six and Seven of this Paper.

THE GEORGETOWN HERALD, a sound Prohibition paper published in Halton, has discarded its old patent half, and comes out as a neat, clean, home printed paper, somewhat on the lines of its brightly contemporary, "The Action Free Press." We congratulate our friends and wish them success, which they deserve.

JEREMIAH is the name of a very attractive journal, published on the 1st and 15th of each month by Caroline A. Halling, at 136 La Salle street, Chicago. It is devoted more particularly to advocating equal suffrage for both sexes, and is also an advocate of Temperance, Social Purity, one Code of Morals for both Sexes, and Equal Pay for Equal Work. The list of contributors is large and attractive, and the paper is ably edited. Price \$1.50 per annum.

A BOOKLET OF SONNETS FOR THOUGHTFUL MOMENTS is the title of a very attractive little booklet, the author of which is John Imrie, of Toronto. It is printed by Imrie & Graham of 26 Colborne Street, Toronto, and is a highly creditable specimen of the work this firm can turn out. There are 32 of the sonnets, and they are good. To those who are acquainted with Mr. Imrie's writings it will be sufficient to say that in the present work he comes up to any thing he has hitherto given to the public. We recommend our readers to send 25 cents to the author for a copy of a work that ought to find ready sale as a Canadian production of taste and merit.

IN PARLIAMENT.

Scott Act Amendment. On Monday last, in the House of Commons, Mr. McCarthy's Bill to amend the Scott Act came up for consideration. On motion of Mr. Haggart the following clause was added to the Bill by a vote of 9 to 34:—"Provided also that nothing in this Act shall be held to interfere with the purchase or sale by legally qualified physicians, chemists or druggists of the following articles: (1) Official preparations of authorized pharmacopoeias when made of full medical strength and sold only for medicinal purposes, or physicians' prescriptions containing spirituous liquors if sold in quantities not more than ten ounces at any one time" (2) Any patent medicine, unless such patent medicine is known to the vendor to be capable of being used as a beverage, the sale of which is a violation of the Canada Temperance Act (3) Eau de Cologne, bay rum or other articles of perfumery, lotions, extracts, varnishes, tinctures, or other pharmaceutical preparations, but not intended as beverages, (4) alcohol or methylated spirits for pharmaceutical, chemical or medical purposes, such sales to be recorded in a book kept for the purpose, giving the names of the persons purchasing the liquor and to be open for inspection."

Mr. Jamieson's Amendment Bill was then taken up. The section making it sufficient to deposit a Scott Act Submission Petition in any registry office in the county affected, was carried. The clause imposing a penalty on medical men who gave certificates fraudulently was adopted, with an added clause allowing an appeal in such cases. There was a good deal of discussion in regard to allowing the execution at any hour of a search-warrant for liquor, and it was struck out of the Bill. The proposal to give part of any fine imposed to the party prosecuting was also rejected. Some other attempts of the liquor party to weaken the Act were voted down, and the remainder of the Bill was reported to the House and read a third time. It now goes to the Senate in a much emasculated form, and the chances of its becoming law this year are small.

BRANT COUNTY. Trouble with the Law-breakers and Trouble with Officials—Temperance Men Complain that the Scott Act does not get Fair Play. A Paris correspondent writes us.—The usual weekly farce of postponing Scott Act trials took place at the Town Hall here, on Friday afternoon. The Police Magistrate, the Inspector and the lawyers on both sides met, and adjourned for want of defendants and witnesses. To say that in a law-abiding town and county an officer cannot be required and compelled to enforce a mandate of a legally constituted court, is looked upon as an abuse of justice.

During the last year no wholesale license has been granted in Paris. This has been due to the efforts and influence of the Sons of Temperance and other friends of the cause. Through some other influence the complexion of the Board of Commissioners has been changed, and it is now hinted that a license will be granted to some person who may apply. Is it the duty of the Chairman of the Board to press this matter, on the ground that he has to go to Brantford if he wants a little spirits?

The great hindrance to the enforcement of the law in Paris, is the fact that after complaint is made, more determined steps are not taken to compel the attendance of defendants and witnesses, in fact the law in this respect is set at defiance. Then if a conviction is had, payment of the fine is not enforced as it should be. Again, why should the appeals not be prosecuted within a reasonable time? Is it not the duty of the prosecuting attorney when perjury is clearly committed to have the parties charged?

Several cases of this kind are so clear, that those who respect law and order are surprised at the manner in which such crimes have been allowed to go unpunished, and wondered that the Government or their officers have not taken action before this. Those who have been interested in law enforcement are becoming disgusted.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

More for Montreal. The Quarterly Meeting of the Brant Division of the Sons of Temperance was held recently in the Burford Orange Hall. One hundred delegates were on hand representing divisions from every part of the county. Reports received showed substantial progress and good work. One sentiment seemed to pervade the meeting, namely, a determination to resist any attempts to repeal the Scott Act, to uphold the law as it now is, and to loyally and legally endeavor to secure its enforcement until Prohibition of the traffic was finally secured. The verbal reports from delegates as to the work in their several localities was of a very interesting character. A special organizer is now at work with a view of increasing the number of divisions and thus adding to the membership. During the session G. W. P. Webster addressed the district division and

referred to the coming convention of Prohibitionists in Montreal. He told of what had been accomplished through the influence and work which had been done at a similar convention some years since, and urged the district division to send a delegate. Subsequently the D. W. P. Bro W. J. Robinson, of Paris, was unanimously appointed as the delegate from this district. The G. W. P. also urged upon the delegates the necessity of each division assisting the National Division reception fund.

PRESBYTERIANS AGAIN.

Denouncing the Drink-Traffic, and Emphatically Declaring for Total Prohibition. The London and Hamilton Synod of the Presbyterian Church had a field day on Wednesday of last week. Rev. W. A. McKay presented a strongly worded report on Temperance, calling attention to the unmeasured evil of the liquor traffic, which was denounced as "a bitter, blighting, damning curse on everything decent, virtuous and pure," and the licensing and protecting of which was emphatically condemned. Reports that had been received at different Presbyteries, showed that there was a good deal of violation both of the Scott Act and License Law, the fact being forcibly brought out that the latter is persistently and continually violated, when it is in force. The report particularly emphasized the desirability of united, electoral action, suggesting the formation in every constituency of an organization which would hold the balance of power between the political parties.

Among the recommendations made were the following:— 2. That the General Assembly be encouraged to continue its testimony against the liquor traffic, and also in pointing out the proper ways to remove the evil. 3. That the General Assembly be requested to instruct its committee on Temperance to prepare petitions to the Dominion Parliament asking for general Prohibition, said petitions to be signed by the Presbyterians of this Dominion, and that the assembly take such steps in this matter as may be necessary to secure the co-operation of the other churches of the land.

Elsewhere in this paper will be found the report of the speech made by Mr. McKay. He was ably followed by Rev. Peter Wright of Stratford, with a strong speech in favor of moral suasion and Prohibition. Rev. Mr. Ball also spoke on the same line. He did not believe that Prohibition, however, would not be fought bitterly by the Anti Party. Any law of that character would evoke a great amount of demoniacal opposition. Total Prohibition would not come until there was a political revolution. He did not believe in a Third Party; such a movement might influence the House of Commons, but he would undertake to blow up Gibraltar with a potato rather than expect to influence the Dominion Senate in favor of Temperance. He believed the Church was sound; it was the mighty influence outside the Church that had defeated the Scott Act. The report was adopted.

Ontario Good Templar Notes.

A joint meeting of the Executive Committees of the Grand Lodge of Canada and the Grand Lodge of Ontario was held in Hamilton, on the 2nd inst., to arrange the preliminaries of the prospective union of the two bodies. In accordance with an agreement arrived at by the executives in joint session, the Toronto session of the senior body and the May session of the junior body have been cancelled, and both bodies will meet in Hamilton, on Tuesday the 26th of June next, the hour fixed for the completion of the union being 8 o'clock in the evening of that day. Grand Secretary Lawless will arrange for railway fares and for members of both Grand Lodges and issue certificates, etc.

The statistics of the year closing show a gratifying improvement over the previous year in the number of tax paying lodges. The increase of the per capita tax at the Ottawa session caused all lodges to "drop" their dead-head membership, but the loss in this direction has been more than made up by improvements in other directions.

Quite a number of lodges will report large additions to their membership as the result of their efforts during the past quarter. The best reported yet is by Victoria-Morrill Lodge No. 181, London, which gained 94 members during the quarter. The credit for this increase is due to the "plan of campaign," which has been operated throughout the quarter by the lodge.

Three lodges were organized during April, viz: Refuge Lodge No. 202, by Frank Metcalf; Robert Newcombe, Bushfield, L.D.; Victoria Lodge No. 204, by Edward Dawson, Rev. R. W. Leitch, Point Edward, L.D.; Maple Leaf Lodge No. 208, by Daniel Ross, G. G. Miles, Parkdale, L.D.