

17.—*Waterdown*—Here there has been a noted change in the views and habits of the people; the society which is of recent origin, numbers 230; and an addition of 12 was made at the meeting.

19.—*Burton*—A full meeting in the P. Church; the society is in a good state, numbering 160; 18 more added.

20.—*Seneca*—No notice of the meeting.

21.—*Grandford*—I found no society in existence in this township, although there had been one formerly on the old system; the friends are now organized anew on the total principles, and 36 signed the pledge; E. Bingham, Esq., President.

22.—*Beaurook*—A small meeting in Hall's school-house; as the drinking customs have prevailed in this township undisturbed until lately, there was manifested the usual prejudice, and disinclination to take the pledge; however about 10 signed this evening and the next morning, from which, and about as many more previously obtained, a society has been organized.

23.—*Tupleytown*—Here there is a young but flourishing society numbering over 100; at the close of the lecture 17 joined.

24.—*Rick Chapel*—Having missed my road I did not arrive till late; while Mr Thornton spoke I analyzed some wine and beer; but few signed.

25.—*Hamilton*—Here, as in most of the towns, a majority of the mercantile class are engaged in the traffic; there is a large number of low tippling houses also; under these circumstances the society does not increase rapidly; it numbers little over 300; there was not a very full meeting; 18 names obtained. In the afternoon we intended to hold a meeting among the soldiers, but on arriving at the barracks, we found that no notice had been given to the men of the meeting.

As this ends the series of meetings for the Wellington and Gore Districts, permit me to review and make a few promiscuous remarks. There is more variability in the state of the cause in these districts than in most others. The *Advocate* is scarcely known in many places; and I have met with more public opposition in the Gore than in any other district. There is a fair proportion of the respectable class enrolled in the society, and many physicians and several of the magistrates are lending their influence, but a great number of ministers of religion still stand aloof or oppose—notwithstanding all these difficulties, there are near 4,000 members in the Gore, and about 700 in the Wellington District. I have held 27 meetings, and obtained 533 signatures to the pledge; and although I have obtained but few subscribers for the *Advocate*, I trust the friends will see the necessity of having it more generally circulated; as also the propriety of establishing a District Association for the promotion of the cause generally, and for the support of a temperance house in some central place, in particular. All of which might reasonably be expected, as the Gore is a large and wealthy District.

JAMES McDONALD,
Agent.

Extract from the Report of the Rev. T. V. SULLIVAN, Sailors' Missionary, on the Lakes, for the American Bethel Union:—

"We have had co-workers in Temperance. But yesterday—so to speak—and a Temperance effort on board a vessel or steam-boat, would have resulted in interesting the few and arousing the hostility of the many. It is no longer so. Going up the lake a few weeks since, in a steam boat, I talked temperance to the crew, and found a drinking man among them who was unwilling to sign the pledge. I succeeded at length in getting his name for six months—he did not think he could keep from drinking longer; but that which decided the poor fellow, was the countenance and support promised him by his shipmates; this is one only of many similar cases. Then, again, vessel owners are refusing to employ any other than pledged total abstinence men. Owners, and Captains of steam-boats are doing the same with respect to the engineers and firemen. Vessels are entering our ports with the temperance flag flying. Reformed drunkards (sailors) are seeking employment as officers, and resting their claims for a berth upon the fact of their sobriety. In addition to the above, there has been a great augmentation of temperate seamen on lake Ontario, the results of the movement in temperance along the lake shore during the past winter. At Oswego, Sackets Harbour, French

Creek and Ogdensburg, large accessions have been made to the ranks of the temperate, from among the hardy sons of the lake."

CANADA EAST.

MONTREAL, Oct. 12, 1842.

SIR,—On Saturday evening last, I went down to Sorel, and on the following morning delivered a lecture on Temperance in the school house at Berthier. being wet weather, only forty attended; in the evening delivered a second lecture at Sorel in the spacious room over the new market house, the weather was still unpropitious, about 150 were present. On Monday the 10th instant, held a public meeting at Berthier, when I distilled a quart of beer, and exhibited the celebrated drawings of the human stomach, by Dr. Sewall, there was a large attendance, 32 names were given to the pledge, and the Society properly organized, W. Morrison, Esq., President; L. De Rozier, Esq., N. P., Vice President; R. Ralston, Secretary, and a Committee of five. The ladies are about commencing a Female Society, I hope they will succeed. On Tuesday the 11th instant, held a public meeting in Sorel, distilled a quart of port wine, which was unusually strong, *alias*, alcoholic; the attendance better than on Sunday evening, 14 additional names were received, but owing to the lateness of the hour the Society was not organized. This village is remarkable for the number of taverns licensed "for the public good." The public good, I am satisfied, is by no means consulted, unless it be by causing poverty, disease and crime to abound in proportion to the number of taverns. I trust the tea-totalers will see to it, that these places shall be closed before long.

I am yours, truly,

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QUEBEC, October 3, 1842.

DEAR SIR,—The following appeared in the *Gazette* of the 30th ult.:—A Society has been recently established in this city, under the name of the "Quebec Mutual Benefit Society," the object of which is to assure persons between the ages of 18 and 55, who may become members thereof, the sum of 20s, 15s., or 10s. per week, during sickness, as shall be agreed upon at entrance. This society is based upon strict temperance principles, one qualification for admission being that the candidate is a member of a Total Abstinence Society, and any member convicted of a violation of the Total Abstinence pledge, is liable to be excluded and to forfeit all claim upon the benefit of the society. The setting on foot of such an institution is highly creditable to its originators, and we wish them every success in the maturing of their truly excellent plan, of saving the labouring classes from want during the time of sickness."

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TAVERN KEEPERS.—A notice very important to the interests of this class of the community appears in our columns of to-day.—The Magistrates in Session have determined to reduce the number of Licensed Taverns in Kingston, and to proceed vigorously against all who sell without license. Of late there has been a vast increase of crime within this District, and it has been attributed to the great number of low drinking shops which disgrace our good town. That no man may plead ignorance of the magistrates' intentions, they have given six months notice beforehand. All we hope is, that in December next, the present intentions of the Magistracy will be carried into full effect.—*B. Whig, July 19.*

CANADA TEMPERANCE ADVOCATE.

"It is good neither to eat flesh, nor drink wine, nor do any thing by which thy brother is made to stumble, or to fall, or is weakened."—Rom. xiv. 21.—*Macnigh's Translation.*

MONTREAL, OCTOBER 15, 1842.

The Committee of the Montreal Temperance Society finding itself in the distressing position of being unable to meet its current expenses, which are heavy, and large claims upon it which are past due, appointed a sub-committee to draw up a statement of its present position, and recommend the best course to be pursued in future.

The following is the report of the sub-committee, to which the