

fully is God's holy day desecrated, not only by the performance of unnecessary manual labor, but also by unnecessary visiting, thus depriving themselves and others of the means of grace, and bringing a stain and reproach upon the cause of the Redeemer. Discourtenance all such pernicious practices, and shun not only the evil itself but the very appearance of it.

The cause of Temperance should receive your undivided attention and support, both by precept and example. Set your faces like flint against the gigantic evil intemperance; give neither countenance or support to any who traffic in the liquid poison, and thus adorn the doctrine of God your Saviour. Let all know that you are strict teetotallers.

The past year has been one of some prosperity, spiritually and financially. Chapels have been erected on many of the Circuits, and parsonages have been increased in number, both by building and purchase, thus giving us permanency of standing in the land. We rejoice to be able, notwithstanding the numerous deaths and removals, to report an increase in membership of over two hundred. Let this increase your zeal for God and his cause.

And now, brethren, we are coming to you in the name of the Lord; receive us as his servants; support us by your prayers and your hearty co-operation in every good word and work. And may the God of grace sanctify you wholly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

By order of Conference.

P. SMITH.

JAS. RICHARDSON.

M. BENSON, Sec'y.

#### OBITUARIES.

REV. CALEB SWAYZE died at Pelham, Ontario, in the month of February, 1868.

Father Swayze commenced his labors in the Church in the year 1835. He was appointed by the Conference of that year to the Long Point Circuit. Next follows London, Thames and Gosfield. In 1838 he is left without an appointment. The next year he is placed on the supernumerary list, which relation he sustained during the remainder of his life. After his active labors closed he removed to Pelham, where he continued to reside till death found him at the advanced age of 82, ready to cross the Jordan. His end was peace.

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