

upon horror! those who are not of the elect will not die but live on and on through the endless ages of eternity; and during all the time suffer pain, anguish, and misery. How such a doctrine could ever enter into the minds of men I cannot conceive. No man would be guilty of what this doctrine attributes to God; and shall we say that the all-wise, all-good, and all-powerful God will do what would disgrace the worst of men to do?

If men and women would only think for themselves, and not allow others to do that for them, I do not think there are many who would believe such an outrageous doctrine. Let us trust that the time will soon arrive when men will have nobler ideas of God; and, as an instrument to this end, may you and your paper long strive to shed light abroad among the people of our beloved Canada.

R. BROUGH.

Gananoque, March 30, 1863.

TEMPERANCE.

We have, as Secretary of the Conference of the American branch of the Evangelical Union, received from the Grand division of the Sons of Temperance of Canada West, a memorial on the subject of temperance, to present to the Conference to be held in Guelph, C. W., on the first Wednesday of July. The following, among other evils, as the direct fruit of intemperance, is specified in the memorial:—

“That the church of the living God is suffering directly and indirectly from the liquor traffic and drinking customs; those of her members who ‘have erred through wine, and through strong drink, are out of the way,’ may be counted by hundreds, if not by thousands, while the money which should pay for carrying the gospel to a perishing world is foolishly and wickedly squandered on poisonous beverages.”

The following appeal to ministers of Christ for assistance in temperance work is also contained in it:—

“Ye men of God, we ask your help, by word, by action, in the pulpit, on the platform, by the fireside. ‘The priest’s lips should keep knowledge.’ Let it flow out, baptized with heavenly fire, that the church, in all its branches and departments may ‘come up to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty’ evil of intemperance? Is there a greater evil, a more wily and insidious foe, which, while others slay their thousands, slays its tens of thousands every year?”

We shall, at the meeting of Conference, see to it that this memorial be laid before the assembled brethren. We may state that all Evangelical Union ministers are temperance men, and have all along been in the front ranks in advocating temperance principles. Traffickers in strong drink are excluded from their churches.

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SOCIAL TEA-MEETING AND DONATION PARTY, HUNTINGDON, C. E.

On the evening of March 2, a Social Tea-Meeting was held at the residence of Mr. Hugh Tannahill, one of the members of the Evangelical Union Church, Huntingdon, the proceeds of which were devoted to repairs on the Parsonage. On the evening of March 12, a donation party was held at the Parsonage, and presented their gifts to the pastor. Both meetings were well attended by the members of the congregation and others.