

grain for the purpose of distillation and fermentation, or fuel to distilleries or breweries; and that we disapprove of patronizing stores, groceries, or other public establishments where Ardent Spirits are sold except for medicinal, manufacturing or chemical purposes; and that we highly disapprove of Sons of Temperance keeping in their houses brandy or other spirituous liquors in its natural state, to be used for any purposes whatever.

Resolved,—That if there be no Temperance Hotel of sufficient capacity to accommodate the Representatives of this Grand Division, at its semi-Annual or Annual Session, we will provide ourselves with tents, and occupy them, if no other accommodations be provided.

Let the determination expressed in the latter resolution be generally acted upon, and faithfully carried out—let the spirit of it be observed by the brotherhood and temperance men every where—and we would soon have a good supply of Temperance Houses.—*S. of T. Organ.*

DEMONSTRATION AT DRUMMONDVILLE.

An interesting affair in connection with the presentation of a beautiful *Bible*, by the Ladies of Drummondville, to Table-Rock Division of this Order, took place at Drummondville on Friday evening March 15th.

The procession was formed at the Division Room at Table-Rock Division, and consisted of that Division, Rainbow Division from Chippawa, and Ravine Division from St. Davids, numbering about 100. This procession moved to the Presbyterian Church under the direction of Mr. J. M. Bristol, of Rainbow Division, who was appointed Marshal.—The Order occupied the whole of the centre of the church. Deputy G. W. P. Burnham, of Chippawa, presided. The meeting was opened by prayer by the Rev. Mr. Case, of Rainbow Division. The purpose of the meeting was then explained from the Chair. A short address, and to the point, was delivered by Rev. Mr. Hurd, of Cataract Division, followed by an able and eloquent address from Mr. Childs, of ~~Manitowish~~ ^{Manitowish}, to whom the Ladies presented the *Bible*, a beautiful quarto volume richly bound in red morocco, together with a splendid crimson cushion and neat stand: and the following address was delivered by one of the ladies:—

“We, the Ladies of Drummondville and vicinity, having viewed with extreme pleasure, the rise, progress and benefits of so praiseworthy a cause as you have enlisted in, have now, as a small tribute of your approbation, the pleasure of presenting you with a *Bible*, of which we beg your acceptance.

“We are rejoiced to be able to state that we met with great success in collecting sufficient funds to purchase this Book, wherein we are taught our duty towards God and man. We feel it our duty to sanction and encourage the cause as it has proved a blessing to many families; and hope that we shall see it flourishing until Intemperance shall be utterly exterminated from every rank of our community.”

The Rev. Mr. Wilkinson, of Table Rock Division, replied as follows:

“Ladies,—I have been appointed by the Son of Temperance to receive this beautiful present from you. I thank you, and to convey their thanks to you. Tell the ladies of Drummondville that you saw gratitude written on the face of every Son of Temperance as they stood to look on this token of their sympathy and co-operation.

“You have rightly judged that we needed your assistance in this glorious cause, for there is nothing good or great ever accomplished without the Ladies. With this *Bible* to teach us the principles of Temperance and Benevolence, and your kind words to cheer us, we are ready to take the field to battle with the foe until there shall not be found a husband who, under the influence of the intoxicating cup, forgets the marriage vow, or listens unmoved to the tale of sorrow as it flows from the lips of her who was the object of his early af-

fection, and not a youth so dead to shame as to insult any young lady by asking her hand while in his heart he cherished the love of strong drink.

“Sons of Temperance,—Let us pledge ourselves, in the presence of this congregation, to the ladies, not to cease our efforts until Intemperance should be expelled from this fair spot in creation.”

A short but effective speech was then made by the Rev. Mr. Case. A collection was taken up from the members of the order, and presented to the Rev. Mr. Hurd, who dismissed by a Benediction.—*Chippawa Advocate.*

TEMPERANCE REFORMATION SOCIETY.

On Thursday evening, the 21st of March, the Guelph Temperance Reformation Society held their Annual Meeting in the Temperance Hall, Mr. D. Savage, one of the Vice Presidents, in the chair. The Rev. Mr. Spencer having opened the meeting with prayer, the Secretary read the report—from which it appeared that during the by-gone year one member had deceased, two had left the locality, and twelve had been expelled for violation of the pledge. The number on the books in good standing is now 401, being an increase of nearly 300 since last annual meeting. Reference was made to the success which had attended the celebrations and public meetings of the Society during the year, and it was stated that the Committee had invited the celebrated Temperance Lecturer, Mr. Gough, to deliver one or more addresses in Guelph.

The Rev. Mr. Spencer, in moving the adoption of the report said, that for several years he had been resident in no town in which so many places were open for the sale of intoxicating beverages as there were in Guelph. In the town in which he had last resided, there were six storekeepers, only two of whom sold ardent spirits. He particularly reprobated the practice of offering spirits at funerals, and pointed to the efforts now making in the Churches in Scotland to put down the use of intoxicating drinks, more especially at interments. He had been a Total abstainer for many years, had seen the benefits of the system, and would gladly advance the object of the Society by every means in his power.

The Rev. R. J. Williams, after alluding in complimentary terms to the report, proceeded to give very gratifying accounts of the progress of the Temperance movement in the village of Sydenham, where he had recently resided, and in the Townships of *Eramosa*, where he is now settled. When Mr. Williams became a resident of Sydenham, in the year 1845, there were only 9 acres chopped and some 9 or 10 houses raised, yet were they already two Taverns and one Store in which ardent spirits were retailed; and soon after a second store, and a third tavern, were engaged in the same baneful traffic. By and by a social effort was made by a few individuals to stay the progress of intemperance in the locality, and to reclaim the inebriates; and in the Fall of 1845, a Total Abstinence Society was formed in the rising village, which in December last numbered 175 members. Recently a second association has been instituted, under the designation of the “Victoria Society,” which, commencing with about 50 members, has, during the last 3 months, increased that number to 246. Such is the zeal of the leaders in this movement, that they travel the adjacent district to a considerable distance, pressing the principles of the society on the attention of the people, and that with no small degree of success; so that now a large proportion of the residents in the village, as well as many in the vicinity, have renounced the use of intoxicating beverages; four of the six store-keepers conduct their business on Temperance principles, and one of the remaining two has given reason to believe that he also will speedily renounce the traffic; while the proprietors of two Breweries and a Distillery lately erected in the locality, are almost in despair, wondering what will be the end of these things. Mr. Williams stated that there were two flourishing societies in Era-