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On October 30th Mr. P. M. Pattison organized at Claremont a large and promising Council of the Royal Templars of Temperance. This makes ninety-nine councils now in active operation in this province.

A Lodge of Independent Order of Good Templars was instituted in Derry West, in the County of Peel, on the 2nd inst, by Bro. W. H. Rodden, Special Organizing Representative of the Grand Lodge of Canada. It is to be known as the "Derry Star," and meets on Friday evenings. A new charter was issued and 21 charter members enrolled. The following are the charter officers: Wm. Tilt, W. C. T.; Agnes Moore, W. V. T.; Francis Brown, W. S.; Mrs. Geo. Wilson, W. F. S.; Geo. Wilson, W. T.; Joseph Moore, W. C.; Josiah Wedgewood, W. M.; Lizzie Loughed, W. I. G.; Frank Russell, W. O. G.; F. J. Manning, W. I. M.; Jas. Tilt, W. A. S.; Emily Chisholm, W. R. S.; Nellie Moore, W. L. S.; Robt. Elliott, P. W. C. T.; Joseph Moore, L. D.

The temperance meetings in connection with Excelsior Lodge I. O. G. T., North Toronto, were resumed last Sabbath afternoon, when an eloquent address was delivered by the Rev. B. O. Johnston, of North Toronto Primitive Methodist Church. The hall, on Davenport road, was well filled, Bro. John Knott occupied the chair. These meetings will be continued every Sabbath afternoon.

The following circular has been issued by the Toronto Band of Hope Union:

22 CHURCH STREET, TORONTO.

October 24, 1883.

DEAR FRIEND,

The work of our Union consists of laying plans for aiding existing societies, by means of Speakers, Lecturers, Literature and other supplies, necessary for an efficient carrying on of our work and also to start societies in such Sunday Schools as have not yet begun in the work of educating the young in the principles of total abstinence from strong drink, tobacco and profanity. In order to carry out this end, funds must be had, and to help in this direction we have made arrangements for a sale of Fancy Goods, to commence about November 15th, at the Misses Elliott's, 458 Yonge Street, (five doors north of the Avenue), to whom donations of work can be sent, with selling price attached. We hope that our lady friends will help us, both by making useful and ornamental articles, which can be sold in aid of our funds, and also by speaking to their friends to ask their help, either in donations or in purchasing the goods when ready for sale. If more convenient, goods can be sent to the Secretary-Treasurer as above.

The Committee invite correspondence regarding the work, and will make arrangements for speakers for special meetings and for delegates to Conferences, to assist in extending Band of Hope work in Toronto or elsewhere. We have adopted "The Canadian Band of Hope" published in London, Ont., as our official organ, and special rates for supplies of this or any other periodicals and requisites for Bands of Hope or Sunday Schools can be had on application at our office. Commending the work to your kind consideration,

I remain, Yours sincerely,

ROBERT RAE, Secretary-Treasurer.

A very successful Band of Hope is conducted in Chestnut Street Mission Church, Toronto, by Mrs. E. Potts. At the last meeting there were 139 children present. One of the little ones brought her father, an old tavern-keeper, and he was induced to sign the pledge. A Senior Band of Hope in connection has also a large and increasing membership.

We make the following extracts from an interesting and encouraging letter from Rev. C. Watson, of Victoria, B. C.:

"Please find enclosed P. O. order for two dollars, for which send me one copy of THE CANADA CITIZEN from the beginning of the present volume, if possible, and for the other dollar if you will be kind enough to procure and forward me whatever it will purchase of 'The Lesson of Statistics,' by Rev. Wallace, you will greatly oblige.

Temperance work is making progress here. The Good Templars, Blue Ribbon, W. C. T. U. and Band of Hope are in full blast.

I wish you all success in your enterprise. We need in temperance work facts and figures in relation to the Dominion, tabulated and calculated in all sorts of relations and comparisons, in order to bring the liquor business within popular comprehension, and make its facts appreciable."

General News.

CANADIAN.

During last month 725 immigrants arrived at the Toronto depot, 427 being English, 134 Irish, 122 Scotch and 43 Germans.

Mr. John Smith, an old and highly respected farmer of Dereham, was killed instantly by a stumping machine falling upon him. Mr. Smith resides at Hyde Park, near Toronto.

The inquest on the body of the prisoner Scott was held at the prison, in Toronto, when the jury returned a verdict that the guard was fully justified in the act of shooting Scott. The jury earnestly recommended that greater precautions be taken to prevent escapes, and suggested that when prisoners are sent outside the prison grounds they should be chained together while passing to and from work on public highways.

A preliminary meeting was held at Toronto for the purpose of taking steps to celebrate the centennial anniversary, next June, of the settlement of Upper Canada by the United Empire Loyalists. It was thought desirable to hold the celebration during the semi-centennial week of the city, and after discussing different modes of commemorating the event the meeting adjourned at the call of the chairman.

The 29th inst. is fixed for nomination day in Lennox, and the election will take place on the 26th. The 10th inst. has been fixed as nomination day in West Huron, the election to take place on the 17th.

The Canadian Pacific Railway works are building twenty-one new locomotives.

An accident occurred at Midland on Friday afternoon by the breaking of the circular saw at the British Canadian Lumber Company's mill, causing the death of Wm. Lowery, head sawyer, some hours later. He leaves a wife and child to mourn his death.

Last June, Rachael Babcock, a girl employed at the Ontario Cotton Mills, Hamilton, struck a fellow employee, George Mitchell, aged 14, on the head with a large file. The boy has been ill ever since, and his death is now feared.

The Canadian Rubber Company has reduced work to nine hours per day instead of the usual ten.

A deep ditch is being dug in Dorchester township for the purpose of lowering the level of Forest Lake five feet. The lake is situated one mile and a half north of Avon, covers about forty acres, and is seventy feet deep.

The windows of the Roman Catholic Church in Midland have been pelted with stones lately, inflicting considerable damage, as some of them were valuable memorial ones.

On Saturday three men from St. Aubert, Que., started on a spree, and when on their way home one of them named Henri Chouinard fell from the vehicle intoxicated and was left on the public road by his companions. Yesterday fears were entertained as to his whereabouts, and a gang of men went in search of him. He was found next morning lying dead, and was taken to his residence at St. Aubert. An inquest will be held.

On Tuesday afternoon Mr. Nutter Gray, employed on the Ontario and Quebec railway, at Peterboro, was killed. He was staking cars, when the plank on which he stood slipped, and he fell between the cars, and receiving such injuries that he lived only two or three hours. Deceased was perhaps the oldest railway employee in the province, and was known everywhere in railway circles, where he was very popular as "Nut Gray." He was thirty-nine years of age, and leaves a wife and three children living in Port Hope.

Thomas Harkley, a resident of Midland, was drowned off his yacht, near Boasley island, on Friday night or Saturday morning. An Indian living on the island, whom he was in company with, reports that he left him to watch the boat while he went on shore for the night. On returning in the morning, no trace of Harkley could be found. The report reaching here, a party went out and searched the vicinity, and after a long search found his body near the shore in about two feet of water. It is supposed, as he is well advanced in years, that he missed his footing and fell overboard.

Saturday night Arthur Tomlinson was accidentally shot by Dildine Phillips, in Chandos township, Peterboro Co. While the two were walking together Phillips drew and fired his revolver to test the weapon. He was about to fire a second shot, but the revolver went off prematurely, the ball entering the right side of Tomlinson's chest. He died next day.

A Canadian Pacific Railway freight train, going east on the Port Arthur branch, bore down the heavy trestlework at Hawk Lake and precipitated the entire train, except the engine, into the immense gorge beneath. No lives were lost. The Dominion Government has prohibited the running of trains on this branch.

Five men of the schooner Betay, of Newfoundland, wrecked on Guyon Island during a terrible storm, arrived in Sydney, Cape Breton, on Saturday, and were sent home by the Department of Marine.