

# The Sons of Temperance Record

AND PROHIBITION ADVOCATE.

MOTTO—"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do for the good of mankind, do quickly."

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## Canada declares for or against Prohibition on 29th Sept., 1898.

### "Remember, Remember the 29th of September!"

THE PLEBISCITE.

Canadians up! Through our land has gone  
The signal word, and the fight is on.

'Tis a bloodless war, but 'tis fraught with  
weight

Of good or ill to mankind, more great  
Than the battles of old that bleached men's  
bones,

That rocked, aye, wrecked Imperial  
thrones.

Canadians, up and lead the van

Of this latest war for the freedom of  
man!

Up and vote for the temperance cause,  
Till the stain be purged from our statute  
laws!

How long, O God, will our land take toll  
From the wrecking of body and brain  
and soul?

They prate—the saloon-lords, the carrion  
kites,

That prey on their kind—of vested  
rights,

While the drunkard's curse and the mo-  
ther's moan

Ascend the skies to our Father's throne.  
Canadians! up in your giant might.

And sweep from the land that spurious  
right!

Our country calls. Up and overthrow  
The demon of drink that wrought such  
woe!

Unfurl to the world the banner proud,  
We are done with the work of the  
license crowd.

When our banner waves no seller of rum  
Shall tempt our sons in the years to  
come.

*William Ulric Cotton.*

Sweetsburg, Que., July 1, 1898.

#### NOTES.

- Work. \_\_\_\_\_
- Time flies. \_\_\_\_\_
- Four months left. \_\_\_\_\_
- Jubilee year will then be past. \_\_\_\_\_
- Now for a few weeks is your last opportunity for supreme effort. \_\_\_\_\_
- Every Division should strive to report an increase on October 1st. Will yours? \_\_\_\_\_
- Live officers, faithful committees and zealous members are needed. \_\_\_\_\_
- Set a mark for your total membership on October 1st; throw all your energy into Rally Night and you will win. \_\_\_\_\_
- Every Division can win one or more splendid prizes we offer for gains between April and October. (See offer in JUNE RECORD). \_\_\_\_\_
- Rouse your Division from its dog day languor—the whiskey business does not lay off for the summer. \_\_\_\_\_
- Do not wait for extraordinary opportunities but make use of common situations. Those are the only ones that will present themselves to you. \_\_\_\_\_



H. A. TAYLOR, P.G.W.P. OF NOVA SCOTIA

The Division room 36 Cornwallis St., Halifax, was the scene of an interesting event on May 26th, 1898, the occasion of celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of Bro. H. A. Taylor's initiation into Chebucto Division.

Fifty years of continuous membership in one Division is a remarkable record. Bro. P. Monaghan, P.G.W.P. presided, and a large number of veteran past grand officers and others were present as well as visiting brethren from other Divisions. Very complete were the endorsements of the praises bestowed in the address presented, by those who spoke and hearty congratulations were extended by all to the warm-hearted, venerable brother and his happy wife.

Had space permitted we would have been pleased to publish the address which was presented. We can only say that no more treasured heirloom could be bequeathed to a family than the document on which is inscribed the virtues and accomplishments of a life devoted to our noble cause. With the address was presented a handsome gold medal. On the clasp are the words, "Sons of Temperance;" on the face of the medal is inscribed, "Love, Purity and Fidelity, Chebucto Division, Halifax, N.S.;" on the reverse side, "Presented to Henry A. Taylor on completion of fifty years of membership. May 25th, 1849-1898."

Bro Taylor has been a pledged teetotaler for 62 years. His record in his own Division is an exemplary one and his services in the Grand Division have been notable. He was Treasurer for 25 years. When G.W.P. he threw great energy into the work and in the face of unfavorable conditions succeeded in instituting 40 new Divisions during the year.

His associates affirm that "he has done what he could to advance the interest, promote the harmony and preserve unsullied the reputation of the Sons of Temperance."

It is a great pleasure to introduce to our readers, especially to our young men, such noble types of Sons of Temperance and we hope they will learn to imitate them.

The National Mutual Relief Society was never in so prosperous as now. The smile that wreathed the countenance of the genial general Sec'y Bro. F. M. Bradley when he announced his surplus was contagious. Write him for rates and plans. Box 83 Washington, D. C.

Representatives to Grand Division will do well to send in their orders early for Grand Division Regalia for the Jubilee session. The Dominion Regalia Co. furnish the best ever offered, at \$2.50. (See advertisement.)