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UNITED TEMPERANCE ASSOCIATION.

This society was the outcome of a union in 1877 between the British Templars and the British American Templars, but it does not seem to have prospered. The Provincial Lodge met in Sussex, New Brunswick, on the 10th of July, Mr. G. E. Foster, M.P., the President, in the chair. A good financial position was exhibited, but the membership was only eleven hundred. Foremost among the matters of business was a discussion of the advisability of uniting with the Royal Templars of Temperance. This is a body that, originating as recently as 1877, now has a membership of twenty thousand. A resolution was adopted by the Association to amalgamate with that Order. In the evening a very large public meeting was held, the chief speakers being Messrs. G. E. Foster, J. R. Pidgeon and J. R. Babbitt, and Mr. R. G. McLeod presiding. On the following day, agreeably with the resolution adopted, the Lodge merged into the Grand Council of New Brunswick, Royal Templars of Temperance, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—R. T. Babbitt, Grand Councillor; T. P. Taylor, Grand Vice-Coun.; Jacob Pidgeon, Grand Chaplain; S. J. Jenkins, Grand Sec.-Treas.; Wm. Seivewright, Grand Herald; W. C. Burnham, Grand Deputy Herald; C. W. Weyman, Grand Guard; James Thomson, Grand Sentinel; Prof. Geo. E. Foster, Grand Past Coun. E. C. Freeze, J. A. Whelpley and M. McDonald, M. D., were elected the Board of Trustees. The installation was conducted by Prof. Foster. The Grand Councillor, Mr. Babbitt, in his inaugural address spoke in hopeful terms of the prospects of the new order—numbering, as it does, now about 22,000. Among other things it was resolved that each primary lodge should, on application to the Secretary, be supplied with a complete set of Royal Templar stock free. The Grand Council adjourned to meet at Bathurst, N. B., the second week in July, 1884.

FIFTY-FIVE DEATHS by yellow fever occurred in Havana last week.

GOOD TEMPLARS.

Two lodges in Colchester county, N. S.; which have been working since the disruption of 1876 under the English R. W. G. Lodge, have gravitated to the Loyal Grand Lodge—"Athena" Lodge, Economy, the first Lodge of its discarded Order established in Nova Scotia, and one of the largest, and "Victoria" Lodge, Bass River, with a membership of nearly one hundred, and one of the strongest and most active Lodges in the Province.

A new Lodge of the English Order was lately started in Halifax city, named the "Sunbeam" and instituted with over twenty-five charter members. The principal officers are:—R. E. Pentz, W. C. T.; Mrs. C. Dickie, W. V. T.; R. S. Theakston, W. S.; Mrs. Major Theakston, W. Treas.; C. Dickie, Chap.; M. Brooks, Lodge Deputy. The G. W. C. T., Mr. George Knight, presided, and was assisted by the Grand Councillor, G. A. Wilson; P. G. C., J. Overy; G. M., A. H. Blakeney; the R. W. G. Coun., the Rev. W. G. Lane, G. Chap., Major Theakston and others.

The extension campaign inaugurated in the Eastern Townships of Quebec by the Grand Lodge, through the agency of the Rev. J. Kines, has begun successfully. On Monday evening of last week Mr. Kines lectured at Mansonville, Brome county, and resuscitated Victoria Lodge (new No. 150), with Mr. McKay, W. C. T., and the Rev. F. Delong, Lodge Deputy. On the following morning a juvenile temple was established under the supervision of the reorganized Lodge, Mr. Delong being elected Superintendent. A very enthusiastic meeting was held on Tuesday evening at Province Hill, and "Province Hill" Lodge, No. 16, was resuscitated, with nineteen members. Mr. Robert Gardyne was elected W. C. T., and Mr. Charles A. Gardyne, Lodge Deputy. Vail Perkins settlement was visited on Wednesday evening, with "Lakeside" Lodge was organized, with Mr. James Howie as W. C. T., and Mr. A. C. Perkins, Lodge Deputy. This Lodge is characterized by nearly half of its members being heads of families, and some quite aged but nevertheless enthusiastic.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

Galt, Ontario, has for a number of years had a prosperous Division of the Sons of Temperance, and lately the members have carpeted and so renovated their hall that it is now one of the nicest in this part of the country. It pays, too, to have a comfortable hall to meet in, as it is much more attractive and pleasant for all the members, and, besides, a number of other societies in the town meet weekly and the attractiveness of the "Sons'" hall has been a help to its being rented almost every night. I have written to show that it is profitable in every respect for societies to have a really comfortable room to meet in. Last Tuesday evening about thirty of the members of Paris Division paid us a fraternal visit, when a most enjoyable evening was spent. During the short recess for hand-shaking and getting acquainted, a programme was

being arranged, consisting of readings, recitations and singing, also a very interesting address by Bro. Thos. Webster, Grand Scribe. Each selection in the programme was well rendered and there was enough entertainment to keep us till a late hour. The evening was warm and about the middle of the programme a halt was called, when the good sisters of Galt Division announced refreshments in the adjoining room, where tables were loaded with ice-cream, cakes, coffee, &c. Such fraternal visits should be more frequent among temperance societies than they are. Every body enjoys them, and the visitors and visited are benefited. At an early hour in the morning the company broke up, expressing the common sentiment, "Happy to meet, sorry to part, and happy to meet again."

Galt, July 13th, 1883.

NEWS AND NOTES.

The Dominion Alliance Year Book is out, and may be obtained at the rate of eight dollars per hundred for sale or distribution.

Governor Crittenden, of Missouri, says he intends to strictly enforce the new high license law in that State, the Supreme Court having declared it constitutional.

A boy of six or seven in Toronto got at a bottle of whiskey that his father had brought home on Saturday night, and drinking the contents he died from the effects in a few hours.

The Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick has issued a fervent address to the Roman Catholics of that Province, exhorting them to take the pledge and to connect themselves with temperance societies.

Dr. Barth, a member of the German Parliament, said the other day that there is but one case on record where trichina was imported by American pork, while in the city of Berlin 623 persons are ruined annually by the use of alcoholic drinks.

A drinking fountain being erected in St. John, New Brunswick, by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union bears this inscription, "Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again, but whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst."

Massachusetts law allows an adjoining real estate owner to forbid the granting of a license to sell liquor. In Gloucester a saloon keeper tried to evade this provision by selling to a friendly third party a strip a foot wide from the side of his premises next to the objector, thus creating a new neighbor. But the courts have decided that the trick is of no avail.

A Manitoba paper discovers a weak point in the Dominion License Act, so far as that Province is concerned, in the provision that the license commissioners shall be the mayor of the city or warden of the county, the judge of the county court and a third appointed by the Government, the weakness lying in the fact that in Manitoba there are many districts that have neither a mayor nor a warden.

A printed handbill sent us from Portland Oregon, announces the beginning of Miss Frances E. Willard's work in British Columbia, by holding a public temperance convention of the women of that Province in Victoria on July 3rd and 4th, to be addressed by herself, her private secretary, Miss Gordon, and Mrs. Riggs. Accounts of Miss Willard's efforts in that quarter are awaited with hopeful anticipations of success.

A successful series of meetings has just been held in Argenteuil county, Quebec, by the County Alliance. Meetings were held in Lachute, Lakefield, Grenville and St. Andrews, at each of which Messrs. Baylis and Dougall, of Montreal, represented the Provincial Alliance, the Rev. Geo. H. Wells assisting at Lachute. The local clergy and temperance people in each place took part in the meetings.

The London, England, *Crusade*, in describing the trip of the delegates from the United Kingdom to the R. W. G. Lodge of Good Templars in Halifax, N. S., contains the following account of how they were "diligent in season and out of season," on board the Dominion Line steamer "Sarnia":—"So large a party of thorough-going teetotallers gave a distinctly temperance tone to the various religious services, meetings and entertainments held during the voyage. Among other efforts two Blue Ribbon Gospel Temperance meetings were held on the after-deck, conducted respectively by Bros. Osborn and Insull, the speakers being, besides the conductors, Bros. Rev. E. Franks, Rev. H. J. Boyd, Malins and Rae. Among some striking incidents of the meetings, two deserve to be chronicled. At the first meeting a man who had signed the pledge was reminded by a companion that the brandy he had in his berth would be useless. He at once fetched up the bottle half-full of brandy, and holding his pledge-card up in one hand, exclaimed, 'Here goes the devil into the sea,' threw the bottle of brandy overboard, amid the cheers of those around. After dinner the same evening the chief mate and chief engineer asked to be allowed to sign the pledge, which they did, and greatly to the gratification of the promoters of the meetings, both pinned the blue ribbon on their coats. In all 77 new pledges were taken and 93 blue ribbons distributed, chiefly among the steerage passengers, many of whom it may be hoped will thus begin their new life, in a new country, free from the drink snare."

THE COLORED PRESS ASSOCIATION, lately in session in St. Louis, Missouri, adopted resolutions in favor of having the two races educated together, urging that Negroes should engage in industrial pursuits, demand that colored voters should not be hampered by partisan considerations, and demanding recognition according to their strength from the party with which in future they may be allied, also that the word Negro in future be written with a capital N. According to the analogy of such words as Saxon, Malay, Jew, etc., Negro ought to have a capital initial, and we give it one here.