

## RESULT OF THE NATIONAL TEMPERANCE CONVENTION AT SARATOGA SPRINGS.

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This great Convention, consisting of some 300 or 400 delegates from all parts of the Union, and the Canadas, met at the Presbyterian Church in Saratoga, at the time appointed, and organized by the election of the following officers, viz:—

**PRESIDENT**—Hon Reuben H. Walworth;—**VICE PRESIDENTS**—Anson G. Phelps of *New York*, Moses Grant of *Massachusetts*, J. E. Godfrey of *Maine*, D. W. Kilbourne of *Iowa*, John Dougall of *Canada*, S. F. Cary of *Ohio*, J. D. Hommer, of *Maryland*;—**SECRETARIES**—Rev. B. E. Hall of *Connecticut*, Rev. F. Yates of *Maine*, and Mr. Phelps of *Michigan*.

The Convention continued its sessions during two days, and *unanimously* adopted the following pertinent and potent resolutions as the result of its spirited discussions, mutual consultations, harmonious convictions, and deliberate action, viz:—

1. *Resolved*, That in assembling for the fourth time in a National Temperance Convention, we gratefully acknowledge the goodness of God in all past successes, and commit the cause of Temperance to His future guidance and care.

2. *Resolved*, That the evils of intemperance cannot be prevented while the traffic in intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage is continued, and that it is the right and the duty of the people, in self-defence, by legislation and other suitable means, to bring such traffic to an end.

3. *Resolved*, That the recent discussion and action in the Legislatures of New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Vermont, Illinois and Indiana, on this subject;—the constitutional exclusion of all license in Michigan and Ohio;—and the entire outlaw of the traffic in spirituous and intoxicating liquors as a beverage, in Iowa and Maine, are gratifying tokens of advance in public sentiment, and give reason to hope that, with the divine blessing on judicious and persevering efforts, this immoral and pernicious traffic will ere long be done away.

4. *Resolved*, That a committee of three, be appointed, to prepare a brief address to the friends of Temperance throughout the Union and Provinces, to be presented to this Convention.

5. *Resolved*, That as God has given to the People in organized civil government the means of defence from the evils of the traffic in intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage, and as these means are the adoption and execution of such legislative enactments as shall punish the continuance of such traffic, we recommend to the friends of temperance in their respective States, Territories, Provinces and Governments, forthwith to inquire what course of action on their part is needful to secure this object, and with united hearts and strong hands, earnestly, firmly and perseveringly to pursue it until it is accomplished.

6. *Resolved*, That all who have wisely and efficiently labored in this great and good cause, have reason to thank God and take courage; and, while they depend on Him for success, to go forward with increasing zeal and energy, till this wicked and destructive traffic shall be done away.

7. *Resolved*, That the principle assumed and carried out in the Maine law, that spirituous and intoxicating liquor kept for sale, as a beverage, should be destroyed by the State, as a public evil, meets the approbation of this Convention, as consonant with the destruction of the implements of gambling and counterfeiting, of poisonous food, infectious hides, and weapons of war in the hands of an enemy; that if the liquor destroyed is private property, it is only so as are the implements of the counterfeiter, dangerous and deadly to the best interests of the community; that its destruction is no waste of the bounties of Providence, more than the destruction of noxious weeds, while its very destruction enriches the State exceeding the amount for which it could have been sold; that it tends to put an end to all subterfuges, frauds, and secret sales, and to the demands for it in the community; that it makes the State a perfect asylum for the inebriate; it is a solemn manifestation to the world, of the vile and worthless nature of the article destroyed, and an unmistakable token to the vender of the end to which a righteous public sentiment will ultimately bring his business. For these, and other reasons, the Convention give it their hearty approba-

tion, and they do strongly recommend to all the friends of Temperance, to cherish it as the sure, and the only sure, triumph of their cause, and continually to urge its adoption upon every Legislature.

8. *Resolved*, That the effectual and permanent prohibition of the traffic in intoxicating liquors, to be used as a beverage, in any one State, will, we hope, be the precursor to its being prohibited in all the States, and the stopping of it in this country will be the forerunner of its being banished from the world.

9. *Resolved*, That wherever the traffic in intoxicating liquors is done away, all wise means for the promotion of the intellectual elevation, the moral purity, the social happiness, and the highest good of men, may be expected to produce greatly increased and much more beneficial results.

10. *Resolved*, That the efforts of the wise and the good in all lands, for the promotion of Temperance, we hail with gladness and great joy, and we will unite with them in all judicious measures for hastening the time when there shall not be a drunkard or a drunkard maker on the globe.

It is a remarkable, significant, and, to the friends of legislative protection, a very encouraging fact, that in all this great assemblage of National teetotalers, not a solitary "No" was uttered against either of the above resolutions, as they were severally submitted to the vote of the Convention!

### Appointments for Lectures and Sermons,

BY R. D. WADSWORTH,

*On the Origin, Nature, and Use of Alcoholic Drinks—Illustrated by a Still, and Diagrams of the Human Stomach.*

Sept: 1—Monday,	Glandford	Evening Lecture.
2—Tuesday,	Caledonia	do
3—Wednesday,	New Credit	do
4—Thursday,	York	do
5—Friday,	Cayuga	do
6—Saturday,	Rainham	do
7—Sabbath,	Walpole	Ser. on John ii. 10.
"	Williamsville	do Is. xiv. 12.
"	Nanticoke	do Lev. x. 9.
8—Monday,	Jarvis	Evening Lecture.
9—Tuesday,	Port Dover	do
10—Wednesday,	Vittoria	do
11—Thursday,	St. Williams	do
12—Friday,	Middleton	do
13—Saturday,	Richmond	do
14—Sabbath,	Vienna	Ser. on 1 Tim. iii. 3.
"	Jamestown	do Judges ix. 13.
"	Sparta	do Eph. v. 18.
15—Monday,	Temperanceville	Evening Lecture.
16—Tuesday,	Fingal	do
17—Wednesday,	Iona	do
18—Thursday,	Aldboro'	do
19—Friday,	Wardsville	do
20—Saturday,	Thamesville	do
21—Sabbath,	Howard Ridge	Ser. on Titus ii. 3.
"	Morpeth	do Exodus xx. 13.
"	Blenheim	do 1 Tim. iv. 3, 4.
22—Monday,	Simpson's school-house	Evening Lecture.
23—Tuesday,	Mallot's do	do
24—Wednesday,	Colchester	do
25—Thursday,	Amherstburgh	do
26—Friday,	Sandwich	do
27—Saturday,	Sutherland's	do
28—Sabbath,	_____	Ser. on Rom. xiv. 17, 21
"	_____	do 1 Cor. viii. 13.
"	_____	do 1 Cor. vi. 9, 10.
29—Monday,	Indiana Village	Afternoon Lecture.
"	Port Sarnia	Evening do
30—Tuesday	Erol	do do

N.B.—Collections will be made at each meeting. The local society will provide either wine, beer, or cider for the Still. Other appointments can be attended to at noon of each week-day, if desired—each place will arrange the hour of meeting; where the "Sons" are organized, they are respectfully requested to be present in Regalia. The Still and Diagrams will be used at the lectures only. Subscribers to the *Advocate* will be received,—and all parties afforded an opportunity of signing the pledge.