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**MEETINGS**—Every second and fourth Tuesday in the month, in Somerset Hall, 240 Dundas street.

## Our W. C. T. U. Pledge.

(By Mrs. M. V. Douglass, Press Superintendent.)

"I do solemnly promise hereby, God helping me, that I shall abstain from malt liquors, and here, include both 'wine, cider and beer,' with liquors fermented, distilled, Asa beverage." Here I have willed To lift up, to save, and give joy, And all proper means to employ To discourage the traffic and use, Knowing this that such use means abuse.

Here sisters not only are we Pledging total abstinence to be, To discourage the use we must try Of traffic to make, sell or buy, By employment of all proper means, To prevent the enactment of scenes That sadden our hearts day by day. For those who have fallen a prey To the destroyer that waits

For the stranger that enters our gates, As for the best loved of our home, Who nearest our hearts ever come, For the pride of our country so dear By the drink curse are falling, and fear Takes hold of the mother's fond heart, To save and to rescue. What part May wife, mother, sister now bear? Shall woman's entreaty and prayer This work of destruction now stop? Is love only her stay and her prop? Shall the hope of her heart be thus crushed,

While her great sorrow is pushed Aside? To be hidden away, While rum holds its death-dealing sway;

Takes love, light and joy from her home, And instead fills with darkness and gloom.

Where will end, Lord, this black night of sin,

The drink curse has long ushered in?

When shall its gloom pass away, With the dawn of a glad, brighter day?

Lo, ministering angels are near, A voice speaks, "Is I, do not fear."

For prayer is recorded above, Borne upwards on glad wings of love.

This evil must soon have an end, God hears even now and will send

The answer, the curse to remove, If unitedly serve we in love,

Pray, work, and esteem it our joy To every means proper employ,

Till by effort, by vote, and by prayer, The laws of our land shall declare

This evil shall be put away, Lord, hasten the glorious day

When 'neath the banner of temperance shall stand,

Pure, strong and free the youth of our land."

West London, Ont.

## Temperance in Sunday Schools.

Dear sisters, the hope of the temperance cause lies in our children. It has been said that "the children are born who will see prohibition." If so they must be educated upon the effects of intemperance upon them, mentally, physically and spiritually.

What more suitable opportunity can be offered than to utilize the temperance Sunday once a quarter in the Sunday schools to teach these truths to the children.

In arranging for taking up temperance in the Sunday schools the superintendent of that department should communicate with every Sunday school superintendent in her locality, personally if possible, asking permission to supply them with a temperance speaker on temperance Sunday. In a majority of cases the superintendents will gladly accede to her request, often suggesting whom they would wish to have.

In the meantime be on the look out for a staff of speakers, ministers of the gospel and other prominent temperance workers, both women and men, a good many more speakers than schools, if possible, who will be willing to go, at call, to speak on the effects of liquor and narcotics in these schools. I say a good many more speakers than schools, for the sake of variety, and also for fear some of them (particularly ministers) might be otherwise engaged on that day. Ask the superintendents of the Sunday schools to sing hymns bearing on the subject and to choose a temperance scripture lesson to read in concert with the school, as there will be no time to teach the proscribed lesson.

Let the rest of the session be devoted to the speaker, some good recitation on the subject and singing temperance songs.

About a fortnight previous to temperance Sunday, notify the speakers where you wish them to speak, giving them time to notify her if they are otherwise engaged, and her time to secure some one else; then send notices to each superintendent of what speaker will be sent him, in time for him to announce it in the school on the Sunday previous to temperance Sunday.

Be always on the look-out for new

temperance speakers, thus keeping the staff of speakers well supplied.

The superintendent of this department should communicate with different publishing houses asking for catalogues of good temperance books, which make into a list and supply each Sunday-School superintendent, that he may select therefrom for replenishing the library.

Circulate plenty of temperance literature, in the form of leaflets, through the schools, particularly on the eve of any vote to be taken that affects the cause of temperance, thus reaching a large number of voters through the children.

Strongly advise frequently (at least once a quarter) placing the triple pledge before the school for signatures. And withal praying earnestly to Our Heavenly Father that his blessing may attend her labors and that amid many discouragements she may labor on in faith until her object is obtained of securing total prohibition.

K. HEAMAN,

Superintendent of Temperance in Sunday schools.  
 LONDON, April 17, 1894.

## News and Notes.

The Boston Woman's Journal says: "Woman suffrage has begun to make progress even in France. On Jan. 20 the French Senate, by a vote of 182 to 84, extended to women engaged in business the right to vote for judges of the tribunals of commerce."

A Mrs. Gibson, a typical English representative of the Woman's Christian Abstinence Union, recently attended the Tower Hamlets Brewster sessions in England and successfully resisted several applications for new licenses. She had previously sent up numerous signed petitions as well as personally notified applicants.

The annual meeting of the British Women's Temperance Association will be held in London, on the 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th of May. Lady Henry Somerset will hold her reception of the assembled delegates on the 7th. Tuesday, the 8th, will be a devotional day; addresses at intervals will be given by some of the most celebrated religious speakers. Extensive preparations for the meetings have occupied the attention of the executive committee during the past two months.

The New York Outlook, one of the leading American religious journals, says: "The W. C. T. U. has won a name which has gone to the ends of the earth, a synonym for whatever is pure, and has translated its high principles into the languages of the world. The W. C. T. U. has developed a rounded, earnest womanhood, and brought to worthy fame some of the best known women of to-day, while its leader easily stands pre-eminent in the place she holds and the work she has done for her country and her time."

The American Farm, Field and Fireside has become a convert to equal suffrage. It says: "We can see no reason why our bright, intelligent mothers, wives and sisters, born in this country and educated in our public schools, many of whom snatched the honors from us in literary and other contests, and even in debates, should not at least be able to vote as wisely and intelligently as the hundreds of thousands of foreigners, who can scarcely read our language and know very little of our institutions, or the 3,000,000 ignorant freedmen, who were granted this great privilege at the close of the war."

## Richmond Hill Easter Offering.

A few years ago there was a flourishing union in the little village of Richmond Hill, where our Provincial corresponding secretary, Mrs. Wiley, lives. But local changes brought about its dissolution. Under the care of its Flower Mission department an Easter offering to the Toronto Hospital for Sick Children had assumed encouraging proportions. When the union departed this life, Mrs. Wiley determined to keep the Easter celebration as the salvage of the wreck—a standing reminder of what might have been if somebody had not lost faith and courage.

So for three years back the little afflicted ones in the hospital have not failed to receive the kindly tokens of remembrance from Richmond Hill mothers. Seventy-six jars of fruit and jelly, 22 dozen eggs, potatoes, apples, books and toys in large numbers, were taken to the city on March 31 by Mrs. Wiley and others.

The pleasure of the trip was marred by an accident, that might easily have proved fatal, to one of the party. In attempting to cross Yonge street, near Queen, Mrs. Wiley was knocked down by a heavy cart horse. She writes: "How I escaped instant and terrible death by the hoofs of the horse, I know not. The dear Master kept me in a wonderful way; and with the exception of a very badly cut and bruised

arm, and shaky nerves, I am nearly myself again. The feeling was intense; and now when I try to fall asleep at night I see the big hoof just over my head." We must surely all feel thankful for this providential deliverance of one of our trusted workers.

## The Newspapers and the W. C. T. U.

The newspaper barometer indicates a rise in the W. C. T. U. mercury. Pictures of our prominent women, notices of our work, and articles upon the rise and progress of our organization abound. We hail these straws upon the tide as indicative of a current set towards the goal of our hopes, and while some of the "news" thus disseminated bears the marks of "a too great originality" on the part of the scribe, the general tone is friendly. Once in a while a critic appears, but usually burdened with such a manifest political squint that his observations are taken with many grains of salt.

Some of the photos of our workers have aroused considerable ire on the part of the victims. "Its my bonnet, my friend's dress and some other woman's face," exclaimed a delegate to the last Toronto convention, as she viewed the handiwork of "our own artist" in a city daily.

The Utica Globe was said to have produced the best cuts, but the April number of the Toronto Ladies' Journal has certainly taken from it the palm. Miss Willard, Mrs. Williams, the Dominion president, the Provincial presidents for Manitoba, Quebec and Ontario; Miss Phelps, of St. Catharines, and other noted white ribbon women are reproduced with great fidelity. Articles from the pens of Mrs. Williams; Mrs. Cavers, of Galt; Mrs. (Dr.) Blakely, of Winnipeg; Mrs. M. A. Cunningham, of New Westminster, B. C., and others make an appropriate setting for these strong, womanly faces. The editor, Miss Jane Wetherald, in a most kindly spirited editorial, adds her word of encouragement. The Journal is 10 cents a copy.

## Sons of Temperance

The divisions at Stamford, Udon, Burnhamthorpe, Edgar, Eady, Beaverdam, Lloydtown, Battersea, Eddy-stone, Horton, Port Robinson, Maitland, Lowville, Keswick, Anderson, Appleby, Greenbank, Priceville, White Rose, Myrtle, Stanley Mills, Wellington, South Augusta, Ashworth, Ravenna, Clarence, Derryville, Cobourg, Enfield, Allenwood, Advance, Seeley's Bay, Scarborough Junction, Meadowvale, Elmira, Delhi, Stroud, Fenwick, Wexford, Ruskview, East Whitby, etc., are among those showing good progress during the past quarter.

Wm. Brill, D. G. W. P., of the recently organized division at Sand Point, Renfrew county, writes: "Our meetings are well attended and new members coming in every week." Johnston Rogers, D. G. W. P., reports an increase of about twenty members in Streetsville Division during the past quarter.

Whitby Division held an open meeting on the 16th inst. The W. P., T. E. Houghton, in the chair. Among those present were J. B. Brooks, G. V. P., W. H. Bewell, G. Scribe, P. W. P., Johnson, Tamblin, Wilson, Mowat, Gibson and others. A good programme was provided, the interesting feature being a fine address by the G. W. P.

H. Boughton, D. G. W. P., of the new division at Forest, writes: "Our division is progressing beyond expectations."

Nottawa Division, Nottawa, celebrated Neal Dow's birthday by special sermon on the 18th inst., in which Fairview Division joined Nottawa.

Georgian Bay Division, Meaford, adopted and forwarded to Neal Dow a congratulatory address on the occasion of his 90th birthday.

The G. W. P., J. B. Brooks, visited Maple Leaf Division, Battersea, on the 9th inst. This division returns 379 members for the quarter ending March.

The new divisions at Foresters' Falls, Newcastle, Cedardale, Rockton and Sand Point, report good progress since Saturday.

The G. W. P., J. B. Brooks, presided at a grand concert given by Port Perry Division on the 17th inst.

Toronto—Excelsior Division, No. 28, holds its regular meetings on the first and third Thursday in each month, at 171 Bathurst street, Toronto. Charles Cottenden, W.P.; Geo. Galbraith, R.S. Visiting members of the order are always welcome.

N. S. GRAND DIVISION.—The second quarterly session of the Grand Division of Nova Scotia was held last week, April 20, at Pugwash. The Province is small and quarterly sessions of the Grand Division are held in different parts of the country. The annual sessions are all held at Halifax.

SUMMERSVILLE, PEEL COUNTY.—The newly elected officers have been installed for this quarter. J. Culhain is W. P., Sister E. Silverthorn, W. A., and C. O. Shaver, R. S. Among the plans agreed on for the entertainment of each meeting will be a collection for a small paper which will be read for the interest and amusement of the members.

TO WORKERS.—Friends of the Grand Old Temperance Order anywhere in the country, who may know

of localities where new divisions can be organized, or dormant ones resuscitated, will confer a favor on the cause by communicating full information to W. H. Bewell, G.S., Whitby, who will at once give attention. Important help can be furnished in this way. The order is having a boom these times, as the news in these columns from week to week will show.

SOUTH YORK.—The South York District Division held its regular quarterly session in connection with Excelsior Division, Toronto, on the 12th inst. A. J. Reynolds of Scarborough Junction Division, presiding. Among the reports of progress was the formation of a new division at Woodbridge since the last meeting, and in a few other places arrangements are under way. The competition cup, over which there has been a pretty lively contest, was presented to Harvest Home Division, No. 317. J. B. Brooks, G.W.P., and W. H. Bewell, G.S., were present and gave encouraging addresses regarding progress in the work. The next session will be held at Agincourt.

ELGIN DISTRICT WORK.—The Elgin District Division was held at Corinth on April 3. There were a large number of delegates present from the different divisions in the county. Henry Brien, D.W.P., presided, and a large amount of business was transacted. Committees were appointed to visit the different divisions that did not report. The following important resolution was adopted: Moved by Bro. McDowell, seconded by Bro. Hardwick, "That we request all subordinate divisions to ascertain if the Temperance Text Book is being taught in the public schools of their respective localities, and if not to take the proper steps to see that it is." It was decided to hold the annual picnic at some central point and request all temperance societies to unite in making it a success.

A public meeting was held in the evening, and notwithstanding the rain and darkness, the hall was filled with an attentive audience. A good programme was presented of music and recitations, and addresses were given by Rev. T. L. McCutcheon and lady, of Vienna. The next meeting will be held at Delmer some time in July.

ROCKLAND, RUSSELL COUNTY.—Rockland Division has been recognizing "Woman's Rights" in a practical manner by electing sisters to fill all the offices for the current quarter. Sister K. McEwen is W. P.; Mrs. J. L. Woodley, W. A.; Sister R. Erskine, R. S. Thomas Taylor was selected agent for the HOME GUARD. The division is looking forward to a successful quarter of earnest aggressive work.

J. GRANT, Correspondent.

WELLAND DISTRICT.—Welland District Division held the regular quarterly session in the town of Welland on the 10th inst. In consequence of a severe snow storm which raged all day, the attendance was small. The reports from the various local divisions show that a marked increase has been made in the membership during the last quarter. The order in the district is in a healthy and prosperous condition.

BRUCE W. STRINGER, D.R.

EDDYSTONE, NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.—Among the officers of Enterprise Division for this quarter are James Radcliff, W.P., and H. Cooper Wicklow, R. S. The other officers are also filled by competent members.

With earnest and energetic workers at this helm we hope to make the coming quarter as great a success as any in our history. The first open meeting, to further the interests of our cause, was on Friday evening, 20th inst.

G. W. SARGENT, Correspondent.

CROWLAND, WELLAND COUNTY.—Our division had a public installation of officers on its ninth anniversary on the 3rd inst. H. S. Schisler, P. G., Sec. of B. C., favored us with an interesting lecture on the working of the coal mines in British Columbia, which was of interest and value. We had also a programme of music and recitations in which visiting members from Port Robinson Division took part, and added much to the interest of the evening.

At Welland District Division, recently held, our division carried off the prize banner, held by the district division for the last four quarters.

LIZZIE REID, Correspondent.

PALERMO, HALTON COUNTY.—The new officers of Palermo Division were installed on the 4th inst. by L. E. Winick, Co. D., assisted by Dr. Buck. Bro. Russell Lawrence is W. P., and Stewart Jarvis, R. S. After installation refreshments were provided by the ladies to the members and visitors present and an enjoyable evening was spent. Visitors were present from Bronte and Applebee, who added much to the sociability of the meeting.

This quarter "the sides" selected for entertainment purposes, etc., are the ladies against the gentlemen. We are looking for a good quarter and revived interest in temperance work.

DR. McCORMICK, Correspondent.

DEAFNESS COMPLETELY CURED.—Any person suffering from Deafness, Noise in the Head, etc., may learn of a new, simple treatment, which is proving very successful in completely curing cases of all kinds. Full particulars, including many unsolicited testimonials and newspaper press notices, will be sent post free on application. The system is without doubt the most successful ever brought before the public. Address, Aural Specialist, Albany buildings, 39, Victoria street, Westminster, London S.W.

## Christian Citizenship.

A continuation of report of the addresses delivered by R. W. Dillon, of Toronto; at the London M. Y. P. A.—concluded from last week:

### POLITICAL RASCALITIES.

An ardent desire to see a policy succeed causes many a man to shift his reckoning and sail by stars that shine not in the moral heavens. Men who are pure and honorable in their private lives will use the most despicable means to obtain a political advantage. They call it "fighting the devil with fire"—it ought rather to be called "making a devil of oneself." The man who uses corrupt political methods is not a true citizen to any country, nor can he be trusted to safeguard the nation's sanctities.

At the caucuses of your political parties is the primary field for your Christian influence. The power of influence—who shall define it?—it is something subtle, indefinable, yet real; without lips, yet speaking; without visible shape, yet acting with tremendous potency, like the magnetic forces which travel and throb unseen around us, hidden in the dew-drop and uttered in the thunder. Tremendous indeed that influence which streams out from every human being, moulding and fashioning his fellows; stronger is it than action, more eloquent than speech, more enduring than life. Being holy, it sows the centuries with the seeds of holy living, being evil, it multiplies transgressors in the earth.

To-day every political question is a social one, and being a social one is of necessity a spiritual one. Christ claims the whole field of life, for the problem which he came to solve is the problem of living, and that includes all problems.

### NATURAL RIGHTS.

There were three rights which he explained, defended, enforced. Be it said in passing that the sole origin of every right lies in a duty fulfilled.

1. The first was the right to live. Man's presence in this world is not an accident. The God who cares for lilies and for atoms placed him here, and just as the grasses that grow and the rains that fall minister to the wants of the brute creation so it is the evident design of God that society should adjust relationships as would give to every man a right to an honest living, for Christ's Gospel is sufficient for the life that now is, as for that which is to come.

2. The second great right which Christ asserted was the right of liberty. Not liberty through the outrage of law, but liberty through obedience to the highest law. Man's recognition of the power of law and his faculty of ready obedience is one of the secrets of his greatness. The only true liberty is the liberty of the soul. Christ taught the supreme worth of the man as a man; the sacredness of his liberty of conscience which every other man must respect. To Christ every human being is a responsible unit with full powers and opportunities going on in the world, not to lose himself in committees of the whole, but to find himself a man amongst men. Here is the great fundamental difference between Christ's Gospel and the teaching of modern socialism. His method is inward, working through the individual, theirs is outward, commencing with society. Christ's change is spiritual, theirs is economic. Christ's renovation of society is a moral one; he would better the condition of things by bettering the man. He would bring in the kingdom of heaven by bringing man into the kingdom. For all social difficulties as for all spiritual problems Christ's solution was absolutely simple, "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free"—the truth which springs from a knowledge of Him who was himself the way, the truth, the life. God may have other words for other worlds, but for this world his word is Christ. The great right which Christ taught was the right of brotherhood. In every word which Christ uttered that sublime word was either expressed or understood. According to the teaching of Christ the more a man loved his brother the better did he love God, for if a man did not love his brother whom he had seen, how could he love God whom he had not seen.

To these three rights Christ added another—not the right of happiness which is the gospel of the political economist, but the right of sacrifice. He taught that the highest glory of man was his power of sacrificing himself for another's good, love, patriotism, holiness, they are all forms of sacrifice.

For

Whatever the world may fancy,  
 And whatever the wise men say  
 Of our nineteenth century progress,  
 Of a new and better way;  
 Still it takes a soul to save a soul,  
 Now, as in the olden day.

To make these rights and realities in the working life of the nation is Christian citizenship. We should then have a kingdom whose cardinal principles would be justice, trusteeship and love. Justice is the crying want of this world, the bread for which the people are ever hungering, the soul of health without which no State can be strong and abidingly progressive.

Dr. Johnson said, I have found men more kind than I expected and less just. Well, possibly it is easier to be charitable than just; to build a church with the profits of a whisky distillery than to give up a trade disastrous to

society—if profitable to the merchant; to give a gift to a hospital than to bestow a fair wage on the laborer. But let every one that nameth the name of the Lord depart from unrighteousness; that is, from injustice.

Not less important is the recognition of trusteeship. God elects persons and nations to enjoy privileges and discharge tasks for all mankind. Every generation has its trust for and its message from God. The special message for this generation is not merely "The son of man is come to seek and save that which is lost," but also he is come that men may have life and that they may have it more abundantly. Every country that is blessed of God has wide fields of human service that are to be possessed for him. When I remember what advanced ground the pioneers of this country took on the question of slavery, when I see the advanced temperance sentiment in our midst, I believe that God has entrusted to this nation the task of showing to the world the benefits of total prohibition to a nation and a people. At all events it is our business to preserve the truths of the past, and say and do that which shall be true for the future.

As Christian citizens we shall ever find our divinest duties in unraveling the tangled skeins of life; in helping to a juster division of the natural and appointed rewards of industry; in lessening poverty so that it may exist only as the just punishment of indolence and guilty incapacity in drying up the sources of social vice and creating decent, chaste and comfort-bringing homes in the place of hovels that generate impurities and render the healing courtesies of life impossible, because it would be wrong for Christ to protect the strong and the rich at the expense of the weak and the poor, it is wrong for the State; because it would be wrong for Christ to keep a liquor saloon, it is wrong for the State to profit by and protect that saloon; because it would be wrong for Christ to legalize gambling, it is wrong for the Government of this Dominion; because it would be wrong for Christ to enact one law for the woman and another for the man, it is wrong for society.

We must declare that no moral leper shall legislate for Christian people, declare that which is morally wrong cannot be politically right, declare a ceaseless crusade against all the vices of life and live to build up the "Greater Britain of the nobler soul, the new world of a nobler life." For my own part, I believe the time will have to come when party or individual gain must be sunk for the good of the State; when the representatives of the great religious denominations—not as churches, but citizens—having taken council together, will place the pressing moral issues before the people and compel any Government to bring the national laws into harmony with the ten commandments and the precepts of the Sermon on the Mount.

In conclusion the final analysis is this: We must be interested in reconciling capital and labor, not merely as a political economist, but as a Christian, interested in the purification of politics, not merely as a citizen, but as a Christian; interested in the poor, not simply as philanthropists, but as Christians; in short, if a man is a Christian it ought to go without saying that he is patriotic, public spirited, a lover of his kind, ready to give his life to bring men into right relationship with each other and with God.

As citizens of the kingdom we are stewards of its truth, we are representatives of its throne, we are defenders of its faith. As citizens of the kingdom we take our orders from the King—give an account of our service to Him.

Remember the butterfly life is neither approved of by God nor tolerated by men. Every useless, idle life is a menace to the State.

Many of the costliest treasures of the world have found their abiding place in Westminster Abbey. Here you may find all that the ingenuity of man can devise or the wealth of man purchase. But in the Queen's own private apartments, enclosed in an enamel and crystal case, lying open upon a white satin cushion is a well-worn and deeply-marked Bible. Carved beneath it there lies the simple inscription: "Like Lawrence, I have tried to do my duty."

This is the Bible of Chinese Gordon, and this is his last message to his Queen. Everyone has his hero; this man was mine. Upon his monument in St. Paul's Cathedral is written: "He gave strength to the weak, his sympathy to the poor, his sympathy to the suffering, his heart to God."

When the last bugle call sounds for us and we leave this earthly kingdom, may our comrades bear such testimony of us, and when we answer to the roll call in the King's presence may it be our right to say, "I have tried to do my duty."

All the world is but as one orphanage as long as its children know not God, their Father; and all wisdom and knowledge is only more bewildered darkness so long as yet have not taught them the fear of the Lord not to be taken out of the world in monastic sorrow, but to be kept from its evil in shepherded peace.—[RUSKIN.]

The healthy glow disappearing from the cheek and moaning and restlessness at night are sure symptoms of worms in children. Do not fail to get a bottle of Mother Graves' Worm Expeller; it is an effective medicine.