

It was resolved, that, for the present, the General Meetings of the Committee shall be quarterly, and that, at these, a Discourse on Temperance shall be delivered. The next Meeting is to be held on the 6th October, at which the President is to deliver a discourse.

The insertion of the above reports have been unavoidably postponed to the present time.

The quarterly meeting of the Perth Temperance Society was held in the Court house, on Monday the 29th ult., the Rev. W. Bell in the chair, when the names of 48 new members were added to the list, making in all 382.

After the ordinary business of the Society had been transacted, the following resolutions were adopted.

First.—As it is now abundantly proved by experience that total abstinence from all intoxicating liquors whatever, is not only safe but salutary, and as the common use of wine and beer &c., such as they usually are in this country, is operating as a powerful hinderance to the progress of the Temperance Reformation.

Therefore, Resolved, that the members of this Society be warmly recommended henceforth to abstain from all liquors that will intoxicate, and also to urge upon others the duty of following their example; and farther, that all who are willing to come under the pledge of total abstinence from all intoxicating drinks, be requested to signify their willingness to the secretary, who shall put a mark at their names accordingly.

Secondly—Resolved, that the resolution passed on the 12th October, 1833, constituting this Society an Auxiliary to the Upper Canada Temperance Society be rescinded and that the designation of this Society remain as it was before the passing of said resolution, and

Thirdly—Resolved, that in order to the success of the Temperance cause, the Secretary be directed to correspond with all the other Societies in this District, in regard to the propriety of forming a district Society and as to the means to be employed, and the time be fixed upon for its formation, and to report to next quarterly meeting.

Perth, July 18, 1835.

SMITH'S FALLS, July 25, 1835.

Extract of a letter from Smith's Falls, U.C.—“Our Temperance Society has nearly 200 members, a decided effect has been produced on the neighbourhood, I am informed that not one fourth of the quantity of the ardent spirits is used that

formerly was. Many act on the principle who do not join the society, the desire of spirits has not led to the adoption of other liquor as a substitute, at least very few cases have come to my knowledge.

IRELAND.

It must be gratifying to every friend of unfortunate Ireland to know that the Temperance Reform is rapidly spreading in that country; and we are confident that the more the principles of the temperance reform are acted upon, the sooner will Ireland become settled and prosperous.—Whiskey is the ruin and disgrace of Ireland; but the dawn of better times and happier days are now arising upon her.—The following is an account of a temperance meeting lately held at Cork, (by the Rev. Mr. G. W. Carr, travelling agent of the British and Foreign Temperance Society.)

On the evening of the 16th a large assembly came together in Cork in the Independent meeting house—Rev. Mr. O'Donoghue in the chair. It is encouraging to see the prosperity of the cause in Cork. Besides the city society, which is a good deal indebted to the zeal of its Secretary, the Rev. Mr. Dunscombe, of the established church, there are three promising congregational societies—two in the Presbyterian chapels and one in the Independent. There was an increase of 18 at the meeting, and an adjourned meeting to next morning to arrange matters connected with the duties of the committee. I expect monthly meetings will be held in each of the chapels before mentioned, and perhaps quarterly meetings for the city Society. At the adjourned meeting a person exhibiting much feeling, requested the Secretary to let him know what day he (giving his name) had joined the Society. He was answered, the 20th of November, 1833. “The anniversary of the day, I will, (please God)” said the inquirer, “keep as a memorable day whilst I live. On the evening of the day I came to a Temperance meeting in this house under the influence of eight tumblers of punch. A kind lady invited me to join the Society: I felt obliged by her condescension, and signed my name—you see how strangely and awkwardly it is written. From that moment I never tasted any intoxicating liquor whatever, and with the blessing of God, I never will. I can say with thankfulness, that the change is to me in my circumstances better than £200 per year. I am now master in my own brass foundry, giving employment to others, instead of looking out for precarious employment myself.

Formerly I sold my beds, furniture, clothes, &c.: now I possess all these conveniences and comforts, with every advantage for my family that they may require. You may judge of my situation and that of my injured family, when I say that I was in the habit of drinking 20 glasses of whiskey, or whiskey-punch in the day. I never drunk malt liquor,—nothing but whiskey—vile whiskey. But my great cause of thankfulness is the change produced in my mind: I bless God that the slave is made free. True, I sometimes kept up a form of religion. I have contrived to drink in the vestry room of the religious society in which I was born, and to which I am now attached in principle and affection,—to drink I say, and get drunk whilst service was going on.”

(Signed) G. W. Carr, Agent.

Lucius O'Brien, Esq., High Sheriff of the County of Clare, in Ireland, presided at the second meeting of the newly formed temperance society in the Court House of Ennis, on Wednesday, 25th March last, where he descanted on the pernicious effects of intoxication both to body and soul. On the motion of the Rev. Mr. Adamson, the rules of the temperance society of the city of Limerick was adopted. Many members were enrolled at the meeting.

It is stated in the Preston Temperance Advocate, that a Temperance Society has been established at Carlow by a Catholic priest, Mr. Maher. We would respectfully recommend to the Roman Catholic Bishops & Priests of these provinces to follow the above excellent example and also that of Dr. Doyle.

SWEDEN.

In this country the cause continues to prosper, and it has begun to excite attention and action in Denmark and Finland. Temperance publications have been forwarded by the American temperance society to a gentleman in the latter country.

RUSSIA.

From this country, a gentleman writes that the above temperance publications have already been translated into three languages, the Russ, the Esthonian, and the Finish; and that they are circulated through that vast empire, and even to the borders of Persia and China. These tracts are known to produce, in many instances, the desired effect.