

Miss Bowes, organizer for the W. C. T. Union, is in the county. She attended the convention and addressed the afternoon meeting. Her work will, no doubt, materially contribute to the success of the campaign.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee it was resolved that work should be carried on vigorously, with a view to having all the petitions completed in three weeks from the date of the convention. It was also decided to immediately send a copy of the *Scott Act Herald* into every house in the county, and next day after the convention circulars were issued to every part of the county relating to carrying out the details of the work undertaken.

**SIMCOE.**—The first meeting of the Simcoe Scott Act Association since the victory of last October was held on the 6th inst. There was an unusually large number of delegates present, prominent among whom were Judges Ardagh and Boys, Chas. Drury, M.P.P., and many clergymen. The object of the meeting was to receive a financial statement of the receipts and expenditure during the campaign, and to prepare for the proper enforcement of the Act when it comes into force on the 1st of May next. The total receipts were \$2,198.93, \$198.93 over the amount estimated for expenses. The expenditure amounted to \$1,989.61, leaving a balance on hand of \$209.32, which will be applied in payment of the expenses that may be entailed in enforcing the Act. The report met with the hearty approval of the Convention. Votes of thanks were accorded the Executive Committee, and to the President in particular, Mr. J. G. Strong, who was presented with a handsome gold watch as a slight recognition of his valuable services during the campaign. The Convention formed itself into a branch of the Ontario Alliance and adopted several important resolutions, one of which was:—

"That this meeting desires to record its strong disapproval of the proposed amendments to the Scott Act given notice of by Mr. McCarthy, so far as they tend to weaken the prohibiting character of the Scott Act, and that a copy of the resolution be sent to Mr. McCarthy and the leaders of the Government and the Opposition."

Another resolution was passed "declaring the determination before any parliamentary nomination not to vote for any candidate opposed to the Scott Act."

The appointment of one or more police magistrates was considered and referred to the Executive Committee to act upon. The convention determined to use the utmost vigilance in enforcing the Act, and urged the formation of a committee for that purpose. The following were elected officers of the new Association:—Hon. Presidents, Revs. Canon Morgan, Wm. Fraser, and J. I. Hindley; President, R. King, Sr.; Vice-President, J. G. Strong; Secretary, Rev. W. H. Barnes; Assistant Secretary, R. C. Fletcher; Treasurer, Alex. Lang, with the following Executive Committee:—Rev. D. D. McLeod, Rev. J. I. Hindley, and Rev. Mr. Annis, and Messrs. W. E. McLean, T. W. Gray, and C. E. Hewson.—*Globe*.

**BELLEVILLE.**—The city Scott Act campaign was opened at the City Hall, last Thursday evening, with a most successful meeting. Long before the hour of opening, the hall was jammed to the doors and when Mayor Dunnet called the audience to order the stairway and galleries were packed with a surging crowd anxious to see the speakers of the evening.

"Coronation" was followed by prayer by Rev. J. J. Rice, after which "Rescue the Perishing" was sung by the vast audience.

Mayor Dunnet, then introduced Mrs. Youmans, of Picton. Although suffering severely from the asthma, Mrs. Youmans spoke clearly and pointedly. Every sentence was a shot well aimed. She either convinced by logic, cut with the keenest sarcasm, or swept all before her with telling eloquence.

Rev. Mr. Sibbald announced that the Scott Act had been victorious in Northumberland and Durham. Cheering and the wildest enthusiasm prevailed for several minutes, when to the strains of the organ, all sang the Doxology with swelling, thankful hearts.

Mayor Dunnet then asked any opponent of the Act to come forward and support his cause. After waiting several minutes with no response, he called on Rev. E. W. Sibbald to address the meeting.

Upon the platform were the speakers of the evening, Mayor Dunnet, a large representation of the city and county clergy, Dr. Coleman, President of the City Executive, the officers and some

members of the W. C. T. U., through whose exertions Mrs. Youmans was induced to visit the city, and several members of the city executive.—*Canadian Patriot*.

**DURHAM AND NORTHUMBERLAND.**—Thursday, 27th February, 1886, will hereafter be looked upon as a red letter day in these United Counties. The voting, (thanks to the ballot and shutting up of the places where liquors were sold) in town passed off very quietly, and our friends throughout the counties can congratulate themselves upon the glorious results of their efforts towards the suppression of the evil of intemperance. Great credit is due to those rev. gentlemen who worked so hard for the success of the measure, and to all those zealous laymen who in spite of the most strenuous opposition—and in some cases, persecution—have fought the battle through.

The Act should and will without doubt be enforced in this town and throughout these united counties.

The following is the official returns of the Scott Act election for these united counties, as made by Mr. Roe Buck, the returning officer, at Cobourg, on the 3rd inst. :—

NORTHUMBERLAND.			DURHAM.		
	For.	Ag't.		For.	Ag't.
Cobourg.....	308	348	Port Hope.....	297	342
Hamilton.....	443	311	Hope.....	325	137
Haldimand.....	421	332	Millbrook.....	98	49
Brighton (Vil.).....	164	101	Cavan.....	273	107
Brighton (T'p.).....	318	243	Manvers.....	296	87
Campbellford.....	117	103	Bowmanville.....	321	125
Cramahe.....	336	166	Darlington.....	452	113
Colborne.....	137	48	Clarke.....	479	152
Murray.....	272	258	Newcastle.....	72	81
Percy.....	276	279	Cartwright.....	183	74
Hastings (Vil.).....	34	67			
Seymour.....	228	244	Total.....	2796	1267
S. Monaghan.....	118	15	Northumberland total	3254	2596
Alnwick.....	82	81		6050	3863
Total.....	3254	2596		3863	

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—*Port Hope Guide*.

**HALDIMAND.**—A Convention of the temperance workers of Haldimand County, was held in the Opera House, in the village of Hagersville, on Thursday, March 5th. In the absence of Mr. F. S. Spence, Secretary of the Dominion Alliance, who was unavoidably hindered, the Rev. D. L. Brethour, called the Convention to order, and the Rev. D. Chalmers, of Jarvis, led in prayer. On motion, the Rev. Mr. Brethour was appointed temporary Chairman. There was fully 300 delegates present from all parts of the County, very few divisions being unrepresented. The question as to the state of temperance sentiment in the County was then considered, about forty delegates taking part. Their reports were most encouraging and hopeful. Based on these reports a resolution was prepared and presented to the Convention, declaring the time had come when the Scott Act should be submitted to a vote of the electors of the County, and that immediate steps be taken to organize the County for this work. This resolution was carried unanimously by a standing vote, not one either speaking or voting against it. A County Scott Act Alliance was organized, with Rev. A. Grant, of Oneida, as President, and Mr. S. W. Howard, of Hagersville, Secretary-Treasurer.

An efficient executive was appointed, who can be called together in short notice when necessary.

A Vice-President for each municipality was appointed, and the time fixed for a public meeting of the electors in each township to organize. The most active and energetic men were appointed to this work. Petitions are to be put into circulation at once, and are to be returned to the Secretary by the 19th March. During the afternoon session the hall was packed with delegates and friends, many having to stand. A large representation of the clergymen of the county was present, and many of the most prominent men, including three editors of county newspapers.

The mass meeting in the evening was adjourned from the Opera House to the Methodist Church, the former place being too