

present at any regular meeting. Every such Ward Society shall have power to frame rules and regulations for the government thereof. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of each Ward Society to notify the Recording Secretary of the Convention of the appointment of delegates;—to prepare a list of the members remaining in connection with such Society at the close of each quarterly meeting, distinguishing the same under the three heads of males over 21 years of age, males under 21 years of age, and females; and within one week from the date of said meeting to transmit the said list, authenticated by the signature of the President or the Vice President, to the Corresponding Secretary of the convention. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer of each Ward Society to pay to the Treasurer of the convention on or before the second Monday in the months of March, June, September and December, all monies belonging to the convention fund which may have come into his hands.

It shall be the duty of the President of the convention to act as public prosecutor and informer in all information against persons infringing any of the regulations now in force or hereafter to be in force under or by virtue of the Acts 13 & 14 Vic. cap. 65, and 14 & 15 Vic. cap. 120, or any other laws hereinafter to be passed for the suppression of intemperance, and that in the event of any prosecution failing for want of evidence or any other cause, the costs thereof shall be defrayed by the Treasurer out of the convention fund.

It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary of the Convention to conduct the correspondence of the Convention and of the Standing Committee, and to prepare the Quarterly Paper of the Convention, which shall consist firstly, of the list of the male members of the Ward Societies over the age of 21 years, and the list of the various Divisions of the Sons of Temperance arranged alphabetically under their proper heads,—and secondly of such other matter as the Standing Committee shall judge necessary for the information of the members of the Ward Societies and the Sons of Temperance. Of these Quarterly Papers a sufficient number shall be printed to furnish one copy to each member of the Ward Societies, and each Son of Temperance in the County, and the said copies shall be furnished gratis to the subscribers to the Convention fund, and the price to non-subscribers shall be fixed from time to time by the Standing Committee.

It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep the minutes of the Convention and Standing Committee, and to prepare the annual report.

We the undersigned do agree, that we will not use intoxicating liquors as a beverage nor traffic in them; that we will not provide them as an article of entertainment, nor for persons in our employment; and that in all suitable ways we will discountenance their use throughout the community.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to take charge of the money belonging to the Convention fund, which shall consist firstly of the voluntary contributions of the various members of the Ward Societies and of the various Sons of Temperance in the County;—secondly of the half of every fine recoverable under the Acts 13 & 14 Vic. cap. 65, and 14 & 15 Vic. cap. 120, on the information of the President of the Convention, and lastly of all donations and bequests which may from time to time be made to the convention. The Treasurer shall pay all orders signed by the President and Recording Secretary.

Any clause in the Constitution may be amended by a two third vote of the members present at any regular meeting of the Convention.

The members then proceeded to ballot for officers, thereupon the following were chosen:—

President—John P. Roblin, Esq.
1st Vice President—Calvin Pier, Esq.
2nd do—James Macdonald, Esq.
Corresponding Secretary—Cecil Mortimer, Esq.
Recording Secretary—Rev. William Reid.
Treasurer—Jotham Raynor, Esq.
Standing Committee—Rev. J. A. Williams, Wilson Bentley, Esq., Rev. Gilbert Miller, John Rose, Esq., Caleb J. Williams, and Daniel Leavens, Esqs.

5th. Moved by Calvin Pier, Esq., seconded by Wilson Bentley, Esq., and

Resolved—That Rev. W. Reid, John P. Roblin, and Cecil Mortimer, be a committee to draft a petition to parliament in accordance with the resolution.

6th. Moved by Rev. J. A. Williams, seconded by Rev. W. Reid, and

Resolved—That this Convention recommends to the various Divisions of the Sons of Temperance and other Temperance organizations throughout the county, the establishment of libraries in connection with their Division or organization as a means of increasing their efficiency and usefulness.

7th. Moved by Rev. W. Reid, seconded by Rev. G. Müller, and

Resolved—That the Standing Committee be instructed to take the earliest possible opportunity of arranging a plan for the delivery of lectures periodically in every Municipal Ward in the County, and to appoint the place and time of meeting.

8th. Moved by Cecil Mortimer, Esq., seconded by Rev. J. A. Williams, and

Resolved—That it be recommended to each Division of the Sons of Temperance, and each Ward Society to procure donations and annual subscriptions from their various members in aid of the convention fund.

9th. Moved by Rev. J. A. Williams, seconded by Rev. W. Reid, and

Resolved—That the officers of this Convention and members of the Standing Committee resident in Picton, be a committee to prepare and issue an address to the County, embracing the various topics to which the attention of this Convention has been directed, and also to prepare the application mentioned in the second resolution.

10th. Moved by Rev. W. Reid, seconded by C. J. Williams, and

Resolved—That it is highly expedient to have a Temperance House in the Town of Picton, and that a Committee be appointed to consider the whole matter of the establishment of such a house, and report to an adjourned meeting of the Convention to be held on the last Thursday in January next. Committee, Messrs. C. Mortimer, J. P. Roblin, W. Bentley, A. W. Herrington, and W. T. Yarwood.

11th. *Resolved*—That the proceedings of this Convention be inserted in both of the newspapers published in the Town of Picton, and in the Montreal *Temperance Advocate*.

Alcohol's Doings.

We could fill our paper with the painful details of the work of the destroyer, but we apprehend this is not needed; every one in his own neighbourhood can supply these facts, and by the application of a very simple rule in arithmetic furnish to himself the awful aggregate in the whole country. It is well, however, now and again, to point to particular instances, that the enormity of the evil may not be lost sight of. A correspondent furnishes an instance of this kind, in the following:—

Richmond, Carlton County, Dec. 26, 1851.—The day usually observed in commemoration of the birth of our blessed Redeemer has just passed away, and again do we hail the return of day; but oh! how cold and chill our atmosphere, the frost king seems to rule triumphant, holding within his iron grasp all things susceptible of his relentless power. Whilst indulging in the foregoing reflections, at an early hour this morning, I received information, that during the past night a man had been frozen to death, which, upon further enquiry, I found to be too true. Yes, sir, that bacchanalian sovereign, Bacchus, has been honoured this morning with another sacrifice. True to their purpose, and unflinching in their loyalty, his votaries are still determined to prosecute their work of death. Suffice it to say, that I immediately repaired to the spot, and was summoned to attend the inquest. After the view of the body, the jury adjourned to hear evidence; and, after a patient investigation, returned the following

VERDICT—"That the deceased, William Northcot, met his death at Richmond, between the night of the 25th and morning of the 26th December, 1851, at the distance of about 60 yards from James McLean's tavern, in the said village, by being frozen