

□ A NEW DIVISION IN OXFORD, □
VISIT TO THE SONS BY BROTHER COOK.

Glanford, December 24, 1852.

SIR AND BROTHER,—

It is with feelings of gratitude to God, that I thus at this time, take up my pen, to address you as a Son of Temperance.

Brother, when we remember the command of our God, "remember me in all thy ways," and, the promise is, that he will direct our steps. I have been watching the past year, the movements of our Order, and am perfectly satisfied from the class of men and talent that we have among us; that our cause will under God's Providence succeed, and that this land, which now groans under the curse of the liquor traffic, will become like the Garden of Eden, when distress and misery (the fruit of intemperance) are known not. Thus, I have no doubt, will be the case, if we are all faithful as Sons to our obligations. You wished me, to give you, some account of my journey to the West, of this, to form a new Division I will do so now, in short, detailing the warm reception I received every where. First, I visited Brantford, D. G. W. P. Wade, the principal officer, there received me cordially. I found it in a flourishing condition. I then visited Woodstock Division, and was kindly received there by brothers Dixon, D. G. W. P. and Burke, W. P. Beechville and Ingersol were then visited by me, both of which places, I found progressing with their divisions, and advancing the cause.

I then went to East Zorra, 12th and 11th concessions, lot 25. This is a noble township and excellent land, settled principally by Scotch people; all inclined to Temperance principles. I hear there is only one tavern in the township. This augurs well for the cause. It is in size 12 miles long and 8 miles wide. Our little township of Glanford, is only six miles square, and our Council last year, allowed this township to be jestered with 10 taverns □; half of which, had not the legal qualifications as taverns, and were mere rum-holes to make drunkards.

In Zorra, I reported myself a Son of Temperance.—I was requested to hold a public meeting, which I did, and although, I have been a Methodist Local preacher for seven years, I never yet attained the faculty of lecturing publicly. A meeting was held according to notice, and after I had spoken of the origin, use, and progress, and benefits of the Order, and the benefits which flow from our principles, eleven men of good standing, came forward to form a Division, who were afterwards on the 25th October, duly organized and installed by myself, and brother Dixon, D. G. W. P. of Woodstock.

Officers of this Division for the first quarter, Albert W. Hill, W. P. Robert Archibald, W. A.; Robert Webber, R. S. Their night of meeting is Tuesday, and their number 33. Please notice it in your paper.

I next visited the Pioneer Division in London, which is a very large and growing one. The brethren received me very kindly. On my way home I visited the Temperance Division, on the 5th concession of Hambleton. This is a good division, and has an excellent brother for its W. P. Paré, was then visited in my tour, and found to contain a large and enthusiastic band of brothers. It shows as much respect to strangers as any division I ever met in, and the leading members are persons of great influence. I wish to say to the Order, through your valuable paper, that there is a great advantage in being a Son, in now travelling about the country. Nothing is more refreshing to the soul, than to meet after a hard day's ride, in a pleasant Division town, where all look on you, as of the same family. Finally, allow me, to say to all, who take your valuable paper, let us all as Sons of Temperance, be faithful to our obligations in and out of the Division rooms, and our work will flourish, notwithstanding its enemies may frown. God will be magnified and the community at large greatly benefitted by our labours.

In concluding these remarks, let me say a few words about our

GLANFORD DIVISION. □

"We now number 90 good members. During the past quarter, we took in five, and expelled five. This year we held our own, keeping the division also pure. Our present officers, are Brothers Philip Shaker, W. P.; Alexander Watson, W. A.; F. A. Macdonald, R. S. We expect this quarter, to do a good deal. Your valuable paper, will soon have, twice its number here, as it is thought, a great deal of, by every one. Our Divi-

son has adopted the advice of Brother Deek, in holding friendly meetings, □ to discuss Temperance subjects by our own members; which plan, will work well.

You are at liberty to publish the above.

Yours, in L. P. & F.

JONATHAN COOK.

To the Editor of the Son, Toronto.

From the Guelph Herald.

TEMPERANCE FESTIVAL IN FERGUS.

New Year's day the Festival of the Fergus Cadets of Temperance took place. It was well attended, especially by the younger class of society. Of biscuit, sweet cake, and tea, there was abundance, and the orderly serving and disposing of all did credit to the house-keeping talents of the Ladies, and the good health of the assembly as developed in the speedy exit of the currant cake. When the carnal man was satiated, Mr. James Ferguson was called to the chair, when we had an address and appeal peculiar to himself. Well for the nerves of the poor crockery they had been removed prior to his speech, for hands, feet, and heads of the company seemed to have discovered the perpetual motion, and were practising a wee whill, reminding one of a glorious meeting of the Shakers. We had many other addresses, edifying indeed; one particularly, from the Rev. J. Waldron, which can never be forgotten. His arguments, in the most happy manner drawn from Eternity, sobered the feelings, till every heart sighed and every judgment responded to their truth. On the whole, sir, between the speeches, the manly singing of the Cadets, and the well performed music of the Elora Band in their beautiful military dress, it was a meeting which must tell powerfully for the future interests of Temperance in Fergus.

Guelph, Jan. 3, 1852,

TEMPERANCE SOIREE AT SARNIA.

On New Year's evening a Temperance Soiree came off in the Rev. Mr. McAllister's church in this town. At the hour of meeting a large company, both from town and country, assembled to pass the evening in rational and friendly intercourse. The "creature comforts" were supplied in great abundance and the evening was spent very agreeably.—Several excellent speeches were delivered, and the intervals were filled up by several appropriate pieces by the choir.

The entertainment was got up by a joint Committee of the "Sons" and the Temperance Reformation Society, and the proceeds, (after defraying expenses) are to be added to the Charity Fund, in connexion with these bodies.—[Lambton Shield.

TEMPERANCE SOIREE AT HAMILTON.

The Burlington Division, S. of T., celebrated their Anniversary by a Soiree in the City Hall, on Thursday evening last. The attendance was very large and respectable. Mr. Jos. Faulkner, W. P. of the Division occupied the Chair, the duties of which were ably fulfilled. The Choir, under the management of Mr. E. J. King, sang some very beautiful pieces which were highly applauded by the numerous company. Refreshments were served in abundance, and as to quality and variety, we think could hardly be surpassed. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Mr. Goldsmith, R. Spryer, Esq., Warden of the United Counties, and others. Everything passed off to the satisfaction of all present, and the Burlington Division may well be proud of the success of this their first Soiree. The proceeds we understand amounted to upwards of \$100, which will be divided between the Daughters and Cadets of Temperance of this City.—[C. C. Advocate.

□ The Grand Division of Eastern New York were in Session in Albany on the second Wednesday in this month.

THE GREAT MASS MEETING AT A

Comes off next Tuesday and Wednesday. gret that we cannot go. The most eminent and friends of the temperance cause in the States will be there; Neal Dow, of Mass. Jewett, General Carey, and others. The of Honor, Good Samaritans, Rechabites, W. mians old Temperance Society, and Sons the Grand Divisions will be represented the Daughters, too, are to be represented their Grand Union is to meet there in Session. to be a grand mass meeting and demonst. Mighty rolls of petitions are to be presented fathers, daughters, and children of New pass a Maine law. Success to these glorious ments.

Toronto, Jan. 12,

MR. EDITOR:—In improving your kind of Cadets of Temperance, I take the liberty of you a few lines relative to the domes of our S. Last New Year's eve our Section presented ing Worthy Archon with a splendid Silver B. one side of which was beautifully engraved it of "Virtue, Love, and Temperance," in trian on the other side "Presented by the Toronto No. 15, Cadets of Temperance, to their much and respected W. A., Erasmus Wiman." It was presented by Bro. Jones, on behalf of the with an appropriate address, which was respon. Bro. Wiman at some length.

On last Wednesday evening we had the p installing the following officers for the ensuing: Bro. Peel, of Ontario Division, W. P.; S. De. A.; J. Jones, V. A.; J. Beatue, W.; M. L. W.; J. Agnew, T.; J. Duffin, A. S.; D. Row J. Tennant, A. S.; E. Rodden, G.; R. Walk. We have now about 80 members—our number greatly decreased in consequence of two new being formed therefrom; but we are steadily in and can say with the Poet—

"Shout the glad tidings, exultingly sing,
Our cause is progressing, new brothers we

I remain yours,

In Virtue, Love, and Temperance.

"AMICL
Of Toronto Section, C.

To the Editor of the Canadian Son of Temp.

MIMICO DIVISION.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—

I am well pleased with the first number paper for this year, and consider it an high- edging periodical, I sincerely hope it will still wider circulation this year. Our Div. though small, is steadily increasing. We are vouring to form a Section of Cadets here, and we will succeed, which will be truly grati, hope the day is not far distant, when the Temperance shall float proudly over all our and villages, until it shall embrace in its whole human family.

Yours in L. P. & F.

H. COLWELL.

Mimico Div.

January 12, 1852.

□ The *Nepher Bee*, says that a Tea Union of all picketed Temperance men, is to be formed in that neighborhood and county. says, that at a recent dinner given to Mr. no intoxicating drinks were on the table, are gratifying facts.

□ The putting of Wine and Brandy on the table at public dinners or suppers, is a great magnitude. It seldom happens that some attending at such feasts do not get the liquor—fuddled or make fools of themselves. custom for many years past, has been the stumbling block in the way of total ab. among the gentler classes of Society.