

prevent us from making that effort which is necessary to bring about a better state of things. I sincerely hope the present committee will be more active than the last for the past year. The entire town has been canvassed for subscribers for the Advocate.—*W. Kingston, Cor. Sec.*

INOXBOLL, Jan. 25.—In Oxford the good cause of total abstinence is still in the ascendant. Our monthly meetings (which are kept up with regularity) are well attended, and are enlivened with speech and song; they are usually addressed by young men, members of our society, who are taking an active part in the glorious work, and their efforts have been crowned with abundant success. Many old and well tried followers of Prince Alcohol have of late deserted his ranks, and entered under the waving folds of the banner of total abstinence. But whilst there are yet so many of our neighbours and friends held willing captives by the tyrant alcohol; and while so many thousands of our fellow beings are still paying homage to their Moloch of a modern age; our efforts shall not be relaxed. "Onward and onward yet," shall be our motto till a decisive victory is ours.—*J. R. Jackson, Cor. Sec.*

ADRIANO, Jan. 26.—Our society is called the Appleby Temperance Society, and was established about six years ago, since which time we have been steadily progressing though we have had to contend with peculiar difficulties, we have gone on from conquest to conquest; our members in good standing are 125, with every prospect of continued success. On new year's day last we had a temperance festival, which gave a fresh impulse to our society; our meetings are held monthly, on which occasions we supply speakers out of our own members, and our meetings are interesting and well attended.—*R. Saul, Sec.*

L'ORIGINAL, Jan. 27.—On Monday evening, Jan. 13, the annual meeting of the Ottawa District Total Abstinence Society was held at the red school house, on the Seigneurie of Longueuil. In the absence of the president Augustus Stone, Esq., one of the Vice-Presidents occupied the chair, but this he subsequently vacated on the arrival of the Rev. Mr. Metcalfe. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Byrne, and closed in the same manner by the Rev. Mr. Hughes. The whole time of the meeting was occupied in discussing, amending and passing certain resolutions submitted by Mr. Byrne, and in the election of officers for the ensuing year. The resolutions advert to the expediency of remodeling the society, and making such new arrangements as are likely to awaken and secure a more general interest in the temperance reformation; the organization of branches or sections of district operation, in connection with the District Society, appointing the Vice-Presidents to arrange the formation of the branches in certain specified localities, and to act as Presidents for the present year, &c. The suggestions not being fully adopted, renders the plan somewhat defective; but its operation will doubtless lead to further improvement, and we trust, to the advancement of the cause of temperance in the district. The officers chosen were: Dr. David Pattee, Pres.; C. P. Treadwell, Esq., J. P. Wells, Esq., Mr. John Lamb, Rev. F. Metcalfe, and Mr. James Frith, Vice-Presidents; Rev. J. T. Byrne, Secretary; Z. S. M. Hersey, Esq., Treasurer; Rev. Messrs. Gregor, Metcalfe, Hughes, Taggart, W. McMillan, McLaurin, McNally, and Mr. James Gambell, Committee. In a few days we expect the branches advertised to, to be formed, and such arrangements made as will secure greater interest in the temperance Advocate, and more prayerful and persevering attention to plans of future usefulness.—*JAMES T. BYRNE, Sec.*

LONDON, C. W., Feb. 1.—There was a temperance tea party here a few weeks ago, at which the Rev. William Ryerson very kindly assisted to promote the cause, and probably the present remittance is partly the effect of his advocacy. There are many public houses and a good deal of drinking in this place; and there was some talk of subscribing, if possible, a fund, to institute a market temperance house, for the farming yeoman, for copies of the Advocate to the different spirit dealers and licensing magistrates, and for similar purposes, to make your principles bear on the public mind in this town and district.—*A FRIEND.*

ELORA, Feb. 3.—The cause of temperance is making some progress amongst us—some hard cases have recently subscribed the pledge. We held a temperance meeting last Wednesday evening, in the Scotch Church, in the Township of Woolwich.—*STRENGTH BROWNELL, Wesleyan Minister.*

LIONT, Feb. 4.—The temperance cause in this vicinity is in the back ground, owing principally to the want of public lectures. If your society could send a lecturer this way, I think it

would be a means of reviving the cause and adding to the list of subscribers to the Advocate.—*J. S. HUTCHINS.*

BRACKVILLE, Feb. 6, 1845.—Here I am instead of being on my way to Pittsburgh, and here must I remain until Providence shall please to open my way. A dreadful and extensive storm of snow has visited these parts.—I came through the storm on Tuesday, and addressed a small meeting at Greenbush, then pressed in to this place for the evening appointment, which was a total failure. I immediately received an invitation to an Agricultural meeting, where I recognized several of our total friends, amongst others, J. W. Rose, and M. Cameron Esq., M. P. P.,—there was dinner &c., in connection with the proceedings, the whole conducted on total abstinence principles. It was a favourable opportunity for introducing a few remarks, but such were the regulations, that my lips were closed; still it was highly gratifying to myself to observe the influence of our beloved principle, and to see the "pure cold water sparkling bright" fill the glasses, instead of the "ruby wine" which causes war, contention, babbling, &c.

Our friends here are very active, and deserve every encouragement. I will through this storm, lose five collections, and will have to take the stage to Toronto, \$10, (12s 6d less than the regular fare, reduced by a tavern keeper because, I am a temperance man,) and I fear from that direct to Hamilton,—this frets me, but it is altogether accidental. I will of course improve the circumstance by urging upon other societies to make up the amount in their contributions.—*R. D. WADSWORTH.*

GALT.—I have just terminated a protracted temperance meeting in the beautiful town of Galt. Arrangements have been recently made to organize a temperance choir and a brass band. I hope the clouds of adversity which seem to hover over the cause will soon disappear, and that the sunshine of prosperity will be upon it, and that the friends of temperance may be as successful in all their laudable undertakings as they are liberal in supporting temperance principles.

BRANT.—At this place I attended a soirée a few evenings since, a sumptuous repast was provided for the occasion, the music was exhilarating, the singing excellent, and the speeches were appropriate and promptly appreciated. This flourishing village has a temperance hall, a temperance brass band, and a temperance hotel.

PRESBY.—This society embraces many staunch, judicious, and generous adherents to the pledge; several copies of the Advocate are taken here, and the Germans are beginning to enter the ranks of the temperance army. Last year the tavern-keepers were chosen trustees and closed the school-house against the temperance cause, so that meetings were held in mechanics' shops, but this year the totalists selected men of the right stamp for trustees, and the school-house is at their disposal.

PARIS.—I delivered six lectures in Paris lately, and received several valuable accessions to the pledge. The society here is in a promising and prosperous condition. The principle inhabitants of the place have endorsed the pledge, and their exertions are crowned with distinguished success.—*G. W. BUNYAR.*

Mr. Roblin is meeting with an encouraging reception, in the commencement of his agency.

SCOTLAND.—The efforts of the effort year are going on, and we peruse with pleasure the journals of several lecturers, who are permeating the country in all directions. Many indications encourage us to hope for great success of the temperance reformation in Scotland.

TEMPERANCE TRACT DISTRIBUTION.—A reprint of an excellent article in favour of the temperance movement, which recently appeared in the pages of the "Christian Witness," was, in the form of a four-page tract delivered at the doors of most of the churches in Edinburgh on Sabbath week, to the number of 20,000.

A meeting was held in London on Monday week, at Exeter Hall, Lord John Russell in the chair, for entering into subscriptions, and devising means to relieve Father Mathew from his embarrassments. About 2,000 persons were present.

The Queen has presented the British and Foreign Temperance Society with a donation of £25, and the Queen Dowager has also presented the same Society with a donation of £20.

UNITED STATES.—Mr. Gough is going from city to city producing a very strong impression in favor of the temperance cause wherever he pours forth his eloquent appeals.

At a temperance meeting in Washington, on Thursday evening, John Tyler, jr., son of the President, and a son of the Secretary of the Treasury, were enrolled amongst its members.—*Chrystal Fountain of February 3, 1845.*