

For the Son of Temperance.  
WHITCHURCH ADDRESS.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER

The Whitchurch Division have sent you an account of their Demonstration which you will be kind enough to insert, you will please arrange the places where the addresses should be put.

J. T. GURKETT.

ADDRESS OF THE LADIES.

The ladies of this vicinity present to the Sons of Temperance of the Whitchurch Division this copy of the word of God, feeling that whilst the Sons of Temperance make it their study in their places of meeting, and go forth to raise the fallen and save the young from the evils that have fallen so heavily on many of our fellow creatures, (taking the holy precepts and sure counsels of this blessed and best of books) they will not fail to accomplish the purpose for which they have banded themselves together as brothers. And the ladies of this vicinity hope that the Sons of Temperance in this place, and in every part of the earth where their name is known, may ever be distinguished as men who take the open Bible unsealed in spirit and in truth as the surest and strongest weapon in the good and humane cause they have espoused; and may the success of their labour be according to their highest hopes and most fervent expectations. They also hope that soon wherever the dwellings of men are found may be found enlightened, intelligent, humane and noble minded Sons of Temperance.

REPLY.

Ladies, it is with feelings of heartfelt pleasure I receive from your hands on behalf of the Whitchurch Division, your noble present, of this splendid copy of the word of God. Allow me to say that we receive this gift, as your free will offering to our noble order, as showing the estimation in which our efforts to raise the fallen from the evils intemperance has caused to press so heavily on man, and to save the young from the sin of drunkenness, are held by the ladies of Whitchurch. And we are well assured that with your countenance and support, and taking the sure counsels and holy precepts of this blessed and best of books, as our daily guide, and with a firm reliance upon Him who alone can give success, we shall not fail to accomplish the object for which we have banded ourselves together.

You are pleased to express a hope that the Sons of Temperance not only in this place (but in every part of the earth where their name is known) may ever be distinguished as men who make the open Bible unsealed in spirit and truth their surest and strongest weapon. I believe I only speak the sentiments of every member of the order when I assure you ladies that we desire no other weapon than the voice of truth sanctioned by this good book. We ask but the continued blessing of Heaven with the countenance and support of the wise and the good. It has in all ages of the world been the lot of those who have labored for the restoration of mankind to that state of holiness and happiness from which they have fallen through disobedience to the commands of the most High, to have to encounter the scoffs, the sneers, and ridicule of all those who reap a sordid gain by their fellow man's degradation, and of those who through ignorance are unable to reason fairly. And we, as Sons of Temperance are fully prepared to bear our full share, feeling as we do, that the restoration of comfort and happiness to even one friend, will amply repay our labor. The consciousness of being instrumental in reclaiming the wanderer, in drying up the source from whence flow nine-tenths of the evils that afflict mankind, constitutes our happiness, and in our onward march no sound of revelry is heard, no clang of armies engaged

in deadly strife, no weeping widow's piteous moan, no orphan's cry for bread, no angry passions disturb our peaceful triumphs, no paltry party interests subserve, no object in view but the best interests of man, we feel conscious of the approbation of Heaven and confident of success. We rejoice to know that much of the prejudice existing towards our noble order is giving way before the light of truth, and as our principles spread and prevail, so will peace, order and harmony increase, till discord and strife be driven from our world, and that glorious Millennium of happiness so long prayed for shall be ushered in, and mankind be engaged only in giving glory to God in the highest, and cultivating on earth peace and good will to each other. That your approval of the principles of our order thus publicly manifested this day will materially advance our interests in this place we feel morally certain. The silent and unobtrusive influence exerted by the charms of female society, is not the less potent by being exercised in the cause of suffering humanity, and when that influence which has heretofore been exerted though often unconsciously in forming a taste for intoxicating liquors, shall be exerted in correcting a depraved appetite, and in teaching to shun the unholy cup, by all the mild persuasive powers of female kindness, may we not confidently anticipate the certain and speedy banishment of alcohol as a beverage among mankind? In conclusion, ladies, I thank you most sincerely on behalf of the Division of which I am proud of being an humble member, for this splendid gift, and my sincere prayer to God, is, that we may ever peruse its pages with delight, store our minds with its blessed truths, lay hold on its precious promises, and through its teachings be made wise unto salvation. And when our great Patriarch above sees fit to call us home, may you and all of us be prepared to put on the bright immortal and glorious Regalia of your upper and better world which shall endure through the endless ages of eternity and grow brighter with the lapse of ages.

EDITOR'S TABLE.

Since our last issue we acknowledge the receipt of the Athenæum a well conducted temperance paper, the organ of the Sons of Nova Scotia, published in Halifax.

The *American Temperance Magazine* has not yet come to hand altho' we have sent an exchange several times. We see our exchanges speak well of it.

The *New York Organ* is an ably conducted Sons of Temperance organ. The last number is unusually good.

The *Reformer* of Jewersburg County is greatly enlarged and improved. The *Ulrich Teetotaler* and the *Cayuga Chief* are well conducted weeklies. Indeed there is a wonderful improvement in the editorial management and typographical appearance of the *American Temperance Press*. All this shews the progress of temperance principles. The reading public take an interest in the movement, and unless the friends patronize and pay, the Press cannot flourish.

The *Canada Temperance Advocate* continues to set before the public many choice articles and able arguments in favour of Temperance. This very useful friend should be every where patronized.

The *Literary Garland* of Montreal comes out again with many good tales and much good matter. It lacks however a variety of literary matter including science.

We also acknowledge the receipt of the "Ontario Reporter, and wish it success.

PARLIAMENTARY NEWS.

Since our last issue a number of Bills have been advanced in progress and some passed.

The Incorporation Act of the Sons has been read a third time in the House and sent to the Council where it will no doubt pass this week into a law.

The Methodist Incorporation Bill has passed in the Lower House.

A Bill authorizing the building of a railroad between

Toronto and Guelph has been passed, and we hope to see it commenced. There is little doubt now but that the Northern railroad between this city to Barrie and Lake Huron will be commenced during the fall. The City of Toronto have taken £35,000 stock. Great efforts are being made to have a trunk railroad through all the Provinces from Halifax to Sandwich. Resolutions favourable to the project have been passed by the House. It is based on a loan of money (seven millions of pounds) by Great Britain to the Provinces to be guaranteed by the latter. No doubt a road of this kind would be of incalculable benefit to the people; but to pay, it must have the American travel in addition to our own.

The representation Bill has again been thrown out because not based on the principle of population. What other principle could be adopted than this in a rational point of view? In proportion to the people or voters so should the representatives be.

The Party Procession Act of 1843 has been repealed.

The Seigniorial Bill converting the tenant lands of Lower Canada into freeholds is likely to pass into a law, and such a result is much to be desired.

An arrangement seems to have been made in Toronto between the leading ministerialists and the leaders of the old reform party to the effect that the two sections of the party will go to the people on definite principles of progressive reforms. In consequence of this the *Examiner* and *North American* are pacified, and the Reform Press seems to acquiesce. Dr. Rolph is mentioned as the future leader of the Reform party in Canada West.

Since writing the above, we hear the Son's Incorporation Act is passed.

FOREIGN NEWS AND ITEMS.

The reports say that the Cuban revolution is at an end; others again say that Gen. Lopez has sailed for Cuba with 800 armed men from New Orleans.

A young woman seduced by a young man in New York city last week stabbed him with a dirk, causing instant death. He had married another.

The Papal Aggression Bill has become a law in England enacting penalties against Catholic priests.

The potato crop in Ireland is very good. Manufactures in England are prosperous.

There is nothing of importance transpiring in Europe.

The Queen of England prorogued the British Parliament on the 8th inst.

MARKHAM SOIREE.

The Sons of Temperance will bear in mind that this splendid affair will come off next Thursday. Let all attend who can. It is a ladies demonstration in favour of the Sons, and no true Son far or near should absent himself. It is only a three hours drive from Thornhill or Toronto.

CADETS.

Br. R. of Beamsville, writes us, that the Cadets now number 40 there and are increasing constantly.

Br. O. Everett, writes us, that the Dundas Section of Cadets, No 53, was organized 1st April, and now numbers 60 members. An address from one of them appears in this number, and the other will appear in our next.

The Sections in this city are all the time increasing.

YORKVILLE EXCURSION.

We are happy to say this affair turned out to the satisfaction of all. The brethren in this enterprising division had complete success. About 500 Sons and their wives with some few others, went over on the "Chief Just ce" to the Falls. Over two hundred could not go for want of room. The day was a little wet when they first started but finally turned out fine, and the company had a very pleasant time of it. Many came in from the country. Most of the Division at the Don Mills went, and a large part of the Ontario Division with some from Toronto and Coldstream Divisions. The Cooksville and Weston bands attended, and did