

ing the same year 204,027 gallons of whiskey, beer, brandy, etc., are reported as consumed by the Excise Department, and paying duty at the Custom House, the value of which is estimated at \$254,367. The correctness of these figures cannot be doubted, as they were furnished by the Treasurers of the different societies and churches and the officers of the Inland Revenue and Custom House.

The above statistics of the fearful quantity of intoxicating liquor consumed in our midst, and the large amount of money expended on it, shows us the great need there is for more workers and increased earnestness in the temperance cause. May we, then, go forward with renewed zeal to the work in this part of our Master's vineyard, looking to Him for the help we so much need. 'Then let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not.'

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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"Recording Secretary.

ST. CATHARINES.

MISS JULETTA HUFF reported for the St. Catharines work. The Union was one of the outgrowths of the enthusiastic gathering of our first Convention. Our work has been united with a common purpose for an end. Many of our members have done individual work, personal visiting, helping to encourage the struggling ones who signed the pledge under the "Gospel Temperance Movement," introduced by Mr. Rine, many have proved faithful, and many happy homes are here to-day, because the gospel of "brotherly love" has been practically preached. We have been trying to use the Press, and have found this to be one of our greatest helps, and the personality that has the largest influence, wields the most power, and informs the most minds.

We had a visit during the early summer from Mr s. Youmans who gave us another push to activity. In the fall, Mrs. Annie Wittenmeyer came to us, and her words of inspiration will long be remembered. We received from her much help and knowledge just how to do our work in the best way. A flourishing "Band of Hope," is now in progress, under the auspices of the W.C.T.U., where we are gathering the little waifs who have no home-instruction, and to whom home is only a "stopping place." There are also, in this city, two organizations of this sort, under the direction of the different Sunday Schools which they represent.

In the "East End," we have established a "Women's Gospel Temperance Prayer Meeting," held every Monday evening, and we are praying that this little Mission may be a "Rock of Refuge" to the tempted-tried ones, who are trying to break the power of appetite. We had almost forgotten to say that we have circulated a Petition to