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FROM the beginning, Methodism has borne testimony against tippling-houses and dram-drinking. At an early day our Church took advanced ground in favour of total abstinence, and our preachers were among the first in the field contending for the legal suppression of the liquor traffic. It gives us pleasure to note that indications abound that our people occupy no doubtful position on this subject, and will hold no second place in the pending struggles for constitutional prohibition. The liquor traffic is so pernicious in all its bearings, so inimical to the interests of honest trade, so repugnant to the moral sense, so injurious to the peace and order of society, so hurtful to the homes, to the Church and to the body politic, and so utterly antagonistic to all that is precious in life, that the only proper attitude toward it for Christians is that of relentless hostility. It can never be legalized without sin. No temporary device for regulating it can become a substitute for prohibition. License, high or low, is vicious in principle and powerless as a remedy. — Quadrennial Address of Bishops of the M. E. Church of America.

S. OF T. JOTTINGS.

Don't forget the National Division. Everything promises well for a grand rally of continental Temperance workers at Toronto on July 12th.

York District Division, Sons of Temperance, will hold its next meeting at Kettleby, on Tuesday, June 5th. Business meeting at 10.30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Public meeting in the evening. The Grand Scribe is expected to be present and take part in the proceedings. The G.W.P. also has expressed his intention to be on hand, if business duties will permit. This will be an important and interesting session, and it is hoped that each Division in the county and city will be well represented.

The next session of the Ontario District Division will be held in Claremont, on Friday, June 1st. Business sessions forenoon and afternoon. Public meeting at night. This District Division is steadily growing in interest, in importance and in usefulness, and a largely attended and enthusiastic session is confidently expected. All members of the Order are cordially invited. The Grand Scribe and the Grand Treasurer will probably be present.

A new division was organized at East Toronto, on the evening of the 3rd inst., by W. H. Bewell, G. S., assisted by Jas Brooks, P.G.W.A., Jas. Magrim, D.G. W. P., Geo. F. Stephenson, District Scribe, and members of Harvest Home and Scarboro Junction Divisions.

Sundry Items.

There is a W. C. T. U. in operation in the City of Mexico.

The Soldiers' Total Abstinence Association has about twelve thousand members among the British Soldiers in the Army in India.

It is a sad reflection upon the consistency of Christians that the Mohammedans of Constantinople are trying hard to suppress the saloons which those so-called Christians are carrying on.

Outside Parliament.

Campaign work is going on with unusual vigor in nearly every part of the United Kingdom. Enthusiastic public meetings are being held, and invariably the Local Government Bill with its absurd compensation clauses, is strongly condemned.

They Do Well Without Whisky.

One of the most interesting addresses made, at the recent International Council of Women at Washington, was by Dr. Mary Weeks Burnett, of the National Temperance Hospital, Chicago. This lady stated that in the past two years about seven hundred cases had been treated in this institution. These cases came from all classes of people, and covered nearly every kind of disease. There had been no deaths. The history of the hospital conclusively demonstrated that even in the most critical cases, patients were better without alcohol. The constitution of the hospital requires that all medicines prepared in it must be prepared without alcohol, and this condition has been strictly carried out.

CANADIAN NEWS.

FROM THE FRONT OF THE FIGHT.

The Boings of Drink—The Progress of Prohibition—The Rowdiness of Ram.

The town of Brighton has re-organized its formerly very effective blue-ribbon club, which will hold meetings every Friday evening.

A series of Gospel Temperance meetings in Richmond Hill, held by the Rescue Quett resulted in the addition of sixty members to the R. T. of T. Council.

The license commissioners of Brantford have decided that they will not renew licenses to any applicant who has been fined twice during the year, for violation of the law.

Rev. W. A. McKay, of Woodstock, and Mr. Joseph Gibson, of Ingersoll, recently paid a visit to Beachville, and held a very effective meeting, under the auspices of the W.O.T.U.

Woodbridge is having a Temperance boom, as the result of a visit of one of the Royal Templars. Sons of Temperance, Good Templars, and Royal Templars, are all at work in this little town. Surely this is a waste of money and machinery, when one strong society could do all the work much more economically.

A dissolute young woman named Bertha Robinson, was brutally kicked to death by a drunken desperado, in a house on Victoria Lane, Toronto, on Monday last.

The Same Old Story.

Temperance people do not seem to hang together well for the electing of municipal officials even outside of Ontario. The County Council of Cape Breton has refused to appoint officers to enforce the Scott Act, eight being in favor of the appointment and ten against it. The Council went further, declaring itself opposed to the Scott Act and in favor of repeal.

Going On.

The Renfrew County Alliance held a meeting at Pembroke last week. There was present a good representation from different parts of the county. Of course the recent reverse was discussed, but there was no feeling of any other attitude than that of determined antagonism to the liquor traffic, and a stern resolve to fight the battle of Prohibition right along. A full delegation of representatives was appointed to attend the Montreal Convention.

Organizing in the Northwest.

A branch of the Northwest Prohibition Alliance has been formed at Regina. The following are the officers elected: President, C. J. Atkinson; Secretary, J. J. Young. Committee, Rev. Messrs. Urquhart and Daniel, and Messrs. Clark, Dobbin and Neilson. The new organization will at once get to work on lines of vigorous campaign effort, holding gospel temperance meetings.

A Hot Worth Heeding.

A correspondent from Huron county wishes us to state to our readers that one of the chief causes of Repeal in that county, was the failure of both Government officers and Temperance men to push prosecutions with energy. Instances are given in which many hotel-keepers sold liquor freely and openly, while no conviction for a third offence was ever made. We believe our friend is right. In the counties that have not yet voted on the Repeal question, the Act may be sustained by immediate, earnest, honest, energetic enforcement work.

The Simcoe Vote.

The official returns for the Simcoe Repeal vote have been published. They show the following result: Total votes polled, 10,831. For the Repeal, 6,906. Against the Repeal, 3,895. Majority for Repeal, 3,101. The voting on the adoption of the Act stood as follows: Total votes polled, 10,241. For the Scott Act, 5,712. Against the Scott, 4,529. Majority for the Scott Act, 1,183.

Two Year's Work.

Mr E. A. Powers is Scott Act Inspector for East Durham and has been enforcing the law since May 1st, 1886. During that time he has had 150 cases, and has secured 131 convictions, 19 cases being dismissed. Three of the parties he prosecuted were sent to jail, one for 30 days, one for 50 days, one for 60 days. He has collected \$7,250 in fines. The total expenses of enforcing the law have amounted to \$2,550, leaving a balance of \$4,700 on hand. Mr Powers has had a good deal to fight against, and has incurred a good deal of enmity. His first case alone cost \$117 although the fine imposed was only \$50. The Antis have not dynamited him yet.

Dodging the Law.

A Scott Act case tried recently at Uxbridge shows up well the tricks by which evasions of the law are managed. F. Golding was charged with selling liquor in the Mansion House, and Mr F. Webb, proprietor of the hotel, was up on a similar information. Golding pleaded not guilty, but just at this time a list of witnesses was placed in the hands of the prosecuting lawyer. Mr Webb carefully scrutinized it, whispered quietly to Golding, and that gentleman withdrew his plea, said he was guilty, and was fined \$50 and costs. Webb and Golding then jointly testified in support of the plea, that the bar was let by Webb to Golding, the latter only being interested in the sale of liquor, so Golding got off, notwithstanding that he was so far interested as to produce the money that Webb was called upon to pay.

The Prohibition Party.

An announcement has been made in the daily papers, that the "New Party," which was recently formed in Toronto, is making arrangements to push work vigorously. At a meeting of the Executive Committee it was arranged that an organizer should be employed. The following resolutions were adopted:

1. That in the opinion of this Council, the recent defeat of the Scott Act in a number of counties by large majorities indicates very clearly that local option no longer commands the confidence of the people as a remedy for the drink traffic, and that the way is now clear for Prohibition measures pure and simple.

2. That the course pursued in the House of Commons in regard to the Jamieson bill must convince every unprejudiced person that both the existing parties are hostile to advanced Temperance legislation and that the only consistent course now for Temperance men is to aid in the formation of a distinct political party with Prohibition as its avowed policy.

MORE ROWDYISM AT BEAVERTON.

A Constable Assaulted and his Prisoner Released—Holding a Paragonage—Law-breaking and Law-breakers.

On Monday of last week the little town of Beaverton had an exciting time. County Constable Jewett had a warrant for the arrest of one Joseph Elliot who failed to pay a fine for a Scott Act violation. He met his prisoner in the town, arrested him, and the result was a row, in the course of which the constable got Elliot down, and was in the act of handcuffing him, when he was attacked by Dr. Walter Hamilton, son of Alexander Hamilton, of whom the readers of the CANADA CITIZEN already know something, and some associate roughs. The assault succeeded in getting the prisoner free. Jewett drew his revolver, but it was wrenched from him by his antagonists. These are the facts of the case, and our readers will notice the strange contrast they make with the account telegraphed to the Empire last Tuesday.

The Antis in this locality are desperate and mean enough to indulge in any contemptible manifestation of their spite. This will be clear from the following extract clipped from last week's issue of the Woodville Advocate: "What, in the name of all that is good, is this town coming to? Are we under the control of a gang of outlaws, and if so, is no attempt to be made to discover the infernal scoundrels who are making the name of this village a by-word for petty violence second to none in the Province? It certainly appears so at present. In the ill-starred name of the Scott Act many mean and petty little spites have been worked off, and it appears that everyone who has the courage to say that he does not believe in the usefulness of the grog-shop or the use of whisky, is promptly marked for annoyance and may be bodily injured. It is only a short time since we chronicled the vindictive breaking of Mr. Wilson's windows on Bay street, and now we learn that on Monday night about 2.30 o'clock the Methodist paragonage was similarly assaulted and the front windows broken with stones. It is almost needless to say the Rev. Mr. McKee is a temperance man and one not afraid to have his views known. The reverend gentleman, we learn, on hearing the crash, leaped from his bed in time to see several men near the house, all, it appears, armed with stones, who were prepared from any one who might emerge from the building.

A Beaverton correspondent, under date May 8th, writes us:—DEAR CITIZEN.—We had Scott Act trials on the 8th—four charges. One was against Mr. Logan of Brechin, bar-tender for Thos. Roach. He was fined \$50 and costs. Three were against Alex. Hamilton of Hamilton house, Beaverton. These cases were each laid in a third offence. He pleaded guilty, but judgment was reserved for Friday, when it was to be given at Uxbridge. The reason of this delay was, we

understand, to give the Inspector time to consult Government about the second and third of these charges, which cover the same space of time. The informations, as put before the court, are exactly the same, and Mr Hamilton, having pleaded guilty to first and second offences, the Inspector wished time to inquire of the Government whether under the circumstances he would be justifiable in regarding the second and third as one offence. I have heard, however, that the Inspector laid in each of these informations himself, and that he said the witnesses in the second and third charges were not the same.

If this be true, we may congratulate Mr. Hamilton on having in Mr. Frankish the Inspector, and Mr. Chapple the prosecuting attorney, the best defenders that have yet appeared in his behalf in Beaverton. I do not believe that either Mr. Groer of Orillia or Mr. Madill, M.P., of Beaverton, his former attorneys, could have seen far enough to advise him to plead guilty, nor have had sufficient cheek to stand up and request that two third charges might be regarded as one, when against a man who previously had been five times convicted before the same court. We learn that the proprietor of the temperance house across the street, hoping for the same great mercy, has begun once more the sale of intoxicants.

We scarcely expect now that Mr. Hamilton will be fined, as the offences are laid in as thirds, and we have no expectation that he will be committed to gaol, because—because—it is needless to say.

W.C.T.U. HEADQUARTERS.

The W.C.T.U. workers in Toronto are keeping at it, hard and fast. They have made up their minds that Toronto will have a centre for W.C.T.U. work, and Mrs. C. Skinner, Sec. Treasurer of the Headquarters Fund, is making it boom. It has not yet been decided whether or not the building will be for Toronto workers only, or will also be a provincial centre. Circular letters have been sent out by the president and secretary of the provincial union, asking the different local unions to vote on the question. It is suggested that a special meeting be called in each place, the question thoroughly canvassed, and a report of the discussion sent in. The work our good sisters are engaged in deserves every encouragement and success. Mrs. McDonald, President of the Toronto W.C.T.U. has sent out a stirring appeal for co-operation, in which she says:

There is nothing like having a definite object in view. The object at which the Toronto W.C.T.U. are aiming now is headquarters in which their work may be effectively carried on, and with the blessing of God, this crowning endeavour of our organization will have a successful issue. If we would make the undertaking a blessing to the cause, and a success, the building must be self-supporting. That this is feasible, in a great centre like Toronto, I feel assured. The first matter for consideration is a site. It must be central and well located to bring rents into our treasury. The building itself ought to be built from the foundations up with special regard to the requirements of our work, and so large that a fair income could be realized from the rentals. As to the financial outlook—not the least consideration, the money ought to be as far as possible the free will offerings of women. W.C.T.U. Headquarters means a place sacredly dedicated to the cause of women owned, controlled, and managed by them. If a call were issued for funds for this purpose there are not many women in our city who would not, we feel sure, aid us cheerfully in this enterprise of women for women. The magnificent voluntary offerings of our Toronto local unions show plainly how our women feel in this matter. Sisters, does it not remind you of the building of the Tabernacle? when the women came, as many as were willing hearted and brought bracelets and ear-rings, and rings and tablets, all jewels of gold, a willing offering unto the Lord, and all the women that were wise hearted did spin with their hand and brought that which they had spun, both of blue and of purple, and of scarlet and of fine linen, because their hearts were stirred within them because they were building unto the Lord. Is there anything that will call forth the energy of our womanhood more effectively than the building of a temple for God, home and humanity? I believe so. There in the Lord's name let us arise and build.

Mrs. Skinner, whose well known energy and perseverance are being generously devoted to this important work, sends us the letter and list of subscriptions which we subjoin. We have much pleasure in publishing the list, and will be pleased to add to the list as the subscriptions come in. Let there be a grand rally of all those in favor of moral reform, in this direction, so that the W.C.T.U. may be able to accomplish the laudable object on which they have set their hearts.

Editor Canada Citizen:—

DEAR SIR.—The local unions are just now confining their collecting for Headquarters Building fund, to their own members. They have each voted to raise among themselves certain sums after that is accomplished, they will then collect from the general public.

Central W. C. T. U. voted \$600. The promises are very much larger than the cash received and in most cases are only part of the amount the unions expect to raise.

- Miss Bond, 40 Alexander St. (first brick) \$ 5 00
Mr James Cowan, 5 Moss Park 5 00
Mrs D Cowan, 65 Bloor 5 00
Mrs Jas Leslie, Wellington (friend) 5 00
Mrs Smith, 151 McCaul 5 00
Mrs Pearson, 35 Pembroke (part of donation) 5 00
Mrs Verner, 237 Parliament 5 00
Mrs Wightman, Deer Park (friend) 5 00
Mrs J T Moore, Summerhill ave. (part of donation) 5 00
Mrs Powell, 81 Winchester 5 00
Mrs H Webb, 447 Yonge (part of donation) 5 00
Mrs Orr, St Wilton ave (part of donation) 5 00
Mrs Tyner, 53 Queen east 5 00
Mrs Russell, 39 Oxford 5 00
Mrs C Skinner, 275 Yonge (part of donation) 10 00
Mrs R McDonald, 14 York Cham bers (part of donation) 10 00
Miss Harris, 95 Wellesley 5 00
Mrs Robt Anderson, 230 Yonge 2 00
Mrs D Rose, 256 Victoria 2 50
Mrs Henderson, Elora (friend) 3 00
Mrs Lloyd, 251 Huron 2 00
Mrs Massey, 433 Jarvis 2 00
Mrs Rev. J. Pickering, 58 Beverley 2 00
Mrs Carman, Sherbourne 2 00
Mrs Matthews, 96 Hazleton ave 2 00
Miss Loye, 100 Teraville 2 00
Mrs Neil, 527 Sherbourne 1 00
Mrs A. Penn, Daviaville (friend) 1 00
Mrs W. Nord, 91 Alexander 1 00
Mrs Wm Mason, 409 Jarvis 1 00

Received from Mrs Finch, 70 Gerrard east, social including donation from Miss Cartwright \$5. 30 00

Receipt from Mrs Smith, 151 McCaul, social 13 20

Receipts from Mrs Foster, 70 Gould, social 26 00

Receipts from Mrs. Rose, 256 Victoria, social 13 00

Receipts from Mrs. Ald. McMillan, social 14 15

Monthly district collection 4 00

Donation from Northumberland Co 3 00

Collected by Miss M. G. Watson, member of Central.

Mrs. Geo. A. Cox, Sherbourne. 10 00

A. J. Hill, 115 Bloor. 1 00

M. A. White. 85

Master Thompson, 400 Church 40

M. B. E. Walker, 133 Beverley 1 00

Willard Union collected by Mrs. Troutman

Mrs. Calbert. 5 00

Mrs. Mason. 2 00

Mrs. Curzon, 41 Bellevue place 2 00

Mrs. Miller, 86 Brunswick ave. 1 00

Mrs. E. Sinclair, 3544 Spadina. 2 00

Mrs. Arms, 27 Bellevue place 2 00

Mrs. Pease, 50 Magill 2 00

Mrs. Steele, 216 McCaul 2 00

Collected by Miss Harris for Central.

Mrs. Mackay, 571 Yonge 5 00

Mrs. James Fleming, 19 Elm 1 00

Collected by Mrs. Tyner for Central.

B. Ebbottson, 37 Elizabeth. 25

James Rainford, 188 King. 50

Total cash received to date \$259 55

May 7th, 1888.

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A Great Meeting in the Pavilion—Success

Ensured for the Headquarters Bohems. The W. C. T. U. concert in the Horticultural Pavilion on Tuesday evening last was a great success. Notwithstanding unfavorable weather the large hall was crowded by a highly pleased audience. The entertainment was exceptionally good. The addresses of Messrs. W. H. Howland and J. J. MacLaren evoked rousing enthusiasm. The sale of refreshments was well patronized, and the ladies will doubtless have netted several hundred dollars for their building fund.

Our Deadly Foe.

COILED in the heart of the nation, today, Lifting its head in defiant way At threats the temperance people make, Is a terrible snake.

Sapping the life of young and old, Hid, methinks, 'neath some fold Of the stars and stripes now trailing low, Lies this wily, insidious foe.

What ' nursing a viper! Giving it food, While it is taking The nation's blood! Down with the traffic! Away with the sin! With laws to prohibit, The day will begin.

A day—full of brightness To dawn o'er the race, When God's chosen people Shall see, face to face. With love to the neighbor Their hearts will overflow, And find sweetest labor The " Redeemer to know." Then temperance will spread Like the waves of the sea. Then lift up your heads For a country that's free.