

ple—defying law, and making all pandemonium ring with approving applause. Go on they may to their own ruin, and the murder, most foul and unnatural, of thousands, but their end and the end of their bad business is nigh—What a shame that good type should be used to keep alive a bad cause, and perpetuate wholesale slaughter.

### Grand Division S. of T.—Canada East.

By a resolution of the last session, this delegated body of Sons, will meet at Aylmer, on the second Wednesday of August, at 10 o'clock, a.m., for the transaction of the quarterly business of the order. It is hoped all the subordinate divisions will be represented, and that the order will be found in a flourishing condition.

The worthy Grand Scribe, brother Rose, has favoured us with a communication from brother C. Symmes, of Aylmer, who is authorised to invite the cooperation of the Grand Division in celebrating the anniversary of the formation of the Aylmer Division.

Brother Symmes further states, "I am requested also to state that conveyances for the members of the Grand Division will be in waiting on the wharf at Bytown on the arrival of the boat, Tuesday evening, to take them to Aylmer, that you may have an early session on Wednesday. Your session will only be broken on the afternoon of Thursday by our soiree or demonstration."

Brother Symmes also says in his letter to brother Rose, "the Divisions in this locality have all been invited. The Bytown brass band will be in attendance. Mr. Scott, of Bytown, furnishes the tables, and we shall erect a large tent to set them in."

We rather guess that this meeting of the Grand Division will be the best ever held in Canada East. We hope the weather will be auspicious, and that the Ladies of Aylmer and vicinity will lend a hand to the Gents. If they do not, something will go wrong. It is all-important to have the sympathy and aid of the fair sex.

### Our Contemporaries and Exchanges.

We mean none of our friends any wrong in delaying a notice of their improvements, or in hailing the appearance of any new laborer in the field of literary enterprise.

The *Peterborough Review* is entitled to a friendly notice. It has started in good hands, and has shown itself worthy of patronage.

The *New York Organ* has started a new volume, and continues to present to its readers a great deal of valuable and useful reading, very cheap.

The *Spirit of the Age*, after a brief dormancy has revived, and promises to do good service in the war of the times.

The *Tennessee Organ* is now the "State Sentinel" also, and will keep a good look out for the cause of Temperance and against the traffic.

The *Maple Leaf*, of Montreal, commenced a new volume on the first of July, and with a new frontispiece and other attractions, is likely to be a pleasant family companion for all classes.

The *Sun*, a new tri-weekly of this city, is going on well, and increasing its value, and consequently its patronage.

The *Cayuga Chief* is a welcome visitor, and so is the *Odd Fellow* from London, C. W.

The *Ohio Organ* will be quite a favorite if it comes regularly. Friend Carey stands high in our estimation.

The *Indiana Cadet* is received and placed on the list of exchanges.

Other periodicals—quarterly, monthly, and weekly—are lying in a heap, but who would think of expecting long notices this very hot weather; who would read, even if we were to write?

### Repository of Contemporary Opinions.

We have frequently published articles and observations on the relative importance of female influence and activity in the Temperance reformation. They cannot be too highly prized, nor can we possibly say too much on so grave and momentous a question. The *Bristol Temperance Herald* publishes an "Address to the Women of England," on the subject of Temperance. We quote it here:—

"It is not needful, in the present enlightened age, to bring forward arguments to prove the usefulness of female agency, in carrying on the various plans of religious and benevolent effort, which distinguish our nation. The Bible, Missionary, Educational, and other societies abundantly testify to this. But perhaps it has not occurred to many of the Ladies of England, that their energies might be as usefully directed towards preventing the enormous amount of evil, which they are so assiduously, and often so vainly, endeavouring to cure. The extent of their influence is unbounded, and a responsibility rests upon them for its right employment, which is almost fearful to contemplate. We much wish that all would conscientiously ask themselves, if it could be said of them, as it was of one formerly, by him who knew the human heart,—'She hath done what she could.'"

It is not in public prominence that their power is experienced; but in the quiet, gentle influence of every-day life, which distils like the dew from Heaven, not seen but felt. In early childhood, in school days, in opening manhood, in married life, in declining years, are not men more or less affected by this influence, and does it not involve a deep responsibility, not to be slighted but encouraged, and acted upon in a spirit of unaffected humility, combined with that patience and perseverance which insure success?

It is with these convictions, that we would urge upon our sisters in all the towns and villages of our land, to establish Associations for promoting the cause of abstinence from all Intoxicating Liquors. The precise form which such associations may take, must be decided by the wisdom and experience of local committees. Some of those already in existence have been most useful in visiting families and schools, distributing tracts, and supporting missionaries in their own districts; and if only two or three were willing to commence the work in any place, the Secretary of the National Temperance Society will assist in the selection of tracts and books; and it would be most desirable if a Depot for the sale of Temperance publications, could be opened in the towns.

We would especially entreat them to interest the women and children in this important work. In many cases we have seen the wives of reformed characters selfishly persisting in their own indulgences, regardless of the temptations they place in the path of a husband, or the evil example set before their children, and strangely appearing to forget all