

it is but a first instalment—the wants of this city, in this respect, being but partially supplied.

3rd. The encouragement of the Temperance press, and Temperance Hotels, when well conducted, should surely be presented before Temperance men in the light of a duty.

4th. The futility of all attempts to regulate a traffic, which is in itself an evil, has been rendered so apparent by experience, that such attempts may be regarded as unworthy the attention of temperance men, whose strength might efficiently be concentrated on prohibitory legislation.

OTHER SOCIETIES.

The Young Men's Temperance Society of this city, is regarded by your Committee with peculiar favor and interest, as an agency exceedingly well adapted for carrying on the Temperance Reformation to a successful issue. The labors of Rechabites, Sons of Temperance, and other organisations have also been productive of extensive results.

OTHER COUNTRIES.

The United States is moving almost in a body in favor of the Maine Temperance Law, which the present year will probably see substantially introduced into some other States.

England is also making efforts in the right direction, under the auspices of able leaders; but we regret to say that the Temperance cause has there taken comparatively slight hold yet among the most influential classes.

Scotland appears to be at last waking up to the pernicious effect of her drinking usages, as will be seen by the following extract from a Scottish paper:—

DR. GUTHRIE ON NEW YEAR'S DRINKING.—The tract written by Dr. Guthrie, of Edinburgh, against "New Year's Drinking," issued by the Scottish Association for Suppressing Drunkenness, keeps two sets of types and two presses continually working night and day. On Saturday, 400,000 had been sold. Paper has since been sent to the printers to throw off 400,000 more, making the astonishing number of 800,000 copies. Nor is it considered at all certain that this enormous impression will be sufficient to meet the demand.

CONCLUSION.

The Committee, in conclusion, would still, as heretofore, ascribe all that has been accomplished of good, in the Temperance enterprise, to the Lord; and earnestly call upon all engaged in it, to look up to Him in prayer for His guidance and blessing.

Moved by the Rev. W. TAYLOR, D.D., seconded by the Rev. J. M. LOUD:—

Resolved, 1.—That the Report now read be adopted and printed under the direction of the Committee.

Moved by the Rev. A. F. SPALDING, seconded by JACOB DEWITT, Esq.:—

Resolved, 2.—That the continual progress of the Temperance Cause, and the variety of instruments raised up to advocate it, are causes of devout thankfulness to the Almighty, whose hand we rejoice to recognise in every good result that has been accomplished.

Moved by the Rev. D. FRASER, seconded by the Rev. J. M. KILLICAN:—

Resolved, 3.—That the Cause of Temperance is dependent upon, and auxiliary to the cause of religion, and therefore should never be separated from it, by the action of either Temperance or Religious men.

Moved by Rev Mr. REID, seconded by Rev W. SCOTT, and supported by the Rev. Dr. CANNON:—

Resolved, 4.—That in a case of public and grievous injury, legislation to abate the nuisance, may be rightfully invoked.—That the sale of intoxicating drinks is such an injury—and that the prin-

ciple of the "Maine Liquor Law," is earnestly recommended to the people of Canada as the appropriate remedy.

Moved by HENRY VENNOR, Esq., seconded by T. M. TAYLOR, Esq.:—

Resolved, 5.—That the following gentlemen be the Office-Bearers and Committee of the Society for the ensuing year:—

President:—JOHN DOUGALL.

Vice-Presidents:—

Rev. W. Taylor, D.D.

" H. Wilkes, D.D.

" John McLoud.

" F. H. Marling.

" W. Squire.

" D. Fraser.

Rev. A. F. Spalding.

James Court.

Jacob DeWitt.

James R. Orr.

Henry Lyman.

Treasurer:—H. E. BENSON.

Cor. Secretary:—JOHN C. BECKET.

Rec. Secretary:—JOHN BRODIE.

Committee:—

Samuel Hedge,
John McWatters,
D. P. Janes,
Charles Alexander,
J. Cooper,
Charles P. Watson,
Robert Campbell,
P. LeSueur,

N. M. Bockus,
W. C. Hyatt,
John Hilton,
John Sinclair,
H. A. Nelson,
J. Adams Mathewson,
C. F. Smithers.

The Collection amounted to £7 19s 9d.

The Pledge.—Chapter IV.

What James Latimer proposed to do, he did not mention to any one, after he had briefly informed Mary of what was in his mind. She left, according to previous arrangement, on Monday morning, and he went to work with soberer feelings than he had known for some time. His thoughts were, for most of the day, with the gentle girl whose influence upon him had been for good, ever since happier circumstances than his life had known, had brought them together in the same family. He could not have believed, but for this experience, that so much that made his days pass pleasantly, had depended upon her.

After tea, on that very evening, James, without mentioning to any one the purpose that was in his mind, went out and proceeded to that part of the town where the largest number of low grog shops and eating houses were situated. He entered the first that came in his way, and going up to the bar, behind which stood a man, waiting to mix his liquid poisons for the destruction of his fellow men, said—

"Do you know a man named Arlington?"

"Don't I?" replied the man, facetiously.

"Have you seen him to day?"

"I guess so."

"Was he here?"

"Yes."

"At what time?"

"About an hour ago, I reckon. What do you want with him?"

"I should like to find him."

"He's a rum customer!" said the man, with a vulgar laugh.

"Who's that?" asked a person, who was sitting in the bar-room, getting up and coming forward.

"Arlington," was replied.

"Oh! yes, Pretty much of a bruiser. Is he about in these parts again?"

"Yes; he's been loafing about Newark for several days," replied the rum-seller. "He's been in several times to try and get a dram without the money; but I know him of old, and have wet his whistle too often for nothing. Poor devil! It's most time he died off."

James had been familiar, at one period, with such coarse, unfeeling allusions to poor, fallen and degraded men, by those who had a large share of the responsibility of their ruin; but now the words of the rum-seller fell with a painful shock upon his ears.