

FROM OTHER FIELDS.

The February number of "*The Sons of Temperance*," official organ of the National Division of Great Britain is to hand. In next issue we will give interesting matter from it.

From a copy of the "*Elizabeth Daily Journal*," of February, we notice that Lincoln Division in that city celebrated the 98th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's birthday with a banquet. Their fine hall on the Lyceum building never presented a more patriotic appearance, and the function throughout is highly praised. The tables were set in the form of a triangle, and other decorations were emblematical. We regret space will not permit a fuller report. Among those present were some who had personal acquaintance with the great Lincoln.

The Grand Division of California is showing some vigor. Bro. A. B. Taynton, G.W.P., of Berkeley, Cal., reports that the D.G. has decided to subscribe for a copy of some temperance paper for each new member who joins in their jurisdiction.

We are pleased to see the names of several of the most active young men in the National Division mentioned in connection with notable public events. Among those are Bro. Neil and J. S. McLeod, Geo. M. Mannfield of New Jersey, C. S. V. Pierce of New Jersey.

A New District Division was organized for the County of Digby on Dec. 7th, which starts out enthusiastically.

Bro. W. S. Sanders has our thanks for a very attractive calendar, issued by "Mayflower Division," Halifax. This Division is celebrating its Jubilee Year. The calendar, which is handsomely printed in two colors, has the name, place and night of meeting of the Division in large type, and will no doubt attract members to it.

Pennsylvania.—From private sources we learn that some good work is being done. The coal mines are shut down, which interfere with progress, but all are hopeful of a report showing gains at the next session of their Grand Division, which will be like old times of rejoicing in that jurisdiction.

Indiana.—It is good news that comes from this new field. Bros. John Bushell and Wm. Seymour have been at work there for some months with gratifying success. On Jan. 17th a Grand Division was instituted, twenty-five subordinate divisions being in the jurisdiction. Bro. F. M. Bradley, P. M. W. P., represented the National Division. Bros. Bushell and Seymour will be remembered by many in Ontario, where they did good work last year.

Vienna Div. (long may she live!) sends in the largest list—35. Other Divisions that have done nobly are Northcote, Prescott, Renfrew, Jacksonville, Florida, Horton, Enterprise and Stroud.

conclude our criminal laws to be a failure and suggest their repeal and a license instead?"

"Oh, no; that is different."

"Do you know if that drunken man came here from Boston in the early morning steamer with the bottle in his pocket or that he bought it here?"

"No, I do not know about that."

"There is not one hundredth part so much liquor sold in Portland now as there was before the law, and the city is twice larger than it was then. Doesn't that indicate the law to be a great success?"

"No, to my mind it is a failure."

"Consumption is a fatal disease; it kills all whom it attacks. Suppose somebody should announce a cure for it and on trial it was found to cure nearly ninety-nine cases out of every hundred, would you consider the remedy a failure?"

He made me no answer but took his hat and left.

I said "Good morning," instead of, "What a fool you are."—Neal Dow.

PERSONALS.

Bro. Platt Hinman, D.G.W.P. of Grafton, writes in sending in subscription: "I am glad the G.D. has encouraged your effort. I have taken a temperance paper for 50 years, and hope to be a member as long as I live, and die in the harness." Bro. Hinman also sends the Xmas number of "The Baptist," containing an historical sketch of the Haldimand church, where he has attended service for seventy years. He is one of the oldest members of the Order we have, and has never wavered in his opposition to the traffic and drinking customs.

Bro. Carswell reports that he has not had so successful a series of meetings for years as he had in Durham in February. From the local correspondence in the "Bowmanville Statesman," we clip the following:—

HAMPTON.

Mr. E. Carswell, the well-known temperance lecturer, delivered one of his popular lectures here on Tuesday evening. Everyone was delighted.

TYRONE.

Those who heard Carswell on Thursday evening were unanimous in saying they never heard him do so well.

BLACKSTOCK.

An excellent temperance lecture was delivered Friday night in the Methodist church by the silver tongued veteran of temperance, Mr. E. Carswell, and although time has laid his snowy hand on him, he still retains the vigor and eloquence of his younger life. His lecture was impressive, interesting and instructive, and his sallies of wit and life-like imitations caused even the most serious to laugh.

Miss Mabel Pascoe distinguished herself by "spelling down" the whole of Solina Division in an old-fashioned spelling bee.

Bro. W. G. Spence and other friends of Lowville have been doing some active missionary work in Halton.

We regret to record the death of our late brother, James Graham of Georgetown Division, who was accidentally killed on the farm of Bro. Buck at Omagh. He was an able and energetic worker, and his tragic death has plunged the community in the deepest sorrow.

Bro. Hamilton Young is bestirring himself, and we trust his efforts will be rewarded with success.

Hon. M. A. Hall, of Omaha, Nebraska, has been appointed British Vice-Consul for that State. Mr. Hall is a leading barrister in that city being in the firm of Montgomery & Hall. He is an old member of Kettleby Division, and we rejoice in well-merited distinction.

Bro. J. O. McCarthy, business manager of the Record, has been ill of rheumatism, but is again around.

IN MEMORIAM.

Francis E. Willard,

BORN, SEPT. 28TH, 1839.

DIED FEB. 17TH, 1898.

"O sacred Truth; thy triumph ceased a while
And Hope, her sister, ceased like thee to smile."

The elections are had enough, and now we have to contend with another drawback, the Klondyde fever. Bro. Thos. I. Ellis, the popular and hard-working County Deputy of Leeds, is among those who are planning to start for the gold fields in the spring.

Look out for the portrait this issue.

The health of the Grand Scribe, Bro. W. H. Bewell, has not been good during the past few months, and has made the work of his office very arduous.

Our old friend, Bro. Samuel Smith, D.G.W.P. of Beaverdams, has had a serious attack of La Grippe, but is now on a fair way to recovery.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

Each Division should arrange to have proper installation of their officers in April. When possible the County or Provincial Deputy should be called upon to conduct it. It is a very good plan for neighboring Divisions to inter-visit on installation night and hold a joint installation. A public installation well conducted, with a few good speeches, etc., makes a beneficial function.