

U. C. ACADEMY, CONBOUR, July 24, 1841.—At our last quarterly meeting held on the 13th instant, the society was addressed by the Rev. Edwy Ryerson, Wesleyan Methodist Minister, of this town. Nine or ten persons subscribed the pledge. In the notice of our last meeting, it was stated that although the temperance cause made no very rapid progress here, yet it exerted a healthful influence over the inhabitants. The observing part of the population remark, that instances of intoxication are of very rare occurrence, compared with what they were previously to the existence of our society. Several inebriates are, from time to time, reclaimed, principally through the influence of those who have been rescued by this society from a like unhappy state. This is truly gratifying. How diffusive in their nature and tendency are correct principles. "When thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren." One of the results of so great a change, and diminution in the consumption of intoxicating liquors, is, that the principle brewer and distiller, I am informed, has dismissed some of his men, and stated that the tee-totalers had ruined him. At his ruin considered in itself, we do not rejoice, but when his occupation is such, as necessary to entail ruin and misery upon thousands, upon husbands, wives, children and communities, it is better that one suffer than many. This would not follow were his a *lawful calling*. Legalised it is, indeed, by human legislatures, but it is accused of the great *lawgiver*.—W. KINGSTON.

THOROLD, DISTRICT OF NIAGARA, July 28, 1841.—The temperance cause has been progressing for some time past in this village. A society was formed about a fortnight ago, which promises to be an instrument of much good to the community. It numbers upwards of thirty members, more than three fourths of whom have taken the total abstinence pledge. The following are the officers:—*Jacob Keeler, Esq., President*; *Rev. David Rintoul, Rev. William Beatty, Vice Presidents*; *William James, Secretary*.—**DAVID RINTOUL.**

BROCKVILLE, August 10, 1841.—For some years past, the cause of temperance has been in rather a languid state in Brockville. This has arisen in a good measure, I think, from the want of public speakers, for the few meetings which have taken place since I came to the town, have invariably been well attended, and considerable interest in the cause been evinced by those present. We had an excellent meeting in the Court House on the evening of Tuesday last. Addresses were delivered by Dr. Schofield, Rev. Mr. Garret, Rev. Mr. Goodson, Mr. R. Watson, and myself. A new Committee was appointed, who will, I have no doubt, carry on the operations of the society with vigor and efficiency. The original pledge of the society being defective, inasmuch as it did not bind the members to "discountenance the causes and practices of intemperance," a new pledge was adopted, having a clause to that effect. The number of names on the roll book of our society is about 230. Of this number I should think 180 adhere faithfully to the pledge. Three ministers of the Gospel are members of the society, and we have a few reformed drunkards.—W. BROUGH.

NIAGARA, August 17, 1841.—It is with regret that we perceive a very great error in the tabular statement published in the *Advocate* for the current month as it regards the report from this town. Instead of 6 places for the sale of intoxicating liquors, there are 67. There are two Magistrates in the traffic—your statement withholds that honor (?) from their workshops.

On 15th June last, at request of our society, the Rev. John Roaf of Toronto visited this place and addressed a large and attentive audience on the subject of total abstinence in the most clear and convincing manner, at the close of which 33 persons signed the tee-total pledge. On the 4th inst. we had an excellent address from the Rev. G. R. Sanderson, when 22 more were added to our number. We have now about 160 members.—**JOHN HENRY OAKLEY.**

There are in London and the suburbs fifty total abstinence societies, with 20,000 members, of whom 3000 are reclaimed drunkards; in the country, ninety societies with 40,000 members, of whom 4000 are reclaimed drunkards; in Scotland 150,000 members, and in Ireland 5,000,000. The number of Irish in Glasgow who have taken the pledge is 10,000.—*British Temperance Journal.*

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"It is good neither to eat flesh, nor drink wine, nor do any thing by which thy brother is made to stumble, or to fall, or is weakened." Rom. xiv. 21.—*Macnigh's Translation.*

MONTREAL, SEPTEMBER, 1841.

It gives us great satisfaction to be enabled to announce, that the Committee of the Montreal Society have at last succeeded in engaging a Temperance Agent for the Eastern part of the Province, and we entertain hopes that the Western part will not be much longer destitute.

The gentleman selected is Mr. R. D. Wadsworth, Recording Secretary of the Society, than whom, we believe, a more suitable person could scarcely have been found. He is to act as Travelling Agent until the 1st May next, and thereafter as City Agent and Superintendent of a Temperance Office, which is to be opened in Montreal.

His first circuit for holding meetings is intended to be as follows, viz:—

Lawrence.....	6th September.
Williamstown.....	7th —
Cornwall and vicinity.....	8th and 9th —
Dundee and do.....	10th and 11th —
Huntingdon and do.....	12th and 13th —
Hemmingford and do.....	14th and 15th —
Odelltown and Lacole... ..	16th and 17th —
Napierville	18th —
St. John's.....	19th and 20th —
La Prairie	21st —

The friends of the cause in the places above named, are earnestly requested to make arrangements for meetings at the times mentioned (a meeting for every evening if possible). They are also respectfully requested to aid Mr. Wadsworth in travelling from place to place, and we need not add, that he must be thrown almost entirely on their hospitality for entertainment, as the funds at the disposal of the Committee for travelling expenses are very limited, and it will not be seemly for the Temperance Agent to put up at taverns, if it can possibly be avoided.

Mr. Wadsworth is authorised to receive subscriptions for the *Advocate*, as well as donations towards the maintenance of Travelling Lecturers. The friends of the cause who feel so disposed are requested to make up their subscriptions and donations for him in each place that he visits, and receipt will be acknowledged in the next number of the *Advocate*.

It will be remembered that the Convention recently held in Montreal passed a resolution to the following effect,—

"That the Convention respectfully requests ecclesiastical bodies in this Province, to take the subject of Total Abstinence from intoxicating liquors into their consideration, and pass such resolutions respecting it as they shall deem necessary, for the entire and speedy suppression of intemperance within their respective spheres of influence."

It must therefore be highly gratifying to temperance men to see strong resolutions emanating from the Bodies referred to, condemnatory of the use of intoxicating drinks as a beverage.

In our last number it was our privilege to insert the testimony of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connexion with the Church of Scotland. We are now enabled to give that of the Congregational Union of Upper Canada, embodied in the following resolution passed at their late meeting in Toronto,—

"That this Union contemplates with much pain the fearful effects of intemperance in destroying character, usefulness and happiness;