

bye-place, a few of the neighbours collected together, and some liquor was analyzed, a few signed.

23d.—Sparta—By request I held a meeting in a private house, Mr. Mc'Connell's, and not thinking it advisable to form a society on the Sabbath, another meeting was appointed for the next day, the 24th at 10 o'clock, A.M., which was held in a tavern! a pretty full attendance; the still was run, and plates exhibited, when a society was organized and constitution adopted, to which 43 appended their names, among whom were several of the inn-keeper's family, who seemed well pleased with the meeting, and entirely satisfied that his children should join and not drink a drop—assuring me he did not himself. After the meeting drove through the rain to *Aylmer* where I expected to hold a meeting in the evening, but was disappointed; the storm preventing the people from coming out; there is a flourishing society in this place, numbering about 200. On the 25th before starting for the next appointment, we met a few friends who were anxious to see the still in operation, which when they had seen they seemed more fully established, and several additional names were enrolled. In the evening held a meeting in the Methodist chapel, *Grovesend*, from the state of the roads many were prevented from attending; those present were mostly male members; 6 names were added to the society which is doing well.

26th.—Port Burwell, 1 o'clock—Here, as in most of the ports along the Lake, drinking has prevailed to an alarming extent; no liquor could be procured for the still; and in the middle of our remarks we were disturbed by one of the principle men of the place, apparently labouring under the effects of liquor, which occasioned the meeting to break up in some disorder—we can hardly forbear doing the gentleman the honor of mentioning his name.

In the evening we held a meeting at *Vienna*, where there is a spirited society, the interest manifested was such that the small place of meeting was completely full, and some standing without who could not crowd in; 22 names were added to the large society here, and the cause given a fresh impetus.

TALBOT DISTRICT.

27th.—After riding about 40 miles we arrived at *Normandale*, iron-works, about the hour of meeting, found little information of the meeting given; the workmen were collected, to whom a short address was given; only four names were added to the society's list.

28th.—Port Dover—We held a meeting at 1 o'clock, in the house of Mr. Nickerson, a firm friend of the cause. J. W. Powell, Esquire, M. P. P., for the county presided, he is one of the few members of the legislature who seem to take a proper interest in the subject. The inn-keeper refused to sell us any beer, fearing the iniquity of the traffic would be too clearly exposed; a small quantity of wine was procured of a friend, who had purchased some of the best for sickness, and the audience were astonished at the result of the experiment made upon it; the society, which numbers 230, has been instrumental in effecting quite a change in the drinking customs; 13 more signed at the meeting.

Simcoe—In the evening held a meeting in this village, which is the district town, one of the largest meetings we have ever attended, the large place of worship being completely filled. Rev. Mr. Rees, Baptist, in the chair; much interest appeared to be excited, and 50 signed the pledge of the society, which numbers over 300; The Colborne society in the immediate vicinity also counts 300.

29th.—Oakland—At this place, formerly called Malcolm's Mills, a meeting had been held, not long since, by Mr. Bungay, the Niagara District Agent, and a small society established—from all accounts it was much needed—we found the school-room full; and so much curiosity was excited by the apparatus, that it was with difficulty the assembly was kept within the bounds of order; 20 new adherents to the cause were enrolled; and the society bids fair to prosper.

30th.—Waterford—Here an extra meeting had been appointed for me; there was a society in existence, and although there was but one day's notice, a large audience assembled at the time appointed. After the discourse was ended, liberty was given, as usual, for any one to speak; a stranger, who appeared to have been a public speaker, embraced the opportunity, and in a very plausible manner pleaded for "Moderation," another, with less ability, but with more hostility, followed suit; we replied; and a discussion ensued

which fully woke up the congregation: after it was protracted to a sufficient length, the pledge was circulated; one of our opponents was the first to sign, saying he had only offered a sham opposition in order to elicit a more full defence, and exposition of the principle; about thirty-six followed the example, and a society was forthwith organized, with some of the leading men of the place as officers.

31st Windham—The meeting was held in Edmond's school-house, into which there were so many people crowded, that much noise and disorder prevailed; 6 signatures to the pledge obtained; the society has been lately established.

Nov. 1.—Brantford—In consequence of the difficulty of obtaining a congregation in any of the churches, the present meeting was held in a school-house—it was said there was a fair attendance for Brantford, and an interesting and good meeting; the best of which was that 24 additional members were added to the society, which now numbers over 200. Although the friends seem not discouraged, yet very much remains to be done before the place can be entitled to a better cognomen than that given to it by the Presdt. of the Mont. Society; there are near fifty places of vending, great and small, legal and illicit, and it must be heart-sickening to every well regulated mind, to see, daily, numbers, who no doubt esteem themselves respectable, moral men and Christians, as well as loyal subjects, and magistrates, violating the laws of the land, every holy principle of Christianity, and even those of honour and decency, by selling to the Indians on the Grand River, and in fact to every thirsty and miserable drunkard that has means to purchase.

The following meetings I attended on my journey homeward—

21.—Ancaster—Bowman's chap. 1; here we had another tumultuous meeting: a society of about 70 had been lately organized, and 20 this evening were convinced of the propriety of acting on the principle, and attached their names; we trust more will yet imitate their example.

3d.—Palermo—Here there had been no meeting, nor society; the apparatus drew out a full attendance; amidst some interruption from the lovers of the bottle, we explained the principle of the association, and urged the necessity of exertion and self-denial, 40 signed the pledge; and a meeting was appointed at which to elect officers. Societies are springing up in the vicinity. I ought to have mentioned formerly, that I received assistance from the Rev. Mr. Whiting, Wesleyan Minister, who is a firm friend of the cause, and who accompanied me several days through this section, and also from Mr. Murray, a member of the church of England, who has been successful in raising up societies, and is continually advocating the good cause.

4th.—Toronto—A large meeting in the Congregational chapel; Rev. Mr. Roaf, in the chair, who, as well as the Rev. Mr. Lamb, made some interesting remarks; a trick was attempted to be played upon us by the brewer, to whom application was made for beer, by his sending, as such, some unfermented wort; an experiment was first made upon this, and then some real beer from the same brewery analyzed; the result showed conclusively that alcohol was the product of fermentation; the cause in Toronto is steadily onward, 10 signed at the close of the meeting; and there are now 1800 names on the books.

5th.—Duffin's Creek—I found the friends had not been inactive since my last visit here, having increased their numbers more than 100; we had a good meeting in the school-house, and after the address 18 signed, including the only magistrate in the township, who had hitherto stood aloof. The Cold Water men in most parts of the Home District, are making preparations to open the winter campaign against Alcohol with vigor; so are several townships in Newcastle—success to them.

7th.—Bowmanville—No meeting had been held since I was here in June; it is said, however, that the cause is progressing in the township, the meeting was rather thinly attended; after remarks by several of us, 12 took the pledge; and, through the suggestion of Rev. Mr. Machin, a subscription was opened for the assistance of the Montreal Society.

8th.—Cobourg—The day was so stormy that few were expected to attend the meeting, a considerable number, however, found their way out, and 10 took the pledge; the cause is gaining here also.

9th.—Consecon—Storm unabated; meeting nearly a failure, a