

OUR NEXT AND APRIL NUMBERS

An unusual accumulation of Matter on hand, has induced us to publish this paper three times in April instead of twice, according to our original plan. If the friends of the cause generally in Canada, in divisions and out of them, would exert themselves to swell our list, we would issue three times every month in the year, as it is we cannot afford to do so. Certainly no better means can be taken to diffuse temperance principles, than by getting persons to subscribe for temperance journals. The matter of this paper, aside from temperance, is valuable to any family. This paper will appear on Wednesday the 7th, Saturday the 17th, and Monday the 26th day of April next.

TEMPERANCE IN THE UNITED STATES.

The Massachusetts Temperance Law has passed the Senate by a great majority; the votes standing 30 in favor, to 9 against. The chief opponent of the Bill in the Senate was a Judge Warren possessed of much influence and eloquence. But his arguments were overpowered by others far stronger. The experience of every Judge in the world proves the mighty evil of intemperance. Indeed in every country of Europe and America it is the license to sell and use Alcoholic drinks were done away with the criminal courts would be nearly closed.— This Judge Warren is the representative of a caste of general liquor drinkers of Massachusetts. We do not mean to say they willfully intend any harm to others, but they prefer their appetites to the public good and refuse to listen to the voice of experience and common sense. This general class in England and America stand prominently in the way. The great interests of humanity are overlooked by them. It is yet to be seen what will be the fate of this Bill in the lower house, but we should think it would pass, as the politicians fear the majority of the people. This voice of the people is a glorious thing. Corrupt politicians tremble before the power of general intelligence in the people.

In New Jersey the Maine law has been rejected by a very close vote 53 against to 46 in favor of it. The Polls will teach the opponents a lesson. The Massachusetts anti liquor Bill will pass with a clause allowing the people to vote next may on its suspension or no suspension. If the people vote no, then the traffic is gone. If the great and enlightened people of this State of thinking, acting men, are only now true, New-York will follow suit and with her most of the American States and Canada. Dr Jewett at last accounts had returned to Boston. It is said two thirds of the people of Massachusetts are in favor of the Maine law. It seems 170,000 persons signed the petitions for the law. The amendments to the Bill injure it considerably. It will, however, be a great step if gained.

**THE MAINE LIQUOR LAW TRIUMPHANT IN BLEBENHEIM.**  
—A public meeting was held on Friday evening last, in the East Baptist Chapel, on the 5th Congregation of the township of Blebenheim, to consider the propriety of petitioning Parliament to pass a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks within the Province. The meeting, which consisted of from three to four hundred of the most respectable inhabitants of the neighbourhood, after unanimously choosing the Rev. Francis Fickle, chairman, was highly entertained by speeches in support of the several resolutions, from the Rev Messrs Roger, Hoyle, and Haviland, S. Fleming, Esq., Township Councillor, Messrs. George F. Hill, Myward and others. The resolutions and a petition grounded upon them were adopted unanimously, and a large committee appointed to carry out the object of the meeting.—*Dunfries Reflector.*

FOREIGN NEWS.

The American Government are about to send a squadron to Japan to enforce or open commercial relations in that country something after the manner of England in 1842 towards China. This is very wrong if true.

In Europe it looks as if the legitimist powers secretly hated the upstart Napoleon. He will end his days by a violent death, despised by tyrants and hated by the true friends of liberty.

A Cloud of Figures 3 miles long and 1 mile wide passed over Washington city about the middle of March.

The Patriots at Rome kept the anniversary of their republic, notwithstanding the espionage of the government spies. It seems the Pope fears the name of Mazzini very much. The people there desire a return to the free atmosphere of freedom. Who have they to thank for their present thralldom, but the vile tyrant and hypocrite who has ridden down every vestige of freedom in France.

It seems Austria is warned by Russia to be guarded in forming too friendly an alliance with France. Russia is afraid of the name of Napoleon and trembles at French aggression. The Emperor knows, as great a tyrant as he, that there is no honesty in the family of Napoleon; and that treachery and ambition are the watchwords of the family.

France is threatening Belgium and Russia it is said has offered to assist Belgium with 100,000 of her best men.

It is thought the New British Ministry will modify the Corn laws putting on a small fixed duty. Should a dissolution occur it seems doubtful how public opinion would be.

Moore the great Irish Poet died on the 27th February last.

The English people consume annually of beer, wine and spirits 3,300,000 tons worth £54,000,000, all of which are poisons and cause an infinite amount of crime, vice and disease, whilst they consume only 450,000 tons of tea, sugar and coffee, in themselves useful and nourishing. The value of alcohol used, equals that of all their other drinks and victuals. What a commentary on human nature!

The city of Buffalo has taken measures to have the Buffalo and Bradford Railroad finished immediately.

Immense numbers of young men are foolishly rushing without judgment to California.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

The county of Durham contains 30,720 people. Wainby village has been declared the county town of the county of Ontario.

A great fire occurred on the 15th instant, at Woodstock destroying Mr. Matton's Hotel and other property. A great rise of water took place in the Thames and Grand Rivers destroying much property, &c. Near Paris the river rose 15 feet in one day.

There is an immense body of Snow still on the ground in the woods.

A meeting in favour of protection was held in the St Lawrence Hall, Toronto, by the Conservative party on the 25th instant.

Ogle R Gowan is now the Editor of the Patriot and comes out in favor of the partial secularization of the reserves. His opinions are half-way between the extreme liberals and old conservatives.

Nothing of an important nature is occurring in domestic politics. It is doubtful whether our present Governor will be recalled or remain with us.

Sir John Harvey Governor of Nova Scotia is dead.

The Norfolk Division at Simcoe, numbers now 350 members—the Daughters number 25—the Cadets near 100 and the Division has the best Brass band in Canada; which plays during the initiation ceremonies. The petition lately presented there by the Ladies to the County council was signed by 600 persons. Well done old Norfolk.

We are happy to see that Cobourg has resisted the prayer of the rum-sellers to increase the number of Inns.

An Anti-Slavery Meeting was held in the St. Lawrence Hall, on the 24th instant.

The Montreal Snow Drop is well got up, and deserves Canadian patronage, especially that of the Ladies.

The Rural New-Yorker will please accept our thanks for his exchange. We will refer to this paper in our next.

The American Temperance Magazine for March is on our table. This work keeps up its character for ability and usefulness. A magazine like this supplies a place in Temperance literature, which was greatly required, and all lovers of the great cause should patronize the work.

In France it was believed that Napoleon would be declared Emperor on the 20th March. Here is a consummate hypocrite for the world to gaze on!

YORK STREET DRAGON LECTURES.—Dr. J. C. Cline will Lecture at Corner's Chapel on Monday and Tuesday next at eight.

ITEMS.

A Division has been opened at Nanticoke pole with 20 members.

The Port Hope Division is doing well, are two Sons in the town Council this year.

Newcastle Division is progressing—initials 2 to 4 persons each night.

Port Dorer Section of Cadets, No. 130, 17th January last is doing well. A note has been received by the Editor from this Section. It there are upwards 130 Sections in Western Canada.

MONTREAL SONS.—The Pilot of the 20th gives a glowing account of a Soiree, held by it and Cadets, a few days prior to that date in the City. The turn out was large and the entertainment good. We are happy to see a paper of so much value as the Pilot, speak out in favor of the good of Temperance.

Two persons recently committed a fraud in London, and who escaped to California, were followed bright back.

The Mormons in the United States are about to bring upon themselves war and trouble defying the United States authorities.

POST OFFICE.—The public of Upper Canada greatly indebted to the very active exertions of the Genl. Post Master General to establish new Offices in various localities.

NEW YORK CITY.—A few weeks since a meeting was held in this city, by the rum-sellers, to demonstrate against the action of the Legislature in a Man law. 30,000 signatures were obtained to repeal the law. We now have to inform the friends of the cause, that this great city has produced a man worth meeting, attended, the New Yorker says, by 10,000 temperance men, in favour of the same cause. It was emphatically the greatest meeting that ever took place of that kind in the United States. The foundation of the rum-sellers was broken and it seemed as if angels helped on the movement. Women were there in all her loveliness. Mighty quakes were poured out.

A Petition signed by 14,211 ladies of Philadelphia was presented to the legislature of Pennsylvania lately.

A great work is doing in Ohio, Connecticut, New Hampshire in favour of temperance just now.

TEMPERANCE IN MASSACHUSETTS AND MAINE. In Maine we are glad to see that during the late sessions, the temperance ticket was in most cases triphant; showing no decision in the public feeling on this question. All the statistics also show a great decrease of crime.—In Massachusetts, the anti-bill has been sent to the House of Representatives to be discussed on the 23rd inst. It is believed will pass.

KINGSTON SONS.—We see that a large and smart meeting of the Sons took place in Kingston middle of this month. The Rev. Mr. Gardner others addressed it, and the attendance of ladies large.

OGDENBURGH AND PLYMOUTH GRAND MEETING OF SONS TOOK PLACE LATELY. The Division Present crossed the River on the ice, and united the Sons at Ogdenburgh in a grand procession, bearing 400, and marched to the Methodist Church where speeches were made. Among the speakers notice the name of Wm. Patrick, Esq., M. P. Present.

TEMPERANCE DINNER AT PERTH.—The House of Mr. Campbell, who has lately opened a Temperance hall, sat up a dinner on Friday the 15th. Much enthusiasm and good feeling was displayed on the occasion.

QUICK SONS.—On the 16th inst., the Glasgow Gazette says, an entertaining meeting took place at Rossell's Concert Hall. A regular court was formed by the Sons, whereto to try alcohol as a criminal, where he was tried on an indictment for high and misdemeanor against society. The audience greatly amused by the proceedings.

The Ohio State Temperance Convention are to discuss the Maine Law, believing in moral suasion to do the work.

Kentucky is speaking in Kentucky. A noble great Italian Patriot, is addressing public meetings in England.

The anti corn law league is revived by the Great meetings here been held against a repeal of the law.