

tachment to the cause, and love for our Order. If all the counties resembled Queen's, Prohibition would be a fixed fact. Warm hearts and active minds, as well as energetic working characterize the sons of Queen's. My labour here was of the lightest description—confirming and encouraging the brethren.

Shelburne is shaded. In some localities earnest effort is being put forth and much good being accomplished. In large districts temperance men are asleep, and I fear nothing will arouse them save the evil re-entering their midst. This is especially true of Barrington. The evil lurks in secret places and will gather strength and courage from the supineness of our friends. As an illustration of the elevating influence of our Order, we might point to Cape Island, where the establishment of Life-Boat and South Divisions have had not a little influence in elevating the social condition of the inhabitants and placing the young men in positions that otherwise they might not have occupied.

Yarmouth, the birth place of the Order in the Province, next claims attention. It may with Queen's dispute for the first place in the temperance scale, and is certainly not far behind. May they provoke each other to good works, and in generous rivalry work on.

Digby, with its ten Divisions demands attention. I should say that no county with the same population sustains so large a number of Divisions; and this appears to a greater degree when we take into consideration the fact that in the township of Clare no temperance movement is apparent. A very sad sight in this County met my view—*three brothers* all in the prime of life staggering over the road toward their homes. The Islands claim a passing notice; and warmer hearted and more open handed sons exist nowhere in this province. The collection at Westport was the largest taken in my tour, being \$7. If all the localities would act in a similar manner, the agency committee would not be hindered in their efforts.

The first matter that attracts the attention of a temperance man in Annapolis is "Liquor by License." In no other previously named is such an announcement to be met. As an inevitable result the traffic has a respectability which it cannot assume in other localities, and intemperance is more open and undisguised. Our cause has evidently retrograded in Annapolis, and a large amount of ground has been lost. Prohibition was the watchword, and nobly for a time it was sounded; but alas! a change came