

100 new members were added to the society's list, and several of their fellow-students came forward and signed the pledge. On Saturday evening, towards the close of the proceedings, Mr. Ebenzer Murray, one of the committee, in a short but brilliant address, moved a vote of thanks to the students, which was cordially responded to by all present; and Mr. John Steedman, on behalf of himself and fellow-labourers, returned an appropriate reply. These meetings have been, without exception, the most interesting that have been got up since the formation of the society; and great praise is certainly due to those talented young gentlemen for the handsome manner in which they have come forward, and advocated the cause of total abstinence from all intoxicating liquors.

On Monday evening, one of the most interesting assemblages of the females of this city was convened together in South Gray's Close Church (Rev. Mr. Mackenzie's), for the purpose of hearing a lecture by Mrs. William M'Lean, on the principles or abstinence from all intoxicating liquors. The church was crowded; and the eloquent and impressive address delivered by that lady excited a most intense interest,—as a proof of this no fewer than thirty-eight individuals signed the total abstinence pledge at the close of the meeting. Misses Agnew, Jamieson, and Isabella Grant, also delivered most excellent speeches on this occasion; and every one appeared much delighted and deeply impressed with the importance of the subject so zealously exposed by these excellent and talented ladies.—*Scottish Pilot.*

LANGHOLM.—On Tuesday, the 30th ult., a grand gala day took place at Langholm. Deputations from Dumfries, Ecclefechan, Annan, Liddesdale, Hawick, and Carlisle, accompanied with flags and bands of music, arrived in the course of the morning, and assembled on the Kiln Green at one o'clock. A procession was formed here, amounting to about 1200, with bands of music and flags, the good men of Langholm bearing a huge tea-pot covered with flowers and appropriate devices, who after promenading the streets of the Old and New Town, returned to the Kiln Green. The multitude having ranged themselves in front of Mr. Purvis's pavilion, were addressed from the platform by the Rev. J. Dobbie, the champion of tea-totalism there, who presided on the occasion, Messrs. Smith and Lawson, from Dumfries, Mr. W. Bell, from Annan, and Mr. J. Macmillan from Carlisle, acquitted themselves in first-rate style. The procession was again formed, and proceeded along the main street to a beautiful enclosure on the south side of the town, in which hustings were erected, wreathed with flowers and evergreens. Here a party of nearly 900 sat down to tea, the ladies occupying the centre in front of the hustings erected for the speakers of the various deputations. Tea being concluded, and thanks returned by the Rev. Mr. Martin, the enclosure was thrown open, and the assembly again addressed in stirring speeches by Mr. Hannah from Dumfries, a gentleman from Hawick, Messrs Macmillan and M'Nicol, and the Rev. Mr. Martin from Lochmaben. The scenes of this day will long be remembered. They were a practical refutation of the great delusion which has so long enveloped the minds of the sons of Caledonia, that the poison of whiskey is,—even in the greatest moderation,—necessary for rational enjoyment.—*Border Herald of Temperance.*

NEWTON STEWART.—Since my last communication our village has been the scene of a total abstinence festival, highly favourable to the sacred cause of temperance. The Total Abstinence Society here held a sabbath in the Town-hall, on Friday the 30th August, when about 260 individuals sat down to tea. The room was most tastefully decorated with evergreens, and a grand triumphal arch, elegantly bestudded with beautiful flowers, was thrown over the platform erected for the speakers. Hanging from the centre of the arch was a placard bearing the following inscription:—"Scotland will yet free herself from the withering blight of intemperance." The instrumental band occupied a place on the platform, and discoursed excellent music during the evening: the whole having a grand and imposing effect. About half-past five o'clock, the company partook of tea, with its accompaniments. The chairman (Mr. M'Kean) made a few remarks, and read a cheering report of the state and progress of the Society. When the report was read, the company sang several verses of a hymn, composed for the occasion. The following gentlemen were then introduced to the company, and spoke in favour of the cause, to promote which was the object

of the present meeting. The Rev. Mr. Towers, of Wigtown; Messrs. Carter, Denniston, and Dorman, of Whithorn; Messrs. Nish, Phillips, and Kinnon, of Creitown; and Messrs. Miller and Donaldson, of Gatehouse. The addresses delivered by these gentlemen were most excellent, displaying abilities and talents, both intellectual and logical, altogether unexpected. Mr. Denniston, who is about eighteen years of age, and has been perfectly blind from his infancy, in a somewhat lengthy speech, afforded a rich treat to the company. Stored with scriptural knowledge, and possessed of superior powers of mind, and of a very retentive memory, he bids fair, at no distant period, to be the ablest advocate of tee totalism in this part of the country. The company were all much indebted to Mr. Towers, who several times enlivened them by his spirited and jocund remarks. After spending a very joyous evening, the company dismissed about 11 o'clock, highly delighted with

"The feast of reason, and the flow of soul,"

which they had so richly enjoyed, and not a few of them wondering how so much cheerfulness and hilarity could prevail without the aid of alcoholic stimulus. I am happy to say that our soiree has had a very salutary effect, in not only confirming the members of the Society in their principles, but also in shutting the mouths of those who were once our enemies, and causing many of them to flock around our standard. I am, your's, &c.

ROBERT SUMMERS, Secretary.

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STATISTICS OF MORALITY AND INTEMPERANCE IN GLASGOW.

The Friends of the Temperance Society, anxious to bring before the Public all the information in their power relative to the mischievous effects of intoxicating drinks, earnestly recommend the attentive perusal of the following statistical account of Glasgow; confident that the facts therein contained cannot but arouse the attention, and interest the judgment of the intelligent population of this country; being well assured, were similar inquiries made in other towns, the result would not be very dissimilar.

Friends of sobriety! be no longer enslaved by tyrant custom; dare to think and act like men. Come forward and assist us in this Godlike enterprise.

STATISTICS, &c.

We subjoin a summary of the statistics which, being compiled from Parliamentary and other official documents, may be relied on:

MORALITY AND RELIGION.

In Glasgow the number of churches and chapels of all denominations, do not exceed 90.

Taking the population at 260,000, there is for every church or chapel, however small, 2900 individuals.

Scarcely any of the largest churches will contain 1800 sitters, and very many not 1000.

In the whole churches and chapels of every denomination, there are sabbath sittings to the number of at least 20,000.

There is never a great number of these places of worship completely filled, and many of them not more than *one-half* or *two-thirds*.

There are more than 60,000 individuals in this city who belong to no religious denomination, and who, to all intents and purposes, as much deserve the name of *Heathens*, as any of the inhabitants of *Africa* or *India*.

The total income of all the city clergy, according to the Church Commissioners' report, is not much more than £15,000; and allowing £4,500, which is probably more than the actual amount, for Bible, Missionary, and Tract Societies, Sabbath Schools, and the salaries of about 20 City Missionaries, at £40 each, we have only £19,500 as the total sum annually devoted to strictly religious purposes.

Or the annual expense of every individual inhabitant is not more than *eighteen-pence*.

INTEMPERANCE.

In Glasgow there are 2,700 licensed publicans, including public-houses, tap-rooms, and whiskey-shops.