

all temperance organizations and friends of temperance in carrying out the above objects.

A petition, in accordance with the above resolutions, was adopted, and delivered to a committee, appointed for each ward of the township, to obtain signatures thereto.

A series of meetings were held in different parts of the township during the week, at all of which similar resolutions were adopted, and a strong desire manifested for and in favor of the Maine Law.

E. LEAVENS, Secretary.

Georgetown, Esqueing, May 6, 1852.

Alcohol's Progress.

Colchester, April 16th, 1852.

On the 2nd inst., near the village of Kingsville, in the Township of Gosfield, a man and his wife, and another old inebriate, indulged themselves too freely at the bottle. One of the men accidentally dropped some money into the fire. The woman in making an effort to save the money, fell herself into the fire, and was soon enveloped in flames. Her drunken husband made an unsuccessful attempt to extinguish the fire, and burned his own hands very badly. The other man (if he deserves the name) was too drunk to assist them in the least degree. In the meantime, the house took fire from the woman's burning clothes, but fortunately a negro passing by observed their dreadful and perilous situation, and immediately called in the nearest neighbors, who put out the fire, and rendered the wretched beings all the aid that was in their power. The woman was literally roasted alive, and presented an appearance too shocking for language to describe. She died after five hours of extreme suffering.

SOLOMON ILER.

Oshawa, February 16th, 1852.

A few miles from Norwood, C.W., while on a journey a short time ago, I passed a house which was pointed out to me as the residence of a man who, while in a state of intoxication, got both hands frozen so badly that they had both to be taken off, thus making him an object for life.

T. GARRY.

Port Colborne, April 17th, 1852.

This day, April 17th, another drunkard has been called to give in his account, without leaving the least chance of hope—crying for whiskey to the last. Awful prospect! Sometime last year he opened a groggery, and he has soon received the reward of the abominable traffic,—leaving behind him a large, helpless family, unprovided for.

L. B.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Scotland, March 15, 1852.

SIR,—The Temperance cause is rapidly gaining ground in this locality. Petitions, numerous signed, have, within a few weeks, been presented to the Municipal Council of Oakland, praying them to grant no license for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the township. This was not granted, because of a fear entertained by a majority of the council, that such a step would greatly increase the number of licensed groceries, which would be the cause of more intemperance than the present number of taverns. There is little doubt, however, but that the municipality and three-fourths of the inhabitants of this township would now petition, if requested, for a law similar to the Maine Liquor Law; and it is to be hoped that some way may be pointed out and adopted by which the friends of temperance may simultaneously, and at

as early a period as possible, petition the Legislature for a law to prohibit the traffic in alcohol, which has been too long tolerated.

The Division of Sons here is growing in number and influence. Through them public meetings are being held in the surrounding neighborhood, for the purpose of extending the principles of total abstinence, &c. They have been much assisted by the ladies of the village, who first manifested their good feeling by the presentation of a Bible, and lately gave a further expression of their wishes by presenting a beautiful banner to the Division.

We feel it our duty to sustain the *Advocate*, in preference to any other temperance publication, because it is ably conducted, and has "borne the burden and heat of the day."

WILLIAM HAY.

North Gower, March 26, 1852.

SIR,—On Monday last we had a glorious day here for the cause of Temperance. The Kemptville Division, S. of T., came here for the purpose of organizing another Division of the cold water army; they were accompanied by part of the Burritt's Rapid Division. They held a temperance meeting in the afternoon. The meeting was addressed by different members of the Order, and by the Rev. Mr Greener and Rev. John Flood, in most effective speeches. After the meeting, they partook of some refreshment prepared for them, and then proceeded to organise the new Division, when 32 presented themselves for initiation, composing the greatest part of the influential men in the village. We have only just got started, but old alcohol already begins to tremble, and we are determined to wage continued war against the old demon until he is banished or killed. Nothing else will satisfy us.—Yours, &c.,

W. C., F.S.

Napanee, March 29, 1852.

SIR,—The good cause of Temperance gets on slowly here; it is up-hill work. We have no less than 4 taverns, 1 distillery, and 3 stores, besides 3 or 4 beer-shops in this village of only 1010 inhabitants; more than one to every hundred. Still the Sons number about 110, and are increasing, and are doing much good. They have saved several from drunkenness, and there are many more of them to save. May we go on and prosper.—I remain, yours, &c.,

TRUMAN BEEMAN.

Haldimand, March 29, 1852.

SIR,—Temperance principles are on the advance in this township. There is in this neighborhood a Division of the Sons, with about 80 members. We have a hall of our own, 40x25 feet on the ground; and the ladies, last summer, presented us with a banner—a beautiful one—which cost £8; but the best of all, we have some fine ornaments to our Division, who were hard drinkers, but have not tasted the sting of the adder for two years. We have also two other Divisions, Grafton and Spring Bank. These can tell of their victories in reclaiming several from the downward road to drunkenness and ruin.

May the Great Father of all flesh save us from falling, is the sincere desire of your friend, in L. P. & F.,

JOHN WILSON.

Port Colborne, April 12th, 1852.

I must not forget to say (although I could wish it were otherwise) the cause is not progressing here as I could desire; and I