

fastened it on us as a State and a Church: let *information* loosen the bond.

Specially,—let the Church, as *the purifying power*, at once act as *God's Agency*, and bring to bear on society that machinery which her *Divine Head* has given. Your Committee would suggest no *new* organization. Our baptismal vows and obligations pledge every member of our Church to *total abstinence* from all that can render the baptized *less* a good soldier, *less* a faithful servant! Those vows, once ratified, often renewed, will bind without *any added* bonds, when our members discover the true character of that against which already they are pledged—*making that an article of diet, which is itself a chief provocative of the evils.*

Let the Christian be only *persuaded*, that in his use of stimulants he has been keeping within the *citadel* an enemy to his peace of mind and growth in grace, and then he will discontinue the practice, at once, and for ever, as he would expel a traitor, soon as detected.

The greater efficiency of *organized* effort over that which is *isolated* and *im-methodical*, can be no question at this day of *combination* for the better, and more successful accomplishment of all but every desired object. Therefore,—

Your Committee would respectfully suggest, That this Diocese of Huron do form itself into a *Temperance Organization*, and that each baptized member do pledge himself, in the light of his baptismal vows; each confirmed, and each communicant do pledge himself, in the clearer light of his oft-renewed vows, and vastly *increased obligations*, to *cease the Dietary Use* of all Intoxicating Beverages, Stimulants and Drugs, of like tendency; believing them to be a *most prolific source* of much that is evil and injurious to man, as he is, morally, socially, politically, and above all, religiously!

REPORT TO THE SYNOD FROM THE RURAL DEAN OF THE COUNTY OF GREY, JUNE, 1871.
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