

3rd. Because of the modifying influences of this organization, in smoothing down the asperities of the different religious and political parties into which our population is unhappily divided; a result which cannot fail to flow from harmoniously mingling together in such an intimate brotherhood as that of the Sons of Temperance; an institution having its sphere of action elevated infinitely above all party distinctions, and never descending, in any case, below the lofty platform of Man's "Universal Brotherhood."

4th. Because of the excellent educational facilities of the Order, in training the man of business, the essayist, the disputant and the lecturer—in giving to each member skill and ability to participate in all the routine and special business of public deliberative assemblies; rendering the moderately apt, perfectly at home in the Council Room or house of Assembly, so far as the forms of business are concerned; in addition to which, every member is carefully drilled, in the social duty, of exhibiting an essay, graceful and dignified submission, in all cases, to the constituted majority.

SCHEME OF ORGANIZATION, &c.

The Order is composed of Subordinate, Grand and National Divisions. Each Subordinate Division meets weekly—elects by ballot individuals for initiation, without any regard whatever to religious or political opinions, which are never interfered with, be they what they may. The Chief Officer is called Worthy Patriarch. Grand Divisions meet quarterly, and are composed of the Acting and Past W. Patriarchs of their Subordinate Divisions. The National Division meets yearly, and is composed of the Past and Acting Chief Officers of Grand Divisions.

In all these Divisions, the Brother proved guilty of violating his Pledge of Total Abstinence, ceases instantly to be a member, and nothing can save him from having his name erased from the books. A two-third vote of his Division, however, will reinstate him as a private member, on his re-signing the Pledge and Constitution of the Order, and paying for the first offence a fine of five shillings, and for

the second ten—for the third or subsequent offence, no vote can reinstate the offender; if he ever again enters the Order, it must be by initiation as at first, with the total loss of all his previous claims, whether of honor or emolument. Total Abstinence, therefore, is the "Corner Stone" of the whole organization, the grand aim and object of the scheme.

THE ORDER ESCAPES THE REPROACH OF SECRET LODGES.

1st. Because no oath of any kind whatever, either binding to secrecy or to anything else, is ever taken or imposed in any department of the Order.

2nd. Because any member can obtain an honorable dismission from his Division whenever he pleases; and should he then condemn the Order, and proclaim all he knows in the most open and public manner, the Order could not be injured by the disclosure, none of its secrets being in the slightest degree detrimental to the interests of any inhabitant of earth. The ordinary meetings of Sons are exclusive, then, not because they conceive that a good man, or a holy Angel even, could refuse to smile upon their secrets, but because the throbbings of every heart testify, that within the secluded *inner* sanctuary of the well regulated family circle, dwells its highest, its holiest, its most irresistible reformatory power! and who does not know, that publicity destroys it forever? And that the family that cannot keep its own secrets, becomes thereby a reproach to humanity? Now this Order is a family, a family of Sons, seeking earnestly the elevation of our race, and hence mutually subject to exhortation, admonition, reproof and correction—we need say no more. The man possessing a soul, knows that we must have secrets, which each *family-worthy* brother will keep inviolate till death, upon the principle of common propriety alone. As all the members of this family, cannot be personally known to each other, passwords periodically changed, test the truthfulness of the profession of every applicant for admission to the Division Room—the only place, where a Son of temperance can make himself known as a member of the Order, except in case of sickness among strangers, when