

## APPENDIX.

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### REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

(1). Within the bounds of this Association, including the Counties of Annapolis, Digby, Yarmouth, Shelburne and Queens, no licenses are granted for the sale of intoxicating beverages. It is gratifying to state in connection with the foregoing that the Baptists in these five counties are more numerous than the adherents of any other denomination.

(2). The progress of the Temperance Reform in its various departments, during the past year, has been satisfactory. In the different sections of country known to this Committee the temperance cause is in a better position now than it was one year ago. The various temperance organizations have increased in numbers and efficiency, and have been able to contend more successfully with the drink traffic and its attendant evils. Legislation has been advanced; the law to-day is more stringent than ever before, and were it strictly enforced the blessings of prohibition would be brought to all our homes. Already there are several towns and many rural districts within our borders where, owing to the efforts of the people to enforce the law, no intoxicating liquors are permitted to be sold. The same public spirit and determination to uphold the law and sustain the officers in the discharge of their duty, if manifested in every town, would speedily bring in the day of freedom from the curse of strong drink. Christians are recreant to duty if they remain inactive while the laws of God and of man continue to be violated. The efforts of the church, while not equal to what the magnitude of this evil demands, have been greater than during previous years. At the present time it is not the tippling church member only, but also the inactive christian refusing to aid this work who is proving an obstruction in this way of the Lord.

(3). As the use of alcoholic beverages is the crowning evil of the times, being the chief cause of poverty, crime, disease and premature death; as it is oftentime the occasion of discipline throughout the churches, and presents a formidable obstacle at all times to the spread of the Gospel, it is incumbent upon pastors and people to engage in continuous and active efforts for its discontinuance. We, therefore, cordially commend the DOMINION ALLIANCE for the TOTAL SUPPRESSION OF THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

The principles on which this Alliance is founded are these:—

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