

profits, amounting to \$21, was voted to the Montreal Temperance Society, to assist the publication and gratuitous distribution of the *Advocate*, and was handed to the delegates. The influence of our Society here cannot be mistaken, those who *make* feel it, those who *sell* feel it, and those who *drink* feel it. Oh! that all may so feel it as to come up to our help against the mighty foe Intemperance.—J. M. TURNER, *Secretary*.

NEW MARKET, May 10.—We have a Society here of 201 members, 12 have broken the pledge, which leaves 192 real members; our Society was formed on the 7th August, 1841; it laboured under very disadvantageous circumstances at its formation; much credit is due to a few young men, and our worthy President, the Rev. Mr. Whiting, whose belief in the good effects of total abstinence were firmly rooted, and who like the mighty oak withstood the tempest of scorn and ridicule. The cause wavered for some time, but, I am happy to say, it has taken a different turn. At a meeting held on the 7th of March, it was resolved that our committee should be enlarged from five to fifteen members; three friends were added to the list; and that each person belonging to the committee, should be furnished with the pledge, put in form, to receive names; the result of which, in the short space of two months, was 86 names, and 32 came forward at the two last meetings and signed. This place was once considered the most dissipated village in the District for its size; but we have little drinking at present; we have instances every day of the most intemperate coming forward and signing the pledge, and becoming respectable citizens. Our most worthy and influential citizens are now coming forward under the banner of temperance. The Youngs Street Union Temperance Society which extends to this village, numbers 350. Within a circumference of twenty miles, I think there are as many as 2500 total abstinence persons; we expect to have a soiree in June.—ALEXANDER A. McLAUCHLIN, *Sec. T. A. S.*

DURHAM, May 12.—I am happy to inform you that the cause of temperance continues to prosper in this township, and in that of Kintsey, where we have had recently quarterly meetings. The meeting in Durham was well attended, and was addressed by Mr. Black, and a Mr. Mace, a reformed drunkard, and myself. Mr. Mace stated that he was an Englishman, and had been in the army more than eleven years; that in all his journeyings in Africa, Ireland, South America, and many other countries, he had lived the life of the most abandoned drunkard; that in all places he had had opportunities of doing well; but that in every case he had been reduced to abject poverty and wretchedness by intemperance. He is residing in Wickham, and says that when he went down to Sorrel to receive his pension, he usually spent nearly the whole of it; and on one occasion when returning in a state of insensibility from the influence of liquor, he fell under the cart and had his leg broken; that he frequently took twenty dollars into Drummondville, and remained there until he had not more than six to bring to his family; he used to purchase a bottle of rum, when leaving Drummondville, which was to carry him home, but it very rarely helped him out of the village. His family he said were in the utmost fear for their lives, when they saw him return home; they were almost naked and often in want of bread; but now they are as happy a family as any in the country, the children being clothed and fed, as far as his pension and labour will do this; their Sabbaths, which were spent in care neglect of their souls and eternity, are now employed in reading the bible, attending divine service, and instructing their children. If the best farm in the country was offered him to return to his former habits, he would not take it; his health is better, and he is now able to work.—D. DENKLEY.

ENARO, May 11.—It gives me pleasure to have to inform you, that the good folks in Woodstock are beginning to do something, they had a meeting there, last Friday, and 32 joined, several have joined since. It is probable that at no distant period the temperance folk in the District will make some public demonstration in either Woodstock or Ingersollville, in the shape of a procession and soiree.—D. MATHESON, *Cor. Sec. E. T. S.*

GOVELD, May 15.—I beg to inform you that at the suggestion of the Rev. J. W. Harris, Wesleyan Minister, and pursuant to public notice, a meeting was held on 29th March last, in No. 5, District School Room, and addressed by him; it was respectably and numerously attended, considering the amount of our popula-

tion, and at the close of the address a pledge was presented, embracing moderation and teetotalism, the former was put under the table, and the teetotal pledge received 31 signatures, after which the meeting proceeded to form a Society, under the title of the 'Sandwich Total Abstinence Temperance Society,' its officers are Mr. Genas Orton, President; Mr. Joseph Munger, Vice President; Mr. Henry Bruner, junior, Treasurer; and a committee of three. After the benediction the meeting retired with much good feeling, and met again on the 5th May, for the purpose of hearing a lecture which was delivered by the Rev. C. Flunungult, (Wesleyan Methodist,) to a large assembly; rules of the society, and constitution were read, same as that of the Montreal Society, and received 17 additional members. Here, I beg leave to state, to the praise of the female portion of our community, which is extensive, that with the ladies of the United States, they say 'teetotallers or no husbands'; this, Sir, I think, augurs well, and is, I trust, the beginning of good days; enterprise and decision fills the breast of almost every man, and we do rejoice in the anticipation that, at least, our children will never become drunkards.—J. D. ORRER, *Sec.*

St. CATHERINES, May 17.—Pursuant to adjournment, a meeting was held on the 16th instant; the proceedings were opened with prayer, by the Rev. Mr. Baynes. The Secretary was then called upon for his Report, which was read and adopted. The Report states, that since the 4th of May, 1841, 514 names have been added to the pledge; making in all, since the reorganization of the Society, in January, 1840, 611. The President stated, that the convention had framed a constitution, not differing in principle, from the present one, which they had recommended for adoption, by all the temperance societies in the district, in order that the constitutions might be uniform, and contemplating the union of all, in a district society. Upon the proposed constitution being read, it was moved by Mr. L. Parsons, and seconded by Mr. M. H. Foley, that it be adopted, which was carried. The society then proceeded to elect their officers, under the new constitution, when the following gentlemen were chosen, viz:—Rolland MacDonald, Esquire, President; A. S. St. John, Esq., and Mr. Richard Collier, Vice Presidents; Bernard Foley, Esq., Sec.; Mr. W. Copeland, Treasurer; and a committee of ten.—W.

OAKVILLE, May 19.—This place for several years past, has been noted for drunkenness, with a population of about 500, we have nine places licensed to sell intoxicating drinks, viz:—five taverns, three stores, and one distillery, the distillery and one store owned by a magistrate. All efforts to suppress intemperance have proved ineffectual until within a few months past. On the 29th January last, we held a temperance meeting and introduced the total abstinence pledge, to which 23 subscribed. From that time to the present, the cause has prospered beyond the most sanguine expectations of its warmest friends. Your delegates, Messrs. Wilson and Mitchell, met with a very unwelcome reception by the enemies of the cause, yet, notwithstanding the opposition, 22 names were added to the society that evening; and though they were called liars, impostors, &c. &c., we treat much good will arise from their visit. In looking over the list of subscribers to the pledge we find 251 names; 1 withdrawn, 2 deaths, and 9 expelled, leaving 239 good and true teetotallers. We are confident that in no place has the cause met with greater opposition, than here, and that of a most disgraceful and ridiculous character; but it has served only to further its interests, and we may rejoice inasmuch as some who were drunkards have joined us, and now are blessings to their families, and have become useful members of society. We are of opinion that the Rev. Mr. Clarke's informant, relative to the number of deaths from intemperance, was under a mistake; twenty is above the mark, however, there were too many victims.—J. W. WILLIAMS, *President*; J. VAN ALLEN, *Secretary*.

CONORGO, May 21.—Our last quarterly meeting, held at the time of Messrs. Wilson and Mitchell's visit, was one of deep interest, and the most important in its results of any we have ever had. Inauspicious as is Saturday evening for holding public meetings, yet the Congregational Chapel, kindly given for the occasion by the Rev. Mr. Hayden, was well filled. With their small still the deputation separated about a gill of alcohol from a quart of beer; and the nauseous disgusting trash which remained, was more than sufficient to serve the entire audience. While we