

second their appeals by the silent though powerful voice of petition. Let their every nerve be strained, let no opportunity be lost, but let all put their shoulders to the wheel and work with energy and determination, remembering that the voices of thousands who are held in the bonds of the dread monster intemperance calls upon them to persevere, for this cause is the cause of God and of suffering humanity. I am &c.

T. W.

Township of King, 26th July, 1852.

Sir,—A large, influential, and important meeting was held in this Township, on the 8th inst. The meeting was called—through a requisition—by Septimus Tyrwhitt, Esq., Townreeve, who very promptly and courteously called the meeting, although, I believe, he is opposed to the Maine liquor law as a law suitable to Canada. The chair was taken, in absence of the Townreeve, by Mr. Isaiah Tyson, the old Temperance Giant. The meeting was held in a beautiful grove, the residence of Mr. John Tyson, son of our worthy chairman, and a more delightful spot could scarcely be found. The day was delightful, and before the business of the meeting commenced, the greater part of the audience sat down to a well-furnished repast of tea, sandwiches, cakes, pies, &c. The Sharon band was also in attendance, being engaged for the occasion, whose spirit stirring strains, and masterly performances, were dealt out with pleasing and cheerful effect upon the assembled audience.

The resolutions were couched in strong language, condemnatory of the present liquor traffic, and highly commendatory of a law for Canada, similar in its import to the Maine liquor law; and also, that a Petition, founded on the resolutions, be sent round the Township for subscribers, and that J. W. Gamble, M.P.P., (our present member), be requested to present and support said Petition, in his place in Parliament.

We had lots of talented speakers from the City of Toronto and surrounding neighbourhood, amongst which may be mentioned the Rev. T. T. Howard, Rev. Laughlan Taylor, Rev. Mr. Barber, Mr. McKinnon, Mr. Alcorn, Mr. Nixon, and others, whose names I forget. Besides all these on the platform, we had Joseph Hartman, M.P.P., and the venerable David Wilson of Sharon, who presented a letter to the Chairman of the meeting, giving his full and decided adhesion and support to the Maine Liquor law, which was read to the meeting, and brought forth the warmest plaudits. In fact, the letter was highly creditable to the head and heart of its author, and is another encouraging evidence of the truth of the old adage, "that truth will prevail;" and, that however potent the opposition to our principles may be, yet the time is, and shall be, when the light of reason and reflection will crowd to our standard, the Great and Mighty of mind and soul, when there will be no barrier to our principles, when our opposition will consist of nothing but the soul-hardened victims of selfishness. I say God have mercy on them, for, in many localities throughout the country, they are now become the singled out, the monuments, the mile stones, the last of the Mohegans, the last of a cycle of drunkenness, crime, and misery, in the history of the world, that neither history, with all the advantages of the press, nor tradition, with its million tongues, will be qualified to communicate to posterity one tithe of its hideous enormity.

We have great cause to rejoice, that no where in this country has respectability and talent been combined, in opposition to the Great Temperance movement. In this respect, the Temperance cause stands alone. For all the great changes which have been effected, either in politics, religion, or sanatory regulations, have

had to struggle with talent opposed to talent; even the slave question itself had its hired and payed talent in Great Britain, and now in the United States, but, to the credit of our country, no real talent has never been prostituted to so base a cause.

Yours respectfully,

J. G.

Oshawa, 12th August, 1852.

Sir,—The agitation of the Maine law continues unabated in this section of the Province, and the friends of a measure to destroy the tree of intemperance, root and branch are astounded at the almost universal feeling in favor of such a law, which pervades the public mind.

The time is fast approaching when such a law will not only be palatable to the people of Canada, but absolutely necessary, because it will be demanded of our law makers.

Moral Suasion has done much for the Temperance cause in Canada. It has touched the heart of benevolence, of sympathy, and called forth the efforts of our best men to raise the fallen, to dry the orphan's tear, and bind up the widow's broken heart. But the strong arm of law alone can affect that class of persons who have been so unfortunate as to be surrounded from their infancy by circumstances which have dried up the fountain of the purer and better feelings of their nature. That class which never felt "a tear for others' woes." That class whose god is Gold, and who would trample the bleaching bones of whole hordes of our race beneath their feet to worship at his shrine.

I am thankful there are not many such to be found amongst us, for the Maine Law feeling is making its inroads into the camp of the distiller and the dealer.

They are listening to reason's voice, and many admit that society, as a whole, would be much better if Alcohol were banished from our midst.

Yours, &amp;c.,

A. FAREWELL.

Farnham, August 10, 1851.

At a meeting of the friends of Temperance, held in the School house, No. 9, West Farnham, on the evening of Tuesday, the 10th day of August instant, Albert P. White, Esq., was called upon to take the chair. Mr. White opened the meeting by stating that in accordance with a meeting of a large number of the inhabitants of the Counties of Shefford and Missisquoi, held at Cowansville, on the 14th day of July last, delegates were appointed for the purpose of circulating and getting signatures to a Petition intended to be submitted to the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, in Parliament assembled, praying for the suppression of intemperance.

The chairman then called on Mr. Hervey Taber, (a delegate from East Farnham), to read the petition, which was unanimously approved, after which, it was moved by Mr. Noah Goodman, seconded by the Rev. Joseph Dallaire, and carried, that the following individuals constitute a committee to obtain signatures to the petition just read, viz.:—Robert McCorkill, Esq., Dr. John Benjamin Valequet, Louis Bourdon, Esq., Mr. James Mallin, Rev. James Dallaire, Rev. William Jones, John Bowker, Jr., A. P. White, Esq., and Mr. Orange Spoor.

Moved by P. H. Murtogh, and seconded by Dr. Valequet—That the thanks of this meeting be tendered to Mr. Harvey Taber for his exertions in the cause of Temperance, at this hurried season—Carried.

Moved by Robert McCorkill, Esq., and seconded by Mr. James