

tured character. They, instead of finding a check by our organic law to their debauchery, only found as at home, the liquor agencies to foster and increase their brutal natures.

Shall we make larger appropriations for our state prisons and penitentiaries by tax, for crimes and thefts that we are stimulating by the liquor system? No, voters (and how I wish this might not be restricted by sex) we must rise above all party policy or schemes of any kind that try to cover up this, the only issue now before the people. Just so long as we mix up or scatter our forces with the saloon king we will keep on as in the past. Collectively and apart from the power of this king must we work if ever we expect our prayers answered for total prohibition of the liquor traffic. I believe there is enough honor in our people to shake off this monster evil, and already the dawn of the crusade is breaking. It is not a time to drop our hands in discouragement, but work in a line as we pray, and victory will surely be ours.

*Essay read by Joseph Fritts at the Temperance Conference of Farmington Quarterly Meeting, held at Macedon Centre, 2nd mo., 6th, 1889.

A CENTENARIAN GONE.

DEATH OF MRS. MARGARET MINARD OF SPARTA.

Mrs. Margaret Minard, the oldest resident in Yarmouth and probably in Elgin, died at the home of her son, Mr. John Minard, Yarmouth, at three o'clock this morning. She had attained the great age of 100 years on August 12 of last year, and the celebration of that event is still fresh in the minds of many readers of the Journal. Between 1,000 and 1,500 people assembled to do honor to "Aunt Peggy" as she was familiarly called. At that time she was in wonderfully good health considering her age, and seemed likely to live for many years. But the sands of life were quickly running out, and the end peacefully came 6 months and 4 days after she had reached her hundredth milestone. She was born near St.

Catharines, her maiden name being Honsinger. Her grandfather came from Germany, and settled on Rhode Island. Her father fought for King George in the revolutionary war, at the battle of Bunker's Hill. After the war, with other U. E. Loyalists, he received a grant of land in Canada. Her mother heard the guns that ushered in the war of the American revolution at Lexington and Bunker's Hill. 67 years ago she came to within three miles of where her son at present resides, and has lived in the locality ever since. Her children numbered six, five of whom are now living. Her husband died twenty-three years ago, at the age of seventy three." A large company was gathered at Friends' Meeting House, on the occasion of her funeral, and an instructive and appropriate sermon was delivered by Isaac Wilson of Bloomfield, Ont., who was in attendance.

OBITUARY.

DIED.—At Purchase, Westchester County, N. Y., on Twelfth month, 8th, 1888, David Hanland, in the 68th year of his age; a lifelong member and for many years a valued elder of Purchase Monthly Meeting.

Although several weeks has passed by since we committed to the silent tomb the mortal remains of our dear friend, yet some of us still feel that more than a passing notice should be made of him. It is not in my heart to eulogize the dead, for his life has left upon the minds of those who knew him a memorial that will last when words have died away.

He was of a cheerful disposition looking upon the bright side of life, and the grasp of the hand shake gave an evidence of the depth of his feelings. He was an earnest advocate of temperance, proving it by his daily life, not being willing to countenance the traffic in any way. His disease was of a character to prostrate him at times with suffering for several years before his death, but when able he