

all available standing room in both the aisles and gallery was taken up, and numbers had to go away. A large number of the ministers attending the Conference of the Methodist Church were present, the platform speakers being Rev. A. Phillips, of Galt; Dr. Griffin of Guelph; and T. M. Campbell, of Goderich. Mr Phillips' speech was a masterly review of the question. He went on to show that prohibition would prohibit; that if the interest of the community demanded it any public nuisance had to be removed, no matter how long it had been there; that it was not a question as to what persons had rights, but whether the community had rights. He pointed out the danger to the State in what he termed an irresponsible set of men having power to thwart the wishes of the people, as the Senate had. Dr. Griffin followed in a speech no less powerful.

KINOSTON.—Below are the correct figures of the recount of the Scott Act voting in this city. The majority against the Act reported by the sheriff in the first place was 57; but throwing out the numbered ballots, the result is as follows:—

No. 1 Sub-division	For.	Against.
1	49	39
2	42	57
3	11	20
4	27	41
5	34	57
6	41	32
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8	85	57
9	32	66
10	46	60
11	54	44
12	46	65
13	76	41
14	55	44
15	77	43
16	66	35
17	46	46
	787	747
Against the Act.....		10

RENFREW.—On Saturday last, Mr. Peter McGregor, —whose name is well known as that of an earnest temperance worker, —was assaulted at Ashdad, by men under the influence of liquor. They charged him with having given the information which led to the conviction, some time ago, of Scollard, of that place, for selling liquor. Mr McGregor denied that he had done so, but they continued to abuse him, and finally assaulted him, destroying some of his property, and threatening his life. At first, Mr. McGregor was inclined to let the matter drop; but after consultation with his friends he decided to prosecute; and accordingly on Tuesday laid information of the affair before Police Magistrate Mitchell. On the following day Constables Cook and Hollingsworth proceeded to Ashdad, and made a number of arrests. It is said a liquor case also, will probably grow out of the affair.

There is quite a ripple of excitement in town over the first local alleged infractions of the Scott Act, which have been brought to trial. On Wednesday, Mr. E. Kelly, of the Exchange Hotel, was served with notice of four charges against him of selling liquor contrary to the provisions of the Canada Temperance Act. Being brought before police magistrate Mitchell at Pembroke on Thursday, Kelly was fined \$50 each in two cases, and \$26.60 costs; in all \$126.60; and Inspector McKimm withdrew the other two cases.

On the same day Thomas Holmes, of Dacre, was also brought up before Police Magistrate Mitchell, charged with selling liquor contrary to the provisions of the Canada Temperance Act. Two cases were entered, in which Edward Ryan and Gilbert Goda were witnesses. One of the cases was proved, and Holmes was fined \$50 and costs, which he paid forthwith. On the same afternoon, Richard Graham and H. Smiley were brought before the same magistrate on the same charge. It seems that the two had started a shanty or "hotel" for the sale of liquor on Cushing's Island, about two miles from Pembroke, fancying that all the islands were in the Province of Quebec, and therefore exempt from the operations of the Act. Some of the scenes and events on this island under the influence of flowing liquor were of a most disgusting character. Chief License Inspector McKimm, or his solicitor, visited the registry office, and found that this island was in the township of Pembroke. Action was at once entered against the two proprietors. They were fined \$50 and costs each, or six months in gaol at hard labor. The morning after the trial they had not paid the fine, but it was expected they would find somebody to do it for them. At Arrnprior, the adjourned cases against McPhee and Dowling were brought up on Friday. From the fact that the witnesses had been improperly served—the summons having been only read to them, instead of handed to them,—the case was further adjourned until Tuesday, 16th inst. James Dowdall, of Almonte, and J. E. Thompson, of Arrnprior, appeared on behalf of the hotel-keepers, and T. Deacon, Q. C., on behalf of the temperance prosecutors.—*Renfrew Mercury.*

TORONTO.—Mr. Fax was again present in Occident Hall, at the concert of the West End Christian Temperance Society, on Saturday evening last. His comic singing was much appreciated, especially the piece entitled "The Market on Saturday Night." Mr. L. H. Wood, the Society's pianist, gave his second reading on "Louis Riel," and on "The Manners and Customs of the People of the North-West." Miss Flint favored the audience with a well-rendered song. Miss Mansfield performed a couple of well-executed solos on the piano, and little Master Gooder made every one feel at home in reciting a humorous piece entitled "My First Cigar." In the absence of the President, Mr. Farley, who was unable to be present at the meeting, Mr. James Miller occupied the chair. The programme was under the management of Mr. George Ward.

At the regular Sunday afternoon meeting of the above society, in Occident

Hall, the audience had the pleasure of listening to eloquent and stirring addresses from Rev. Mr. Young and Mr. Allen, of Manitoba, who are at present attending the Conference of the Methodist Church in this city. There was a good attendance, Mr. Farley, President, in the chair. The choir of the Society, under the able leadership of Mr. George Ward, was also present, in full force, and rendered excellent music at intervals. Rev. Mr. Young spoke for upwards of an hour, and gave a graphic and interesting description of his travels as a missionary among the Indians in the great North-West. Their fierce love for alcoholic liquors, to obtain which the redmen were willing to sacrifice every thing they possessed; the curse of all curses which hindered the missionary in his work, and was destroying and depopulating the tribes in the Great Lone Land. Mr. Young has been a life long temperance man, and while he has power to use his voice and strength to walk to the polls, he is determined to use both in support of temperance and prohibition. Mr. Allen, of Brandon, followed in nearly the same strain as the last speaker, and urged upon his audience the necessity of united action in order to overthrow the citadel of strong drink, which could only be done by going manfully to the polls and recording their vote against the iniquitous system, irrespective of party or politics. Mr. James Miller also made a few appropriate and well-chosen remarks. A large number of strangers who were in the hall, and heard the eloquent and impressive addresses of the rev. gentlemen, came forward and signed the pledge.

"Queen City" Lodge I. O. G. T., held a very successful concert in Occident Hall, on Tuesday evening last. Under the careful management of Miss E. Mathews, a young lady of rare musical abilities, in the West End, the programme was carried out to the entire satisfaction of the audience.

SCOTLAND.—The annual meetings of the Scottish Temperance League commenced at Glasgow on Saturday afternoon by Band of Hope demonstrations in the City Hall and James Morrison-street Hall. Mr. John Wilson presided in the former, and delivered an address. He was followed by the Rev. Dr. Fergus Ferguson, of Montrose-street Church. Mr. James Johnston, of Longbank, presided in the James Morrison-street Hall. After a short address he was followed by Mr. David Fortune, who also spoke to the children. The addresses were varied by hymns and songs by the choir, the children occasionally joining.

On Sunday evening the annual temperance sermon was delivered by the Rev. George Gladstone to a crowded congregation in the City Hall. Temperance sermons were also delivered in a large number of the churches in the city and elsewhere.

The annual public meeting took place on Monday night in the City Hall, Sir William Collins in the chair. There was a large attendance, and the speakers included the chairman, Professor Lindsay, Rev. John Smith, Edinburgh; Mr. Cameron Corbett, Mr. Thomas Whittaker, Scarborough; and Mr. John Taylor (National Temperance League), London.

On Tuesday morning the anniversary services of the League were resumed with a public breakfast in the Trades' Hall. About 250 ladies and gentlemen were present, including a number of the local clergymen. After tea several short addresses were delivered.

The annual business meeting of the League was held on Tuesday forenoon in the Trades' Hall, S. Wm. Collins in the chair.

The forty-first annual report was submitted, and stated that the directors were glad to be in a position to announce that the membership, income, agencies, and operations of the association had all been well sustained. The membership of the League at the end of December, when the annual "Register" was issued, stood as follows: Adult members, 9,160; juvenile members, 2,507, total membership, 11,667. Affiliated societies and Templar Lodges, 425—showing, as compared with last year, a decrease of one society and seven adults, and an increase of eleven juveniles, or an increase of four on the total membership. The above membership does not include all total abstainers connected with the League by membership of affiliated societies, but only those directly subscribing to the funds of the League.

The Rev. Hector Hall, in a lengthy speech, seconded by the Rev. James Crawford, moved the adoption of the reports and abstract to Treasurer's account, which showed a total income of £7,202 18s. 2d., including £3,683 16s. 7d. from publications, £2,720 11s. 7d. from subscriptions, and £636 10s. 8d. from legacies.

The following resolutions were subsequently adopted. —
 "That, while thankfully acknowledging the great progress and beneficent results of the temperance movement, this meeting, having regard to the manifold evils still resulting from the drinking customs and the liquor traffic, recognises the great importance of sustaining and extending the various agencies hitherto employed by the League, and anew pledges itself to support these by all needed sympathy, liberality, and effort."

"That, in view of the recent extension of the franchise, which places increased political power in the hands of the people, and the certainty of an early appeal to the new electorate, this meeting would earnestly urge upon all sections of temperance reformers the important duty of uniting in special efforts to educate and organize the electors by means of public meetings, conferences, deputations, the circulation of suitable literature, and otherwise, in order to extend, strengthen, and render available the rising sentiment of the country in favor of sound and thorough temperance legislation."

"As the Scottish Temperance League has always contended that the rate-payers in their respective localities should not only have the power of vetoing all the licences, but also the power of vetoing any number less than the whole, and even of preventing any increase of the number, this meeting hails with satisfaction the introduction into the House of Commons by Mr. McLagan, of the Liquor Traffic (Local Vote) Scotland Bill, which, for the first time in the history of temperance legislation, embodies all these principles, and, without pledging itself to all the details of the measure, earnestly calls upon temperance reformers to give the bill their utmost possible support."

In the afternoon a large tea party was held under the chairmanship of Mr. J. H. Martin, of Dundee, after which the proceedings finally terminated.—*Temperance Record.*