

influence and efforts of women. Mother Stewart spoke at some length. She is quite an aged lady, upwards of seventy years, but thoroughly in earnest in the temperance work, and was two years ago one of the foremost standard bearers in that noble crusading army of the far west.

Later in the evening we listened to the story, earnestly told by a lady from Ohio, of the sufferings endured by these fearless western women—how they trudged through snow and storm—knelt upon damp, wet pavements, meekly bearing even imprisonment; and through all this, saying triumphantly with Paul, “None of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that this curse of intemperance be wiped from our fair earth.” And now their colours wave over hundreds, yea, even thousands of dram-shops, and their motto, “Love, Purity and Fidelity,” is the beacon light, guiding many a depraved and erring dramseller away from the darkness and degradation of this awful traffic in human souls, up to the Throne of God. Oh! my sisters, pray that this mantle, worn so gracefully and so well by the American women, may descend and wrap itself about us—that the echoes from this tocsin of alarm, which has sounded along the mighty rivers, and over the vast plains of the west, may reverberate not only through our much-loved Dominion, but throughout the whole earth; and that God, ere long, may so inspire our hearts with zeal in this His own cause, that we shall not hesitate to enter even the proscribed doors of a saloon or dram-shop, to lure, with burning, irresistible words, both the trafficker and his victim, therefrom, into the flowery paths of piety and virtue.

Mrs. Youmans followed Mother Stewart, and with her thrillingly eloquent words carried the assembly away from Philadelphia to her own little county of Prince Edward, as she related how the Dunkin Act had, with many prayers, tears and efforts, been carried there, and that now there were hopes, bright hopes, for its youthful sons.

The conversazione was enlivened by the beautiful singing of Mrs. Clark, a New York lady. As the full, rich tones of her magnificent voice swept through the hall in waves of song, asking, with tremulous eagerness—“Oh! who is on the Lord’s side?” we fully realized how, under the magnetic influence of Sankey’s wondrous singing, so many have given their hearts to Christ; and we then, more fully than ever before, consecrated our lives to the publishing of this grand temperance gospel.

On Sabbath morning the Convention listened to an able discourse from Mrs. Professor Willing, of the Chicago University for Ladies. Subject—“Incidents in the Life and Character of Paul the Apostle.” Some fifty or sixty of the delegates were detailed to speak during the afternoon and evening, in different churches and Sabbath schools of the city and neighbouring towns. In our conservative Dominion, such an arrangement would have been deemed at least imprudent; but there it was accepted as highly satisfactory and commendable. Accompanied by two ladies of New Haven, Mrs. Harvie visited, in