# THE ODD<sup>®</sup>FELLOWS' RECORD.

BY THEODORE A. GOULD.

Would'st win the crime-stained wanderer back From vice's dark and hideous track? Let not a frown thy brow deform. 'Twill add but fierceness to the storm ; Deal kindly—in that bosom dark Still lingers virtue's glimmering spark; Plead with him—'tis the nobler part-There's something good in every heart !

Bring to his mind the early time, E'er sin had stained his soul with crime ! When fond affection blessed his hours, And strewed his joyous path with flowers; When sportive jest and harmless glee Bespoke a spirit pure and free ; Plead with him—'tis the nobler part--

There's something good in every heart !

There was a time that head did rest Close to a mother's yearning breast-A time his ear the precepts caught, A kind and virtuous father taught ; It matters not what treacherous ray First lured his steps from virtue's way-Enough to know thou yet may'st save That soul from sin's engulphing wave ; Plead with him-act the noble part ;

There's something good in every heart !

BE KIND TO EACH OTHER.

BY CHARLES SWAIN. Be kind to each other ! The night's coming on, When friend and when brother Perchance may be gone ! Then, 'midst our dejection, How sweet to have earned The blest recollection Of kindness-returned ! When day hath departed, And memory keeps Her watch, brokenhearted, Where all she loved sleeps !

Let falsehood assail not, Nor envy disprove Let trifles prevail not Against those ye love ! Nor change with to-morrow, Should fortune take wing, But the deeper the sorrow, The closer still cling ! Oh! be kind to each other! The night's coming on, When friend and when brother Perchance may be gone ! -North of England Magazine.

## I. O. O. F. CELEBRATION AT PORT HOPE.

THE Lodge of I. O. O. F. in this town celebrated the opening of their new Lodge Room, on Thursday the 2d instant, with an oration and supper. We are exceedingly sorry at not being able to attend. We, how-ever, thank a brother for the following account, which should have appeared last week, had we not been compelled to defer it from the crowded state of our little sheet.

The attendance on the occasion was numerous, and all seemed highly pleased with the remarkable order and precision with which everything was conducted. After a few remarks from Noble Grand Turner, P.

G. Hughes read several extracts from addresses delivered on similar occasions, explaining the benefits of the Order, after which Past Grand Rev. J. Short delivered an impressive oration suitable to the occasion,

THERE'S SOMETHING GOOD IN EVERY HEART have left a doubt in the mind of those present of the purity of the principles of the Order. During the recesses, appropriate odes were sung. It was indeed pleasing to see so many of our lady friends aiding and encouraging the dedicating of a Hall, amongst whose mottoes are Protect the Widow, Educate the Orphan, and Bury the Dead.

The Lodge was then closed by singing the National Anthem. After which the Brethren retired to supper at Br. Rowland's, where the preparation for his guests was highly creditable. After the cloth was removed, the N. Grand from the Chair gave "The Queen," and other appropriate toasts, after which the "Grand Lodge of British North America," all of which were drank with due honor and true British feeling.

## REVIEW OF THE ORDER FOR THE YEAR.

It appears, from the Report of the M. W. Grand Sire of the United States, that the Order has increased, during the past year, from 90,000 to 120,000 members -a nett increase of thirty thousand. The amount of money expended for benefits, &c., is \$300,000 !

Lodges have been established in Oregon, by P. G. Watson, and in one of the Sandwich Islands. This event will, no doubt, prove to be very important. The extension of Odd Fellowship among those nations which are just struggling through the darkness into civilization, cannot but be beneficial. Secret societies have ever been the most powerful instruments of Progress, and we cannot doubt that Odd Fellowship will do much among these young sons of civilization,

The attempt to plant Lodge, a cknowledging allegi-ance to our Grand Lodge, in England, has utterly fail-ed; and perhaps it is well. We had much rather see a reconciliation between ourselves and the Manchester Unity; and sincerely hope that such a desirable result will at length be attained.

The total revenue of the Order in the United States for the year, is \$888,605. 07; number of brothers re-lieved, 16,764; widowed families relieved, 1,478: 1,478 : whole amount of expenditures, \$302, 243. 41.

It appears from the above, that there remains in the common treasury of the Order, as the result of our work for the year now closed, over half a million of dollars !

The Association still continues to enjoy its great popularity, and its growth does not appear to flag. Its prospects are still bright, and its star yet shines promis-ingly over the world. Heaven grant that nothing occur to dim those prospects, or overthrow our hopes. No words can tell how much good an Order like ours may do, if prudently and wisely guided—nor how much evil, if controlled by evil counsels.—Union Gazette.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE R. W. GRAND LODGE OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.

Montreal, March 15, 1847.---3 o'clock, P. M. The R. W. Grand Lodge assembled pursuant to adjournment.

Present-M. W. Grand Sire, R. W. Grand Secretary, W. Grand Conductor.

Also Present-Reps. Liddell, Rodden, Wilson, Jackson, Holton, Dunkin.

On motion the reading of the Minutes was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Rodden, seconded by Rep. Dunkin, the Report of the Finance Committee was ordered to lie on the table.

The Grand Secretary presented a Draft of a Lease to the Odd Fellows' Hall, received from Messrs. Bourne &

the Odd renows hain, received from measures, bound of Co., which was read, and several amendments thereto suggested by the M. W. Grand Sire. Whereupon it was moved by Rep. Dunkin, seconded by Rep. Holton, and carried, That the M. W. Grand Sire be authorised to procure from Messrs. Gibb & Easton, a draft answering the only possible objection to Odd Fellow-authorised to procure from Messrs. Gibb & Easton, a draft ship with such preciseness that it could not possibly of a Lease to embody certain amendments suggested by

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