

J. S. Buckingham, Esq., seconded the motion.

Joseph Sturgo, Esq., merely rose to mention a plan adopted in Birmingham, of offering cheap railway trips to juvenile lecturers, as being very successful in inducing many to join the society, and stated that out of 2500 children who had taken the pledge from such inducement the year before, only 50 had broken their pledge. The resolution was carried unanimously.

The meeting was afterwards addressed by W. Janson, Esq.; Rev. W. W. Robinson; R. V. Ozia French; Mr. T. Whittaker; the Rev. B. Parsons; and H. Clapp, Esq.

Progress of the Cause.

NOVA SCOTIA.

From an article in the *Colonist* of 3d April, 1849, we learn that Mr. F. W. Kellogg, after a trial of three years, has proved himself a most judicious, effective, and indefatigable temperance lecturer, having been instrumental in adding upwards of 6000 members to the temperance societies in the province. We have seen other notices of this gentleman's labors, which state that his talents as a speaker are equal to those of the celebrated John B. Gough.

We are indebted to the *Scottish Temperance Review*, for June, for the following synopsis of the progress of our cause:—

SCOTLAND.

EDINBURGH.—The temperance cause continues to make unabated progress in this city. The chapel in which the meetings are held is weekly crowded with interested audiences, and about 60 new members are enrolled at each meeting. The efforts made by the society's missionaries are being crowned with the most gratifying success, and the members of committee are harmoniously laboring for the advancement of the good work.

The quarterly meeting of the ladies' visiting committee was held on Wednesday evening, 25th April, in Johnston's Temperance Hotel.—Mr. W. K. Rose, secretary and collector, in the chair. Mr. Birrell, secretary to the ladies' committee, read a very gratifying report, from which it appeared that fifty-three females had joined the society. The report also states that this quarter commemorates their fourth anniversary, and that in the retrospect of that report they had had many tokens of success. We understand that Mrs. Burton, one of the members of this committee, has opened a temperance boarding-house, for the reception of intemperate persons who wish to reform.

DUNDEE.—The eleventh annual report of the 'Dundee Society for the Suppression of Intemperance,' has just reached us. In details, at considerable length, the operations of the society during the past year. Eight lectures have been delivered by ministers, and other meetings of various kinds have been held, most of which were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Henderson, agent of the society, who, we regret to observe, has been obliged to tender his resignation in consequence of ill health. The first four of a series of monthly tracts have been published, which have had a circulation of 6000 copies each. Of these, about 2000 have been taken by the society, and the remainder were disposed of to societies and individuals in different parts of the country. The committee have also purchased for sale and distribution, 8500 tracts and periodicals, including 'Adverters,' 'Prize Tracts,' &c. During the year, 210 cards of membership have been issued, and a female society has been formed, which has also enrolled a number of members. A congregational society, with 100 members, has been established in connection with Prince's Street Chapel. Of 3160 cases brought before the police court, from 1st October, 1847, till 31st October, 1848, 1458 are placed under the head 'Disorderly and Drunkenness.' An extract is given from the 'Report of Medical Officers of the Dundee Royal Asylum for Lunatics,' in which these gentlemen give it as their opinion that drunkenness largely contributes to the production and aggravation of insanity, and recommend the establishment of asylums for incorrigible drunkards, similar to those existing in America.

ANNAN.—The annual meeting of the Annan Abstinence Society was held on the evening of Wednesday, 25th April. After an excellent lecture by the Rev. W. B. Clark, of Maxwelltown, a brief report was presented, from which it appeared that within

the past year, 174 members have been enrolled, making the present membership upwards of 500. There is also a juvenile society, formed in December last, and now numbering 308. Such are some of the results of the movement, of which occasional notices have appeared in our columns during the past winter. In this movement nearly twenty pounds have been expended, chiefly in paying travelling expenses of lecturers, advertising meetings, and circulating 26,369 pages of temperance intelligence. The report having been received the committee for the ensuing year was appointed, and the Rev. E. Young, in some closing remarks, urged the members of the society to remain steadfast, to regard themselves as identified with the abstinence cause, and to endeavor to extend it as widely as possible.—*Christian News.*

ISLE OF BUTE.—Mr. John Roy, governor of Rothesay prison, states, in a note of the 24th of April last, that the total number of prisoners in Rothesay jail, from the 14th February, 1848, till the 14th February, 1849, was 79. Forty-three of these—37 males and 6 females—were either imprisoned for drunkenness, or for crimes committed under its influence. 'I consider intemperance,' says the obliging governor, 'the whole cause of crime in this island. We have no noted thieves here, but a number of drunkards; and when they get a drop of the poison, it seems to make them both covetous and disorderly.'

In 1845 there were 32,000 gallons of 'proof spirits' introduced into the Islands of Arran and Bute. The aggregate population of these islands in 1841 was 15,710. The number of public houses in Rothesay is 46; the population is from 5000 to 6000. A gentleman who has visited many parts of the country, and is at present residing in the town, observes, that he can safely say, that although Rothesay has been famed for a religious, church-going community, there is more intoxicating liquor consumed in it than in any other town in Scotland.

The Rothesay Female Association for the Suppression of Intemperance was instituted on the 13th of June, 1848. During the first eleven months 110 individuals were enrolled as members; 109 of whom, it is believed, still adhere to the principle. Miss Anna F. McFie, Montague Street, is the mainspring of this useful female society. Her persevering efforts to advance the temperance movement in this lovely watering place are of the most disinterested, praiseworthy character.

DUNOON.—At the ninth annual meeting of the Dunoon Total Abstinence Society, held in November last, it was resolved to establish a monthly public meeting for the advocacy of abstinence principles, with the view of raising the society from the lethargic state in which it had been sunk for several years. This resolution has since been carried into effect, and through the exertions of the Secretary to the League, the following gentlemen have already lectured in Dunoon: Mr. Logan, Mr. Stirling, Mr. P. Ferguson, Mr. William Robertson, and the Rev. Gilbert McCallum. The number of members has been doubled; and the juvenile society which has been established consists of eighty members. This is another proof, if such were wanting, of the invaluable benefits resulting from regular meetings.

SHORTS IRON WORKS.—A highly interesting social entertainment was held in the Congregational Chapel, Stane, on Tuesday evening, April 21—the president, Mr. Ebenezer Walker, in the chair. The meeting was addressed by the chairman, Rev. John Hart of Hamilton, Rev. William Hutcheson of Stane, and Dr. Frederick Daniel of Carlisle. The addresses were listened to by the large and respectable assembly with the most marked attention. The vocal music band belonging to the works was in attendance, and entertained the meeting with a choice selection of tunes, anthems, &c., and appropriate temperance hymns prepared expressly for the occasion. The movement here has assumed a more healthy aspect than at any former period of the society's history, and as the revival is mainly owing to the holding of monthly public meetings during the winter, we trust that other societies will adopt this excellent method of preserving their members, and of keeping their principles before the public.

CUPAR-FIFE.—The first annual meeting of the abstinence society in this place has lately been held. Addresses were delivered by the Rev. Mr. Landells, and by Mr. Douglas, writer. Mr. Footie, the secretary, read the committee's report, from which we learn, that since the formation of the society, in 1847, two courses of lectures have been delivered, and 280 members enrolled. Upwards of 500 youths have also been formed into a juvenile society, under the superintendence of the Rev. Mr. Landells, whose exertions to advance the cause are exceedingly praise-