

one door has been closed against me, and that was the door of the Courthouse in Nelsonville, while at the same time dram-shops are thickening in every quarter, around them; legalised houses are pouring out victims by wholesale, and preparing our fellow-beings for future woe.

But as long as the majority of this people can love intelligence, sound morals, an abhorrence of vice, and the fear of God, and regard to His institutions, the wind may blow, and the tempest rage and beat upon our cause, it will be all in vain, prosper it must:

At Bedford, 8th ult, the County of Missisquoi held their annual meeting. Several hundreds were present upon that occasion; an able address was delivered by a Rev. gentleman from Burlington. After which, resolutions were past, and a number of eloquent speeches made. It is worthy of notice, that Mr. Carey from St. Johns was there with a choir of singers, which added very much to the interest of the meeting. In fine, I may say, that all who were there took no small pains to make every thing comfortable and conducted themselves with the greatest decorum.

S. R. HUNGERFORD.

Clarendo, September 10, 1852.

SIR,—A long time has now elapsed since I have noticed anything in the Advocate respecting the progress of temperance in this locality: A Division of the Sons was instituted here on May 11th, which already numbers nearly thirty members. We held our first public meeting on the 6th inst., at Mr. Roe's Point, on the bank of the Ottawa, and there on the green, under the shade of the spreading trees, assembled the different Divisions around, among which was a large number of the Bytown Division, accompanied by the brass band, whose enlivening tones added much to the pleasure of the meeting. After the company had partaken of refreshments, which were choice and plenty, the chairman, the Rev. John Edwards, commenced the business of the day by addressing the meeting, which he did at some length, and in appropriate terms. The speakers were—Neil Campbell, Rev. Mr. Wilson, P. A. Egleson, James Peacock, William Edwards, and W. M. Murrell, (the London tailor). During the intervals between the speeches the band favored the audience with appropriate airs. At a late hour in the evening the company separated, all pleased and highly delighted at the proceedings of the day. The effects of this meeting were decidedly good, and I hope that such meetings will be held frequently both here and elsewhere, to stir up the public mind, and to give no rest until we have the Maine Law in Canada in all its length and breadth.—Yours, &c.

R. S.

Hornby, Esquimes, September 11, 1852.

SIR,—I had the pleasure of attending a soiree held by Trafalgar Central Division, No. 311, on the 25th ult. The day was fine although exceedingly hot. At about one o'clock p.m. the brethren from various Divisions began to gather at the Division Room, for the purpose of forming a procession, which is customary among the Sons in this part of the province. This being done, preceded by the Hornby brass band, we marched to the Grove of Mr. John Biggar, brother Anthony Fox acting as Marshal. All things being in a state of readiness here, Mr. Duff of Oakville took the chair, and called upon the Rev. Mr. Denny to open the meeting by prayer, after which the company, numbering about 350, sat down to a delightful repast, which had been gratuitously prepared by the ladies in that locality. The temporary tables which had been erected for the occasion actually creaked with the ample provi-

sion which had been made by these open hearted ladies for the occasion. The bread, cakes, and tea seemed to defy competition. This part of the performance being over, the Rev. Mr. Denny was again called upon to return thanks; after which the Rev. Mr. Jeffries, Rev. Mr. Denny, and several others, addressed the meeting for a considerable length of time, principally upon the Maine Law. After several votes of thanks had been returned to different parties, the procession was reformed, to march back to the Division Room, a distance of about a mile, where all separated to their respective places of abode, each seeming perfectly satisfied with the manner in which they had spent the evening.

The proceeds, which amounted to a neat sum, is to be appropriated to the erection of a Division Room in that locality. This Division has only been in operation about five months, meets on Tuesday evenings, and numbers 30 members in good standing, with a fair prospect of doubling that number the coming winter.—Yours, &c.,

A. B.

Cote St. Charles, Vaudreuil, Sept 2. 1852.

DEAR SIR,—I am happy to inform you that the good cause of Temperance has at length received a wonderful impulse, through the instrumentality, chiefly, of some of the workmen at the glass factory, a very great reformation has taken place in that neighborhood and in this concession. We have held several meetings at which we have had more or less success. We met with considerable opposition, by those of whom better things might have been expected. A Society has been organized, with the following office-bearers for the year, viz: Mr. Wm. Lancaster, jr, President Mr. Jos. Lancaster, Vice-President. We number about 180 members between here and the riverside. May the Good Lord, without whose blessing every effort of man is fruitless and vain, aid us in all our undertakings, and crown our labor with abundant success.

E. P. GROUT, Sec.

Meaford, St. Vincent, October, 1852.

Our Division is located in a rather new county—and Meaford is a newly rising village, of some thirty-five dwelling-houses, two grist mills, a saw-mill, a chair-factory, blacksmith shops, &c. and contains what we consider a respectable collection of inhabitants, and a sufficient quantity of unoccupied grounds for a far greater population, providing they are characters able to walk straight, and keep sober! Bounded on the north, by Lake Huron; and on the remaining quarters, by a high fertile country, well supplied with streams and springs of excellent water; but not with ponds, or creeks, or showers of grog, as there is but one pool of the sort, where some people go down and steep their feet in; but we hope that, through the instrumentality of our teetotal Town-Council, and the Maine-law, to see that dried up soon, leaving the proprietor to prosper in a better business. And now that you know these things, you cannot expect that we are yet a very large company, only having been organized on the 14th July, 1851; yet we think our Division prospering well, having commenced with eight in number, and now counting near seventy.

On the 14th of July last, we held our first anniversary, in the form of a demonstration or soiree, and those who wish to know how it passed off will please imagine themselves with us, and when a large number of the inhabitants are collected, see all who are Sons enter the Division-Room, and again issue forth clothed in regalia, and when formed in order, followed by a numerous company of the faithful old teetotalers, &c., march to the Lake Shore, and thence around to the newly erected church, which enter with us, and when seated, notice what good order prevails throughout the congregation, who are, in the first place, preparing their minds and mouths for proving the quality of a dinner