

ing its principles and urging their adoption in Canada. The Maine movement for Canada is gaining ground. Our elections are too near to effect much in the next Parliament, but we trust that even there we shall have thorough-going *main* supporters.

J. B. Gough.

We regret to learn from the following letter, which we take from the *Napanee Bee*, that Mr. Gough has been obliged, from feeble health, after but a short tour of the Province, to relinquish his intention of a more extended journey. We regret this, because of the positive loss to the Province, as well as for his own sake. We hope, however, a change of climate and some rest—for we do not think he can rest long—he will be so far strengthened as again to resume his labors.

Watertown, Nov. 4, 1851.

Dear Sir.—It is with deep regret that I disappoint you in failing to fulfil my engagement.

The facts are these: I have been laboring for some two weeks past in a very feeble state of health, owing to a severe cold settling in my throat and on my lungs. I have been advised by all to rest; but I had determined, if possible, to fulfil my engagements in Canada. I continued speaking till last Sabbath; and, although quite unwell and sore, I intended to cross in the boat for Kingston, and so on to Bath, Preston, Napanee, &c. No boat came yesterday. I watched for it until 3 p. m. to day, then came here to see if I could get across by any other conveyance. I find that I can leave tomorrow at 3, and arrive at Kingston in the morning, by travelling all night, then I should have 25 miles to ride. If I were well, I might do it, but could not attempt it in my present state. Indeed, I am this evening quite ill; can hardly speak or sit up.

I now intend going home; all my friends advise it, as I must get rest, or I shall labor but little longer.

Now, my dear sir, you cannot feel more disappointed than I do, for I anticipated great pleasure in my trip, as laid out; but I must submit, and go home and get cured, and go to a warmer climate during the cold weather. If my life should be spared, I am willing to bind myself to come about the first of May, and visit those places that are now disappointed.

Hoping to meet when I am better able to do you service than I could possibly do now, even if I were with you, and hoping to hear from you on receipt of this,

I am, most truly and respectfully, yours,
J. B. Gough.

To W. V. Deltor, Esq.

We give the following as evidence of the success that has attended Mr. G. in his upward tour.

Mr. Gough at Farmersville.—On Saturday last we took advantage of the fine weather, and paid a visit to Farmersville, for the purpose of hearing Mr. Gough. We are glad we did so, because the pleasure we derived from hearing this gentleman lecture amply repaid us for the day's absence from the office.

Mr. Gough lectured in the afternoon and evening. The meetings were held in the Methodist Episcopal Church, which was crowded on both occasions, and which was neatly decorated with arches and ornaments of evergreens—fit emblems of the triumph and vigorous healthfulness of the cause of temperance. At both meetings the chair was occupied by John Hayes, Esq., the President of the Temperance Society in that locality.

It is not our intention to follow Mr. Gough in his clear, argumentative, and pathetically illustrated lectures—these qualities being the distinctive features of both his addresses at Farmersville. Neither do we intend to dwell upon the effect these lectures had upon his hearers—the tearful eyes in every part of the church give hope that the truths he enunciated will not be soon forgotten. Thus much we will say, however, that, considering the character and standing of many who subscribed the pledge, after having heard him, we have no hesitation in stating that Mr. Gough's exertions in this and the neighbouring districts have been of a triumphant description. This may be the more clearly understood when we mention that, among others, the Rev. Mr. Harris of Bath, was struck with the truth of Mr. Gough's remarks in

reference to the responsibility attached to those who are looked up to as examples, that the rev. gentleman put his name to Mr. Gough's pledge. We hope the day will soon come when every clergyman in Canada will view their responsibility in the same light, and "go and do likewise."—*Brockville Recorder*.

Mr. Gough.—This untiring and eloquent champion of the principles of Total Abstinence delivered two of his unique lectures this week in the City Hall. On both occasions the attendance was large and highly respectable. To judge of Mr. Gough's discourses by any ordinary rules of criticism is quite impossible. His language, reasoning, eloquence and style of delivery are peculiarly his own. To say that Mr. Gough is an orator would be not correct, but to deny that he is a powerful, fluent and eloquent speaker would be also incorrect. But in one great thing he excels—his power to captivate a mixed assembly. We regard Mr. Gough as no ordinary man; we believe him to be sincere in his exertions and we are convinced that what he utters he feels. The Temperance cause has no more distinguished auxiliary; his success has been extraordinary, and the amount of good he has performed immense. An enterprise such as Mr. Gough is engaged in—so pure, so good, so benevolent, and grand commends itself to the consideration of every reflecting mind. We feel bound to give it our cordial support and to wish for it a hearty God Speed!

The success which has attended Mr. Gough's lectures here is of the most gladdening character. Hundreds have adopted the Total Abstinence principle. Numbers of our most respectable citizens, male and female, have gone nobly forward and signed the pledge. Amongst the most we wish pride mention the names of Francis M. Hill, Esq., Mayor of the city, and Alderman Ford ex-Mayor! These are examples of moral courage and noble self-denial which must have their legitimate weight with the community.—*Kingston Herald*.

In connection with this distinguished lecturer's name, we deem it but an act of justice to allude to an accusation that has been made by the *Montreal Courier* and *Kingston Whig*, to the manner in which Mr. Gough treats his subject, and of making personal allusions in the course of his lectures. We admit the difficulty of any temperance lecturer, however milk and water he may be, let them trim as much as they please, discoursing to the taste of either of the above papers; indeed, we would regard the approval of either of our cotemporaries the best evidence we could have of the incompetency of any temperance lecturer to do justice to his subject; for, in the language of the *Montreal Witness*, "if temperance is to be advocated at all, the illustrations must either be imaginary or real; if imaginary, every one sees out they are all new; if real, the cry is equally loud in some quarters about personality." Now, it appears to us that, while personal feelings should never be unnecessarily wounded, the public interest is paramount to them, and that any remarkable instance of the mournful effects of drunkenness occur, it ought to be held up as a warning. At the same time, we believe no one is more careful than Mr. Gough about giving offence, or making any allusion to persons by name or residence, unless challenged to give particulars. The instance alluded to by the *Courier* has, we understand, resulted most happily in the adhesion of the gentleman in question and all his family to the pledge."

Adulteration of Tea, &c.

Many of the provincial papers have recently given, from the *London Insect*, strange disclosures of wickedness practiced in the tea-business. When such adulterations of an article generally used, are brought to light, it is proper that every effort be made to check the evil, and expose the delinquents. It may be doubted whether families would continue to purchase tea, at a place, or in a firm, where base adulterations were carried on. Their own safety would demand total abstinence, rather than exposure to danger and death. We have put an &c., to the heading of