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A GREAT MEETING.

The Church of England Temperance Society has announced a public meeting at the Horticultural Gardens, on Monday evening, 24th March instant. Addresses will be delivered by the Bishop of Huron and the Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education and others.

The chair will be taken by the Bishop of Toronto, at 8 o'clock sharp. All friends of Temperance are cordially invited to attend.

THE ONTARIO CONVENTION.

We want again to urge upon our friends the necessity of doing all that is possible to secure a large attendance at the Convention in Toronto on the 25th. A number of prominent workers have already notified us of their intention to attend. It is desirable that applications be made at once to the Secretary for railway certificates, as these must be presented by delegates at the commencement of their journey.

The programme, so far as completed, embraces the following subjects:—Simultaneous voting on the Scott Act in different counties, The working of the Scott Act in Halton County, The relation of the Churches to the Prohibitory movement, High License, Temperance Literature, Means and methods for Alliance work. It is proposed that during the Convention, which will probably last two days, a reception and supper will be given to the delegates by the Toronto friends.

The present condition of the Temperance cause and Prohibitory

movement in Canada is very hopeful, but at the same time very critical. Public sentiment is roused as it never was roused before to the enormity of intemperance, and the necessity for legislation to suppress it. Let us have a careful and prayerful deliberation upon the position we occupy, and the best method of dealing with the important problems that it presents. Earnest, judicious and united action cannot fail to be productive of good. Let every advocate of our holy cause recognize and perform his individual duty. Let us have a Grand Convention.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING,

—OF—

THE DOMINION ALLIANCE

Held in Ottawa, January 31st and February 1st, 1884.

The Council of the Dominion Alliance met, pursuant to the call of the Executive, in the City Hall, Ottawa, Jan. 31st, 1884, at 10 a.m. Senator Vidal, President, called the meeting to order, and appointed a Business Committee, consisting of Revs. J. Wood, D. L. Brethour, Jas. Kines, Geo. Jamieson and M. S. A. Abbott. On the Committee retiring, the President addressed the Council, specially referring to the great loss sustained by the Temperance cause in the lamented death of the Rev. Thos. Gales, and also to the general state of the work.

Desire having been expressed by several members of the Council that the session should be opened with prayer, on motion of Prof Foster, M.P., seconded by Mr. Dougall, it was Resolved—That a Committee be appointed to prepare and report a form of prayer for the use of the Council, such form of prayer to be read by the President of the Council at its meetings.

The Rev. W. Scott then led the Council in prayer.

The Business Committee reported the following Standing Committees, which were severally put and appointed, and the report adopted as a whole, each Committee to have power to add to its number:

COMMITTEES.

Legislation—Senator Vidal, J. J. McLaren, G.C., Judge Jones, J. R. Dougall and all Senators and Members of Parliament who are members of the Alliance.

Nominations—Messrs. S. A. Abbott, A. Longley, Prof. Foster, M. P., J. R. Dougall, Rev. James Kines and Mr. W. W. Buchanan.

Credentials—Rev. D. W. Lucas, and Messrs. W. H. Allison, M. P., G. G. King, M. P., J. K. Stewart, Geo. May and N. Shakespeare, M.P.

Resolutions—Rev. W. Scott, and Messrs. A. Gilmor, M.P., N. Shakespeare, M.P., S. A. Fisher, M. P. and F. S. Spence.

Finance—Messrs. Geo. May, A. C. McDonald, M. P., Senator McLeilan, Senator Ferrier and Mr. Allison, M.P.

Committee on the State of the Work—Revs. D. L. Brethour, J. Wood and Messrs. M. Auger, M.P., Dr. Moore, N. Shakespeare, M. P., F. S. Spence, A. Longley, M. Gregault, M. P., and W. W. Buchanan.

Literature—Prof. Foster, M. P., Rev. D. V. Lucas, W. McCraney, M. P., M. Cotton, F. S. Spence and C. Burpee, M. P.

Letters were read from the Hon. G. W. Ross, Minister of Education for Ontario, from the G. W. P. of the Sons of Temperance, Mr. W. H. Howland and Rev. Dr. Clark, of Toronto. On motion, the letter of the Grand Worthy Patriarch, S. of T., was referred to the Committee on the State of the Work, and that of Mr. Howland to the Committee on Legislation.