

In order that the Celebration might come off with éclat, every endeavour was made by the Committee of Management to render the scene attractive, and justice demands that we state they were, in every particular, successful, although in one essential the Celebration was not what the Committee themselves expected, owing to a large number of the brotherhood withholding their attendance on this occasion. Pecuniary loss may be entailed on the Committee, but those who kept back have experienced a loss also, and one which is not always purchasable at the price of a soirée ticket—we mean an agreeable and pleasantly-spent evening. The room was spacious and tastefully decorated with appropriate emblems, banners, and mottoes. There were also a numerous choir of singers and an instrumental band (the Light Infantry) in attendance, who, during the evening, added to the interest of the proceedings. The Chair was occupied by H. Lyman, Esq. and around him, on the platform, we perceived, in the course of the evening, the Hon. M. Cameron, B. Flint, Esq., M.P.P., W. G. Mack, Esq., Advocate, Revs. W. Taylor, Girdwood and Wilkes. Although the company had partaken of a service of tea and coffee, the chairman commenced the business of the evening by desiring the Rev. W. Taylor to read a portion of scripture; when the Rev. gentleman read the 35th chapter of Jeremiah, from which chapter the principles of the Order of Rechabites are taken. The Rev. Mr. Girdwood then engaged in prayer, when the chairman delivered the opening address.

The following gentlemen also addressed the meeting in their usual happy and effective style:—Rev. J. Girdwood, W. G. Mack, T. S. Brown, and Billa Flint, Esqrs. The Rev. Lichlan Taylor was announced in the programme to deliver an address, but from unavoidable circumstances that gentleman was unable to attend. Many compliments were paid to the Rev. M. Chiniquy in the course of the evening, and the following letter from him was read by the chairman:

Longueuil, 31st January, 1849.

Sir,

On my return this morning from an excursion in the north part of this District, where I had the happiness to see near 10,000 new Canadian *habitants* enroll themselves under the holy banner of Temperance, I received the two notes which you did me the honor to address—one of the 20th, and the other of the 29th, of the present month.

I should be proud and happy in having the power to accept the honor you have done me by assisting at the Anniversary Soiree of the order of Rechabites but it is impossible for me, inasmuch as I am expected in the parishes of St. Rose and St. Martin about that period.

Do me the kindness to express to all the brave and generous children of Rechab my sincere acknowledgements for the free invitation they have made, and assure them that I depend particularly on their constant and noble efforts, in the hope which I entertain of soon seeing the hideous monster of intemperance banished forever from our cherished and beautiful Canada.

Accept, Mr. Chairman, my assurance of the perfect esteem with which I have the honor to be, your all-devoted servant,

C. CHINIQUEY.

H. LYMAN, Esq., Chairman Committee of Invitation, I. O. of R.

During the evening several songs, glees, &c., were sung by the choir, with which the company seemed much delighted, as they were also with the performances of the instrumental band. Mr. C. Alexander had the providing of tea, &c., and he certainly deserves much credit for the quality and quantity with which the tables were furnished. In addition to the gentlemen already named as having been on the platform, the following Members of Parliament were in the room in the course of the evening—Mr. Brooks, of Sherbrooke, and Mr. Hall, of Peterboro'.

LIST OF AGENTS.

In the present number of the *Advocate* we insert a list of agents, composed principally of those who have voluntarily come forward to use their endeavours to sustain this periodical. We still look for considerable additions to this list, as there are many places, and several societies from which we have not heard, and from which we still expect to hear, knowing that in such places the *Advocate* was wont to be well supported. Some names have been suggested to us, in places from which we have since received lists of subscribers from other parties, in all such cases we have put on the list of agents, those only from whom we have thus heard. In several places we have two names on the list for the same place; in these places we are ignorant of the extent of the district each may take up; we have done so, however, under the impression, that in all such cases, the two will act in concert, and so apportion the locality, as not to interfere the one with the other; and before communicating with us, when that may be necessary, that they will consult with each other, that one letter may serve the purpose of both; and as the postage of the agent's communication will fall upon the proprietor of the *Advocate*, it is hoped all will endeavour to lessen that expense as much as possible.

We have reason to thank the friends of the cause for their exertion in behalf of this paper. In some places the results are very encouraging, in others, we think much more can, and we would hope, will be done.

Agreeably to a previous announcement, we have continued to send the *Advocate* to the subscribers of the past year, without order, yet we would wish to hear from all such, not only in confirmation of what we have done, but with additional names to our list. Let all the friends that have not yet bestirred themselves, be up and doing, for while we are sleeping, the enemy is sowing tares in the field, which many years may not eradicate.

We have received a Supplement to the *Toronto Examiner*, containing "copy of a petition for general circulation, to amend the License Laws founded upon the late Resolutions of the Home District magistracy." This document is unavoidably postponed till our next number, when we will give it that attention which its importance demands.

NOTICE.

We deem it necessary to inform those New Subscribers to the *Advocate*, who have not been furnished with the two first numbers, that we have run out of these two numbers. We will, however, reprint them, as soon as we can ascertain the probable number wanted, and before this can be ascertained with any degree of accuracy, we must wait, perhaps, two months. In the meantime, we will keep an accurate list of those who are not served with the first two numbers, and take care that all will be supplied.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

A correspondent asks us whether a "Teetotaler who fits up a house for a tavern, lets it for that purpose, and signs the certificate of license, can be considered a friend of the