

we conceive to be the only safe principle upon which to act—Total Abstinence from all intoxicating drinks. Since we adopted this principle our Society has flourished. We held our Anniversary Meeting on the evening of the 30th of the present month, the meeting was addressed by Mr. W. C. Munson of Lancaster, and Rev. G. Case of Cornwall; the addresses were good. Mr. Munson spoke in that happy and interesting style peculiar to himself. Mr. Case is a bold advocate of the cause, and a valuable ally. Fifteen new subscribers to the Pledge were obtained at the close of the meeting, and also a number of subscribers for the *Advocate*. The following persons are office bearers of the Society for the ensuing year—Rev. S. Huntington, President; H. Braden and G. Morgan, Vice-Presidents; J. A. Bockus, Recording Secretary, and J. N. McNarin, Corresponding Secretary; a committee of five persons was also appointed.

J. N. McNARIN, Cor. Sec.

BEAMSVILLE, DECEMBER 31, 1845.—Dear Sir,—Our society in this place number upwards of 130 members at present; it has been revised lately, and those who were considered violaters have been dropped, considering that a smaller number who maintain the principle of temperance better than a multitude who should infringe upon its principles, and thus bring disgrace upon the cause. We hold our meetings once a month. We have three officers and nine committee-men, the duty of each is to give a lecture during the year, or procure some one in their place, thus filling up the year. The juvenile society in this place is conducted on the same plan, it numbers I believe upwards of 100 members. Although this is the largest society around here, yet all the lecturers from Montreal have passed us over; we should be happy to have them give us a call. We wish success to the temperance cause, acting the part as it were, of breaking up the fallow ground, and presenting a united field for the seed of the Gospel to fall upon, which is much needed.

A. N. WOOLVERTON.

HUNTINGDON, DEC. 31, 1845.—Temperance is at a very low ebb in this part of the country. Ministers give their influence for the use of spirit, you may ask how? I answer, by using it themselves. There have been two cases of death by drinking. A wife was found laying on her face on the floor; in one week after the husband was also found dead. The haunts of all manner of vice are increasing; there are three taverns and three stores that sell poison. Christians give their influence for their prosperity; deacons have been guilty of signing for the licence to scatter firebrands and death through our land.

J. K.

CHAMBLEY, 31st DEC. 1846.—I am happy to inform you that the cause of Temperance is making rapid progress in this Village, principally in the 23d Regt. of Fusiliers stationed here, as many as 24 coming forward in one evening to take the Teetotal Pledge. Our numbers are now 145, and our weekly evening meetings well attended.

JOS. T. DUTTON.

TOWNSHIP OF KINGSTON, Jan. 3, 1847.—The Collins Bay Total Abstinence Society, held its fourth annual meeting on the 29th ult. The committee reported 292 members in good standing, with an increasing determination still to prosecute the war with King Alcohol, until victory shall be achieved, and I believe the conquest is sure and will be glorious. After the election of officers for the ensuing year, the Rev. R. Aylsworth and Mr. Dewey addressed the meeting in a very appropriate and spirited manner, when the meeting was dismissed with a mutual good feeling, adopting again for our watchword—onward and no compromise.

SIDNEY H. WARTMAN, Sec.

A Lecture on Temperance was delivered in the School Room, in this place, on Monday night, by Mr. Ferguson, of Guelph. The discreet choice of topics, and earnest and eloquent manner of the speaker, gained the favourable attention of a most respectable audience, seven of whom gave the best evidence of the power of his oratory, by signing the total abstinence pledge. Mr. Foster presided at the meeting.—*Galt Reporter*.

ENGLAND.

HOWDEN.—Mr. Hudson, from London, gave lectures on teetotalism, in this town, on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings last. Mr. H. is a man of superior talent, and one who thoroughly understands the principles he advocates.

BURY, Lancashire.—The Total Abstinence Society of this town recently engaged Mr. Campbell, of Leeds, as their domestic missionary; and, on Friday the 7th of November, Mr. C., at the conclusion of his engagement, read the report of his labours to a public meeting of the society, who, as an evidence of their satisfaction, passed, on the motion of the Rev. F. Howorth, a unanimous and cordial vote of thanks to Mr. Campbell for his zealous, judicious, and efficient services as domestic missionary of the society.

LEYBURN.—We have been favoured here and in the surrounding villages, with the services of the Rev. R. G. Mason. His pulpit addresses on the Sabbath, and his platform lectures during the week, have produced a powerful impression, equally favourable to religion and temperance,—combining as he does, high, mental endowments, and Christian benevolence. His spirit-stirring services have scattered the mist of error, conciliated prejudices, confirmed the wavering, and caused a number to enrol themselves under the temperance banner, among whom is the excellent Independent Minister at Hawes. We are anxious to have him amongst us again as early as possible; and if he can comply with our wishes, many will hail him with delight, as the warm-hearted friend of humanity, and the faithful servant of God.

DEVONPORT.—On Wednesday, Nov. 14th, a very interesting Rechabite and Teetotal demonstration took place here. The proceedings commenced with a dinner at Mr. Jones' Temperance Hall, which was decorated in a tasteful manner. After dinner, we proceeded in procession to the Town Hall, which was comfortably full, about 700 being present. The meeting (presided over by Mr. Ryan) was addressed by Mr. Micklewood, Mr. Boer (Bible-Christian minister), and Messrs. Evans and Sheppott, of Exeter. The proceedings terminated shortly after 11 o'clock. The audience was delighted with this happy festival, one of the best witnessed since the formation of our philanthropic institution.

DOVER.—Our Wesleyan friends are coming round nobly. "Judgment has begun at the house of God." The wine-bottle is ejected from the vestry cupboard. This is a step in the right direction. They have been told by a plain honest teetotaler, that the wine-bottle stood in the way of revivals, and it seems that at last they have listened to the admonition, and have removed the stumbling-block out of the way; and they even talk of forming a Total Abstinence Society of their own.

ISLE OF MAN.

KIRK ANDREAS.—The week before last, a handsome silver tea pot, bearing a suitable inscription, was presented to John Kneale, Esq., of Regaby, many years a member of the House of Keys, and Captain of this parish. Mr. Kneale's great work was the suppression of public-houses. At the time he became Captain, there were in this parish, 22 licensed public-houses, so that formerly the parish was as conspicuous for drunkenness and disorder, as it now is for sobriety and regularity. In conjunction with successive Clergymen and High Bailiffs of the District, Mr. Kneale made himself eminently useful in the restraint and gradual suppression of these pestiferous haunts of vice, and it is with special reference to his conscientious and pains-taking exertions as regards this matter, that so much gratitude is felt in the parish towards their late Captain, who only resigned office thro' declining health. The change effected in Kirk Andreas is great and remarkable. Through the praiseworthy exertions of Mr. Kneale and others, there is not a single public-house in the whole parish! Certainly the teetotalers have helped a great deal, and they still continue to exert themselves nobly in the good cause of sobriety; and, indeed, so strongly do numbers of the people feel the evil of the former intemper-