

out last year would have kept a school for their children, I felt that it would be criminal not to interest myself in the subject. Visited 12 families, and saw the heads of one or two more whose houses I had not time to go to. Distributed 18 *Advocates*, and enrolled 16 members as a commencement of this little society, and several others promised to join it when it held its first meeting.

*No. 1.*—Returned to Danville, held a meeting at night in the church; got 5 subscribers to *Advocate*, and 3 signatures to the pledge; visited 5 houses in the morning, and distributed 2 *Advocates*.

*No. 2.*—Visited 8 families, distributed 8 *Advocates*, got 7 signatures to the pledge.

*No. 3.*—Visited 7 families, distributed 3 *Advocates*, and got 7 signatures to the pledge.

*Recapitulation.*—I have visited 136 families, distributed 89 *Advocates*, got 22 subscribers to *Advocate*, and 238 signatures to the temperance pledge.

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*Oct. 2d, Buck's School-House, Ameliasburgh.*—Here I began my operations as Agent for your society, was assisted by Rev. J. Gardner, Episcopal Methodist, and J. P. Roblin, Esq., M.P.P. Out of a small assembly 11 gave in their adherence to total abstinence. Thomas M'Mahon, Esq., a respectable merchant in this township has given up, the past year, the sale of intoxicating drinks. [A few days since the above meeting, a most lamentable occurrence took place in this section. An old man by the name of James Heneacy having been for a long time very intemperate, getting into some trifling dispute with his wife, struck her with a butcher's knife in his drunken rage, so that it is said her bowels came out. She survived but a short time, and he is now in Pictou gaol awaiting his trial for the homicide.]

*3d, J. Cooper's School-House, Hallowell.*—Delivered a lecture to an attentive audience here, where it was said tee-total principles could not take root; was quite cheered in afterwards finding that 18 had signed the pledge. May they bring forth much fruit.

*4th, Bowdoin's, Hillier.*—This neighbourhood seems anxious to promote the cause. A constitution was adopted, and officers appointed: J. Ferguson, Pres.; C. Platt, Sec.; 39 members in all, a majority of whom had signified their intention of forming a society at a previous meeting.

*5th, Bird's Mills.*—Exerted myself to shew the evil effects of moderate drinking, and the duty of self-denial on the part of professing Christians, to a small collection of people, who had assembled in the school-room, notwithstanding one or two leading men stood aloof. It was thought they would be able to form a respectable society here, 15 names to begin with. May they go on and prosper.

*6th, Consequon.*—This village, pleasantly situated at the outlet of the Consequon Lake, is the centre of a flourishing society; we had a pleasant meeting here, Mr. J. Post in the chair—was assisted by Rev. Messrs. Haw and Reynolds, obtained 8 new subscribers to the pledge. This was formerly one of the most dissipated places in the district, it is now one of the foremost in the cause of temperance.

*7th, Carrying Place,* head of navigation on the Bay of Quinty.—Our meeting here was prevented by a dreadful storm. They have both pledges in connection here, owing to some differences among the friends; in consequence, I was informed, the cause was in rather a languid state. C. Biggar, Esq., who was formerly engaged in the traffic, has for some years banished the article from his store. A meeting, I hear, has since been held near by, when 7 new members were obtained.

*8th, Raynor's Mills, Hillier.*—Addressed at considerable length a very attentive company, obtained 13 signatures, including an unfortunate mechanic, who had almost literally drunk up his house and lot. A few *Advocates* will be sent for, I think, soon.

*9th, Wellington.*—Among those who addressed the meeting were the Rev. Messrs. Botlis, (Methodist,) and Mr. M'Ewen, (Lutheran.) The audience seemed highly delighted, 14 names were attached to the society. In this village, no longer ago than last winter, tee-total principles were first advocated, by the writer and a few others with much hesitation. The cause has since taken

deep root and sprung up rapidly, so that even now the reformation embraces almost the entire population. Why may not every village in our land be as zealous and prosperous as Wellington?

*10th, Striker's School-House.*—This seems to be a neighbourhood rather indifferent to the cause, gave a lecture however, and distributed some tracts, several expressed a wish to have another meeting.

*12th, Elsworth's School-House.*—Notice of the meeting not having been generally given, there were only about a dozen in attendance, to whom a few words were addressed by myself and a talented young man, one of my early associates, who came very near falling a victim to the drinking usages of the community, but who lately concluded to augment the cold water list. When will the public see the necessity of putting forth efforts to save many such noble minded young men?

*13th, Badgely's School-House.*—There was but a small attendance here, and very little impression seemed to have been made, none would sign the pledge, and I was almost discouraged in pursuing my tour further.

*14th, Wormsley's School-House.*—But a small attendance, notice not having been circulated, some professors opposed, others stood afar off, 2 signed the pledge.

*15th, Minaker's Meeting House, South Bay.*—A pretty full attendance, very few, however, were willing to sign the pledge of total abstinence, a favourable impression seemed to be made, and if followed up may produce good results.

*16th, Long Point.*—This is a remote settlement in the township of Marysburgh. The success here was as unexpected as it was cheering, after the hard soil travelled over a few preceding nights, I formed a local society with 20 members, others, it is said, will soon join.

*17th, Milford.*—Delivered a lecture here on the Sabbath, 2 manifested their willingness to undergo the necessary self-denial, it is said this is a very temperate locality, several drunkards came in, seemingly with intent to disturb the meeting.

*18th, Town of Pictou.*—Here we had the largest meeting ever assembled on the subject of temperance in this district. For two hours this meeting seemed delighted by the address of the Rev. Mr. Ewen, Lutheran Minister, who gave an interesting account of the success attending the Baltimore Lecturers in the United States. 47 gave in their names to total abstinence.

*19th, below the Rock, Marysburgh.*—Here is an active little society, which we had the happiness of assisting in raising up last summer, addressed an attentive congregation in the school-house, after which 6 new names were obtained.

*20th, Kerr's School-House.*—In consequence of its being the day for public training at Milford, very few attended, gave a short address and distributed some tracts; could get but 8 subscribers to the pledge, although I went from house to house; during the forenoon of the next day, was told that the Rev. Mr. Macaulay of the Church of England had preached against the principles of the society on a preceding Sabbath; and as a great share of the inhabitants at this place are attached to that church, the unhappy influence exerted (no doubt unintentionally) is the more extensively diffused.

*21st, Gerolomy's, Bayside.*—Addressed at considerable length, a small congregation in the school-house. It is said there is but little liquor drunk in this neighbourhood, and although the people appeared very attentive, yet they seemed disinclined to much self-denial; they, however, told me that many belong to the old system. Obtained 4 names, one at least of which had been heretofore of very intemperate habits, he is capable of becoming a very useful member of society. May he, by divine aid, prove hereafter even so.

*22d, Demorestville.*—The meeting here in the Methodist Chapel seemed to be interesting and satisfactory, but the company assembled consisting almost entirely of members, we could get no new adherents to the cause.

*23d, Northport.*—The weather proved so unfavourable that the meeting was nearly a failure. A few words of encouragement were addressed to those friends who had ventured through the rain, by myself and Rev. Mr. Gardner; got some names to the pledge, and distributed some *Advocates* through the day.

*24th, Big Island.*—Met the people here in company with the Rev. Thomas Domorest. In the lecture endeavoured to prove