

# The Son of Temperance.

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## The Good of the Order.

### VOTE IT OUT.

[Recite boldly, and with decision.]

There is an evil in the land,  
Rank with age and foul with crime,  
Strong with many a legal band,  
Money, fashion, use and time;  
'Tis the question of the hour,  
How shall we the wrong o'erpower?

VOTE IT OUT!

This will put the thing to rout,

VOTE IT OUT!

LET US RISE AND VOTE IT OUT!

We have begged the traffic long,  
Begged it both with smiles and tears,  
To abate the flood of wrong,  
But it answered us with sneers;  
We are weary of the scourge,  
This is the way at last we urge—

VOTE IT OUT!

Loyal people raise the shout,

VOTE IT OUT!

LET US RISE AND VOTE IT OUT!

'Tis the battle of the hour;  
Freemen show your strength again,  
In the ballot of your power,  
This will bring the foe to pain;  
We have preached against the wrong,  
We have plead with words of song;

VOTE IT OUT!

Vote and pray with heart devout.

VOTE IT OUT!

LET US RISE AND VOTE IT OUT!

Never shall the promise fail.  
God is with us for the right;  
Truth is mighty to prevail,  
Faith shall end in joyous sight;  
We shall see the hosts of drink  
Falsied with affright and shrink:

VOTE IT OUT!

Thus we'll put the fiend to rout.

VOTE IT OUT!

LET US RISE AND PUT HIM OUT!

## The Duty and Importance Of Calm Inquiry.

(Dialogue for two persons.)

MR. A.—Pray were you at the anniversary of the Temperance Society last night?

MR. B.—No, I do not approve of Temperance Societies.

A.—As you have made up your mind, and thought it unnecessary to attend the annual meeting for information, I conclude that you have already taken the utmost pains to inform yourself upon the subject. Have you read the Report of the British House of Commons on the Extent, Causes and Evils of Drunkenness?

B.—No.

A.—Of course you have read the Reports of the American Temperance Society, now collected into a most valuable volume, entitled "Permanent Documents?"

B.—I have read none of these.

A.—You surely then have read the writings of those authors who have devoted their attention to the subject in England, Scotland, Ireland and Canada?

B.—No, I cannot say I have.

A.—Nor the various tracts published by the various Temperance societies?

B.—No, I say I have no time to read these things.

A.—Whence then, did you derive your information, since you seem to have so decidedly formed your opinion on the subject?

B.—Oh, I know all about it; it is all contained in a nutshell.

A.—The clear-headed and perspicuous Paley has the following instructive observation:—"If we would enquire why the Roman governors, statesmen and philosophers, men of sense and education on other matters, were so grossly ignorant of the nature and tenets of Christianity, though it was professed by thousands before their eyes, and was fast becoming the religion of the Roman people, the answer is resolvable into a principle which is a bar against all information, which is proof against all arguments, and which cannot fail to keep a man in everlasting ignorance. This principle is *Contempt prior to examination.*" First, hear and examine, and then judge of a cause, is one of the plainest maxims of justice, sense and reason. It is a violation of all these, to prejudice either a person or subject, and condemn them without a fair hearing. Some persons, it is true, argue that they already know all that can be said upon a subject, and all the arguments that can be offered in its support, when they

must be conscious that they have taken no pains to obtain the necessary information, nor read the arguments of others who have bestowed upon it their time and attention. Thus, they take up their own crude notions and say, "I think so-and-so," and dismiss the subject. Now, this is precisely the way in which you have treated the subject of Temperance Societies; you fancy that you already know all that can be said about them; but where did you obtain your information? If, indeed, you had read the numerous valuable works already alluded to, and then made up your mind that you are master of the subject, there would be some sense in that; but if not, let us pause a while, and soberly consider the matter. Let me advise you, my good friend, not to condemn yourself to perpetual ignorance on any one important subject; for I doubt not but there are many, upon which you are a sensible man; and why should you not be so upon all? Why should you remain wilfully ignorant upon so important a subject as this, involving as it does, the happiness of millions of your fellow-creatures?

B.—Why am I bound to inquire into it at all?

A.—Because it has been proved by the evidence of witnesses examined before the British House of Commons, by the evidence of the keepers of many penitentiaries and jails in Great Britain, Ireland and Canada, by the testimony of the judges of the land, the magistrates, the heads of the police department and the physicians of our public hospitals; it has been proved, I say, by the united testimony of all these, that intemperance among the lower orders—the chief cause of which we must admit, is the use of fermented liquors as a beverage—is, directly or remotely the cause of

one-half of all the disease, two-thirds of all the poverty, and more than three-fourths of all the crime of Britain. It has been proved by the best statistical returns, that more than five hundred souls die weekly the death of the drunkard, and enter the drunkard's eternity—that the amount of misery endured by the fathers, mothers, sisters, wives and children of these wretched beings, exceeds all calculation—that intemperance sends the drunkard home to abuse, and in many instances to murder his helpless wife, and starve her children. Now, unless you can believe that all these witnesses have entered into a conspiracy, without any assignable reason to deceive the public, and that all such statements are false; when a remedy is proposed, and especially a remedy that cannot fail, if universally adopted, to secure a sober population, you are bound to give it at least your candid and serious attention. But these evils, great as they are, are not to be mentioned in comparison with the moral desolation, the wreck and ruin of all moral principle, produced by intemperance. It is found by incontestable experience, that intemperance sears the conscience, corrupts the heart, and brings a blight upon every moral, every religious, every social and domestic feeling, and renders a man a nuisance to society, a sorrow and a curse to his family, and a suicide to himself in so dreadful a sense of the word, that it were good for him that he had never been born.

Now, the origin and growth of intemperance have been ably traced to the mistaken customs of the age, and a remedy is proposed, which has wrought wonders in Maine, beyond all that could have been conceived possible, and has already done immense good in some parts of Canada, and which promises to become one of the greatest blessings to mankind.

B.—I admit all the evils you have described; but I do not believe that Temperance Societies will cure them.

A.—You are taking the best possible course to insure that they

never shall, and if everybody follows your example, of dismissing their claims *without examination*, and not even giving them a fair hearing, they certainly *never will*. But, my good sir, I say again, you have *no right* to form your opinion on this subject, which involves the happiness, temporal and eternal, of millions and millions of your fellow-creatures, (and you know not for how many generations yet to come,) without bestowing upon it the most diligent examination and all the thinking power that God has given you. If the cause were ten thousand times more valuable than it is, CONTEMPT PRIOR TO EXAMINATION would leave you still ignorant of its value.

In you, it may be thoughtlessness; but there are some subjects upon which thoughtlessness is *crime*. Intemperance is making shipwreck of the happiness, corrupting the morals, and destroying the souls of your fellow-creatures by millions; and if not arrested, the destroying flood will roll on to future generations; a remedy is now proposed to arrest the march of the destroyer; and to refuse to *weigh* and *examine* its claims, is to incur guilt in the sight of Heaven. By all the ties of country, by all the claims of humanity, by the spirit and the commands of the holy and benevolent religion of Christ, you are called upon to *examine* and *inquire*.

### Our Divisions.

#### Toronto District Division.

A MEETING of the Toronto District Division was held on 1st March, in the Ontario Division Room. Brother G. M. Rose, D.W.P. occupied the chair, and in his opening address, related a pleasing reminiscence of a meeting of the National Division which he attended in New York some years ago. There were representatives, he said, from the Pacific slope, from the South, (some of them negroes) from New England, from the West, from Ontario, Prince Edward Island,

New Brunswick, etc., and on the platform at the great public meeting, he saw with pleasure two of the old founders of the Order, the only two who are now alive. But there was something that pleased him more, and that was the ride through the Central Park, which he graphically described, and especially the beautiful fountain, with its statue of the angel at the pool of Bethesda, when it came down to trouble the waters, and the brethren and sisters present all joining hands and encircling the immense basin, and singing the ode, "Once more we here the Pledge renew." etc. Although all shades of opinion was represented that day, yet they were forgotten for the nonce. The chairman then said that we came here to-night to advance the Cause, and he strongly advocated mutual visits among the Divisions as a means to that end. Coldstream and Crystal Fountain Divisions had been benefited by such visits, and he thought that although we could not do much outside work at present, because there are so many organizations crowding us, and are sometimes afraid that they will crowd us out; but he did not think there was danger. He had great faith in the Order he said, as it had a work to do, and until that work was accomplished, God Almighty would never remove His smile from it.

The officers, for the ensuing year were then elected. Brother G. M. Rose, stated that he had been appointed D.W.P. during his absence and without his knowledge, and did not wish to serve again. Consequently, Bro. T. Caswell was placed in that position; W.A., Sister Miller; Secretary, Bro. McMillan; Treasurer, Bro. G. M. Rose; Sentinel, Bro. Green.

Bro. Caswell then took the chair and stated that he felt satisfied that all the members present thought there was no other organization ahead of the Sons of Temperance. He advocated the holding of public meetings every two or three weeks.

Moved by Bro. G. M. Rose, seconded by Bro. McMillan, that

the Executive Committee arrange for a public meeting in the Hall of Coldstream Division, during this month, and that the meeting be of such a character that the aims of the Order be laid before the public. Carried.

Brother Little remarked that it was becoming manifest in the western portion of the city, that those floating organizations do not possess the stability that some people suppose, and there was now a good opportunity to extend our Order.

The Chairman then introduced the question of raising funds and suggested the necessity of starting on a good financial basis.

Brother G. M. Rose replied that he did not wish to press the matter now. If the District Division engaged in active work, the Subordinate Divisions would support it. "Leave the finances alone, at present," was his advice, which was immediately adopted.

Some discussion then arose as to the non-attendance of members at our weekly meetings.

Brother G. M. Rose, said that Crystal Fountain Division had about one hundred members, but the attendance was small. We were to blame ourselves; some of us go punctually to the Division, while others are indifferent. The meetings should be made interesting, for recitations and songs in time become threadbare. Last Tuesday, Crystal Fountain Division had "An evening with the poets," and the attendance was much better, while there were sufficient names on the programme to last for three weeks. We ought to visit the Divisions as much as possible and encourage the weak ones. He then spoke of the depressing influence which empty benches exerted on a speaker and also of the encouraging effect produced if he saw before him "the human face divine." Brotherly kindness and love are promoted by mutual visits. During the two years he was the Grand Worthy Patriarch, he visited some Division almost every night. He regarded it as a religious duty, indeed he did not think they would get along so well if he did not visit

them. Many a time he would come down from Clover Hill on stormy evenings, to attend the Division meetings in the city, and go home late at night, half dead with cold, but he was not sorry for having done so.

Brother Little warmly endorsed the recommendation of Bro. Rose, and declared that there was no reason why we should not be the strongest working Order in the Dominion.

After making arrangements for a meeting to be held in the eastern part of the city, the District Division adjourned.

In Love, Purity, and Fidelity.  
A MEMBER.

#### Riverside Division.

DEAR SIR, having read your valuable paper nearly every month since it was first published, I wish to give you a short account of the temperance work in this town.

Riverside Division, No. 78, was organized last spring with about 20 Charter Members, since then it has been struggling against the foes of temperance, and to-day we have about 40 members in good standing, with good prospect of more. Those acquainted with this place say that it is a very hard place for a Lodge or Division to live, a Good Templars Lodge having succumbed some time ago, and No. 78 was given three months to stand, but we are happy to say we are stronger than ever, and feel determined to lift up our heads and try to reclaim the drunkard. Those acquainted with Chippawa will remember a few years ago of a flourishing distillery, giving employment to hundreds of men, dealing out death and destruction on every hand; but to-day, I am happy to say, the ruins of that large structure is converted into a grist and flouring mill. Although one of our enterprising merchants has commenced to manufacture whiskey on a smaller scale, we pray and trust that it may be of short duration, as the effects of the old one has not yet died out, and many of the young men that should be the shining

lights of the town are fast hastening to fill drunkards graves. May God in His mercy save them before it is too late.

The Royal Templars are doing a good work in this place; they have a good council and their members consist of the fathers and mothers of the town, while the Sons of Temperance take hold of the younger people. Thus with a combined effort we are trying to banish intemperance from our midst.

We have just moved into a larger and more comfortable hall, for the purpose of holding our meetings, which has placed us in rather a financial strait, but we shall soon recover. We held a concert this winter which was the means of doing us some good, and I believe that if our divisions were to come before the public more, we should largely increase our numbers. We have opened our door to the public at the good of the Order, and several outsiders availed themselves of listening to the programme provided by the members. Wishing the cause success—I remain yours,  
J. H.

CHIPPAWA, March 8th, 1880.

#### Quarry Division.

DEAR SIR,—Old Quarry Division, Sons of Temperance, No. 225, still lives and flourishes. During this quarter we have had visits from Sir L. Tilley, P. M. W. P., and Bro. J. G. Howe, Esq., G. W. P., each of whom delivered very eloquent addresses. Bro. Robert Hopkins, G. W. A., is untiring in his effort for the prosperity of our noble Order, and also our newly appointed Co. Deputy for Russell, Brother Geo. Lang. We have adopted the judicious plan of holding open meetings once every two weeks, and a minister of the gospel to address them on behalf of temperance, and we find a great good to be derived from them, and they have done much, not only to increase our numbers, but also to create a sympathy for our cause, not before felt by the people of this vicinity.

The members of our Division visited New Edinburgh, Chaudiere and Bytown Divisions, and found them all zealous in our cause, and in each received cordial and fraternal greetings. These visits do much to strengthen our Order. The last visit we made was to Bytown Division. Bro. Tyndall read a paper advocating a "Closer unity among the Sons of Temperance," as our Order contained all that was necessary to success in what we aimed at. A pleasing feature of the evening's entertainment was a debate upon the following resolution, "Resolved, that intemperance is a greater evil than war." Bros. G. Neelin and Hannum taking the affirmative, and Bros. Keane and McIntyre the negative side; Bro. W. Tyndall acting as chairman. The decision was rendered in favour of the affirmative, viz: "That intemperance had been proved to be the greatest evil," as the negative had failed to show any beneficial effects in its behalf; whereas it had been shown conclusively, by the affirmative, that although war had its evils, yet it had its good effects in the end and all history plainly proved it; but intemperance not only produced but entailed greater evils on posterity. The debaters displayed no ordinary abilities and intelligence in the arguments advanced, especially Bro. G. Neelin. "Honour to whom honour is due."

On the 4th inst., the Rev. Mr. Clarke lectured in our hall. He traced the origin and fatal consequences of intemperance far back from both sacred and profane history, and shewed its demoralizing power on the people. He also severely criticized and shewed the absurdity of legal protection for the traffic in alcohol. He did not blame our legislators as the law was in the hands of the people, who could have better as soon as they were prepared to sustain it. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the reverend gentleman, through the chairman, Bro. Geo. Lang, Co. D.G.W.P.

Yours etc.,

W. TYNDALL, R.S.  
Rockvillage, March 15, 1880.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

OLD SON.—Your duty is very plain. Now that the Division is weak you should at once return to your allegiance.

M.—Yes; the common sense of the members will support you in your endeavour to smooth matters over.

O. K.—We think you have been rather hasty. On sober reflection you will agree with us. How pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity.

J. M. O.—Will be happy to hear from you again and trust you will not give up the idea of calling the attention of the members to the matter.

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**Work! Work!**

At no time in our history as an order has it been so necessary, as at the present moment to urge our members to perform their duties, and at no time has a better opportunity presented itself when successful work can be carried out by our Divisions in extending and building up our Order. Many of our members, we regret to say, seem to be under the impression that each of our Divisions should live for itself, and if we are to judge from the lack of energy and interest manifested by many of our friends, we fear the impression is also common that each member should do the same. Many of our "standby's" have retired from active membership by being drawn into new institutions, some of a kindred character, such as reform clubs etc., but a number have, we fear, entirely deserted the old ship, through a desire for something new, and with the hope of some personal benefit through insur-

ance, etc., united with one or more of the many organizations started during the past few years. It is not for us to comment upon the advantages or disadvantages of those organizations, but, to use the words of a Brother, referring to many of our old members retiring, we would say: "I would like to reach the ear and the conscience of those who from any reason are now on the retired list, while I should urge them, by the recollection of the past, the dignity of the present, and the solemnities of the future, to put on again our regalia, and help us to guard it from dishonour." What we now want is individual work by every member, and united effort by our Divisions. Let the old members who have from any cause stood aloof from active work be asked once more to fall into line, let each Division invite all absentees to meet and talk over the interests of the Cause and Order and get them again interested in the work, and let not our organization work be any longer neglected. Each Division has in its power to organize at least another Division, every member can bring in at least one new member. Let them all who talk and pray so earnestly for success get to work in a practical way by organizing new Divisions, standing together, working together, and voting together. Brethren let us not weary in well doing, our work is not for time, but its results will be felt in the future. Let us go to the root of the matter. "Our object is the total annihilation of the liquor traffic," and the Sons of Temperance may

be the instrument in God's hands to bring it about; and if we have prudence, wisdom, and determination, the masses will soon fall into line and the victory be won.

### From the Grand Scribe.

*Receipts from Divisions from February 20th to March 20th.*

PLEASANT VALLEY, \$2.50; Midland, 60 cents; Renfrew, \$3.36; Chaudiere, \$4.00; Malvern, \$6.00; Utica, \$1.68; New Dominion, \$5.00; Galt, \$5.87; Ethel, \$1.00; Pt. Robinson, 60 cents; Solina, 25 cents; Strathroy, \$1.20; Vernonville, \$2.17; W. and P. Grove, 84 cents; Good Will, \$2.88; Lobo, \$9.00; Thornorton, \$5.00; Riverside, 30 cents; Bethesda, 75 cents; Maple Grove, 60 cents; Solina, \$4.90; Ennis-killen, \$1.00; Ontario, 19 cents; Trent Bridge, \$3.50; Lorne, 80 cents; Conestego, \$1.47; Co-bourg, \$3.18; Baltimore, \$3.85; Freedom, 84 cents; Orillia, 75 cents; Harvest Home, 10 cents.

*Contributions to "Son of Temperance."*

Zephyr Division, \$1.00; Laskey Division, \$1.00.

**CORRECTION.**—The amounts under heading, "*Contributions to Lecture Fund*," in March number, should have read "*To Son of Temperance*," and have appeared under that head.

Divisions and members are respectfully invited to contribute towards the support of this paper. No subscription price is fixed, depending as we do on the voluntary contributions of the Divisions and members. 3000 copies are now being printed monthly, and distributed among the Divisions. We earnestly ask the friends to sustain the financial part by liberal contributions.

*Contributions to Lecture Fund.*

Mount Meldrum, \$2.00; No Surrender, \$2.00.

**NATIONAL DIVISION.**—Bro. E. J. Morris, G. S., of Ohio, is anxious to ascertain how many

representatives from Ontario will be present at the coming Session of the National Division, at Cincinnati. Will such of the delegates who purpose attending, please send their names to Bro. Webster, G. S., who will communicate with Bro. Morris, and will also endeavour to secure a reduction of railway fares.

### Our Semi-Annual Session.

THE next session of our Grand Division will be held in Shaftesbury Hall, in the Town of Orillia, commencing, on Tuesday, 25th of May next. The usual arrangements for reduction of fares on the several railways, will be made, for which certificates will be supplied on application to the Grand Scribe. Good accommodation can be had at the several hotels, at ONE DOLLAR per day. The Orillia House, and American House, are specially recommended. Delegates will be met by a committee on the arrival of the several trains, and those wishing rooms secured, can do so by addressing, Bro. Jesse G. Halliday, R.S., Orillia, P. O., Ont.

The arrangements suggested by the local committee, is that the Grand Division should meet at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, holding an evening Session. On Wednesday afternoon a grand demonstration will be held when addresses will be delivered by popular speakers on the "great question of the day." In the evening a promenade Concert will be held at which refreshments will be provided. The members of the Order in Orillia, are making earnest efforts to make this one of the most successful and interesting gatherings of the Order ever held. We trust our members will take this opportunity of visiting one of the most picturesque and beautiful towns, in the province, and we can vouch for it they will receive an enthusiastic welcome from the brothers and sisters of Orillia.

### Lecture Fund.

DURING the past month the members of the Order have been appealed to on behalf of the Lecture Fund, and requested to

assist in spreading our principles by raising money, by votes of small sums from the Division funds, by holding public meetings, entertainments, and by personal appeals to friends outside the Order, and forward all moneys so raised to the Grand Scribe. So far a few have responded, others have replied stating their inability for want of funds, and the impossibility, in consequence of the bad roads, etc., to get up successful public meetings. We can easily understand how at first thought discouragements appear in these times of financial depression, at the same time we would remind our members, that if they would but make a special effort each could do a little, and that little would amount to a considerable in the aggregate. This we have proved in the past. The system is now as practical as ever, and we trust that in our next issue we shall be able to acknowledge contributions from all our Divisions. We again urge our members to see their Divisions take immediate action in this matter.

### The Passwords.

THE passwords for the April Quarter have been forwarded to the several Deputies. If any whose Divisions are entitled to receive them have not done so, they are requested to inform the G. S. immediately. All Deputies will please to forward the returns and tax to the Grand Scribe immediately after installation of officers, and to send their reports to the G.W.P., Bro. Jas. G. Howe, Ottawa, as early as possible.

### The Work and the Workers.

#### New Divisions.

TRENT BRIDGE No. 103, County of Northumberland, organized by Bro. W. Sprentall, D.G.W.P. on the 12th March.

—Taunton Division, at Taunton, Co. of Ontario, organized by Bro. R. M. Barratt, P.G.W.P., on the 12th March, assisted by members from Oshawa, Solina, Mount Carswell, and E. Whitby Divisions.

—Midland Division, No. 400, County of Simcoe, has been resuscitated by Bro. L. McFarland, D.G.W.P., and R. Bancroft, Prov. D.G.W.P.

—Bro. R. M. Barratt, P.G.W. P., is lecturing in the Co. of Ontario, having held several successful meetings in the Counties of Northumberland and Durham. We hope to hear of several Divisions being organized and resuscitated during the present month through the zealous efforts of this earnest brother.

—The Newark *Herald* writes:—The Saloons are open nearly three-fourths of each twenty-four hours, undoing what temperance people try to do in a couple of hours, once a week, and yet cannot understand why the temperance sentiment does not grow more rapidly.

—The Earl of Zetland has recently prohibited the traffic in liquor in his domain; Lord Fife, by a model lease used by him, has done the same, and the "publicans" at Bristol are left to mourn that they cannot get local magistrates to attend the dinners of licensed victuallers,—in other words, liquor dealers.

—The U. S. Supreme Court recently decided a case of great importance to prohibition. The title deeds of lots in Colorado Springs, Colorado, contain a clause of forfeiture and reversion to the original owner, if the grantee or his assigns ever allows intoxicating beverages made or sold on the premises. A case went up on this clause in the deeds, and the judgment of the State Courts affirming its validity is now sustained and enforced by the highest tribunal in the land.

—The *Signal*, of Chicago, writes:—Virginia has abandoned the liquor bell punch, out of whose revenues, three years ago, she proposed to pay her State debt. It has not proved satisfactory as a tax-collector on crime, evasion has proved easy, and in a State which repudiates its debts by millions, it is befitting to shift from the new evil device back to

the old one of license. There is no rock under any rum path but the straight and narrow one of prohibition.

—The prophet Habakkuk says—"Woe unto him that giveth drink to his neighbour, and maketh him drunken." To be consistent with existing courses, there ought to be added to the above, "*unless he has a license from the Government.*"

—The *Kingston Whig* says that though Mr. D. D. Calvin, M.P.P. the eldest member of the Provincial Legislature, boasts that he has been an abstainer for fifty-two years, Mr. T. S. Wood of Picton (father of the Provincial Treasurer) has a longer temperance roll than Mr. Calvin, not having touched a drop of liquor since 1816.

—The *Chicago Signal*, says that Mrs. Lucinda Chapin, of Great Barrington, Massachusetts, about 90 years of age, has recently visited Chicago to be present at the golden wedding of her daughter. She was it is believed the first President of the Martha Washington Temperance Society in New England, nearly two generations ago, bespeaking a heart full of interest and enthusiasm in the temperance work. It is hard to believe her over sixty.

—What a beautiful example of consistency is a license law! Men buy the right to set up shops for the sale of poison. The municipality takes their money and gives them the authorized right. The effect of the poison is to make men lose control of their bodies and reel and fall prone in the street; to inflame their passions and set them to quarreling, fighting and killing. But the moment the dram-seller has prevailed upon a man to drink sufficient of his poison to affect him, and he reels falls, quarrels or fights, the same law which authorizes the sale and so the effect, pounces upon the poor victim and handcuffs him, jugs him, penitentiaries him. Logical, isn't it? Sell a man snuff, and fine him for sneezing! Give him an emetic, and imprison

him for feeling sick! Poison him by law and then go for him if he allows the poison to work in his veins! Beautiful License Law!

### Correspondence.

#### THE LECTURE FUND.

To the Editor,

DEAR SIR.—I am glad to observe the Grand Scribe has appealed to the Divisions and the friends of the Order for help towards the Lecture Fund, and I trust the appeal will be heartily responded to. In a few months time from now, if the members do their duty, a sum of one thousand dollars can be easily raised. Why could not each Division contribute at least two dollars. This is a small sum for a Division to raise, and although times may be hard, it would not be missed from the funds. Who will lead on? On behalf of the Division I represent, I promise to forward, within a month, no less than \$5.00. Enclosed please find my card.—Your obedient servant,

A WELL-WISHER.

#### PUBLIC MEETINGS.

To the Editor,

SIR.—I am greatly rejoiced to learn that the District Division for the City of Toronto has resolved on a new departure, and that is to hold open meetings in the various Division-rooms in the city. The late meeting held in Coldstream Division was a success, and I hope many more such meetings will be held in this city before long. The members require to be shaken up a little with regard to their duties to the Order, and I know of no better way than the one just adopted. Yours in L. P. & F.,

SON OF TEMPERANCE.

#### ADMISSION OF INEBRIATES.

To the Editor,

DEAR SIR.—It is a serious question with many Divisions whether or not to admit persons

when under the influence of liquor into their ranks. At the public meeting recently held in the Hall of Coldstream Division, Brother Farley gave an instance in point, which may interest your readers. A drunken man presented himself one night at the door of Coldstream Division-room, saying, "I want to be a Son of Temperance." The members informed him that he was not then in a fit state to join, but advised him to come again on the following week and they would admit him. The man staggered about and repeated more emphatically than before, "I want to be a Son of Temperance—I want to be a *Son of Temperance!*" The members looked at one another. They thought that if he had such a strong will when in a drunken state, he might possibly be strong enough to keep the pledge. So they initiated him. The man was actually so intoxicated that the conductor and assistant had to support him between them in walking around the room. That man kept his pledge, remained a faithful member during his stay in the city, and afterwards organized other Divisions in the locality to which he removed.

The above instance was more than equalled in the experience of another Son of Temperance, who once forced a miserable drunkard into a carriage, took him to a Division-room and compelled him to sign the Pledge. The man's will-power was gone, and the brethren were obliged to watch him for some time, but, happily, he was enabled to overcome. At the date of his joining the Division, five dollars would have purchased all that the poor man possessed, but he speedily became prosperous after signing the pledge and now owns several thousand dollars' worth of property. But for the strong stand taken in the cause, that man would have gone down to a drunkards grave. Whether it be always advisable to admit such persons into our Division-rooms is an open question, for they frequently go back and bring disgrace upon the Order. We have other work

beside the reclamation of drunkards; and one branch of it is to save the younger members from any necessity of being so reclaimed.—Yours in Love, Purity and Fidelity,  
M.

### Selections.

#### Boston Sonnets.\*

##### TRUST.

"I know that thou art true, and strong and pure;  
My forehead on thy palm, I fall asleep,  
My sentinels with thee no vigils keep,  
Though elsewhere never without watch secure.  
How restful is thy palm! I life endure,  
These stranger souls whose veils I shyly sweep,  
These doubts what secrets hide within the deep  
Because aglow within the vast obscure.  
Thy hand is whitest light: My Peace art thou,  
My firm green isle within a troubled sea;  
And lying here and looking upward now  
I ask, if thou art this, what God must be—  
If thus I rest within thy goodness, how  
In goodness of the Infinite degree?"

##### II.

"This crystal soul of thine, were it outspread,  
Until the drop should fill the universe,  
How in it might the angels' wings immerse,  
And wake and sleep the living and the dead;  
Bereaved eyes bathe; rest Doubt its tossing head;  
Swim the vast worlds; dissolve Guilt's icy curse;  
And sightless, if but loyal, each disperse  
Fear by full trust, and, by devotion, dread.  
And yet these perfect eyes in which mine sleep  
Would not be sweet were not their lightning deep;  
In softest skies the swiftest fire-bolts dwell;  
Thine eyes mix dew and flame, and both are well.  
If thus I fear this soul, O God, how Thee,  
Both Love's and Lightning's full Infinity!"

\* Quoted by Joseph Cook.

"Great emergencies beget great power."—*Rev. W. R. G. Mellen.*

"We can make circumstances what we like: we can make ourselves by circumstances."—*Rev. Mr. Botterill.*

"The reign of King Jesus and the reign of King Alcohol are always in inverse ratio."—*Rev. C. D. Foss. D. D.*

"The openings of the streets of Heaven are on earth."—*Anon.*

"There can be no love without trust, and no trust without purity."—*Rev. Joseph Cook.*

"I never pity the woman who marries a moderate drunker, when she finds herself the wife of a sot."—*Cuyler.*

"Our paths may appear crooked, entangled and rugged, but they are not at hap-hazard, for the 'Lord directeth our steps.'"—*Rev. W. R. G. Mellen.*

"We are acquainted with no furnace which will burn selfishness out of a man except this fiery bliss we call a supreme spiritual affection."—*Rev. Joseph Cook.*

"These things are great—the world, the soul and the love of Christ. The world is great, the soul greater, and the love of Christ in the heart, greatest of all."—*Rev. Canon Ramsay.*

"God estimates a man not by what he *has*, but what he *is*; not by the lands, houses and bank-stock which he has accumulated, but by the sweetness, generosity, and manliness which he has developed."—*Rev. W. R. G. Mellen.*

"God loves us so well, so tenderly, that he will not allow our progress to come to a stand-still. We must do better to-day than yesterday, we must do better to-morrow than to-day."—*Rev. W. R. G. Mellen.*

"The elements of true manhood are 1st Moral Purity. 2nd Moral Integrity—Be what you are, become what you may. Stand by the truth until the Heavens fall:—3rd Moral strength. 4th Love—love to God and to our fellow-man."—*Rev. Mr. Campbell.*

"All should select some noble aim, philanthropic, religious or otherwise; because we have splendid opportunities of reaching our desired end. We have means, every day of getting good and doing good. One of these is by books which we may read and thus improve in mental culture. Another is through living characters, whose presence is an inspiration."—*Rev. W. R. G. Mellen.*

"Let us take comfort when we go through the dark valley, and up the radiant hills beyond, that the Lord directeth our steps."—  
*Rev. W. R. G. Mellen.*

### Directory.

#### Grand Division of Ontario, Officers for 1880.

G.W.P., J. G. Howe, Ottawa.  
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Grand Division, Sons of Temperance of Ontario, holds its next Semi-Annual Session in Orillia, last Tuesday in May, and the Annual Session in Oshawa, first Tuesday in December, 1880.

[Each Division, contributing the sum of one dollar annually is entitled to have its card inserted in this Directory.]

Arran Division, No. 315, meets in their Hall, Arran, Co. of Bruce, every Wednesday evening.

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Ethel Division, No. 149, meets in their Division Room, Ethel, Co. of Huron, every Friday evening.

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Newton Division, No. 243, meets in their Division Room, Clarke, Co. of Durham, every Friday evening.

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Standard Division, No. 148, meets in their Hall, Branchton, Co. of Waterloo, every Thursday evening.

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Plainville Division, No. 398 meets in their Hall, Plainville, Co. of Northumberland, every Thursday evening.

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Crystal Fountain Division meets every Tuesday evening, in the basement, Temperance Hall, Temperance St., Toronto.

### Advertisements.

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One Set of Officers' Cards	1 00
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