

THE
REVISED CONSTITUTION
OF THE
CATHOLIC
Total Abstinence Union
OF
NEW BRUNSWICK,
TOGETHER WITH THE
PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
TENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION,
HELD AT
ST. JOHN, N. B.,
ON JUNE 30TH AND JULY 1ST, 1881.

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OFFICERS FOR 1881-82.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR:

REV. ANTOINE OUELLET.

PRESIDENT:

R. J. RITCHIE, ESQ., M. P. P., ST. JOHN.

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT:

JEREMIAH MEAGHER, FREDERICTON.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:

E. BABIN, MONOTON.

RECORDING SECRETARY:

THOMAS O'REILLY, CARLETON.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

J. P. McGRORY, PORTLAND, ST. JOHN.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY:

T. B. FOLEY, ST. JOHN.

TREASURER:

THOS. BOURKE, PORTLAND, ST. JOHN.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:

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ARTICLE I.—NAME.

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This Organization shall be known as the CATHOLIC TOTAL ABSTINENCE UNION OF NEW BRUNSWICK, and shall be subject to the Constitution and By-Laws of the CATHOLIC TOTAL ABSTINENCE UNION OF AMERICA.

ARTICLE II.—OBJECTS.

The objects of this Union shall be to establish Catholic Total Abstinence Societies where they do not now exist; to stimulate to increased activity the Societies already existing; to foster a spirit of friendship and co-operation between the various local Societies; and, in fine, to promote the cause of Total Abstinence by every available means.

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ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

This Union shall consist of such Catholic Total Abstinence Societies established in the Province of New Brunswick as are recognized by Ecclesiastical authority.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The Officers of the Union shall consist of a Spiritual Director, who shall be the Rt. Rev. Bishop of St. John, or a clergyman to be named by his Lordship; a President, 1st Vice-President, and 2nd Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant-at-Arms, and a Local Deputy for each Society in the Union.

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Sec. 2. The above Officers, with the exception of the Local Deputies, shall form the Council of the Union; and the Council, together with the Local Deputies, shall form the Board of Government.

Sec. 3. The President, 1st Vice-President, 2nd Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, and Sergeant-at-Arms, shall be elected by ballot at the Annual Convention of the Union, and shall hold office until the next Annual Convention.

Sec. 4. The Local Deputies shall be nominated by their respective Societies a month previous to the Annual Convention.

Sec. 5. The Council shall have power to fill vacancies in office occurring between the Annual Conventions of the Union, subject to the approval of the Board of Government; except in case of a vacancy occurring in the Presidency, which the Board of Government only shall have power to fill at its next regular meeting.

ARTICLE V.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Sec. 1. The Spiritual Director shall have charge of the religious affairs of the Union, and shall open and close all Conventions with prayer.

Sec. 2. The President shall preside at all Conventions of the Union, and all meetings of the Council and Board of Government; shall be responsible for the carrying out of all laws, and for the discharge of their duties by all the officers of the Union; shall sign all bills duly audited; and shall submit an Annual Written Report to the Convention of the Union, setting forth the general condition and requirements of the organization.

Sec. 3. The Vice-Presidents shall perform such duties as may be required of them by the President or Council. The 1st Vice-President shall occupy the chair in absence of the President; and in absence of both, the 2nd Vice-President shall preside. In case of the removal, resignation or death of the President, the 1st Vice-President shall discharge the duties appertaining to that office until a new President is chosen.

Sec. 4. The Recording Secretary shall attend all Conventions of the Union and all meetings of the Council and Board of Government; shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of those bodies; and shall perform all other duties pertaining to his office.

Sec. 5. The Corresponding Secretary shall procure from the Officers of the local Societies a quarterly report of their strength and condition, and prepare a condensed statement of the general affairs of the Union; shall furnish all information and assistance required by the local Societies; shall keep a roll of Delegates and officers; shall conduct all correspondence of the Union, under the direction of the President; and shall report, in writing, quarterly to the Board of Government, and annually to the Convention of the Union.

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Sec. 9. the Financial Secretary, and shall hold office until the next Annual Convention.

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Sec. 6. The Financial Secretary shall keep a roll of the different Societies composing the Union; shall collect all moneys due the Union; and shall pay the same forthwith to the Treasurer; shall keep in a book, the property of the Union, a correct account and statement of the standing, financially, of each Society with the Union; of the moneys received and paid over to the Treasurer, and shall report fully in writing, quarterly to the Board, and annually to the Convention of the Union.

Sec. 7. The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds of the Union, and shall pay all orders signed by the President; shall receive all moneys from the Financial Secretary, and give a receipt for the same; and shall report in writing, quarterly to the Board of Government, and annually to the Convention of the Union.

Sec. 8. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall have charge of the Hall in which a Convention of the Union is being held, and shall see that it is properly opened and prepared for its sessions; he shall see that the delegates are properly seated; and shall execute all orders of the presiding officer with regard to preserving order.

Sec. 9. The Local Deputies shall represent their respective Societies at the meeting of the Board of Government, and shall represent the Union at the meetings of their Societies; and shall at each Annual Convention report in writing the correct standing of their respective Societies.

Sec. 10. To entitle any member to become a candidate for, or to fill any office in the Council of the Union, the Nominating Committee or the Chairman of the Convention must be satisfied that such person is and has been a member in good standing, according to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society to which he belongs, for at least one year immediately preceding such nomination or election, otherwise the said nomination or election shall be void.

ARTICLE VI.—THE COUNCIL.

The Council shall meet monthly for the transaction of business on such day and at such place as the President may decide upon, and may authorize any expenditure not exceeding ten dollars. It shall recommend to the Board of Government measures to advance the interests of the Union; shall have power to act, under the Constitution, on the application of any Society for admission to the Union; and shall exercise such other powers as said Board may at any time constitutionally confer upon it. It shall report its acts at each meeting of said Board.

ARTICLE VII.—THE BOARD OF GOVERNMENT

The Board of Government shall meet quarterly for the trans-

action of business, on such day and such place as the Council may decide upon, and shall hold special meetings at the call of the President; shall suspend till next Convention any Officer or Society violating the laws of the Union; shall authorize all expenditures over ten dollars, and shall audit all bills; and shall have the general management of the affairs of the Union in the interim between the Conventions.

ARTICLE VIII.—OFFICERS' BOOKS AND PROPERTY.

All Officers shall carefully preserve all books, papers, and other property of the Union, pertaining to their respective departments; and at the expiration of their term of office, or sooner if required by the Board of Government, shall transfer all such property to their successors if elected, or the Board of Government, or the President, if no successors are appointed to receive them.

ARTICLE IX.—CONVENTIONS.

Sec. 1. The Societies of this Union shall each year hold an Annual Convention for the purpose of making laws for the Union, devising measures to promote its interests, and electing officers for the ensuing year, at such place in the Province of New Brunswick and at such time as may be decided on by the previous Convention; and if any Convention should fail to decide on these points, the time and place of the next Annual Convention shall be fixed by the Board of Government.

Sec. 2. The Board of Government shall have power by a two-thirds vote, to call a Special Convention of the Union at any time.

Sec. 3. Each Society shall be entitled to an equal number of Delegates at every Convention of the Union, but proxy voting shall not be allowed, so that each Society must be represented by at least one of its members, such member to be empowered to cast the full vote of the Society, except the vote of the Local Deputy, who must be present to cast his own; and all other details of representation shall be settled by the Board of Government three months prior to the holding of Convention.

ARTICLE X.—THE CLERGY.

All Catholic Clergymen connected with Total Abstinence Societies shall be *ex officio*, vested with all the powers and privileges of Delegates to the Convention of the Union, and shall, when present at Board meetings, have all the privileges of members of the Board of Government.

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ARTICLE XI.—FINANCES.

Sec. 1. Each Society shall pay an initiation fee of five dollars the first year, an assessment of 7 cents per member each subsequent year; except Cadet Societies, whose members shall be exempted from paying per capita tax.

Sec. 2. A new Society organized by the Union shall be allowed three months from its date of organization to pay its initiation fee; and if its officers prove to the satisfaction of the Council that the state of their Society's funds renders it necessary, they may be allowed to pay the sum in two instalments: one half in three months, and the other half in six months from the date of organization.

Sec. 3. The annual assessment on each Society shall be payable in advance, and shall be levied at such time and in such manner as the Council may determine.

Sec. 4. For special purposes ordered by the Annual Convention, or in case of a deficiency occurring in the finances during the year, an assessment in proportion to the number of members shall be made on each Society by the Board of Government.

Sec. 5. The Financial year shall begin at the opening of each Convention.

ARTICLE XII.—TRANSFERS.

Sec. 1. Any member in good standing in any Society connected with the Union shall be entitled to be received into any Society of the Union on presenting to the President of said Society a certificate, properly signed by the officers transferring such member, provided it be presented without any reasonable delay.

Sec. 2. Such member shall be subject to all the duties and benefits of the local laws of the Society which he enters, as soon as he joins it, but will be exempt from payment of initiation fees.

Sec. 3. The form of Transfer Certificates shall be determined by the Board of Government, who shall have printed and despatched to the several local Societies a sufficient number for use.

ARTICLE XIII.—VIOLATION OF PLEDGE.

Any member of a Society affiliated to this Union shall have the power to make information and testify against a member of another Society connected therewith for violation of the pledge.

ARTICLE XIV.—TRAVELLING CARDS.

Any member in good standing in any Society connected with the Union wishing to travel on business or pleasure, shall be entitled to receive a Travelling Card from the Society of which he

is a member, which Card shall entitle such member to recognition by all Societies and members of the Union; and if the Society to which such member belongs is a Benevolent or Relief Society, and if while absent he is taken ill (provided such illness is not occasioned by improper conduct) in any place where there is a Society or Societies, it shall be the duty of such Society or Societies, upon notification, to have him cared for during his illness; and in case of his death, it shall be obligatory for such Society or Societies to make such final provision for his interment as may be prescribed by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society of which he was a member, and such expense shall be refunded to such Society or Societies by the Society of which he was a member.

ARTICLE XV.—FRATERNAL VISITS.

Any member of a Society in the Union shall be entitled to admittance to the meetings of any other Society in the Union, upon his name being conveyed to the Chairman, and his being recognized by that officer, or any member of the Society, as a member of the Union.

ARTICLE XVI.—AMENDMENTS.

Sec. 1. All amendments to this Constitution shall be submitted in writing to the Board of Government, or President, at least one month previous to the assembling of the Annual Convention.

Sec. 2. The President shall cause the Corresponding Secretary to send a copy of the proposed amendments to the several Local Deputies, to be laid before their respective Societies.

Sec. 3. If the proposed amendment be adopted by a majority vote of the Annual Convention, it shall take immediate effect, and if any amendment offered at a Convention without previous notice, receives a two-thirds vote in its favor, it shall be adopted.

Sec. 4. Any Article or Section of any Article may be suspended for a certain specified time by a six-seventh vote of any Convention.

ARTICLE XVII.—LOCAL DEPUTIES.

Should any Society neglect to appoint a Local Deputy previous to the Convention, the delegates elected to represent that Society at the Convention shall have power to appoint; and in case they refuse to appoint a Local Deputy, the power of appointing shall be vested in the Council of the Union.

ARTICLE XVIII.—GOOD STANDING.

Any Society remaining in arrears at the time of the Annual Convention of this Union, shall not be entitled to a vote in said Convention, nor take any part in the business of the Convention,

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THE TENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick was held in St. Malachi's Hall, St. John, on Thursday, June 30th, 1881.

The Convention opened at 9 o'clock, p. m. The President, R. J. Ritchie, Esq., M. P. P., occupied the Chair, and in a few remarks stated the objects of the Convention, and welcomed the Delegates to St. John.

Mr. James L. Kerr and Mr. John L. Carleton were appointed Assistant Secretaries.

The Local Deputies and the Corresponding Secretary were appointed a Committee on Credentials, and retired. During their absence, Mr. Thomas O'Reilly was called on and spoke briefly, expressing the pleasure he felt in being present at the Convention, and remarking on the fraternal feeling existing between the Societies. Judging from what he had heard, as to the standing of the Societies, he feared that in some there had been a decrease in membership. This he thought was accounted for in part by the fact that many men after joining a Society and becoming confirmed in sober habits, give up attending meetings, &c. Rev.

F. Belliveau also made a few remarks. Mr. John Connor, who was called on, declined to speak, but would do so later on.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

To the Officers and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick, in Convention assembled:

GENTLEMEN:—Your Committee on Credentials beg leave to report that the number of Societies represented is Fifteen, the credentials of which are correct.

DELEGATES EX OFFICIO.

Rev. A. Ouellet, Spiritual Director, Father Mathew Association, St. John.
 R. J. Ritchie, M. P. P., President, Father Mathew Association, St. John.
 F. J. McPeake, 1st Vice President, St. Dunstan's Society, Fredericton.
 Edward Babin, 2nd Vice President, St. Bernard's Society, Moncton.
 T. O'Brien, Recording Secretary, Father Mathew Association, St. John.
 J. P. McGrory, Corresponding Secretary, St. Aloysius Association, Portland.
 T. B. Foley, Financial Secretary, St. Malachi's Society, St. John.
 Thomas Bourke, Treasurer, St. Peter's Society, Portland.
 Terence McSorley, Sergeant-at-Arms, St. Rose Society, Fairville.
 Very Rev. T. Connolly, V. G., St. Patrick's Society, Carleton.
 Rev. W. O'Leary, St. Peter's Society, Portland.
 Rev. H. A. Meahan, St. Malachi's Society, St. John.
 Rev. F. Belleveau, St. Bernard's Society, Moncton.
 Rev. C. Collins, St. Rose Society, Fairville.
 Rev. J. C. McDevitt, St. Dunstan's Society, Fredericton.
 Rev. James Quinn, St. Patrick's Society, Milltown.

LOCAL DEPUTIES.

P. Gleeson, Esq., St. Malachi's Society, St. John.
 J. E. Perks, St. Dunstan's Society, Fredericton.
 D. Mullin, Father Mathew Association, St. John.
 P. J. O'Keefe, St. Patrick's Society, Carleton.
 D. O'Neill, St. Peter's Society, Portland.
 W. Murphy, Esq., St. Mary's Society, Cork Settlement.
 John L. Carleton, Immaculate Conception Cadets, St. John.

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 P. P. Byrne, *St. Patrick's Society*, Musquash.
 John Boden, *St. Peter's Cadets*, Portland.
 James Berry, *St. Aloysius Association*, Portland.
 Hugh Hamilton, *St. Bernard's Society*, Moncton.
 John J. Holland, *St. Rose Society*, Fairville.
 Cornelius Sullivan, *St. Alphonsus Society*, Hampton.

DELEGATES ELECTED.

No. 1. *St. Malachi's Society*, St. John.—Patrick Moran, Thos. M. Wisted, John McTravis, John McCarthy, J. P., Daniel A. McDonald.

No. 2. *St. Dunstan's Society*, Fredericton.—J. Meagher, P. H. McGrath, Andrew Martin, Peter Farrell, John W. Corbett.

No. 3. *Father Mathew Association*, St. John.—James Barry, Joseph Stanton, Joseph G. Mathews, Jeremiah J. Ryan, Miles E. Agar.

No. 4. *St. Patrick's Society*, Carleton.—Thomas O'Reilly, J. P., Timothy Donovan, John Connor, Daniel Coughlan, Patrick Collins.

No. 5. *St. Peter's Society*, Portland.—Daniel McMonagle, Edward Callahan, Thomas McElroy, Jr., James Boden, Daniel Doherty.

No. 6. *St. Patrick's Society*, White's Mountain.

No. 7. *St. Mary's Society*, Kingston, Kent.

No. 8. *St. Mary's Society*, Cork Settlement, John Donovan.

No. 9. *St. Ignatius Society*, Petersville.

No. 10. *St. Gertrude's Society*, Woodstock.

No. 11. *Immaculate Conception Cadets*, St. John.—P. J. Gleeson, H. Travis, John Duffy, Robert Bowes, John F. Gleeson.

No. 12. *St. Patrick's Society*, Milltown.—John C. Gubbins, A. McGoldrick, James H. Barrett, Martin Daly, Michael Purcell.

No. 13. *St. Patrick's Society*, Musquash.—John McAulity, William Molloy, Charles Spinney, Edward Green, James Scully.

No. 14. *St. Patrick's Society*, Golden Grove.

No. 15. *St. George's Society*, St. George.

No. 16. *St. Peter's Cadets*, Portland.—Florence McCarthy, John Mahoney, Frank Corbett, E. Boden, W. J. McElhinney.

No. 17. *St. Aloysius Association*, Portland.—John McGowan, Andrew T. Moore, James L. Kerr, William Kelly, James Fitzgerald.

No. 18. *St. William's Society*, Quaco.

No. 19. *St. Joseph's Society*, Rothesay.

No. 20. *St. Patrick's Cadets*, Milltown.—J. C. Gubbins.

- No. 21. *St. Thomas de Villanova Society*, Richmond.
 No. 22. *St. Bernard's Society*, Moncton.—Patrick Dowd, Alexander McDonald, James Wall, Patrick O. McCasey, R. S. Legere
 No. 23. *St. Francis Society*, Lancaster.
 No. 24. *St. Rose Society*, Fairville.—C. L. Doherty, Joseph Miller, D. O'C. McGinnis, Laurence Garey, John Hanlon.
 No. 25. *St. Alphonsus Society*, Hampton.—James Smith, Francis Williams, Cornelius Sullivan.

Number of Delegates,	50
" " Officers,	14
" " Local Deputies,	13
" " Delegates elected,	75
" " Votes in Convention,	112

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. McGRORY, Secretary to Committee.

WILLIAM MURPHY, Chairman.

St. John, N. B., June 30th, 1881.

The report was adopted.

The Standing Rules of the American Union were adopted.

The Convention decided to admit members of the Local Societies and members of the Press to the meetings of the Convention.

Mr. James Berry, of St. Aloysius Association, P. Gleeson, Esq., of St. Malachi's Society, Mr. J. J. Holland, of St. Rose Society, Mr. J. Boden, of St. Peter's Cadets, Mr. D. O'Neill, of St. Peter's Society, and Mr. J. L. Carleton, of the Immaculate Conception Cadets, tendered the escort of their Societies to the Delegates on July 1st. Mr. J. J. Ryan stated that the Father Mathew Association had received no notice of the Procession, and could not tender an escort.

Mr. Ryan moved the following amendment to the Constitution of the Union :

That any member of a Society affiliated to this Union shall have the power to make information and testify against a member of another Society connected therewith for violation of the pledge.

A lively debate followed, in which Messrs. Ryan, O'Neill, Moore, Gleeson, Wisted, Meagher, O'Brien, Berry, Hamilton, Agar, and others took part.

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Shortly after this amendment was proposed the debate was adjourned, and the Convention adjourned till Friday morning.

Rev. C. Collins was present during the evening.

FRIDAY, July 1st.

The Delegates marched in procession to the Cathedral, where Mass was celebrated by Rev. F. Belliveau; Rev. H. J. McGill, Deacon; and Rev. J. Herbert, sub-Deacon. Rev. W. O'Leary preached the following

SERMON:

"Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober.—1 Thess. v. 6.

What a grand and magnificent spectacle meets my view to-day in beholding such a vast assemblage of noble and energetic workers in a cause ever dear to the heart of our holy mother, the Church, and to every Christian and Catholic who sincerely has the interests of his neighbor at heart. Leaving aside the fact of the praiseworthy example you present to your fellow-men to-day, and the edification which you have caused them, the joy and glory you have brought to Almighty God far surpasses the highest esteem and veneration of men. From his throne of glory in heaven he beholds to-day the rare spectacle of seeing such a large concourse of Christian men banded together with the sacred bonds of charity, animated with the same feelings and sentiments of religion, and all inflamed with the same ardent charity for their fellow-men—all endeavoring to rescue him from an evil the most terrible in its effects; to save him from intemperance, that ruthless destroyer, the fruitful source of sin, disease and crime. For the origin and cause of the majority of diseases may be traced to the sin of Intemperance, and it has done more to people the city of the dead than fire, famine, pestilence, or the sword. It is the destroying angel upon whose footsteps Death waits to glut himself with human sacrifice. He upon whom this monster has laid his hand may bid adieu to health and happiness in this

life, and surely, if he change not his life, he can never hope for any reward in that Kingdom into which the unclean shall never enter.

Drunkenness, my friends, is a crime which works the most terrible injury on man. It deadens the mind, extinguishes every moral feeling of the heart, and brings eternal misery and despair to the soul. It debases man to the level of the brute. It does even something more—it gives him the folly of the brute but the madness of the demon. It corrupts every good moral sentiment of his better nature. He who was the tender husband, the affectionate brother, the dutiful son, the constant friend and kind neighbor, has been transformed into the unfeeling wretch, whose heart no longer throbs with any sentiment of kindness and love, but who has buried the past with its fond recollections, the present with its pure and unalloyed joys, and the future with its hopes, in the damning cup of intoxication. Could the grave give up its dead, could hell send up its witnesses, could beggared wives and starving orphans come from their dark and desolate abodes, misery and despair to tell their tales of woe, with what trumpet tongues would they stand up to plead against the destroyer of mankind.

The drunkard, my friends, is the open violator of every law, either of God or man. Run over the precepts of the Decalogue. Take them up, one after another, and you will find that there is not one which the drunkard does not violate. One of the principal duties imposed on every Christian by the first Commandment, is to give ourselves up to prayer—in the morning to thank the God of all good for having safely delivered us from the dangers of the night; in the evening, to thank him for protecting us throughout the day. Now, how is it possible for the drunkard to fulfill this obligation? Not in the evening, when he returns home wallowing in liquor; nor in the morning, when his throat is parched with a burning thirst, and his thoughts and desires are for more liquor.

By the second commandment we are obliged not to take the name of the Lord our God in vain; but there is no sinner on earth who so shamelessly treats the august and venerable name of God.

We are obliged by the third Commandment to sanctify the Sunday; and the drunkard spends that Holy Day in drunken carousals and debauches.

The fourth Commandment, which regards the mutual duties and obligations of parents towards their children, and of children towards their parents.

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consider the words of a holy writer: "Woe to the son who delivers himself up to this detestable vice, for he eradicates from his heart every sentiment of filial love and respect; he no longer recognizes the venerable authority of his father or mother, and he is led so far as to heap insults and injuries on their old and venerable heads." It may be truly said of him that he lives only for the misfortune and desolation of his parents. Again, if we consider this sin as manifested in a parent, what a frightful multitude of sin and crime does it not drag after it. What a number of sins has the drunken father or mother to answer for before Almighty God. The drunken father abandons his duties, neglects his employment; he squanders in a single carousal the earnings of an entire week; his children, abandoned to themselves, without one to guide or correct them, grow up hardened in every vice. Who are responsible for the souls of these children, if not their guilty parents, to whom God has confided their care, and of whom He will exact at the last day a strict account of the example they have shown their children. The child who has at home the saddening spectacle of a drunken father or mother cannot but grow up an imitator of his dissolute parents, a scandal to society. If such a child were to grow up a sober, pious and industrious young man, the heavens could record no greater miracle.

In fine, my friends, the drunkard commits far more sins and violates more laws than all the other sinners together.

Though there are sins which, if abstractedly considered, contain malice of a deeper dye than Intemperance, yet, if considered in all its circumstances, its effects are more numerous and its consequences more pernicious; it is an unhappy fountain which feeds many streams of destruction. A little cool reflection will convince you of these truths; besides many others, the following are the inseparable companions of drunkenness: scandal, bad example, disedification, the contempt of honest people, the extinction of reason, insensibility to the poor, crimes of impurity, ruin of families, destruction of health, misery and beggary, contempt of God and religion, oaths, blasphemies, sudden and unprovided deaths; for if sobriety gives birth to the opposite virtues, Intemperance flings open the door to all these vices; if the one, as the Scripture expresses it, expels the devil, the other grants him an easy access; if one purifies and enlightens the soul, the other darkens and blinds it; if sobriety multiplies and preserves Christian virtues in the soul, drunkenness multiplies vices and grants them an unhappy constancy. Do not hence proceed quarrels, reproaches, jealousies, injuries, imprecations, vengeance, blasphemies, sacrileges, profanations of the most

holy things, robberies and murders, divisions in the best united families. Is not the name of God outraged, and all the rights of friendship and humanity violated. Behold, then, my friends, what a monster the drunkard is enamored with.

As to bad example and disedification, they are inseparable from Intemperance; and we know how powerful for evil bad examples are, and with what a-dor they are copied in everything that flatters the senses. The almost universal passion for liquor is the strongest and clearest proof of this. Is it not then shockingly scandalous and disedifying, to behold those whom age, respect to character, and common decency should preserve within the bounds of Christian moderation; their reason drowned, their eyes sunk, their tongues stammering, their limbs tottering, unable to support them; is it not astonishing that, beholding, in their sober moments their own picture reflected in a fellow drunkard, they would not be so far disgusted with the original as to abhor themselves and the accursed occasion of degrading the dignity of human nature and the pre-eminence of rational beings?

The Spartans, a pagan people, unenlightened by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, held drunkards in such contempt and abhorrence that to inspire their children with a detestation of this vice, they presented before them their slaves overpowered with liquor, that their abject misery and ridiculous appearance should imprint the strongest horror on their tender minds; but now, as I have already remarked, to the disgrace of religion and Christianity, the drunken heads of families present *themselves* as melancholy patterns to their children, and their common edification is to behold the abandoned father or shameless mother staggering through the streets or wallowing in the mire; and thus are they by their parents' example trained up almost from infant years to excess in drink. until, as they ripen by age, they are complete drunkards; so we have no other prospect than to see the rising generation as yet more vicious, more abandoned to intoxication, than were their profligate parents.

Behold then, my friends, what a pernicious, what a worthless animal the drunkard is. How little is justice regarded where this passion prevails; with what eagerness are debts contracted to satisfy it, little solicitous about the discharge of those debts, or performance of promises, so they can supply fuel to the fire, which by the increase, burns fiercer for more, till reason is banished and they become, in their own opinion, completely happy by becoming completely drunk. Reason and reflection, which alone grant man a dominion over brute creation, are made the sacrifices of riot and extravagance, their empire overturned, and

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Having considered, now, my friends, what a horrible monster drunkenness is, and the frightful effects it works upon its unfortunate victim, you readily perceive the magnitude and immense difficulty of the task in which you are engaged. At sight of such a powerful enemy who has counted his victims by hundreds of thousands, you might be led to despair of accomplishing your aim; but fear not, you have God on your side. "I am able to do all things in Him who strengthens me." Rest assured that you will receive a reward even in this life. From the hearths of once desolated homes the voice of the widow and orphan whom you have rendered happy, is ever ascending to the bountiful remunerator of all good in heaven, imploring Him to shower down His blessings on you and your noble cause—that He may prosper your good aims in bringing comfort and happiness to the thousands of other poor, miserable, destitute mothers and children. Go on in your good work, and when your labor is over, and you are called to give an account of your stewardship, may the good and merciful Lord extend to you the charity of which you were so noble examples on earth. AMEN!

At 10.30 a. m., the Convention re-assembled in St. Malachi's Hall, and after prayer by the Rev. Spiritual Director, proceeded to business.

The reports of the Local Deputies were read, as follows:

ST. JOHN, N. B., July 1, 1881.

TO R. J. RITCHIE, Esq., M. P. P., *President, Officers and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of N. B., in the Tenth Annual Convention assembled:*

GENTLEMEN.—At Moncton, N. B., last year, I had the honor of reporting on behalf of St. Malachi's T. A. Relief Society, all necessary particulars for the year ending that date. Since then,

the following statement I beg to submit as the workings of the Society :—

June 30, 1880. Reported in good standing,	95 Members.
Added during the year,	17 "
Total,	112 "
Taken off the books as follows :—	
Resigned,	1
Non-payment of Dues,	25
Violation of the Pledge,	7
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Leaving at present in good standing,	76 Members.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

June 30, 1880. Cash on hand,	\$108 42
" received during the year,	223 38
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Paid out by the Society,	\$331 75
	287 80
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Balance on hand this date,	\$14 45

I beg to repeat my report of last year about the holding of the meetings of the Society regularly, and the good attendance of the members at such meetings. Persons are very slow in joining the Society, though invited to do so as often as the meetings are called.

The attendance at the Lectures held under the auspices of the Society during the past season was not very large, consequently the receipts from them quite small.

I hope that the lectures in the future will be more successful, as they were in the early years after the reorganization, and will again be a good source of adding to the funds of the Society.

I regret the falling off of the membership during the year, but I assure you, gentlemen, that the members now on the books are indeed members in good standing and considered so by the Society.

Besides the weekly masses offered up for the members, the paying of all proper bills coming up from time to time, and the Society having for its objects Relief as well as Total Abstinence, a good part of the outlay goes to the assistance of members deserving as allowed by the Constitution. The report shows we have on hand, if not a large balance, a moderate one.

At the next Convention I sincerely hope that, instead of reporting a decrease of members, as I am forced to do for this and the past year, I will have the pleasure of being able to report having more members on the books, and more cash in the Treas-

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At many meetings held we had the pleasure of being visited by members of different Societies of our Union, and in return many of ours attended their meetings, which, to our members, was a source of hearty satisfaction of the fraternal visits, and noticing the workings of the noble cause of Total Abstinence amongst the Catholics, not only of this City and vicinity, but all parts of the Diocese.

I am, gentlemen,

Yours, very respectfully,

P. GLEESON,

Local Deputy, St. Malachi's T. A. Relief Society.

ST. JOHN, June 30th, 1881.

To the Officers and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled :

GENTLEMEN,—As Local Deputy for St. Dunstan's Society it becomes my duty to report the present condition of our Society. I regret that since last year there has been a slight decrease in membership--the number at present on our roll being 48.

This decrease is owing in a great measure to the fact that every spring numbers of our young men leave Fredericton for the purpose of seeking a livelihood in the Western States. Another difficulty we have to contend with is the loose manner in which the Canada Temperance Act is carried out. During the past winter we provided for our Reading Room all the appliances for enabling our young men to pass their evenings pleasantly in innocent amusement, but I regret to say our efforts did not produce the good results hoped for.

In conclusion, I might say that we have good grounds for believing that before many weeks a large increase in our membership will take place.

Yours, &c.,

J. E. PERKS,

Local Deputy St. Dunstan's T. A. Society.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., June 30, 1881.

To the President and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled.

GENTLEMEN.—Having been elected Local Deputy of the Father Mathew Association in the place of Mr. M. O'Regan, who was elected to the office at the last Convention, but who has since

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resigned, the duty of presenting a report of its standing for the past year devolves upon me.

The present healthy condition of our Association will contrast favorably with its position a year ago. Then our membership was only 130, now it is 142, showing an increase of 12, which at first view may not appear to be a remarkable gain; but when we consider that a great many of our best young men were forced to leave the city last summer to find employment elsewhere, we cannot but come to the conclusion that the Association has done well to get even twelve new members. Our membership at present is not, however, as large as it has been at times during the year. We had as many as 165 at one time, but for various reasons principally for non-payment of dues, the names of members were erased from the roll, reducing our membership to 142 at the present time.

Our Financial position has also improved during the year. Instead of being just barely able to meet our liabilities, as was the case the previous year, we have accumulated considerable money over and above enough to pay our outstanding debts.

The meetings of the Association are generally well attended, but better in the winter than in any other season. Besides the regular meetings, an additional attraction is afforded the members in the winter time in the shape of a Reading Room, which is a rendezvous for them on cold winter nights.

I believe that a crisis in the affairs of the Association was reached some time ago; but now, if I mistake not, we are returning with the tide of prosperity to our former position.

In conclusion, I may say that the Association is as loyal as ever to the Union

Yours respectfully.

DANIEL MULLIN.

Local Deputy Father Mathew Association.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., June 30, 1881.

To the Officers and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled.

GENTLEMEN.—In presenting my second annual report, I regret to say that my expectation of the past year has not been fulfilled; that is, in the increase of membership last year. At Moncton, our return to Convention was thirty-nine members; this year we make a return of forty members. As our Society has not decreased any, we have a right to be thankful. As I stated at last Convention, our Society is one of Relief; we have paid out a large amount to sick members during the year. We are clear of debt

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Trusting that the report of next year will show a large increase in the membership of St. Peter's Society,

I am, Gentlemen, yours respectfully,
DANIEL O'NEILL,
Local Deputy of St. Peter's T. A. R. Society.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., June 30, 1881.

To the Officers and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled.

GENTLEMEN.—Another year has rolled by, and as Local Deputy of St. Mary's Society, I beg to submit my report of the standing of said Society to you.

I regret to report no increase of members since last year; but when we consider that a large number of our young men have emigrated to the United States during the year, including some of our oldest members, it is a matter of rejoicing that we have numerically held our own.

In conclusion, I have only to say that what members there are on our roll are good, practical, active members. Hoping by the next Convention to be able to report a large increase in numbers,

I remain yours respectfully,
WILLIAM MURPHY,
Local Deputy of St. Mary's, Cork Settlement.

ST. MALACHI'S HALL,
ST. JOHN, N. B., June 30, 1881. }

To the Spiritual Director, Officers and Members of the Tenth Annual Convention of the C. T. A. Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled.

GENTLEMEN.—In presenting our Society's seventh annual report, I regret that I am unable to give you such an account of its literary progress as did my predecessor. During the year we published no journal, either in a printed or manuscript form; we held no entertainments, and have likewise no thanks to return

to the members of the Council for their frequent visits and encouraging remarks.

Our ranks now number one hundred and twenty-five, a gain of nine during the past year; but out of this number only fifty are actual members in good standing.

Not only the Cadets of the Immaculate Conception, but the Catholic youth of our city, should feel grateful to him whom God has sent to teach them how to navigate, like skillful mariners, their crafts on the River of Life which flows rapidly on to an endless Eternity. I refer to the Rev. Father Meahan, the true prototype of his illustrious forefathers, among whose names we honor a Columbkil, a Melachi, and a Mathew; and I do, in the name of the Cadets, tender to him their heartfelt thanks for his devotion to their welfare, and their sincere wishes that he may long be spared to continue his good work.

As this may be the last time which I shall have the honor of representing this Society at your Convention, I would beg leave to add to my report: that wherever my steps shall turn or destiny cast my lot, I shall still look back with fond and remembrances to my youthful days spent in a noble cause under the glorious banner of the Immaculate Conception Cadets, and under the special protection of the Mother of God.

I have the honor to be

Fraternally yours,

JNO. L. CARLETON,

Local Deputy Im. Con. Cadets.

ST. JOHN, N. B., July 1st, 1881.

GENTLEMEN.—St. Patrick's Society, Musquash, reorganized June 12th, 1881. Number of members twenty. Was visited by President of New Brunswick Union on June 12th, as also by Corresponding Secretary. Finances of Society in good standing.

P. P. BYRNE,

Local Deputy.

PORTLAND, N. B., June 30, 1881.

To the Officers and Delegates of C. T. A. Union of N. B., in Convention assembled.

GENTLEMEN.—The little seed sown in Portland in 1878 by the Rev. Father Chapman has grown into a comparatively large tree. True, it may not have the stately grandeur of old developed plants, nor the shapely elegance of those just budding into maturity, but it has at least the vigor and sprightliness of youth to commend it. Tended by our good Priest, Father O'Leary, it has

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extended its usefulness and added beauty to its appearance, and it becomes my pleasing duty to report that the St. Peter's Cadets are to-day in better standing than ever before. We have 135 members on the roll. Our boast, however, is not altogether in regard to numbers; for, although we believe in the old maxim "that in numbers there is strength," still we aim to instruct and advance those who are members rather than seek to swell our register. Our aim has been to make the Society a school of instruction, where boys may be educated to a sense of the importance of their remaining total abstinence, believing that this will be the means of sending into the Temperance ranks young men worthy of any movement. During the past year, we did have in contemplation a debate with our city cousins, but, happily for the public, our elder brethren anticipated our intentions.

During the year past we have gained sixty members, our meetings are generally interesting, and our finances are in an excellent condition.

For the future, while not anticipating great numerical gain, I feel confident that the St. Peter's Cadets will always prove true to their motto—"Semper Primus."

I remain, Gentlemen,

Yours fraternally,

J. BODEN.

To the Officers and Members of the C. T. A. Union of New Brunswick:

GENTLEMEN,—As Local Deputy of St. Aloysius Association of Portland I feel much pleased that it is my lot to deliver to you the Annual Report of our Association.

The year just closed has been one of unbounded prosperity to us, and St. Aloysius Association stands to-day in a far more prosperous condition than at any time since its formation. At the last Convention, held in the Town of Moncton, our report showed but fifty-two members, but to-day we have one hundred and thirty-nine, not one of whom are three months in arrears. While our membership is not so large as it was some three months ago, we are now established on a more solid basis than ever before. Through the exertions of our very efficient and energetic staff of officers, the Association has been made as self-sustaining as it is possible to make societies having to maintain a Gymnasium, Reading Room, Library, etc., with so small a revenue as is derived from our initiation fee and dues. Some gentlemen will likely want to know the cause of our decrease in three months. Well the reason is this: Our Association has adopted the principle of allowing no member to remain on the

roll who becomes three months in arrears. While these members are suspended for the time, yet they are not lost to the Association, nor is it to be supposed that they are not good temperance men, as we have every belief that most of them will return and pay their dues, and become once more in good standing with the Association.

One of the very encouraging transactions of our Association last summer was the prosperity that attended our annual Pic-Nic. It was one of the most successful last season, and its great financial success gave us renewed energy to work during the winter months.

On the sixth of last December we celebrated our Sixth Anniversary in a way that at least met with the general approval of all who were present. After a literary and musical programme and refreshments, speeches appropriate to the occasion were made by R. J. Ritchie, Esq., M. P. P., President of the Union, P. Gleeson, Esq., J. P., Local Deputy of St. Malachi's Society, Messrs. Richard O'Brien, M. E. Agar and others, all of whom heartily endorsed the new departure in celebrating anniversaries.

The very interesting contests that have taken place between our Association and the Father Mathew Association of Saint John, undoubtedly did much towards keeping our members together, and at the same time tended to create more intimate friendship between the two Associations. The first contest was a domino and checker tournament, and no better proof of the interest that was manifested in it can be had than the fact during its progress—some four weeks—hundreds assembled in the different halls to witness the game. At the conclusion of the tournament, St. Alcyus Association was declared victorious. In May last, nine of our Association met nine of the Father Mathew Association in a contest which excited even more interest than the previous one. This time it was in the shape of a debate, and while the subject was a deep one—"Which has been the greatest civilizer, the Poet or Statesman"—both sides put forth gentlemen whose speeches would do credit to the foremost organizations of this city. Some four weeks—three nights each week—were taken up in an endeavor to solve the question, and all who followed it through acknowledge that the debate was conducted in a manner reflecting the highest credit on all concerned.

In concluding, Mr. President and gentlemen, I may state that our meetings are well attended, and with the continued help of our Rev. Spiritual Director (who has been unceasing in his endeavors to advance our Association) we have every reason to believe that we will prosper as much during the coming year as we have in the one just closed. Thanking, on behalf of the As-

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JAMES BERRY,

Local Deputy, St. Aloysius Association, Portland.
St. John, N. B., June 30th, 1881.

MILLTOWN, June 30, 1881.

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention :

I am pleased to report that St. Patrick's Society still remains in the front of the battle against intemperance; and though our membership has not increased since the last Convention, our zeal has not diminished in the least.

Like "Gideon's band" we are the chosen army of the Catholics of Milltown in the war against intemperance. On our frail shoulders rests the awful responsibility of repulsing the terrible enemy of our race, and faithfully will we perform the mighty task confided to us. I would like to report an increase of membership, but we have merely held our own. Next year, however, my successor in office may have the pleasure of reporting a large increase. The population of the town will become larger, consequent on the erection of the cotton mill, and with an increase of population will surely come an increase in the membership of the Society. During the past year our respected pastor, the venerable Father Quinn, gave us all the assistance his declining years permitted. Being upwards of seventy-five years of age, we cannot expect him to lecture for us, or perform the active duties he would were he a young man.

Hoping the good cause of Total Abstinence will ever flourish and bring forth good fruit,

I am, your humble servant,

JOHN C. GUBBINS.

MILLTOWN, July 1, 1881.

To the Officers and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled.

I am sorry to state that the St. Patrick Cadet Society of Milltown is in a very poor condition and cannot exist much longer. This is owing to uncontrollable causes. If I were inclined to do so, I might give you a history of the bright future which once loomed up before this little Society, but this would afford us little comfort as it is now about to die; in fact the few members that remain in the Society have voted to disband next Septem-

ber, the month in which they were organized. This cannot be averted. Sorry, indeed, am I that this zealous little band of total abstiners is about to retire from active participation in the noble cause of total abstinence: it is to be regretted by the Union as well. But regrets cannot save this little Society, let it repose in peace on the bank of the "St. Croix." Hoping that no other Cadet Society will meet the fate of St. Patrick's Cadets, and being unable to express the sorrow which fills me in having to make this sad report,

I remain,
Yours fraternally,
JOHN C. GUBBINS.

SAINT JOHN. N. B., June 30, 1881.

To the Officers and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled.

GENTLEMEN.—It is with feelings of pride and pleasure I present the report of the Society which I have the honor of representing as Local Deputy.

Our last quarterly report shows an increase of fifteen members over the report of the corresponding quarter last year and at the present time we have seventy-three members, staunch and earnest workers in the interest of the cause to which they are pledged.

Our finances are in a most satisfactory condition and the amount of dues in arrears much less than usual. During the year we have liquidated the debt on our Band instruments and purchased furniture suitable for our Hall. The Band in connection with the Society, although having sustained several serious losses through members leaving the Town and the expulsion of others, have made rapid progress since their late re-organization and are established on a much better foundation than heretofore.

As you may readily perceive Temperance matters are in a flourishing condition amongst us and as every effect is produced by a cause we can easily trace the cause of our success during the past year to the solicitous care of the Rev. Father Bellevue our esteemed Spiritual Director, who, since his advent amongst us has manifested an untiring zeal and interest in the affairs of the Society, and has encouraged and still continues to encourage us in the successful attainment of our object which we consider impossible to accomplish without the direct aid and hearty co-operation of the clergy.

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for the eloquent address delivered under their auspices by R. J. Ritchie, Esq., President of the Union. Much gratification was expressed and the result proved most beneficial to the Society.

I am, gentlemen,

Respectfully yours,

HUGH HAMILTON,

Local Deputy St. Bernard's Society, Moncton.

St. John, N. B., June 30th, 1881.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., June 30, 1881.

To the Officers and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled:

GENTLEMEN,—I have much pleasure in presenting the Second Annual Report of St. Rose C. T. A. R. Society of Fairville.

During the first half of the year last past, owing to the large number of persons who found themselves obliged from scarcity of employment to remove to other localities, the Roll of the Society was so greatly affected that for a short time the regular meetings were discontinued.

However, owing to the efforts of the Rev. Spiritual Director of our Society, and members of the Board of Government and Council of the New Brunswick Union, who so generously lent a helping hand, the Society resumed its former active position as a part of the Union.

I am happy to say that the meetings are now well attended, each member seeming to feel the responsibility resting upon him in aiding the aim and objects of the Society by his presence thereat.

In addition to the personal enthusiasm which pervades the Society, programmes of musical and literary exercises tend to enliven and encourage the members in the good work.

The Society begs to acknowledge the deep obligation under which they are to the President of the New Brunswick Union for the interest manifested in their welfare, and the many practical proofs of encouragement given by him during the year.

The Society recently decided to affiliate with the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America, and have received notification of enrolment therein as No. 859.

The Death Roll of the Society contains but one name, Jno. J. Lumbard, Treasurer of the Society, since its organization. Active, fearless in the performance of his duty, a sincere, devoted member, his loss we deeply deplore.

Truly may it be said of him faithful unto death.

I beg to state that the number of members is forty, an increase

of one member during the year.

Thanking the members of the New Brunswick Union, and the Board of Government for courtesies extended during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. J. HOLLAND,

Local Deputy.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., June 30, 1881.

To the President and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled.

GENTLEMEN,—As Local Deputy for St. Alphonsus T. A. Society, I beg leave to report that our Society is in good standing. The present number on our roll is 37. Although our meetings are not so well attended as they were last winter, yet I am pleased to say the cause cannot be attributed to any want of interest taken in the Temperance cause by the officers or members of our Society, but is in a great measure due to members leaving the place for the summer months. At the next Annual Convention I trust my report will show a list of as many more members. The Spiritual Director, Rev. C. Collins, gives all the assistance in his power, and has done a great deal of good towards the cause of Temperance in our midst.

Yours respectfully,

CORNELIUS SULLIVAN,

Local Deputy of St. Alphonsus Society, Hampton.

Hampton, June 30th, 1881.

The President appointed the following

COMMITTEES:

Audit—P. Gleeson, M. E. Agar, Peter Farrel, D. McMonagle, James Barry, C. L. Doherty, Patrick Dowd, Andrew T. Moore, Daniel Coughlan, Edward Callaghan, John F. Gleeson, Florence McCarthy and James Smith.

Resolutions.—Very Rev. T. Connolly, V. G., Thomas O'Riley, J. J. Ryan, P. J. O'Keefe, John McGowan, Andrew Martin, Thomas McElroy, James Boden, Joseph Miller, John Boden, Joseph Stanton, Alexander McDonald, James L. Kerr, Hugh Hamilton, John Connors, James Berry, W. Murphy, P. J. Gleeson, H. Travers, P. P. Byrne, Jno. Mahoney, Frank Williams.

Address to Catholics.—Rev. A. Ouellet, Rev. F. Belliveau, E. Babin, P. Moran, D. O'Neil, J. C. Gubbins, T. M. Wisted, J. G. Matthews, John McCarthy, D. Doherty, T. Donovan, J. Mcagher, John Donovan, L. Garey, P. O. MacCasey, Wm. Kelly,

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The Convention adjourned till 2.30 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention re-assembled at 2.30 o'clock.

The President read his Report as follows:—

To the Delegates of the C. T. A. Union of N. B., in Convention assembled.

GENTLEMEN.—The time has now arrived when, under the Con-
 stitution, it is his duty for the President of the Union to submit
 to the Convention an annual written Report setting forth the
 general condition of the Union at present, and its requirements
 in the future.

It is my privilege and pleasure to proceed in the performance
 of that duty on the present occasion. At the Convention held
 in Moncton it was decided not to strike from the Union Roll sev-
 eral Societies that had failed to report to the proper officer, and
 had become in arrears. On the contrary it was resolved to re-
 tain their names on what was termed a Side Roll. In compliance
 with that resolution, such a Roll was opened, and upon it were
 placed ten societies, viz: No. 6, St. Patrick's, White's Moun-
 tain; No. 7, St. Mary's, Kingston, Kent; No. 9, St. Ignatius,
 Petersville; No. 10, St. Gertrude's, Woodstock; No. 13, St. Pa-
 trick's, Musquash; No. 14, St. Patrick's, Golden Grove; No. 15,
 St. George, St. George; No. 18, St. William, Quaco; No. 19,
 St. Thomas de Villanova, Richmond, and No. 21, St. Joseph,
 Rethsay. After correspondence, and, in some instances, per-
 sonal interviews with those who hold office in the Societies
 named, I am pleased to be able to report that some of them, at
 least, have recommenced holding their meetings, and are repre-
 sented at this meeting of delegates, and I have reason to hope
 that before the end of the present year a large number of those
 names on the Side Roll will be transferred to the Actual Roll of
 the Union. As such a happy state of affairs has already been
 partially attained, and may be more fully accomplished through
 the efforts of the Union officers, we must all feel thankful that
 those slumbering Societies were not stricken from the New Bruns-
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plying, if, indeed it would ever apply, for admission to the Union again, the caution and discretion exercised on that occasion were, from a Union and Temperance standpoint, at least commendable.

Experience teaches that rashness in the treating of such or kindred matters is a grave fault.

The other Societies in the Union Roll at the commencement of the present year were said by the Secretary to represent 860 members. During the ensuing quarter, ending 30th September last, the Union admitted 84 members, and at the end of the year 1880 the net increase to the Union for six months—after deducting withdrawals, transfers, etc., was 180 members.

The withdrawals, transfers, deaths, etc., were, during these six months, 35 members.

The year 1881 opened with a membership of 990; during the quarter ending the 31st of March the several Societies had admitted no less than 150 members, and, deducting from this, 89 withdrawals, etc., the Union had, commencing the last quarter of this year, an increase of 193, or a total of 1,053 members.

The Reports show that for the quarter ending last night, the 30th June, 1881, there were admitted 141 members, giving us a net increase for the year of 190, and placing our present membership in good standing at 1,053. I find that eight of our Societies show an increase in their membership, the gain to the Union in this respect being the handsome number of 226, which, with St. Alphonsus' 87, make a total gain of 263. Included in these eight Societies are the three from the Town of Portland with a gain of 148 members, St. Aloysius being the banner gain society, with its splendid increase of 87 members, and the Cadets of Saint Peter's following close after with its excellent gain of 60. Next in order comes St. Patrick's, Carleton, which has added 22 to its number, and then we find St. Bernard's coming in with its increase of 15. Coming back to St. John again we have an increase in the Father Mathew Association of 12, and a gain in the Immaculate Conception Cadets of 9, giving a total of 125 cadets, St. Peter's Society, of Portland, giving one better than last year's report. The other Societies show no increase. I organized two Societies in King's County during the year under the Union, one at Hampton and the other on the Kennebecensis.

The above I submit is a correct report of the condition of the Union at the present moment. A matter I feel I can not but refer to is the debate—which was had between nine members of the young men's Society, Father Mathew Association in the City, and nine young men from a like Society, the St. Aloysius Association of Portland. The debate was continued for several evenings. As President of the Union I followed the speakers

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very closely, and felt proud of the young men who did their respective parts so well. They reflected credit on themselves, the Societies they represented, the Union and Church of which they are members. The Temperance people, and, indeed, the people generally, were interested in the intellectual treat from the beginning till the close of the discussion.

The purposes of the President's Report may be to court enquiry as to the matters contained therein. If so, then the Convention should deal with the present condition of the Union, and carefully consider its requirements in the future. This should be done in a Catholic spirit and with a desire to advance the cause.

Explanations as to revision of rolls in local Societies just prior to Convention, and enquiries as to the number of withdrawals from some Societies, might not be out of place at this meeting. It is now for the representatives from the different Societies here assembled to say how and where much more might have been done; here is to be considered what are the requirements of the Union in the future. I may say, to have a proper idea of its requirements, it is necessary to have a clear conception of the objects of the Union and the means by which such objects are to be attained.

The officers of the Union, and by this I do not mean the members of the Council, but the officers as mentioned in Article IV. of our Constitution, should ever be on guard and jealously watch after the interests of the Union, and always endeavor to carry out its objects, and so promote the cause of Total Abstinence and strengthen this Catholic Institute.

The rank and file of this organization should not allow themselves to believe that because it is primarily the duty of the Board of Government, in the interim between the holding of Conventions, to establish Catholic Total Abstinence Societies in places where they have not hitherto existed; to stimulate to increased activity Societies already existing; to foster a spirit of friendship and co-operation between the various local Societies, and to promote the cause of Total Abstinence, that they are relieved from all interest, all thought, all attention, all labor, all responsibility in these various essential matters.

If any individual member of any of our local Societies, affiliated to the Union, has been laboring under such a delusion, let his mind at once be disabused of such an erroneous as well as dangerous impression. Let such an idea be dispelled.

The Council expects the assistance of the Board, the Board must have the co-operation of the officers and zealous workers in the local Societies, and so the whole body working loyally to-

gether with one aim, one motive, one object, the furtherance of the cause becomes a less difficult work—in fact, a pleasant performance, an agreeable duty, and not an irksome task. I have never underrated the importance of efficient Local Deputies. I have always been deeply imbued with the notion that the Union depends very considerably on its Local Deputies for the position of Societies from a Union stand-point, and as the Union expects of its Local Deputies activity in the Total Abstinence movement, I sincerely trust that those officers will continue to emulate each other as to the position their respective Societies will henceforth hold in the Union.

I would suggest they would, in reporting to their Societies after meetings of the Board, and from time to time, expatiate on the objects of the Union, explain and point out clearly the good it has done, is doing, and, with God's help, will continue to do amongst our people. Local Deputies and officers in Societies can readily understand the necessity of pursuing such a course, inasmuch as persons are continually joining our Societies who have had little, if any, opportunity of acquiring a knowledge of the scope, meaning, and Catholic features of this excellent organization. The Catholic Total Abstinence Union requires and demands from each individual member of this body, at least an effort on his part to assist in building up this worthy organization, and make it not only what we would all like it to be, but that which such an institution ought to be in this Diocese.

This can be done without much labor if the work is made light by each assuming his portion.

We meet annually in Convention for the purpose of taking steps for the guidance of the Board of Government during the following year. Let us not forget our mission. Let us encourage those who are to be at the helm for the ensuing term, investigate for the benefit of the Union the work done and the mode of doing it, and devise such measures as may seem necessary to promote the interests of the Union. Let us not be prone to find fault save where the interest and safety of the Union demands our interference. Let us be charitable with each brother member, and pride ourselves with cultivating good feeling amongst its members. Let us encourage the formation of Cadet Societies, and impress on the members of the local Societies the necessity of admitting our boys on reasonable terms into the parent Society in localities where it is not possible to establish a separate Society for the boys themselves.

The Union requires of us never to allow an opportunity to pass without assisting its interests, and I would request the delegates here assembled, when they return to the local Societies, to ask,

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promoting the cause of Total Abstinence.

We need no words to incite us to action. We know by expe-
rience the many and varied advantages of the Union, and the
happiness we have enjoyed by the practice of Total Abstinence.

We compassionate the sufferings, woes and miseries endured by
our fellow-man because of the excessive use of strong drink, and
in hope to alleviate the sufferings of those who hitherto have
been addicted to the vicious habit of drinking, by securing them
into one of the Societies of our noble Catholic Union.

I hope all here present are fully imbued with the importance
of the cause, the advancement of which is our purpose, and in
asking the co-operation of the Delegates here assembled, I do so
with the belief that they will give the matters touching the ques-
tion the greatest consideration. As this is an essentially Catholic
Union I will conclude, in the words of a resolution adopted by
this Union some time ago, when it resolved "that we beg to im-
press upon the minds of all the members of the affiliated Societies
the great importance of often seeking in the saving Sacraments
of Penance and the Eucharist, the comfort and strength which
they have need of for time and eternity. From the neglect of
this binding obligation might follow the most disastrous conse-
quences both for the Total Abstinence Societies, and the cause
of temperance generally."

R. J. RITCHIE,
President.

The following Address to Catholics was read by Rev. A.
Ouellet:—

*Address of the C. T. A. Union of New Brunswick to the Ca-
tholics of this Province:*

FELLOW CATHOLICS:—

"Do you hear the children weep, O my brothers,
Ere the sorrow comes with years?"

Let a guileless child, a hapless wife, or a feeble aged mother,
raise towards you their suppliant hands and voices, imploring
with eyes bathed in tears, your pity and assistance, the kindest
and most generous feelings will be awakened in your affected
breasts. A mournful cry, arising from every part of the Pro-
vince, daily reaches our ears, and tells of the desolation and suf-
fering which drunkenness, that terrible bane to the human race,
has brought into the midst of once happy homes. Moved, there-

fore, with compassion at the misfortunes of oppressed innocence, the delegates of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick, deputed to this Convention by the numerous affiliated Societies, are to-day endeavoring to devise the most effectual method of forwarding the hallowed cause of Temperance. But, sensible of our inability to attain to any degree of success, if left to our efforts alone, we now take the liberty of sending this Address to the Catholics of New Brunswick, with a view to interest them in our great undertaking. Hence, having won the approval and encouragement of all our friends, we may expect, through the efficacy of their fervent supplications, the blessings of Heaven, without which our work would infallibly remain sterile.

That inebriety exerts its pernicious influence in our land, no one dares question. It consequently devolves upon all right-minded men to countenance every organization which labors to save the people from the fatal grasp of that merciless foe. The object of the C. T. A. Union of New Brunswick is the furtherance of Total Abstinence. This platform has been chosen as the only one adapted to the execution of our purpose, namely, to discard from society the dangerous practice of drinking intoxicating beverage.

The appalling evils resulting from the abuse of strong liquors are set forth in the most glaring light by the inspired writers of the Sacred Books. We are assured by these unerring oracles that the habitual drunkard incurs the severest privations and chastisements, both in time and in eternity. The goods of fortune he will never possess, for, according to the Holy Ghost, "A workman that is a drunkard shall not be rich." In truth, can it be reasonably supposed that a just God will bestow the comfort and plenty of this world on the wretched being who makes so bad an use of his most signal benefits? Says St. Chrysostom: "Wine has been given to man for his pleasure, not for intoxication." And yet, what do we see? Ungrateful creatures, shamefully abusing this precious gift, run madly into so guilty excesses and heinous crimes as to demand the immediate vengeance of the offended majesty of God. The hand of the Lord falls heavily upon them, and lo! the felicity of numberless families is blasted forever! The sins of the inebriate are always visited on his children.

Besides the many instances recorded in the Scripture and Ecclesiastical history of the lamentable embroils of inveterate drunkards, every day experience supplies us with facts well fitted to startle the most indifferent. Too frequently do we hear that such a man has been drowned whilst in the state of inebriety;

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another has been crushed to death by a railway train; another murdered in a drunken affray; another found suffocated in his bed! These frightful occurrences are intended by Providence for our instruction. And though the sot, whose *understanding has been taken away* by his grovelling indulgence, should not heed them, let sensible people, at least, learn how to regulate their own lives by the adversity of others.

Awful as the catastrophe which usually terminates a dissipated career may be, it pales into insignificance when compared to the torments which await unrepenting drunkards beyond the grave. For them there is no happiness, no salvation, no heaven. "For them," says Isaiah, "hell has enlarged her soul, and opened her mouth without bounds." The apostle of nations likewise teaches that Heaven is shut against such as are addicted to the debasing vice of intemperance. Hence the doctrine of St. Augustin, that wilful intoxication is a grievous sin and exceedingly odious to God. Not only is it criminal of itself, but it moreover prepares the way for a host of other wrongs. Where carousing prevails, there is the devil also. The evil one blinds his degraded votaries, and then betrays them into the most nefarious deeds. "They have eyes and see not; they have ears and hear not." And when the measure of their iniquity is filled, the Lord, in his justice, overtakes them in the midst of their revels and "turns their feast into mourning, and all their songs into lamentation." These treats shall certainly be executed, for the Almighty says: "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away."

Catholics of New Brunswick, we beg to conclude our address by a last appeal to your generosity, patriotism, and religious sentiments on behalf of the popular cause in which this Convention is deeply engaged. To those who never taste alcoholic spirits, we say: Persevere in your laudable resolution never to permit the alluring cup to make you swerve from the path of duty and honor. To those whom occasional drinking exposes to the danger of contracting intemperate habits, we say: Sign without delay the Total Abstinence pledge, and join some Temperance Society, which shall afford you the surest refuge from the innumerable temptations which are spread under your very steps. To all, men and women, young and old, do we cry out: Watch and pray! because the ancient serpent has set ten thousand snares for your destruction. Yes, Christian parents, guard your hearths with unremitting vigilance against the demon of drink, that avowed enemy of domestic felicity, lest it should insill its deadly poison into the pure blood of your beloved sons, the hope and consolation of your *grey hairs!*

One day Augustin, whilst wallowing in sin, heard this heavenly

voice: "Take up and read; take up and read." Whereupon he opened a book, the Epistles of St. Paul, which happened to be near, and perused the first words which met his glance, which ran thus: "Not in re-velling and drunkenness, . . . but put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ." Taking the mysterious voice to be nothing less than a divine admonition, Augustin began at once the work of his conversion, and soon became an illustrious saint. Fellow Catholics, imagine that God in this moment speaks to you through the medium of the men here assembled in his name, and urges you on to pray with one heart and one mind for the reform of drunkards and the perseverance of the abstinent. Even though your friends and relatives had nothing to dread from the contagion of intemperance—a supposition which can hardly be made,—the sacred precept of fraternal charity imposes upon you the strict obligation of removing, by all means in your power, by word and by example, every evil influence from your weak brother. For the sake, therefore, of all that which you hold most dear, continue to lend a helping hand to the laborers in the field of Temperance, and the ultimate success of the good cause is certain. If the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick has already effected anything—and we believe it has—towards the suppression of drunkenness and the diffusion of sound temperance principles throughout the Province, it is partly owing to the hearty co-operation of a favorable public. The same marks of sympathy we solicit again, and trust that we will not deceive the expectations of those who honor us with their confidence.

REV. A. OUELLET,
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D. O'NEIL,
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Both Reports were adopted and ordered to be printed with the proceedings.

The Reports of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer were read and referred to the Audit Committee.

The Corresponding Secretary's Report was read and adopted as follows:—

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*To the Officers and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence
Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled:*

GENTLEMEN—Your Corresponding Secretary has the honor of submitting the following as his Report for the year ending June 30th, 1881:

Number.	NAME.	LOCALITY.	No. Members June 30, '80.	No. Members June 30, '81.	Gain.	Loss.
1	St. Malachi's,	St. John,	95	76	19	
2	St. Dunstan's,	Fredericton,	53	48	5	
3	Fr. Mathew Assoc'n,	St. John,	130	142	12	
4	St. Patrick's,	Carleton,	28	50	22	
5	St. Peter's,	Portland,	39	40	1	
8	St. Mary's,	Cork Sett'l'mnt,	15	15		
11	Im. Con. Cadets,	St. John,	116	125	9	
12	St. Patrick's,	Milltown,	30	30		
13	St. Patrick's,	Musquash,	20	20		
16	St. Peter's Cadets,	Portland,	75	135	60	
17	St. Aloysius Assoc'n,	Portland,	52	139	87	
20	St. Patrick's Cadets,	Milltown,	80	30	50	
22	St. Bernard's,	Moncton,	58	73	15	
23	St. Francis,	Lancaster,	50	50		
24	St. Rose,	Fairville,	39	40	1	
25	St. Alphonsus,	Hampton,	37	37		
			860	1050	264	74

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6	St. Patrick's,	White Mountain,
7	St. Mary's,	Kingston, Kent,
9	St. Ignatius,	Petersville,
10	St. Gertrude's,	Woodstock,
14	St. Patrick's,	Golden Grove,
15	St. Georges,	St. George,
18	St. Williams,	Quaco,
19	St. Joseph's,	Rothsay,
21	St. Thomas de Villanova,	Richmond,
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Since the last Annual Convention St. Alphonsus Society of Hampton, No. 25, has ratified the Constitution and been placed on the roll of the Union, and St. Rose Society, Fairville; St. Peter's Cadets, and St. Alphonsus Society, Hampton, have joined the American Union. Increase during the year 2 Societies and 190 members.

The Constitution and Proceedings of the Moncton Convention were printed and distributed to the Societies of the Union, also to the clergy of the Province and to the officers of the General Union.

The number of Notices of Meetings, Bulletins, etc., mailed by me, was 435; Letters, 80; Postal Cards, 30.

Thanking the officers and members of the Union for the kindness and courtesy extended me during the year,

I am, yours fraternally,

J. P. McGRODY,
Corresponding Secretary.

St. John, N. B., July 1st, 1881.

Discussion of Mr. Ryan's amendment was resumed, the mover, and Messrs. O'Neill, Donovan, Wisted and Moore taking part. It was finally adopted.

Another amendment to change the name of the Union to the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of the Diocese of St. John received the six months' hoist.

The Report of the Board of Government was read by the Recording Secretary and was adopted, as follows:

SAINT JOHN, N. B., June 30, 1881.

To the Officers and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled.

GENTLEMEN:—The Board of Government beg leave to report that since the Convention in Moncton they have held four Quarterly and four Special Meetings: five in the President's office; two in St. Malachi's Hall, St. John, and one in St. Peter's Hall, Portland.

Two Societies were organized during the year: St. Alphonsus Society, Hampton, which has since entered the Union, and St. Bridget Society at Milkish.

In January last Rev. H. R. O'Donnell, President of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America, visited this city and delivered three lectures under the auspices of this Board. The meetings were held in St. Malachi's Hall, City; St. Peter's Hall,

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Portland, and St. Patrick's Hall, Carleton, and were very successful.

The Board decided to allow Societies to send five delegates to the Convention, as in previous years.

The Societies in Moncton, Fredericton, Woodstock, etc., were visited by the President, and the members of the Board generally visited the Societies in St. John and vicinity.

The Proceedings of the Ninth Annual Convention were printed and distributed among the various Associations.

Blank forms of Credentials of Delegates from Societies to the Convention were sent to the Societies.

The hour of meeting was fixed at 8 o'clock on the evening of June 30, 1881. The place of meeting was decided at the Convention in Moncton.

All of which is respectfully submitted to the Board of Government of the New Brunswick Union.

T. O'BRIEN,
Recording Secretary.

At 4.10 p. m. the Convention took recess for 30 minutes.

After recess the Reports of the Audit Committee, the Financial Secretary, and the Treasurer were adopted. They are as follows:—

ST. JOHN, N. B., July 1st, 1881.

To the President and Officers of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled:

GENTLEMEN.—Your Audit Committee beg leave to submit the following Report: That, having carefully examined the accounts, vouchers, etc., of your Financial Secretary and Treasurer, we find them to be correct in every particular, and the books of the Union are kept in a satisfactory manner.

Respectfully submitted,

P. GLEESON, Chairman,	PETER FARRELL,
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To the Officers and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled:

GENTLEMEN.—Your Financial Secretary begs leave to submit the following Report for the year ending June 30, 1881:

TO CASH RECEIVED AS PER CAPITA TAX TO N. B. UNION.

	Members.		
No. 1, St. Malachi's, St. John,.....	95	at 7c.	\$6 65
" 2, St. Dunstan's, Fredericton,.....	53	"	3 71
" 3, Fr. Mathew Assoc'n, St. John,...	130	"	9 10
" 4, St. Patrick's, Carleton,.....	28	"	1 96
" 5, St. Peter's, Portland,.....	39	"	2 73
" 8, St. Mary's, Cork Settlement,....	15	"	1 05
" 12, St. Patrick's, Milltown,.....	30	"	2 10
" 13, St. Patrick's, Musquash,.....	10	"	2 10
" 17, St. Aloysius, Portland,.....	52	"	3 64
" 22, St. Bernard's, Moncton,.....	58	"	4 06
" 24, St. Rose, Fairville,.....	39	"	2 73
" 25, St. Alphonsus, Hampton, (half initiation fee).....	2 50
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" " Father O'Donnell's lectures,...	10 00
" " Rally, St. Patrick's Hall, Carleton,.....	1 67
" " Rally, St. Peter's Hall, Portland,.....	1 13
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" 3, Fr. Mathew Association, St. John,...	3 "	16 90
" 4, St. Patrick's, Carleton,.....	2 "	2 27
" 5, St. Peter's, Portland,.....	2 "	3 12
" 8, St. Mary's, Cork Settlement,.....	2 "	1 20
" 12, St. Patrick's, Milltown,.....	2 "	2 25
" 17, St. Aloysius, Portland,.....	1 "	2 45
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THOMAS B. FOLEY, Fin. Sec'y. C. T. A. U. of N. B.

St. John, N. B., June 30, 1881.

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To the Officers and Members of the Catholic Total Abstinence
Union of New Brunswick in Convention assembled:

GENTLEMEN:—Your Treasurer begs leave to submit the
following Report for the year ending June 30th, 1881:—

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June 30th,	To balance on hand this day,	\$109 99
Sept. 30th,	Received per capita tax No. 5 to New Brunswick Union,	2 73
" "	Received from Rally,	3 21

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Jan. 1st,	To Received per capita tax, No. 1, . . .	6 65
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	Half initiation fee St. Alphonsus Society, Hampton,	2 50
Jan. 27th,	To Proceeds of Father O'Donnell's Lec- tures,	10 00
April 1st,	Received per capita tax No. 3 to New Brunswick Union,	9 10
" "	Received per capita tax No. 24, to New Brunswick Union,	2 73
" "	Received per capita tax No. 12, to New Brunswick Union,	2 10
" "	Received per capita tax No. 22 to New Brunswick Union,	4 06
" "	1878, Received per capita tax No. 13, to New Brunswick Union, . . .	2 10
" "	Proceeds Rally, Carleton,	1 67
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July 2nd,	By paid J. C. Gubbins, on acc. . .	\$6 00
" 24th,	" T. O'Brien, expenses to Moncton,	4 17
" "	" Stevens, advertising	2 00

July 24.	By paid J. P. McGrory, expenses to Moncton, ..	4 17
" "	" Cor. Sec'y., postage, ..	5 00
" "	" P. Farrell, expenses to Moncton,	8 00
" "	" T. Bourke, expenses to Moncton,	4 17
" "	" T. B. Foley, expenses to Moncton,	4 17
" "	" Financial Secretary, postage,	5 00
Oct. 20th, 1881.	" Printing Proceedings,	31 50
June 29th.	" P. Tole, Printing Blank Credentials,	2 25
" "	" J. C. Gubbins, balance expenses to Moncton, ..	4 00
" "	" Globeprinting bill, ..	7 50
" "	" Corresponding Sec'y., postage & stationery,	6 33
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July 1st, Balance on hand this day \$74 07

Respectfully submitted,

T. BOURKE, TREASURER.

St. John, N. B., July 1st, 1881.

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On motion of Mr. Wisted it was ordered that the Address to the Catholics be published in the City papers.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Landry and the members of the Cathedral Choir for attending Mass; to Rev. W. O'Leary for his admirable sermon; to the press for their services during the past year; to the Societies who so kindly escorted the Delegates to Mass; to the clergymen who attended the Convention; and to the Father Mathew Association for the use of the hall on their meeting night.

Mr. McGrory read some documents with reference to an insurance scheme in Boston and other Unions.

Mr. J. L. Kerr read the Report of Committee on Resolutions. It is as follows:—

Whereas, It has been shown that there has been an increase in numbers in this Body during the past year, due to a renewed interest in the Temperance cause by the members of the Union at large, and we have heard with satisfaction of the great zeal displayed by the Reverend Spiritual Directors in their several Societies and their consequent increase in membership,

Resolved, That we again solicit their earnest co-operation, as we are fully aware of the paramount importance of enlisting their influential aid in our cause.

Whereas; The Local Deputies being the representatives of the Union in their respective Societies, and as the Union feels the importance of its workings being continually kept before the different Societies,

Resolved, That we urge upon the Local Deputies the imperative necessity of keeping their Societies fully informed of the proceedings of the Board.

Whereas, This Convention recognizing the necessity of making some provision for the encouragement of Cadet Societies, and believing nothing is better calculated to advance the cause of Temperance than the education of the youthful minds in the practice of Temperance,

Resolved, That we recommend the Board of Government to encourage the Cadet Societies now in existence and endeavour to organize Societies where none exist.

Resolved, That this Convention recommend to the affiliated Societies the advisability and propriety of attending the funerals of deceased members of the Union when practicable.

Whereas, The Convention on hearing the Reports of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer, find that although there is an increase in membership during the past year, there is a noticeable decrease in the funds.

Resolved, That in view of the facts above stated, we call upon the Board of Government and every individual member of the Union to redouble their efforts with an increased activity and energy compatible with the importance of the cause in which they are engaged.

J. J. RYAN, Chairman,
JOS. S. STANTON,
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JOSEPH F. MILLER,
ANDREW G. MARTIN,
CORNELIUS SULLIVAN,
PETER P. BYRNE,
THOMAS O'REILLY.

JAMES L. KERR, Secretary to Committee.

The Report was adopted.

Adjourned to 7.30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

Re-assembled at 8 o'clock, the President in the Chair.

The question of insurance was referred to the Board of Government.

On motion of Mr. Berry the Convention went into Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, Mr. J. Meagher, of Frederickton, in the Chair.

Messrs. Ritchie, Murphy, Donovan, Ryan, Carleton, Moran, O'Reilly, Gleeson, Wisted, Rev. H. A. Meahan, and others, took part in the discussion.

After a lively debate, the Committee rose and reported progress, and asked leave to sit again. A vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Meagher.

The Nominating Committee retired, and shortly after reported the following nominations:

PRESIDENT—R. J. Ritchie, Esq., P. Gleeson, Esq.

1st VICE PRESIDENT—Jeremiah Meagher.

2nd VICE PRESIDENT—Edward Babin, Daniel O'Neill.

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CORRESPONDING SECRETARY—J. P. McGrory.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY—T. B. Foley, Robert Coleman.

TREASURER—Thomas Burke, John Connor.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS—Terence McSorley.

JOHN E. PERKS, *Chairman*.

HUGH HAMILTON, *Secretary*.

Mr. T. O'Brien declined nomination, and Mr. Connor's name was withdrawn.

Messrs. Perks, Ryan and Boden were appointed an Election Committee, the ballots were distributed, and Messrs. Ritchie, Babin, O'Reilly and Foley were chosen for the offices for which they were nominated.

The following were then declared duly elected Officers for the ensuing year:

R. J. Ritchie, Esq., M. P. P., St. John, President;
Jeremiah Meagher, Fredericton, 1st Vice-President;
Edward Babin, Moncton, 2nd Vice-President;
Thomas O'Reilly, Carleton, Recording Secretary;
John P. McGrory, Portland, Corresponding Secretary.
Thomas B. Foley, St. John, Financial Secretary.
Thomas Bourke, Portland, Treasurer.
Terence McSorley, Fairville, Sergeant-at-Arms.

The nominations of the following Local Deputies were then confirmed:

1. St. Malachi's, St. John, P. Gleeson, Esq.
2. St. Dunstan's, Fredericton, John E. Perks.
3. Father Mathew Association, St. John, P. McCarty.
4. St. Patrick's, Carleton, T. Donovan.
5. St. Peter's, Portland, D. O'Neill.
6. St. Patrick's, White's Mountain, _____.
7. St. Mary's, Kingston, Kent, _____.
8. St. Mary's, Cork Settlement, William Murphy.
9. St. Ignatius, Petersville, _____.
10. St. Gertrude's, Woodstock, _____.
11. Immaculate Conception Cadets, St. John, P. J. Gleeson.
12. St. Patrick's, Milltown, D. C. Crowley.
13. St. Patrick's, Musquash, P. P. Byrne.
14. St. Patrick's, Golden Grove, _____.
15. St. George's, St. George, _____.

16. St. Peter's Cadets, Portland, John Boden.
17. St. Aloysius Association, Portland, James Berry.
18. St. William's, Quaco, _____.
19. St. Joseph's, Rothesay, _____.
20. St. Patrick's Cadets, Milltown, H. McGarrigle.
21. St. Thomas de Villanova, Richmond, _____.
22. St. Bernard, Moncton, Hugh Hamilton.
23. St. Francis, Lancaster, _____.
24. St. Rose, Fairville, John J. Holland.
25. St. Alphonsus, Hampton, Cornelius Sullivan.

Rev. A. Ouellet, Spiritual Director, on retiring, said the Convention was a success; here they could learn the requirements of Local Societies, and return home better prepared to carry on the good work, &c.

Three cheers were given for the Rev. Spiritual Director and the Priests of the Diocese.

Mr. Berry moved, seconded by Mr. Wisted, that the Convention send three Delegates to Boston Convention Aug. 3, 1881.

Messrs. Ryan, Gleeson, O'Brien, John Boden, Kelly, Mullin, McGowan and Wisted took part in the debate.

The motion was lost.

It was decided to hold the next Convention at Milltown, on the 29th and 30th June, 1882.

Five hundred copies of the proceedings were ordered to be printed, and to be done in one month from date.

Messrs. O'Reilly, McGrory and Gleeson were appointed the Committee to arrange for publication.

A vote of thanks was passed to the retiring Officers, and was suitably replied to by Mr. T. O'Brien.

The Officers for the ensuing year—Messrs. Ritchie, Meagher, Babin, O'Reilly, McGrory, Foley, Bourke, and T. McSorley—thanked the members for the honor conferred.

Prayer was said by Rev. H. A. Meehan, and three cheers given for that gentleman, and the proceedings terminated.

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MICHAEL CONLAN, " 3.

JAMES McSHANE, " 3.

EDWARD SULLIVAN, " 16.

JOHN SCOTT, " 17.

JOHN McINNIS, " 22.

JOHN JOSEPH LOMBARD, . . . " 25.

THOMAS J. RAYCROFT, . . . " 11.

EDWARD O'SHAUGHNESSY, . " 20.