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AND PROHIBITION ADVOCATE.

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GOD BLESS THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

"God bless the Sons of Temperance," an aged matron said,
While weeping friends were watching beside her dying bed;
"God bless the Sons of Temperance, and may they ever be
A blessing unto others, as they have been to me."

But why the earnest blessing? the last her lips should say—
Because her heart was yearning for one,
Across the ocean had gone to earn his bread,
And t among the mourners around her dy bed.

A son, who in his early youth, brought trouble to her soul;
Who wasted life and substance upon the flowing bowl.
He severed all the ties of love, deserted wife and home,
And now to her across the sea, good news of him had come.

Of his firm determination to resist the poisoned cup,
And how the Sons of Temperance had helped him give it up.
The cruel drink that maddens, that takes away the life;
Destroy the love that should exist for mother, children, wife.

How many mothers in the land, their feelings to express,
Would use the matron's kindly words, the temperance cause to bless.
God bless the Sons of Temperance, the drunkards wrongs redress;
God bless the Sons of Temperance, aye bless them, as they bless.

NOTES.

- Jubilee.
- Jubilate.
- Plan at once.
- Start with the beginning of the new quarter.
- Now is the time to undertake great things for the Jubilee year.

—Four months of the year are gone. Soon 1898 will be passed into history. We are writing the page now. What are you doing to its lustre?

—Every veteran should again step into the ranks in this great review of '98. Its a regiment you need not be ashamed of. Rally round the old red, white and blue.

Bro. James Doughty, 91 Arthur St., Toronto, is gaining wide fame for his humorous songs. He is the coming Fax. Those wanting spice for concerts may apply to him for rates.

—The Plebiscite battle will soon be upon us. Temperance will be the burning question of the day. The issue is great. No movement was ever fraught with greater consequences. *Shall Canada be free.*

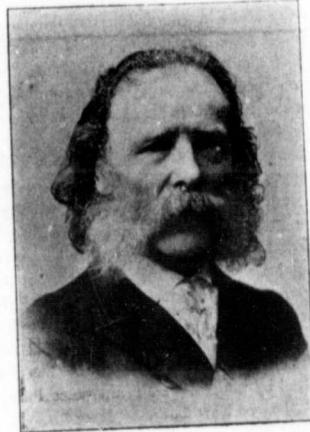
—We must have plenty of old-time enthusiasm this year. Remember the glorious demonstrations of the past. Warm your hearts with the old zeal. Get up rousing platform meetings during the summer. The inimitable Carswell will fill a pic-nic ground with people. We will have the most popular platform speakers at our command. Make your arrangements early.

ORILLIA DIVISION NO. 122.

—Bro. McKay has succeeded in resuscitating the Division at Orillia as the following paragraph from "The Orillia Times" shows:

"Ever since the last meeting of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance, where Bro. Angus McKay persuaded the officers of that institution to hold the next annual meeting in Orillia, an effort has been made to re-organize the local division in Orillia, which for thirty years held meetings uninterruptedly in town. At last Bro. McKay has succeeded, and on Thursday evening Division No. 122 was resuscitated, the following being elected officers: Angus McKay, W.P.; Ed. B. Farwell, W.A.; Frank H. Thorne, R.S.; Jno. Morrison, F.S.; H. T. Blackstone, Treas.; John Hincheliffe, Con.; William Miller, Asst. Con.; Wm. McIntosh, Sentinel.

Meetings will be held every Thursday evening, and there is no reason why a large membership should not be enrolled. The Grand Division meets in Orillia on December 1st, and while it is needless to say that the people of Orillia will give the delegates a hearty welcome there should also be a strong Division to give them the right hand of fellowship."



SKETCH OF BRO. EDWARD CARSWELL.

We have pleasure in placing before our readers the picture of the most famous veteran of the Order, Bro. Edward Carswell, of Oshawa, Ontario, lecturer, artist and author

He was born in Ware, England, in 1832. His father, John Carswell, moved to Canada and settled in Toronto when his son was four years old. The father was the second watchmaker in Toronto, and the parental residence was on the site now occupied by the Mail Building.

At the age of ten Edward went with Col. Manley Dickson into the unbroken forest to the part of the country now known as Munseytown, on the Thames. The Colonel, having taken a fancy to the boy, intended to adopt and educate him as his son. In the forests there-about was the tribe of the Obgibways. Being a staunch churchman he wished to read the services to the Indians, and to this end placed the youth in the household of Chief Kakawanganabi that he might be qualified as an interpreter. For a year and a half he remained in the house of the Chief. A longing for home and civilization taking hold of him was returned to Toronto, the whole journey being made by waggon.

The trade of ornamental painting was chosen and this was followed for some time. Several of the most successful temperance panoramas that was ever shown came from his brush. At this time he was living in Oshawa, where he has ever since made it his home.

He joined the Division there in 1852 and has held his membership there to this day. It is a remarkable fact that there are at the present time three of the charter members

living out of the sixteen who formed the Division in 1849; they are Bros. Wm. Annis, Andrew Annis and James McMillan, sheriff of Victoria. This Division in that time has never missed a week's meeting.

Having a ready wit, a fluent tongue and great love for the temperance cause, the demands for his services became so numerous that he at last devoted himself exclusively to the platform. He covered nearly the whole of Ontario as organizer and lecturer, and as his fame grew he was called abroad, and has spoken in every state in the union but two, and in every province but one. He has organized over two thousand subordinate divisions. Perhaps no speaker has enjoyed the same degree of popularity. He has addressed audiences of ten thousand.

Among the men with whom he has worked shoulder to shoulder and from the same platform were Neal Dow, Horace Greeley, John B. Gough, Mary Livermore, Dr. Theodore L'Cuylor, William Lloyd Garrison, Generals Clinton B. Fisk and Howard, J. P. St. John, Sir Leonard Tilley and many others whose names are legion.

In addition to his lecture work he has written many temperance stories which have had large circulations. For many years he has been employed by the National Temperance Publication Society of New York.

In all his career he has been connected with the Mother Order, the Sons of Temperance. He has been G. W. A. of Ontario and M. W. A. of the National Division.

He is devoting some time to work in Ontario this year, as he feels anxious to make the Jubilee year one of progress.

During the next few months he will be in great demand, as there is not a more eloquent and entertaining platform speaker living.

QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE.

It will be remembered that while the National Division was in session in Montreal, on 23rd June last, a cablegram was sent to Her Majesty the Queen, congratulating her on behalf of the Sons, and a reply has now been received by our Most Worthy Patriarch, Thomas Caswell, from David Erskine, Secretary to the Governor General. The following is a copy:—"I am desired by His Excellency the Governor General to inform you that he has received instructions to convey to the National Division of the Sons of Temperance of North America the Queen's thanks and grateful appreciation of the loyalty and good wishes of the members of the Order contained in their telegram, on the occasion of Her Majesty's Jubilee."

What have you done for the Record? Have you subscribed? If not why? If we can successfully carry on a paper for the Order it is only by your co-operation.

Send us your own and your friend's names, introduce the Record to your friends, talk it up in Division, send us news items, take an interest in it. Remember you are responsible for its success or failure. ACT AT ONCE.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

The Financial Scribe.

Much of the success of a Division depends upon the efficiency and faithfulness of the Financial Scribe, and he is, in one sense, the most important officer of the Division. He should be provided with a set of good books as hereinafter mentioned.

ROLL BOOK OF MEMBERS.

On the institution of a Division, the Financial Scribe should enter in the Roll Book the name of every member, together with the date and other data called for. And subsequently in this Roll Book should be entered the names of initiates, expulsions, etc., and should always be complete and up-to-date.

When occasion requires, such as sending notices to members, making returns to Grand Division, etc., this book should be accessible to the Recording Scribe.

THE FINANCIAL SCRIBE'S CASH BOOK.

This book is, strictly speaking, the day book of the Division, and in it should be entered the money received from the members in dues, fees, etc., and all other sources, in the order in which they are received. Here is a sample page of a Cash Book.

RESCUE DIVISION NO. 155, FINANCIAL SCRIBE'S CASH BOOK.

Ledger Folio.	January 5th, 1898.	\$
	To cash received:	
4	John Watts, dues	50
15	Miss Mary Webb, dues	25
60	J. B. Wright, initiation fee	1 00
47	J. C. Bliss, clearance card	25
70	Miss Black, dues	25
	Court Signet, I.O.F., one quarter's rent for Division room	8 00
	(Treasurer's receipt taken here).	
	Received above amount from Bro. Blank, F.S. on this date.	
	JOHN PROMITY, Treas.	
	January 12th, 1898.	
38	C. E. Watts, initiation fee	1 00
42	Mrs. Carlyle, dues	25
50	John Faithful, dues	75
	Concert committee, proceeds of concert as per report	48 75
18	Miss Hood, dues	25
4	John Watts, dues	50
	(Treasurer's receipt taken here).	
		\$51 40

Entries should be made immediately on receipt of money and a receipt given therefor. Every payment of dues and fees should be regularly posted in the ledger the same evening if possible, and at the close of the quarter it should be seen that every entry has been carried to the credit of the member paying. Carelessness on the part of Financial Scribe often leads to disputes and unpleasantness. It is very annoying to be notified of arrears when one is paid up, and in some cases where a payment has not been credited, rather than pay the amount over again a member will leave the Division. The Financial Scribe should notify each member in arrears, every quarter. This duty done would leave many members to our Division every year. Neglect of this is not a kindness but a wrong to the member who is falling behind in his dues. It not only makes it harder for him to pay, but if this neglect is continued it will sooner or later bring disaster to the Division.

At the organization of a new Division the organizer should explain the work to the Financial Scribe till it is thoroughly understood. A careless or incompetent Scribe should never be retained. In some of our old Division the same Financial Scribes have held office as high as twenty years.

At the close of each meeting the Treasurer should receipt the Cash Book for the total received by the Financial Scribe since the last time he gave his receipt; and the Treasurer should take the money, it being the duty of the Financial Scribe to pay the same over forthwith.

The Ledger page column should not be filled in till entry is made in the Ledger, at which time it should not be omitted.

Here are sample pages of a Ledger:

DR.	JAMES TODD, 65 BEVERLEY ST.				CR.
1898			1898		
Jan. 5	To Initiation Fee	1 00	Jan. 5	By cash	40
Apr. 1	To 1 Quarter's Dues	50			
July 1	"	50			
Oct. 1	"	50	1899		
1899			Jan. 15	"	95
Jan. 1	"	50	Feb. 10	"	106
Apr. 1	"	50	July. 30	"	112
July. 1	"	50	Nov. 4	"	120
Oct. 1	"	50			50

Resignation accepted Nov. 11th, 1899.

DR.	MISS AGNES WOOD, CAMDEN P.O.				CR.
1898			1898		
Jan. 5	To Initiation Fee	50	Jan. 5	By cash	10
Apr. 1	To 1 Quarter's Dues	25	May 4	"	25
July 1	"	25	July 7	"	25
Aug. 10	Withdrawal Card	25	Aug. 10	"	25

Withdrawal granted Aug. 10th, 1898.

The Financial Scribe should have his quarterly report made out on time, and his books in order so that the Finance Committee can go over them to make their report of audit without delay, and the committee should consider it a part of their duty to make a thorough examination of the accounts of the Financial Scribe as well as those of the Treasurer.

* Cash Book Folio.

PERSONALS.

We take the liberty of publishing the following paragraph which is received in a personal letter from a prominent worker in Renfrew District Division: "The session just over was my first visit to District Division and I can assure you it was a pleasure to meet such men as Bros. Ward, Dickson and Mayhew, who although up in years are yet the men who keep their Division going, and Bro. Duncan Stewart, of Horton, a veteran in the ranks; Bro. Robert Leitch, another who has grown from boyhood to good old age with his name always in good standing on the roll of Horton Division. It is men like these who are the mainstay of Temperance to my mind. These men have done and are doing more to make sober men and women of their friends and neighbors than ten times their number of the meteoric kind we often meet with." All of which we endorse!

We are gratified to note the activity of many of our District officers. Among those whose work has recently been brought to our notice are: Bro. James A. Wily, D.W.P., of Lincoln; Geo. E. Buck, D.W.P., of South York; J. T. Ferguson, of Renfrew; R. W. Wood, of North York. Our friends in other Districts also are doing good service in visiting, reviving and encouraging Divisions.

Bro. Fred Dickenson, of Thornbury, arranged a series of meetings this month in Grey county for Bro. Carswell in a most satisfactory manner. For faithful devotion few excel the District Scribe of East Gray.

Great regret is expressed by the people of Siloam at the departure of Bro. Dyke's family. A large party tendered them a farewell and gave them a very complimentary address. They will be sadly missed in temperance circles. We extend our best wishes to them in their new home.

Bros. Thos. and Frank Shortridge, of Solina, have gone to Thornhill, Manitoba. They retain honorary membership in their old Division. We wish them prosperity in their new field and hope they may organize a Division there.

On Thursday, March 7th, Bro. Platt Hinman, D.G.W.P., of Haldimand Division No. 56 installed into office two sons, two grandsons and a granddaughter. Bro. Hinman was the first F.S. of that Division 48 years ago. Among the officers elect is also a grandson of our late Bro. John Wilson. Surely no stronger proof could be offered of the work of our Order than the loyalty and fidelity of its members.

The genial countenance of Bro. Wm. Watson, one of the stalwarts of Laskay, appears in the *Globe* of February 26th in a group of the Watson family.

Bro. J. A. McCracken, formerly District Scribe of Dufferin, has removed to Rat Portage. With commendable zeal he desires to plant Divisions there. We wish our good brother God speed, and hope his efforts will be crowned with success.

26TH QUARTERLY SESSION LEADS DISTRICT DIVISION.

On March 3rd this session was held in the Oddfellows Hall, Mallorytown, opening at 11.30 a.m. with Bro. C. E. Tennant, D.W.P., in the chair. After reading the minutes and appointment of the sessional committees adjournment was made till after dinner.

Routine business was disposed of promptly. Bros. Fred. Arnott and Alex. Karr, of Napanee, who were the official visitors, were introduced and delivered addresses. The "RECORD" was advocated and 40 subscriptions were secured.

A committee composed of Bros. Rev. G. S. Reynolds, M. J. Connolly and J. V. Mitchell was appointed to investigate the work of the License Inspector.

The Resolution Committee, Bros. N. K. Benedict, J. V. Mitchell and Sister J. F. Fitzsimmons introduced the following: Memorializing the Dominion Government to prohibit the traffic in the Klondyke.

Asking the Grand Division to provide concise and clear information respecting the cancellation of licenses, and preventing the granting of new licenses.

That each subordinate division consider itself a committee to obliterate if possible every licensed bar in the district.

The last resolution brought out a great deal of discussion but was finally carried.

Verbal reports were received from the several Divisions represented which were encouraging and showed active interest in the work.

Motions were adopted to circulate petitions to present to councils to withhold licenses, also promoting the holding of gospel temperance meetings.

Seventy-five representatives were present from 10 divisions. Fifty visitors also attended.

Reports showed an increase of 50 members since last meeting and the Order in Leeds in a healthy state. Invitations for next session were sent in by Lynn and Rockport. The latter was accepted; the date will be early in June.

The public meeting in the evening was a grand success, the large hall being filled to excess, standing room being at a premium. An excellent programme was given. Bro. C. E. Tennant, D.W.P., filled the chair in an able manner. Bros. A. Karr and F. Arnott gave two excellent addresses, lasting nearly two hours. Vocal and instrumental music, reading, recitations, etc., were given by members of Divisions, after which the meeting broke up by the singing of the national anthem at about 11 o'clock p.m.

ARTHUR LIKELY,
District Scribe.

Bro. Irvine Loucks, R. S., of Enterprise Division No. 55, Addington, writes: "Our Division is prosperous, and increasing greatly in members and strength."

WHAT MEMBERS HAVE DONE FOR THE PAPER.

Bro. A. G. Muir, of Gilchrist, has sent in 3 lists of subscribers to our paper, and we hope that other members of the Order will follow his example. Bro. Muir states the paper is well received and he has not met with a refusal to subscribe.

Amongst those who have sent in lists of subscribers this month are F. Dickinson, Thornbury, 6; R. Knox, Orono, 13; A. G. Muir, Gilchrist, 4. (2nd list) J. A. Werry, of Solina; J. Carnahan, Meaford, 5; Alex. Karr, of Napanee, 30. We thank the brothers very much for this and invite the Deputies and members of other divisions to do likewise.

Our paper is being well received all over the continent, as the following received from A. B. Taynton, G. W. P., of California G. D. shows: Received a number of copies of your excellent paper and am much pleased with it. Berkeley Division (of which I am a member) decided to include with the initiation fee a year's subscription to a S. of T. paper, so that you may expect to hear from California. Would be glad to receive sample copies for distribution at a public meeting to be held on 24th March.

SUPPLEMENT.

Any one wishing a copy of our March supplement (picture of G. D.) can obtain it on forwarding 10 cents to A. Gowler, 113 O'Hara Ave., Toronto, or subscribers will receive it with back numbers at usual subscription price.

NEWS ITEMS.

A bicycle club is being formed amongst the members in Toronto, one of its objects being to visit the suburban Divisions around the city.

Orient Division No. 79, are having a very successful quarter, several new members having been added, and a good attendance each night. A literary contest was carried on by Sisters L. Broad and E. Scott, programmes being given every fortnight. The judges, R. Knox for the literary and G. M. Long for the musical portion of the programmes, gave their decision in favor of Sister Scott's side, who will now be entertained by Sister Broad's followers. The members appreciate the RECORD, and give it their support.

Another Division will likely be organized at an early date in Toronto.

The Altar.

At Evergreen Farm, Kettleby, residence of the bride's father, Miss Ida Elliott to James T. Hutchison on March 23rd, 1898, by the Rev. Bro. Stillwell. Both contracting parties members of the Order.

On April 6th Bro. Roland M. Eavenson (son of Bro. M. M. Eavenson, P. M. W. P.) was married to Miss Katharine Sample, in Olivet Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia.

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LIST OF TORONTO DIVISIONS, AND NIGHT OF MEETING.

Ontario Division, No. 26—Monday, Woolsley Hall, Cor. Yonge and Gerrard Sts.
Coldstream Division, No. 212—Tuesday, Broadway Hall, 450 Spadina Avenue.
Excelsior Division, No. 28—Thursday, at 160½ Bathurst St.
Harmony Union Division, No. 44—Thursday, Douglas Hall, Cor. Bloor and Bathurst Sts.
St. Albans Division, No. 211—Friday, McMath's Hall, Corner Queen and O'Hara Avenue.
Orient Division, No. 213—Friday, Prospect Hall, Cor. Prospect and Ontario Sts.

DISTRICT DIVISION DIRECTORY.

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Grenville—D.W.P., Walter Martin, Kempville; D.S., Jas. E. Coates, Prescott.

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JUBILEE OFFICIAL CIRCULAR

OFFICE OF THE GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCH.

We are about to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Grand Division of Ontario. The tri-colored banner of the Sons of Temperance was first unfurled in this Province on June 21st, 1848. This notable event must be marked by the grand achievements for the "noble old Order."

We call upon all our members to put forth their best efforts in building up their divisions, and extending the influence of the Sons of Temperance.

To this end each member is urged to consider it his or her individual duty to interest their friends in our Order and its work. Each Division is enjoined to hold a public meeting as near the 21st June as convenient, to commemorate the Jubilee of the Order in this Province. The character of the function will be at the discretion of each Division, but the chief feature should be an able exposition of our principles and methods and an earnest appeal for co-operation. District Divisions will, we trust undertake to arrange grand demonstrations. The old time pic-nic with platform orations during the afternoon are effective. We have a staff of first-class speakers secured for these occasions and we hope our friends will at once make their arrangements so that their date and the speakers can be made sure of, well in advance. Among the speakers who can be engaged are: Bros. Edward Carswell, the most charming and forceful platform orator in the Order; F. S. Spence; John Knox Stewart, of Toronto;

Alexander Karr, of Napanee, and other men of distinguished ability. Terms will be made known on application to the G.W.P.

We ask every faithful Son of Temperance to rally to the standard. Begin by attending the next meeting of your Division; appoint good live committees; put enthusiasm into your work; set a high mark then strive to reach it. Our cause is worthy, the occasion should infuse spirit and quicken your zeal. The glorious history and noble traditions of the Order should inspire you to make this, its Jubilee, the brightest page in our annals.

In the recollection of the Past, in the dignity of the Present, in the solemnity of the Future I charge you to be active, be zealous and faithful. Thus, sharing in its conflicts you will justly rejoice in the triumphs of the glorious cause of Temperance for which this Order has labored for the half century now soon to be complete.

Yours faithfully in L. P. and F.

J. M. WALTON.

Kettleby, April 1st, 1898.

OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The following new Divisions have been instituted recently:

Evergreen No. 336, at North Gower, Carleton County, by Bro. A. D. Weeks.

Victoria Road No. 24, at Victoria Road, Victoria County, by Bro. A. D. Weeks, assisted by J. McPherson, C. E. Weeks and other members of Woodville Division.

Bay View No. 199, at Bay View, Grey County, by Bros. W. D. Rorke, J. Carnatan and members of Georgian Bay Division, Meaford.

Trafalgar Star No. 218 resuscitated by Bro. Dr. A. Buck, P.G.W.A. Twenty-five enrolled at first meeting, 11 more at second. Bro. R. A. Fleming the D.G.W.P. has high hopes for the future.

Commissions have been issued to the following Deputy G.W.P.'s:

Bro. W. Pettapiece, Evergreen Division No. 336, North Gower.

Bro. G. H. Arthur, Bay View Division No. 199, Bay View.

Bro. Wm. Coram, Leskard Division No. 98, Leskark.

Bro. R. A. Fleming, Trafalgar Star No. 218, Trafalgar.

Bro. Stephen Elliott, Edenville Division No. 129, Iris.

Mrs. Ellen A. Harslaw, Victoria Road Division No. 24, Victoria Road.

Bro. J. A. McCracken, of Rat Portage, as Deputy for West Algoma.

Every Division is requested to forward reports to the G.S. promptly on 1st April, as our reports to the National Division have to be made up at that date.

ONTARIO SPECIAL.

An incentive to our Divisions to put forth their best efforts in extending the Order this year, we will offer the following tokens which will be to them memorials of their good work:

1. To the Division making the largest gain in membership, a silver pitcher with goblets, to be used in initiations.
2. To those increasing their rolls by 50 members, a set of officers' emblems.
3. To those increasing by 40 members, a Division room bible.
4. To those increasing by 30 members, a Grand Division regalia for the Deputy.
5. To those increasing by 20 members, a silver mounted gavel.

Conditions:—The term is to be from 1st of April to 1st October, 1898. No candidate to be initiated without paying a fee. No Division to receive more than one award.

Promptly at close of term 1st October, a list of the initiates is to be forwarded to the G.S. over the signatures of the W.P. and R.S. and the seal of the Division.

LIQUOR IN THE KLONDYKE.

Canada prides herself on good law, well enforced. The most careless observer notes the difference in the order and respect for authority that obtains in this country when compared to others. Even in remote mining regions, the most difficult and expensive of control, life and property rights are safeguarded. In the western states in the early mining days the Bowie knife and pistol ruled supreme. With us it is different. Let us hope and pray that the government at Ottawa will prohibit the traffic in drink in the mining districts. The cost of police and law will be reduced to a minimum if whiskey is kept out. *This country cannot afford to permit a few designing, depraved wretches the right to absorb the earnings of the miners and demoralize the camps for a few paltry dollars of license fees.*

The man who goes into the mining country to sell whiskey is a deliberate malefactor, an enemy to law, a public nuisance and a moral abomination. Any purveyor who would sell tainted or poisonous food would be jailed; a robber who demands money or life would be summarily dealt with. The whiskey vendor poisons the body, renders his victim unfit for work, leaves him a charge upon the police or mission sick house. He works destruction, breeds crime, sows disease, spreads death. He takes both the money and life of the victim.

Now is the time for the Government to act. Upon economic and business principles alone, the traffic should be shut out. *Flood the House of Commons with your petitions.*

On Jan. 31st, 1898, Bro. John S. Munroe, at the age of 89 years, was summoned from the field of labor. He was senior P.G.W.A. of Rhode Island. For 147 terms he served Providence Division as Treasurer.

FROM OTHER FIELDS

Victoria and New South Wales report splendid progress.

The sad death of Bro. George F. Dominey, the faithful M.W.S. of Australia is reported. His illness was only four days. He was an able and devoted man.

The new Grand Division of Indiana is forging ahead; four new Divisions have been planted during the past month.

Western New York reports one new Division.

Eastern New York is anxious to propagate and wants to secure a live agent.

The New England Grand Divisions are feeling the stimulus of the approaching National Division session which will be held at Burlington Vt., on July 13th to 15th. Maine, New Hampshire and Mass. are showing signs of revival.

Pennsylvania has at last got to work in earnest. During the past 3 months 13 new Divisions have been instituted. We congratulate the brethren of the Quaker State.

From our valued exchange, the "Son of Temperance," official organ of the National Division of Great Britain and Ireland we get the following information:

The Order of the Sons of Temperance, National Division of Great Britain and Ireland, is a self-governed branch of a world-wide Order, founded in America in the year 1842. "Divisions" of the Order are now to be found in all States of the American Union, in the Canadian Provinces and in Newfoundland, and in the various British Colonies of Australia and South Africa. There are over 500 "Divisions" in Great Britain, with some 38,000 members, together with a juvenile or "cadet" organization of 370 "sections" and 17,000 members.

The leading principles of the British National Division, which is a registered friendly society, are:—(1) Strict personal total abstinence: (2) Graduated scales of payments and benefits according to age at admission: (3) Security of benefit funds by consolidation in Districts: (4) Admission of females to full membership: (5) Promoting of temperance and thrift amongst young people through its juvenile organization, the "Cadets of Temperance."

The official organ published in London is a well printed 12 page monthly, price 1 penny. The colored cover and also about 3 pages are devoted to advertisements.

The contents of the February number comprise a portrait and sketch of Bro. Wm. Chalmers, (Glasgow), Most Worthy Chaplain; a chapter of "Into the Turbulent Sea" a serial story; a column under the heading of "Rovings of the Rover" which are skits by Joe the Rover, (presumably an organizer); young folks' page; notes and pointers by the editor; dates of Grand Lodge sessions; news of the Divisions, and a very interesting article on "The Language of

Signs" which is a treatise on the olden custom of public house signs with some well pointed morals.

The London Grand Division, whose advertisement appears on the front cover, claims to be the best teetotal benefit society. It has 8,000 adult members, and a reserve fund of over £62,000. The rates are graded and range from 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. weekly for sick benefits, and from $\frac{1}{2}$ d. per week for mortuary benefit.

The sick benefits range from 5 to 20 shillings per week, and the insurance from 5 to 50 pounds. The entrance fee to all is 2s. 6d.

The Grand Division of Prince Edward Island holds quarterly sessions. There are 52 Subordinate Divisions in the jurisdiction. They were organized on October 23rd, 1848, and this is their jubilee year and they are trying to advance the Order in a fitting manner. Their annual session was visited by Bro. W. J. Gates, M.W.A. and Bro. B. F. Jewell, M.W. S. The G.W.P. elect is Bro. John C. Clark, Bay View, and the G.S., Bro. J. Anderson, Kennington.

Enterprise Division held a very successful box social on 18th March.

Rev. Bro. A. P. Latter, Grand Chaplain, reports that Violet Hill and Perm Divisions, which he recently organized, are both doing well.

On February 7th, Grantham Division paid Virgil a fraternal visit. Thirty members made up the party and they were received in the real Virgil style (which means a good deal to those who know the friends there). The mercy fell to 10 below zero and several of the visitors have frost bitten ears and noses as mementoes of the return journey.

On March 7th 46 members of Kettleby Division paid Bondhead a fraternal visit. The party was made up of 3 buss loads and a number of single rigs. The first load was drawn by four horses gaily decked with flags, etc. Bros. Thos. Blackburn and Will Webster having laid themselves out for a great display. The 12 mile drive was made by way of the famous Holland River and with perfect moonlight made a very pleasant experience.

The Bondhead friends proved model hosts and all was merry as a marriage bell. Bro. W. C. Bogart, Provincial Deputy, presided during the programme, which comprised 22 members. Speeches were made by Bros. W. K. Ogilvie, of Bondhead, and W. H. Grant, of Toronto.

The famous "Granite Division," Perth, is as enthusiastic as ever. They are distributing a quantity of literature through the town. Bro. A. S. Fowler, whose work has won for him an excellent name as an artist and penman, presented the Division with a beautiful painting in oils, which adds to the beauty of their quarters.

AMONG THE DIVISIONS.

Ravine Division, St. Davids, had a houseful on January 23rd. Thirty of their own members were out and they were visited by Port Dalhousie who came out 30 strong, and Virgil 15 strong. A very pleasant meeting was the result, and everyone parted feeling encouraged. Bros. Jas. A. Wiley, D.W.P., of St. Catharines; Sidney Duffin, of Port Dalhousie and J. Murray Field, of Virgil, paid the same Division a visit the week preceding to review the work, and it is now hoped that they will make good progress. Lincoln District is a well worked field.

Vienna held an open Division on February 11th which was voted quite a success in spite of unfavorable weather. Rev. Mr. Robinson of Tilsonbury gave his address "The Goring Ox." This address is considered by all who have heard it to be a most able and forcible effort.

Edenvale, Allenwood and Elmvalle Division have been inter-visiting and are working with a view to have a District Division instituted in centre Simcoe. There are some noble workers there and we trust their hopes will be realized.

In Solina Division they have had 24 initiations in four weeks. 80 members attended their meetings as a rule, and the interest runs high. Bros. J. T. Rundle and A. L. Pascoe, two old standbys, are leaders of a contest.

Keswick Division is doing excellent work. Their meetings are very interesting.

Selby Division No. 47, is among the many that sent urgent petitions to Parliament for a straight ballot.

Bro. Wm. Booth, D.G.W.P., writes: Pine Grove Division No. 85, organized in October last, has increased its membership from 15 to 30, and although their situation is not very favorable they look forward to a further considerable increase. They held a public meeting on March 17th.

Bro. Orvill Wright, D.G.W.P., writes: "South Augusta is progressing splendidly. I can safely say the password has been well carried out this quarter." It is gratifying to know that this Division which is over 40 years old is doing so well.

Bro. Carswell is now working in Elgin County under the direction of the District Division Executive. The advance work is being done by Bro. Henry Brien, P.G.W.A., who knows the ground well.

The Executive of Elgin District Division are among those who have memorialized the Government with a view to having the traffic in drink excluded in the Klondyke.

Agitate—Agitate—Agitate.

The members of Good Intention and Verchoyle Divisions have made fraternal visits to each other recently, when good programmes were given, followed by refreshments.

The members of the Order in Lennox are doing loyal work for the Order under the direction of Bros. Karr and Arnott. Since the visit of our G.W.P. in September last the people have been aroused from their lethargy and see that there is a battle to be fought and won this year. Meetings are being held in all parts of the country under the joint auspices of the Sons and other kindred societies. Sunday afternoon meetings are held in Napanee, and Bros. Karr and Arnott are assisted each week by the local ministers, Mayor Jamieson, Principal Brown, of the High School and others. The hall is frequently crowded and the interest is increasing each week. Many have signed the pledge at these meetings and good results are already noticed. Bro. Karr is a gifted and eloquent orator, and cheerfully responds to the many calls made on him to address meetings. Our paper is also receiving his attention as is shown by a list of 30 names which he has sent in. Let other Divisions follow the example.

The 21st session of East Gray was held at Mills Creek Division on 4th March, D.W.P. Bro. Cummings in the chair, and a large attendance of representatives were present. The officers' reports presented were encouraging and showed that a new Division had been organized at Bay View, largely owing to Bro. Carswell's lecture delivered there. The two weeks which Bro. Carswell spent in Grey have been the means of strengthening the Order and putting new life in the Divisions. Committees were appointed to arrange a monster excursion by rail this summer. The next meeting of the District will be held on 3rd June at Thornbury. An excellent programme was given at the public meeting held in the evening at which Dr. Cummings presided.

The mock trial of John and Jane Temperance was given on 8th March, under the auspices of Coldstream Division No. 212, in commemoration of their 47th anniversary. Bro. John McMillen, P.G.W.P., occupied the chair, and an address was also given by Bro. Arthur Farley, who has been connected with the Division since its inception in 1851.

Scarboro Junction Division rendered "Scenes from Pumpkin Ridge" at Mount Meldrum Division on March 4th before a large audience, and as a result they will now be able to distribute a good supply of campaign literature amongst the people of Scarboro.

Greenbank No. 331 since 1858 has met weekly. For many years it was our banner Division. Last quarter Kettleby wrestled the honor from her. Her glory is that for 25 years no young man enrolled has ever after taken to drink.

Oshawa No. 35 prides herself on many worthy things. One is that for nearly 50 years it has not missed a meeting. Another is that she gave to the Order and the world an Edward Carswell.

Ontario Division arranged for a debate on the prohibition question with W. H. Orr and H. O'Hara on the affirmative, and J. McMillan and D. Rose on the negative. It was found impossible to finish the debate in one night, so it has been adjourned for another week. Visitors were present to hear it from Ottawa, Brockville and five city Divisions.

Chaudiere Division, at Ottawa, is in a healthy condition, containing more than the usual number of veterans, solid and substantial, and who vie with the youngest in making the meetings pleasant and lively. Last Thursday, Feb. 17th, they formed a sleighing party, over 30 strong, to visit Quarry Division, about four miles out from the city, completely filling the snug little hall of that very lively Division. The members of Quarry gave them a warm welcome and generous refreshments. Along with the merry party was our burly Grand Treasurer, who well sustained his reputation as a big man at a tea party. An excellent program was provided by the visitors, including speeches by Bros. Jamieson, Stewart, Cane, McCann and Weeks, with songs by Bros. Smith and Low. Bro. McGee and other members of Quarry suitably responded, and the pleasant visit terminated at 11 o'clock. There is a strong bond of affection between these two divisions, and their frequent visits are a very healthful stimulus to each other.

Since last report returns received show that for the quarter ending December 31st, Kettleby Division made a net gain of 22 members, and hence is now our "leading Division," with 187 members. Lowville Division made a net gain of 21 members, Greenbank, Thornton, Bronte, Peerless, Uxbridge, Lyn, Grafton, Lincoln, Lavender and Goshen Divisions are also amongst those showing a substantial gain in membership.

Blue Mountain Division, Thornbury, has been presented with a set of officers' badges by one of its members.

Coldstream paid a fraternal visit to Court Abstinence A.O.F., Toronto, on March 16th. As the name implies, the Court is a temperance one and as was discovered on this occasion several members were formerly members of our Order. Speeches, music and refreshments made a merry night.

The 10th anniversary of Excelsior Division was auspiciously celebrated in Broadway Hall, Toronto, on 10th March.

St. Alban's, Parkdale, held their 2nd anniversary on 18th March. Their hall was far too small for the assembly, and everyone was delighted with the function. Bro. J. M. Walton, G.W.P. presided. The M.W.P., Bro. Thos. Carswell, was present and delivered an address. This Division has initiated 43 candidates to 18th, and have 25 propositions. They are moving forward for the pennant.

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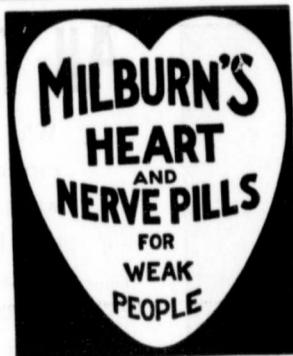
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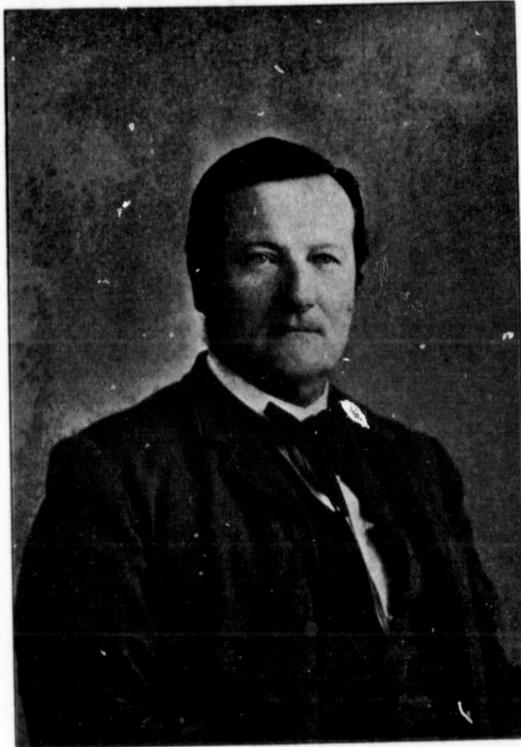
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