"Beware of seeming truths, that grow on roots of error."-M. Tupper.

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Thanks to Members in U.S.

Thanks to various members in he U. S. who send clippings from various papers regarding the liquor question.

District of Columbia

From the Evening Star of Washington, D.C., we quote in part,

"Representative Hebert is to be congratulated on introducing a bill which has revived thinking on the problem of Alcoholism in the District. Here are some of the dimensions:

some of the dimensions:
5000 chronic alcoholes, the
type now considered by some to
be sick people; 15,000 problem
drinkers; in addition; 34,000 arrests, a year; 80% of the misdemeanant population of the
Occoquan Workhouse there on
charges of intoxication at a cost
approaching \$5,00,000, a year;
scores committed more than fifty times, some more than 150
times."

times."
Yes, "it spares not the high nor the humble" and from these figures it seems that booze is creating quite a problem in the capital of the United States.

Pensylvania

From the Harrisburg Patriot,

From the Harrisburg Patriot, we find that "Maye than 550 clergymen and layment attended the abhual contral Pennaylvania Conference of the Methodist Church, held in that city.

Among reports, heard by the conference delegates was that of the board of temperance headed by the Rev. O. B. Poulson, which asked for a "reawakening to the dangers of intemperance" and declared that "the triumph of the Kingdom (is) hindered by the greed for liquor profits and for liquor revenue. "In this beatryal, this debauchery and this greed for revenue the Christian Church has not been free from blame" the report state. "So many of our pulpits and lay leaders in Methodism have tried to maintain strict neutrality in the battle against the Church's most dangerous foe. Indeed it must be confessed that far too many church school officials, and prominent church families, have flouted the teachings and the rules of our church, both in per-

morter scriot orincials, and prominent church families, have flouted the teachings and the rules of our church, both in personal practise and in the examples as professed Christians. "When teachers in our church schools drink liquor and serve intoxicants at social functions, they worse than cancel all the holy influences the Master Teacher longs to see welded, both among our youth and adults, in this crisis hour. "When women serve liquors in their homes, or quaff high-powered cocktails at social functions, or drop in regularly at their favorite grill to spen described the cocktail hour, they make mockery of their Christian profession.

fession.
"When men accept "When men accept the responsibility and try to fulfill the duties of official members of the church, when at the same time they are violating paragraph 969 (d) of the discipline, —by renting property to liquor sollers circums partitions or were or renting property to induor sellers, signing petitions or providing bonds for applicants to sell intoxicants, or acting as attorney for liquor applicants, or persisting in the use of intoxicating liquors. — they make themselves liable to accusation

The Ninety-Ninth Session



will be held in the Y. M. C. A. Building, 85 Market Street, in the CITY OF LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS,

Opening at 10 A. M. on Wednesday Morning, July 23rd., 1947

A reception will be tendered by the Grand Division of Massachusetts on Tuesday evening.

Members of the Order in good standing not eligible to membership in National Division, will be admitted as visitors.

We meet but once a year, and every member is. See another column for housing arrangements.

By Order of the Most Worthy Patriarch

A. S. MacDONALD. E. R. Nickerson, M. W. Scribe

The Christian

Statesman

The Christian Statesman of Pittsburg, Pa., says that according to figures based on reports of the Department of Education and the Liquor Control Board of the Commonwealth of Pensylvania, spends about \$8.75 for liquor to every one dollar spent for education.

The public schools of the state for the fiscal year ending.

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for education.

The public schools of the state for the fiscal year ending June 30th. 1945, the last figures available, cost \$187,329,844, and the amount spent for liquor through the Board was \$702,020,663, a difference of over \$14,000,000.

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S14.000,000. The percentage of increase in the sales of hard liquor in 1946 over 1945 for the state was 23.75% and of beep 6.20%. There is evidently a lot of education regarding the effects of beverage alcohol needed in that State as in many others.

TOAST TO ROYAL FAMILY

The Hearst papers are ming a campaign against "sm Some of these writ peddling.

petdling. Some of these writters ought to be sentenced to can their own stuff, but the courts might hold it to be cruel and unusual punishment. The following circular was issued by the South African Temperance Alliance to the Press throughout the Union and to the Mayors of the towns on the route of the Royal tour: "We are advised by the Prime Minister's Office, after the matter had been held over for discussion, with Major Adeans, His Majesty's Assistant Private Secretary, that, in accordance with established practice, toasts His Majesty's Assistant Private Secretary, that, in accordance with established practice, toasts at functions at which members of the Royal Family are present during their forthcoming visit to the Union may be drunk in water, any other becomes in water or any other beverage.

and trial instead of glorifying the Christ in their souls and in their bodies."

The Methodist Church

The Methodist Church of the United States does not believe in nationalizing the liquor traffic. It believes in Total Abstinence on the part of the individual and Prohibitory policy towards the traffic.

dual and Prohibitory policy towards the traffic.

Membership 8,083,767 in 40.698 churches (now about 9,000.00). The resolution adopted by the General Conference in 1941 is quite comprehensive, so only the highlights are given here:
"The Church of Jesus Christ from its very nature stands at variance with the liquor traffic. For it to be siltent in its opposition would be to be disloyal in its function. Amid the confused moral judgments of our age with regard to drinking and the liquor traffic. the Methodist Church lifts the clear voice of the Christian Conscience. We urge the Congress to enact legislation prohibit all advertising of intoxicating liquor; we urge the several states to enact legislation prohibiting the employment of minors in places serving intoxicating liquor; we protest the Federal government's part in the liquor business, in the Virgin Islands. Methodism has insisted and does insist that intoxicating fliquor cannot be legalized without sin." On January 29-30, 1947, dele-

galized without sin."

On January 29-30, 1947, delegates from all of the Annual conferences of the Methodist Church met In Chicago to consider a church-wide Temperance Advance Movement. These delegates were appointed by the bishops of their areas and the Movement there launched will reach down through all the organizations of the church to the local congregations of nearly galized without sin. ganizations of the church to the local congregations of nearly nine million members. The Findings of this Conference called for total abstinence by Methodists, a general temperance education program throughout the church, a general demand for the nivilege of evolution the the privilege of excluding the liquor traffic from any politi-

A Message to Grand Patrons

Time again for a few words from your M. W. Patron. I am hoping the different Patrons and Grand Scribes received the letters I sent out in April. I am looking for a reply from each by the end of May.

by the end of May.

Ours is a great work and we do well to be on the alert at all times. It is much easier to be informed than to reform and as so many of the young arout taught the most important things in the home it is up to the Leaders and Teachers to do it. One of the most important things is self control without which many have met defeat. Self knowledge is important too which many have met defeat. Self knowledge is important too —every child should be taught its importance; that his body is the Temple of God; that he has a place in the scheme of life—there is a work for him to do and no one else can do it for him. He also should have self respect and never do anything or say anything that would mar God's handiwork.

These things and many others should be taught the child and there is no better place than in the Band of Hope.

When I am in charge of a

the Band of Hope.

When I am in charge of a meeting for the young, and I am trying to put over some idea I look into those sweet, innocent eager faces and shudder to think how easily their lives can be darkened by deceit, by lying, by swearing, and other hateful things, which can make them delinquents.

things. When the child is a nation's greatest asset, and we do well to nurture its growth. God forbid that we put a stumbling block in the way of any of these little ones. It is a God-given privi-

cal subdivision when such exclusion is desired by a majority of voters and immediate suppression of the advertising of alcoholic beverages.

Johnson Tells Movies -- Clean Up

"Drinking and sex in films hit by Johnson" is the heading of a news, article from Hollywood on March 20. Eric Johnson, the czar of the motion picture in dustry warned studios to cut drinking and sex from their pictures or face censorship by forty-eight states. Mr. Johnson told the industry "the continued practise of picturization of sex and liquor on the screen will lead to the diabolical predicament of censorship in fortyand liquor on the screen will lead to the diabolical predicament of censorship in forty-eight different sets of rules to meet."
Mr. Johnson, president of the Motion Picture Producers Association addressed producers, writers, and executives of M. G. M. 20th Century Fox, Warners, Universal, International and Republic, meeting together with independent producers.
"Movies which stress hard drinking scenes are an affront to an overwhelming majority of the people of the United States, Mr. Johnston told the producers. In his briefings to the men and women who make pictures,

ers. In his briefings to the men and women who make pictures, he pointed out that 78 per cent of all United States pictures made last year contained drinking scenes which did not motivate the plot.

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"Rural America Is dry and is becoming dryer," the movie ezar-continued. "Most of the people of this country do not drink, nor do they countenance casual drinking on the screen."

Mr. Johnson's great drive, for cleaner pictures. He told his listeners that the industry's ten pictures which have grossed more than seven and one half million dollars were all clean

more than seven and one half million dollars were all clean pictures and that "the studio which seeks a quick profit with crudely sexual films will reap a whirlwind." He said movies which portray criminals as if they are not vicious enemies of orderly society, seriously lower the prestige of the United States in foreign countries, undoing the costly hard work of the State Department and other government agencies on friend-making tasks abroad.

government agencies on friend-making tasks abroad. He also said that gangster films "stimulate juvenile delin-ouency which when allowed to flourish into criminal manhood constitutes a serious drain on law-abiding taxnavers." — The Union Signal, 4-12-47

Multitudes of casual drinkers stumble into drunkenness. No one can know beforehand whe-ther he is allergic to alcohol or

No one sips his first cocktail with the avowed intention of be-coming a drunkard, but all ex-cessive drinkers are recruited from the moderates.

In 1944 the General Conference of the Methodist Conference in the United States declared that "intoxicating liquor cannot be legalized without

lege to help in the training of the young citizens of our coun-try. Keep up the good work, faint not, nor falter, in due sea-son ye will reap if ye faint not. More anon, Cheerio!

B. R. MacLaren M. W. Patron

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EDITORIAL

WHAT IS AN OCTOPUS?

it is an animal of the family of Cephalopods having eight tapering arms. It has apparently very little body but a head bearing two prominent eyes. The arms of the octopus encircle the mouth. All the arms bear rows of sucker clusks. It looks very much like what we call the cuttlefish. Some of them grow to a large size and frequently, have arms five feet in length. As it lurks in the crevices of rocks, it is a dangerous enemy since its movements are ramid and the strength of its arms powerful. The octomic pid and the strength of its arms powerful. The octopus carries with it a bag of liquid like ink, which when it considers its enemy is more than its equal it can throw out this liquid, discolor the water as a camouflage and make good

The liquor business is a dangerous octopus. It lurks in the rocks of big business as a respectable industry. There is not much body in the liquor octopus, it is all centred in a few heads or big corporations. A few years ago there were brewerles and distilleries family owned. These have been devoured by a few fabulously wealthy companies, strong enough to rule political parties and businesses of different kinds as auxiliaties of the liquor trade. The distillers Corporation—Seagrams Limited, in 1945 hag sales exceeding \$400,000,000. The Hiram Walker-Gooderham and Worts Limited, in 1945 hag sales of \$254,618,161. Two large American companies and two large Canadian companies control almost 80% of the hard liquor trade of North America.

How do these Octopuses work? They have eight arms: 1. Racketeers; 2. Organized extortion; 3. Mobsters; 4. Gunmen; 5. Gangster syndicates; 6. Political graft and domination; 7. Night club monopoly; 8. Lawlessness.

domination; 7. Night club monopoly; 8. Lawiessness.

What does this type of octopus feed upon? The souls and bodies of men, women and children. If the octopus does not take quickly the life of its victim, by the strong and overpowering suction of these arms, it sends him out a helpless, hopeless, criminal, a lumatic, home wrecker; a physically weak and worthless dependent, or a crushed alcoholic, or maybe a suicide. We have salid the octopus carries a bag of liquid like ink to camouflage its identity, if its enemy challenges it. What is the type or advertising we get in our magazines and periodicals today? The ink used is to entirely misrepresent the real nature and purpose of the trade, in order to lead the unthinking youth of our land to believe the liquor trade stands for patriotic, benevolent and educational ideals. educational ideals.

There is one enemy to the liquor octopus. It is the united, consistent and prayerful efforts of the Christian people of our land. Every Christian church and every member of a Christian church should be a pledged enemy of this liquor octopus. The liquor business is such a national evil that no self respecting person, whether in church, business or politics should be a party to its support. When we awake to its great evil fruits and our own responsibility, then we will see this terrible octopus slam by public consent. sent.

Dr. Parker said on one occasion, "Who can shut up the public houses? Not the magistrates; not the police. But there is a force which can shut them up. The Churches of Christ can do it when they please. If the Churches will not do it, then it will not be done."

The psychologists are pretty generally agreed that the drinker is a "sissy" unable to face facts without a "bracer." Liquor advertising is whole-sale debasement of public conscience.

A strong man's courage comes from within his own spirit; it is not poured down his throat from a bottle.

Many young people are fooled by the fallacy that one can be a moderate drinker, and still attain the highest success in business.

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Is it possible?. In these times Great Britain has a national expenditure of \$2,000,000,000 or about \$8,000,000,000 on drink, tobacco, gambling and unhelpful amusements. Moralists are shocked, the conscience of the nation is in revolt, the press are asking questions and even party politicians are taking notes. Does this mean a turn in the tide? Let us hope so. It is time.

1847—1947. This is the Centennary Year of the Band of Hope in England. In 1832 pioneers very quickly realized that if their cause was to finally triumph, the young folks must be harnessed to their charlot. In 1847 the idea took form in Leeds where the first Band of Hope was formed in a religious atmosphere, but the working classes remained the off most of the nu crous Bands that sprang into d istence.

Do you own a car? Well, whether you drink or not, you pay the bill for drunken driving when you pay the premium on your liability insur-

FORMER NAVAL OFFICER IS FINED \$36,000 AND JAILED

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The former Canadian nava officer who on Monday was fined \$36,000 and sent to a British jail for a year for snuggling liquor into Britain from France, Arthur R. Y. (Hank) Huter, had a colorful carer in the service. He saw service on a Canadian fright and was known in Hallfax.

Evidence in the London court was that Hunter was "organizer of a smuggling run from Cherbourg" in which a landing craft flying the white ensign, an air sea rescue launch and five other er men were involved.

Moderate Use Harmful

The process of grinking breaks down the capacity to judge, and the so-called moderate drinker always tends to rationalize his desire to drink more. While it is not true that no distinctions are to be drawn between a little are to be drawn between a little drinking and too much, the only wise or safe course is abstinence. Kemember, even moderate use of drink is a menace to health.

Don't laugh at a youth for his affectations; he's only trying on one face after another till he finds his own.—Logan Pearsall

Drink and Crime

from the Woodstock Sentinel-

Review).

A Canadian Fress dispatch
form Ottawa drew attention to
the paradox of a map being involved in an auto accident being
more severely penalized if he
has been drinking but a sex criminal getting inore lenient
treatment by pleading drunkenness. This is a paradox which
should certainly not exist. Drunkenness leads to crime and the
courts rhould be doubly severe
with any criminal who attempts
to excuse his crime on grounds
that he was under the influence
of alechol.

Drinking in moderation is not the solution to the liquor prob-lem; it is the main cause of that problem. The moderate drinker is always a candidate for alcoholism, a total abstain-

"A Stalwart Son of Temper-nce" has been forced out of ance" has been forced out of this issue. It will be continued

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

fist anniversary celebration of Star of Hope Division, No. 160, of the Order of the Sons of Temperance of P. E. I. On February 20th, 1947, the members of Star of Hope Division met at Cape Wolfe Hall to celebrate the Glst anniversary it overanization and to honor son met at cape wone han to celebrate the 61st anniversary of its organization and to honor Sister E. F. Hopgood, who had continuous membership with the Star of Hope Division for 55

Bro. Allie MacNeill acted as Bro. Aline Macroeiii acceq as chairman and started the meeting off with a short resume of
the history of Star of Hope Division which started in the school
house with a few members and
had progressed with great difficulty throughout the years. The
Division now has a hall of their Division now has a hall of their own and look forward to many more years of prosperity to the Order.

The following program was

Recitation: Norma MacNeill-Reading: Mrs. Lloyd Cross-

man.
Recitation: Mrs. Lloyd Cooke.
Recitation: Mrs. Allie MacNeill.
Recitation: Mrs. Fanni Hen

Recitation: Mrs. Fannie Hop-

good.
Sis. E. F. Hopgood was then introduced to Bro. Allie Mac-Neill who congratulated Sis. Hopgood on her long association with the Order and presented her on behalf of the Sons of Temperance with a fifty year membership iewel. All members joined in singing "Auld Lang Sune"

membership jewel. All members joined in singing "Auld Lang Syne." Congratulations to Sister Hopgood were expressed by Bro. Raeford Locke, Bro. Lorne MacWilliam and Sis. Irma Stewart. Sister E. F. Hopgood expressed her surprise and with deep feeling, thanked all who had made the presentation possible and expressed the wish that she would be able to continue to be of service to Star of Hope Division and enjoy the good fellowship with the members that she has had down through the years.

years.

Lunch was then served by the ladies of the Division and an enjoyable evening was brought to a close with the National An-

KENTVILLE

RENTVILLE
Police court convictions last year at Kentville were an all-time record of 375 as compared with 60 the year before. Of the total number 305 were reported directly due to liquor with most of the other traceable to the same cause.
That the organized liquor traffic is a vigantic social menace.

That the organized liquor transite is a gigantic social menace. It is fastening its hold upon the domestic, social, political and economic life of Canada, and it is fattening itself upon the woes and weaknesses of its patrons. No individual can drink himself into prosperity, health or all homitouse. Neither can a

self into prosperity, health or real happiness. Neither can a

community.

Let the man who abstains ask himself: "Would I be happier, healthier, or wealthier, if I

Let the man who drinks just little, ask himself: "Would I happier, healthier or wealth-if I drank more freely?"

ier if I drank more freely.

Let the man who drinks to excess ask himself: "Would I be excess ask himself: or wealthier. happier, healthier, or weal if I quit drinking entirely? What about it?

What about it?

Would not honest answers to each of these questions lead to this conclusion: That the use of liquor detracts from happiness, health and wealth, and that the loss of these is proportionate to the extent to which liquor is

used. The same principle applies to any home, to any community, to any nation, to the world.

Ask the same three questions anywhere at any time and the answer is the same. Beverage alcohol has nothing to contribute to the happlness, health and wealth of mankind. It is a foe wealth of mankind. It is a to man's highest aspirations is the ally of man's worst e It is a foe

mies. Shakespeare was wise when

Notes by The M. W. Scribe

In another column is the official notice of the 99th session of the National Division. From the G. W. P. and Grand Scribe of Massachusetts we learn that the Olympia Hotel. 384 Washington St., Lynn, is about five

ington St. Lynn. is about five minutes walk from the Y. M. C. A. Building where the session Is held. Rooms there are with out bath \$3.50 for one or two. Rooms with bath, \$3.50 to \$4.00 Meals are served here, and the restaurants are within easy walking distance of the Y. M. C. A. Those planning to stay here are advised to make reser-vations quite early to the Mana-ger of Olympia Hotel, 384 Washington St., Lynn. Private rooms are available.

Washington St. Lynn.
Private rooms are available for \$2.00 each. Most of these have parking places. Write for severation for private room to H. P. Foster, New Durham, New Hampshire, as he will be there until the week before the session. He advises that reservations at hotel or private rooms be made as early as possible.
The Grand Scribe Bro. L. Lixon, 38 Addion Ave. Lynn. writes that the following programme is tentatively arranged. Reception on Tuesday evening, July 22.

Neception on tressay evening, July 22.
National Division will open on National Division of Lynn Down Wednesday afternoon the N. D. will be asked to take recess at 3 P.M. for members to take a trip by bus along the scenic shore front, ending at Salem Willows, where in place of the regulation banquet, a shore dimer will be served.

Thursday, day and evening will be devoted to business, and Friday morning, if necessary.

Thursday, day and evening will be devoted to business, and Friday morning, if necessary. It is hoped to have a few papers or address on some part of the work of the Order, and it is possible that one of the sound films asponsored by the Grand Division of Nova Scotia may be shown, but arrangements for these parts of the programme are not yet completed. Formerly it was the custom to publish railway fares from various cities likely to be affected, but we feel that each member who may come by rail or bus can easily get the information from their local ticket agency, and the auto has relieved much of this necessity. Massachusetts is quite central in our jurisdiction, and we trust every member will try to at every member will try to at

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We deeply regret that the
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session are not yet in the hands
of the members. The copy wargiven to the printers, seem to be
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he said: "Oh God! that men should put an enemy in their mouths to steal away their brains."
Yes! And to rob them of hap-piness, health and wealth as well.—Alberta Temperance Re-

Among the Divisions

SCHOOLschool

GENEVA DIVISION

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The regular meeting of Geneva Division No. 1062 met in the Hall on Queen St., Dartmouth, N. S., on May 9th.

This was a special occasion as the Halifax District Council and members of the Order from Halifax and Dartmouth met to hove two of their members. Bro. two of their members, Bro nor two and Sis. William Rodger, who are leaving soon to make their home near Toronto, Ont.

During the evening Bro. W. O. Ainsile, Chairman of the Council, presented Bro. and Sis. Rodger, on behalf of the members of the Order in Halifax and Dartmouth, with a lovely silver casserole and butter dish. Sister Wheld, Hwales presented Sis.

casserole and butter dish. Sister Mabel Hurg also presented Sis-ter Rodger with a nice china cup and saucer.

Appreciation of the outstand-ing work Bro. and Sister Rod-ger were doing in the divisions and Banq of Hope, also regrets at their departure, were express-of hy Most Worthy Scribe E. R. at their departure, were expressed by Most Worthy Scribe E. R. Nickerson, Deputy Most Worthy Patriarch A. W. Leslie, Worthy Patriarchs Sister Mrs. Levy of Mayllower, Sister E. Boulding of Chebueto, Sister Grodon Baird of Murray and Bro. Lorne Settle of Geneva, Division.

of Geneva Division.

A sing song of Scotch songs
were enjoyed by all.

We were very happy to wel-come Bro. Rev. A. F. Baker into our Division, he having trans-ferred his membership from Murray Division. Bro. Baker gave us some very encouraging remarks on self denial, in refer-ence to liquor and other evils, also our loyalty to the church. Refreshments were served by

GRANVILLE FERRY

The members of Granville Di-vision have nearly completed painting the upstairs of the com-munity hall, which they rent as a division hall. The members deserve great praise in this a-chievement as they have donat-ed their own time and effort to this worthy project, which has made a decided improvement in the appearance of the hall. A very pleasant evening was spent very pleasant evening was spent by the division members on Friday evening, May 2nd., when a social time was held for Mr. Howard Parker. Mr. Parker's birthday fell on Thursday, May 1st., but Friday being the regular meeting night for Division to be held, his birthday was celebrated at that time. Mr. Parker's work of the best of the property of the p very pleasant evening was sp to be held, his birthday was ee-lebrated at that time. Mr. Par-ker as a child belonged to the Band of Hope, and as soon as he was old enough, he became a member of the Sons of Tem-perance Division. All through the years he has been a faithful attendant and keenly interested in all matters pertaining to the attendard and keenly interested in all matters pertaining to the division. During the evening, J. P. Littlewood, on behalf of the members, presented Mr. Parker with a Sons of Temperance pin, suitably engraved. The members joined in singing "Happy Birthday to You" and each in turn shook hands with him and offered their best wishes. Games were enjoyed under the capable direction of Mrs. H. F. Reed and choice refreshments were served.
Mrs. H. F. Reed gave an interesting and helpful talk to the pupils of Granville Ferry school on Total Abstinence.

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STAR IN THE EAST DIVISION

The home Division Most Worthy Patriarch. Division of our

Winners Honored

For the past two and a half months a contest has been wagmonths a contest has been wag-ing among the members of the Star in the East Division, Sons of Temperance, and as a result the team captained by James Kerr came out on top having vanquished George MacVicar and his team

In honor of the fine work done by both teams, a chicken supper was tendered them in the Fal-mouth St. S. of T. Hall by the mouth St. S. of T. Hall by the Division members, when the tables were colorfully decorated with streamers in red, white and blue, banners in similar tones being used around the hall. Seated at the head table were Mr. and Mrs. A. S. MacDonald, J. B. Morrison, L. Campbell and M. Lewis, the latter two being the judges of the contest, and other guests.

er guests. he delicious meal was served Isabel MacVicar, Mrs. Dun-l, Eleanor Stephenson, Mrs. Alfred MacLeod, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Snow, Mrs. H. Polley and Kaye MacGichan.

Mrs. Snow, Mrs. H. Polley and Kaye MacGichan.
A pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation and address to Mr, and Mrs. A. S. MacDonald by George MacVicay and John Y. MacDonald, a gift of silver service and reflector, from the Star in the East Division and a silver card tray from the Band of Hope made by M. Polley, came as a complete surprise to the honored couple, who have been a tower of strength have been a tower of strength to the division and its members.

to the division and its members. Deeply touched Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald replied to their friends for their great kindness in remembering them. Slinging was enloyed with Mrs. M. Fulton at the piano. Solos were rendered by Charles MacDonald with Marjorie Twinen at the piano and Kaye Henderson with Mrs. Fulton as accompanist.

J. B. Morrison was called up. J. B. Morrison was called up.

J. B. Morrison was called up-on for brief remarks, which highlighted the event. The winning team along with

the losers, expressed their ap-preciation for the fine even ing's entertainment and hope to have another such affair next

SHELBURNE EAST DISTRICT DIVISION

Jordan Falls, Mar. 26, 1947

A special session of the Shelburne East District Division met at Jordan Falls at 3:30 P. M. with Bro. Hayden, D. W. P., in the chair.

Officers present were Sister Hayden, Treasurer, and Bro. Hayden, D.W.P., The other offices were filled by appoint-

Sister Brophy of Brighton Di-

Sister Brophy or Brighton Di-vision gave an encouraging re-port of the Division at Lydgate. Sister Bower also reported on Jordan Bay Division. Sister Langthorne gave an en-couraging report on Loyalist Di-vision, Shelburne, which has re-cently been organized. Sister Hayden reported on

centiy been organized.
Sister Hayden reported on
Loyal Acorn Division, Jordan
Falls, and also gave a report on
Band of Hope.
Bro. Hunt, Field Agent, was
present and gave a brief report
of his work in Shelburne East
District.

Election of officers being in order, they were elected as fol-

D.W.P.: Bro. A. C. Bruce, Shelburne, N. S. D.W.A.: Sis. W. Atwood, Shelburne, N. S. D.R.S.: Sis. Eva Buchanan,

D.R.S.: Sis. Eva Buchanan, ordan Falls. Asst. D.R.S.: Sis. Maizie Schu-amon, Jordan Falls. Dist. Treas.: Sis. Thorburne, Lydgate.
Dist Chap.: Sis. Brophy, Lyd-

gate.
Dist. Cond.: Bro. Albert Hol-

den. Jordan Falls.

den, Jordan Falls,
Asst. Dist. Cond.; Sls. Bower,
Jordon Bay.
Dist. Sent.: Sis. Pauline Gosbie, Jordan Falls.
These officers were then duly
installed. As Bro. Bruce was
not present, a motion was made
that he be installed at a meeting in his own division in Shelburne.

discussion was given Some discussion was given Bro. Winchester's letter regard-ing reports sent in to the County paper. It was decided a report be sent in by the D. Scribe.

A motion was made and pass-ed that \$8.00 be paid from the funds to Mrs. Schunamon for board for the Field Agent. The following resolution com-mittee was then appointed as follows:

follows:
Sis. Atwood, Sis.
Sis. Snow and Bro.
Schunamon.
Meeting closed in due form.
Members present: Loyal Acorn. 9; Brighton, 3; Kohinoor,
1; Shelburne, 2; (from Shelburne
West) MacMurray Division, 2.
The evening session was held at 8:00 P. M., in the Baptist Church, and was called to order by Bro. Hayden.
"Onward Christian Soldiers"

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was sung after w ich Scripture
reading and prayer were given
by Bro. Hunt.

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A temperance song was given
by the "Victory" Band of Hope.
Bro. Hunt then showed the
film, "It's the Brain That
Counts." The following resolutions were presented and adopted:

Resolved: That the District Division stress to all representa-tives the importance of interest-ing young people in Temper-

Be it also resolved that the District Division advise the Grand Division to approach the Council of Public Instruction in regards to having Temperance as part of the school curriculum. And be it further resolved that a vote of thanks from the District Division be extended to Bro. Hunt for his labors in the Shelburne East District. The hymn, Thescue the Perishing", was sung, and an address by Bro. Hunt on the subject of Tooking for Beer Bottles" was greatly enjoyed.

greatly enjoyed.

The meeting closed by singing "Faith of Our Fathers". Benediction was pronounced by Bro.

D. M. SNOW D. Scribe (pro tem'

HANTS DISTRICT DIVISION

The quarterly session of the Hants District Division held with LeBreau Division Martock on Wednesday, May 7, with the D.W.P., Rev. W. J. Domville, presiding.

Four of the thirteen active divisions in the district were represented. Welcome visitors were the Grand Scribe, E. R. Nickerson, and P.G.W.P., W. MacDonald.

Mickerson. and P.G.W.P., W. MacDonald. Riverside Division at Avondale has been re-organized with a membership of 20. 3 Bands of Hope have been re-organized and plans are being made to re-organize others in the near future.

Rev. Jas. Hunt. our Field Sec. retary, is doing splendid work in the district and it is hoped that Grand Division will receive every support to keep an agent in the field.

A letter was read from the G. W. P., Rev. R. R. Winchester, A letter was read from the G. W. P., Rev. R. R. Winchester, suggesting that a committee be appointed in the district to arrange for a regular part of a column, weekly in our local newspaper. A committee consisting of Bro. Judson Shaw and the district executive was appointed.

pointed. pointed.

Some helpful suggestions to create an interest in the divisions were offered. "Sides" chosen for the "Good of the Order" contest, Temperance con-

In preparing for these, inter est is aroused among the members and when presented, create an interest in the community.

Bro. Nickerson said that a

Interesting Fact

Dr. E. M. Jellinek of Yale University has been trying to track down the mystery as to why there is so much more alcoholdown the mystery as to why there is so much more alcoholism in certain states and cities than in others. He finally stumbled upon a most interesting fact: there is a correlation between the vote against and for the repeal of the Eighteenth (Prohibition) Amendment to the Constitution, and alcoholism. The states which were against Repeal have little alcoholism; the states which cast a strong minority vote against repeal, have more alcoholism, but not as much as the states which vote adoublem, with the more Drys there were in the state, the less alcoholism. In other words, the Wet theory that the man who votes Dry drinks wet, has little to support it. Some men who drink, do words Dry because they think

drinks wet, has fittle to support it. Some men who drink, do vote Dry because they think more of their country than of themselves, but as a rule, the man who votes Dry conforms in his custom.

OBITUARY

Fred W. Womelsdorf

Fred W. Womelsdorf, P. G. W. P. of New Jersey, passed away on Feb. 7th., after a brief illness.

illness.

He became a member of Americus Division No. 204 of Metuchen. N. J., in 1898, and was initiated into G. D. of New Jersey
in 1900. He served as Grant
Conductor from 1903 to 1905,
and Grand Scribe from 1927 to
1931. He was elected G. W. P.
in 1943 and took his seat in National Division in 1946.

Bro. Womelsdorf motored to
Halifax with a party, to N. D.
session last July, although
troubled with asthma to which
he had been subject for some
time. He was a member of the

he had been subject for some time. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and of sev-eral patriotic societies. He is survived by his wife, daughter, granddaughter, and one brother. To Sister Edna Womelsdorf, the faithful Grand Scribe of New Jersey, and the family, FORWARD and the Na-tional Division tenders deep sympathy. sympathy.

projector would soon be available for Hants County, also a

new film.

Temperance addresses are being broadcast once every quarter from CJCH and a re-broadcast of a message by the Grand Worth Patriarch will also be presented.

presented.

Sincere regret was expressed at the passing of Bro. Charles Robinson of Strathmore Division, Mill Village.

On motion it was decided that Hants District take a page in the new Centennial Fund Book and to ask each subordinate division to help with the advertising. The cost of advertising a page is \$20.00.

The following officers of the

The following officers of the ear were nominated and install-

D.W.P.: Rev. C. H. C. McLar-en, Centre Burlington. D.W.A.: Mrs. C. H. C. McLar-en, Centre Burlington. D. Patron: Mrs. Melvin Marsh Ste. Croix. D. Scribe, Mrs. Ida Hunter, Ste. Croix. D. A. Scribe: Mrs. Marlorio.

D. A. Scribe: Miss Marjorie Sanford, Walton.

D. Treas.: Mrs. Charles Hun-er, Ste. Croix. D. Chap.: Mrs. John Daniels,

Sentinel: Mrs. Sara Wood,

Walton.
D. Con.: Mrs. Hattie Lunn,
Three Mile Plain.
A. Cond.: Miss Margaret

Calendars

Just a few of the Centennial Calendars left, which will be sent for 25 cents each, postpaid.

Band of Hope Corner Mrs. C. H. C. MacLaren, G. P., Center Burlington, Hants Co., N. S. Mrs. C. H. C. MacLaren, G. P., Center Burlington, Hants Co., N. S.

"TELL 'EM WHY!"

Teddy Byrum and his mother had been shopping all morning, and were tired and hungry, so Mrs. Byrum said, "We'll go to a restaurant and get something to eat, and then we'll feel better."

That suited Teddy exactly, and

his quick eyes spied a restau-rant across the street. "Come on," he cried; but his mother held back. "No, son, we can't go

held back. "No, son, we can't go to that place—don't you see the Beer' sign? We want to eat where they don't serve alcohol." They walked down the street, and saw many tea rooms and reptaurants and cafeterias, but passed them all, for each one indicated in some way that it was in league with the liquor traffic. Finally, when Teddy felt that he could not move his legs another step, Mrs. Byrum exclaimed, "Oh, there's the Brown Betty—I know that's a temperance place."

Brown Betty—I know that's a temperance place."

The Brown Betty was a copy with the proof of the Brown with brown walls and brown, menu cards; and a brown-eyed waitress in a brown apron brought them deliclous soup and sandwiches, and hot chocolate. Finally Mrs. Byrum paid the bill and they started out, but Teddy stopped. "Aren't you going to tell 'em wh?" he asked.

"What do you mean?" Mrs. Byrum was puzzled.

"Tell 'em why we came all the way down here—because they don't sell any beer."
His mother looked at him a moment. "Son, you're a better emperance man than I am," she said at last. "Why didn't I hink of that?" She turned back and asked to speak to the owner of the shop—a pleasant but tired looking woman. When Mrs. Byrum told her about their search for a temperance shop, and how much they had enloyed their meal in the Brown Betty, the woman's face lighted up and her eyes filled with tears." ed their meal in the Brown Betty, the woman's face lightled up and her eyes filled with tears. 'I can't tell you what it means to hear that," she said. "I have been getting quite discouraged. So many people come in and ask for beer or stronger liquor, and seem irritated because we do not have it, that I had almost decided to give up and stop trying to run a temperance restaurant; but you have made me feel that I ought to keep on." "Of course you ought," ag.

feel that I ought to keep on."
"Of course you ought," agreed Mrs. Byrum, but we who
want clean, safe eating places
ought to help you. I am going
to tell all my friends about The
Brown Betty and urge them to
eat here whenever they are
described." down town."

down town."

As they went homeward, Mrs. Byrum said, "I must stop at Tait's and order the groceries—and I am going to tell Mr. Tait that I am going to buy all my groceries from him now because he does not sell beer. I told Mr. Marshall My I quit buying from him when he began selling beer, but I never thought to tell Mr. Tait how I felt about it. Maybe he is getting discouraged, too." aged, too

aged, too."

To which Teddy replied, sage-ly, "Well, it's lots easier to be good if you know somebody cares." —Union Signal.

Sweet, Martock P. W. P., Mr. Hedley Lawson, South Rawdon.

A most enjoyable feature of the session was being entertained at the homes of the LeBreau

ed at the homes of the LeBreau members at tea hour.

A public meeting was held in the evening, the guest speaker being E. R. Nickerson, G. S., and W. MacDonald, P. G. W. P. An invitation from Broad Arrow Division, Walton, to meet with them for the next session in August, was on motion gratefully accepted. fully accepted.

CENTENNIAL FUND CAMPAIGN \$3.500

Dear Members:

The fund is steadily climbing as contributions large and small come along from various parts of the province. We are pleased to add St. Croix of Hants Co., and Milton No. 4 of Yarmouth, the oldest divisions in Nova Scotia, to our Honor Roll. Several more divisions are within a few dollars of the necessary amount to add them to the list.

Your committee wish to express their appreciation to the many collectors who are canvassing their communities for this work, in order that our program for the spread of total abstinence may be carried on. The contributions which are sent in, show that many people are willing to help us if asked to do so.

Will you make a special effort to reach your division's objective before June 30th, in order that there may be no summer drop in our Centennial Fund.

Thanks to all of you who have contributed or helped raise the following amounts.

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Hants Co.
No. 16—Milton Division, Yarmouth

Another New Film

The Grand Division of Nova

Scotia have secured another new sound film which has not ar-rived at time of writing but should be here very soon.

should be here very soon.

It is on Drinking and Driving and is in story form. similar to "It's the Brain That Counts." It is put out by the Metro Goldwyn Meyer Co., the actors are professional and it was prepared with the help of the New York State Police. This, should be a valuable addition to the film department of our educational work, and we shall endeavour, as we have with other films, to have it as widely shown throughout the Province as possible.

We have a few more of this year's edition of our Temperance blotters on hand. We repeat the terms. These will be sent post paid and free to any public school where the pupils have first had a temperance talk given them.

The blotter keeps the message before them every time they use the blotter. Send to the Grand Scribe for the number you need for pen and ink users before the team edges.

we have sent out nearly eleven thousand this term, which means that nearly 11.000 pupils of our public schools have had a temperance talk, and the message on the blotters before them. Many more schools should have been reached.

It is good to have money, but it is good, too, to check up once in a while and make sure you haven't lost the things that money can't buy.—George Hor-ace Lorimer.

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In connection with our program of Quaterly Sons of Temperance broadcasts, our G. W. P. Rev. R. Roosevelt Winchester, has prepared a 15 minchester, has been made, which was put on the air from the Yarmouth station recently.

Our thanks are due to the manager of the station CILS, Mr. Laurie Smith, for the cooperation he has given in various ways in connection with this broadcast. Arrangements have been made at time of writing, with the station at Windsor for it to be given from there, which will probably be before this reaches our readers, after which this will be given over stations at Halifax and Svdney. In this way a Centennial temperance message will cover the Maritimes and some of the other Provinces and States.

Honor Roll Increased **Subscription Contest**

The Following Divisions have Sent In Five or More Neu Subscriptions to Forward:

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es every Tuesday evening, at
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Usiting Mombe. Welcome at All
these Meetings.

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