

perance element into the canvass, for their success is more frequently attributable to whisky than intrinsic worth. We do not speak extravagantly when we assert that one-half of our office-holders owe their positions to the bottle. Our conviction is that temperance is as patriotic an element as whisky to use in a political struggle. We have arrived at a point where every man must choose sides on this issue. The liquor-sellers are about establishing their press, eschewing party politics, and supporting none who are opposed to the largest liberty. Reader, which side do you take?

Honorably Settled.

U. S. Senator Gwinn and Hon. Jos. McCorkle, a member of Congress, both of California, recently attended a horse race in their State, drank too much, had a misunderstanding, and like true gentlemen, determined to settle the matter by the code of Honor. The brave Senator challenged the brave Representative, the challenge is accepted, rifles are the weapons, and thirty paces the distance fixed upon for the rencontre. The parties meet at the time and place with their friends and weapons for the deadly fight. Of course death must result. How could it be otherwise with such weapons and at such a distance! They could hardly miss each other. They took aim and fired three times, each at the other, and what is very remarkable, neither the principals, their seconds, nor the bystanders, were injured. After the third fire, an explanation took place, and they found they were shooting at each other under a *misapprehension*. They shook hands, took a drink all round, and retired from the bloody field, *heraie gentlemen*. When they return to Washington, their fellow members of the National Legislature will be very cautious about insulting these sharpshooters, lest rifles be brought again into requisition.

Horrible Affray.

THREE MEN KILLED—SIX WOUNDED DANGEROUSLY, &c.

A party of about sixty workmen, engaged on the Ohio and Mississippi Railway, near the mouth of the Great Miami, got into some difficulty on Sunday, which resulted in a serious encounter at a temporary grog-shop that evening. It seems that the men were divided into two parties, one from this city and one from Lawrenceburg, and that bad blood had previously existed between them. On Monday night the Lawrenceburg party, having been discomfited in the first encounter, returned to take vengeance upon the others. A terrible affray ensued, in which shovels, pick-axes, iron bars, clubs, &c., were freely used, and the final result was three men killed, six badly and probably fatally wounded, and a large number of the remainder fearfully cut up and beaten. The excitement in the vicinity was very great; all work on the road was suspended, but nobody had been arrested up to 12 o'clock on Tuesday.

Urbanity will often lend a grace to actions that are of themselves ungracious.

Another Campaigner.

We learn from the "Ohio Statesman," that Dr. P. Johnson and Dr. Zinckle propose to publish a campaign paper at Columbus, entitled "Common sense against the Maine Law." The price of subscription is 25 cents, and no doubt the paper will have a large circulation. Like the temperance men, they eschew party politics, and go only for those men who are in favor of the unrestrained liquor traffic. One of the Editor's is a democrat and the other a whig, and consequently there is no design to play into the hands of any party, but the whisky party.

We most heartily rejoice at this movement for more reasons than one—1st. If there is any argument on the side of whisky, the learned Doctors will furnish it, the one in plain English and the other in plain Dutch, as their paper is to be half and half. 2nd. The truth has nothing to fear from investigation; it will cut its way and prevail. 3rd. All friends of temperance of strong political predilections, will see that liquor is more potent than party ties, with their enemies, and will be led to meet them on the ground they have selected. We shall seek an exchange—we anticipate something rich.

"The Rum Plague."

We have on our table a copy of this little book. It has been our pleasure to glance over its pages, and we take pride in commending it to the favorable perusal of all who love truth, virtue and temperance. It makes no pretensions to the fine-spun, sweet-worded phrases of poetry or romance, nor to deep-toned, metaphysical disquisition, but is a plain, elegantly written tale, tender and touching, which, from beginning to end, glows with the graces, and beams with the beauties of love, purity and fidelity. We are requested to say that any one desirous of obtaining a copy of this book, will be furnished with one, to order, elegantly bound in full cloth, free of postage, at any part of the United States, (or three copies for one dollar,) by sending the sum of fifty cents to John S. Taylor, 143 Nassau street, N. Y.

The New York Organ.

This widely circulated and deservedly popular family paper has just completed the twelfth year of its existence and entered upon its "teens." The anniversary of its birth was celebrated by a new dress throughout, and it comes to us full of valuable and interesting matter. For several years we read the Organ with great interest, but by a sort of misunderstanding it dropped from our exchange list. We have it again, and it never was more welcome than now.

Fulton.

The Editor addressed a large and spirited audience in Fulton, on Wednesday evening last. It was a great meeting, and will have a powerful effect on the Fulton boys. They are always on the right side of a question. The resolutions will be published next week.

Political.

At the recent primary election in this city and county the Democratic party decided that the Popular Vote System shall be resorted to for the nomination of candidates for the various offices to be filled at the coming fall election. The Democratic Executive Committee have issued their proclamation and the election of candidates will not come off until the 2d Monday in September, thus putting it off about six weeks later than ever known before! What does this mean? Are they afraid to have the merits and demerits of their candidates properly discussed before election day? Are they afraid of the Mi-amies, Sawbucks, Schuebendikes, or Maine Law Men? Who can answer? Up to this time neither the Whig or Free Soil Parties have made a move toward nominating a ticket. Taken altogether political matters look rather squally. But we will see what we will see!

A Good Idea.

The following resolution was adopted by Randolph Division, No. 631, S. of T., and we recommend it to the especial attention of other Divisions: "Resolved,—That all members of this Division who are not over three months in arrears for dues, who will subscribe for the OHIO ORGAN the coming year, the Division will pay one-half of the subscription price."

There are many reasons why this resolution should be adopted by other Divisions. It will increase the temperance feeling, which will benefit the Division. It will have the effect to keep the dues paid up, which to many is a source of great annoyance. If one-half the dues which Divisions are entitled to, were paid up, they would be prosperous and thriving.—A full treasury has a wonderful effect upon the attendance of members. *

Communications.

We have received more communications during the past week, than we can get in two or three Organs. They all breathe the pure spirit of temperance, and send in the glad tidings that "all is well!"—that the principles of the "annihilating law" are besoming the exciting topic of common conversation, and are daily becoming more popular with the masses, which is a source of very great annoyance of the "jerrydiddling," pot-house politicians, and old wind-broken political hacks. The crib at which they have fleeced the public is fast receding from their view, and in consequence their lamentations are awfully painful.

We wish those who send us in intelligence would study brevity, write plainly, and read it over after being finished to correct all mistakes, &c. This would be of immense advantage to us. *

The First Response.

Huron county is the first to respond to the call of the Executive Committee for funds. G. T. Stewart, Esq., Norwalk, says under date of 22d inst.: "Huron county will promptly pay its 300 dollar assessment, and most of it is now ready for the Agent." Hurrah for Huron county.—Maine Law Advocate.

Assessment of Hamilton County.

At the late meeting of the Executive Committee the following assessment was made on the city and county, for the purpose of a thorough and efficient canvass of the county. It is all-important that the friends of the cause make a prompt answer to this call. The amount is small, in comparison to the work to be done, and could be raised in one day, by a little exertion. We hope our friends will take right hold of this matter and "put it through" in quick time. The Committee meet on Monday next, and expect to receive reports from each ward and township. Bro. Samuel Free, on the part of Fulton, has already responded to the call, and paid in \$23.50. Fulton is ready and willing to do her part nobly.

All moneys handed in before or after the meeting, will be received by the Secretary, C. CLARK, and duly acknowledged in the Organ.

Anderson,	\$ 50 00
Sycamore,	50 00
Fulton,	50 00
Millcreek,	100 00
Spencer,	25 00
Columbia,	25 00
Cincinnati,	600 00
Colerain,	25 00
Springfield,	25 00
Delhi,	25 00
Storrs,	25 00
Greene,	50 00
Miami,	25 00
Whitewater,	25 00
Symmes,	25 00
Clifton,	25 00
Crosby,	25 00

Cincinnati Division, No. 2, on hearing of the death of Bro. CUMMINGS, G. W. P., appointed a committee to prepare suitable resolutions, expressive of their deep sorrow for his untimely death. The resolutions were reported at the last meeting, and adopted, and a copy ordered to be sent to the family of the deceased.

A Temperance Office.

All the journeymen in the office of the Daily and Weekly Sun are strong Maine Law men, and all belong to the "Sons." This is a high compliment to the craft, and will add to the reputation of the Sun establishment. We wish we could record the same pleasing fact of the other offices in our city. *

Temperance Hotel.

The United States' Hotel, Gaillipolis, O., is kept upon strict temperance principles. Should any of our readers visit that locality, they will be kindly cared for by the Landlord, CHARLES W. HOT. *

We regret to learn that Bro. EDWARDS has been indisposed during the past week. If any appointments or letters have been neglected, this will be a sufficient apology.

Bro. WILLIAMS will pay a visit to his family on next Monday. He will be absent about ten days.

Cheviot.

Bro. Williams informs us that he had a most excellent meeting on Wednesday evening last. The right spirit prevailed. Another meeting will be held on Friday for the organization of an efficient temperance society.