

The following figures are gathered from the Quarterly Returns received from 179 Divisions ending September, 1861. I find that new members admitted during this quarter are 716; contributing members, 7369. Had the whole of the Divisions reported, how different would have appeared the condition of the Order? I trust that the officers of Subordinate Divisions will see the importance of attending to this matter of making punctual and complete Returns each quarter. A worthy brother very sensibly remarks in sending in three quarterly Returns, too long delayed—"I trust that in future we will be more punctual in this matter. I am persuaded that the numerical strength of the Sons of Temperance is not known, neither can it be ascertained when so many are delinquent in sending their Returns. I am happy to state that our Division is still doing a good work; our members are staunch; we have something like twelve Ministers of the Gospel and a good many of the leading men of this place; and the feeling of our members is this, that as long as there is such a thing as alcohol, that blighting and withering curse in our land, there will be a Division of Sons of Temperance here to wage war with it."

The following Divisions are delinquent in not making Returns for quarter ending September, 1861:—Numbers 3, 5, 10, 14, 15, 16, 29, 34, 47, 48, 53, 55, 62, 65, 67, 68, 71, 83, 84, 90, 93, 94, 95, 105, 108, 111, 116, 121, 122, 125, 126, 129, 130, 137, 139, 147, 149, 150, 158, 159, 162, 176, 177, 184, 185, 189, 192, 204, 206, 208, 209, 212, 213, 219, 238, 247, 251, 252, 253, 256, 260, 261, 263, 273, 280, 282, 284, 285, 290, 299, 314, 316, 321, 322, 324, 325, 332, 337, 338, 340, 342, 343, 349, 351, 352, 358, 360, 363, 368, 374, 382, 385, 386, 389, 390, 391, 397, 400, 407.

Since the Semi-Annual Session the following eleven Divisions have been instituted:—

Name.	No.	County.	Name of D.G.W.P.
Unionist ...	187	Simcoe ...	Rev. J. Finch.
Farmers' ...	181	Ontario ...	A. D. Huckins.
Hornby ...	191	Halton ...	A. M. Snider.
Maple Leaf ...	179	Lambton ...	D. Cronkhite.
Sisterville... ..	193	Simcoe ...	W. Kidd.
Malton ...	295	Peel ...	Rev. William Rowe.
Epsom ...	338	Ontario ...	R. Houldershaw.
North Matilda ...	145	Dundas ...	A. Worthington, M.D.
Norfolk ...	110	Norfolk ...	J. J. Hargrave.
Streetsville ...	59	Peel ...	Wm. Elliott.
The Onward ...	197	Lanark ...	J. Stevenson.

The following Divisions have been resuscitated:—

Rural ...	24	Prince Edward County.
South Westmeath...	159	Renfrew "
Mimico ...	98	York "

I am satisfied that many Divisions that are weak or suspended could be revived by a judicious movement by one or more brothers. A good brother Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarch having succeeded in resuscitating a Division, has given the following valuable suggestions:—"The plan adopted in this case was to address notes to all who were supposed favorable to the movement, and also to every known inebriate, to attend a private meeting, &c. Quite an assemblage of comparative strangers met, and it was found that common ground on the temperance question could be taken. The cheering result was the reorganization of the Division."

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