

The R. S. of Avon Division, No. 12, ordering the erasure of the name of a representative—name ordered to be erased and the letter placed on file.

G. W. A. Bryden regretting his absence on account of ill-health—placed on file.

Wallace Parker, R. S., of Meander Division, No. 343, requesting on behalf of the Division the privilege of changing the location of the Division. After some discussion the subject was referred to the Executive who were empowered to grant the request if considered desirable.

The Secretary of the Grand Section, Cadets of Temperance, conveying thanks to this Grand Body for publishing the proceedings of their annual session in our journals—letter placed on file.

The special committee to arrange for the public meeting, reported the following, which, on motion, was adopted:—

ORDER OF EXERCISES.

Grand W. P. takes chair at 7 p. m.

Sing "Opening Ode."

Prayer by G. Chaplain.

Opening address by G. W. P.

Speeches by:—T. W. Chesley, G. C., Rev. J. G. Hennigar, J. Daniels, J. McLearn, D. G. W. P.; J. F. L. Parsons, G. S.; W. Williams, P. G. W. A.; A. Longley, P. G. W. P.; T. Hutchings, P. G. W. P. and G. Lecturer.

On motion it was resolved that members of the Grand Division be clothed in regalia during the public meeting.

The G. W. P. read his report, which, on motion, was placed in possession of the committee on the state of the order:—

HALIFAX, N. S., JAN. 26, 1875.

To the Grand Division, S. of T. of Nova Scotia,—

WORTHY BROTHERS,—

In tendering my first report as the honoured head of this Grand Division, I have to state, that in consequence of indisposition for some days previous, I have not been able to prepare and place before you such a statement as you have a right to expect, or as I would like to make, but I have been obliged to make it as brief as possible. In naming the fact that this Body represents one hundred and sixty Divisions, with a membership of ten thousand, besides the Cadets and Bands of Hope in connection, we have great cause of thankfulness and congratulation; taking these numbers as compared with our whole population, it shows the advanced position we hold as an organization, and in connection with other temperance institutions, it also shows that the fair Province of Nova Scotia, is progressing