

tokens of his blessing on our labours. It would be ungrateful and impious to fail to acknowledge our obligations.

Deeming it unnecessary on the present occasion to advert further to details, the committee will confine themselves to practical suggestions.

They recognize the wisdom and public Spirit of the Agency Committee in sending three Agents into the field. The work in which we are engaged cannot be efficiently carried on without constant supervision and reiterated appeals. While, however, we rejoice in the appointment of those brethren, whose excellent adaptation to the labours of the enterprise is confessed by all, it behoves us to bear in mind that they look to us for support, and that a considerable increase of "material aid" is demanded. Individual members of the Order, as well as the Divisions in their corporate capacity, may be expected to sustain the Agency by liberal contributions.

A suggestion in the Grand Worthy Patriarch's report will be acted on, we trust, by many a member who holds "the pen of a ready writer." Much that transpires in various parts of the Province ought to be reported to the Public, for information, for warning, or for encouragement. The efforts of our foes, particularly, whether taking the shape of intrigue, wearing the mask of good intentions, or assuming the attitude of brazen-faced defiance, ought to be continually chronicled. It will greatly encourage our worthy brother, the Editor of the *Abstainer*, if voluntary reporters will furnish him from time to time with well-authenticated facts. Opponents, too, will probably become more meek and modest if they find that there are some among them "taking notes."

The Committee feel that the cause of Temperance is much indebted to those friends who have taken action in the establishment of Bands of Hope. They recommend that the Bands meet regularly all the year round, and they beg leave to express their warmest desire that those useful institutions may receive countenance and comfort from the friends of Temperance in their respective localities, and from ministers of the gospel, of all denominations.

Highly approving of the steps already taken by the officers of the Grand Division, in relation to Star in the East Division, the Committee cheerfully recommend that a duplicate charter be granted to the Division, free of charge.

In the Reports of the Grand Worthy Patriarch and the Grand Scribe, references are made to losses by death which our order in this Province, has sustained during the past quarter. The Committee are reminded that since the Grand Division met in this place one of the warmest advocates of Temperance has been removed to the better world. The Rev. William Chipman was a zealous and consistent Temperance man from the commencement of our cause, and he never gave up. Let us follow him and others, who now rest from their labours. "The night cometh, when no man can work."

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