

mayed by the odium which, as the occupant of a house of correction and the companion of felons, he is conscious will ever cling to him.

"We do not attempt to present the appeal of the wretched drunkard himself; the only object we have in view is to call the attention of the Legislature to a subject of great magnitude in its bearings, inasmuch as it is closely connected with our present pauper and prison discipline, and relates to the well-being of the community and at least three-fourths of those who now crowd our lock-ups and prisons.

"Your memorialists humbly pray for the appointment of a committee of your honorable body to receive information and report, hoping the issue will be the establishment of a Provincial Asylum for Inebriates.

"And your memorialists, as in duty bound, will ever pray."

The whole respectfully submitted in Love, Purity and Fidelity.

R. D. WADSWORTH,  
JAMES QUIGG,  
JACOB LAWRENCE,  
ABISHAI MORSE,  
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Moved by Representative Rev. R. D. WADSWORTH, seconded  
by Representative G. FLETCHER—

That the ~~able~~ Report submitted by ~~Brother Wadsworth~~ be received and adopted. Carried.

The Committee on the Grand Worthy Patriarch's Report  
submitted the following Report:—

TO THE GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCH, OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
GRAND DIVISION:

Your Committee to whom was referred the Grand Worthy Patriarch's Address report as follows:—

(1.) Acknowledging the good hand of God upon us in all the vicissitudes incidental to human organizations, we deeply regret that any apathy on the part of brothers should allow a membership that once reached over 17,000 to suffer the large declension alluded to by the Grand Worthy Patriarch.

(2.) We trust that in the present Session some comprehensive measures may be taken to throw new life and new activity into our Order; and we heartily sympathize with the prayer of our Grand Worthy Patriarch that "He alone who is able to keep us from falling" may give us wisdom in all our deliberations for the elevation of the human race.

(3.) We believe with the Grand Worthy Patriarch that the nonpayment of dues, owing perhaps in some instances to want of regularity and efficiency in the execution of the important office of Financial Scribe, may be one principal cause of the declension of our membership.

(4.) We regret that the continuance of civil war among our Brothers in the United States should continue to interfere with the full and proper working of our Order, but we are pleased to hear that such successful efforts are being made to promote the cause of temperance in the large army of the Republic.

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