

G. W. P.'s REPORT.

MONTREAL, Oct. 26, 1852.

To the Officers and Brothers of the Grand Division of C.E. :

BROTHERS,

The observance of our first annual meeting suggest a review of the past, as well as the duty of recognising the good hand of Him who has hitherto sustained us.

As you are aware, it is not yet twelve months since this Grand Division was organized amidst much weakness, and it may be in much trembling on the part of some, yet it has always been our impression, that the interest of the Order demanded a Grand Division for Canada East, and our faith was strong as to our success. It is true we had a small beginning—six Divisions—but we have trebled that number, and instead of six, we are now eighteen strong. This we would regard as an encouraging indication that our faith was not groundless, and that the fears and trembling of others should give place to the firm determination to add yet eighteen more before our next annual meeting.

Since I had the honor to fill the chair of G. W. P., I cannot omit to notice the unanimity that has prevailed in all our councils, and to note the apparent prevailing disposition of all composing the Grand Division, to do what seemed best for the general good. Allow me to say that this is the only way by which our efficiency can be kept up, and consequently our usefulness promoted.

I have not had the privilege of visiting any of the Subordinate Divisions, except those in the city, and have had the Report of but two Deputies ; namely, Deputies Geo. Mathewson, Quebec, and the Deputy for Aylmer ; but from other sources I have reason to know that the Divisions, with two or three exceptions, are progressing.

In giving up the seals of office, so to speak, permit me to record my grateful sense of the kind consideration