

The Grand Conductor introduced representatives Wm. Forrest and Nicholas Mosher, 4th, No. 13; and Donald A. McPhee,* No. 92, who were duly initiated and took their seats.

Grand Division resumed business.

The Grand Scribe having made suggestions in reference to liquidating certain claims against the Grand Division, it was, on motion, resolved that he refer said suggestions to the Standing Committee on Finance.

On motion of Grand Conductor, seconded by G. J. Creed, it was *Resolved*, That this Grand Division instruct their representatives to apply to the National Division at their coming Session, to appoint the meeting of that body for the year 1858, to be held in the city of Halifax.

On motion, 400 copies of Journal of Proceedings of this Session were ordered to be printed.

The Committee on State of the Order presented the following report:—

The Committee on the state of the Order, beg leave to report as follows:

Your Committee regret that they are compelled to reiterate the complaints of remissness on the part of many of the Deputies whereby it is impossible to determine with any accuracy the state of the Order throughout the Province.

From the information received as contained in the reports of the G.W.P. and G.S., your Committee are of opinion that the Order generally is in a more healthy state than for some time past, and that signs of renewed activity are manifesting themselves in several localities.

The Cause in Halifax appears to advance with steady pace, and the large accessions of Military to its ranks are among its most pleasing features. The Committee are of opinion that this continued improvement is largely owing to the zeal and activity of the energetic Deputy, and the co-operation of the old Temperance Society.

The report of the Committee in Cape Breton affords a gratifying evidence of what can be done by active and persevering

* "D. McPhee's Credentials not having been sent in, and two Representatives from the same Division vouching that he had been duly elected, he was admitted for Initiation.