to be held in Montreal on the 3rd Wednesday in January next. Adopted.

Grand Division adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock p.m.

2 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment. G.W.P. presiding. Services of Grand Chaplain.

Reps. Currie, of N. Stanbridge, and Josleyn, of Bedford, being in waiting, were introduced by the Grand Con., and obligated.

G.W.P. read his report, which was, on motion, referred to Good and Welfare Committee.

BEDFORD, JUNE 9th, 1862.

Officers and Brethren of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of C. E.

Through a well directed train of God's Providence we are permitted once more to assemble in Grand Division for the transaction of business pertaining to the well-fare of this Order. May harmony and good feeling characterize all our deliberations, and may we feel at the close of this meeting that it has been good for us to be here; may we be encouraged and strengthened to go on prosecuting this warfare against the giant evil of our day, until the glorious light of Prohibition shall dawn upon our land, and the nefarious traffic in strong drink be considered by law as a sin, and by public sentiment a nuisance in society, until our Temperance banner floats from every hill, and waves on every plain ; then peace shall flow like a river, and righteousness like the waves of the sea; the widow's tear be dried up and the orphan's wail be heard no more. Then thousands will rise up to call us blessed for rescuing their fathers and mothers, brothers and sisters from degradation and ruin.

May we labor for these high and noble purposes, trusting in Him who is able to give us all things richly to enjoy.

In submitting my Semi-Annual Report, it is with some degree of pleasure that I inform this Grand Division of the onward progress of the temperance cause through the influence of our noble Order. Notwithstanding the depression in money matters that has kept many from joining our ranks, and many from going out into the field to labor for our cause, we have moved steadily forward, and one new Division has been organized, and several have been resuscitated.

- I have been permitted to visit several of the Divisions, and found them all working well. and the reports I have received from the various Deputies are quite encouraging, except one or $tw\sigma$, as you will see from the extracts I will now lay before you.

Cameron Division.

Bro. Peter Duffy, D.G.W.P. says that since that Division was reorganised in November last, they have been continually progressing; new accessions are made to their ranks almost every meeting, and there is a renewed energy on the part of all the members. He also speaks with deep regret of the death of one of their best and most active members, Bro. Thomas Mace, whose departure we deeply feel in this Grand Division but what is our loss is his eternal gain.

D. G. W. P. Wm. McCormick speaks of Howard Division, No. 1, as being in a very healthy condition.

D. C. Boyce, D. G. W. P., reports that St. Michael's Division is not in so fourishing a condition as it was two years ago, but after ten years hard fighting against the great enemy they are determined never to give up.

North Missisquoi Division, Bro. Meigs, D. G. W. P. gives a very favourable report of this Division; he writes: Since their public soiree last winter they have been making rapid strides, and were moving on harmoniously; also,

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