

COMMITTEE ROOM, HALIFAX, N. S., Aug. 13, 1878.

To the G. W. P., Officers and Members of the Grand Section, Cadets of Temperance of the Province of Nova Scotia :

Your committee on Grand Officers reports beg leave to state that they have before them for consideration the report of the Grand Worthy Patron.

We are also pleased to meet the members of the Grand Section in annual session to legislate upon the means best adapted to further the interests of the great cause for which we are associated, and hope that the session will be beneficial to the more general success of this particular branch of the Temperance army.

With regard to the memorial to the Grand Division, proposing the alteration of the age of admission to the Order of the Sons of Temperance, from 14 to 16 years, your committee think that such an alteration is necessary for the welfare of our Order, and recommend that such a memorial be prepared.

We are pleased to notice that two new Sections have been formed during the past year, and while wishing them great prosperity, trust that this may be an incentive to stimulate us to renewed activity in endeavouring to establish new sections in the unrepresented parts of our province.

We regret that some of our sections have been dormant for some time past, and hope that an effort will be made to induce them to shake off their lethargy and again fall into line.

Your committee is of opinion that a visit from the G. W. P. as a special agent from the Grand Section to establish sections in the various towns of the Province would meet with that success which it so richly deserves, and would suggest that an amount of money should be placed at his disposal for this purpose.

We regret that it was beyond the power of our G. W. P. to place the Order on a footing in the Island of Newfoundland, notwithstanding his earnest efforts in that direction.

Your committee think it would be a step in the right direction to grant subordinate sections the privilege of electing honorary members to the position of Associate Patrons.

We would recommend the immediate importation of a number of certificates of membership, as per sample presented by our G. W. P., at last night's meeting, and that the executive be requested to make the necessary alteration.

In closing this report your committee beg to recognize the great amount of good done to our order by the efforts of the G. W. P., so ably seconded by the Grand Sec'y, and hope that these two brothers who have worked so incessantly for the promotion of our cause will long be enabled to labour among us for the furtherance of those principles which we hold so dear, and the elevation of our standard of Truth, Virtue and Temperance.

Signed in the Bonds of T. V. & T.,

WM. W. BEER,
BENJ. W. R. TAYLER.
DANIEL MURRAY.

On motion it was *resolved*, that the Executive be instructed to procure 100 copies of the certificate of membership mentioned in the (474) VOL. IX.

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