

duced and initiated according to the impressive ritual of the Grand Division.

The G.W.P. appointed Committees as follows :

*On State of the Order*—R. S. McCurdy, G.W.A., of No. 17; Wm. Layton, of No. 52; J. C. Johnson, D.G.W.P. of 242.

*On Communications*—D.G.W.P.'s John McLearn, of 309; Francis Layton, 52; Hugh Fraser, 92.

The Grand Scribe read a communication from Deputy J. P. Smith of Avon Division; also a memorial from S. J. Dillson, Esq.; and a letter from the R.S. of New Glasgow Division No. 17, and a protest duly sealed and signed from said Division against the action of the Grand Division in passing a resolution respecting New Glasgow Division during the last sitting of the Annual meeting. All which were referred to the Committee on communications.

Rev. M. P. Freeman P.G.W.A. of the G.D. of P. E. Island, and subsequently a member of Victoria Mines Division No. 108 until it ceased working, applied through the G.W.P. for a Clearance Card from this Grand Division.

William McKeen, Esq., P.W.P. of Gibraltar No. 271 applied through the G. Scribe for a Clearance Card.

By resolutions unanimous, Cards were granted to these Brethren.

The following Report of the Committee on Charters was read and adopted, and handed to the Committee on the State of the Order for their information:—

TO THE G. W. P., OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF GRAND DIVISION,

*Assembled in Middle Musquodoboit, Jan'y 27, 1874.*

Your Committee on Charters and the formation of New Divisions beg to report that two of us were present on the evening of December 1st, in Star Hall, Agricola Street, Halifax city, when the G.W.P. organized Northern Star Division.

(1.) No. 354—Charter granted to Major Theakston and twenty-one others.

We further report that we approve of the issuing of Charters for new Divisions organized by the Grand Worthy Patriarch, as follows:—

(2.) 5th December, to G. A. Barron and *twenty* others, residents of Mount Denison, Hants County for WATERMORE Division, No. 355.

(3.) On 6th December to Jas. B. Allen and *thirty-two* others residents of Lockhartville, Kings County, for NEWTON Division, No. 356.

(4.) On December 17 to Thomas Banks and *thirty-three* others, residents of Nictaux Falls, Annapolis County, for NICTAUX Division, No. 357.

(5.) On 9th December, to David A. Eagles and *thirty-seven* others, residents of White Rock, Kings County, for WHITE ROCK Division, No. 353.

(6.) On 22nd Decr., to Rev. J. J. Teasdale and *thirty-eight* others, residents of Middleton, Wilmot, Annapolis County, for MIDDLETON Division, No. 359.

(7.) On 9th January, to Alexander Grant and *twenty* others, residents of