

We regret to perceive that a good number of the Subordinate Divisions are falling into the reprehensible practice of neglecting to send in their quarterly returns to the Grand Scribe, as also the per capita tax. This is not as it should be. The brothers ought to remember that they are as much bound to perform this part of their obligation as they are to keep inviolate Article 2 of the Constitution of Subordinate Divisions. The law ought to be rigidly enforced in this respect, otherwise the usefulness of our Grand Division will be very much impaired. The Deputies ought to refuse the pass-word in every case until the quarterly returns are made out, and the per capita tax appropriated.

We rejoice that the utmost good feeling prevails among the members of Subordinate Divisions, and not a single case of appeal is to be brought before the Grand Division this Session. "Let brotherly love abound."

We rejoice to learn that the Order of "Cadets of Temperance," is again being revived in Canada East. May the Order go on prospering. We hope the "Sons" will give these youthful teetotalers every encouragement and support. To them we look for recruits to fill our ranks, when we have departed to another sphere of existence.

We heartily concur with the sentiments of the G. W. P., with respect to the position the Church of Christ ought to occupy in regard to the temperance question, and would highly recommend Subordinate Divisions to carry out his recommendations, and get Ministers to preach occasional sermons on temperance, if their preaching did nothing more than keep our great principles before the public, it would do much; for our cause is destined to live until its end is accomplished.

We highly approve of the suggestion of the M. W. P. with regard to raising a fund to help our suffering fellow teetotalers in Britain. At this moment their sufferings are most intense, and no doubt anything sent from us would be thankfully received. The Grand Division of Canada West has done its duty in this respect. And although now rather late in the day, we yet can send our subscriptions. We hope the G. D. will appoint a Committee to attend to this matter at once.

We rejoice that the cause of temperance is progressing satisfactorily. We care not by what class of men or organization this is accomplished. If it is done by Good Templars we still rejoice. Their cause is our cause, and our cause is their cause. There is room enough for us all. Intemperance is a wide field, and if the temperance societies were increased tenfold, there would be work enough for us all to do. "Let us therefore work while it is day, for the night cometh when no man can work."

Your Committee are strongly of the opinion that the recommendation of the National Division, with regard to celebrating the majority of the Order of the Sons, should be adopted. We, therefore hope this Grand Division will take such action in the premises, that all Subordinate Divisions in its jurisdiction may have timely notice as to its wishes in this respect.

Your Committee are of opinion that the Grand Division should continue to urge upon Subordinate Divisions the necessity of continuing to petition for laws calculated to suppress the liquor traffic. Your Committee were pleased to observe that a very important measure was introduced last Session of Parliament, bearing on this subject, by Mr. Dunkin, M.P.P., and had it not been for the abrupt close of the Session, there was every prospect of its having become law. Let us hope that although this measure was lost last Parliament, Mr. Dunkin will persevere and have it carried through this. Although this measure does not give us all we have been asking, yet it gives us more power than ever we had conferred before, and would have answered its purpose well if passed.

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