

The G. W. P. named the following Standing Committees:—  
 Good and Welfare;—Reps. Breadner, Dalgleish and Wm. White.  
 Finance.—Reps. J. A. Reed, J. Allen and K. Ross.  
 Appeals.—Reps. T. Robinson, W. L. Whyte, Dunsmore,  
 Gibson and McGinnis.

Publications, &c.—Reps. Martin, Barrett and Robinson.

Moved by Grand Conductor, and seconded.—That the Grand Division suspend proceedings, to allow Bethel, Ormstown Division to meet to initiate members. Carried.

Grand Division suspended proceedings.

Grand Division resumed its sitting.—

G. W. P. read his Report.

Durham, Ormstown, January, 20th, 1869.

*To the Members of the G. D. of the Province of Quebec.*

Dear Brethren,

The wheels of time has again brought the appointed period for holding the Semi-Annual Session of our Grand Division.

The providence of God has preserved our lives and permitted us once more to meet to interchange the greetings of an exalted friendship, to strengthen and encourage one another in the discharge of duty, to consult upon the state, interests and success of our Order, to sympathize in disappointments which have retarded the progress of the labors of love in which we are engaged, and to renew our pledges to labor on in this good cause, until we "conquer peace" by inflexible purpose and indomitable perseverance.

I need not detain you by any lengthened reference to the object we have in view, inasmuch as I am not addressing those who have never yet "smelt powder" in this war, nor am I speaking to those who have been compelled contrary to their convictions to enlist in this army, and who therefore lack that enthusiasm which ensures success, but I address myself to companions in arms, who have stood shoulder to shoulder in many a well fought engagement; to veterans who can proudly exhibit the trophies of hardly won victories; many of you my seniors in the ranks and who have a stronger claim to that proud distinction which you have been pleased to confer upon me.

I need hardly say that it affords me much gratification to meet you once again and I trust that we shall have a pleasant and profitable meeting, that old friendships will be cemented, that new ones will be formed upon which we can look back with pleasure, that our deliberations whilst characterized by that freedom which has ever marked our discussions, will be as free from acrimony as in the past, and be made in the hands of Providence abundantly instrumental in promoting the interests of our noble Order, and the prosperity of the cause of Temperance.

Looking over the whole of the civilized world, it is delightful to contemplate the onward progress of our principles, and the steady, but sure advance which is being made to the accomplishment of our true aim—viz, the annihilation of the traffic in intoxicating liquors.

In Great Britain, during the recent elections, the Maine Law in embryo, the Permissive, Bill was kept prominently before the electors, and a much larger number of its supporters have found seats in the reformed Parliament than ever before, let us pray that they may have the wisdom and courage to inaugurate the greatest reform that country has ever seen.

In Russia, where the evils of intemperance have kept pace with the facili-