of these, and here is the utility, and reason for the existence of a central part of our organized system, known as the Grand Division. Neither individual members nor subordinate Divisions can provide a sufficient fund to make it possible to plan and carry out any considerable project for propagation of this Order, which we believe to be one of the most effective agencies for the spread of Temperance. This can only be done by a body experienced in the work, with a knowledge of the field at large, with competent men at their command and a sufficient fund at numbered and filed as a voucher. their disposal to warrant the undertaking. In another article we will take up the constitution and functions of the Grand Division and in this confine ourselves to a mere outline of the object of, and benefits received from the capitation tax, which is an integral part of all organizations having local, subordinate branches.

- 1. Union is strength.
- 2. Union is secured only by organization, which also brings with it, the essentials of concentration, perpetuation and power.
- 3. Uniformity of ritual, usages and method, and the privilege of meeting in convention, others bound by the same obligation, with like aims and aspirations, working for the same glorious cause, with whom we can counsel and confer as to ways and means, from whom we can get encouragement and strength.
- 4. It affords a medium for assisting weak and struggling Divisions in their times of ad versity, and for spreading and extending the influence of the Order.
- 5. The consciousness of being a part of a great and powerful brotherhood, whose high mission is zealously, constantly and widely pursued, is an inspiration and an incentive to effort to each member of it.
- 6. By himself each individual is tossed about by the varying gusts of circumstance and current opinion, his effort at best is weak, local organizations may from local causes become discouraged and upset, but knowing itself to be a part of a brave and invincible army moving forward under the old tricolored banner of Temperance against the greatest enemy of the human race, a Division of our Order must and will take heart and persevere in the good work in the face of present trial and difficulty.

## DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

## The Treasurer.

The office of Treasurer is a responsible one. The duties are clearly set forth in the Installation Charge and in the constitution. It is his duty to receive all funds from the Financial Scribe at the close of each meeting or

## THE TREASURER'S BOOK.

An ordinary account book does for this purpose. In it he should enter on the "Dr." side all moneys received from the Financial Scribe, and on the "Cr." side all moneys paid out.

give a specimen page. Only one book is required by the Treasurer.

The Treasurer should pay out no money from Division funds except on orders voted by the Division and signed by the Recrding Scribe have the holder sign his name on the back before payment; an order thus endorsed will the Treasurer's receipt for the money paid out. When money is paid out entry should be made on the "Cr." side of the book, and the receipt

The Treasurer should always be found in his place and discharge his trust in such a manner as to illustrate the third cardinal virtue in our motto, "Fidelity."

#### The Conductor.

The beauty and impressiveness of our ceremonies depend much on the prompt action and dignified demeanor of the Conductor. Before a candidate is admitted for initiation be should see that all cards are in the hands of the officers, the ode cards distributed, water and goblets ready, and the room in order. He should be familiar with the Ritual, and know without hesitation how and where to conduct the candidates to receive the respective charges. His part should be spoken in firm audible tones and at just the proper time. A simpering or flippant Conductor is an abomination.

In addition to the ceremonies the Conductor's duties include looking after the regalia before and after adjournment, distributing and collecting officers' and ode cards, etc. He should be early at his post, always bear in mind that as much ability is required to properly conduct the ceremonies of the Order as would be called for in any society or at any function in the

# OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The following commissions have been issued: Miss Carrie Dennis, Schomberg D.G.W.P. of Brownsville Division No. 29.

Miss Ida E. Rushbrooke, Toronto D.G.W.P. of Ontario Division No 26.

Bro. A. J. Reynolds, Scarboro Junction, special G.W.P.

Dispensations have been issued for the installation of Bro. Miller, W.P., Toronto Junction Division and Bro. Will Maxwell as Treasurer of Lowville Division.

Bros. W. H. Bewell, J. K. Stewart, Thomas Carswell and F. C. Ward have been appointed to represent this Order on the Advisory Committee of the Dominion Alliance respecting the Plebiscite Bill.

At the time of going to press the following Divisions for the quarter ending March 31st. have reported the following gains and thus win the photograph of the G. D. of the Toronto Session. St. Albans, 48; Brampton, 33; Rock Port, 27; Enterprise (in Addington County) 26; Lincoln (Port Dalhousie) 20; Solina, 19; Newcastle, 19; Lyn, 16; Life Boat call issued in last RECORD and fittingly cele-The form is so simple that it is not necessary to (Cain Town) 15, Toronto Junction, 21. Other brate the founding of the Order in Ontario.

Divisions making good returns are :- Peerless, Glenville, Keswick, Enterprise (York County), Sterling, Allanwood, South Augusta, Hornby, Tyrone, Stroud and many others who come slightly under the number necessary. Special and Worthy Patriarch. He should always mention might be made of Clyde Division No. 409, which has made a net gain of 132 in membership in fifteen months, and already has had several initiations this quarter.

> New Divisions have been organized at St. Williams, Box Grove and Bishop Hawkin's Division, Chestnut Street, Toronto.

> We regret many interesting news items from Divisions are crowded out this issue. From many we hear of active efforts in closing up bars and other effective work of which space will not permit the publication.

## GOOD OF THE ORDER.

D.G.W.P's should not fail to take the "RECORD" to Divisions and read all official circulars and other items of interest.

Do not say "our Division is small and weak and has never done anything worthy of note." You undertake its influence. A few years ago a Division, one of the poorest within the writer's knowledge, initiated a young man a slave to drink. It did little else worth recording, and soon after collapsed through causes not very creditable to some who aspired to be leading members, but that young was deeply impressed by the solemnity of the Initiation Ceremony, felt his position, endured a terrible fight with appetite and conquered, and has since become an active useful citizen in church and state. Every Division even the weakest, has great influence for good.

In these busy days we seldom note any except prominent or striking events, but underneath this is the quiet educational influence of our Divisions, that has had much to do with the changed conditions brought about within the past fifty years, an influence for good, the potency and magnitude of which eternity alone will reveal.

There is perhaps no better way to build up a Division than by the old "Contest" plan. Two leaders are chosen who select their sides, judges are appointed to keep tally and each side gives entertainment on alternate evenings. Marks are given for new members introduced, for speeches, recitations and other entertainment according to merit. This is simply a way of getting every member interested and at work. If there is any danger of the excitement becoming too high three captains can be named. Full particulars will be given any who have not tried it and wish information.

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