

sions, to be used in 'carrying on the missionary work of the Order in their respective jurisdictions, by sending forth lecturers and organizing Divisions.'"

The decisions of the M. W. P. on the subject of female membership, given during last year, and communicated to this Grand Division at the January meeting, were all confirmed by the National Division.

By the report of the Most Worthy Scribe it will be seen that, according to the Returns for year ending December 31st, 1866, Nova Scotia was the *second* as regards the total number of Subordinate Divisions, total number of members, and number of Lady Visitors admitted; and *third* in the number of members admitted and total number of Lady Visitors—our Grand jurisdiction thus occupying a better position than ever before in the National body. The following are the principal items from the M. W. Scribe's Statistical Report :

Number of Divisions	1,467
Members admitted	44,038
Whole number members	72,375
Lady Visitors admitted.....	17,586
Whole number of Visitors	59,076
Deaths	472
Children in Temperance Organizations	31,119

In his Report the Most Worthy Scribe says :

"The Order in the several States, except those bordering on the Pacific coast, has been generally prosperous; while in some of the British Provinces, rapid strides have been made. Eastern New York shows a net gain of about 5,000; Ohio 2,500; Pennsylvania 2,200; Nova Scotia 1,900; Illinois and Tennessee 1,500 each; Indiana 1,200, Massachusetts and District of Columbia, 700 each; Virginia, West Virginia, Western New York, Maine, New Jersey, Connecticut, Kentucky, Kansas, Maryland, Rhode Island and Newfoundland, from 100 to 500 each; and Delaware, New Hampshire, and Canada East, report smaller gains. Canada West has laboured under many disadvantages the past year, and has lost in membership nearly 700—nearly as much as the total loss in all the other jurisdictions.

The Grand Division of Nevada, Oregon, and South Kentucky, are not in working order, and no returns have been received from them the past year. Three Grand Divisions have been organized the past year : Grand Division of Texas, February 13, 1867; Grand Division of Iowa, April 13, 1867; Grand Division of South Carolina, April 24, 1867."

There are 37 Grand Divisions under the jurisdiction of the National Division.

The next meeting of the National Division is to be held in Nashville, Tennessee, on Wednesday 20th day of May, 1868.

You will be pleased to learn that our Order is prospering in New South Wales.

I herewith submit for your information copies of the Reports of the Most Worthy Patriarch and Most Worthy Scribe. In both these documents there is much to encourage the Order throughout the entire jurisdiction.