

Alexander Logan, of 167, who were initiated and assigned seats in the Grand Division.

The Grand Sentinel entered and took his place.

Bro. Rev. K. McKenzie, from Committee on state of the Order, presented the following Report, which was considered clause by clause, and adopted after conversation on the various clauses :—

The Committee on the State of the Order within the jurisdiction of the Grand Division, beg leave to report as follows, viz :

That your Committee have much pleasure in learning from the Quarterly Reports of the Grand Worthy Patriarch and Grand Scribe, submitted to them, that the Order generally throughout the Province is in a flourishing and progressive state, as appears from the formation of several new Divisions, and increase of members.

Your Committee regard it as an omen for good, that although the progress is not so rapid as they could wish, yet there is a *constant* movement in the right direction.

Your Committee in common with the former, have also to regret that the services of a public lecturer has not yet been obtained, yet they are of opinion that the same good might be accomplished were several Counties to unite in employing the services of a lecturer for a few months of the year, within their respective bounds.

Your Committee also rejoice to know that the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of the Lower Provinces, at its late sitting, have given a true sound on the cause of Temperance, as may be seen by the Report of the Committee on Temperance adopted by that body, and which has recently been published in the *Abstainer* ; and that many other ministers of various denominations, as well as they, have put forth praiseworthy efforts in advancing the cause during the past year.

Your Committee are sorry to find that so many Divisions have neglected to forward their Quarterly Returns, and think that a laxity in the performance of so important a duty persisted in, will not fail to have a very injurious effect on the general interests and proper working of the Order. They also feel very much disappointed that the various Divisions of the Island have not been more fully represented than they are on the present occasion.