

two terms in a subordinate office or offices, or as Chaplain.

SEC. 2.—No Brother shall be eligible to the office of W.P., W. A., or T., who is under twenty-one years of age, except by dispensation from the Grand Division: provided, nevertheless, that no person, elevated to the office of W. P. by such dispensation, shall be elected a Representative to a Grand Division, and that no Grand Division shall have the right or authority to grant a dispensation under this act except to the Divisions located in Colleges or Institutions of Learning.

ARTICLE X.

VIOLATING ARTICLE II.

SEC. 1.—It is the duty of every member who has evidence that another has violated Article 2nd, to prefer the charge, and specify the offence to the Division within three weeks after coming into possession of such evidence.

SEC. 2.—The charge for violating Article 2. shall be presented in writing, duly signed, when it shall be referred to a committee of five members, who shall, as soon as practicable, summon the parties and investigate the matter.

SEC. 3.—The committee shall organize by appointing a chairman and secretary. The secretary shall make a correct record of the proceedings, with such testimony as may be presented, which record shall be produced to the Division on the call of any member, after the committee have reported.

SEC. 4.—If the committee agree that the charge is sustained, they shall report the fact to the Division, by resolution, with a second resolution to the effect that the member be reinstated, if they think proper, which report and resolutions shall lie upon the table at least one week, and the offending member shall be notified of the character of the resolutions, by the R. S., and requested to be present at the time appointing for considering the same, with a view of giving an opportunity to make a defence.

SEC. 5.—If the committee agree that the charge is not sustained, they shall report a resolution to that effect, and, if the resolution be adopted, the charge shall be dismissed.

SEC. 6.—When the committee report the charge sustained, and a majority of the members present at a regular meeting, ballot in favor thereof, the offending person shall forfeit membership, and the W. P. shall direct his name to be erased from the Constitution. If a majority of the Division vote in opposition to the resolution, all further proceedings shall be stayed, subject to appeal.

SEC. 7.—If two thirds of those voting are in favour of reinstating a member who has been found guilty of violating Article 2nd, such member shall be restored to membership by re-signing the Constitution. The power to reinstate shall not, however, extend over the term of one month from the time of receipt of notice by the offending member that the charge has been proved. But if a member neglect to come forward to sign the constitution for one month after receiving notice of reinstatement, or, if a member is not reinstated, the W. P. shall declare such member expelled.

SEC. 8.—The forfeiture of membership under this Article, shall involve the forfeiture of all honors possessed by the member when the name was erased from the Constitution.

SEC. 9.—If a member come forward and acknowledge a violation of Article 2, the Division, after erasure of his name, may, at

their option, re-instate the member on the same evening, in the manner prescribed in Section 7.

SEC. 10.—No member against whom a charge has been brought under this Article shall be present when any vote is taken in the case, either in Committee or Division.

ARTICLE XI.

No alteration or addition shall be made to this Constitution, unless by a two-third vote of the National Division.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

OFFICIAL.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 14th, 1857.

The Grand Division S. of T. of the Province of Nova Scotia will meet in Quarterly Session at Nictaux, Annapolis County, on Wednesday, 22nd day of April, at 10 o'clock, A. M. of which officers and representatives will please take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

The D. G. W. Ps are earnestly requested to forward the Returns and per capita tax to the Grand Scribe before the 15th of April.

Recording Scribes will please minute on their Returns the number of representatives to the G. D.; also the number of female visitors admitted. They are also requested to be careful in making up the Returns to the G. D. and the credentials of representatives, and see that the Seal of their Division is attached to the same.

Recording Scribes will bear in mind that the seal of their Division should be affixed to all official communications.

The G. S. deems it necessary to inform the Subordinate Divisions, that the Representatives to the National Division will attend the next meeting of that body for the purpose of representing the general interests of the Order in this Province, independent of the question of separation. It is hoped, therefore, that such Divisions as have not yet made appropriations towards the expenses of the Representatives elected at the Annual Session of the G. D., will do so without delay.

In reply to a "Son," the G. S. would state that "individuals may contribute towards this object."

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PAT. MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

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The undersigned, inhabitants of ———, believing the Order of the Sons of Temperance to be well calculated to extend the blessings of Total Abstinence, and promote the general welfare of mankind, respectfully petition

THE GRAND DIVISION OF THE PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA,

to grant them a Charter to open a new Division, to be called the ——— Division, No. ———, Sons of Temperance of the Province of Nova Scotia, to be located in ———, and under your jurisdiction.

We pledge ourselves, individually and collectively, to be governed by the rules and usages of said Grand Division, and also by those of the National Division of North America.

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As in duty bound will ever pray.
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