

Due to Athenæum Office, printing Peti-	}	3	18	8
tions, &c.				
“ W. Grant		0	16	6
“ Alpin Grant		0	4	0
“ Grand Scribe, Quarter’s Salary		7	10	0
“ B. G. Page		0	4	0
Total Liabilities		£72	17	2

ASSETS.

Due by E. G. W. Greenwood	£6	0	0	
In Treasurer’s hands	10	13	10	
Debt’s due, known to be good	0	12	9	
Stock in hand	5	0	0	£22 6 7
Deficiency	£50	10	7	

The present income of the Grand Division cannot be stated at more than £110 per annum; some Divisions have, since the annual meeting, surrendered their charters; but few new members are joining, and there is not at present much probability of many new charters being called for. The expenditure, taking past years as a guide, may be estimated as follows:

Percentage to National Division	£5	0	0
Salary of Grand Scribe	30	0	0
Travelling expenses of Officers	70	0	0
Printing, say	30	0	0
	£135	0	0

This exceeds the whole annual income of the Grand Division by about £30. It is obvious that the present rate of expenditure cannot go on without speedily involving the Grand Division in debt and difficulty; the Committee would therefore suggest, whether some saving might not be effected in some of the items of expenditure. If only those of the Grand Officers whose attendance is absolutely requisite for conducting the business of the session, attended, a saving might be effected of perhaps £30. The number of Journals and other printing items might be reduced to bring that service to about £20. The expenditure would then be within the income, leaving however the old debt unprovided for. Your Committee might suggest as a mode of extinguishing this debt, the reduction of the number of sessions. The Grand Division of Canada West, which has a greater number of Divisions under its jurisdiction, than that of Nova Scotia, has but two sessions per annum, and it has a considerable surplus of funds in hand. Your Committee are quite aware that this is a matter that can only be decided on at the annual session, but might be considered by the brethren present at the quarterly session, whose views might be of influence on the deliberations of the annual meeting in October.