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EDITOR'S TABLE.

This issue completes the Editor's task. For two years we have done the work, and we trust, to the satisfaction of our readers. No doubt the paper will be better than ever next year. Who its editor will be will be known after Grand Division meets.

We are pleased to announce that we have arranged for the publication of a Jubilee Session Souvenir. It will be on sale at Orillia during the session of Grand Division.

The Jubilee Session promises to be a memorable gathering. No pains are being spared. A special car will be run from Toronto on Tuesday morning, December 7th, to Orillia.

Favors received: Bro. Wm. Clark, M.W.S., Manchester, Eng.; Rules of the S. of T., "The safe, systematic and successful Teetotal Friendly Society."

Bro. W. S. Sanders, G.S., Halifax, N.S.; Reports of the Grand Officers of Nova Scotia, 51st annual session.

Miss Mary R. Riley, Central Falls, R.I.; selections for "RECORD," also a list of seven subscribers.

Bro. Wm. Rose, General Secretary National Division of Australia; Minutes of 22nd annual session; Constitution and Rules of National, Grand and Subordinate Divisions of Victoria, and South Australia; Syllabus and Hand Book of the Grand Division of Melbourne, etc.

The work of mailing the RECORD, keeping the mailing lists, receiving subscriptions, and a multitude of other duties have been done this year by Bro. A. Gowler. Few know or can appreciate the services that have been rendered by him. His work in his own Division and in his office as District Scribe of South York has been sufficient to usurp all the time of some men. No more zealous and devoted worker ever served the Order in the fifty years of its history than Bro. A. Gowler.

Bro. Wards "Good of the Order Contest" is arousing much interest. We hope our active workers will all send in papers. It will help all who try by inciting them to consider deeply the best methods of practical Division work. All papers to be in by 31st January, 1899.

TO OUR READERS.

The "Record" has completed its second year. If it has met favor renewals will come in and it will go on in its mission. During the year we have published three supplements, one special number and thirty-three portraits more than were promised our subscribers. This year's papers make a valuable volume. We have tried to more than redeem every promise made. The bulk of subscriptions expire with this issue. We hope every one will be at once renewed and that no one will send in less than a club of 5 with their own. It takes a lot of names at 20 cents each to maintain a newspaper. It is only possible where all editorial and clerical work is done free. Do you appreciate this and do you value your "Record"? If so do *your* part. Every Grand, District and Subordinate Division officer must give actual co-operation and every member help by sending in subscriptions. As the "official Organ," Grand Division will determine its future. We have honestly tried to discharge the duty imposed upon us in its management this year. Thanking all those who have assisted, wishing the "Record" a bright future and all of our readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year,

We are

Yours fraternally,

J. M. WALTON,

J. O. MCCARTHY, } Com.

A. GOWLER, }

GOOD OF THE ORDER PRIZE CONTEST

OPEN TILL JAN. 31ST 1899.

To the members of the Order who will give the best answers to the following questions on *Practical Division Work*, a prize of \$5 in cash will be given, (or the winner may have a Grand Division Regalia and Jubilee Jewel if preferred).

(1) The best drafted programme for 6 or 7 meetings during the quarter, (not to consume more than one hour each meeting).

(2) The greatest number and best practical suggestions for carrying out the programs in the Division from week to week.

(3) Name twenty of the best up-to-date debates.

(4) Give suggestions for the best method of keeping direct temperance work before the Division.

(5) Name ten of the best temperance choruses and state where they are to be obtained.

The contest is open to all members of the Order. Papers are to be sent to W. H. Bewell G. S., Whitby, Ont., before 31st Jan. 1899. Three judges will be named by the donor, Bro. F. C. Ward, of Excelsior Div., Toronto, to make the award.

The best papers will be published in the Record.

THE DEMAND FOR PROHIBITION.

To sum up the whole matter, it may be said that the two reasons which alone demand the continuance of the traffic—appetite and greed—are overwhelmingly outweighed by the consideration which urged its suppression.

From every side comes voice demanding that the most pernicious business remaining extant in a world that has abolished negro slavery and Russian serfdom shall be placed under the ban of law. Civilization demands it in the interest of human progress. Science approves it as being the correct and logical result of the exposure it has made of the world's great error concerning the nature of intoxicants. Philanthropy cries out for it in the name of suffering millions. Political economy insists upon it in order that the nation may be saved from bankruptcy. Christianity prays for it in behalf of the thousand of youths that are constantly being lured to ruin, and the multitudes now in the toils of the destroyer who may be rescued from perdition if the tempter be kept from haunting their path. Patriotism desires it that the country may be delivered from a curse more terrible than war, or famine, or pestilence. Statesmanship argues for it that the greatest good to the greatest number may be realized. Wifehood and childhood from thousands of stricken homes stretch forth imploring hands asking to be delivered from the unspeakable woes they endure because of drink. Drunkards too, from out their helpless slavery, beseech their sober fellows in their bondage to appetite in the words the Great Master taught them, "Lead us not into temptation."—*The Alliance News.*