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Vacancies were filled by the appointment of Rep. James Brooks as G. Conductor, John Jewell, G. Chaplain, J. K. Stewart, G. T., Sister Belle Halkett was appointed Assistant G. S., and Bro. W. H. Manning, Messenger.

After the opening ceremonies, the Committee on Credentials presented their report, and several new representatives were introduced and initiated.

The reports of the officers were then presented, and referred to appropriate committees.

Sir S. L. Tilley, P. M. W. P., was then introduced to the Grand Division by P. G. W. P.'s Rose and Millar, and a welcome speech was delivered by the G. W. P., to which Bro. Tilley responded in appropriate terms.

Several communications were read and referred.

In response to an invitation from Almonte Division, the Grand Division attended a mass meeting in the Music Hall in the evening, which was crowded to excess, and proved a most successful gathering. The G. W. P. presided, and addresses were delivered by G. Scribe Webster, P. G. W. P. Rose, P. M. W. P. Tilley, P. M. W. A. Carswell. Tandy Brothers sang two duets.

On Wednesday morning the Grand Division assembled for business at 9 o'clock, and was opened in the usual form.

The G. W. P., in answer to a question as to the right of the senior P. W. P., while filling an elected office, to take the chair in the absence of the W. P., decided it was the right of the senior P. W. P. to preside, and the Grand Division sustained the decision.

The Committee on Petitions presented a report on the petition of York District Division, asking that a proportion of the per capita tax should be appropriated to District Divisions for the purpose of propagating the Order in the several counties. This was considered in connection with a similar petition from Northumberland District Division, and the

committee recommended that as soon as the finances of the Grand Division warranted such an appropriation, a portion of the per capita tax be distributed among the District Divisions. The report was adopted.

The nomination and election of officers was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—

James G. Howe, Ottawa, G. W. P.; Robert Hopkins, Gloucester, G. W. A.; Thomas Webster, Brantford, G. Scribe; David Millar, Toronto, G. Treasurer; John Jewell, Plainville, G. Chaplain; James Brooks, Wexford, G. Conductor; G. P. Bliss, New Edinburgh, G. Sentinel.

The Committee on Finance presented their report, which was considered in Committee of the Whole, and adopted. This report, after reporting the books, vouchers, &c. of the Grand Scribe and Grand Treasurer as correct, reviewed the state of the financial affairs of the Order with reference to available assets, liabilities, &c. recommended strict economy in future, so as to make the expenditure not to exceed the income.

The installation of officers was proceeded with after the opening of the Grand Division in the afternoon session.

An invitation was presented by Rep. Jamieson from Mr. Rosamond, to visit the woollen mills. The invitation was accepted with thanks, but necessarily declined that day in consequence of the pressure of the business.

The salary of the Grand Scribe, including office rent, was fixed at seven hundred dollars, two hundred dollars less than last year.

The Committee on the publication of the SON OF TEMPERANCE was presented, and after being considered in Committee of the Whole, was adopted, and the continuation of its publication agreed to.

The Committees on the Officers' reports presented their reports, which, after due consideration and discussion, were adopted.

The Committees on Obituaries, on Cadets and on Lectures presented their reports, which were adopted.

The several standing Committees were appointed for the ensuing year.

The balloting for Representatives to the National Division was then proceeded with, resulting in the election of the following eligible representatives whose names appear on the credentials of their respective Divisions, namely:—Reps. John Wilson, G. W. Ross, G. M. Rose, J. M. T. Hannum, J. W. Manning, Edward Stacey, Edward Carswell, James Quigg, J. S. Larke, James Dilworth, John McMillan, J. K. Stewart, David Millar, Richard Windatt, Thomas Caswell, W. H. Bewell, Thomas Webster, James G. Howe, Robert Hopkins.

Rep. Botterell gave notice that at the next session he would move to make it compulsory on Divisions to form District Divisions in their respective counties.

Notice of motion was given to introduce a by-law to amend the by-laws as suggested in the report of the G. W. P.

The Executive of the Grand Division was increased by adding the G. W. A. and P. G. W. P.; and a resolution passed urging Subordinate Divisions to become incorporated. P. G. W. C. Templar Botterell, on behalf of the Grand Lodge, I. O. G. T., presented the fraternal greetings of that body to the Grand Division, which was duly responded to by the G. W. P., and on motion P. G. W. P.'s Rose, Millar, and Caswell were appointed a deputation to attend the next session of the Grand Lodge, I. O. G. T., and present the fraternal greetings of this Grand Division.

A unanimous vote of thanks was tendered to Almonte Division for the preparations they had made for the reception of the Grand Division, and for their kind attention and courtesies to the delegates.

Oshawa was chosen as the place for the next annual session, to be held on first Tuesday in December; and Orillia for the semi-annual, on the last Tuesday in May.

After reading the minutes the Grand Division then adjourned.