

for the benefit of his family would be a relief.

Some people have the habit of whispering and talking during the exercises, or while some member is speaking. This is gross rudeness, and merits and should receive the rebuke of the presiding officer at once. Two or three whispering and giggling girls and boys, who are old enough to be ladies and gentlemen, will do more to disturb and break the harmony of a Division than almost any other element.

In discussion always avoid personalities. It is so easy to be ironical, or sarcastic that a glib tongued speaker can seldom resist the temptation. Remember that "a soft answer turneth away wrath," and in all your transactions with each other exercise charity, using the word in its fullest significance.

Deputies.

SOMETIMES conflicts arise between the members of the Subordinate Division and the Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarch, which are very unseemly and unwise. Such conflicts would never occur if the position of this important office was properly understood. The following, may perhaps prove of benefit to some members of the Order.

The Division Deputy having charge of a single Division is usually appointed on the recommendation of the Division, and it is advisable that he be a member of the same. The duties required of him are as follow:

1st. To attend the Division under his charge, and see that the laws, usages, and ceremonies of the Order are properly observed.

2nd. To see that the Quarterly returns to the grand Division are promptly and correctly made out, and forwarded to the Grand Scribe without delay, together with the *per capita* tax.

3rd. Communicate the Pass-words after the *capita* tax has been appropriated and lay before the Division all other documents sent him for that purpose by the G.W.P. or G.S.

4th. To give permission to the Division to appear in public with regalia, on proper occasions.

5th. To give decisions on all doubtful or disputed questions that may arise in the Division, involving the laws, rules, and usages of the Order.

6th. To instal the officers elect, and to see that they perform all their duties according to law, as laid down in the B.B., the constitution, and the By.laws.

7th. To promptly report to the G.W.P. or G.S. all irregularities or violations of law or usage, when the Division or its officers neglect or refuse to correct the same.

8th. To make a full report, quarterly or oftener if necessary, of the condition of the Division.

9th. In case a Division, from any cause, ceases to work, he should at once report the fact to the G.S., giving the cause of the same, and in the event of their failing to resume their meetings within three months from the date of their suspension, he should take charge of their Charter, Rituals, and other property, and notify the G.S. of his action, and hold the same subject to the order of the Grand Division.

10th. He is the head of the Order in his jurisdiction, and his decisions are binding upon the Division until reversed by a higher power; hence, there is a necessity that he be firm and impartial, and thoroughly posted in the laws and work of the Order.

The Order of the sons of Temperance.

UNDER whose auspices this paper is issued, is an institution which has now been in existence over thirty-five years, and has admitted over two millions of persons into its ranks, and is divided into three classes: Subordinate Divisions, consisting of individual members; Grand Divisions, of representatives from the Subordinates; and the National Division, of representatives from Grand Divisions. Experience has shown that efficient Temperance work depends largely upon organ-

ization; and that without associated effort but slow progress will be made. The Sons of Temperance have been instrumental in spreading broadcast a permanent, healthful sentiment, and have largely contributed to the present determined efforts of good and wise men to destroy the terrible power of the drinking usages of the land. We believe the Division, under proper influences, is better calculated than any other available form of organization for the work now most pressing in our Province. Its mission is to rescue the perishing, lift up the fallen, provide a "Home" for those who have been made homeless by strong drink, and to raise a barrier of Christian sympathy and fraternal love against the temptations and allurements which beset those striving for a better life. To do good by saving our fellow men from intemperance, both by means of prevention and reform, is the great object of our Order, and we earnestly invite you to co-operate in these important efforts. Come, then, and join our Division; any of our members will be glad to receive names of candidates for membership. Should you reside in a locality in which there is no Division, then we invite you to make an effort to have one organized, for which purpose you can receive full instructions by addressing,—THOMAS WEBSTER, *Grand Scribe*, Brantford, Ont.

PARTIAL legislation against the liquor traffic is like the action of the servant girl who, having left the water tap open, and finding the room flooded on her return proceeded to wipe it up without first closing the faucet.

WHILE many are searching for a panacea for hard times, by inflation, lessening appropriation of public money, and cutting down official salaries, they might more surely find the sought for remedy by cutting off official whisky, and thus lessen the worse than waste of time, save a vast amount of criminal expense, and a world of misery.