

Sons of Temperance, we must have an Agent! We cannot afford to lose another drop of the vital fluid of our temperance life. On the other hand we cannot expect to retain it, without the employment of reasonable means. God speed our co-workers in the Temperance Reform. But, as a sacred trust, this Province was committed to the Sons of Temperance over 20 years ago, and firmly believing that we have ground yet to till for the Master, we cannot, *we will not* leave the field. If we are sincere in saying that this is the Lord's work, and we are delighted to do it, let us enter it and trust God and trust our temperance people to see us out square at the other end.

Submitted respectfully in L. P. and F.,

LEO. GAETZ, G. W. P.

Sydney, C. B., July 28, 1870.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

The Grand Scribe presented the following Report, which was referred to Committee on State of the Order:

To the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of the Province of Nova Scotia.
 GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCH AND BRETHREN,—

The Grand Scribe would congratulate you on convening in Quarterly Session, for the fourth time, on the beautiful Isle of Cape Breton.

Since the last Quarterly Meeting, a new Division, HUBBARD, No. 318, has been instituted at Hubbard's Cove, Halifax County. The organization was attended to by Divisional Deputy Henry Hiltz, of Ingraham River.

Rocklin Division, No. 129, and Arctic, No. 140, have ceased operations—at least for a time.

Conquerall Division, No. 306, has been broken up by the unfaithfulness of its members. The G. W. P. will probably give the G. D. some particulars in reference thereto.

Island Home Division, No. 170, has been laboring under difficulties which may cause it to suspend operations for a while. Not having heard from this Division for several weeks past, I cannot speak with certainty as to its present condition.

The introduction of the Order of Independent Good Templars into Weymouth, Digby County, has caused Columbia Division, No. 24, to suspend work until a favorable opportunity offers for it to resume.

Acadia, No. 1, and Fellowship, No. 312, have to be added to those reported at last Session as not working.

While some Divisions have had fair accessions to their membership during the quarter ending June 30, and many remain in *statu quo*, others have had to use the pruning knife very freely, which process, while lopping off dead branches, has rendered them more healthy.

Owing to the inactivity that generally prevails in the summer months, and to the absence of Agents from the field, there has been but little, if any, progress made during the past three or four months in connection with the Temperance movement. We should look forward, hopefully, to a healthy reaction during the next fall and winter months.

STATISTICS.

Following is a summary of the figures given in the Returns received from Subordinate Divisions for the quarter ending June 30, 1870:

Members Admitted	340
“ Withdrawn	118
“ Expelled	224
“ Died	7
“ On Financial Scribe's Books	4,077