

Divisions are requested to arrange an exchange of fraternal visits early in the autumn.

Sept 29th is the anniversary of the founding of the Order. Divisions will do well to prepare an open meeting for that date.

*D.G.W.P.s. are urged to see that their Divisions have their returns made out promptly and transmitted to the G.S. at the end of this quarter. Don't let your division be on the delinquent list.*

We regret space will not permit reports of the sessions of Halton, North York, East Grey, Durham, Leeds and other District Division meetings in June. Some 12 district meetings were held during that month.

#### EAST SIMCOE.

Session held at Shanty Bay, June 8th. Attendance exceptionally good. Three new Divisions have been organized since last session, at Lovering by Bro. R. Anderson; at Fesserton, by Bro. T. Hipwell, and at Hobart by Bro. R. J. Miller.

This is an excellent showing, and indicates the admirable spirit that prevails in the district. A substantial gain in membership was reported.

The "S. of T. RECORD" was strongly recommended. Juvenile work received particular attention, and good work is likely to be accomplished in this department in the future. Well laid plans will be carried out for reaching the children in the public and Sunday schools, and through the Loyal Crusaders.

In the evening a grand public meeting was held, presided over by Bro. R. Carscadden, D.W.P. Addresses were made by Hon. Sheriff Chas. Drury, Pro. D.G.W.P., and the G.W.P., which were supplemented by a programme of unusual quality. Bro. Drury gave interesting facts gleaned in his office. Out of 29 criminals committed to the penitentiary, 24 admitted excessive use, 4 moderate use, and only one claimed to be a total abstainer. When he was first Reeve of Oro Township, ten licenses were issued, and no one dare advocate a reduction. Now only one is issued, and one hundred square miles of the county is under prohibition.

#### NEW DISTRICT DIVISION ORGANIZED AT NAPANEE.

FOR LENNOX-ADDINGTON.

A District Division was organized here on Tuesday, 15th June, by Bro. J. M. Walton, G.W.P. of Ontario. The meeting was held in the S. of T. hall, the members of Napanee Division having made due preparations for the occasion and had the spacious room bright with flowers and other decorations. Representatives were present from Napanee, Newburgh, Napanee Mills, Selby, Enterprise, Wilton, etc.

The following officers were elected and duly installed:

D.W.P., J. T. Howell, Napanee Mills.  
D.W.A., Wm. Nugent, Newburgh.  
D. Scribe, G. Rowilson, Newburgh.  
D. Treas. T. S. Morton, Selby.  
D. Chap. Rev. J. G. Chant, Newburgh.  
D. Con., W. H. Dopking, Enterprise.  
D. S., J. N. Osborne, Napanee.

Supt. of Juvenile Work, Mrs. Conway, Napanee.

Important resolutions bearing upon the plebiscite, the manner in which it should be submitted, and the duty of Sons of Temperance and temperance people generally at the present moment were passed with enthusiasm.

Inspiring speeches and reports were given by

various workers and the harmonious proceedings augur well for the future success of the institution.

A committee was appointed to consider the idea of holding a monster union picnic at some point in the county during the summer.

The next session will be held at Newburgh on a date to be set by the Executive to which all members of the Order are invited.

A vote of thanks was tendered the members of Napanee for the very considerate arrangements they made for the meeting.

In the evening a public meeting was held at which Rev. Mr. Peck presided. Beside him on the platform were J. M. Walton, G.W.P. and J. T. Howell, the newly elected D.W.P. The audience filled the hall and were entertained by a very enjoyable programme, many of the numbers calling forth encores. Among those taking part were Miss Maud Robinson, piano solo, Miss Wagar and Mr. Brown, instrumental duets, Miss Bertha Howes, Miss Gertie Walker, and Mr. Rowilson, recitations, Miss Stella Wagar, instrumental piano solo, Master Jas. Matheson, songs, Mr. Mowat, readings. Rev. Mr. Gandier, of Newburgh, and the Grand Worthy Patriarch, made interesting temperance addresses.

The meeting closed by singing the National Anthem.—*The Napanee Star.*

#### NEW DISTRICT DIVISION ORGANIZED.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE CONVENTION.

*A District Division for the County of Lanark.*

On Monday afternoon, June 21, a goodly number of representatives from the Sons of Temperance Divisions at Middleville, Lanark, Watson's Corners, McDonald's Corners and Perth met in Granite Division room in the Town of Perth to consider the organization of a District Division for the county and to greet Bro. J. M. Walton, G.W.P., who was present on a fraternal visit.

Bro. J. K. Stewart of Toronto, formerly of Perth, and a pioneer member, in fact a founder of Granite Division, was also present and delivered an eloquent and instructive address to the members.

The objects, scope and functions of the proposed organization having been explained by the G.W.P., it was unanimously resolved to proceed with the organization.

The following officers were elected:

D.W.P., Bro. Arch'd. Rankin, Middleville.  
D.W.A., Sis. M. Wodden, Perth.  
D. Chap., Rev. Bro. Buchanan, McDonald's Corners.

D. Scribe, Bro. D. J. Brownlee, McDonald's Corners.

D.T., Bro. Nelson, Affleck, Watson's Corners.

D.S., Bro. E. Sheppard, Perth.

D. Con., Bro. John Gemmill, Lanark.

Bro. J. F. Kennedy of Granite Division was appointed P.D.W.P.

The District contains some excellent workers, the newly elected D.W.P. has instituted himself three new divisions recently in this county. The reports from the representatives of the various divisions were very encouraging.

During the afternoon a most happily worded congratulatory address was presented to Rev. Bro. G. G. Huxtable by his associates in Granite Division on his departure to his new circuit in Montreal.

The first regular meeting of the District Division will be held in Lanark in Sept.

Owing to the Jubilee Demonstration that swept the town in the evening it was necessary to abandon any arrangements for a public meeting. The delegates dispersed in good spirits

and the Order will no doubt make good progress in the future.—*Extracts from Perth Courier.*

#### SOUTH ONTARIO.

The sixth semi-annual session was held at Myrtle on 25th June. Attendance good; reports encouraging. The district has over 800 members, a gain of 140 is reported at this session. Two new divisions at Shirley and Seagrave, each having over forty members. Port Perry Division had largest gain, initiating forty. Greenbank with 170 is still the largest Division. Of the thirteen Divisions in the district, all but one sent in returns and reported prosperity.

The Resolution Committee brought in a number of most interesting and important resolutions. 1st. Recommending the "RECORD," and urging support for same.

2nd. Appointing representatives to the Ontario Provincial Convention, and urging each Subordinate Division to send representatives.

3rd. That we earnestly request that our brothers in our subordinate divisions be very careful to not frequent hotels, either in their bar-rooms, halls, drinking booths, or other rooms where idle gossip is going on, believing that such visits do not tend to strengthen such brothers in their temperance principles, and their obligations to our noble Order, and is the secret of the downfall of some who were once honorably associated with our work.

4th. Respecting the Plebiscite, its manner of being submitted, the deep import of the present moment, and the duty of Sons of Temperance, (copies to be submitted to local M. P. and M. P.P.)

5th. Deploring the attitude of the licence board in granting licences at Utica and Seagrave, and commending the stand taken by Mr. John Burns in opposition. Protesting against the wine and beer licence as more dangerous than the regular hotel licence.

Bros. J. A. Millar, G.W.A., and T. Ward, D. W.P., were delegated to the Toronto convention.

The evening meeting was excellent in every respect, the speakers were Rev. Bros. Bunner, McCamus and Leitch, also the G. S.

#### RENFREW DISTRICT DIVISION.

Renfrew, July 3.—The District Division of Renfrew, Sons of Temperance, was held in the Temperance Hall, Horton, on Saturday morning, June 19th, D.W.P., Wm. Stewart, in the chair. There was a fair attendance of delegates from various divisions. Grand Worthy Patriarch Walton was present, and gave some very valuable information regarding the present state of the order, and of the forward temperance movement. As a result of his counsels and of the deliberations of the delegates, resolutions were passed expressing the district division as in favor of the plebiscite vote on the simple question of Prohibition, without direct taxation or any other question attached, also that the Dominion Jubilee be celebrated by such an earnest planning of work on the part of both grand and local divisions that the cause of temperance be permanently advanced. In the afternoon a picnic, under the auspices of Horton div. was well attended. There was a platform program, comprising choruses by the division, addresses by Rev. Hugh Taylor, Rev. J. Webster and G.W.P. Walton; and instrumental and vocal music by Mrs. Kearney and Mrs. Freeland. "God Save the Queen" brought this portion of the program to a close. There were sports also.

On Sunday 20th the Horton Division and the Band of Hope, 50 strong, assembled in the divi-