

APPENDIX.

THE two following reports were received too late for presentation to the Grand Division at the meeting at Hillsburgh, but are here published for the information of the Members of the Order.

HALIFAX, July 23, 1858.

THE Publication Committee of the Grand Division beg leave to report as follows, viz. :

The Abstainer, during the last quarter of the first volume, had an issue of 1860 copies. The second volume, at the present time, has an issue of only 1770. The third volume, your committee hope, will have a larger number of subscribers.

There is yet a large amount due to the publisher on account of the first volume, and about one half of the subscriptions for the second volume have been paid.

The value of a well conducted periodical organ can hardly be overestimated, and your committee trust that the Grand Division will understand the necessity of a more extended support. without which a more frequent issue cannot be thought of. The value of the paper would be enhanced, were it to be published weekly ;—but, as this would involve additional price, your committee at present only express their sense of the importance of doing so, when practicable. Increased circulation with prompt payments, as the paper now is, would greatly encourage the publisher to venture, at some future time, on a weekly issue.

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HALIFAX, July 23, 1858.

THE Agency Committee beg to report that nothing very definite occurred since their last report was submitted.

The Committee have made enquiries in various directions respecting a suitable person for a Lecturer, but have not heard of one, suited, in their opinion, to the present condition and wants of the country.

The idea embodied in their last report of employing the Local District Deputies has been so far acted upon, that a communication has been opened by letter with several gentlemen residing in different parts of the country. The committee trust that some satisfactory arrangement will shortly be made, and that the close of the summer or beginning of autumn will find several friends of the Cause, of established reputation and character, actively engaged in the work.

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