ROUTINE NOTICES.

The returns from the Grand Division to the National Division for the year 1859, have been duly forwarded by the Grand Scribe to the Most Worthy Scribe; and papers for the incorporation of New Caledonia Division were fyled in the Provincial Secretary's office on the 4th February last.

MEETING OF THE NATIONAL DIVISION.

As the meeting of the Great Council of our Order will take place in the month of June, in the nearest of the States, there will be but one opinion in the Grand Division as respects the desirableness of a full representation. I leave this matter in your hands, knowing that it will receive your best consideration, and trusting that Nova Scotia may be well represented.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

I close by reiterating my conviction of the importance of continuing the public discussion of our principles, even during the "Summer season." Our meetings need not be, cannot be, so frequent, but let them not be entirely discontinued. By such meetings we reach the young, we avoid the reproach of selfishness and exclusiveness, we strengthen our own convictions, previde work for our ardent spirits, and make advances which can be made in no other way. Having been privileged to report a good winter's campaign, I trust that we will, at least, hold our own during the summer season. Brothers, a GREAT WORK remains to be done; and you are called to do your share of it! Our season of action is THE PRESENT. May we all feel our responsibilities, occupy our post, and what our hand findeth to do, do it with our might! Let us pass round the motto which has been associated with the great success of temperance effort in Massachusetts during the season past-" Undying hostility to the drinking usages of society; unbounded charity for their victims."

P. G. McGregor, c. w. p.

Halifax, April 23, 1860.

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Referred to committee on State of the Order.

The Grand Scribe read his report as follows:—