

of the Legislature, and in consequence of the paper having been ordered of an exact size from England, it was found impossible to have the sense of the country taken upon the Prohibitory question on the same sheet. Separate sheets would involve a large additional expense, and probably lead to a very unsatisfactory performance of the work; beside, under the circumstances, we would have been precluded from all precautionary measures, more especially in regard to the character of enumerators, and previous agitation of the question in the various localities throughout the Province.

Some other mode must now be devised, and at the next annual session of the Grand Division I doubt not some course will be suggested worthy of being acted upon.

'Tis not improbable that we may find it expedient to resort again to the old mode of petitioning. Should this be the decision, it is to be hoped that it may be done with a zeal and unanimity which shall swell the roll to a formidable size, quite sufficient to intimidate, if not to win opponents.

So far as the Legislature is concerned, it is gratifying to announce any object attained, and it may not be uninteresting for the brethren assembled to learn that the special committee appointed by the House last session, for the purpose of making general inquiries, and gathering facts in connection with the liquor traffic, succeeded in submitting a lengthy report upon that subject,—a thousand copies of which were ordered to be printed for gratuitous circulation.

It gives me great pleasure to report the Order throughout the jurisdiction in a healthy and progressive state. In some localities the Order has flourished greatly during the last quarter.

In this respect the County of

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seems to demand the first notice. At the time of the January session no signs of special activity seemed to prevail, although the large and respectable audience that assembled, at a few hours notice, at the public meeting held by the Grand Division in the town of Lunenburg, indicated an interest in the cause.

The two Divisions in town were, however, almost entirely inactive, but have since had large accessions, and both are now efficient and prosperous. All the Divisions in the county—and there are nine in all—have been more or less refreshed and strengthened.

Bro. Dimock, the County Deputy, reports the success at-