

necessity exists that ever existed for our untiring efforts, and surely we cannot stand still and look calmly on while the demon, Alcohol, who apparently knows no rest, is creating such havoc in our midst, and sowing the seeds of future misery to all around. Let then, our motto still be,—

Broadly waves our banner o'er us,  
Broader still be it unfurled,  
Till all nations join the chorus—  
Freedom to a ransomed world.

I am sorry to have to report that the following Divisions have surrendered their charters and ceased to exist:

Union, Stanstead, No. 6.

Lancaster, Lancaster, No. 11.

Jonadab, Montreal, No. 12.

Prince of Wales, Montreal, No. 31.

Richelieu, Clarenceville, No. 32.

While there are a few others that have not reported for several quarters, and it is feared they have ceased working.

One old Division, I am happy to say, has been revived, and is now in working order, viz, Chatham Division, No. 23.

Among the Divisions from which returns are regularly received, I am pleased to find that the utmost harmony prevails, and many of them present considerable signs of improvement in the increase of their members.— Nothing of importance has transpired among them to require the special attention of this Grand Division, with the exception of some dispute in Gough Division, from which an appeal case will be laid before you.

A circular letter has been received from the office of the M.W.P., copies of which, with the consent of the G.W.P., have been sent to each Subordinate Division under our jurisdiction, and a few of which I now present to you.— It is an important document, and I trust it may have the desired effect.

The following is a synopsis of the returns sent to the National Division for the year ending Dec. 31, 1856:—

Total number of Divisions in operation.....	18
Number Admitted.....	260
“ Suspended.....	75
Total Number Expelled.....	225
Deaths.....	4
Violated Pledge.....	126
Reinstated.....	41
Violated the Pledge Second Time.....	10
Contributing Members.....	725
Temperance Meetings held.....	121
No. of Representatives to Grand Division.....	53