

by several of the members of Nassau Lodge, when thirty or forty gave in their names for a Charter to organize a new Lodge, and on Saturday, October 7, Bros. A. M. Phillips and M. H. Fieldhouse, organized the Lodge, but owing to the very bad state of the weather and a misunderstanding as to the night of organizing, only twelve persons were present. After organizing the election of officers was proceeded with and resulted as follows:—

Bro. W. H. Little.....W C T
Sister M. A. May.....W V T
Bro. R. S. Young.....W C
" U. H. Hicks.....W S
" Chas. Young.....W T
" H. Young.....W F S
" Geo. Young.....W M
" Richard Griggs.....W O G
" James Delany.....P W C T
Sister Adelaide Young...W D M

Bro. W. H. Little was elected Provincial Deputy for the Lodge, which meets on Tuesday evening, in the School House, Section No. 8, Murray, on the York road, about three miles west of Trenton village. All prospects are good for this yet becoming a large and influential Lodge. The right kind of persons to help it right along have given their assistance, and the neighborhood is one that is favorable to the temperance cause generally. So we have no fear but that this Lodge may yet add as great laurels to British Templarism as has its co-name sake, Nassau, and we hope that neither of them will ever disgrace the name of noble and lamentable Bro. N. C. Gowan, but long continue to be bright stars in the British Templar crown of the gallant Northumbrians.

On Saturday, September 30, our County Lodge met in Fair Albion Lodge as agreed upon, and was largely attended by representatives, officers and visitors from all the Lodges, in all about fifty was present. A splendid dinner was served up to the attendants by the members of Fair Albion Lodge, for which they received a cordial vote of thanks, after the dinner had been partaken of, the Lodge then proceeded to business which was varied and important. A committee was appointed with absolute power to thoroughly investigate the Temperance Act of 1861 and if possible to bring about such means as would insure its passage in this County. A Committee was appointed on Constitution, with power to petition the Grand Lodge, and also one to make Lodges more entertaining, useful and stable. A somewhat spirited and lengthy discussion arose on

the much vexed Cider question, but the Lodge failed to arrive at any definite conclusion, and I think that the Grand Lodge ought not to let this question slip at its next session, but bring a definite distinction between apple juice and cider before the several Lodges, so they will know how to act and decide in the matter. The election of officers resulted as follows:—

Chief—A. M. Phillips, Watertown Lodge.
Vice—Bessie Waldron, Mount Zion Lodge.
Chap.—J. C. Squier of Fair Albion Lodge.
Lecturer—H. Brisbin, Pride of Northumberland Lodge.
Counsellor—A. H. Pettet, Watertown Lodge.
Secretary—J. Chapman, Fair Albion Lodge.
Treasurer—J. A. McColl, Nassau Lodge.
Financier—B. Moran, Mount Zion Lodge.
Recorder—M. H. Fieldhouse, Nova Britannia Lodge.
Marshal—S. Simmons, Mount Zion Lodge.
Dep. Marshal Janet McColl, Nassau Lodge.
Inner Guard—L. Brock, Nassau Lodge.
Outer Guard—G. Skinkh, Nova Britannia Lodge.
Past Chief—J. Clindenning, Pride of Northumberland Lodge.

All of which were installed by the County Chief. Great improvement has been made in the order in this County since the last session, every thing now seems to be on a firm basis. The expenses of the County Lodge is all defrayed by the usual capitation tax without any additional tax on the Lodges. Our County has been highly favoured, especially the people of Brighton, by a visit from the Supreme Chief, which unfortunately was so short that it was not satisfactory to us, nor could not have been to him, but we must be like faithful Pat—thank him for this and wait for a better one at a more favorable opportunity.

Yours in F. H. and C.,

A. M. PHILLIPS.

Bro. Chapman, Co. Secy., will accept our thanks for his kindness in sending us a full report of the above meeting, but the account has been condensed by Bro. Phillips. We need only say that from seeing a list of the different committees appointed above we believe the several matters have been placed in good hands. The next meeting of this County Lodge will be held at Pride of Northumberland Lodge 371, on last Saturday of November, 1865, at 1 p. m.

Votes of thanks were passed to Bro. J. A. McColl and Cyrus Teal for the dinner at their Picnic last July, and to Fair Albion Lodge for free dinner to the County Lodge at this meeting.

NOVA SCOTIA.

To the Editor of the Weekly Visitor.

TEMPLARISM IN NOVA SCOTIA.

Mn. EDITOR,—Representatives from the various Primary Lodges in Nova Scotia met in Halifax on the 9th instant, to hold the Annual session of our Order. As the rebellious party (holding the reins of government up to this time,) had stated that here was the place for all to meet and settle the existing differences, and that they would abide by the decision of a majority of those present, the loyal lodges made preparations at short notice to send their representatives also, and although a number of such failed to do so, yet some forty representatives were present from strictly loyal lodges, besides a number of loyalists from lodges which had not yet decided the question. The seceders had some thirty-five or thirty-seven representatives holding their views present at the first session, (more than half of which came from a certain nest of lodges located in Hants County, and supposed to be largely influenced by the W. P. C. and W. P. S. there residing,) which was increased to forty-one the next day by additional arrivals. So here all were met together loyal Supremists, wishing to adhere to the principles and teachings of their first formation, and Seceesh Anties bound only to follow a certain clique in Canada West by whom their leaders were first misled. The Provincial Chief being "seceesh" a packed Committee on Credentials was appointed, which reported, disfranchising all those representatives whose lodges had not for the past quarter sent in their returns and per capita tax to the P. G. S.—those lodges not caring to send such to men who had broken their solemn obligations, but they had sent their representatives here with proper credentials showing their legal appointment. A question arose as to who were to vote on the adoption of this report, which the Chief decided should only be those who were reported favorable of in the report, so their names were called over and their votes taken, forty-one to three in favor of themselves. Had the Supremists here recorded their votes it would have stood forty-one to forty-six, and they then could have taken charge of the meeting. This, perhaps, is what should have been done, and the question then been settled; but not wishing to create a disturbance they refrained from thus acting and were ingenuously (?) allowed to remain with the right of speech on the Supreme question. For this purpose solely did they