

Committee on Appeals were present it was regularly moved by Geo. H. Dobson, seconded by Rev. Dr. McDonald, and passed to reconsider the previous motion. Moved by G. Chaplain, seconded by Rev. Dr. McDonald, that this letter be referred to a special Committee on Appeals.

Moved by R. J. Wilson in amendment, seconded by T. M. King, that it be referred to a special Committee. Amendment carried.

G. W. P. appointed S. McNaughton, G. Chap.; T. M. King, P. G. W. P.; and A. H. McKay, P. W. P., to constitute said committee.

G. W. P. read the report of the Grand Worthy Patriarch of the Order of the Sons of Temperance, presented to the Grand Division of Nova Scotia in Quarterly Session assembled.

NORTH SYDNEY, C. B., JULY 29, 1874.

WORTHY OFFICERS AND BROTHERS:—We meet this day to strengthen the ties which bind us together, as co-workers in this great moral reform, we have enlisted for the war, and will not, cannot rest until this destroyer of millions is overthrown, this enemy of our people conquered, and the world saved from the curse of strong drink.

The work we have undertaken is of gigantic proportions; the object we have in view is ennobling and grand—to promote the welfare and happiness of mankind. The successes of the past call for devout thanksgiving to the giver of all good, to him alone are we indebted for the signal advancement made by our beloved Order throughout the jurisdiction. We occupy a leading position in numbers and influence and the watchword must still be *Onward* to increased success and victory. Our field is the world, and our mission will not be accomplished until we embrace the entire Brotherhood of man.

Since the last Session of this Grand Division, the *License Law*, as amended, has received the sanction of the Lieutenant Governor and is now the Law of the land. With this powerful lever in our hands, there is no reason why the Liquor Traffic should not be put down, in those localities where Licenses are not granted: it is to be hoped that men will be raised up, who will put in force this very excellent measure, so that communities, families, and individuals, yea that the world may be saved from the evils of Intemperance, let it be our special aim to aid in every possible way the enforcement of this Law, and if needs be, make provision for such enforcement. For a portion of the time during the past term, it has been my pleasing duty to act as the Agent and Lecturer of this Grand Division, under the special direction of the Agency Committee, and although I have not had the pleasure of organizing any new Divisions, yet I have to report that the localities visited where Divisions were working, have real living Organizations, and in every instance but one in localities visited where Divisions did exist, I succeeded in re-organizing these Divisions and they are now in the active work, and the members are doing all that they possibly can in advancing the principles of our order. I sincerely trust that these efforts, oftimes very feebly put forth, may be made a blessing to the communities visited, and to our beloved Order. A full account of work done by me appears in the report of the Agency Committee.

I am satisfied I speak the sentiments of every true lover of our Order, when I say, may the future be as the past, yea, and much more abundant. It will be gratifying to you to know that during the last year and a half, nearly every part of our widely extended jurisdiction has been visited by the Agents