

Order will feel that he or she is responsible for their subordinate Division and the good of the whole, the Order will be built up and the cause extended beyond our most sanguine expectations.

"I have received no appeals to be presented at this session. Those received during the recess have been forwarded to our Grand Worthy Patriarch, and through his prompt attention and timely advice, have been satisfactorily disposed of."

The receipts of the past term were :

Per capita tax, \$1,016.39 ; supplies, \$102.97 ; lecture fund, \$137.66.

The report was referred to a committee consisting of Rep.'s Bliss, McEvers, McCarty, and Merrills ; and the financial part referred, with report of G. Treasurer, to Committee on Finance.

After reading officers' reports, several communications were read and referred to committees to report on. The committee to whom was referred the reference in the Grand Officers' Reports to the illness of the Grand Treasurer, submitted the following, which was adopted :—

"That we regret to learn that the absence of our esteemed brother and Grand Treasurer from this session is occasioned by serious illness ; that we desire to convey to our brother our deep sympathy with him in his affliction, assuring him that it would have afforded us much pleasure to have had his wise counsel with us in this session ; but we trust and pray that around him may be the arms of the everlasting love, and though absent from us, he may abundantly realize the presence of the source of all comfort and the God of all grace ; that it will rejoice our hearts to know that in the providence of God our brother has been permitted to resume his labours in this and other departments of Christian work ; but, should an all-wise Providence have otherwise decreed, we pray our brother may have the grace to enable him to say, 'Thy will be done ;' that we tender to Mrs. Finch and

family our heartfelt sympathy with them in their trouble, and the expression of our hope that they may enjoy the presence of the Comforter."

After filling vacancies on committees, fixing the hours of meeting, and other preliminaries, P. G. W. P. Rose submitted the report of the committee on the G. W. P.'s report. The report was considered in Committee of the Whole, and the several points fully discussed. Dispensations granted were confirmed, and suggestions made that no Subordinate Division, if it can possibly be avoided, elect a person to the chair unless he or she be of the age required by the Constitution.

The decisions given by the G. W. P. were also confirmed, and pleasure expressed that the G. W. P. and other officers had paid several visits to Subordinate Divisions. Hope was expressed that such visits might be continued and a greater number visited during the next few months.

The matter of Cadets and District Divisions were also referred to, as well as the necessity of lecture work, and the branch of the Dominion Alliance for Ontario commended to the hearty support of the members.

During the discussion on this report, the hour of adjournment arrived, and the committee rose, reported, and, on resuming sitting after opening of the G. D. on the following morning, the report was adopted as submitted.

On motion of P. G. W. P. Manning, National Division Regalia were ordered to be presented to P. G. W. P.'s Wilson and Finch, in consideration of their long and faithful services to the Order.

P. G. W. P. Manning presented two reports from the committee on appeals, which were adopted.

Committee on Finance submitted their report, which, after being considered in committee of the whole, was adopted.

An invitation was here extended to the Grand Division to attend a public meeting in their honor, and requested to appoint speakers. P. G. W. P.'s Manning,

Millar, and Rose were subsequently appointed as speakers.

The committee on the report of the G. S. submitted their report. This was also considered in Committee of the Whole. The different points in the report were commented on, and recommended to the consideration of the Order.

In regard to the difficulty of obtaining suitable persons to take charge of Sections of Cadets, it was suggested that the G. W. P. authorize a Patron to take charge of such Sections until suitable resident Patrons may be appointed.

The Lecture Committee submitted their report, giving a synopsis of the work of lectures during the past six months. Rev. J. N. Elliot visited one hundred and fourteen localities, delivered one hundred and sixty lectures, and organized and resuscitated eight Divisions. Rev. E. S. Howard had devoted a portion of his time, and delivered nineteen lectures in the Ottawa district. The report proposed that a number of organizing agents should be employed, to give their special attention to organizing work, and urged upon Divisions to intercast themselves in raising funds to sustain this department of our work.

The rest of the session was taken up by the adoption of several resolutions, among which we may note instructions to our representatives to invite the National Division to hold its annual session for 1880 in the city of Toronto ; to move amendment to Art. 2 constitution of National Division, so that representatives to N. D. may be elected by open vote, as formerly.

The G. S. was instructed to prepare printed ballots for election of representatives to National Division, and to have the usual number of proceedings of this session printed.

Votes of thanks were presented Reps. Platt Hinman, W. E. Johnson and the members of Haldimand Division, No. 56, and Grafton Division, No. 80, for the hearty welcome given, and entertainment provided ; and also to