

## AFTERNOON SITTING, WEDNESDAY.

Business was resumed at 2.30 o'clock, p. m., G.W.A. Jost in the Chair.

Roll of Officers called :

*Present* :—G.W.A., G. Scribe, G. Treas., G. Con.

Vacancies were filled by William Taylor, of No. 96, as G.W.A. Rev. W. C. Brown, G. Chap.; Jas. Munroe, G. Sent.; D. Marshall, P.G.W.P.

Grand Conductor introduced following named Representatives who were initiated: Robert Hockin, of No. 16; John McKeen, No. 17; Nelson Sutherland and John Gauld, No. 57.

Minutes of forenoon sitting were read and approved.

On motion of G. Treasurer, seconded by William Taylor, 500 copies of Journal of proceedings at this Session were ordered to be printed.

On motion, the Grand Conductor was instructed to have the Officers' Regalia repaired—cost not to exceed \$20.

On motion of Grand Treasurer, a vote of thanks was passed to the Superintendent of Government Railways, and to the Manager of the Windsor and Annapolis Railway, for reducing fares to members attending this Session.

On motion of Grand Conductor, a vote of thanks was passed to Oriental Division No. 16, for the use of their Room during this Session.

Bro. Parsons, as Chairman, presented following Report from Committee on State of the Order:

ORIENTAL DIVISION ROOM,  
Pictou, April 24th, 1872.

*Officers and Brethern of the Grand Division :*

From the documents placed in our hands it is impossible to present any detailed statement of the statistics or standing of the Order, but with general information through the press and from private sources, we may safely report this Grand Division as steadily holding on its way, and gaining in strength and influence as its years increase.

It is most gratifying for the members of our Order, and all friends of the Temperance Reform to know that the members of the House of Representatives assented to the Bill extending the provisions of the License Law of the Province to the City of Halifax; while at the same time it is to be regretted that the Legislative Council saw fit to reject the Act passed by the popular branch of the Legislature.

It is satisfactory in part to know that the City Council entered upon the performance of duty, by demanding compliance with all the requirements of the existing license law. We also expect that the promise of a NEW BILL, care-