

to much inconvenience and perplexity by its suspension. And although this Grand Division holds no real estate in its corporate capacity, yet as Representatives from the Subordinate Divisions I consider it within the province of this body, and a bounden duty to our constituents, to make all due provision for such an unfortunate event.

Several of our Deputies have rendered the Grand Division good service in organizing new Divisions during the past term, among which I mention Brothers Rev. W. ROWE, J. J. HARGRAVE, Rev. J. FINCH, A. D. HUCKINS, W. KIDD, A. M. SNIDER, R. HOULDERSHAW, D. CRONKHITE, Rev. R. D. WADSWORTH, JOHN STEVENSON, Dr. A. WORTHINGTON, Wm. ELLIOTT. Brothers C. FISHER, Wm. SMYTH and JOHN JONES have also been actively engaged in organizing new Sections of the Cadets. Thus eleven new Divisions have been added to our list, and while we make "honorable mention" of these standard bearers, some of whom have planted our banner on the ramparts of the enemy, we are also aware of much service being done for our Order by those who are resuscitating old Divisions and "never weary in well doing." I have much pleasure in acknowledging the promptness with which most of the Deputies have reported during the past term. A negligence in this respect was observable previous to my last Report, but with the assistance of the blanks prepared by direction of the Grand Division, a great improvement has taken place. Many suggestions have been made for the good of the Order, prominent among which I hesitate not to endorse as most important, the employment of a Travelling Agent, or Provincial Deputy, to visit Divisions, with a view to resuscitate them and inspire them with renewed zeal in the cause, to hold public meetings where advisable, and, if necessary, to canvass the vicinity for the purpose of organizing a Division, and to advocate our Order as the most efficient organization for the spread of universal temperance. Having referred to this point in a former Report, I should feel much delicacy in pressing this subject on your attention were it not for the generally expressed voice of the Order through the Reports of Deputies. Let us not lose sight that, to be effective, our Order must assume a more missionary character. With means at our disposal, can we not make, in the ensuing winter, such an investment as would be abundantly productive and compensating.

From the Reports of Deputies we also learn that in many localities the regular meetings of Subordinate Divisions are rendered interesting by recitations, essays, vocal and instrumental music. Now that our benefit system is almost entirely abolished, rendering the routine business of our Divisions much less than formerly, much time might be profitably devoted in this manner to mutual improvement, thus constituting the Temperance Hall the centre of moral and intellectual elevation for the neighborhood.

The Divisions reported are generally actuated by a proper spirit, and are working harmoniously for the good of our institution and the promulgation of our principles. The attendance at our regular meetings, though creditable to Divisions in thinly populated settlements, is far too small in our cities, towns and villages. This is only to be corrected by more individual exertion of every member to renovate and fill up his Division. Individual apathy is what we have to guard against. Let not our beautiful, well arranged, and hitherto efficient machinery and appliances be allowed to rust out for want of a little more perseverance to keep the ground we have already in possession. Let the Deputies of our Order see to it that our institution is represented by one Division at least in each township in the