

Lodge, which was as follows: That each Subordinate Lodge is entitled to one delegate to every 20 members or fraction of that number.

Lodge adjourned at 12 noon. Business resumed at 1 p. m.

Moved by Bro. Menzies, seconded by Bro. Winslow, that the entertaining Lodge furnish billets for the visiting delegates, and that the names of all delegates, together with the date of their arrival, be sent from the Subordinate Lodges to the District Lodge at least one week before meeting of District Lodge. Carried.

Moved by Bro. Mann, seconded by Sis. Brett, that in the event of Sapperton Lodge objecting to the condition of the above resolution, that the next meeting be held at Fort Langley. Carried.

Moved by Bro. Winslow, seconded by Bro. Menzies, that the Secretary write to all Chairmen of Committees, stating that a report will be expected from each at every District Lodge session. Carried.

Bro. McCullough reported that the Auditor's committee had examined the Treasurer's report and found it to be correct. Moved by Bro. Mann, seconded by Bro. Winslow, that the report be accepted. Carried.

Moved by Bro. Winslow, seconded by Bro. Mann, that an insertion be made in the B. C. GOOD TEMPLAR, re the matter of those entitled to take the District Lodge Degree. Carried.

Moved by Bro. Menzies, seconded by Bro. McCullough, that a committee of three be appointed to see that Temperance Literature be procured to circulate among the Sub. Lodges. Carried.

Committee appointed for said duty as follows: Bros. Menzies, Foxley, and Sis. Forbes.

Sister Gilley gave in report on behalf of Programme Committee, stating that a pleasant open meeting had been held on the previous meeting in the Methodist Church. Moved by Bro. Menzies, seconded by Bro. Mann, that the report be accepted. Carried.

Bro. McCullough reported that the Committee had examined all receipts, which were as follows:

Received at this session.....	\$12 80
From last Dist. Sec. (money sent for badge).....	35
Balance from last session.....	19 05

Total.....\$31 70

The meeting was then closed and adjourned, to meet next August.

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Next annual meeting is at Nanaimo, in September, 1894.

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J. A. Shearer, D. C. T. Langley
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Earle, D. C. T.
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Next session in March, 1894.

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TO THE B. C. GOOD TEMPLAR.

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS:—As the general election of representatives to the Local House of Parliament are drawing nigh, it is well for every Good Templar and everyone interested in the Temperance movement, to be ready for the fray. Every effort possible, should be put forth to have Temperance men in the field. Plebiscites have been held in the provinces of Nova Scotia, Ontario, Manitoba and P. E. Island, and each and every one have declared by overwhelming majorities in favor of Prohibition, and all the other provinces should do likewise, until such a moral fire is kindled about the wine-bibbing Dominion politicians as will compel

them to pass the law we are asking for. On March 27th the Prohibition army, including temperance men and women from the Atlantic seaboard to the western confines of Ontario, met in session at Ottawa and arranged a programme of speakers who were to lay the case for prohibition before the Government. Sir John Thompson, in reply, informed the deputation that nothing could be done this session, as a most careful and painstaking study of the revenue would have to be made. The question of revenue is the principal objection of a great many today, and indeed it is scarcely debatable. The following facts on that subject may prove beneficial:

It is true that one-half of the people, more or less, are neither half fed, clothed or housed, and they are in that condition because of the waste of say \$75,000,000 per annum in alcohol and tobacco. Let this waste be stopped, or earn two-thirds of it—\$50,000,000—and let that money be expended in buying the comforts and necessaries of life, as it would be put for the liquor traffic, and it is easy to see that not only would the productive forces of commerce need to be largely augmented, giving additional employment to thousands of people, but would, as like conditions did in Ireland, both during the famine years and the Father Matthew movement, largely increase the revenue collected, though some hundreds of thousands of pounds were lost on liquor revenue.

This talk about the revenue comes from the same source as the other fallacy, *i. e.*, That the people are not ready for Prohibition. It is bar-room political nonsense, and finds no market among sober, sensible people. See the following:

“The deriving of vast sums for the revenue, from the bitter sufferings and grinding pauperism of the people, is a terrible offence.”—Canon Wilberforce.

“Luxury, my lords, is to be taxed, but vice prohibited. Let the difficulty be what it may, would you levy a tax upon a breach of the ten commandments? Governments should not for revenue mortgage the morals and health of the people.”—Lord Chesterfield.

“I cannot consent, as your Queen, to take a revenue from that which destroys the souls and bodies of my subjects.”—Queen of Madagascar.

“Gentlemen, you need not give yourselves any trouble about the revenue. The question of revenue must never stand in the way of needful reforms. Besides, with a sober population not wasting their earnings, I shall know where to obtain the revenue.”—W. E. Gladstone.