

deliberate consideration, beg leave to report, and do report as follows:—

That upon the opening of our Division, it was urged upon us with regard to the beneficial feature of the Order, that the same must be accepted, and that the Grand Division of Nova Scotia and National Division of the United States, had guaranteed to assist every Subordinate Division in case of difficulty or embarrassment.

That upon the foregoing matter being represented to the Grand Division of this Province, they stated that in case of the funds of a Subordinate Division being expended by a legitimate appropriation and the monthly dues not being sufficient to support the Division, the only means of replenishment was by voluntary assessment. See page 3rd journal of G. D., July 25th, 1849.

That by the journals of the National Division of North America for the present year, before referred to, we find that many innovations and fundamental changes are introduced. That the beneficial system after having been used as a "means" for the purpose of increasing the numbers, has come to a sudden "end," or in other words is rendered almost if not altogether nugatory.

That by the same journal, your Committee perceive that the expenditure of the National Division is exceedingly extravagant, and that the National Division finding the present per centage will not support them in their expenditure, propose that the same shall be augmented to six times the present amount, that is to thirty per cent.

That in the opinion of your Committee, the proceedings of the Grand Division of Nova Scotia, in not properly and promptly dealing with the several matters proposed to them by this Division, have not acted in good faith.

That your Committee are of opinion that the National Division of North America and the Grand Division of Nova Scotia, have not in their proceedings kept in view the well-being and interests of the Order, but that their proceedings are calculated to mar the harmony, good faith, and benevolence with which the Order was formerly inspired.

That your Committee entertain the opinion, that if the objects professed by the Order of the Sons of Temperance were carried out in good faith, a great moral reform would eventually take place, but that from the reasons before given, your Committee are convinced that upon the present footing the Order cannot stand.

That as the Subordinate Divisions cannot (from having been misled, from the innovations made, and from the action of the National and Grand Divisions) carry out the principles of Temperance and Benevolence, for which they were united, and that they must very shortly become bankrupt and prostrate, and that as no notice has been taken of their complaints in the Grand Division, the obligation to remain together for the purposes for which they were united has ceased.

They therefore state that they consider that each member acting upon his own responsibility, has the right to withdraw from the Division, and that the only reason your Committee do not recommend