

of Temperance, while it was their duty to shun whatever was harsh or rude, should be firm and unbending in the maintenance of their principles, and in lawful endeavors to suppress the evil with which they were contending. They should watch for opportunities of activity, and be on their guard against all tendency to apathy or sloth.

Dr. C. proceeded to observe that the present is a serious crisis in the affairs of our Order. Much will depend on the conduct of its members. There is an imperative demand for firmness, both in the avowal of our principles, and in withstanding all attempts to induce withdrawal from the Divisions or to check their progress. If other organizations evinced hostility they must be met with unshrinking boldness. If they were content to pursue their objects without unfriendly interference with our Order, the field was before them: there was room for all to work, and there need be no clashing or collision.

In conclusion Dr. C. urged the desirableness and necessity of punctual discharge of the duties of membership. The Division Room should never be neglected. Unfrequent attendance was likely to lead to indifference and coldness. For his own part, public engagements had prevented him from occupying his place as often as he desired, but he felt it incumbent on him to make such efforts as would ensure more regularity in future. His attachment to the Order had never been shaken, and he hoped to continue in it as long as he lived. He trusted that all the members of the Grand Division would return to their homes encouraged and hopeful, and resolved to maintain and carry out, to their fullest extent, the great principles of the Order—**LOVE, PURITY, AND FIDELITY.**

The Grand Division closed at midnight. The meeting was the largest and one of the most harmonious ever held.

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