

That Committees of both Houses of Parliament have recommended the prohibition of the said Traffic.

Wherefore your Petitioners humbly pray that your Honorable House may be pleased to pass an Act prohibiting the importation, manufacture and sale of Intoxicating Liquors as beverages, in the Dominion of Canada. And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

(Signed by the Executive of Grand Division.)

They were duly presented.

The Temperance representatives at Ottawa have united in recommending a conference of the leading temperance men in the Dominion to discuss the question in all its bearings and to decide upon a course of united action looking to Prohibition. The Convention will meet in Montreal in September next and if the Grand Division will be represented, now seems to be the time to make the arrangements, so that full information may be gathered, and the views of our most advanced temperance men collected and placed before the convention. Brother Goudge as is seen from his letter and telegram, is very anxious for our Province to be well represented and it remains for you to take action in the matter.

The Grand Scribe spent a day in Wolfville after the last session and conferred with several members of Wolfville Division, and with Mr. Charles Fritze. The difficulty has been amicably settled and Brother Fritze has again connected himself with the Order.

Respecting King's Own Division; some 32 members desired to be re-obligated and the ceremony was performed by T. H. B. Witter, Esq., Deputy of Friendly Division. This was arranged for before the decision of this Grand Division was received by them. It speaks well for the spirit of fairness of these members.

Band of Hope stock has been provided, samples of which—Band of Hope Cards, Rituals and Melodies—are laid on the table for inspection.

3000 copies of the "Reasons why Licenses should not be Granted" have been distributed—the larger number to those Divisions situated in counties where liquor selling mostly prevails—cost \$9.00.

The printing committee has contracted for a new and revised edition of Constitution and Bye-Laws of Grand Division and of Subordinate Divisions. 2000 copies of Grand and Subordinate Divisions Constitution and Bye-Laws are to be bound together so that members can have the two together; and 2000 copies of Subordinate Divisions Constitution separate, making in all 4000 copies.

Up to the 21st inst., the time for closing the accounts, 87 returns had been received and were duly audited; since then, 26 additional returns have been received, making 113 in all, about the same number as one year ago. The following statistics were forwarded to the National Division in our return for the year ended 31st December, 1874:—

Number of Divisions last year.....	145
Number of Divisions now in operation.....	165
Number admitted by Initiation and by Card....	3244
Number reinstated	450
Number withdrawn.....	450
Number of members of Divisions whose Charters have been surrendered.....	35