



To the officers and Brethren of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance, of P. E. Island.

Worthy Brethren,
I meet you with much pleasure on this occasion—the second quarter of the eighth year of this Grand Division, and reciprocate with heart-felt gratitude, the respectful regard manifested towards me in my elevation to this honorable position; but I feelingly realize the responsibilities of my appointment, and regret my incompetency to discharge with efficiency the very important functions of my office.

The most distinguished in our fraternity, for tact, talent, and literary attainments should be preferred to the executive department—and being conscious of my own deficiency in these indispensable prerequisites—I remonstrated with the friends who offered me their patronage; and after repeated refusals to sanction my nomination, at last I consented—in hopes that the ballot would result in the election of one of the more competent candidates.

However, candour urges me to admit that, in view of the multifarious and embarrassing duties devolving on me—the generous assurance of advice and assistance given by my predecessors, in this office—and the discretion which the Division exemplified in their subsidiary appointments, afforded me considerable comfort—in a word, the harmony that characterized the proceedings of our Annual Session, in October, encouraged me to rely on the sympathies and co-operation of my brethren, to support and sustain me in every perplexing emergency.

It has fallen to my lot to preside in your Councils, at a period when a general impression prevails, in all lands, and in all circles, that intemperance has increased to such alarming proportions, and is attended with such disastrous results, as to require vigorous special efforts for its immediate, complete suppression—But it is with no ordinary satisfaction, reference is made to the increasing power and popularity of the Temperance Movement. At the time our noble Order was inaugurated in this Island—there were not perhaps ten men in the country, who would have listened with patience to the suggestion of “a Maine Law”—Thousands have since testified their conviction, not only of the possibility, but of the necessity of such a law; and this class of the community is daily on the increase. Now, the suppression of the liquor traffic is commanding and receiving the respectful attention of Legislators and Gospel Ministers. The causes which have produced this promising state of things, are doubtless varied; but it is to be attributed chiefly to the energy, self-denial and devotion of the Sons of Temperance to their principles. No doubt many of our Order have been discouraged and have believed that the reward sought was inferior to the labor of acquiring it. This is natural, and was to be expected—but the energetic and courageous will continue the more, remembering that the greater the labor, the greater the reward.

The time has now arrived, when we must renew the contest in the Legislature. I trust, that greater industry and activity will be employed than has ever yet been shown in circulating our petitions. I do not doubt, but that the numbers of petitioners may this year be doubled—and I sincerely hope, that no care and no labor will be spared in a work so necessary to secure success.

I refer with much pleasure to the public meetings which have been held in several sections of the Island, under the auspices of the Order—at which our principles have been constantly advocated, and developed—and additions made to the membership of the divisions in the districts.

At the suggestion of our Agent, a Requisition was prepared, and duly presented to me, asking a special dispensation to hold a meeting of the Grand Division in New Perth. Finding that the privilege would accommodate the Representatives Elect in the remote localities—I complied with the proposal. The Rosierucian Division made arrangements for a public celebration, and festival, in compliment to their visiting brethren, notwithstanding the great storm which almost impeded travelling, the spacious accommodation provided was fully occupied. Refreshments were bountifully dispensed, and the alternations of speeches and addresses enlivened the occasion—I was highly gratified with the attractions of the meeting—I appreciate the kindness and hospitality with which we were entertained by the members of the Division, and the other respectable inhabitants of this flourishing settlement. In pursuance of the Resolution passed before the close of the Special meeting in New Perth, I proceeded to Georgetown, where I had an agreeable intercourse with the members of the Diamond of

the Desert. In the evening, Mr. Barnett, G. W. A. delivered an eloquent lecture to a respectable audience in the Temperance Hall. Several resolutions were moved and passed unanimously, in relation to the measures in progress for the legislative suppression of the liquor traffic. I commissioned three Deputies in the City, and nine in the districts under our jurisdiction, and in my correspondence urged watchfulness and vigor, in carrying out the schemes adopted to advance our Cause—I have confidence in their zeal and earnestness to devote due diligence to their important duties.

An address prepared by our Agent—has been approved by the Lecture Committee, and under their endorsement forwarded by their Secretary to Ministers, Magistrates, and other influential members of society, in the several districts of the Country, soliciting their co-operation in circulating our Petitions, and in promoting other measures in connection with our enterprise.

I would call special attention to the important meetings held for public lectures in this Hall, in hopes of exciting your efforts to make them popular and profitable, by providing available attractions and able advocates of our principles.

I am persuaded that Mr. Arbuckle, P. G. W. P. has strong claims on our sympathy and support, from his patience and perseverance in propagating our doctrine. He has contrived several schemes, to divert the people in the country from the public houses, and to create a taste for innocent and useful amusements in connection with mental and moral improvement, and social progress.

I respectfully suggest, that the City Divisions would immediately attend to the circulation of our Petitions in the municipality and suburbs—and further recommend excursions to the neighboring and surrounding settlements. By judicious arrangements for public lectures in those localities, the apathy of many would be aroused, and our ranks would be strengthened.

I regret, that our revenue is not sufficient to defray the expenses incident to an active, aggressive movement, considering the advantages that result from our enterprise, an appeal to the public for aid to raise the necessary funds appears to me both reasonable and expedient. In fact, the suggestion has been made to me, by several in course of conversation on our progress and prospects, that application should be made to the Legislature to that effect, as friends and foes admit, that our organization has become the first and greatest of all our benevolent institutions. I beg to refer you to the Report of the G. Treasurer for the particulars of the Financial affairs.

The G. Scribe will furnish statistical and other information, among which will be a communication on the subject of a Provincial National Division. I am aware, that he is subject to much inconvenience as well as detention in preparing a systematic Digest of the details connected with his department, from irregular or imperfect Returns—The zeal and integrity with which he has watched over the interests of the Order, amidst the pressure of his duties as a public officer, deserve my special approbation.—Officers and Brethren—a great work lies before us, demanding increasing vigor in our efforts, much has been done in reclaiming the intemperate, and in creating a healthy public sentiment in reference to the drinking usages of society, still, accomplishments vaster and wider remain to be made—But let us not be discouraged. The issue of our contest is beyond doubt or dispute—Let us imitate and emulate our Brethren in the sister Provinces in devoting self-denying labor, amidst difficulties and discouragements, until our great end is satisfactorily attained. A brighter and better day will soon dawn—God is on our side—He has blessed us in the past, and He will bless us still.

All of which is respectfully submitted in the bonds of the Order.

J. W. MORRISON, G. W. P.
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P. DEWBERRY G. S.

Coal cinders pulverized are said to prevent rot in potatoes. It has been tried with entire success.

Frosted potatoes may be rendered as good as ever, by being soaked for about ten minutes in salt and water, previous to boiling.

Butter.—In churning cream, add a lump of butter to the cream before commencing, and the butter will come in two-thirds of the time it would without.

An advertisement lately appeared in the Dublin Evening Post, headed “Iron bedsteads and bedding.” We suppose, according to the latter term, that the linen is of sheet iron.

Why is a dog with a broken leg, like a boy at arithmetic? Because he puts down three and carries one.

HASZARD'S GAZETTE

Saturday, March 8, 1856.

The *Examiner* has stated, that there was a trial of strength between the two parties in the House, on the subject of the motion for the Despatches being sent down entire. Quite a mistake; had he said, that there was a trial of principle it would have been nearer the truth. In the account given of the matter by the *Examiner*, Mr. Coles threat, that although a majority of the House should vote for the address that still the Governor would not give the whole of the despatch, is left out. The first question is, did Mr. Coles make that assertion? We shall see what account the Reporter gives of the debate; and we shall see also, whether the Reporter has suffered an important expression from the leader of the Government to escape him, or whether he has slurred it over. It will in fact be a test of his correctness as a Reporter. Assuming that Mr. Coles did make the assertion, the remarks of the *Examiner* are quite beside the question. The practice of Joseph Howe in the Nova Scotia House of Assembly, we do not admit to be of sufficient authority; besides Mr. Howe, it would appear, discovered his mistake in time, and yielded to the wish of the opposition. Joe Howe, though as arbitrary and tyrannical as George Coles, has a great deal of shrewdness and knowledge, and being well aware that he would furnish his adversaries with a powerful weapon of his own forging, if he persisted, wisely withdrew it in time, or otherwise Mr. Johnston would have shown him, that there were means to compel him to do that which was right and constitutional; we trust that the same will be done here. A public despatch is public property, and the people have a right by their representatives to demand the whole of it. The despatch in question though addressed to the Governor is virtually intended for the Provincial Parliament, it is an answer of the Sovereign to the question implied in the suspending clause, whether she will or will not give her assent to the Bill. To which she replies, she will not. And her Minister states, not for the information of the Governor, but for that of the Provincial Parliament, the reasons which have induced him to advise Her Majesty to withhold her assent. The people have a right to be made acquainted with these reasons; and the Colonial Government that withholds them is guilty of a fraud, not on the minority in the House, but on the whole people. We shall go more fully into the discussion of this most important question, after the arrival of the English Mail, when we shall have more space and time at our command.

A new Schoolhouse, and all its contents, situated at Lot 8, in Prince County, was accidentally consumed by Fire on the 25th ult.—Is

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.
On Tuesday evening last Rev. D. Fitzgerald delivered a highly entertaining and instructive Lecture on the subject of “China, its Capabilities and people.”

Rev. Robert Patterson, A. M., will lecture on Tuesday evening next; subject ‘Advantages of Knowledge.’

Married.
On the 21st ult., at St. Eleanor's, by the Rev. J. H. Read, B. D., Mr. George Pickets, Lot 19, to Miss Mary Williams, Lot 25.

On Thursday, the 25th ult., at Georgetown, by W. Sanderson, Esq., J. P., Mr. David Morrow, of Bay Fortune, Lot 56, to Miss Mary Perkins, of Souris.

On Tuesday evening, the 4th inst., at Georgetown, by W. Sanderson, Esq., J. P., Mr. Samuel Macdonald, of Lot 46, Merchant, to Elizabeth, second youngest daughter of Mr. Donald McDonald, West River, Lot 46.

On Thursday, 6th inst., by Rev. Charles I. Barnett, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Peter McKee, Lot 49, to Miss Catherine Stewart, Lot 48.

By the Rev. Isaac Murray, on the 25th Feb., Mr. John Morrison, to Ellen, eldest daughter of Mr. Donald McKay, New London.

Died.
At Lot 11, on Friday the 23d., after a brief but painful illness, Flora, the beloved wife of Mr. Archibald Ramsay, much regretted by all who knew her.

His Excellency the Lieut Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint JOHN HYON, Esquire, of Murray Harbour, Commissioner of Highways for the Tenth District of King's County, during the absence from the Island of the Honorable Thomas Clow.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor has been pleased to accept the resignation of DONALD McKINNON, Esquire, of Grand River, Lot 56, as a Justice of the Peace for King's County.

Warrants from No. 1040, of the date of the 9th of October, 1855, to No. 1223, of the date of the 31 November, 1855, (both inclusive), will be paid at the Treasury on demand, together with the interest due thereon.

AUCTIONS.

Good chance for Country Dealers and Merchants!

TO BE SOLD at Auction at the Store of Mr. Wm. T. DAWSON, No. 3, Grafton Street, commencing on TUESDAY, the 18th March, and continuing until the whole is disposed of, the remainder of his STOCK OF GOODS, consisting of—

8 pancheons Molasses, 1 half Sago, 25 chests Tea, 15 boxes Candles, 40 boxes Confectionery, 4 bags Nuts, 20 dozen cane and wood-seated Chairs, 70 sides New York Sole Leather, 100 sides Island Nent's Leather, 1 case Indigo, 12 barrels Pilot Bread, 1 case Matches, 15 barrels Crackers, (wine, soda, butter and water), 1 case Sago, 3 cases Flaming Fluid, 150 pairs Island manufactured Boots; barrels Olive, Pale Seal, Lard and Whale Oil, boxes Corn Starch, boxes ground Coffee, boxes Window Glass and Putty, Morrice Locks and Latches, Door Handles, wire and black tin Dish Covers, Beef Steak & Oyster Dishes, Soap-Tureens, Tea, and Coffee Pots, Nursery Lamps; Cash, Deed, Cake, Sago and Spice Boxes; Neats of Tails, Tea Caddies, Slop Pails, Coal Hods, sets Scales, Sweeping Carpet, Scrubbing and Black Lead Brushes; every variety of Fluid Lamps and Lanterns; Lamp Wick, Pails, Brooms, Pepper, Soap, Soda, Saleratus, Ginger, Rice, Blacking, Cheese; variety of Bedsteads, Mattresses, Children's Cots, Sofas, Lounges, Tables, Clocks, and Looking Glasses, &c. &c.

Also—100 pairs Brogues (assorted), 100 pairs women's Shoes, 4 cases men's Boots, 1 case India Rubber Boots, 12 pairs ladies' Rubbers Boots, 1 case children's Boots and Shoes, 10 doz. Blacking, 40 pieces satinett, (assorted), 20 pieces grey Cotton, 10 pieces striped Shirting, 5 pieces Ficking, 20 pieces printed Cotton, 2 dozen Silk Hats, 2 dozen Fur Caps, 3 dozen Cloth Caps, 4 dozen Kossuth Hats, 3 dozen Travelling Bags, 1 Bale Cotton Warp, 1 dozen Buffalo Robes.

Terms liberal. A. H. VATES, Auctioneer. March 3.

VALUABLE PROPERTY.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on WEDNESDAY, the ninth day of April next, (1856,) at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, at the Colonial Building in Charlottetown, pursuant to License, duly granted for that purpose by His Honor the Governor and Judge of Probate of this Island, bearing date the Twelfth day of February, A. D. 1856. All the Right, Title and Interest of the late Honorable DONALD McDONALD, of Glenadale, Township Number Thirty-six, (36) deceased in and to the following Land and Real Estate.

Namely—All that Tract, Piece or Parcel of Land, situate, lying, and being on Division No. Four, (4) on the Plan of the Estate of Charles Tatham, from very in July 1828, and filed in the Public Office, made actual by the late William Curtis, bounded as follows, that is to say—Commencing at a quartz stake fixed on the north edge of the East Post Road, or so-called St. Peter's Road, in the east boundary of a tract of Land in possession of Robert Cairns, thence (according to the magnetic north of the year 1764) north for the distance of One hundred and nine (109) chains, or until it meets the south boundary of Division No. Five, (5) thence east for the distance of Twenty-nine (29) chains to the north-west angle of Division number Three, (3) thence south for the distance of Thirty-four, (34) chains to the north boundary of the old Glebe and School Land, thence west Twelve (12) chains and Fifty (50) links, thence south Fifty-one (51) chains to said Road, thence following the various courses of the said Road South-westwardly to the place of commencement, containing Two hundred and twelve (212) acres of Land, a little more or less, and is part of Lot or Township Number Thirty-five, (35) in Prince Edward Island.

The above Land will be sold in several Plots or Divisions. For further particulars, and conditions of Sale, apply to the Subdivider at Glenadale, or at the Office of the Honorable Joseph Hensley, in Charlottetown.

JOHN ARCH. McDONALD, Administrator of the Estate of the said late Honorable Donald McDonald. Charlottetown, 1st March, 1856.

FARM, STOCK, CROP,

Household Furniture, &c.,

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION, at the Premises, on TUESDAY, the 12th MARCH inst., at 11 o'clock, the Leasehold Interest of a Farm, situate at Lot 16, fronting on Richmond Bay, consisting of 165 acres of Land, 100 acres of which are in good cultivation, and the remainder covered with Fencing and Firewood; together with a Frame HOUSE and suitable OUT-BUILDINGS thereon erected. There are two Wells and a Pump on the premises. As a wheat-growing Farm, this cannot be surpassed by any on the Island.

Also, 2 Horses, Colt, 1 imported Ayrshire Bull, 5 Cows, (1 imported Ayrshire), 9 Sheep, 2 Heifers, Threshing Machine, Gig, Jaunting Sleigh and Harness, Cart, Truck, Cart Harness, Ploughs, Harrows, Wainwright Machine; a variety of HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., &c.

Also, A quantity of superior Wheat, Oats, Potatoes, Hay, Straw, &c.

TERMS.—Cash on delivery, as the Subscriber has gone into business which renders necessary his immediate removal from this section of the country.

JOHN ADAMS, Lot 16, 1st March, 1856.