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Quarterly Boturns to Grand Division for Term commencing January 1st, and ending March 31st, 1859.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

RAND DIVISION OF NOVA-SCOTIA.

QUARTERLY SESSION.

PUGWASH, N. S., WEDNESDAY, 27th April, 1859.

The Grand Division assembled at 11 o'clock, A. M., in emperance Hall, and opened in due form, the Grand orthy Patriarch in the Chair. Roll of Officers called: *Present*: Rev. Robert A. Temple, G. W. P.; Patrick onaghan, G. Scribe; Rev. John McMurray, P. G.W. P. *Absent*: Robert Noble, G. W. A.; Joseph William unan, G. T.; Rev. Stephen W. DeBlois, G. Chaplain; ard Longley, G. Con.; Henry B. Mitchell, G. Sent.

The G. W. P. filled vacancies.

The Grand Scribe read the following report from the adding Committee on Credentials:

he Standing Committee on Credentials beg leave to report that yhave examined the Credentials of the undermentioned Repretatives, and find them correct:

KITRAL, 2.—John Dallinger.
HLTON, 4.—W. P., Robert Spears.
IVON, 12.—W. P., Rev. Daniel M. Welton.
IVONDALE, 13.—James W. Allison, jr.
RIENTAL, 16.—Alexander McKemmie.
HERRON, 19.—Jaeob W. Crosby.
OLUMBIL, 24.—William Dahlgreen.
HESTER, 32.—Albert Mitchell.
UGWASII, 36.—W. P., Rufus T. Page; P. W. P., John Jollye, Hance B. Hollis, Wm. Gould, David J. Rogers, Thomasbster, George H. Page, Rufus F. Page, and Angus Campbell. MORNING STAR. 38.-Benjamin Bradshaw.

STAR IN THE EAST, 61 .- John Kearney.

HANTSPORT, 62.-J. B. North.

WALLACE, 75.-John Steele.

BETHLEHEM, 89.—Henry C. Grant.

NORTH, 99 .- W. P., John Starritt; P. W. P., John Charlton.

WOLFVILLE, 112 .- W. P., T. H. Rand; P. W. P., C. H. Com

PHIENIX, 115.-James Starratt, Robert West, George Ward,

A. C. Randall, Daniel Waterman, Enos D. Crouse, Wellesleys Gates, William Starratt, and John Whidden.

RECHAB, 119.-W. P., Rev. James Stephens; P. W. P., Geom Creed.

VESPER, 124.-Richard S. Blois.

NORTH AMERICAN, 128 .- Wm. C. Raymond, Foster Piper.

TEMPLE, 131.-Jesse D. Montrose, J. C. Peirs, Wm. B. Heush PITTACUS, 132 .- Thomas W. Curry.

SACKVILLE, 137 .- W. P., David Ellis, jr.

HEBERT, 138 .- Job Seaman.

MARSHALL, 139 .- W. P., Martin Hunter; P. W. P., Thomask Smith, John Huston.

WHITE ROSE, 142 .- W. P., Jesse W. Fullerton ; P. W. P., Ja E. Dickenson, George A. Dickenson.

EUREKA, 144.-W. P., Joseph G. Dimock; P. W. P., John Philips, Thomas H. Patton, Edward Davison.

TYRO, 145.-W. P., George Coggins; P. W. P., Wellington Worrell.

GENERAL WILLIAMS, 146.-W. P., Edward Denton; P. W. Rev. John C. Morse.

All which is submitted in L. P. and F.,

R. M. BARRATT, JOHN LANIGAN. W. A. S. BLEWETL kc

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HALIFAX, 25th April, 1859. Adopted.

The Grand Conductor introduced the undername Representatives, who were duly initiated, and took the

seats :

Rufus F. Page, Wm. H. Rogers, David J. Roge Hance Hollis, James A. Elliot, Thomas Webster, Hen Seaman, Wm. Gould, of No. 36; Thomas R. Smith No. 139. fter i

Representative Rev. George S. Milligan, of Mainm ticle S Division, No. 57, late a member of the Grand Division Also t word New Brunswick, being present, signed the Constitut As Rn and took his seat as a member of this Grand Division. hmitte

The Grand Worthy Patriarch made the following ppointments, pro tem., --- Wm. H. Rogers, G. W. A.; R. F. Page, G. T.; Rev. G. S. Milligan, G. Chap.; Henry Smith, G. Con.; David Rogers, G. Sent.

The G. W. P. appointed Committees as follows :-

On State of the Order :- Rev. J. McMurray, David Rogers, Thomas R. Smith.

On Communications :--- Rev. G. S. Milligan, Rufus Page, ames A. Elliott.

On Enrollment of Names of Representatives present uring the Session :--- William H. Rogers.

The Grand Scribe read a communication from Central ivision. No. 2, in reference to "obtaining pledges from andidates for seats in the Assembly, at the approaching lections, to give their support to the Prohibitory Law in e Legislature." Placed on file, for want of time to my out objects of resolutions contained in the commuication.

Also a communication from New Caledonia Division, a 14. Referred to Standing Committee on Constitions and Bye-Laws.

Also, a communication from the Grand Scribe of the and Division of Newfoundland, in reference to annual ecting of the National Division for 1860. Placed on file. The following report was read and adopted:

The Standing Committee on Constitutions and Bye-Laws have before them copies of the Bye-Laws of several Divisions, and g to report as follows:

CHEBUCTO, NO. 7, and AVON, NO. 12 .- In the Bye-Laws of these visions your committee do not find anything to conflict with the astitution.

ROCK, No. 63.-Your committee recommend that the words.fler one week's notice has been given," be added to Section 5 of ticle S.

the that the word "may" be inserted instead of "shall," before words "be suspended," in Section 2 of Article 5. Is Rule 37 of the "Rules of Order" conflicts with Rule 36, your

mittee recommend that that Rule be stricken out, and that the

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following be added to Rule 36: "A vote for r-jecting a candida may be reconsidered by motion of any members, at any period subquent to the announcement of the vote. The reconsideration of question places it before the meeting. If reconsideration be not fit lowed by any action affecting the question, it remains as previous decided."

VICTORIA MINES, No. 108.—Your committee would recomment as follows:

That the words,—" After one week's notice has been given," u added to Section 7 of Article 4.

That the words,—"In accordance with Article 7 of the Const tution, and Article 2 of the Revised Rules," be added to Section! of Article 5.

That the word "may," be inserted instead of word "shall," i Section 3 of Article 5.

That the word "may," be inserted instead of "shall," in Section 4 of the same Article.

That the words,—" When, if there be no charge against him," be inserted instead of the words,—" If two-thirds of the members per sent vote for granting the same," in Section 9 of Article 5.

That the words "Constitution and," in Section 3 of Article 4,4 omitted.

PHENIX, No. 115.—Your committee recommend :

That the words,—" Constitution and," in Section 3 of Articles be omitted.

That the words,—"In accordance with Article 7 of the Const tution, and Article 2 of the Revised Rules," be added to Section? Article 5.

That the words,—"A balloting shall take place, and if a major in, a shall vote to give it to him," in Section 9 of Article 5, be omitted icle is and that the words, "for which he shall pay 7½d.," be added to the said Section, after the word "Card."

TEMPLE, No. 131.—Your Committee do not find anything objectionable in the proposed addition to the Bye-Laws of the H_{ALIF} Division.

CUNNINGHAM, No. 134.-Your committee recommend :

That the words "Constitution and," in Section 4 of Article 3,1 omitted.

That the words "two-third," be inserted before the word "rote file. in Section 2 of Article 7; and the words,—"After one week's not hc^{-} been given," be added to the same Section, after the wo "Division."

That the words,—"In accordance with Article 7 of the Cons tution, and Article 2 of the Revised Rules," be added to Section 5 Article 7. That the word "may," be inserted instead of the word "shall," Section 9 of Article 7.

MARSHALL, No. 139 .- Your committee recommend :

That the words "Constitution and," in Section 2 of Article 4, be mitted.

That the words,—"After one week's notice has veen given," be ided to Section 6 of Article 4.

That the words,—"In accordance with Article 7 of the Constition, and Article 2 of the Revised Rules," be added to Section 2 of nicle 5.

That Section 3 of Article 5 be omitted, as it conflicts with the institution.

That the word "may," be inserted instead of "shall," in Section of Article 5.

That the words,—"A balloting shall take place, and if a majority all vote to give it to," in Section 8 of Article 5, be struck out, d the words,—" If there be no charge against," inserted instead reaf.

That the word "may," be inserted instead of "shall," in Section of Article 7.

Your committee would recommend this Division to make some eration in their Bye-Laws relating to Dues or Benefits, as they not conceive how fifteen shillings per week, as benefits, can be d to members, while the Initiation Fee is but two shillings and epence, and the Dues only five-pence per month.

IYRO, No. 145.—Your committee would recommend :

hat the words,—"In accordance with Article 7 of the Constiim, and Article 2 of the Revised Rules," be added to Section 2 of ide 5.

Respectfully submitted in L. P. and F.,

PATRICK MONAGHAN, JOHN HEENAN,

WILLIAM MURRAY.

ALIFAX, N. S., 23d April, 1859.

The Grand Scribe read report from Committee winted to watch over progress of Prohibitory Bill wigh the last session of the Legislature. Report placed file.

the accounts of the G. Scribe and G. Treasurer were and ordered on file.

the following report was read and adopted :

he Standing Finance Committee beg leave to report that they

have examined the books and accounts of the Grand Scribe, and the accounts of the Grand Treasurer, and find them correct.

They find the following bill correct, and recommend it for purment:

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21st April, 1859.

The G. W. P. read his report as follows :

TO THE GRAND DIVISION OF THE PROVINCE OF NOTE SCOTIA :

Officer's and Representatives,-Summoned again to meet's quarterly session, it becomes us gratefully to recognise to fostering care which a beneficent Providence has extended a our Order since our last meeting.

I have much satisfaction in reporting that, as far as m information extends, the interests of our Order continue prosper, in every sense in which prosperity is desirable Five new divisions have been instituted in the jurisdicit during the term, viz. : one in Kings, one in Yarmouth, a in Lunenburg, one in Digby, and one in Cumberland. The new divisions have entered upon their career with every provide the server of the server and the Port George Division, No. 87, has been nect of success. suscitated. Charters to open two new divisions, to be locate respectively in Digby and Colchester counties, have be granted.

From the few reports which have been made by the day ties, I am able to present but a comparatively meagre su mary of the

PRESENT STATE OF THE ORDER.

Halifax City.—Deputy Shean reports the city divisions a healthy and prosperous state. Several temperance me ings have been held during the quarter, and ninety-six me bers have joined the Order.

Halifax County .- Rev. T. H. Porter (whose health, Is happy to say, is improving) reports favorably of the division under his care. Sackville Division is "gathering strength June Rose Division has "done nobly since the dedication their new hall." Bedford Division is "also doing its p tile in the great and good cause." Rising Sun Division "isi tat healthy state, and its meetings are well attended."

Lunenburg County.—No report. I have learned, however, that, with the exception of "Lunenburg," the divisions are prospering.

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Shelburne County.—Deputy McNaughton writes encouragingly of the divisions in his county. The increase in the numbers of Concord Division has not been great, but the zeal and good attendance of the members is highly encouraging. Star Division is in admirable working order,—has a prospect of consi.lerable increase, and has succeeded in "suppressing, or nearly so, a very troublesome *cherry bitters* establishment, the only curse in the character of a grog shop in all the region round about." Roseway Division "holds on its way."

Farmouth County.—Rev. George Christie writes that the divisions in his county "are in good working order, and in most of them there are evident tokens of new life. Central Division, in particular, is again rising in numbers, and a very good feeling seems to pervade the members generally."

Dighy County.—Deputy Stewart states that the cause in is quarter is "certainly advancing." General Williams livision "is doing well, is in good spirits, and progressing advantely but surely." General Inglis Division is "doing wonders." Deputy Nicholl reports Royal Division progressing. Its meetings are well attended, and a good feeling preails. The division embraces the leading men of different mominations, and exerts a powerful influence in the neighwhood.

Anapolis County.—Rev. Dr. Robertson writes that "the ause in that county is certainly gaining strength. Margaretille Division has been doing remarkably well. It has formed vigilance committee, and its future prospects look encourjing." Emblem Division is "working very well." The irisions immediately under the care of the County Deputy re "gaining ground and doing much geod." Port George brision is "doing wonders. It was only resuscitated in anuary last, after a slumber of five years, and now numbers rer fifty members." Tremont Division is "flourishing." ielson and Victoria Mines "are strong and full of confidence ad good resolutions. An effort was made to rouse Wilberwee Division, but without effect. It only turned to sleep a the longer on the other side." It is still hoped, however, hat "it will be up and doing." Though official information had not been received from North, Cunningham, Olive Brand and New Caledonia Divisions, they are stated to be in a prosperous condition. New Caledonia Division especially is "gaining strength," having been revived by a visit and lecture from Dr. Robertson last fall.

King's County .- Rev. Dr. Cramp states, "Lower Horter Division, it is feared, is in a declining state." Wolfville Division has had "difficulties and trials, but is making head against them." A considerable number of lady visitors have recently been admitted, with good effect. The divisions under the charge of Deputies Hamilton and Marsters are believed to be "going on well." In the western part of the county a encouraging state of prosperity prevails. Invincible Division has initiated twenty-four during the quarter. The new Div sions Waterloo and Enterprise are doing well. They have initiated men who till lately were violent opposers of the cause. Deputy Van Buskirk says : "Our rum-sellers at about done up. They are trying to get their liquors shipped to other places; and they will have to do it, as there is a sale here for them. We have three total abstinence societies working nobly, and numbering some three hundred or ma members. The people seem to have waked up, and all a active and willing to help on the good work. Even the por drunkard has reformed, and you do not now sec a man the worse for liquor." This prosperity the deputy attribute mainly to the religious revival which has been recently crim ed in that district.

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Hants County .- Rev. J. Cameron writes that all the div sions under his care are "helping on the good work Rechab Division is "doing well. Public opinion is in the favor, and they expect a large increase. Kellogg Division in a healthy state," and has received an impulse from their troduction of a number of young ladies. Vesper Division working steadily.

Colchester County .- Rev. J. McMurray states that the Order in that county is "doing a good work. The past qua ter, with nearly all the divisions under his charge, has be one of increase and prosperity."

Cumberland County is still rising. Another beacon h been lighted at Amherst Head. Deputy Rogers reports Pa

wash Division "too strong to feel the opposition directed against it by enemies or pretended friends," Marshall Diviion is full of enthusiasm, and is a worthy representative of the champion whose name it bears. Eureka has found an mobstructed path to honorable usefulness. Deputy Atkinion reports White Rose Division progressing satisfactorily. A number have recently joined who had been powerfully ipposed to it. From un official, though reliable sources, I ave learned that Hebert Division has prospered beyond all spectation. Friendship Division has astonished all who are iequainted with its progress. Lucknow is determined to hold at until relieved. Wallace is firm and useful.

Pictou County .- No report.

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Guyshoro' County.— Deputy McDonald states that Welngton Division is in a healthy condition, but intimates that little more opposition would cause them to be more active. here is no licensed liquor shop in the district of St. Mary's, and the active clerk of licenses does not fail to look after all isolators of the law.

Cape Breton.—Deputy Bown writes that the divisions unerhis care are "in good working order, with the exception Bethlehem, which is languishing. Coxheath bids fair to come one of the best working divisions in the county. It is already done much good in putting down intemperance in re settlement."

The above extracts, though the details are comparatively w, are sufficient to shew that the state of the Order in those sets of the jurisdiction from which information has been avived is in the highest degree satisfactory.

In compliance with a call of this Grand Division,

A CONVENTION

delegates from numerous temperance organizations in the wince assembled in Halifax on the 23d of February last, which varied intelligence and ability were brought to the sussion of the question of Prohibition, and at which the abilitory policy of this Grand Division was in the main proved and adopted. The Convention resolved, however, petition the Legislature to introduce into the bill to be d before them, a clause providing that, should a majority the votes polled throughout the province be adverse to the

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bill, it should then come into operation in any county, tom ship, or polling section in which a majority of the inhabitant should demand it. The convention also appointed a com mittee to co-operate with the committee of this Grand Dir sion in procuring the passage of the bill through the Legi lature.

The action of the Legislature on the

PROHIBITORY BILL,

ic Di He be Ast Oh the 15th of March the bill wa is before the country. introduced into the House of Assembly by Mr. Moses, char man of the committee to whom were referred the petities for a prohibitory law. The committee, however, had a introduced the clause prayed for by the convention, since, their judgment, "that clause would be inconsistent with a main principle of the bill." During the discussion of the ro bill, a motion to postpone its further consideration for the months was lost, a majority of twenty-five appearing again ch: the motion. A motion to strike out the clauses of the which provided for the taking of an electoral vote, as "m trary to the spirit and genius of the British constitution," a roe jeopardizing to the bill, was also lost, a majority of twee being against it. After a lengthy discussion, the bill pass ecte the Assembly with some amendments, and was sent up to hou Legislative Council for their concurrence. A special or ny mittee of the Council reported adversely to the bill. I legi however, passed a second reading without discussion. Duri f tl the debate in committee, a motion to strike out the fit ure, eleven clauses, which provide for taking the votes of elected nd at the hustings, was lost, six appearing for the motion, a he eleven against it. On the motion for the third reading of the cen: bill, an amendment was moved that the bill be re-committe tils for the purpose of striking out the first eleven clauses, eren " unwise, unjust, and unconstitutional, and as setting a da b les. gerous precedent," which was negatived, five votes appearing hev for it, and thirteen against it. An amendment that the f nal : ther consideration of the bill be postponed for three month it w was then carried, fourteen voting for it, and four against eble. The bill was therefore lost. frect

Into the motives by which the members of the Legislate ccom were actuated in their action on the Prohibitory Bill, I don feel called upon to inquire. But it could not but be o f the pa:

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erved, from the published reports of the debates, that the discussion, in both branches of the Legislature, scarcely ouched the *principle* of the bill, but dwelt upon the *details* that it was mainly confined to the first eleven clauses, which provide for the submission of the bill to the people, and define the mode in which the vote of the people was to have been taken.

A number of the members of both houses are of opinion hat the principle of submitting the bill to the people for atification is "unjust, unprecedented, and contrary to the pirit and genius of the British Constitution." They argue hat it is unconstitutional to grant to the people powers which, exercised at all, ought only to be exercised by the Legislaure,-that if a prohibitory law is sought, on the ground that would diminish crime and pauperism, and make life and roperty more secure, it is surely the province of the Legisture to determine whether the premises are proved. But hat are the premises? They are these : that intemperance the prolific cause of pauperism, crime, domestic misery, east-rending sorrow, cursing, swearing, premature death, and oes innumerable to the Church and the world; and more an this: that there is in this country a licensed trade, proeted by the law of the land, which is productive of a ousand-fold more mischief, misery, disease, and death, than hy other trade known to the civilized world. Has not the egislature admitted these premises already? The conviction f the insufficiency of the license system, as a remedial meaue, has forced itself upon the Legislature year after year; nd hence the constant return of legislation to the subject. he people of this province have long since found that the cense system is a cheat,—that it promises to diminish the als of intemperance, but produces them, —that it promises trenue, but increases taxes and burdens,-that it promises lessen the sale of intoxicating liquors, but concentrates it. bey have year after year asked for a remedy which will be hal and absolute, but in vain. The objection to it has been, it will be distasteful to the people, and therefore impractible." The people now ask for an opportunity to give a rect expression of their wish. If such a measure will best complish the ends of good government, who shall oppose it? the Legislature choose to waive for the occasion their right pass the law unconditionally, they have the power, and

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who shall object? Nor is the measure "unprecedented." The principle has already been recognized, even in the legislation of this province, in the municipal incorporation $\arctan the$ school law.

The question of prohibition is now settled for another year. But how does the failure affect us? Has the law one friend the less among us? I believe not. On the contrary, I are convinced that the cause was never more deeply rooted in the hearts of the people. Its influence is increasing, and the day is not far distant when the rising swell of popular indignation will raze the reeling fabric of the legalized liquor trafic of this province from its very foundation. I respectfully suggest that the duty of this Grand Division at the present crisis is, '

TO RE-AFFIRM, WITH SOLEMN EMPHASIS, ITS PROHIEF TORY POLICY.

Let it be our battle cry; let it be our whispered pass-word; let it be inscribed in blazing capitals on our many-colored banners: Eternal proscription to the accursed traffic in human bodies and souls! Let us join our brethren in Yarmouth: "We are resolved," say they, "to agitate — agitate — Agit TATE! Nor shall hollow-hearted and false friends prevent from seeking a law to put down intemperance. We are ned disposed to take the counsel of those who suggest that we should lower our demands."

The present posture of our cause demands that we should redouble our efforts

TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC MIND.

Moral suasion-prayers, entreaties, and appealing wordsshould be more diligently employed, not merely to save ind Pug vidual drunkards, but for the purpose of raising public Refe sentiment to a more elevating tone on the great question of The national morality. The pulpit, the press, and the platform should be leagued to expose the moral and social wRONG of hs re the legalized traffic in intoxicating drinks. Appeals should THE be made to the moral sense of the people. Our policy should THE] be bold and enlarged. The aid of Christian Minister and 1 should be more generally secured. There is no system whit fr aga creates more inveterate obstacles to the progress of divin cious truth than the liquor trade. It not only desolates God der ar earth, but sends its consequences into the awful future t is y

These facts should be *kept before the people*. Consummate' rudential wisdom, dictates this course. The temperance nan who supposes that the work is not to be done *over and ver again*, understands but little of his mission.

Then, when the combined wisdom of the great temperance ody of this Province shall decide that the time for action has mived, such an expression of the wish of the people shall be recured as will force upon our Legislators the conviction hat the enactment of a stringent Prohibitory Law can no pager be delayed.

At the same time, every effort should be made

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TO CONSOLIDATE AND EXTEND OUR ORDER.

Combined and concentrated labor will be necessary to the limate accomplishment of our object. The claims of our rder as the most prominent and efficient of existing tempenece organizations, should be published to the country; and the unorganized who wish us well, should be pressed into rganization.

Before I close this report, I would call the attention of the rand Division to the fact that an application for a Charter open a new Division at Bridgewater, has been received; it information having been received from the County Depu-Rev. J. C. Hurd, and from other sources, that the mation of a new Division in that place would materially fet the old Division located there, the Charter has not been anted; which action requires the confirmation of the Grand ivision.

Respectfully submitted in L. P. and F.,

R. Alder Temple, G. W. P.

PUGWASH, April 27th, 1859.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

The Grand Scribe presented the following report, which sreferred to Committee on State of the Order:

THE GRAND DIVISION OF THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE OF THE PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA:

md Worthy Patriarch and Brethren:

ragain becomes our duty to return thanks to Him who, by His dous assistance, has enabled us to work with advantage to the ler and the Cause, during the past term.

is with much satisfaction that I have to report the Order to be

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in a more thriving and better working condition at the present, the at any other period since its introduction into this Province.

The augmentation to our numbers during the past quarter i greater, with perhaps one exception, than in any other term sing the organization of this Grand Division. By the accompanying returns it will be perceived that during the last three monthsincluding the new Divisions—over nine hundred have been admitted by the Divisions in this jurisdiction. Making a deduction for loss by expulsions, withdrawals and deaths, there has been a net increase of about seven hundred members. Our total membership will exceed four thousand-being greater than in any other quarter since that ending in September, 1851. We have also a larger nur ber of working Divisions. The greatest number on the roll at an one time was ninety-one-in October, 1851-ten of which were that inoperative. Now there are ninety-one on the roll, eighty-eight which are in working order. Nearly sixty of the Divisions admi Lady Visitors. The number of Visitors now exceeds eleven hundre -many of whom were initiated during the past term. These fact ivis speak for themselves: are very encouraging: and should incited to continued efforts for the extension of our Order, and the pr Ac. ōth motion of the "Virtue and happiness of mankind." bsse:

Since our last quarterly meeting, the following named m Divisions have been instituted:

ENTERPRIZE, No. 149, at Prince-William-street, Aylesford, King County, on 26th January, by Abraham VanBuskirk, D. G. W. P.

Onio, No. 150, at Ohio, Yarmouth Coanty, by Rev. Geor Christie, P. G. W. P., in March.

WATFORD, No. 151, at New Germany, Lunenburg County, 15th March, by the Rev. J. C. Hurd, County Deputy.

GENERAL INGLIS, No. 152, at St. Mary's Bay, Digby Country 23d March, by Henry Stewart, D. G. W. P.

AMHERST HEAD, No. 153, at Amherst Head, Cumberland Com ty, on 6th April, by R. B. Heustis, D. G. W. P.

Charters have been issued for two other Divisions: one to located at Folly Village, Londonderry, Colchester County; second at Grand Joggin, Digby County.

In the month of January a requisition for a Charter for an Division,—signed by thirty persons—was received from Brids water, Lunenburg County. I declined recommending the issue of the Charter on the following grounds: First,-From a fear that second Division would militate against the usefulness of Phat Division, which had resumed operations but a short time previo after a slumber of several years; secondly,-Because I belief that there was not sufficient room in the district for two Division thirdly,-I feared some disagreement existed amongst the reside when the institution of a second Division was sought for. Th fears afterwards proved to be correct, and the Charter was withh and the application was subsequently withdrawn. The informat

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eceived was placed in possession of the G. W. P., who concurred a the refusal to grant a Charter. If deemed necessary, the corresondence on this subject will be placed before you. I would sugest to the Grand Division whether it would not be wise to appoint *Standing Committee on Charters*, in order that the Grand Worthy Patriarch and Grand Scribe may be relieved of the *entire responsiilly* of granting or refusing Charters, as is the case at present.

Wilberforce Division, No. 28, resumed operations on the 18th of awary, with, as it was then hoped, prospects of future success. I gret, though, that it is not now working. It "requires a little ore slumber."

Port George Division, No. 87, of Port George, Annapolis County, as resuscitated on 24th January, by Rev. Dr. Robertson, D. G. W. It is now doing well, and gives promise of future usefulness.

Some of the Divisions alluded to in my last report as being "in languishing condition," have lately "exhibited signs of returning gor." Lower Horton Division, I believe, is not working, as no mms have been received since October, 1858. Diligent River histon is still inactive.

Acadia Division, No. 1, of Yarmouth, surrendered its Charter on th January. The Charter and Ritual have been placed in my session.

In accordance with a resolution adopted at the last quarterly sion, a circular was despatched to the subordinate Divisions, questing them to contribute towards the expenses of the Repretatives appointed to attend the annual meeting of the National inison, in June next. Thirty-six Divisions have made appropriions amounting to £32 0s. 1½d.; eight cannot afford any contritions; two cannot give any help at present, but hope to be in a sition to do so soon. No answer has been received from the mainder.

The returns from eighty-two Divisions, for the quarter ending s March, 1859, show the following :

mber	of working divisions	88
4	Divisions not working	2
ĸ	Divisions supposed not working	1-91
æ	Initiated	861
44	Admitted by Card	17
11	" Dispensation	38-916
a	Withdrawn by Card	19
ы	" from the Order	37-56
46	Expelled for violation of Pledge	65
"	" non-payment of dues	77-142
"	Deaths	7
u	Rejected	22
8	Suspended	41
u	Violated Pledge, first time	92
"	Reinstated	85

"Temperance Tracts distributed	2 7 4 6 0
; RECEIPTS.	
Tax from Divisions for quarter ending June 30, 1858 £1 0 """ Sept. 30, 1858 2 3 """ Dec. 31, 1858 15 16 '"" Mar. 31, 1859 29 8 Amounts received towards expenses of Representatives 10	6 6 10 10
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DISBURSEMENTS.	Th
Paid Grand Treasurer, per receipts £83 6 Printing, Stationery, Postages, &c	4 bn,
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Thirty-one of the returns for the quarter ending 31st March been forwarded to me without being properly filled up: many them without the name, number, location, scal, dates, or signal of the proper officers; a number of them with wrong dates; s with the names of other divisions. This neglect on the part of proper officers has occasioned much trouble to your Grand Ser particularly when they were not forwarded in proper time. If we divise the survey of other of other and the invites of the work of the series of the s	tt tt tt tt tt n hz nt orde vsh

particularly when they were not forwarded in proper time. I was direct the special attention of officers of divisions to this negled a inconvenience.

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The returns from this Grand Division to the National Division

or the year ending 31st December, 1858, have been forwarded to the Most Worthy Scribe, and the receipt thereof duly acknowledged by that officer. I herewith give a copy of items of returns sent, monther with items of returns for the year 1857:

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	• •	1858.	1857.
	of Divisions in operation	81	· 58
44.	Admitted	1,984	1,098
46	Suspended	298	236
46	Expelled	640	677
*	Deaths	14	21
"	Violated Pledge, first time	274	264
11	Reinstated	141	165
"	Violated Pledge, second time	75	85
6	Members on Financial Scribe's books	3.491	2,452
"	Divisions admitting Female Visitors	50	-,
¥	Female Visitors	854	
"	Representatives to National Division	17	15
"	Temperance Meetings held	391	345
4	Temperance Tracts distributed	1,058	7,655
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F	1857. 6 6 6		

The necessary papers for the incorporation of Mainmast Divin, No. 57, of River John, Pictou, were filed in the Provincial retary's office on 12th of April.

The prohibitory bill, based on the resolutions adopted by the and Division at the last annual meeting, passed the House of sembly, during its recent sitting, by a very large majority, and s sent to the Legislative Council. The latter body, however, ded to postpone the further consideration of the measure for remonths.

The bill was treated with much levity in the lower house by genmen on both sides of politics. Some asserted that it was an lectioncering kite," "a political engine," &c. Others expressed asselves "opposed to prohibition; but, as a number of gentlehad declared that they would vote for the bill before the house order to make political capital out of it, they did not see why should not do the same." This goes to show that a large numof the *people's representatives* voted for it, not more than halfity on their part. Of those who voted for it, not more than halfoven could be said to have done so with sincerity.

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It is now our duty to keep the public mind well "posted-up" or prohibition. And also to be prepared with petitions—which should be more numerously signed than heretofore—for presentation to the first session of the new Assembly.

I should have before stated that, in accordance with a resolution passed at the last Quarterly Session, a TEMPERANCE CONVENTION was held in the city of Halifax, on 23d February. There were we hundred and twenty-nine delegates in attendance, representing thingthree organizations. The Convention decided that the bill prepare by the committee of Grand Division, "so far as the principled prohibition was concerned, was the best practicable measure, at that they petition the Legislature to pass it accordingly." It was also agreed that a clause be inserted in the bill, providing for the law going into operation in such counties or electoral district where a majority of votes might be given in favor of it—if there should not be a majority of votes cast for it throughout the whele province. It appears that this clause was subsequently removed by the Temperance committee of the Legislature.

I will conclude this report in the words of an estcemed brother. —"We should now return more fully to the work of reclaiming and recruiting. The License Law should be well worked. If we can not do what we would, we must do what we can. If we can prevent, we may punish."

Respectfully submitted in L. P. and F.,

PATRICK MONAGIAN, Grand Scrib

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PUGWASH, 27th April, 1859.

Grand Division adjourned to meet at $2\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, P. M

PATRICK MONAGHAN, Grand Scribe

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Division assembled at half-past two o'clock, and opened in due form, the G. W. P. in the chair. Roll of Officers called :

Present: G. W. P., G. Scribe, and P. G. W. P. McMurray.

Absent: G. W. A., G. T., G. Chap., G. Con., G. Sent

The G. W. P. filled vacancies pro tem., as follows: David Rogers, G. W. A., C. B. Oxley, G. T., Rev. G.S. Milligan, G. Chap., Henry Smith, G. Con., Thomas R. Smith, G. Sent.

The G. Conductor introduced Representatives James C. Peers, No. 131, and Joseph G. Dimock, No. 144, who were duly initiated and took their seats.

minutes of forenoon sitting were read and The approved.

The G. W. P. read a communication received by him iom Mr. Henry G. Bennett, late of Pugwash Division, No. 36, in reference to dismissal of his appeal by Grand Division, at the last Annual Session.

On motion, the communication was referred to a special ommittee, consisting of Rev. G. S. Milligan, Thomas R. mith, and Joseph G. Dimock.

The Grand Scribe read copy of resolutions adopted at a meeting of Temperance friends held in the city of Halifax, 21st April. On motion, the resolutions were referred Committee on State of the Order.

Rev. Brother Milligan presented the following Report tom Special Committee :

Your Committee appointed to read the communication of Mr. H. Bennett and report thereon, beg to submit that, having attended their duty, they recommend that the papers be read in this Grand ission, and such action be adopted as its united wisdom can sugest.

> GEORGE S. MILLIGAN, THOMAS R. SMITH, JOSEPH G. DIMOCK.

21st April, 1859.

Adopted.

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P.G.W.P. McMurray presented the following report om Committee on State of the Order :

The committee on the State of the Order having had submitted them the reports of t' 2 G. W. P. and G. S. and also certain relations of friends of Temperance passed at a meeting held in ŧ. alifax on the 21st April, beg leave to report:

That the evidences furnished of the continued prosperity of the s der, and of the Temperance cause in Nova Scotia, are such as to S ind high satisfaction to this Gra id Division, and your committee strongly hope that the progress of our great moral reform may's unfaltering, and that our operations, as an organization capabled achieving an incalculable amount of good, be continued with entiefficiency until the curse of strong drink be removed from our happ province. Your committee are not sanguine enough to suppose the our work can be fully accomplished within a very short period: bilrelying on the justness and truth of our principles, and upon the L vor of the Most High, and being also confident that our Temperatur ranks contain very many who are prepared to labor a life-time in this work, and whose watchword is, "We conquer or die," no down need be entertained but that success will ultimately remuneraefforts, and success in so signal a manner as will amply remunerafor all the sacrifices, labors, discouragements, and even sufferings which Total Abstinence friends have been, or may yet be, subjected

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As the prohibition of the liquor traffic by Legislative enactment in our estimation, will be a highly important step for the end by which we are aiming, your committee feel the necessity of unremating effort being still put forth on the part of all Temperance me for securing the passage of a Prohibitory Law.

To the principles so frequently propounded by this G. D. on the question, your committee are assured that our Order throughout is Province will maintain an unflinching attachment, and for their prmulgation yet more widely and effectively will not fail to emply every available means. Not in the least disheartened in the weiby the indifference and opposition recently exhibited in the Legisture in regard to the well-understood wishes of the Temperane community in Nova Scotia, the advocates of prohibition will prceed in their holy agitation until their voice shall be heard with repect and attention in the halls of Legislation.

While regretting that the result of the reasonable prayer of α petitions to the Legislature at its late session was not such as a had hoped, yet confiding in that overruling Providence which unaringly and beneficently controls the affairs of State as well as the actions of individuals, we cheerfully commit ourselves anew to the work required for securing our object in the legal prohibition of the liquor traffic.

Your committee, entertaining decided convictions as to the exp diency and propriety of the measure sought from the Legislater nevertheless are led to hope that even at an early period we may found in a better position for the working of a Prohibitory Iz than we probably would have been had the prayer of our petitis been granted—for your committee cannot hide from themselves the fact that while the temperance people of Nova Scotia are unan mously in favor of prohibition, yet that in regard to the bill recent before the Legislature a difference of opinion has existed :—

1. As to the propriety of submitting the question to the prop 2, As to the application of the permissive principle of the me sure to Electoral Districts. 3. As to taking the vote on the question at the polls.

4. As to the vote being taken by ballot.

And lastly, because that the bill in question was not in agreement with the prayer of this Grand Division and of the General Convention.

Under these circumstances your committee are strongly convinced hat the friends of prohibition should address themselves to their ask with unwearied assiduity, and that timely means be adopted to eliton the Legislature at its next session for the law in such a orm as will ensure the united co-operation of all temperance men. Your committee believe that the action of the G. W. P. and G. S. hrefusing to grant the charter applied for by partics in Bridgeater was quite justifiable—but to relieve those officers in future om similar responsibility, would recommend that a standing Charr Committee be appointed.

All which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN MCMURRAY, DAVID ROGERS, THOMAS R. SMITH.

Grand Division Room, April 27, '59.

On motion, 400 copies of Journal of Proceedings of this ssion, were ordered to be printed.

Grand Division adjourned to meet this evening at halfst seven o'clock.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,

Grand Scribc.

EVENING SESSION.

The Grand Division assembled at 'alf-past seven o'clock, opened in due form, the G. W. P. in the Chair. Roll Officers called :

Present : G. W. P., G. Scribe.

Absent : G. W. A., G. T., G. Chap., G. Con., G. Sent., G. W. P.

The G. W. P. appointed brothers R. F. Page, G. W. ; J. G. Dimock, G. T.; Rev. G. S. Milligan, G. Chap.; my Smith, G. Con.; John S. Forshner, G. Sent.; ind Rogers, P. G. W. P., pro tem.

The Grand Conductor introduced Representative Thos.

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H. Patten, No. 144, who was duly initiated and took his seat.

The minutes of afternoon sitting were read and approved.

The G. Scribe read a communication from Mr. H. 6. Bennett, in which he expressed his dissatisfaction with the decision of the Grand Division, at the Annual Session, a his appeal vs. action of Pugwash Division, No. 36; and also stating his intention of appealing to the National Division against said decision.

Communication laid on the table.

Business was suspended.

The G. Conductor introduced Representative Aka McLane, No. 36, who was duly initiated and took his seat.

Business resumed.

The papers referred to in report of the Special Committee on Communication from Mr. H. G. Bennett, were read, whereupon the following resolution was moved by Rev. Brother Milligan, seconded by R. F. Page, and adopted:

Resolved,—That this Grand Division is not prepared to recur any additional evidence on a subject finally disposed of. j

On motion, Mr. Bennett's communication to the Gran Scribe was taken from the table for consideration.

It was moved by Rev. G. S. Milligan, seconded b David Rogers:

That the Grand Scribe be instructed to forward to Mr. H. Bennett a copy of the Byc-Law of this Grand Division, relating appeals to the National Division against decisions of this body.

Adopted.

In accordance with the recommendation of Committe on State of the Order, the G. W. P. appointed the Gran Scribe, John Shean of No. 96, and John L. Whytak No. 8, a Standing Committee on Charters.

Some time was devoted to conversation on Constitutional questions, &c.

Brother Wm. H. Rogers reported the names of all the Representatives and Lady Visitors present during the ression.

The minutes of this sitting were read and approved. The Grand Division closed in due form.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,

Grand Scribe.

HALIFAX, N. S., 30th April, 1859.

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NOTICE.

A Quarterly Session of the Grand Division will be held Barrington, Shelburne County, on Wednesday, 27th of July next, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

PATRICK MONAGIIAN,

Grand Scribe.

HALIFAX, N. S., 2nd May, 1859.

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The GRAND TREASURER in acct. with the GRAND DIVISION.

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		dale, 10s. 6d.; Oriental, 31s.; Columbia,			
		3s. 6d. ; Truro, 14s. 6d. ; Olive Branch,			
		bal., 1s. 9d. ; Rising Sun, 13s. 3d. ; Lu-			
		nenburg, 4s. 9d.; Star in the East, 15s.;			
		Aurora, 17s. 6d.; Agricola, 6s. 6d.; Iron			
		Age, 15s. 6d.; Kellogg, 5s. 9d.; Evening Star, 3s. 6d.; North, 11s.; Friendship,			
		8s. 9d.; Garland, 7s. 6d.; Southampton,			
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		3d.; Rechab, 4s.; Vesper, 4s. 3d.; Em-			
		blem, 12s. 6d.; North American, 15s.;			
		Temple, 8s. 3d.; Cunningham, 10s. 6d.;			
		Lucknow, 8s. 3d.; Hebert, 5s 9d.; Miner's			
		Hope, 7s. 6d.; Arctic, 8s. 9d.; Excelsior,	75	16	c
ril 15.		3s. 3d.; T. S. Bown, on acct., tax 36s Charters and Rituals: Tyro, No. 145, 35s.;	10	10	U
10.		Coxheath, 148, 35s.; Enterprise, 149,			
		35s.; Watford, 151, 65s.; General Inglis,			
6 0 1		152, 35s	8	15	0
V,		Amounts received towards expenses of Rep.			
		to Nat. Div. : Concord Div., 26s. ; Che-			
		bucto, 40s.; Avon, 10s.; New Caledonia,			
		20s.; Oriental, 40s.; New Glasgow, 20s.; Howard, 20s. ; Truro, 40s. ; Star, 20s. ;			
Ŷ		Rising Sun, 7s. 6d. ; Lunenburg, 20s. ;			
		Aurora, 103. ; Wallace, 20s. ; Albion			
		Aurora, 103.; Wallace, 20s.; Albion Mines, 20s.; Iron Age, 20s.; Kellogg,			
		15s.; Athenæum, 20s.; Evening Star,			
		20s.; Wellington, 7s. 101d.; Flowing			
		Fountain, 10s.; June Rose, 20s; Rocklin,			
		10s; Havelock, 20s; Temple, 10s; Miner's			
		Hope, 20s.; Bedford, 11s. 3d.; Sackville, 10s.; Kinburn, 15s,	26	.2	74
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		Amount carried forward	£67	5	3
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GRAND SCRIBE'S ACCOUNT, continued.

1859. April 18. DR.

Amount brought forward..... £67 To Tax ending 31st March, 1859 : Concord Division, 8s.; Union, 16s.; Chebucto, 36s. 9d. ; Micmac, 30s. 6d. ; Mayflower, 33s. 6d.; Avon, 22s.; New Caledonia, 13s 6d; Oriental, 22s 9d; New Glasgow, 14s. 3d; Hebron, 13s. 9d.; do., bal. Dec. quarter, 3d.; Columbia, 3s. 9d.; Howard, 19s 3d; Chester, 12s. 6d.; Pugwash, 18s. 3d.; Royal, 11s. 6d.; Olive Branch, 12s. 3d.; Star, 6s.; Rising Sun, 13s.; Mainmast, ŝ 16s. 6d.; Lunenburg, 5s. 6d.; Star in the East, 15s.; Hantsport, 12s. 9d.; Rock, 15s. ; Lake, 8s.; Agricola, 7s. 3d. ; Wallace, 10s. 3d.; Albion Mines, 16s. 9d.; Nelson, 12s.; Athenæum, 18s. 9d.; Invincible, 12s. 9d.; Tremont, 8s.; Victoria Mines, 18s. 9d.; Wellington, 11s. 6d.; Wolfville, 19s. 6d.; Phœnix, 7s. 3d.; Rechab, 5s.; June Rose, 14s. 6d.; Rocklin, 9s. 3d.; Havelock, 16s. 6d.; Temple, 9s.; Bedford, 5s. 6d.; Sackville, 8s. 3d.; Marshall, 8s. 6d.; White Rose, 11s. 6d; Waterloo, 8s; Eureka, 9s; Tyro, 8s. 9d.; General Williams, 7s. 6d.; Kinburn, 6s. 3d.; Enterprise, 7s. 9d..... 29 81 Amount received for Dispensation Fees..... 1 18 9 Blank Quarterly Returns,..... 1 81 Rituals : Rock Div., 7s. 6d. ; Garland, bal., 2s. 6d.; Miner's Hope, 7s. 6d.; Excelsior, on acct., 7s. 6d..... 1 T. & W. Cards,..... 1 Journals of Grand Division..... 1 Visitor's Ritual..... 1 B. B.'s for D. G. W. P.'s : Olive Branch Division, 5s.; Flowing Fountain, 5s.; Tyro, 0 15 5s..... Ode Cards..... 0 11 0 10 Copies of Ceremonies..... Copies of Constitutions..... 0 2

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GRAND SCRIBE'S ACCOUNT, continued.

1859.	CR.			
b'y. 5.	Paid James Bowes & Sons, advertising notice of			
••	Convention	£0	5	0
	James Barnes & Co., printing Circulars.	0	12	6
	J. A. Graham	0	8	4 <u>1</u>
	James Barnes & Co., advertising notice of			~
	Convention	0	5	0
17.	Wesleyan Book Office, ditto	0	5	0
	S. Selden, ditto	0	5	0 0 0
16.	A. & W. Muckinlay, Blank Account Books.	1	3	6
mil 12.	G. Treasurer, on General Account	26	13	9
	Do. on acct. expenses of Reps. to			
	Nat. Division,	24	0	0
16.	Do. on General Account	27	10	0
	Do. on acct. expenses of Reps. to			
	Nat. Division,	2	2	7 <u>1</u> 0
18.	Do. on General Account	$\frac{2}{3}$	0	
	Postages, &c., during quarter	4	0	9 <u>}</u>
	Grand Scribe's salary to 1st April, 1859	10	0	0
	£	100	11	01
	Balance due G. D	£6	0	4
	PATK. MONAGHA	N, 1	G. S	

hufax, April 18, 1859.

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT AT SESSION.

P. Monaghan, G. S.	No.	7.
David Rogers, D. G. W. P.		
Rufus F. Page	ì	
Wm. H. Rogers	[
Jas. A. Elliott.		•
D. J. Rogers.	(No	26
1108. Webster	(110.	00.
Henry Seaman	1	
Hance Hollis		
Wm. Gould	1	
Alex. McLane)	
Rev. J. McMurray, P. G. W. P	No.	41.
Rev. G. S. Milligan	No.	57.
Rev. R. A. Temple, G. W. P.) NT.	75
Henry Smith	5 INO.	10.
James C. Peers)	
Solomon Peers.		* • *
John S. Forshner	> NO.	131.
C. B. Oxley	}	
Thos. R. Smith	No.	139.
Jos. G. Dimock.		
Jos. G. Dimock Thos. A. Patten	{ No.]	144.
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LADY VISITORS.

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Mrs. J. G. Smith	1
John Smith	i
H. Hollis A. McLane. John Cutten	
A. McLane	> No. 36.
John Cutten	i
Miss R. Rogers	1
B. Rogers	Í