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## RRAND DIVISION OF NOVA-SCOTIA.

## QUARTERLY SESSION.

Pugwasir, N. S., Wednesday, 27 th April, 1859.
The Grand Division assembled at 11 o'clock, A. Mr., in enperance 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 finan, 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 unding Committee on Credentials:
The Standing Committee on Credentials beg leave to report that Yhave examined the Credentials of the undermentioned Reprefatives, and find them correct:
Extrai, 2.-John Dallinger.
Mlitos, 4.-W. P., Robert Spears.
Mon, 12.-W. P., Rev. Daniel M. Welton.
roxdma, 13.-James W. Allison, jr.
Reatal, 16.-Alexander McKemnie.
IEbros, 19--Jacob W. Crosby.
ouvabla, 24.-William Dahlgreen.
gister, 32-Albert Mitchell.
velwasin, 36.-W. P., Rufus T. Page ; P. W. P., John Jollye, Hance B. Hollis, Wm. Gould, David J. Rogers, Thomas. ister, George H. Page, Rufus F. Page, and Angus Campbell.

Morning Star, 38.-Benjamin Bradshatr.
Star in the Fast, 61.-Jolm Kearney.
Hantsport, 62.-J. B. North.
Wallace, 75.-John Steele.
Bethminem, 89.-Henry C. Grant.
North, 99.-W. P., John Starritt; P. W. P., John Chariton.
Wolfville, 112.-W. P., T. H. Rand ; P. W. P., C. II. Com
Piocenic, 115.-James Starratt, Robert West, George Ward, ifi A. C. Randall, Daniel Waterman, Enos D. Crouse, Wellesle;: Gates, William Starratt, and John Whidden.

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

Vespren, 124.-Richard S. Blois.
Nommi Ambican, 128.-Wm. C. Raymond, Foster Piper.
Tlempie, 131.-Jesse 1). Montrose, J. C. Peirs, Wm. B. Heutia
Pricacus, 132.-Thomas W. Curry.
Sackvilie, 137.-W. P., David Ellis, jr.
Hebert, 138.-Job Seaman.
Marsilali, 139.-W. P., Martin Hunter ; P. W. P., Thomas Smith, Johm Huston.

White Rose, 142.-W. P., Jesse W. Fullerton ; P. W. P., Jot E. Dickenson, George A. Dickenson.

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

Tyro, 145.-W. P., George Coggins; P. W. P., Wellingtonf Worrell.

General Wilifams, 146.-W. P., Edward Denton; I. W.P Rev. John C. Morse.

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

Halifax, 25th April, 1859.
R. M. Barkitt, Join Lanigan, W. A. S. Blewem.

Adopted.
The Grand Conductor introduced the undernam: Representatives, who were duly initiated, and tonk the seats:

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

Representative Rev. George S. Milligan, of Mainm Division, No. 57, late a member of the Grand Division New Brunswick, being present, signed the Constituif and took his seat as a member of this Grand Division.

The Grand Worthy Patriarch made the following pppointments, 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 eommunication from Central bisision, No. 2, in reference to " obtaining pledges from andidates for seats in the Assembly, at the approaching flections, to give their support to the Prohibitory Law in Le Legislature." Placed on file, for want of time to mry out objects of resolutions contained in the commupation.
Also a communication from New Caledonia Division, 0. 14. Referred to Standing Committee on Constitions and Bye-Laws.
Also, a communication from the Grand Scribe of the rand 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 d before them copies of the Bye-Laws of several Divisions, and bto report as follows:
Curesucto, No. 7, and Avon, No. 12.-In the Bye-Laws of these iisions your committee do not find anything to conflict with the mstitution.
Rock, No. 63.-Your committee recommend that the words,ffer one week's notice las been given," be added to Section 5 of tide 3 .
Also that the word "may" be inserted instead of " shall," before words "be suspended," in Section 2 of Article 5.
As Rule 37 of the "Rules of Order" conficts with Rule 36, your pmittee recommend that that Rule be stricken out, and that the
following be added to Rule 36: "A vote for rijecting a candida may be reconsidered by motion of any members, at amy period suby. quent to the announcoment of the vote. The reconsideration of question places it before the mecting. If reconsideration be not ili lowed by any action affecting the question, it remains as previoudy decided."

Victoria Mines, No. 108.-Your committee would recommed as follows:

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

That the words,-"In accordance with Article 7 of the Comis. 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," $:$ Section 3 of Article 5.

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

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

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

Pheenix, No. 115.-Your committee recommend:
That the words,-"Constitution and," in Section 3 of Artide! ve omitted.

That the words,-"In accordance with Article 7 of the Cond tution, and Article 2 of the Revised liules," be added to Section? Article 5.

That the words,-"A balloting shall take place, and if a majon shall vote to give it to him," in Section 9 of Article 5 , be omitted and that the words, "for which he shall pay $7 \frac{1}{2} d ., "$ be added to 4 said Section, after the word "Card."

Temple, No. 131.-Your Committee do not find anythis objectionable in the proposed addition to the Bye-Laws of it Division.
Cunningelam, No. 134.-Your committee recommend:
That the words "Constitution and," in Section 4 of Article 3," omitted.

That the words "two-thirds" be inserted before the word "rote in Section 2 of Article 7; and the words,-"After one wech's nedil. he- been given," be added to the same Section, after the mo "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.

Marsialle, No. 139.-Your committee recommend:
That the words "Constitution and," in Section 2 of Article 4, be buitted.
That the words,-"After one weel's notice has veen given," be dded to Section 6 of Article 4.
That the words, " In accordance with Avticle 7 of the Constitiun, and Article 2 of the Revised Rules," be added to Section 2 of pricle 5.
That Section 3 of Article 5 be omitted, as it conflicts with the onsititution.
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 yote to give it to," in Section 8 of Article 5, be struck out, d the words,-"If there be no charge against," inserted instead treof.
That the word " may," bo inserted instead of " shall," in Section bi Article 7.
Your committee would recommend this Division to make some cration in their Bye-Laws relating to Dues or Benefits, as they mot conceive how fifteen shillings per week, as benefits, can be did members, while the Initiation Fee is but two shillings and pence, and the Dues only five-pence per month.
frio, No. 145.-Your committee would recommend:
That the words,-"In accordance with Article 7 of the Constiinn, and Article 2 of the Revised Rules," be added to Section 2 of tide 5.
Respectfully submitted in L. P. and F.,
Patrick Monaghan, John Heenan, Wimliam Murbay.
Falfax, N. S., 23d April, 1859.
The Grand Scribe read report from Committee pointed to watch over progress of Prohibitory Bill pugh the last session of the Legislature. Report placed file.
The accounts of the G. Scribe and G. Treasurer were $d$ and ordered on file.
The following report was read and adopted:
he Standing Finance Commitcee beg leave to report that they
have examined the books and accounts of the Grand Scribe, andth accounts of the Grand Treasurer, and find them correct.

They find the following bill correct, and recommend it for par ment:
Messrs. Borres and Sons, Printing Journals. £9 10 Gloorge J. Creed, Roderit Boak,
21st April, 18 º 9. R. H. Wethore.

The G. W. P. read his report as follows:
To the Grand Division of the Province of Nore Scotia:
Office's and Representatives,-Summoned again to meet ${ }^{3}$ quarterly session, it becomes us gratefully to recognise te fostering care which a beneficent Providence has extended: our Order since our last mecting.

I have much satisfaction in reporting that, as far as 4 . information extends, the interests of our Order continue prosper, in erery sense in which prosperity is desiribs Five new divisions have been instituted in the jurisdictias during the term, viz.: one in Kings, one in Yarmouth, ${ }_{5}$ in Lunenburg, one in Digby, and one in Cumberland. $\mathbb{T}$ new divisions have entered upon their career with everspros pect of success. Port George Division, No. 87, has beens suscitated. Charters to open two new divisions, to be loak respectively in Digby and Colchester counties, have bee granted.

From the few reports which have been made by the defy ties, I am able to present but a comparatively meagre sut mary of the
present state of the ordim.
Halifax City.-Deputy Shean reports the city divisinns a healthy and prosperous state. Several temperance min ings have been held during the quarter, and ninety-six ma bers have joined the Order.

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

Division, in particular, is again rising in numbers, and a very bood feeling seems to pervade the members generally."
Dighy ('onnty.-Deputy Stewart states that the cause in is quarter is "certainly adrancing." General Williams Division "is doing well, is in good spirits, and progressing toderately but surely." Gencral Inglis Division is "doing fonders." Deputy Nicholl reports Royal Division progresspo. Its meetings are well attended, and a good feeling prefails. The division embraces the leading men of different enominations, and exerts a powerful influence in the neighportood.
Annapolis County.-Rev. Dr. Robertson writes that "the kuse in that county is certainly gaining strength. NargaretHle Division has been doing remarkably well. It has formed rigilance committee, and its future prospects look encourging." Imblem Division is "working very well." The irisions immediately under the care of the County Deputy "e "gaining ground and doing much gcod." Port George firision is "doing wonders. It was only resuscitated in muary last, after a slumber of five years, and now numbers fer fifty members." Tremont Division is "flourishing." flson and Victoria Mines "are strong and full of confidence ad good resolutions. An effort was made to rouse Wilberrre Division, but without effect. It only turned to sleep a the longer on the other side." It is still hoped, however, cat "it will be up and doing." Though official information
had not been received from North, Cummingham, Olive Branch and New Caledonia Divisions, they are stated to be in a pros. perous 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 Hortez Division, it is feared, is in a declining state." Wolfrilt Division has had "difficulties and trials, but is making heas against them." • A considerable number of lady visitors hare recently been admitted, with good effect. The divisions unda the charge of Deputics Hamilton and Marsters are believed te be "going on well." In the western part of the country encouraging state of prosperity prevails. Invincible Divisic: has initiated twenty-four during the quarter. The new Diri sions Waterloo and Enterprise are doing well. They hari initiated men who till lately were violent opposcrs of tis cause. Deputy Van Buskirk says: "Our rum-schers af about done up. They are trying to get their liquors shippet to other places; and they will have to do it, as thecre is a sale here for them. We have three tutal abstinence societiex working nobly, and numbering some three hundrci or ma: members. The people seem to have waked up, an? all a: active and willing to help on the good work. Even the poat drunkard has reformed, and you do not now sec a man th worse for liquor." This prosperity the deputy attributs mainly to the religious revival which has been recently erjory ed in that district.

Hauts County.-Rev. J. Cameron writes that all the dir sions unler his care are "helping on the gool 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 the it troduction of a number of young ladies. Vesper Division: working steadily.

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

Cumberland County is still rising. Another Zeacon hat been lighted at Amherst Head. Deputy Rogers reports Ins
rash Division "too strong to feel the opposition directed ganst it by enemies or pretended friends," Marshall Diviion is full of enthusiasm, and is a worthy representative of be champion whose name it bears. Eureka has found an modstructed path to honorable usefulness. Deputy Atkinon reports White Rose Division progressing satisfactorily. A number have recently joined who had been powerfully ppposed to it. From unifficial, though reliable sources, I are learned that Hebert Division has prospered beyond all spectation. Friendship Division has astonished all who are cquainted with its progress. Lucknow is determined to hold ut until relieved. Wallace is firm and useful.
Pictou County.-No report.
Guyshoro' County. -Deputy McDonald states that Welington 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, hd the active clerk of licenses does not fail to look after all filators of the law.
Cape Breton.-Deputy Bown writes that the divisions unes his care are "in good working order, with the exception Bethlehem, which is languishing. Cowheath bids fair to kome one of the best working divisions in the county. It ssalrealy done much good in putting down intemperance in te settlement."
The above extracts, though the details are comparatively $\pi$, are sufficient to shew that the state of the Order in those the of the jurisdiction from which information has been seired is in the lighest degree satisfactory.
In compliance with a call of this Grand Division,

## A CONVENTION

delegates from numerous temperance organizations in the orince assembled in Halifax on the 23d of February last, which varied intelligence and ability were brought to the cyussion of the question of Prohibition, and at which the poibitory 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 dbefore them, a clause providing that, should a majority the votes polled throughout the province be adverse to the
bill, it shonld then come into operation in any county, toriz ship, or polling section in which a majority of the inhabitams 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 Legic lature.

The action of the Legislature on the

## PROHIBITORY BIIL,

is before the country. Oh the 15 th of March the bill wo introduced into the House of Assembly by Mr. Moses, char man of the committee to whom were referred the petitions for a prohibitory law. The committee, however, had t , introduced the clause prayed for by the convention, since, $;$ their judgment, "that clause would be inconsistent with it main principle of the bill." During the discussion of $t$ bill, a motion to postpone its further consideration for thay months was lost, a majority of twenty-five appearing againg the motion. A motion to strike out the clauses of the which proviled for the taking of an electoral vote, as "er? trary to the spirit and genius of the British constitution," ${ }^{2}$ jeopardizing to the bill, was also lost, a majority of twed being against it. After a lengthy discussion, the bill pasa the Assembly with some amendments, and was sent up to 4 Legislative Council for their concurrence. A special coz mittee of the Council reported adversely to the bill. however, passed a second reading without discussion. Durid the debate in committee, a motion to strike out the inf eleven clauses, which provide for taking the votes of electa at the hustings, was lost, six appearing for the motion, 24 eleren against it. On the motion for the thirl reading of 4 bill, an amendment was moved that the bill ve re-comnitte for the purpose of striking out the first eleven clauses, "unwise, unjust, and unconstitutional, and as setting a da gerous precedent," which was negatived, five votes appearis for it, and thirteen against it. An amendment that the if ther consideration of the bill be postponed for three mont was then carried, fourteen voting for it, and four against The bill was therefore lost.

Into the motives by which the members of the Legisata were actuated in their action on the Prohibitory Bill, I dood feel called upon to inquire. But it could not but be od
erved, from the published reports of the debates, that the Hiscussion, in both branches of the Legislature, scarcely fouched the principle of the bill, but dwelt upon the detailshat it was mainly confined to the first eleven clauses, which provide for the submission of the bill to the people, and lefine 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 afification is "unjust, unprecedented, and contrary to the prit 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 Legisla-ure,-that if a prohibitory law is sought, on the ground that trould diminish crime and pauperism, and make life and roperty more secure, it is surely the province of the Legisature to determine whether the premises are proved. But that are the premises: They are these : that intemperance the prolific cause of pauperism, crime, domestic misery, lear--rending sorrow, cursing, swearing, premature death, and roes innumerable to the Church and the world; and more ban this: that there is in this country a licensed trade, proctted by the law of the land, which is productive of a bousand-fold more mischief, misery, disease, and death, than ny other trade known to the civilized world. Has not the legislature admitted these premises already? The conviction Ithe insufficiency of the license system, as a remedial meawre, has forced itself upon the Legislature year after year; nd hence the constant return of legislation to the subject. the people of this province have long since found that the cense system is a cineat,-that it promises to diminish the Fils of intemperance, but produces them, 一that it promises renue, but increases taxes and burdens,-that it promises blessen the sale of intoxicating liquors, but concentrates it. hey have year after year asked for a remedy which will be gal 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 frect 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
who shall object? Nor is the measure "unprecedented" The principle has already been recognized, even in the legin lation of this province, in the municipal incorporation act and 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 an convinced that the cause was never more decply rooted is the hearts of the people. Its influence is increasing, and te day is not far distant when the risirg swell of popular indig. nation will raze the reeling fabric of the legalized liquor trad fic of this province from its very foundation. I respectiulty suggest that the duty of this Grand Division at the preser: crisis is,
to re-affiras, witit soleme emphasis, its prohibr. 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: Diernal proscription to the accursed trafic in humas bodies and souls! Let us join our brethren in Yarmouth: "We are resolved," say they, " to agitate - agitute-at: tate! Nor shall hollow-hearted and false friends prevente from seeking a law to put down intemperance. Tre are nd disposed to take the counsel of those who suggest thatme should lower our demands."

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

TO EDUCATE TIEE PUBIIC MIND.
Moral suasion-prayers, entreaties, and appealing worlsshould be more diligently employed, not merely to save indid vidual drunkards, but for the purpose of raising publid sentiment to a more elevating tone on the great question o national morality. The pulpit, the press, and the platorm should be leagued to expose the moral and social wronad the legalized traffic in intoxicating drinks. Appeals should be made to the moral sense of the people. Our policy shonld be bold and enlarged. The aid of Cheristian Minista should be more generally secured. There is no system whid creates more inveterate obstacles to the progress of dirin truth than the liquor trade. It not only desolates God earth, but sends its consequences into the awful futurg

These facts should be leept before the people. Consummate' prudential wisdom, dictates this course. The temperance man who supposes that the work is not to be done over and yer again, understands but little of his mission.
Then, when the combined wisdom of the great temperance Doly of this Province shall decide that the time for action has frired, such an expression of the wish of the people shall be rocured as will force upon our Legislators the conviction hat the enactment of a stringent Prohibitory Law can no poger be delayed.
at the same time, every effort should be made
to consolidate and extend our order.
Combined and concentrated labor will be necessary to the limate accomplishment of our object. The claims of our Frder as the most prominent and efficient of existing tempeence organizations, should be published to the country; and fe unorganized who wish us well, should be pressed into ganization.
Before I close this report, I would call the attention of the and Division to the fact that an application for a Charter sopen a new Division at Bridgewater, has been received; $\mu$ information having been received from the County DepuRev. J. C. Hurd, and from other sources, that the mation of a new Division in that place would materially fiet the old Division located there, the Charter has not been anted; which action requires the confirmation of the Grand irision.
Respectfully submitted in L. P. and F.,
R. Alder Temple, G. W. P.

Poglishe, April 27th, 1859.
Referred to Committee on State of the Order.
The Grand Scribe presented the following report, which as referred to Committee on State of the Order:
tie Grand Diviston of tire Sons of Temperance of mer Protince of Nova Scotia:
and Worthy Patriarch and Brethren:
It again becomes our duty to return thanks to Him who, by His cious assistance, has enabled us to work with advantage to the ler and the Cause, during the past term.
fis with much satisfaction that I have to report the Order to be
in a more thriving and better working condition at the present, tha at any other period since its introduction into this Province.

The augmentation to our numbers during the past quarter id greater, with perhaps one exception, than in any other term sing the organization of this Grand Division. By the accompnanig returns it will be perceived that during the last three monthsincluding the new Divisions-over nine handred have been admitlty by the Divisions in this jurisdiction. Making a deduction for lowe by expulsions, withdrawals and deaths, there has been a $n$ a increase of about seven humalred members. Our total memberibi will exceed four thousand-being greater than in any other quarts since that ending in September, 185̄1. We have also a larger nus ber of working Divisions. The greatest number on the roll at ay one time was ninety-one-in October, 1851-ten of which were the inoperative. Now there are ninety-one on the roll, eighty-eigh which are in working order. Nearly sixty of the Divisions adre Lady Visitors. The number of Visitors now exceeds eleven humbed -many of whom were initiated during the vast term. These fart speak for themselves: are very encouraging: and should incite of to continued efforts for the extension of our Order, and the pro motion of the "Virtue and happiness of mankind."

Since our last quarterly meeting, the following named nad Divisions have been instituted:
Enterprize, No. 149, at Pince-William-street, Aylesford, Kirg County, on 26th January, by Abraham YanBuskirk, D. G. W. P.

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

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

General Inglis, No. 152, at St. Mary's Bay, Digby County,4 23d March, by Henry Stewart, D. G. W. P.
Amierst Head, No. 153, at Amherst Head, Cumberland Cou 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 ard Division,-signed by thirty persons-was received from Bride water, Lunenburg County. I declined recommending the issuid of the Charter on the following grounds: First,-From a fear tha second Division would militate against the usefulness of Phat Division, which had resumed operations but a short time precia after a slumber of several years; secondly,-because I belier 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 withd and the application was subsequently withdrawn. The informat
eceived was placed in possession of the G. W. P., who concurred a the refusal to grant a Charter. If deemed necessary, the corresfondence 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 atriarch and Grand Scribe may be relieved of the mentire responsifiliy of granting or refusing Charters, as is the case at present.
Wilberforce llivision, No. 28, resumed operations on the 18th of anuary, with, as it was then hoped, prospects of future success. I gret, though, that it is not now working. It "requires a little pore slumber:"
Port George Division, No. 87, of Port George, Amnapolis 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 furns have been received since October, 1858. Diligent River jisisin is still inactive.
Acadia Division, No. 1, of Yarmouth, surrendered its Charter on th Jamary. I'he Charter and Ritual have been placed in my bssession.
In accordance with a resolution adopted at the last quarterly sion, a circular was despatched to the subordin-te Divisions, questing them to"contribute towards the expenses of the Reprefitaives appointed to attend the ammual meeting of the National frision, in June next. Thirty-six Divisions have made appropriBons amounting to $£ 320$ s. Idd. ; eight camnot afiord 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 : Harch, 1809, show the following :
mber of working divisions.......................... 88
" Divisions not working..................... 2
" Divisions supposed not working......... 1
Initiated.................................. 861
Admitted by Card........................ 17
" Dispensation.
38-916
Withdrawn by Card........................ 19
6. from the Order............... 37 - 56

Expelled for violation of Plodge ........ 65
" non-payment of dues....... 77 T-142
Deaths ................................. 7
Rejected................................. 22
Suspended................................... 41
Violated Pledge, first time............... 92
Reinstated................................. 85
Number signed over ..... $i$" Violated Pledge, second time." Temperance Mectings held.21" Temperance Tracts distributed.
" Members on F. S. books483
" Female Visitors$1,0,29$
Receipts for quarter. ..... £514 18
Expenses, exclusive of benefits. ..... 395
Paid for benefits ..... 6015
Cash on hand, including investments ..... 1,498
Per Capita Iax to Grand Division ..... 48

The reccipts and disbursements of this office to 18th April rea as follows :

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

| Number of Divisions in operation |  | 1858. | 1857. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 81 | 58 |
| " | Admitted. | 1,984 | 1,098 |
| " | Suspended | $298{ }^{-}$ | 236 |
| * | Expelded. | 649 | 677 |
| * | Deaths | 14 | 21 |
| " | Violated Pledge, first time | 274 | 264 |
| " | Reinstated. | 141 | 165 |
| " | Violated Pledge, second time | 75 | 85 |
| " | 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 |
| " | Temperance Tracts distributed. | 1,058 | 7,655 |

leceipts-1858................. $£ 1,5791211 \frac{1}{2}$ 1857................. $1,3771911 \frac{1}{2}$
aid for benefits- $1858 \ldots \ldots \ldots$. $329 \quad 5$ 1857......... $292 \quad 9 \quad 1 \frac{1}{2}$
ash on hand-1858........ $1,397 \quad 5 \quad 8$
1857......... 1,495 78
er Capita Tax-1858......... $14510 \quad 6$ 1857......... 126100
er Centage to Nat. Div.-180̈8.
$\begin{array}{lll}7 & 5 & 7 \\ 6 & & \end{array}$ 1857. $6 \quad 6 \quad 6$

The necessary papers for the ineorporation of Mainmast Divi$\mathrm{m}_{\mathrm{n}}$, No. 57, of River John, Pictou, were filed in the Provincial cretary'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 5 sent to the Legislative Council. The latter body, however, cided to postpone the further consideration of the measure for see months.
The bill was treated with much levity in the lower house by genmen on both sides of politics. Some asserted that it was an lectioneering kite," "a political engine," \&c. Others expressed mselves "opposed to prohibition; but, as a number of gentleohad declared that they would vote for the bill before the house order to make political capital out of it, they did not see why yshould not do the same." This goes to show that a large numof the pcople's representativea voted for the bill without any sinity on their part. Of thase who voted for it, not more than half? men could be said to have done so with sincerity.

It is now our duty to keep the public mind well "posted-up" a prohibition. And also to be prepared with petitions-which shouls be more numerously signed than heretofore-for presentation to the first session of the new $\Lambda$ ssembly.

I should have before stated that, in accordance with a resolutios passed at the last Quarterly Session, a I'mmerance Convextoy was held in the city of Halifax, on 23d February. There were viz Thundred and twenty-iine delegates in attendance, representing thity. three organizations. The Convention decided that the bill prepared by the committec of Grand Division, "so far as the principled prohibition was concerned, was the best practicable measure, ard that they petition the Legislature to pass it accordingly." It ras 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 ther should not be a majority of votes cast for it throughout the whols province. It appears that this clause was subsequently removed bf the 'Temperance committee of the Legislature.

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

Respectfully submitted in I. P. and F.,
Patrick Monagilas, Grand Scribe
PuGwash, 27th Aprii, 18 so9.
Grand Division adjourned to meet at $2 \frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, P. M.
PATRICK MONAGHAN, Grand Scribe

AFTEERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Dịvision 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 vacancios pro tem., as follows David Rogers, G. W. A., C. B. Oxley, G. T., Rev. G. S mision, and such action be adopted as its united wisdom can sugest.

21st April, 18 on.
Adopted.
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 $t^{\prime} \approx$ G. W. P. and G. S. and also certain relutions of friends of lemperance passed at a meeting held in difiax on the 21st $\Lambda$ pril, beg leave to report:
That the evidences furnished of the contimed prosperity of the der, and of tho 'Temperance cause in Nova Scotia, are such as to forl high, satisfaction to this Grib ad Division, and your committee
strongly hope that the progress of our great moral reform marle unfaltering, and that our operations, as an organization capabled achieving an incalculable amount of good, be continued with entip efficiency until the curse of strong drink be removed from our happ: province. Your committee are not sanguine enough to suppose thet our work can be fully accomplished within a very short period: hat relying on the justness and truth of our principles, and upon the 6 vor of the Most High, and being also confident that our Temperang ranks contain very many who are prepared to labor a life-time it this work, and whose watchword is, "We conquer or die," no douk need be entertained but that success will ultimately reward os efiorts, and success in so signal a manner as will amply remunerat for all the sacrifices, labors, discouragements, and even sufferingst which Total Abstinence friends have been, or may yct be, subjected

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

To the principles so frequently propounded by this G. D. on tis question, your committee are assured that our Order throughout ion Province will maintain an unflinching attaclment, and for their pomulgation yet more widely and effectively will not fail to emplor every available means. Not in the least disheartened in the rod by the indifference and opposition recently exhibited in the Legish ture in regard to the well-understood wishes of the Temperanod community in Nova Scotia, the advocates of prohibition will pm ceed in their holy agitation until their voice shall be heard with re pect and attention in the halls of Legislation.

While regretting that the result of the reasonnble prayer of of petitions to the Legislature at its late session was not such as ni $^{2}$ had hoped, yet confiding in that overruling Providence which une ringly and beneficently controls the affairs of State as well as th actions of individuals, we cheerfully commit ourselves anew to 4 work required for securing our object in the legal prohibition of it liquor traffic.

Your committec, entertaining decided convictions as to the expi diency and propriety of the measure sought from the Legishataf nevertheless are led to hope that even at an early period we masl found in a better position for the working of a Prohibitory la than we probably would have been had the prayer of our petida heen sranted-for your committee cannot hide from themselres ib fact that while the temperance people of Nova Scotia are unand mously in favor of prohibition, yet that in regard to the bill recentil before the Legislature a difference of opinion has existed:-
i. As to the propricty of submitting the question to the peent

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 Consention.
Under these circumstances your committee are strongly convinced hat the friends of prohibition should address themselves to their kak rith unwearied assiduity, and that timely means be adopted to extion the Legislature at its next session for the law in such a om 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. befusing to grant the charter applied for by parties in Bridgetater was quite justifiable-but to relieve those officers in future fom similar responsibility, would recommend that a standing CharCommittee be appointed.

All which is respectfuliy submitted,
John McMurray, David Rogers, Thonhs R. Suitif.
Grand Division Room, April 27, 'j9.
On motion, 400 copies of Journal of Proceedings of this ssion, were ordered to be printed.
Grand Division adjourned to meet this evening at halfast seven o'clock.

## PATRICK MONAGHAN,

Grand Scribc.

EVENING SESBION.
The Grand Division assemhled at 'alf-past seven o'clock, dopened in due form, the G. W. P. in the Chair. Roll Onicers called :
Present: G. W. P., G. Scribe.
Absent: G. W. A., G. T., G. Chap., Gr. Con., G. Sent., G. W. P.

The G. W. P. appointed brothers R. F. Page, G. W. ; J. G. Dimocli, G. T.; Rev. G. S. Milligan, G. Chap.; enry Smith, G. Con.; Johm S. Forshmer, G. Sent.; rid Rogers, P. G. W. P., pro tem.
The Grand Conductor introduecd Representative Thos.
H. Patten, No. 144, who was duly initiated and took lim seat.

The minutes of afternoon sitting were read and approved.

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

Commurication laid on the table.
Business was suspended.
The G. Conductor introduced Representative Aler McLane, No. 36, who was duly initiated and took hi: seat.

Business resumed.
The papers referred to in report of the Special Committec on Communication from Mr. H. G. Benuett, werd read, whereupon the following resolution was moved h. Rev. Brother Milligan, seconded by R. F. Page, and adopted:
Resolved,-That this Grand Division is not prepared to rectir any additional evidence on a subject finally disposed of.

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

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

That the Grand Scribe be instructed to fonward to Mr. H. Bennett a copy of the Bye-Law of this Grand Division, relating appeals to the National jivision against decisions of this booll:

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

Some time was devoted to conversation on Constitutional yustions, \&c.
Brother Wm. I. Rogers reported the names of all the Representatives and Lady Visitors present during the session.
The minutes of this sitting were read and approved.
The Grand Division closed in due form.
PATRICK MONAGHAN, Grand Scribe.
Halmax, N. S., 30 th April, 1859.
notice.
A Quarterly Scssion of the Grand Division will be held ( Barrington, Shelburne County, on Wednesday, 27 th ay of July next, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

PATRICK MONAGIIAN,
Grand Scribe.

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

The Grand Treasurer in acct. with the Grand Division.
1859. ..... DR.
Jany. 18. By balance per account current ..... £0 195
April 12. Cash from G. S. on geueral account ..... 26131
12. Cash from G. S. for expenses of Representativesto National Division2400
16. Cash from G. S. for ditto. ..... 22
16. Do. do. on geucral account ..... 2710 !
18. Do do. on do. ..... 300$\begin{array}{rrr}684 & 5 & 9 \\ 39 & 3 & 9\end{array}$
Balance in hand. ..... £45 20
$i$

|  | $\left.\begin{array}{\|ccc\|} \hline £ 84 & 5 & 9 \\ 39 & 3 & 9 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Balance in hand. | £45 2 |

1859. CR.
April 12. By order in fivor of Dr. Cramp ..... £12 100

| 12. | Do. | do. | Bowes \& Sons. ........... | 915 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 12. | Do. | do. | James Barnes........... | 20 |
| 12. | Do. | do. | G. W. P. | 015 |
| 12. | Do. | do. | G. S. | 1139 |
| 16. | Do. | do. | Jas. Bowes \& Sons . . . . . . | 12100 |

G. T. in acct. with Agency Fund.
DR.
1858, Nov. 4. Amount in Savings Bank. ..... £167 9
1859, Jan. 18. Cash from G. S.
£167 19
CR.
1858, Dec. 13. By order in favor of chairman of Agency Committee, as per voucher No. 1 ..... £50 00
1850, Jau. 24. By order in fiver of ditto, per voucher No. 2............... $40 \quad 0 \quad 0$$90 \quad 0$
Balance. ..... £77 19Halifax, April 19, 1800.

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## The Grand Scribe in account with the Grand Division.



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Grand Scribe's Account, continued.
1859.

DR.
Amount brought forward......... £6
April 18. To Tax ending 31st March, 1859 : Concord Division, 8s.; Union, 16s. ; Chebucto, 36s. $9 \mathrm{~d} . ;$ Micmac, 30s. Gd. ; 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 Sum, 13s.; Mamirast, ; 16s. 6d.; Lunenburg, 5s. 6d.; Star in the Last, 15 s . ; Hantsport, 12s. 9 d. ; Rock, lös. ; Lake, 8s.; Agricola, 7s. 3d. ; Wallace, 10s. 3d. ; Albion Nines, 16s. 9d. ; Nelson, 12s.; Athenæum, i8s. 91. ; Iuvincible, 12 s .9 d .; Tremont, 8 s .; Victoria Mines, 18s. 9d.; Wellington, 11s. 6d. ; Wolfville, 19s. 6d. ; Phonix, 7s. 3d.; Rechab, 5 s . ; June Rose, 14 s .6 d .; Rocklin, 9 s .3 d. ; Mavelock, 16s. 6d. ; Tlemple, 9s.; Bedford, 5s. 6d.; Sackville, 8s. 3d.; Marshall, 8s. 6d. ; White Rose, 11s. 6d; Waterloo, 8s; Eurcka, 9s; Tyro, 8s. 9d.; General Williams, 7s. 6d. ; Kinburn, 6s. 3d.; Enterprise, 7s. 9d.
Amount received for Dispensation Fees. ..... 118
Blank Quarterly Returns, ..... 181

Rituals: Rock Div., 7s. Gd. ; Garland, bal., 2s. 6d.; Mincr's IIope, '7s. Gd.; Excelsior; on acct., 7s. 6d.

T. \& W. Cards,
Journals of Grand Division ..... 11
Visitor's Ritual ..... 10
B. B.'s for D. G. W. P.'s: Olive Branch Di- vision, 5s.; Flowing Fountain, 5s.; 'Tyro, 5 s ..... 015
Ode Cards ..... 011
Copies of Ceremonies ..... 010
Copics of Constitutions. ..... 0 2

## Grañò Scribe's Account, continued.

CR.
\&i'y. J. Paid James Bowes \& Sons, advertising notice of
Convention................. .... \&0 50
James Barnes \& Co., printing Circulars. . 0126
J. A. Graham............................ $0 \quad 8$ 42
James Barnes \& Co., advertising notice of
Convention
050
17. Wesley:n Book Office, ditto.................. 0 . 50
S. Selden, ditto............................. 0 . 50
A. \& W. Muckinlay, Blank Account Books. 130
G. Treasurer, on Gencral Account......... $2613 \quad 9$
Do. ou acct. expenses of Reps. to Nat. Division,.......... 24 0 0
Do. on General Account......... 27100
Do. on acct. expenses of Reps. to Nat. Division,
Do. on General Account......... $30^{0} 0$
Postages, \&c., during quarter.............. 4 4 0 92
Grand Scribe's salary to 1st April, 1859.. $10 \quad 0 \quad 0$
$£ 10011 \quad 02$
Balạnce düe G. D............. $\overline{£ 6 \quad 4}$

PATK. MONAGIIAN, G. S.
hamax, April 18, 1859.

## RETRESENTATIVES PRESENT AT SESSION.



## IADY VISITORS.

| Mrs. J. G. Smith |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| John Smith |  |
| H. Hollis |  |
| A. MicLane. | No. 36. |
| John Cutten |  |
| Miss R. Rogers |  |
| B. Rogers . |  |

