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DIVISION ROOM, TEMPERANCE HALL,  
*Halifax, Tuesday, Oct. 20, 1863.*

PURSUANT to appointment Representatives assembled at 8 o'clock, P.M., when the Grand Division was opened in due form, Grand Worthy Associate Heenan officiating in the absence of the G.W.P.

Roll of Officers called :

PRESENT.

John Heenan, G.W. A.  
Patrick Monaghan, G. Scribe.  
Robert Boak, G. Treas.  
Rev. I. J. Skinner, G. Chap.  
W. E. McRoberts, M. D., G. Con.  
Wm. Murray, G. Sent.

ABSENT.

Avard Longley, G.W. P.  
J. D. B. Fraser, P. G. W. P.

Bro. Francis Beattie was appointed G. W. A., and Bro. Wm. M. Brown, of No. 96, as acting P. G. W. P.  
The following Report was read and adopted :

The Standing Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report that they have examined the credentials of the undermentioned representatives, and find them correct :

CENTRAL, No. 2.—W. P., J. A. Flint; P. W. P's., Wm. Stone, Jas. A. Lambert, Geo. M. Burton, Robt. Brown, senr., Rev. Geo. Christie, John C. Moulton, Samuel Brown, Samuel Flint, Heman Gardner, Edward Huestis, Chas. Pinkney, Wm. Kirven, Wm. Gridley.

MILTON, No. 4.—W. P., Richard Sedford; P. W. P's., Rev. Thos. Brady, Jas. B. Dane, Wm. Burrill, senr., Joseph Burrill, Zaccheus Corning, Joseph Shaw, George Allen, Wm. Burrell, jr., Jacob Sweeney, John W. Lovitt, William Gardner.

CHEBUCTO, No. 7.—W. P., William Wilson; P. W. P's., D. Gallagher, Edwd. Jost, R. H. Wetmore, Thos. Wesley, Alexr. J. Ritchie, J. S. Thompson, John Martin, John Heenan, Patk. Monaghan, H. A. Taylor, Geo. Butler, Wm. Brown, Chas. Legg, R. Fraser, Jas. Marshall, J. G. Wetmore, Thos. Conran, Henry Morrissey, Geo. J. Cook, J. E. Butler, John Chisholm, R. J. Wilson, John Watson, M. Monaghan, Peter Ross, Robt. Brechin.

MIC-MAC, No. 8.—W. P., William McLeod; P. W. P's., Wellington McNally, Stephen Selden, John J. Uhlman, J. L. Whytal, Chas. W. Allan, Ronald R. McMillan, Joseph W. Smith, Thos. Holder, Thos. Drew, Chas. McLean, H. H. Johnston, Jas. McIntosh, Jas. C. Merlin, Jno. O'Donnell.

MAYFLOWER, No. 9.—W. P., James A. Murray; P. W. P's., John Marvin, John Lanigan, Wm. Murray, Jas. Gordon, Manfred Shaffer, Jas. Herkes, Wm. Williams, Geo. Porter, Peter Power, John Bissett, David Ellis, Donald Fraser, Wm. Phillips, John Hartlin, Wm. Foster, Rev. N. Gunnison, Geo. W. Delano.

AVONDALE, No. 13.—P. W. P's., Nicholas Mosher, 1st, Nicholas Mosher, 2nd, Nicholas Mosher, 3rd, Elkanah T. Harvie, Silas Mosher, Capt. A. Smith, Jas. Mosher, Geo. W. Smith, Chas. Mumford, Jas. W. Allison, jr., John A. Harvie, Geo. C. Harvie, Wm. Forrest, Wm. H. Mosher, John W. Harvie, Albert Mosher, Mark Rathbun, Jas. L. Mosher, John R. Fraser, George L. Mosher.

ORIENTAL, No. 16.—W. P., J. D. McDonald; P. W. P's., Francis Beattie, James D. B. Fraser, Rev. A. McArthur, Richard Tanner, Colin McKenzie, James Patterson, Wm. N. Rudolf, Jas. Munro, Alex. McKimmie, Jas. Carson, Wm. Campbell, and E. M. McDonald.

NEW GLASGOW, No. 17.—P. W. P's., Duncan McLean, Kenneth Forbes, Jas. W. Fraser, Geo. F. McKay, Christopher Irving, John Oliver, Rodk. McGregor, Peter A. M. McGregor, George Murray, Jas. W. Carmichael, Danl. C. Rose, Alexr. McLeod, George McKay, Wm. Forbes, John Forbes.

ROSEWAY, No. 25.—W. P., Wm. F. McCoy; P. W. P's., Dond. G. Smith, G. H. De'nstadt, Rolt. McIntosh, P. G. Fraser, Wm. Frith, Jas. H. Munro, Thos. Muir.

HOWARD, No. 26.—W. P., Thomas Marvin; P. W. P's., T. W. S. Russell, Thos. B. Granville, Hon. J. W. Johnston, Jas. Spike, John Metzler, Robt. Boak, Robt. A. Rees, Rich. Currie, Jas. Tracey, Richd. Abbott, Jas. A. Adams, Maurice Stafford, Geo. S. Yates, Edwd. Morrison, Edwd. Boak, Wm. Holloway, Rev. John McMurray, Rev. John Lathern, Andrew B. Boak.

CAPE BRETON, No. 27.—W. P., John Musgrave; P. W. P's., A. G. Musgrave, Stephen Moffatt, John D. Meloney, John Nesbit, Chas. P. Moffatt, Alexr. Green, Thomas A. Moffatt, Samuel Meloney, John McLean, Andrew Ross, Francis Lewis, Rev. Hugh Ross, Wm. Allen, Donald Johnston, John A. Moore, Jas. Sowby, W. H. Moore.

CHESTER, No. 32.—W. P., Charles E. Church; P. W. P's., Geo. Redden, Wm. Evans, senr., Wm. H. Reeves, John C. Stuart, Isaac Hume, H. B. Mitchell, John Reddin, Robt. Smith, Chas. Reeves, Andrew Walker, Samuel Gowen, Benj. Mitchell, Patk. Cooney, David Hume, Rev. I. J. Skinner, Danl. Dimock, John Frail.

PUGWASH, No. 36.—John Elliott; P. W. P's., John Oulton, Wm. Gould, Griffin Smith, David Rogers, James ———, Wm. H. Rogers, Angus McDonald.

ARCHANGEL, No. 40.—W. P., Wm. Oram, jr.; P. W. P's., James Armstrong, Geo. Burchell, John Edwards, senr., Wm. Burchell, John Lawlor, Edward Burchell, John Melvin, Peter Burchell, John McCarthy, James Gleeson, Wm. Adamson, Donald McKenzie, Wm. Clarke.

STAR, No. 49.—W. P., Joshua Chadsey; P. W. P's., Ross Hammond, Enos C. Locke, X. Z. Chipman, Martin Ringor, John Locke, senr., Michael Shaw, David Eisenhauer, Howard Locke, Piers Locke, Jacob Locke, Geo. A. Locke.

RIISING SUN, No. 52.—P. W. P's., Wm. Layton, Thomas

McCurly, Francis Layton, Wm. McCurdy, John E. Ervin, William McCurdy, John H. Taylor, Jonathan Layton, Isaac McCurdy, Wellington Archibald, Matthew J. Archibald, Wm. Kaulback, Alex. McCurdy, Matthew J. McCurdy.

MAINMAST, No. 57.—W. P., Elijah Longill; P. W. P's., John Gauld, Stewart Burns, Ebenezer McLeod, Jas. Perrin, Nelson Sutherland, Jas. W. Mahy, Robert Sutherland, Robt. S. Blackie, Charles Sutherland.

STAR IN THE EAST, No. 61.—W. P., Wm. Buchanan; P. W. P's., Charles Hill, Matthew Bradley, Samuel Peters, Thos. Hill, James Dumaresq, Samuel Peters, 2nd, Duncan McLennan, John E. Barchell.

ALBION MINES, No. 79.—W. P., Kenneth Ross; P. W. P's., Thos. McKay, Jas. Culton, Wm. Patrick, John Carr, Chas. McKay, John Fellowes, George Davidson, David Culton, Thos. McPherson, Obadiah Turnbull, Hector McKenzie.

IRON AGE, No. 82.—W. P., Jas. E. Balcomb; P. W. P's., A. W. McLellan, Alfred Copp, Ezra Layton, Luther Spencer, John C. Spencer, Jas. A. Chisholm, Amos Fountain, David Murray, Amos Hill, D. A. Davidson, W. E. McRoberts, M.D., Jotham O'Brien, Allen Spencer, Robertson Thompson, Edwin Layton, John D. Thompson, R. N. B. McLellan, Amos Cox, George Fulton, Benj. Fullerton, Chas. Darning.

CHEDABUCTO, No. 93.—P. W. P's., Joseph Hart, Jas. A. Tory, H. R. Cunningham, Alex. Tory, Abner Hart.

ATHENÆUM, No. 96.—A. Hammill; P. W. P's., W. J. Wallace, W. C. Silver, James Thomson, Rev. J. C. Cochran, Rev. P. G. McGregor, Jas. D. Wallace, N. M. Herbert, Wm. Ackhurst, Thos. Brown, L. E. Van Baskirk, M.D., Charles Robson, Alex. James, Wm. Blackman, Wm. Winterton, Geo. Matheson, A. C. Cogswell, Robert Noble, Wm. M. Brown, Chas. Isaacs, R. M. Barratt, Morgan Flaherty, John Dexter, John Lindsay.

INVINCIBLE, No. 109.—P. W. P's., Abraham Van Buskirk, Geo. Duncanson, Jno. Rockwell, Charles Taylor, Jno. Greaves.

PARRSBORO', No. 110.—W. P., John S. McAloney; P. W. P's., Henry C. Thompson, Thos. B. Layton, Jonathan Vickery, Jas. McKeowen, Jesse K. Dickenson, Richd. Clark, jr., Fredk. York, Edwd. Vickerey, Thos. W. DeWolf, A. P. Bradley.



WOLFFVILLE, No. 112.—W. P., A. S. Chase; P. W. P's., Rev. J. M. Cramp, D.D., G. V. Rand, T. Wallace, Joseph Weston, J. F. L. Parsons, Chas. Johnston, John Coombes, John Rousefelle, Charles Fritze, John Chase, Albert Hill, Paoli R. Foster, Jas. McDonald.

PHOENIX, No. 115.—W. P., Rufus Newcombe; P. W. P's., B. W. C. Manning, Robert West, W. J. Gates, W. A. C. Randall, M. D., Thos. K. Cragg, Alex. McDonald, Solomon Baker, Rev. John Morton, John Tobin, Rev. Stephen March, Jas. Grinston.

RECHAB, No. 119.—P. W. P's., Geo. J. Creed, Richard McLearn, John McLearn, Wm. Dimock, Joshua Knowles, Wm. B. Dimock, Jas. Stevens, John Davison, John E. Burgess, Enoch L. Dimock.

TEMPLE, No. 131.—W. P., Charles Forshner; P. W. P's., John S. Forshner, Andrew Forshner, Thos. Forshner, Geo. H. D. Forshner, Geo. W. Wells, Jas. Woodland.

PITTACUS, No. 132.—W. P., John N. Sanders; P. W. P's., Benj. B. Moses, Vincent Harris, Thos. W. Curry, Wm. S. Patten, Cyrus Parry, Aaron Jeffrey, Thos. Byrnes, David P. Corning, Harvey Cann, Edwin Sanders, Thos. Simons.

SACKVILLE, No. 137.—W. P., James Fultz; P. W. P's., Chas. Fultz, Jas. Davidson, Francis Webber, James Webber, Charles Hessler, Benj. Fultz, Joseph Deloric, Lister Ellis, Scott Hiltz, John Cose, Chas. Webber.

ARCTIC, No. 140.—W. P., James Thompson; P. W. P's., Douglas McArt, John Shean, S. S. Morrison, A. K. Moore, W. A. Fulmore, R. A. McLellan, Samuel T. Moore, Robinson Thompson, jr., Rev. Jas. McG. McKay, Andrew Durning, S. W. H. Durning, D. C. Nicoll, Samuel Murray.

WHITE ROSE, No. 142.—W. P., Caleb Lewis; P. W. P's., D. J. Taylor, Fones Holmes, John A. Fulton, John C. Taylor, Stephen Ruseoc.

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TYRO, No. 145.—W. P., George Coggins; P. W. P's., Obed. Glaring.

KINBURN, No. 147.—W. P. David Buchner; P. W. P's., Alfred Langille, Benj. Legge, Gideon Langille, Ingraham

Langille, John McKinnon, Festus Langille, Henry Schuare, Simon Borgeine, Lewis Knaut, Benjamin Zwickler, Joshua Zwickler.

HOME, No. 154.—W. P., Thomas J. Ame; P. W. P's., James M. Aymar, Wm. Aymar, John Nichols, Samuel T. Bacon, Jas. A. Nichols, Thos. Wilson, Wm. H. McCullough.

CONQUID, No. 155.—W. P., D. F. Layton; P. W. P's., W. C. Smith, R. S. Crowe, J. R. Fletcher, J. B. West, A. B. Fletcher, J. B. Fleming, T. J. Brown, D. F. West, H. G. Morrison.

CLYDE, No. 157.—W. P., W. D. Wheelock; P. W. P's., E. M. Morse, Ephraim Bachman, Stewart Leonard, W. H. Bishop, John Sanders, Wm. H. Troop, Avard Longley, George Starratt, R. D. Balcom, William H. Balcom, C. S. Phinney, Benj. Starratt, Wm. Starratt.

REXFREW, No. 166.—W. P., Angus Tapper; P. W. P's., T. A. McKeen, S. G. A. McKeen, Wm. Kidston, jr., Stephen Atwater, S. W. McKeen, Alex. Bain, Roderick McKenzie.

NORTH SYDNEY, No. 167.—W. P., John Vooght; P. W. P's., G. S. Brown, L. Robertson, David Lawlor, George B. Moffat, Chas. R. Bown, Wm. Nisbet, Alexr. Logan, Jas. J. McKenzie, Wm. J. Peppitt, Samuel Peters.

WELSFORD, No. 168.—P. W. P's., Rev. James McLean, John Nelson, Thomas McKenzie.

HOME, No. 169.—W. P., Miles C. Woodman; P. W. P's., Chas. S. Cossett, Benj. Hardy, Jas. H. Marshall, Chas. S. Potter, John S. Thomas, Geo. H. Hardy.

ISLAND HOME, No. 170.—W. P., John Brodick, 2nd; P. W. P's., John Nickerson, Wm. J. Corbett, Andrew R. Graham, Andrew S. Corbett, David P. Soley, Harris Fulmore, Josiah Soley.

SHERBROOKE, No. 173.—W. P., William Corkum; P. W. P's., Peter Lantz.

HIGHLANDER, No. 178.—P. W. P's., John Johnson, Kenneth Morrison, Samuel Johnson, Alexr. Beaton, Samuel McDonald, Angus D. Beaton, Ronald Johnson.

NEW ERA, No. 179.—W. P., Silas T. R. Bill; P. W. P's., Wm. Jackson, Matthew J. Drew, Chas. Bill, Wm. Bryden, J. N. S. Marshall, Nathan D. West, John W. Cobb, A. G. West.

GREENFIELD, No. 180.—W. P., Wm. B. Freeman; P. W. P., Wm. Hunt.

AMHERST, No. 182.—W. P., Samuel Taylor; P. W. P's., Chandler Crane, Geo. F. Miles, R. B. Huestis, A. S. Blenkhorne, A. C. Dimock, Alexr. Robb, J. A. Black, J. Hiram Black.

PRINCE ALBERT, No. 185.—W. P., William Calder; P. W. P's., Allen T. Mack, Edward Mack, Robert B. Mack, Andrew Mack, Ephraim Mack.

RAY OF HOPE, No. 186.—W. P., Ferguson Foster; P. W. P's., Edwd. F. Freeman, Samuel Foster, jr., Joseph J. Letson, senr., Jacob Kempton, Spencer Cohoon.

REID, No. 192.—P. W. P., F. W. Moore.

GREEN VALE, No. 183.—W. P., John H. Anderson; P. W. P's., John Allen, Rev. S. B. Martin.

TANGIER, No. 194.—W. P., Joseph Browner; P. W. P's., John A. Steel, John M. Forrest, Alex. M. Peers.

PORT WILLIAMS, No. 195.—W. P., Newton W. Best; P. W. P's., D. H. Clarke, Daniel Cogswell, W. J. Carritt, Sydney Borden.

CANNING, No. 196.—W. P., David Cox; P. W. P's., B. B. Woodworth, Ninian P. Jamison.

SCOTS BAY, No. 198.—W. P., Zenas Lovelace; P. W. P's., Wm. A. Tupper, Delacey Corkum.

Bro. M. Flaherty moved that Lady Visitors be admitted to this session as spectators.

Motion seconded by Bro. F. Beattie.

P. G. W. P. Brown moved, in amendment, That members of Grand Divisions only be admitted during the present annual session.

Amendment seconded by Bro. H. A. Taylor.

On being put from the chair, the amendment was declared carried.

The Grand Conductor introduced representatives Wm. Wilson, of No. 7; Wm. McLeod, of No. 8; Peter Power and James Murray, of No. 9; Thomas Marvin, of No. 26; John Oulton, of No. 36; John Lindsay and A. Hamill, of No. 96; A. M. Peers, of No. 194; who

were duly initiated and took their seats as members of the Grand Division.

The following named committees were appointed by the chair.

*On State of the Order*—P. G. W. P. Cramp, P. G. W. P. McMurray, G. V. Rand, John Watson, Joseph G. Dimock.

*On Communications*—S. Selden, E. Morrison, Wm. Wilson.

*On enrollment of names of representatives present during the session*—Robt. M. Barratt, H. A. Taylor.

The Grand Scribe read communications from Chebucto, Micmac and Pittacus Divisions, announcing expulsion of representatives from those Divisions. Communications ordered on file, and names of representatives ordered to be erased from roll of G. D. members.

Read a communication from Grand Worthy Patriarch Longley, in which regret was expressed for his absence from the present session.

Communications were read from Parrsborough Division, No. 110, asking that the July session of the Grand Division for 1864, be held at Parrsborough; White Rose Division, No. 142, containing same request as that from Parrsborough; and from Roseway Division, No. 25, asking that one of the quarterly sessions of 1864 be held in the town of Shelburne. All these communications were referred to committee on communications.

Read a communication from the Most Worthy Scribe on the question of admitting female visitors to full membership in the Order, and allowing them to hold offices in subordinate divisions. Referred to committee on communications.

Read a communication from a committee of the Provincial Club of Temperance Watchmen, enclosing the following copy of resolutions adopted by that body at their annual meeting held in July last:

“ *Whereas*, In the opinion of this Club the operations of Temperance Societies of whatever name; the labours of Temperance lecturers; the diffusion of Temperance Literature; and the advocacy of Temperance principles from the Pulpit, and through the Press, have hitherto proved, and are still proving, efficient agencies in raising and educating public opinion upon the evils of intemperance, and the many advantages accruing to those who adopt the principles of Total Abstinence;—yet observation and experience clearly indicate that nothing short of a Prohibitory Liquor Law can effectually and permanently check the inroads of that monster vice which is the common enemy of the domestic and social circle, the uncompromising foe of peace, order and prosperity in the commonwealth;

“ *And Whereas*, In the opinion of this Club all the adherents of the principles of Total Abstinence should sincerely and zealously endeavor to promote this common cause;

“ *Therefore Resolved*, That a special effort be made throughout the length and breadth of Nova Scotia, to obtain, by petitioning the present House of Parliament, the enactment of a *Prohibitory Liquor Law*.

“ In order to obtain a general expression of the public mind in favour of such a measure, be it,—

“ *Resolved*,—1st, That the Provincial Club endeavour to secure the co-operation of other Temperance Organizations—the Grand and Subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance—all County Leagues—Cold Water Armies—Bands of Hope—Total Abstinence Societies; and also Clergymen of the Church, of all denominations—Literary and Scientific Societies, and other associations professedly engaged in the work of social, intellectual and moral reform.

2nd, That a General Agent be appointed in each County or Township, who shall take charge of the petitions of that County or Township, forward copies to the different localities, and forward the same when signed to the Legislature.

“ 3rd, That the Temperance Organizations in every Polling Section be desired to appoint sub-agents, who shall traverse the several districts, soliciting and obtaining the signatures of all persons, (the males from 16 years of age and upwards to be inserted in one column and all others of both sexes in

another,) and in districts where no such organizations exist, the Clergyman or Clergymen of such districts be desired to endeavour to have parties appointed to perform the work.

“4th, That the sub-agents commence operations simultaneously on or about the 1st of December, 1864, and be required to forward their returns to the General Agents on the 1st of January, 1865.

“5th, That all the Clergymen of the province be urgently solicited to preach a sermon on the 1st Sabbath of December, 1864, advocating the Temperance cause in general, and Prohibition in particular.

“6th, That every friend of the Temperance movement during the coming year advocate more directly than hitherto the propriety of Prohibition, using for the purpose, as opportunity may offer, the Press, the Platform, and even the social circle; and always endeavour to impress upon Legislators and Electors the importance of the subject, and the weighty responsibilities under which they labor as the repositories of the public interests.

“7th, That the General Agents be furnished with printed circulars to be forwarded to the different organizations, to Clergymen and others, earnestly soliciting them to engage in those important duties.

“8th, That it be submitted to Subordinate Clubs, and other Temperance Organizations, to raise funds by any means they choose for defraying the expense of Printing, Postage, &c.

“9th, That a synopsis of these resolutions be published in the provincial papers favourable to the Temperance cause.”

Communications and resolutions were referred to a special committee, consisting of P. G. W. P. Cramp, G. Treasurer, P. G. W. P. McMurray, F. Beattie, and G. Chaplain.

Grand Scribe presented copy of “*appeal*” addressed to the officers and members of the Order, signed by the M. W. P. and M. W. S., and issued by order of the National Division.

Referred to committee on State of the Order.

The following report was read, approved, and ordered on file:

The Standing Committee on Charters and the Institution of New Divisions, beg to report that since the last quarterly meeting of the Grand Division, they have recommended the granting of a Charter to A. J. Buckman and *nineteen others*, residents of Hall's Harbour, Kings County, for a Division to be named "Hall's Harbour Division, No. 201."

Submitted in L. P. & F.,

PAT. MONAGHAN.

GEORGE MATHISON.

JOHN L. WHYTAL.

Halifax, N. S., October 20, 1863.

The following report was read :

The Standing Committee on Constitutions and Bye-Laws have had submitted to them for examination the Bye-Laws of Atheneum Division No. 96, Canning No. 196, and Rosignol No. 200, upon which they would report, and recommend as follows :—

ATHENEUM, 96.—Article 3, Sec. 6—The addition to the section named, providing for the exaction of a fine from members for the second and every subsequent violation of the Pledge ; and preventing them from taking their seats in the Division, after a decision to retain them in membership, until after payment of the fine imposed, conflicts with section 5 of chapter 2, and section 2 (as amended) of chapter 6 of the Code of Laws.

Article 4, Sec. 2. This section, which reads—"No Brother shall be eligible to the office of W. P., unless he has served two terms, in a subordinate office," is unconstitutional, as it conflicts with section 2 of Article 4 of the Constitution.

*Bye-Law regulating Admission of Lady Visitors* :—As Section 2 of Article 3 of Constitution of subordinates allows the admission of Females as *Visitors* at the age of "*fourteen years and upwards*," your committee recommend that the word *fourteen* be inserted instead of "*sixteen*," in section 1 of the Bye-Laws adopted by the Division, regulating the admission of Visitors. Your committee would also recommend that the word *may* be inserted in stead of "*shall*" in the same section.

CANNING, No. 196.—The foot note to 9th question of Sec.

3, of At. 1, of the Bye-Laws of this Division, your committee would recommend to be omitted, deeming it improper to allow it to be printed.

Article 7, Sec. 3.—Your Committee recommend that the words *in accordance with section 3 of chapter 6 of the Code of Laws* be added to this section.

Article 7, Sec. 4.—Your Committee suggest that instead of this section the following be substituted: *When a Member wishes a Withdrawal Card, he shall obtain the same in the manner laid down in section 4 of Chapter 7, Code of Laws.*

ROSIGNOL, No. 200.—The proposed Article 3 of Bye-Laws adopted by this Division your Committee think unnecessary, as Section 2 of Article 4 of the Constitution defines the mode of electing Lady Officers, and therefore recommend that it be stricken out.

Section 6 of Article 6 your Committee would suggest be erased, and that the same section as recommended for adoption as Section 4, Article 7 of Bye-Laws by Canning Division, be substituted instead thereof.

Submitted in L. P. & F.,

PAT. MONAGHAN,  
JOHN HEENAN,  
WM. MURRAY.

Halifax, Oct. 20, 1863.

Motion made to adopt the report.

Motion made in amendment that the bye-law of Atheneum division providing that fines be exacted from members who may violate the pledge, be approved.

Amendment passed.

Motion made that remainder of the report be adopted.

Motion in amendment that the bye-law of Atheneum division regulating eligibility to W. P.'s chair be confirmed.

The chair ruled the amendment out of order.

Bro. R. M. Barratt appealed against decision of the chair.

On the question being put by the G. W. A., "Does the Grand Division sustain the chair in its decision," the vote was in the affirmative.

The vote was then taken on that part of the report



relating to eligibility of brethren for the W. P.'s chair, and views of the committee sustained.

Bro. R. M. Barratt gave notice that he would appeal to the National Division against the decision of the Grand Division on the question just passed.

Motion made that the remainder of the report do pass.

Motion in amendment that the bye-laws of the Atheneum division regulating the age at which females shall be admitted to the division, be confirmed.

The amendment on being put was carried.

The remainder of the report was then adopted.

The Grand Scribe gave notice that before close of the session, he would move a resolution to obtain the opinion of the M. W. P. and M. W. S. on the questions just decided by the Grand Division,—said opinion to be subject to the approval of the National Division at its next meeting.

The hours for meeting and adjourning to-morrow were fixed as follows: Meet at 11 A. M.; adjourn at 1 P. M.; meet at 3 P. M.; adjourn at 5½ P. M.; meet at 7½ P. M.

On motion, 8 o'clock to-morrow evening was agreed upon as the time for election of officers for ensuing year.

Grand Division adjourned.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,  
*Grand Scribe.*

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WEDNESDAY, Oct. 21, 1863.

FORENOON SITTING.

Grand Division met at 11 o'clock, A. M., and opened in due form, G. W. A. Hecnan in the chair. Roll of officers called:

*Present*—G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Treas., G. Con., G. Sent.

*Absent*—G. W. P., G. Chap., P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by Bro. M. Herbert. G. W. A. ; P. G. W. P., Cramp, G. Chap. ; J. Shean, P. G. W. P. Minutes of last evening's sitting were read and approved.

G. Chaplain entered and took his seat.

G. Scribe read G. W. P.'s report as follows:

#### OFFICERS AND BROTHERS :

Again assembled to exchange our annual greetings, and to seek by mutual consultation and effort, to aid the cause we love and are pledged to promote, we are reminded that another year has passed, and, in characters more indelible than human pen can trace, have its results been recorded in the annals above.

What an incentive this reflection to the benevolently active, and what a source of regret to the laggard! but how overwhelming to those entirely delinquent, if it be true that the future is ever evolving the past, and that the fruits of human actions "through endless cycles run!"

Viewed in this light, the actions of men often present an immeasurable contrast, and, in no instance perhaps, is this more marked, than where the self-sacrificing adherents of total abstinence labor to reform and bless, and those who uphold the use and sale of intoxicating drink! seek to entice and destroy. The Temperance Reform can boast of some plentiful harvests of inebriates, but, in some instances, they seem to have been gathered only to be scattered—and reformed but to be plunged again into deeper depths of vicious indulgence.

The blight and mildew of social custom and appetite, combined with the demoralising and debasing agencies of the Liquor Traffic, have spread over and desolated some of the fairest fields of our benevolent operations, until hearts and hopes have at times grown faint and almost faithless, but again gathering courage, despite all difficulties and discouragements "we continue until this day," and still our aim is "upward," our work "onward!"

It is not a little surprising that, after the experience of the last thirty years, argument should be necessary to enforce the self-evident truth that demoralization and misery follow

in the train of the Liquor Traffic. Still more surprising it is, however, that so many men of ordinarily good morals and character should, at the present day, be found engaged in this business—but so long as example in high and even sacred places gives countenance to the dealers in Rum, this will continue. Oh! for a public sentiment that would banish the wine cup, and stop the death-dealing Traffic! Then might we hope for peace, order and prosperity to abound!

An opportunity will soon be afforded for testing the practical value of the amendments to the License Law, passed by the Legislature during the last session. The people should be reminded that the power is virtually in their own hands; and that they *can* if they *will*, check, if not entirely suppress the granting of Licenses.

Having had considerable to do with the Law in question, I strongly indulge the hope that its efficacy will be fully and fairly tried; for much as I should like to see Prohibition carried out, I cannot but doubt the propriety of going farther at present, if this law meets with neglect.

It is encouraging to find certain localities already availing themselves of the power put into their hands by "the Amended License Law," petitions to the Sessions from the rate-payers, in two at least of the polling districts of Annapolis county having been freely circulated and very generally signed in accordance with the spirit of that act. It is hoped that other parts of the Province will also move in this matter, especially the county of Pictou, from which valuable assistance was derived in maturing the law in question.

It is doubtful if this law is generally known or understood; and it would now seem to be matter for regret that great pains had not been taken to bring it more into notice.

If the Law proves of any value measures will hereafter be taken to effect this object; as I think it may fairly be regarded as the entering wedge to Prohibition.

The manner in which the attainment of the majority of the Order has been recently celebrated, in every section, embraced by the bands of our noble Brotherhood is not only an indication of strong attachment, and lasting memories; but also of vital power to carry onward through maturing years.

The late Session of the National Division in the city of

Halifax, was an event long to be remembered, when many of the members of the Grand Division made their first acquaintance with Brethren long distinguished for their devotion to the Order and the best interests of humanity.

One cannot but feel that those who have been the agents in moral triumphs such as our Order can boast, are more worthy of renown than the heroes of the battle-field, or the favorites of fortune or birth.

There is much, far too much of human woe to mar life's highest good, but still there is much to praise and enjoy, and were each motive pure and each example bright, the sun-light of happiness might beam on every hearth.

The pleasures of the wine-cup may be sweet when first tasted, but how bitter when disease and frightful imaginings mingle their woe'd ill, and the foreshadowing of an awful future the spirit appals.

No *tree* Son of Temperance can dwell upon the personal advantages of Total Abstinence—the safety it begets—and the blessings it diffuses, without having his attachment to the cause strengthened, while he experiences a welling up of grateful emotion at his own deliverance from the dire woes of inebriation.

The enemies of our cause bring against us the charge of making “*Tec-Totalism*” the panacea for all the ills of life; but altho' this may be regarded as an exaggeration of our theory, there is but little danger of over-estimating the good which results from a strict adherence to its maxims.

It is still fashionable in some circles to decry the adherents of Total Abstinence and Sons of Temperance especially, and this is sometimes done by those who owe their own safety in the improved tone of public sentiment brought about only by the strenuous exertions of Temperance men.

There are, undeniably, some disadvantages in being a Son of Temperance, as some can testify—but these are as nothing in the scale when thoughtfully weighed.

The varying periods of ten, twenty, and thirty years and upwards, during which we have severally noted the course of passing events, have well established in our minds the pre-eminence of sobriety over inebriation in all the pursuits and purposes of this life, to say nothing of the life beyond.

What then if wealth and honor and seeming success should for tedious years cling to, and be associated with the wine cup; what though every avenue to preferment be thronged by the semi-devoted Sons of Bacchus, and sobriety and moral virtues with modest mien be made to stand aback, in spite of all this and much more the public sentiment will ultimately be better moulded, for even now the glimmer of a brighter day is dawning.

It is matter for wonder and regret that the Temperance Reform has taken so slight hold of the upper circles of social life. Comparatively few of high rank and station are numbered among the adherents of our glorious reform.

Emperors and Kings too generally disdain it, nobles and statesmen frown or look coldly upon it, while dainty fashion deems it weakness or folly to be sober.

But to these general remarks there are a few noble exceptions. Among these, Prince Johann, of Saxony, holds a conspicuous place. This prince was present at the first meeting of the British and Foreign Temperance Society in England. On his return to Germany in 1831, he issued an appeal to his countrymen worthy of a young and generous mind, which bore immediate fruit and proved a blessing in after years. His physician, the renowned Dr. Carus, was the author of this appeal, signed by nine eminent statesmen and church dignitaries.

Frederic William, 3rd of Germany, affords another illustrious example in the kind reception given to Dr. Baird upon the occasion of his visit to Europe as the Agent of the American Temperance Society in the years 1835-6, out of which grew in 1837 a Temperance Society in the city of Berlin, presided over by Professor Krenichfield, M.D., (who presides until this day), which society has lately celebrated its 25th Anniversary.

King Oscar, who suppressed the deplorable customs of the gin table, deserves honorable mention in this brief catalogue, besides a number of German nobles, of whom time scarcely admits a further mention.

It is, however, worthy of note, that on the 5th of May, 1837, a Central Temperance Union was founded at Stockholm for the whole kingdom, under the name of the

“Swedish Abstinence Society.” The Crown Prince Osear (afterward King) accepted the charge of Patron, and the royal family assisted at the annual meetings of the society. So says the Rev. J. H. Bottecher in his notes upon the history of the Temperance Reform in Germany, from which these extracts are taken.

When will the time come that our own beloved Queen shall break through the social forms which surround her, and for the good of her people set the same praiseworthy example? and when will England’s nobles, heroes, and statesmen, see that a nation’s greatness may be deluged in rum?

The opportunity is not here afforded for the discussion of the grave question of the Constitutionality of the Prohibitory policy; but if the maxim, that “the gain of the few should give way for the good of the many,” be sound, then there can be no question about the matter.

I refer the Grand Division to the report of the Grand Scribe for particulars, and close my report by bearing testimony to the courtesy and efficiency of that officer.

One word more in the way of approval of the management of the “Abstainer,” and in bespeaking for the new sheet in contemplation adequate encouragement and support from the Order especially, and allwell wishers to the cause of total abstinence from the drink that inebriates.

AVARD LONGLEY, G. W. P.

Paradise, October 19, 1863.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

Grand Scribe read his Report as follows:

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

*Officers and Brethren,—*

In assembling in fifteenth Annual Session of Grand Division, permit me to congratulate you on the brightening prospects of our Order in Nova Scotia. A little less than one month since the “majority of the Order” was celebrated throughout the jurisdiction of the National Division; except

in the Confederate States, and perhaps a few of the Northern States nearest the operations of the contending armies now engaged in the unhappy war which has ravaged a portion of the once great Republic. Let it be the fervent prayer of every true Son of Temperance throughout our widely extended Brotherhood, that the unholy strife between the North and the South may speedily come to an end; and that the Great Patriarch in His divine wisdom may once more permit the National Council of our Order to be as largely attended, and beneficial to the cause of Total Abstinence, as in former years. The Grand Central gathering of the Order, on the occasion of the celebration of the twenty-first anniversary, was held in the city of New York—the birth place of the organization—on Tuesday evening 29th of September, ultimo. It was an occasion of great interest; representatives from all of the Northern States and British Provinces (with one exception) were present, and participated in the proceedings. Much good is anticipated to result from that grand meeting, as well as others that were held in connection with it.

At the last quarterly meeting the Grand Division having left the matter of the appointing of delegates in the hands of the Grand Officers, I have pleasure in reporting that, on learning that P. G. W. P. McMurray was about visiting Boston, the officers availed themselves of the occasion and requested our esteemed brother to represent the Order in this Province at the celebration of the anniversary in New York city. The brother promptly acceded to the request, and was furnished with the proper Credentials. He attended the grand gathering before referred to, as also the special session of the National Division held on the same day. Bro. McM. has furnished a report of the meeting, which will be read to you during the session.

The anniversary was generally observed in this jurisdiction. The principal meeting was held in this city. It was well attended and creditable to the Halif. : Divisions. Many of the divisions held interesting meetings; and, so far as I can learn from reports received, much benefit is likely to result therefrom. A few of the divisions have already experienced a revival of interest from the celebration of the anniversary.

## NEW DIVISIONS.

Since the last quarterly meeting two new divisions have been instituted, viz. :

1. *Rosignol*, No. 200, at Caledonia Corner, Queen's County, on 18th July, by County Deputy, Wm. Bryden.
2. *Hull's Harbour*, No. 201, at Hull's Harbour, King's County, on September 8th, by D. G. W. P. Dr. C. C. Hamilton.

## CHARTER SURRENDERED.

It is with regret I have to report that Havelock division of New Glasgow has surrendered its charter. This intelligence was unexpected, as the returns from the division for the quarter ending June 30th, reported *forty members and thirty-one lady visitors*. The going down of the division, in my opinion, can only be attributed to great apathy on the part of those who were connected with it in not attending the regular meetings, as there is a good Temperance element in New Glasgow.

## NO. OF DIVISIONS ORGANIZED DURING THE YEAR.

Since the last annual session *twelve* new divisions have been instituted, viz. : in King's County, 4 ; Halifax County, 3 ; Bermuda, 2 ; and one each in the counties of Yarmouth, Cumberland and Queens.

## DIVISIONS RESUSCITATED DURING YEAR.

During the year two divisions have been resuscitated, and are still in good working order: Parrsborough, No. 110 ; and Friendship, No. 106 ; both in Cumberland County.

## NO. OF DIVISIONS, STATISTICS, &amp;c.

The names of 122 divisions are now on the Grand Division roll. There are

Working divisions.....	102
Not working.....	18
Supposed not working.....	1
Dead.....	1

Total.....122



From the one hundred and two divisions, returns should have come in from one hundred for quarter ending Sept. 30. *Seventy-four* only have been received, from which is compiled the following

*Statistical Summary.*

No. members admitted.....	441
Rejected .....	11
Members withdrawn .....	59
Violated the pledge.....	124
Reinstated.....	60
Suspended .....	93
Violated pledge second time.....	35
Expelled .....	165
Deaths.....	8
Members on F. S. books.....	3,816
Lady Visitors admitted.....	221
"    "    withdrawn, died, &c.....	23
Whole No. of Lady Visitors .....	2,089
No. Public Temperance Meetings held .....	46
"    Temperance Documents distributed.....	967
Receipts of Quarter.....	\$1,737.48½
Expenses, exclusive of benefits .....	1,152.07
Paid for benefits, 12 divisions .....	194.57
Cash on hand, including investments.....	7,138.68½
Per Capita Tax to Grand Division .....	239.24

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

The receipts and disbursements of this office, to 19th inst., were as follows:

*Receipts.*

Cash received for per Capita Tax for quarter ending	
Dec., 1862, March, June and Sept., 1863.....	\$209.16
For Stock, &c., &c.....	22.75
For Agency Fund.....	3.14
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	\$235.05
Balance due G. D., 22d July.....	13.58½
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	\$248.63½

*Disbursements.*

Amount paid G. Treasurer per receipts.....	\$245.11
Amount in hands of G. S.....	3.55½

## DIVISIONS NOT WORKING.

The following named divisions are not working:—Truro, 41; Lunenburg, 60; Aurora, 68; Lake, 71; Margaretville, 80; Kellogg, 92; Evening Star, 97; Flowing Fountain, 118; Emblem, 126; Waterloo, 143; Enterprise, 149; Ohio, 150; \_\_\_\_\_, 156; Siloam, 162; Oliver, 165; Monitor, 188; Golden Wreath, 189.

Nos. 41, 149, 156, 162, 165, 188 and 189 may be virtually considered as dead; and I would suggest that their charters be declared forfeited, as many fruitless efforts have been made to get them into working order.

In reference to Nos. 60, 68, 71, 80, 92, 97, 118, 126, 150, I would suggest that the Grand Scribe be instructed to issue a circular letter to the members thereof, intimating that unless the divisions get into working order by some date to be fixed by the Grand Division, and make returns to this body, their charters will be declared forfeited.

Concord division, No. 5, has not sent in returns during the past two years. As to the condition of this division, I have no precise information; but I have learned incidentally that it meets occasionally. I have placed it under the heading "supposed not working."

Waterloo, No. 143, will be referred to in another part of this report.

## STATE OF THE ORDER.

But few of the divisional and county deputies have sent in reports as to the present condition of the divisions. I will endeavor to give you the state of the Order in each county as far as ascertained.

## HALIFAX COUNTY.

The divisions in this county, outside of Halifax, with one or two exceptions, are in good working condition. The same may be said of the city divisions. Sunnyside, organized at St. Margaret's Bay, in April last, is, at the present time,

laboring under difficulties, owing to most of its members being at sea. It is hoped that on their return the division will become more active. D. G. W. P. Barratt (for western section of the county) reports June Rose "not so active as could be desired, although the cause itself is in a better position,—the Temperance Society being in active operation, holding regular monthly meetings." Bro. Barratt reports that, during the quarter, he "addressed public Temperance-meetings at Jedore Point, Musquodoboit Harbor and Tangier, which were very interesting occasions." He also reports encouragingly of the divisions located at the two last named places.

#### HANTS COUNTY.

From Hants county I have but one report—from D. G. W. P. Elder, of Hantsport, who reports that the division under his charge is not very active.

There is no change for the better in the condition of Avon division at Windsor. Avondale, Rechab, and Welsford, are doing pretty well. The division at Chiverce—Morning Star, 38—has not been heard from for some time, although it is working.

#### KING'S COUNTY.

P. G. W. P. Dr. Cramp, writes as follows respecting King's county: "Reviewing the year, I think that we have great reason to be encouraged. Four new divisions have been instituted in this county, viz: Port Williams, Canning, Scots Bay, and Hall's Harbour. The brethren constituting those divisions appear to be men of the right stamp—intelligent, enterprising, and active. It was a very pleasing consideration, when one hundred of us walked in procession in Canning on the 29th ult., that a large majority of the number had been won to the cause within the preceding six months. These divisions have the elements of continuance and vigor. I have no doubt that each will prove a blessing in its locality."

"Deputy Rounsfell speaks favorably of Wolfville division, although regretting that there is much apathy among many whose co-operation might be highly beneficial. He reports that some of the young men of the division render valuable

assistance by essays and speeches, and that the constant attendance of the lady visitors has a very useful tendency. It is the intension of the division to address the ministers of the gospel in the district, and 'through them to endeavour to stir up the public to greater efforts to prevent the increased sale of intoxicating liquors by unlicensed venders.' "

"Deputy Clark informs me that Port Williams division 'is imbued with a strong, earnest feeling for the prosperity and advancement of our good cause; the meetings are regularly held and well attended, and the members are warm-hearted and harmonious in endeavouring to carry out and disseminate the principles of our Order.' "

D. G. W. P. Dr. Hamilton, reports as follows: "Six months ago we had but three Sons of Temperance in the lower section of Cornwallis; now we have four divisions with a membership of—Scots Bay, 35; Canning, 65; Hall's Harbour, say 25; Port Williams, say 25;—Total 150;—I should say a rapidly increasing family, besides daughters in scores. I am satisfied that the establishing of four divisions in this place is producing a beneficial effect on the drinking usages of society, especially in Scots Bay and Canning. The public installations have had a very good effect at Canning, and at Hall's Harbour."

Deputy Vanbuskirk reports Invincible as not being very active, but hopes that "the old members will soon be roused up to their duty." He also reports that "Waterloo division shows signs of life," and expects it will go into active service immediately.

No report has been received from Garland for last two quarters; but I believe it is working pretty well. Aurora and Lake divisions, in Cornwallis, are still asleep.

#### DIGBY COUNTY.

All the divisions in this county are working well, except Union, Holcyon and Brilliant Star. Union has several difficulties and much opposition to contend against; yet Deputy Taylor looks forward to the coming winter with a hope that a greater interest in behalf of the Order will be manifested. A number of the divisions met together at St. Mary's Bay on 29th September, when about five hundred persons parti-

icipated in the festivities of the day in honor of the "majority of the Order."

## YARMOUTH COUNTY.

Central and Milton divisions in Yarmouth are still active and increasing in numbers. Hebron and Pittacus are holding on their way, notwithstanding great apathy on the part of many of their members. Ohio is not working, but an effort will be made to resuscitate it during the coming winter. Mariner's Guide, at Argyle, has not been able to hold its meetings regularly during the summer, owing to a large proportion of its members being from home.

## SHELBURNE COUNTY.

Deputy Locke says in his report, "I am very sorry that I cannot report an increase in our division (Star, No. 49). Still, I can safely say that we never were in better condition. We are happy to see the *Abstainer* in the right place at last; and we may anticipate great good from the weekly edition, when so much was done with the semi-monthly. In fact it is like placing an *Armstrong* in the room of a small *Field-piece*."

## QUEEN'S COUNTY.

The state of the divisions in this county may be given in a few words: they are all in excellent condition, and none in the jurisdiction work better.

## LUNENBURG COUNTY.

Chester, Phoenix, Watford and Sherbrooke divisions in this county are all working well, notwithstanding the great apathy of some of the brethren.

Lunenburg and Evening Star divisions have not yet got to work. I have no hope for the Order in Lunenburg town unless the two divisions agree to amalgamate; or consent to surrender their charters and form a new division. There is no hope, I fear, of resuscitating Siloam or Oliver divisions.

## COLCHESTER COUNTY.

Iron Age, Arctic, Cobequid, Island Home, and Oceanica divisions in this county are among the best working divisions

in the Province. They united in celebrating the anniversary of the Order at Portauisque, and much good is expected to result from the demonstration there made. Agricola division has not been heard from for nine months. It is, so far as I can learn, *still* alive.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

Amherst division is increasing in membership, and very active in the cause; so also are Parrsborough and Temple. Bro. Black, D. G. W. P. at Amherst, writes: "In glancing back at the division (Amherst, 182,) in October 1862, we find a membership of 40, and 17 visitors. Now it boasts of 74 members and 52 visitors on its roll, being an increase of 85 per cent on its membership, and triple its visitors during the year. In looking at such glowing facts surely there is cause for satisfaction at the past, and bright brilliant hopes for the future. A manuscript paper was started near the end of the past quarter, and is read in the division once a week, which has the effect of making the sessions more pleasant, thereby attracting a larger attendance both of members and visitors. The *Division Reporter* reflects credit upon its editors, both as regards matter and manner of getting it up."

When I returned home from the last quarterly session, I found a letter from D. G. W. P. Rogers, of Pugwash, in which he intimated his fears that the returns then enclosed would likely be the last the Grand Division would receive from Pugwash Division. In his report, received yesterday, he writes: "I am extremely happy to have it in my power to inform you that our division has rapidly increased during the last quarter. A few of the old, tried, and true Sons fearing the extinction of the division, put forth extra efforts which were crowned with unexpected success. The demonstration on the anniversary of the Order occurring also during the quarter, evidently increased the general interest of the community in the cause. The division is weekly increasing in numbers, the members are working harmoniously, and our prospects for the future are bright and cheering."

The division admitted 26 new members during the quarter. The prospects of Friendship division, at Nappan, are reported by D. G. W. P. Black, to be good.

## PICTOU COUNTY.

In this County, Albion Mines Division takes the lead, and is very active. Oriental holds on, but has to lament the absence of a number of the older members. New Glasgow is not very active, owing to the apathy and indifference of its members. Mainmast received a fresh impetus during the quarter, and added *seventeen* to its membership. Flowing Fountain has not yet resumed operations. As stated elsewhere, Havelock Division has surrendered its charter.

## GUYSBOROUGH COUNTY.

The two Divisions in this County, Chedabucto and Wellington, are still holding their ground.

## ANNAPOLIS COUNTY.

With a few exceptions, the Divisions in this County are doing well. Clyde has had a fair addition to its membership during the past quarter. I am in expectation that Margaretville and Emblem may be resuscitated before our next quarterly meeting.

## CAPE BRETON COUNTY.

Cape Breton, Archangel, and North Sydney Divisions, may be classed with those in Queen's County, among the best in the jurisdiction. Highlander holds its own well. Star in the East is not so active as it was. There is considerable apathy among the members of Bethlehem. Coxheath labours under disadvantages, owing to most of its members being from home during the summer months. Bro. Francis Lewis, of Cape Breton Division, having recently removed to Glace Bay, hopes to succeed in getting the Division at that place into working order again. Brougham Division holds its own. So far as I can learn, there is no hope of resuscitating Monitor Division at Cow Bay.

## VICTORIA COUNTY.

Renfrew Division has much to contend against. A few of the members are determined to work hard to sustain it, and hope for an increase of membership during the coming winter. Onward "holds on," but is not very active. Guthrie is in about the same condition as Onward.

## INVERNESS COUNTY.

I have not received any report from this County, but believe that the four Divisions within its borders are holding their ground well in the face of much opposition from the traffic, and apathy on the part of professing friends of the cause.

## BERMUDA.

The Divisions at St. George, and Hamilton, Bermuda, are in excellent working order. I receive pleasing monthly communications from the D. G. W. P., Sergt. George Oxborough, who is much interested in the progress of the cause, and appears to be an excellent working officer. The Divisions have organised an Agency Committee for the Islands, and, through its efforts, hope to extend the Order and advance the cause of Temperance.

The foregoing, I think, is a fair evidence of the present excellent condition of the Order in this jurisdiction, and encourages us to look forward to a good increase during the coming year. A good portion of our success during the official year just closed, may be attributed, I am convinced, to the services of Brothers McArthur and Beattie during the last winter and spring, and to the number of interesting meetings held on the anniversary of the Order. Sufficient evidence has also been afforded me, that where a few members of a Division make up their minds to work *in* the Divisions, and *for* the Order, and set to work diligently, the cause is sure to progress, and the Divisions cannot go down.

## AGENCY.

It is with regret I have again to report that but little, if any, effort, is put forth in aid of the Agency Fund. It is highly desirable that Lecturers should be sent into the field during the approaching winter months—especially as the people in many parts of the Province appear to be taking a more lively interest in the cause. Before Lecturers can be sent out, however, it is desirable that we have the necessary desideratum—*money*.

As an easy method of raising funds for this object, I would here offer a suggestion. Tuesday, the 17th of November



next, will be the *sixteenth* anniversary of the introduction of the Order in this Province. Would it not be well to celebrate *that* anniversary, by holding public meetings and soirees, the proceeds of all to be sent in to the Grand Division in aid of the Agency Fund? I trust this subject will receive your serious consideration.

“THE ABSTAINER.”

During the past quarter, the publication of the *Abstainer* was suspended for a few weeks, owing to the Legislature, at its last session, having imposed a postal tax of two cents on each number of every publication issued less frequently than once a week. After a consultation had by the members of the Publication Committee, the Publisher, the Grand Officers residing in this City, and several other members of the Order, it was agreed that the Government be memorialized on the subject,—and if a favorable reply was not received, that the paper might be issued as a weekly publication, the friends of Temperance being appealed to in the meantime to give their support to the plan proposed. As no hope was held out that the paper could pass through the Post-Office free of postage, the remaining numbers of volume *seven* were issued weekly; and on the 7th of October volume 8 was commenced as a weekly publication, at \$1.00 per year for clubs of five or more: \$1.25 for single copies. The Publisher, Mr. Barnes, assumes the responsibility of issuing the *Abstainer* as a weekly sheet, depending upon the Order, and friends of Temperance generally, to exert themselves in extending its circulation,—the Grand Division, as heretofore, to provide and pay the Editor.

The prospects, so far, are encouraging. It is only requisite that our Temperance friends exert themselves diligently in its behalf. I would refer you for further particulars to the Publication Committee's Report.

GENERAL MATTERS.

Since the last quarterly meeting, I received a supply of the “Journal of Proceedings of the National Division,” at the Annual Session held in the city in June last; also printed copies of the amendments made in the Constitutions of the

Order at the same Session. Copies of both documents were duly forwarded to every Division in the jurisdiction.

I also received copies of "*AN APPEAL to the Officers and Members of the Order of Sons of Temperance, under the jurisdiction of the National Division of North America,*" signed by the M. W. P. and M. W. Scribe, and issued by order of the National Division, and forwarded copies to every Division and Deputy in the Province, with the request that it be read to the members. A copy of the Appeal will be laid before you.

Owing to a change in the Law regulating the Post-Office affairs, made during the last Session of the Legislature, the sum of *two cents* had to be paid on each copy of the Journal of Proceedings of this body sent through the Post-Office, including the Journals of April and July quarterly Sessions. This charge increased the expenses of this office under the item "Postages." I have pleasure in stating, however, that an arrangement has been made by which those documents will in future pass through the Post-Office free of charge.

In accordance with instructions of this body, given at the last annual session, a number of blank forms—between 400 and 500 copies—requesting answers to questions concerning the Liquor Traffic in each Polling District in the Province, for the year 1862, were sent out immediately. Up to this date about *fifty*, only, have been returned answered. As so few returns have been received, I will retain them until the next quarterly meeting, with the hope that a greater number will have come to hand by that time.

The chartered location of Sherbrooke division, No. 173, in Lunenburg county, will hereafter be known as *New Ross*, instead of *Sherbrooke*,—the name of that place having been changed by proclamation of His Excellency the Lieut. Governor.

So many of the returns received being imperfect, want of sufficient time has prevented me from reporting on them; besides, to do so would extend this report to too great a length.

#### DECEASED MEMBER.

In concluding this Report, it becomes my duty to report the death of P. W. P. William Moffatt, of Cape Breton

division, No. 27, which event occurred on 25th August, in the 58th year of his age. His connection with the Order commenced in 1850; and from that time he was a most faithful member of his subordinate Division. Our deceased brother was initiated into this Grand Division at the Special Session held in this city in June last.

Praying that the labours of this Session now commenced may be "blessed of God," and crowned with abundant success in the future, this report is

Respectfully submitted in L. P. & F.,

PATRICK MONAGHAN,

*Grand Scribe.*

HALIFAX, N. S., October 21, 1863.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

P. G. W. P. McMurray presented the following report from the Agency Committee, which was accompanied by Finance Statement:

The Agency Committee of the Grand Division, in presenting their Annual Report, cannot but appeal to the success which has rewarded the efforts of our lecturers during the past year, as furnishing the strongest possible reasons to every true Son of Temperance for increased liberality in contributing to the Agency fund. Shortly after the last Annual Session, P. G. W. P., the Rev. Alexander McArthur, and Bro. Francis Beattie, were engaged by the Committee to deliver lectures in various sections of the Province. Bro. Beattie laboured for a period of three months. Much to the regret of the Committee, Brother McArthur was prevented, by indisposition, from continuing his valuable services for quite so long a period. The addresses of both Brothers, however, were highly appreciated: and the results which they accomplished speak volumes for the importance of public lecturing as a means of promoting the cause of Temperance.

During the month of September last, the Committee arranged with Bro. Thomas M. Brown, who had recently arrived from the United States, to deliver two lectures in the city of Halifax. These lectures evinced great ability, but the attendance was small; and the result confirmed the Committee in their impression, that of all parts of the Province this city presents the most unpromising field for lectures on Temperance.

The highly interesting reports forwarded to the Committee by Bros. McArthur and Beattie have been already published; but it may be well to recapitulate some of the leading facts which they contain. Bro. McArthur delivered 42 lectures, procured 122 subscribers to the Abstainer, and induced 608 persons to sign the pledge. Brother Beattie delivered 54 lectures, obtained 51 subscribers to the Abstainer, and administered the pledge to 453 persons. Both brothers were instrumental in strengthening the hands and encouraging the hearts of the members of our Order in the various sections of the country which they visited. These facts demonstrate that whenever we, who are the professed advocates of Total Abstinence, are sufficiently sincere and in earnest to keep our lecturers constantly at work, the days of rum and of rum-sellers will be numbered, and Nova Scotia will have entered on its golden age of sobriety and of happiness.

In conclusion, your Committee would suggest, that if, during the present Session, nothing more were done than to take effectual steps for raising two hundred and fifty pounds, to be expended in the permanent employment of two lecturers, this would be the most memorable and useful meeting of the Grand Division which has ever been held.

All which is respectfully submitted in Love, Purity, and Fidelity.

CHAS. ROBINSON, *Chairman*,  
 J. McMURRAY,  
 HENRY A. TAYLOR,  
 S. SELDEN,  
 ROBT. NOBLE.

P. G. W. P. McMurray presented a report of his mission as the Delegate of the Grand Division to the Central Meeting held at New York, U. S., on 29th September, in commemoration of the twenty-first anniversary of the Order.

The Report was referred to Committee on State of the Order, and ordered to be published in the Journals. (*See Appendix.*)

Bro. S. Selden presented the following report from the Publication Committee:

The Publication Committee of the Grand Division respectfully report as follows:—Since the last meeting of the Division, a very important change has been made in the management of the *Abstainer*. Instead of being published semi-monthly as formerly, since the commencement of this month it has been issued weekly. This change, as the Grand Division are aware, has been for a long time under consideration; but as it involved a large increase in the price of the paper, both the Editor and the Committee hesitated to carry it into effect, notwithstanding the many advantages which it seemed to promise. A Law, passed during the last Session of the Legislature, however, rendered it necessary, either that each copy of the *Abstainer* should pay two cents postage, or that it should be converted into a weekly paper. It was, therefore, at once determined to make the change; and though the Government have since decided to put a more lenient interpretation on the Law, and to allow papers to pass as formerly, it will probably be as well to continue the *Abstainer* as a weekly paper, at least for the current year.

The Committee feel that it is incumbent on them to appeal strongly to the Divisions for more liberal and energetic support to the paper in this critical period of its history. It has, of course, been absolutely necessary to increase its price, which will now be one dollar per copy to clubs of five or more, and \$1.25 for single copies. It has been proposed that the sum required for its support should be guaranteed in the form of shares; and as the annual expense will be about \$1,000, this would amount to 100 shares of \$10 each. This is surely not beyond the power of a Body which numbers nearly 400 members; and the Committee earnestly hope that the Grand Division will not adjourn without devising some means by which it may be effected. A tendency to decline which our Order had for some time previously evinced, was happily arrested by the establishment of the *Abstainer*; and if we wish our present prosperity to increase, or even to continue, we must not permit the only Temperance paper now published in British North America to become extinct.

All which is respectfully submitted in Love, Parity, and Fidelity.

CHAS. RONSON, *Chairman*.  
S. SELDEN.

Halifax, October 21, 1863.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

P. G. W. P. Cramp presented the following report from Special Committee on communication from Provincial Watchmen Club :

The Committee on the communication from the Provincial Club of Temperance Watchmen, report, that, having carefully considered the said communication, they have arrived at conclusions which they beg to submit in the form of the following resolutions, recommending the adoption of the same by the Grand Division :

1. That the Grand Division hereby re-affirm the conviction repeatedly expressed on former occasions, that the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law is essential to the full success of Temperance effort, and that it is the duty of the friends of Temperance to employ all suitable means in order to procure such law.

2. That in the judgment of this Grand Division the amended License Law now in operation in this Province, offering facilities for the attainment of Prohibition in the several polling districts, is admirably adapted to secure the desired end, wherever the Temperance population is sufficiently numerous to command the majority required.

3. That it appears desirable to this Grand Division to recommend to the friends of Temperance throughout the Province the vigorous prosecution of the law as it now stands, or may be still further improved, in order to prepare the public mind for that general expression of opinion and determination which will secure the action of the Legislature in the matter.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the Committee of the Provincial Club of Temperance Watchmen.

J. M. CRAMP,  
R. BOAK,  
J. McMURRAY,  
FRANCIS BEATTIE,  
I. J. SKINNER.

Adopted.

The accounts of the Grand Scribe and Grand Treasurer were read.

The following report was presented on said accounts :

The Standing Auditing and Finance Committee report that they have examined the books and accounts of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer, all of which they find to be correct. The Committee have also examined the following accounts, which they recommend for payment:—

James Bowes & Sons.....	\$66.00
James Barnes .....	11.00

RODERICK FRASER,  
JOHN L. WYNTAL.

The Grand Scribe submitted the following statement of the *Probable Receipts and Expenditures of the incoming year.*

PROBABLE RECEIPTS.

Per capita Tax from Divisions, say about.....	\$940.00
Stock, &c., &c.....	100.00
Amount due G. D. for Tax, Stock, &c., about..	79.00
Amount in lands of G. S. and G. T.....	22.35½
	\$1141.35½

PROBABLE EXPENDITURES.

Editor Abstainer, say .....	\$200.00
Salary of G. S. say.....	180.00
Expenses of Officers of G. D. during } year, say.....	90.00
Other expenses, including Journals, } Printing, Stationery, Postage, and } incidental.....	270.00
	\$820.00
Leaving a balance in favor of G. D., } at end of year, of say.....	300.00

AFTERNOON SITTING—WEDNESDAY.

The Grand Division was opened in due form at 3 o'clock, G. W. A. Heenan in the chair.

Roll of officers called.

*Present*—G. W. A., G. S., G. Con., G. Sent.

*Absent*—G. W. P., G. T., C. Chap., P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by Bros. E. Morrison, G. W. A.; S. Selden, G. T.; P. G. W. P. Cramp, C. Chap.; J. Shean, P. G. W. P.

The minutes of forenoon sitting were read and approved.

The Grand Scribe moved the following resolution, in accordance with notice given last evening:—

*Resolved*,—That the Most Worthy Patriarch and Most Worthy Scribe be requested to answer the following questions for the information of this Grand Division, subject to confirmation of the National Division at its next Session:

1st. Can a division pass a bye-law to prevent brethren from being elected to the office of W. P., unless they serve two terms in a subordinate office or offices, without conflicting with the constitution or code of laws?

2d. When a brother is retained in membership after violation of the pledge, can a division exact a fine from said brother, should the violation be the second or subsequent offence? Can a division *legally* pass a bye-law to exact fines in such cases?

3rd. Divisions being at liberty to admit females as visitors at 14 years of age and upwards, and deciding to admit them, can they *legally* pass a bye-law deciding that *females under 16 years of age shall not be admitted as visitors?*

The resolution being seconded by the Grand Sentinel, was put from the chair and passed.

Bro. S. Selden presented the following report from the committee on communications:

The Committee on communications beg to report,—

1. That your Committee have considered the letter of the Most Worthy Scribe concerning the membership of Ladies, and would recommend this Grand Division to direct that a copy of the questions it contains be sent to each of the subordinate Divisions in this jurisdiction, desiring that answers be returned thereto previous to the January Session.

2. Your Committee would recommend that the request of the Parrisboro', Westbrook, and other Divisions in that neighbour-



hood, for the July Session of the Grand Division to be held at Parrsboro', be complied with.

3. That the request of the Shelburne Division for one of the Quarterly Sessions to be held in that town be also complied with.

S. SELDEN,  
WM. WILSON,  
EDW. MORRISON.

On motion the report was considered by clauses.

The two first clauses were adopted—the adoption of the second deciding that the July session for 1864 be held at Parrsborough, Cumberland County.

The third clause, on motion, was laid on the table.

P. G. W. P. Cramp moved, seconded by bro. Herbert, that the January session for 1864 be held at Canning, Kings County. Passed.

Bro. Barratt moved, seconded by bro. Morrison, that the April session for 1864 be held at Avondale, (Newport Landing,) Hants County. Passed.

On motion of the Grand Sentinel, seconded by the Grand Treasurer, it was *voted* that the next annual session be held at Halifax.

On motion the time for holding of the several sessions in 1864, was fixed as follows :

January Session, on Tuesday, 26th day of the month, at 7 P. M.  
April " " " 26th day of the month, at 7 P. M.  
July " " Wednesday, 27th day of the month, at 8 P. M.  
The Annual Session on Tuesday, 25th day of October, at 8 P. M.

On motion of the G. Sentinel, seconded by P. G. W. P. Mathison. it was *voted* that the expenses of the G. W. P. (or G. W. A., when acting as G. W. P.,) and Grand Scribe *only*, be paid for attendance at the regular sessions of the Grand Division during the ensuing year.

On motion of P. G. W. P. Mathison, seconded by bro. Shean, 300 copies of the Journal of Proceedings of this

Session were ordered to be printed and distributed in the usual manner.

Grand Division adjourned.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,  
*Grand Scribe.*

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EVENING SITTING—WEDNESDAY.

The Grand Division opened in due form at 7½ o'clock, G. W. A. Heenan in the chair.

Roll of officers called :

*Present*—G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Treas., G. Chap., G. Con., G. Sent.

*Absent*—G. W. P., P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by bro. C. E. Church, G. W. A. and Geo. Mathison, P. G. W. P.

The minutes of afternoon sitting were read and approved.

The chairman of committee on Deputies Returns (Query Circulars) asked for leave to defer presentation of their report until the January session, as less than half of the required returns had been sent in.

On motion of the G. Sentinel, seconded by the G. Conductor, request of the committee was granted.

The hour named for the election of officers having arrived, the Grand Division proceeded to ballot, when the following named were declared duly elected :

G. W. P.—Rev. I. J. Skinner, of Chester Division, No. 32, Chester.

G. W. A.—Edward Morrison, Howard Division, No. 26, Halifax.

G. SCRIBE—Patrick Monaghan, Chubucto Division, No. 7, Halifax.

G. TREAS.—Henry A. Taylor, Chubucto Division, No. 7, Halifax.

G. CHAP.—Rev. John Lathern, Howard Division, No. 26, Halifax.

C. CON.—Charles E. Church, Chester Division, No. 32, Chester.

G. SENT.—Francis Beattie, Oriental Division, No. 16, Pictou.

On motion, 12 o'clock to-morrow was fixed as the time for installation of Officers elect.

Grand Division agreed to meet to-morrow, Thursday, at 11 o'clock, A. M., adjourn at 1 o'clock, P. M., and meet at 3 o'clock, P. M.

Grand Division adjourned.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,  
*Grand Scribe.*

THURSDAY, October 22, 1863.

Grand Division met at 11 o'clock, A. M., and opened in due form, G. W. A. Heenan in the chair.

Roll of officers called:

*Present*—G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Treas., G. Chap., G. Sent.

*Absent*—C. W. P., G. Con., P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by bros. A. M. Peers, G. W. A.; John Shean, G. Con; Geo. Butler, P. G. W. P.

The minutes of last evening's sitting were read and approved.

The hour for the installation of officers having arrived, the G. W. P. was duly installed by G. W. A. Heenan; the other officers were installed by G. W. P. Skinner, assisted by P. G. W. P.'s McMurray and Cramp.

The G. W. P. and G. W. A. addressed the Grand Division on assuming the duties of their offices.

The standing committees for the year were appointed as follows:

*Auditing and Finance*—Robt. Boak, Chairman; R. H. Wetmore, Wm. Wilson.

*Charters and Installation of new Divisions*—Grand Scribe, Chairman; P. G. W. P. Mathison, James C'pike.

*Appeals*—P. G. W. A. Heenan, Chairman; R. M. Barratt, Wm. Murray, J. J. Uhlman, Grand Scribe.

*Constitutions and Bye-Laws*—Grand Scribe, Chairman, P. G. W. A. Heenan, Wm. Murray.

*Cre'dentials*—R. M. Barratt, Chairman; John Lanigan, James C. Merlin.

*Printing*—Grand Scribe, Chairman; Wm. Williams, W. J. Wallace.

*Agency*—S. Selden, Chairman; Charles Robson, P. G. W. P. McMurray, Grand Treasurer, P. G. W. A. Noble.

*Publication*—Charles Robson, Chairman; A. J. Ritchie, S. Selden.

*Hulls*—Halifax, Wm. Murray; Canning, J. G. Newcomb; Avondale, Charles Mumford; Parrsborough, A. P. Bradley.

The following named were elected as Representatives to the National Division:

G. W. P.—Rev. I. J. Skinner, of No. 32.

P. G. W. P.—William Burrill, No. 4.

“ Rev. John McMurray, No. 26.

“ Hon. James W. Johnston, No. 26.

“ William M. Brown, No. 96.

“ Rev. George Christie, No. 2.

“ Rev. John M. Cramp, D. D., No. 112.

“ John S. Thorapson, No. 7.

“ Rev. Alex. McArthur, No. 16.

“ George Mathison, No. 96.

“ Rev. Peter G. McGregor, No. 96.

“ Avarl Longley, No. 157.

“ James D. B. Fraser, No. 16.

G. W. A.—Edward Morrison, No. 26.

P. G. W. A.—Lawrence E. Vanbuskirk, No. 96.

“ Robert Noble, No. 96.

“ Donald Johnston, No. 27.

“ Rev. Nathaniel Gunnison, No. 9.

“ John Heenan, No. 7.

G. Scribe—Patrick Monaghan, No. 7.

The following Report was read and adopted.

The Standing Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report, that they have examined the credentials of the undermentioned representatives, and find them correct:

ROYAL, No. 37.—W. P., Thomas E. Miller; P. W. P's., Wm. Nichols, Israel Rice, Wm. Dunne, Wm. S. Purdy, Jos. S. Rice, Judson Rice, Geo. Nichol, Jas. D. Nichol, Richard S. Clark, Freeman McDormand, Andrew H. Harris, Alpheus Marshall, Wm. F. Marshall, Nelson Miller, John Troop, Geo. A. Purdy, Ezekiel M. Nicholls, Elwd. Dunn.

FORENSIC, No. 106., W. P., Thomas Bleckhorn; P. W. P., Charles R. Casey.

Submitted in L. P. and F.

R. M. BARRATT,  
JOHN LANIGAN.

Halifax, October 22, 1863.

Grand Division adjourned.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,  
*Grand Scribe.*

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AFTERNOON SITTING—THURSDAY.

The Grand Division opened in due form at 3 o'clock P. M., G. W. P. Skinner in the chair.

Roll of officers called:

*Present*—G. W. P., G. Scribe, G. Con., G. Sent.

*Absent*—G. W. A., G. Treas., G. Chap., P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by bros. J. Heenan, G. W. A.; Dr. McRoberts, G. Treas.; P. G. W. P. Cramp, G. Chap.; Wm. M. Brown, P. G. W. P.

The minutes of forenoon sitting were read and approved.

The G. Treasurer entered and took his seat.

On motion of P. G. W. P. McMurray, seconded by the G. Treasurer, it was *voted* that P. G. W. P. Cramp be requested to attend the meeting of the National Division to be held at Cleveland, Ohio, in June next;

and that a committee of five be appointed to raise the funds necessary to pay his expenses.

The following named were appointed as the committee: George Butler, Chairman; W. McNally, Wm. Murray, James Spike, P. G. W. P. Mathison.

Bro. R. M. Barratt, moved the following resolution, which was seconded by P. G. W. A. Hecnan, and unanimously adopted:

*Whereas*, P. G. W. P., McMurray, kindly consented to represent this Grand Division at the celebration of the 21st Anniversary of the Order in the city of New York, on the 29th of September, he is entitled to the best thanks of this body;

*Therefore, Resolved*, That the thanks of this Grand Division are due—and that they be hereby tendered—to Brother McMurray for the readiness with which he undertook the duty, and the able manner in which he represented the interests and upheld the character of this body.

The Grand Chaplain entered and took his seat.

P. G. W. P. Cramp, as chairman, presented the following report from committee on State of the Order, which was considered by clauses and adopted:

An examination of the various documents placed in their hands has led the Committee on the State of the Order to the conclusion, that, upon the whole, our organization in this Province bears an encouraging aspect. It is true that complaints of apathy and indifference are not infrequent, and that some few Divisions are represented not to be in working order, or even in danger of dissolution, and some are actually dead; still, a good state of health prevails generally throughout this jurisdiction, and the members of the Order have reason to be thankful for tokens of prosperity. Considering the pertinacity with which a large number of persons, otherwise benevolent and zealous, stand aloof from our enterprise, and in the influence wielded by the rum power of the country, together with the fascinations peculiar to drinking habits, it is not surprising that we meet with difficulty and opposition. The measure of success attained under such circumstances ought to fill our hearts with gratitude to the Giver of all good, who is "wonderful in counsel and excellent in working;" and without whom "nothing is strong."

The Committee regard the present favourable position of our affairs as attributable, in certain localities, to the efforts of the brethren who have been employed as Agents during the year. They have stimulated the languishing, roused the slumberers, and infused new life into those that were ready to die. The Divisions which owe their existence to the Agency movement present indications of energy and perseverance which embolden a renewal of endeavour in that direction. But this cannot be accomplished without pecuniary means; and your Committee submit to the consideration of the Grand Division the desirableness of a special appeal to the subordinate Divisions, and to the friends of Temperance generally, in order to raise a fund adequate to the emergency. They agree with the Committee on Agency, that the sum of £250 ought to be raised for this object during the ensuing year. The Temperance people of Nova Scotia should have no difficulty on that score. A contribution of a quarter of a dollar from each member of our Order would meet the want. Many, there can be no doubt, would be prepared to contribute to a much greater amount, and thus supply the deficiencies of others. The Grand Scribe's suggestion on this subject, in reference to Soirees or Temperance meetings on Nov. 17, the anniversary of the introduction of the Order into Nova Scotia, would have been entitled to very favourable consideration if it had been presented at an earlier period. It is now too late, as your Committee think, to make the requisite preparation for such meetings.

Regarding the press as the most important means of effort which we can employ, your Committee are not disposed to regret that Post-Office difficulties induced a change in the mode of publishing the *Abstainer*. The difficulties are now happily removed; but meanwhile the *Abstainer* has become a weekly paper. In that fact, your Committee rejoice, believing that it not only furnishes opportunity for much more extensive advocacy of our cause, but may also tend to bring its claims before many who have been hitherto comparatively ignorant of our operations; for a weekly sheet is more likely to obtain general circulation than a semi-monthly one. The success of the paper, however, in its new form, will be mainly dependent on ourselves. Every Division, and every member of a Division, should feel the obligation to be active in the matter. One other point remains to be mentioned; viz., the remuneration of the Editor. As his labour is now necessarily increased, an increase of salary is due; and

your Committee recommended that for the ensuing year the sum of 240 dollars be paid to the Editor. The Committee would also remind the members of the Order that important aid may be rendered to the Editor by contributions to the columns of the paper, by which means its contents may be agreeably diversified and its influence increased.

The Annual Session of the National Division in this city in the month of June last was an occasion of the highest interest, and will be long remembered. The opportunity of meeting so many tried and able advocates of the Temperance cause but rarely occurs, and may be reckoned among our most valuable privileges. It was an intellectual and moral feast, affording satisfaction to all the participants. Our brethren from the United States were received with due respect and honour, while it devolved on us to render their visit profitable to themselves and advantageous to the object for which we are united. These results were in a good degree secured.

Your Committee have noticed with much pleasure the accounts that have been published of the celebration of the 21st Anniversary of our Order, both in this Province and elsewhere. They are glad to learn that a delegate from this Grand Division was present at the great central gathering in New York. It would have been truly unfortunate if we had been unrepresented at such a time. The meetings held in Nova Scotia on the same day tended, it cannot but be believed, to excite renewed zeal, and to awaken inquiry in the minds of many who may hereafter become identified with our efforts.

With reference to the "Appeal," issued by the National Division, the Committee have to say that they trust the exhortations and admonitions contained in that document will be seriously pondered by every member of the Order. The "Appeal" should be read from the chair in all our subordinate Divisions, and thus furnish a theme for profitable discussion. One of its recommendations specially concerns this Grand Division, and requires a brief notice:—the officers of the National Division urge the desirableness of a more numerous attendance at the Annual Sessions of that body. The force of their arguments must be admitted. It is surely of the highest importance that the Grand Divisions should be well represented on those occasions. The Committee commend this subject to the consideration of the brethren, trusting that arrangements will be made



to send delegates from this Grand Division to the next Annual Session of the National Division, which will be held at Cleveland, Ohio, in June, 1864.

Although it is painful to separate from those with whom we have been accustomed to labour, the necessity for such a course is occasionally apparent, and the duty must be discharged. The Committee are of opinion that the suggestions of the Grand Scribe, relative to subordinate Divisions, which have long ceased to work, should be carried into effect.

The amended License Law, to which the Grand Worthy Patriarch has called attention in his Report, promises to be an engine of great usefulness, if its action be wisely employed and faithfully and vigorously superintended. The Temperance population of any polling district may secure local prohibition, if their energies be well directed and their influence exerted as it ought to be. The punishment of offenders is also much more easily and effectually to be obtained than formerly. But every thing depends on the unflinching firmness of Temperance men. They must neither yield to fear nor show favour, but resolutely perform their duty. All true friends of their country will support them.

Finally, the Committee look forward to the next year's endeavours with encouragement and hope. Let no man's heart fail him. Every one has a part assigned him, and a work to do. The success of the Order is dependent, under God's blessing, on the activity of its individual members.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. CRAMP,  
J. McMURRAY,  
G. V. RAND,  
JOHN WATSON,  
JOS. G. DIMOCK.

Division Room, Oct. 22, 1863.

P. G. W. P. McMurray moved the following, which was seconded by bro. Wm. Murray, and adopted:

*Resolved*, That in agreement with the recommendation of the report of Committee on State of the Order, in regard to providing funds for the Agency and other Temperance purposes, a committee be appointed to devise the best method

for systematic operation in this matter, so that some sufficient and reliable means may be available from year to year.

In accordance with the foregoing resolution the following named were appointed as the committee: Wm. C. Silver, Chairman; P. G. W. P. McMurray, P. G. W. P. Brown, George Butler, R. M. Barratt.

It was moved by P. G. W. P. McMurray, seconded by P. G. W. P. Mathison,

That there be furnished at each annual session of this Grand Division, by the Finance Committee, a Balance Sheet, exhibiting a full statement of the financial condition of the Grand Division, including all assets and liabilities up to the time of such annual session.

Adopted.

Bro. R. M. Barratt moved the following, which was seconded by P. G. W. P. Mathison, and adopted:

Believing that the organization of the Young, in Bands of Hope, is conducive to the advancement of the temperance cause, and deserving of every assistance from this Grand Division—therefore, with a view to the more general organization of Bands of Hope, and a better and more systematic mode of returns—

*Be it Resolved*,—That a Committee of this Grand Division be appointed, to whom shall be entrusted the whole matter relating to Bands of Hope, through whom all information shall be procured, and a general system of Statistical Returns shall be forwarded at proper periods.

The following named were appointed as the committee: R. M. Barratt, Chairman; P. G. W. P. Mathison, S. Selden, M. Herbert, P. G. W. P. Thompson.

On motion of P. G. W. P. Cramp, seconded by the Grand Conductor, the salary of the Grand Scribe was fixed at \$180,—same as last year.

On motion of the Grand Treasurer, seconded by P. G. W. A. Noble, the Grand Scribe was re-appointed editor of the *Abstainer*.

On motion of C. Treasurer, seconded by G. Conductor,

a vote of thanks was passed to bro. Geo. V. Rand for his services in presiding at the organ during the session.

On motion of G. Treasurer, seconded by Dr. McRoberts, a vote of thanks was passed to the city divisions for the use of their room and organ during the session.

On motion, the sum of *four dollars* (\$4) was voted to Miss Anderson for services rendered.

Minutes of this sitting were read and approved.

Grand Division closed in L. P. & F.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,  
*Grand Scribe.*



HALIFAX, N. S., October 24, 1863.

THE GRAND SCRIBE *in account with the* GRAND DIVISION.

1863.	DR.	
July 22.	To balance due Grand Division.....	\$13.58½
Aug. 1.	Tax from North Div. quarter ending Dec. 31, 1862,	2.10
	Tax for quarter ending March, 31, 1863: Royal,	
	\$2.52; North, \$1.92; Clyde, \$1.80.....	6.24
	To Tax for quarter ending June 30, 1863: Hebron,	
	\$1.44; Roseway, 2.22; Roynl, 2.58; Olive	
	Branch, \$1.32; Mainmast, 2.22; Nelson, 3.42;	
	Invincible, \$1.92; Victoria Mines, 1.56; Wolf-	
	ville, \$2.10; Pheonix, 1.80; Rechab, 1.56;	
	Sackville, \$2.88; White Rose, 1.14; Eureka,	
	\$1.62; Tyro, on account, 3.00; Watford, 1.92;	
	General Inglis, \$2.40; Clyde, 1.80; South,	
	\$3.00; Halcyon, 0.72; Western Star, 2.70;	
	Forest, \$1.80; Renfrew, 2.04; Green Tree,	
	\$1.80; Oceanica, bal. 1.00; Amherst, 4.02;	
	Prince Albert, \$1.86; Ray of Hope, 3.66;	
	Port Williams, \$1.86.....	61.96
	To Rev. Geo. Christie on acct. Tax of Mariners' Guide	2.00
Oct. 19.	Tax from Divs. for quarter ending Sept. 30, 1863:	
	Chebucto, \$8.76; Micmac, 6.12; Mayflower,	
	\$7.62; New Glasgow, 2.16; Roseway 2.10;	
	Howard, \$7.02; Cape Breton, 3.42; Arch-	
	angel, \$3.66; Star, 1.50; Mainmast, 3.24;	
	Star in the East, \$2.40; Albion Mines, 9.12;	
	Athenæum, \$6.60; Invincible, 1.92; Victoria	
	Mines, \$1.62; Rechab, 1.50; Temple, 2.58;	
	Pittacus, \$2.22; Sackville, 2.70; Arctic, 4.02;	
	White Rose, \$1.32; Eureka, 1.50; Tyro, 2.40;	
	General Williams, \$1.68; Kinburn, 2.94;	
	Watford, \$1.92; Hope, 1.56; Clyde, 2.34;	
	South, \$3.00; Forest, 1.80; Renfrew, 1.98;	
	North Sydney, on acct., \$4.32; Island Home,	
	\$2.04; Highlander, 1.02; New Era, 4.56;	
	Green Tree, \$1.92; Prince Albert, 1.50; Ray	
	of Hope, \$3.72; Reid, 3.06; Green Vale, 1.32;	
	Tangier, \$3.06; Port Williams, 1.92; Canning,	
	\$3.90; Scot's Bay, 1.74.....	136.86
	To Receipts for Charter and Rit. new division.....	7.00
	Subscriptions to Agency Fund.....	3.14
	Receipts for G. D. Journals.....	3.75
	Receipts for T. & W. Cards.....	3.50
	Do. Ode Cards.....	2.75
	Do. Blank Quarterly Returns.....	2.50
	Do. Visitors' Ritual.....	1.25
	Do. Officers' Cards.....	1.10
	Do. Public Ceremonies.....	0.90

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 \$248.63½

GRAND SCRIBE *in acct. with* GRAND DIVISION.—(Continued.)

1863.		CR.	
Sept. 15.	By Paid Grand Treasurer on general account.....		\$16.75
	“ “ “ .....		56.00
	“ “ “ .....		132.50
	“ “ “ .....		27.72
	“ “ on Agency Fund.....		3.14
	“ “ on general account.....		9.00
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			\$245.11
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	Balance in hands of G. S.....		\$3.52½

PATRICK MONAGHAN,  
Grand Scribe.

HALIFAX, N. S., October 19, 1863.

GRAND DIVISION S. OF T. *in acct. with* GRAND TREASURER.

1863.		Dr.	
July 24.	To balance from last quarter.....		\$8.39
Sep. 15.	Cash from Grand Scribe.....		16.75
Oct. 13.	Ditto.....		56.00
14.	Ditto.....		132.50
19.	Ditto.....		27.72
	Ditto.....		9.00
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			\$250.36

1853.		Cr.	
Sept. 15.	By cash paid Fishwick's Express for freight.....		\$1.75
	“ remitted to M. W. Scribe N. D., on account,		12.50
Oct. 13.	“ paid Jas. Barnes, for printing G. D. Returns, &c., of Liquor Traffic.....		18.00
14.	By Grand Scribe's Salary, Oct. quarter.....		45.00
	Editor of Abstainer's salary, on vol. 7, 4th quar. Grand Scribe's expenses attending session of Grand Div. at Weymouth, 28th & 29th July..		50.00
15.	Cash paid Jas. Bowes & Sons for printing head- ings and Ode Cards.....		27.50
	Cash paid Jas. Bowes & Sons,—150 Journals, April Session.....		9.25
19.	Grand Scribe's office expenses, postage, &c.....		40.00
	Balance in hands of G. Treasurer.....		27.53
			18.83
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			\$250.36

ROBERT BOAK,  
*Grand Treas.*

## PERMANENT AGENCY FUND.

1863.		Dr.	
July 25.	To balance from last quarter.....		\$62.02
Oct. 19.	Cash from Grand Scribe.....		3.14
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			\$65.16

		Cr.	
Oct. 5.	By cash paid to Chairman of Agency Committee to pay for a Lecturer.....		\$12.00
	Balance { In Savings Bank.....£12 10 1		
	{ In Treasurer's hands..... 0 15 8½		
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			£13 5 9½
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			53.16
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			\$65.16

ROBERT BOAK,  
*Grand Treas.*

## MEMBERS PRESENT AT SESSION.

## No. 7.

John Heenan, G.W.A.  
 Patk. Monaghan, G.S.  
 John S. Thoupson, P.G.W.P.  
 John Martin.  
 Danl. Gallagher.  
 Wm. Brown.  
 George Butler.  
 Henry Morrissey.  
 J. G. Wetmore.  
 Henry A. Taylor.  
 George J. Cooke.  
 Edward Jost.  
 John Watson.  
 John E. Butler.  
 James Marshall.  
 John Chisholm.  
 Michael Monaghan.  
 R. J. Wilson.  
 Peter Ross.  
 Wm. Wilson.

## No. 8.

Stephen Selden, D.G.W.P.  
 John L. Whytal.  
 R. R. McMillan.  
 Charles Allen.  
 W. McNally.  
 Jas. C. Merlin.  
 Jas. McIntosh.  
 Thomas Drew.  
 John O'Donnell.  
 Wm. McLeod.

## No. 9.

Wm. Murray, G. Sent.  
 John Lanigan, D.G.W.P.  
 Wm. Williams.  
 David Ellis.  
 Manfred A. Shaffer.  
 Peter Power.  
 G. W. Delano.  
 John Bissett.  
 James Murray.

## No. 13.

Charles Mumford.

## No. 16.

Francis Beattie.  
 James Carson.

## No. 26.

Robt. Boak, G. Treas.  
 Rev. John McMurray, P.G.W.P.  
 James Spike, D.G.W.P.  
 John Metzler.  
 James A. Adams.  
 Richard Abbott.  
 R. W. Reece.  
 Maurice Stafford.  
 Richard Curry.  
 Rev. John Lathern.  
 Edward Morrison.  
 Edward Boak.  
 Andrew Boak.  
 Thos. Granville.  
 Wm. Russell.  
 Thos. Marvin.

## No. 32.

Rev. I. J. Skinner, G. Chap.  
 Chas. E. Church.

## No. 36.

John Oulton.

## No. 44.

Joseph G. Dimock, D.G.W.P.

## No. 82.

W. E. McRoberts, M.D., G. Cen.

## No. 96.

Wm. M. Brown, P.G.W.P.  
 Geo. Matheson, P.G.W.P.  
 Robt. Noble, P.G.W.A.  
 R. M. Barratt, D.G.W.P.  
 N. M. Herbert.

W. C. Silver.  
 James D. Wallace.  
 Wm. Winterton.  
 Wm. J. Wallace.  
 Thomas Brown.  
 Morgan Flaherty.  
 G. G. Gray.  
 J. Lindsay.  
 J. Hammill.

No. 112.

Rev. J. M. Cramp, D.D., P.G.W.P.

G. V. Rand.

No. 137.

Bennett Fultz.

No. 140.

John Shean.

No. 194.

A. M. Peers, D.G.W.P.



## APPENDIX.

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TO THE GRAND DIVISION, S. OF. T. OF NOVA SCOTIA :

REPORT OF DEPUTATION FROM THIS GRAND DIVISION TO THE GENERAL MEETING AT NEW YORK, ON OCCASION OF THE CELEBRATION OF THE TWENTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF OUR ORDER.

The Representative honoured to attend the General Meeting at New York on the 29th of September last, on behalf of the Grand Division of N. S., begs leave to report that it afforded him very high gratification to be present at a Meeting of our Order upon an occasion of so much interest.

The Session of the National Division in Brooklyn, L. I., on the forenoon of that day, was especially to be remembered as a re-union between some of the oldest members of the Order, representing almost all the Grand Divisions where our Order is in effective operation. Some of the incidents of the early history of the Order presented at that Meeting, and some of the personal experiences of the brethren as then related, will long be cherished in remembrance by those who heard them.

The Mass Meeting held in the evening of the Anniversary in Cooper Institute, N. York, was probably the largest Temperance gathering ever convened in that great city. The speeches were of a high-order, and the impression made on the vast audience in attendance could hardly fail to be highly beneficial. The blow then struck, it is hoped, will be so followed up as to prove the commencement of a revival of the Temperance movement in New York and its vicinity ; while there is good reason to believe that the Representatives and brethren from so many different and widely-separated sections of country will return to their several spheres of life to pursue with new vigour their labours in the cause of Total Abstinence.

Upon the whole, it may be said that the project of celebrating the attainment of the majority of our Order was a happy one. The holding of numerous public meetings on that day in almost every State and Province where our Order exists, taken in connection with the renewal of the zeal of the brotherhood, and the re-enkindled enthusiasm which the occasion was so well-fitted to call forth—cannot but have been promotive of the very best results—and which will, it is to be expected, be seen in the enlarging usefulness of our Order.

There can be no doubt but that if we as a brotherhood are faithful to the trust providentially assigned to us, the next twenty years will witness much more grand achievements in the cause of Temperance than the past has shewn.

Respectfully submitted in L. P. and F.,

JOHN MCMURRAY.

Halifax, Oct. 20, 1863.

GRAND DIVISION *in account with* AGENCY COMMITTEE.

1862.		DR.	
	To balance due Committee.....		£0 14 2
Feb. 14.	Cash paid Bro. McArthur.....		5 0 0
15.	Do. Bro. Beattie.....		2 6 0
April 6.	Do. Do. ....		5 10 0
9.	Do. Do. ....		30 0 0
June 25.	Do. Bro. McArthur.....		29 7 6
	Do. Postage.....		0 0 3
Oct. 6.	Do. Bro. T. M. Brown.....		3 0 0
Oct. 21.	Balance on hand.....		1 8 5½
			£77 0 4½
1862.		CR.	
Feb. 12.	By cash from Grand Treasurer.....		£12 10 0
April 6.	Do. Do. ....		20 0 0
9.	Do. collected Bro. Beattie.....		4 9 6½
	Do. " Bro. McArthur.....		15 1 3
June 22.	Do. from Treasurer.....		19 12 10
Oct. 5.	Do. Do. ....		3 0 0
12.	Do. collected at Bro. Brown's Lecture.....		2 6 9
			£77 0 4½
21.	By Balance on hand .....		£1 8 5½

## SUBSCRIPTIONS TO AGENCY FUND.

*(Received by G. S. since July meeting of G. D.)*

New Era Division quarter's subs. of 1½ cent each on 76 mem.....	\$1.14
W. Bryden, Liverpool, quarter's subscription.....	1.00
Grand Scribe quarter's subscription.....	1.00
	\$3.14
Oct. 19, 1863. Amount paid G. Treasurer.....	3.14

P. MONAGHAN, G. S.

## N O T I C E .

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A Quarterly Session of the Grand Division of Nova Scotia, will be held at Canning, King's County, on Tuesday, 26th day of January, 1864, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

Returns and Per Capita Tax must be sent in to the Grand Scribe by the 20th day of January, as his financial accounts will be closed on the 21st.

County Deputies are requested to send in their Quarterly reports to the Grand Scribe by the 20th day of January.

Divisional Deputies, who have not yet done so, are requested to send in their QUERY CIRCULARS, for year ending Sept. 30, immediately.

Returns of Liquor Traffic (printed circulars) for the year 1863, must be sent in by the 1st day of January. The No. of the Polling District for which returns are made to be inserted in the proper place. Also the name of the place and signature of the D.G.W.P. or other party filling up the same.

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It is requested that all Returns due for the year 1863, be sent in immediately.

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The Grand Scribe has constantly on hand, T. and W. Cards at \$1.20 per doz.; Lady Visitor's Ritual 50 cts. per sett; blank quarterly Returns 50 cts. per doz.; B. B. for D. G. W. P.'s, \$1 each; Journals of G. D. 80 cts. per doz., or 10 cts. each; also a few copies of the Public Ceremonies, (Installation, Funeral, and Dedication of Halls,) bound—price 30 cts.; T. and W. Cards for Lady Visitors—*ten cents* each, or \$1.20 per doz.; Officers' Cards 50 cts. per sett.

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The address of the G.W.P. is REV. I. J. SKINNER, Chester.

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The address of the Grand Scribe is PATRICK MONAGHAN, G. S., Box 87, Post Office, Halifax.

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The Seal of Subordinate Divisions must be affixed to all official communications.

P. MONAGHAN, *Grand Scribe.*

## ERRATA.

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Page 508—third line—for amount in hands of G. S. read \$3.52½.

JOURNAL OF JULY SESSION.—As through some oversight in proof reading of last Journal, there are several apparent errors in G. Scribe's account, page 465, it is here re-printed.



THE GRAND SCRIBE *in account with the GRAND DIVISION.*

1863.		DR.	
April 24.	To balance due Grand Division.....		\$15.16
May 4.	Tax from Divisions for quarter ending March 31 : Central, \$3.12; Columbia, 3.36; Rising Sun, \$1.86; Wellington, 4.08; Sackville, 2.64; White Rose, \$1.14; Eureka, 1.74; General Williams, \$1.86; General Inglis, 2.16—Do., Dec. quar., 1862, \$1.74; Life Boat, 2.64, Western Star, \$3.00; Sherbrooke, 1.08; Ainslie, 1.74.....		32.16
July 21.	To A. P. Bradley, D.G.W.P., on acct. Tax of Parrs- borough Div., Dec. quar. '62, & March do. '63.		3.84
	P. T. Clarke, D. G. W. P., on acct. Tax Coxheath Division, Dec. quar. '62, and March quar. '63..		2.00
	Tax from Divs. quar. ending June 30 : Central, \$3.18; Milton, 4.92; Union, 0.90; Quebucto, \$8.64; Micmac, 6.30; Mayflower, 7.20; Avon, on acct., \$1.00; New Glasgow, 2.70; Columbia, \$3.12; Howard, 6.18; Cape Breton, 3.48; Pug- wash, \$0.84; Star, 1.68; Star in the East, \$2.64; Wallace, 2.34; Iron Age, 6.00; Bethle- hem, on acct., \$1.50; Athenæum, 7.14; June Rose, \$1.68; Havelock, 2.34; Temple, 1.86; Pittacus, \$2.28; Arctic, 3.90; General Williams, \$1.62; Kinburn, 3.00; Hope, 1.62; Cobequid, \$3.00; North Sydney, 3.30; Welsford, 2.10; Home, \$2.04; Island Home, 1.74; Gibraltar, \$2.52; Guthrie, 1.08; Brougham, 0.90; High- lander, \$0.96; New Era, 4.56; Oceanica, on acct., \$1.34; Star of Hope, 3.00; Reid, \$3.12; Green Vale, 1.26; Tangier, 2.22; Canning, \$2.40.		123.30,
	To amt. received towards Permanent Agency Fund..		26.61½
	“ “ Charters, &c., new divisions.....		14.00
	“ “ T. & W. Cards, 4.80; C. C. Cards 3.25.		8.05
	“ “ Ritual, \$2.00; B. B. \$1.00.....		3.00
	“ “ Blank quarterly returns.....		1.28
	“ “ Journals of G. D.....		1.25
	“ “ Officers' Cards.....		1.00
	“ “ Visitors' Ritua.....		1.00
	“ “ Public Ceremonies.....		0.30
			\$232.95½
1863.		CR.	
July 22.	By paid G. Treasurer on general account.....		\$192.7½
	“ “ on P. Agency Fund.....		26.61½
			\$219.37
	Balance in hands of G. S.....		13.58½

Halifax, July 22, 1863.

P. MONAGHAN, G. S.