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GRAND DIVISION, S. OF T.,

NOVA SCOTIA.



QUARTERLY SESSION,

field at Middle Musquodebelt, January 27th and 28th, 1874.

J. F. L. PARSONS, B. A., Grand Scribe.

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M. W. Treas. W. A. Duff, Philadelphia, Pa.

M. W. Chaplain-Rev. A. N. Benedict, Bridgeport, Ct.

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M. W. Sentinel—Rev. J. H. Brice, Baltimore, Md. The next Session will be held in the city of Ottawa,

Canada, commencing June 17th, 1874, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

GRAND DIVISION OF NOVA SCOTIA. OFFICERS FOR 1873-74.

Grand Worthy Patriarch-Thomas Hutchings, Halifax.

" Associate—Robert S. McCordy, New Glasgow.

Scribe J. F. L. Parsons, Halifax.

Treasurer-Henry A. Taylor,

" Chaplain-Saml McNaughton,

" Conductor - Robert Putnam, Middle Stewiacke.

Sentinel-Maxwell Murdock, Pictou.

The April Session will be held in Yermouth during the last week of the mouth.

The July Session will be held with the Divisions at North Sydney during the latter part of the month.

The Annual Session will be held in Halifax about the first of November, 1874.

Ontario-Grand Scribe-Thomas Webster, Brantford.

Quebec "John S. Hall, Montreal." New Brunswick "" W.W. Dadley, St. John.

P. E. Island ". W. C. Trowan, Charlottetown.

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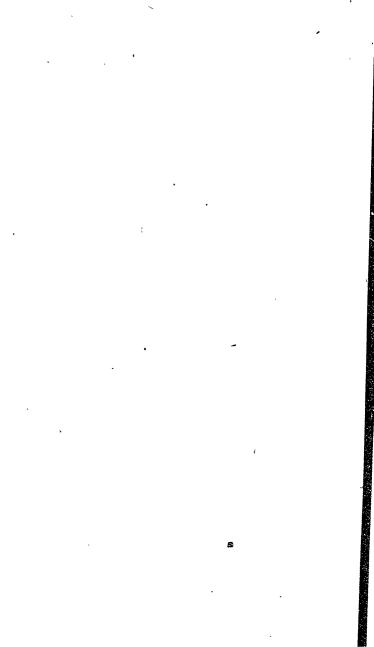


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GRAND DIVISION OF NOVA SCOTIA.

FIRST QUARTERLY SESSION, 1874.

RISING SUN DIVISION ROOM, Middle Musquodoboit, Tuesday, January 27, 1874.

The Grand Division assembled in quarterly Session, at 3 p. m. and opened in due form, G.W.P. in the chair.

Roll of Officers called:

Present: G.W.P., Thomas Hutchings; G.W.A., R. S. McCurdy; G. Scribe, J. F. L. Parsons, B.A.; G. Con., Robert Putnam.

Absent: G. Treas., H. A. Taylor; G. Chap., Samuel McNaughton, M.A., G. Sent., Maxwell Murdock.

The G.W.P. filled vacancies by appointing Bro. P. Monaghan of No. 7 as G. Treas.; Wm. Layton of 52 as G. Chaplain; Hugh Fraser of 92 as G. Sentinel; John McLearn of 309 as P.G.W.P.

The report of the Standing Committee on Credentials was read and by vote adopted:

Halifax, January 26, 1874.

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following Representatives as correct.

> THOS. BROWN. Committee. P. Monaghan, H. D. Holloway.

 Divisions.
 No. 5.—W.P., Joshua Atwood; P.W.P.'s, Samuel Westwood, R. H. Crowell,
 Jno. K. Knowles; J. Smith Kendrick, Nehemiah Doane, Rupert Doane, R. Kendrick.

No. 7.—P. W. P., J. M. Chase.
8.—W.P., Thomas Lathern; P. W. P., Thomas McKenzie.
9.—W. P., John McCrowe.
37.—W. P., Isaac D. Droom.
49.—W. P., Enos Churchill.
52.—W. P., Francis Guild; P. W. P., Andrew Mitchell.
61.—P. W. P., Matthew Bradley; P. W. P.'s, Donald Matheson, Donald McDonald.

62. - W.P., Rev. Jos. Murray: P.W.P.'s, Thos. Harvey, R. Comstock. Jno. Tippitis, J. R. Woolaver.

72 .- W.P., Alex. Dunbar.

109 .- W.P., Donald Kennedy; P.W.P.'s, Alex. McKay, Donald McDonald, Robert Hines, Jno. H. McKeen, Wm. H. McDonald, John A. McDonald.

115.-W.P.'s, Henry Meister, Thos. K. Cragg, Isaac Durland.

154.—W.P.'s, W. Henry Aymar, Edward M. Marshall, James A. Nichols. 161.—W.P.'s, Thomas Churchill, William Brooks, Charles Brooks, Robert

Hains, Edward Thring, Simon Stephens, Israel Hains, Esram Thurber, Natham J. Thurber.

169 -W.P., Simon Sulis.

·P.W.P., Edward Freeman.

186 .- W.P., Phebe Foster,

196 .- W.P.'s, Stephen Sheffield, B. B. Woodworth, F. O. DeWitt, George Rimach, Rev. J. C. Hennigar, James E. Hennigar.

208 .- W.P., John Leneter.

220.—W.P.'s, Alex. W. Hattie. Thomas McKeen. 229.—W.P., Norman Jeffery.

237. - W.P.'s, William McKinlay, Jno. P. Frail.

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 247.—W. P., Emerson Rutherford.
 264.—W. P.'s, James Harty, Felix Campbell, Charles Cunningham.
 281.—P. W. P.'s, John A. Christie, Jos. M. Christie, Christopher Shields, John Nickerson, William Powell, William A. Snow, Ebenezer Smith, Rebecca Smith, Robert R. Reynolds, Joseph A. Snow.

304. - W. P.'s, Joseph Conrod, Charles Conrod.

308 .- W.P., A. B. Fleming.

220.-P. W.P.'s,, D. H. Purdy 1st., D. K. Smith 2nd.

321. - W.P.'s, Dan. Cameron, Wm. McGillvray, Jno. Grant, Wm. R. Grant

322.-W.P., Geo. A. Farnham. 327.-W.P., R. Sutherland.

329. - W.P., Donald G. McDonald, Peter McDonald, David Wickwire. 330.-W.P.'s, Robie Miller, William Norton.

332.-W.P., H. B. Witter.

335. - W.P.'s, Wm. Chandler, Geo. Westaver, Jas. Coolen, Chas. Coolen 336 .- W.P., Elisha Reynard.

339.-W.P., William Faulkner.

340 .- W.P., Samuel Bennett.

345 .- W.P., Hugh McDonald. 348 .- W.P., Rachel Morgan.

353 .- W.P., John J. Carey.

354.-W.P., Major Theakston.

355 .- W.P., Charles Davies.

356 .- W.P., George King.

357 .- W. P., W. J. H. Balcam.

359 .- W.P., George W. Chesley.

Grand Conductor moved, seconded by Grand Sentinel "That members of Subordinate Divisions and Lady Visitors, be admitted as visitors to these sittings of the Grand Division, on being vouched for and duly obligated."-Adopted.

The Grand Conductor announced representatives:—Adam A Braden, Francis Guild, Daniel W. B. Reid, William M. Sedgewick of No. 52; J. Chipman Archibald of No. 242-who were introick.

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duced and initiated according to the impressive ritual of the Grand Division. The G.W.P. appointed Committees as follows:

On State of the Order-R. S. McCurdy, G.W.A., of No. 17: Wm. Layton, of No. 52; J. C. Johnson, D.G.W.F. of 242.

On Communications-D.G.W.P's John McLearn, of 309; Francis Layton, 52; Hugh Fraser, 92.

The Grand Scribe read a communication from Deputy J. P. Smith of Avon Division; also a memorial from S. J. Dillson, Esq.: and a letter from the R.S. of New Glasgow Division No. 17, and a protest duly sealed and signed from said Division against the action of the Grand Division in passing a resolution respecting New Glasgow Division during the last sitting of the Annual meeting. All which were referred to the Committee on commuications.

Rev. M. P. Freeman P.G.W.A. of the G.D. of P. E. Island, and subsequently a member of Victoria Mines Division No. 108 until it ceased working, applied through the G.W.P. for a Clearance Card from this Grand Division.

William McKeen, Esq., P.W.P. of Gibraltar No. 271 applied through the G. Scribe for a Clearance Card.

By resolutions unanimous, Cards were granted to these Brethren. The following Report of the Committee on Charters was read and adopted, and handed to the Committee on the State of the Order for their information:-

TO THE G.W.P., OFFICERS AND MEMBEBS OF GRAND DIVISION, Assembled in Middle Musquodoboit, Jan'y 27, 1874.

Your Committee on Charters and the formation of New Divisions beg to report that two of us were present on the evening of December 1st, in Star Hall, Agricola Street, Halifax city, when the G.W.P. organized Northern Star Division.

(1.) No. 354—Charter granted to Major Theakston and twenty-one others. We further report that we approve of the issuing of Charters for ew Divisions organized by the Grand Worthy Patriarch, as follows:-

(2.) 5th December, to G. A. Barron and twenty others, residents of Mount Denison, Hants County for WATERMORE Division, No. 355.

(3.) On 6th December to Jas. B. Allen and thirty-two others residents of Lockhartville, Kings County, for Newton Division, No. 356.

(4.) On December 17 to Thomas Banks and thirty-three others, residents of

Nictaux Falls, Annapolis County, for NICTAUX Division, No. 357.

(5) On 9th December, to David A. Eagles and tharty-seven others, residents

of White Rock, Kings County, for WHITE ROCH Division, No. 353, (6.) On 22nd Decr., to Rev. J. J. Teasdale and thirty-eight others, recilents of Middleton, Wilmot, Annapolis County, for MIDDLETON Division, No. 359.

(7.) On 9th January, to Alexander Grant and twenty others, residents of

Hard Wood Lands, Nine Mile River, Hants County, for Rose of Douglas Division, No. 360.

(8.) On 12th January, to William McKeen and nineteen others, residents of

Gays River, Halifax County, for REFORM Division, No. 361.

And we further reported favorably on a requisition signed by L. W. Elliott and thirty-five others, residents of Clarence, Annapolis County, received by the Grand Scribe, and Stock and Charter have been sent to Bro. Longley, P.G. W. P. forogranization of Division No. 362.

Stock but not the Charter has been sent to Deputy James McDonald of West Bay for a new Division at St. Peters; when the list of names is received by the Grand Scribe and name of Division, we will be pleased to render aid

in forwarding the Charter.

Stock but not the Charter has been sent to Bro. Israel Foster D.G. W.P. for the formation of a new Division at Hanpton, Annapolis County. After its formation and the lists and minutes are forwarded to Grand Scribe, we will be pleased to aid in issuing the Charter.

We thus report Eleven new Divisions.

Submitted in L. P. & F.

J. PARSONS, J. E. BUTLER, WM. FOSTER. Charters.

Halifax, Jan'y 26, 1874.

The Report of the Agency Committee was read, adopted and referred to the Committee on the State of the Order. It is follows:—

HALIFAX, JANUARY 26TH, 1874.

Report of the Agency Committee.

Grand Worthy Patriach and Brothers,—The Agency Committee have found the Chief Officer of our organization willing and ready to go forth and do service in behalf of our principles and order; and believe he has done so

with good effect, as the published Reports will testify.

The Committee however, would urge upon the Brethern living in the several parts of the Jurisdiction, to exert themselves by getting up Readings, Concerts, Lectures, and other suitable means for the obtaining of money, to replenish the Agency fund; and thus contribute effectually for the maintainance and extension of missions.

The importance of enabling the Agent and Lecturer to proceed in his journeys with small expense, the Brethren generally are already aware of.

Yours Fraternally,

WM. M. BROWN, Chairman.

The Report of the Committee on the "Abstainer"—official organ of Temperance—was read and referred to the before-named Committee.

It is as follows-Circular omitted:-

HALIFAX, JANUARY 26TH, 1874.

Report of the Committee appointed to arrange for continuance of the "Abstrainer."

G. W. PATLARCH AND BROTHERS,—Brother Monaghan having decided on continuing the publication of the "Abstainer" with the accustomed help of the Grand Division; your Committee have issued a circular, a copy of which has been sent to every Temperance Organization within the bounds of the Grand

Division's Jurisdiction, and to persons and associations more remote; urging efforts in behalf of the subscription list, and for supply of interesting matter to fill the column; which your Committee trust will prove effectual for desired results.

Yours freternally

WM. M. BROWN, Chairman of Com

The Grand Division Committee on Abstainer in account.

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Halifax, 26th January, 1874.

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1B 10 J. Parsons, Secy. of Com.

The Report of the Committee on Juvenile Organizations was read and adopted, subject to further additions of reports from several Societies, and by vote placed in the possession of the Committee receiving the preceding reports. The report consisted of the following:

Halifax, N. S., February 19, 1874.

Statistics of Sections of Cadets of Temperance in the Province of Nova Scotia, for Term ending December 31, 1873.

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Acadia Section has been in operation two years and three months, and now numbers about 140 members.

Jubillee Section in connection with the Halifax Protestant Industrial School has been in operation about a year, and is in a very prosperous condition.

Oxford Section at New Glasgow has been in operation about 12 months, and numbers about 90 members.

W. C. Sterling, Grand Secretary.

Returns of Bands of Hope in Nova Scotia, for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1873.

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R. J. WILSON, Chairman.

The Report of the Committee on the subject of Prohibition and petitioning for improvement in the License Laws, presented the following report which was by vote adopted and referred to the above named Committee.

To the G. W. P., and Members of Grand Division.

BELOVED BRETUREN,-

The Committee appointed at the April Session of 1873 in New Glasgow upon the subject of a Prohibitory Liquor Law beg to report that at the Annual Session of our brethren in the Independent Order of Good Templars, and of the British Templars, Committees were appointed to labor with us in united action for the improvement of the Laws of the Country respecting the sale of Intoxicating Liquors. After careful consideration it was resolved to unite with the Provinces of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick, and P. E. Island, and petition the Dominion Parliament for a Prohibitory Liquor Law.—as follows:

To the Honorable the Senate of Dominion of Canada, in Parliament Assembled:

The Petition of the undersigned Inhabitants of

in the

County of

Province of Nova Scotia.

That your petitioners view, with the greatest apprehensions, the alarming extent of intemperance throughout the Dominion, consequent upon the facilities afforded for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

That the most careful enquiries into the causes of Pauperism, Immorality and Crime, in this and in other countries, show that a very large proportion, probably not less than three-fourths of these evils, arise from the traffic in Strong Drinks.

That the history of Legislation in regard to the Liquor Traffic exclusively proves that the evils referred to cannot be successfully repressed so long as

the Traffic is licensed and protected by the law.

That Committees of both Houses of Parliament have recommended the

Prohibition of the said Traffic.

Wherefore your Petitioners humbly pray that your Honorable House may be pleased to pass an act prohibiting the importation, manufacture and sale of Intoxicating Liquors as beverages, in the Dominion of Canada.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

To the Honorable the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada, in Parliament Assembled:

The Petition, &c., &c.

But it was considered inadvisable to direct all our Artillery at Ottawa while our Local Parliament retains so much authority over this traffic in Strong Drink. Throughout the Province a strong feeling exists among the Temperance people that Intoxicating Liquors when sold in violation of the Law should be treated in the same summary manner as other noxious substances—that is Destroyed.

The people throughout the country have witnessed efforts made by the citizens of Halifax, to repress the traffic and to secure equal freedom and privileges with Nova Scotians outside the City. Petitions for circulation and signature have therefore been prepared and sent forth praying our Loca Legislature to empower Clerks of Licence and Magistrates to issue warrants for the Destruction of Liquors kept for illicit sale,—and also asking that the laws of the country might extend to Halifax City.

Form of petition:

To the Honorable the Legislative Council of Nova Scotia in Parliament convened:

And also

To the Honorable the House of Assembly of Nova Scotia, in Parliament convened:

The retition of the Undersigned Inhabitants of

in the

County of

HUMBLY SHEWETH-

That the Law already provides that no Intoxicating Liquors shall be sold in Polling Sections in which a majority of the rate-payers disapprove of the traffic.

That the penalties for breach of this Statute are found inadequate, in

many polling sections, for the suppression of this illicit trade

Your petitioners therefore humbly Request:

(1.) That your Honorable House pass an Act empowering Clerks of License and Justices of the Peace to issue Warrants for the "Destruction of Liquons" kept for illicit sale.

(2.) That said Act apply to all MINING DISTRICTS, whether a majority of

the rate-payers petition against Licenses or not.

(3.) And your petitioners request that the CITY OF HALIFAX be no longer exempt from the operations of the general License Law of the Province, but that Licenses within the city limits be granted only when a majority of the rate-payers of the district shall have petitioned for the same.

And your petitioners, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

The following circular was prepared to accompany each set of forms.

To the Members of Temperance Organizations and the Friends of Temperance and Morality in Nova Scotia,

The undersigned beg to submit for your signature the accompanying peti-

tions which speak for themselves.

Last year 40,000 persons in Ontario and Quebec petitioned the Dominion Parliament for Prohibition, and this year petitions are to be sent in from all the Provinces, and a Bill introduced into Parliament in accordance therewith,

There are also petitions to the Local House, which should be signed at the same time. The Destruction of Liquors kept for illicit sale, the protection of our mining interests, and the application of the law of the Province to Halifax City, are of great importance to the Reform in Nova Scotia.

It is earnestly recommended that the person receiving this will take immediate steps to have the petition signed as numerously and respectably as

possible, by pledged Total Abstainers and others.

It is recommended that in communities where two or more of the Orders are established, all unite in this work. Blank paper, when necessary, can

easily be attached to the petitions.

We trust that Temperance men will endeavor to elect to the Dominion Parliament only those who are sound on the question of Prohibition; for it would be useless to elect supporters of the traffic, and then petition them to abolish it. We suggest that all candidates be pledged to entire and perpetual Prohibition.

Please return the petitions, when signed, to one of us, who will forward them for presentation to Parliament. This should be all accomplished on or

before the 21st day of February, 1874.

Yours very truly, (Signed.) J. F. L

J. F. L. PARSONS,

Grand Scribe S. of T., Halifaz. D. McDONALD,

G. Sec, B. T., New Glasgow.

J. T. RULMER, G. Sec. I, O. G. T., Halifaz.

Jan'y 10th 1874.

Each Secretary ordered a sufficient number to supply the Societies of his own order. I ordered 250 of each, and distributed them as follows:—

One set and circular to every Division in the Province.

Four sets to each County Deputy, and a set to each paper in the city. I also wrote each County Deputy requesting him to supply the few places where no societies at all exist, and to inform the Local Press of the work in hand, this has nearly exhausted my supply. The press, Religious and Secular, has commended the undertaking and it only rests for the United Temperance Societies—People, I should rather say, to be firm in their demands for these simple and common sense amendments, and our Reprensentatives will be glad to bow to Our United Will.

The expense of printing and mailing, the Grand Division's share of the

documents will be presented to you in due time.

Halifax, 26th January, 1874.

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On behalf of the Committee, J. Parsons, Chairman.

The Chairman—P.G.W.P. Wm. M. Brown of the Committee appointed to procure and present a testimonial to Bro. Monaghan P.G.S.—reported that a circular had been sent out to each Subordinate Division suggesting a contribution for the purpose, and that a number of generous responses has already been received, and the pledges from other Divisions of contributions soon to be forwarded—more time is needed for completing the duty, which was granted.

Moved by Bro. F. Layton of No. 52; seconded by Bro. G. Con., that the hours for meetings be as follows:

Evening at 7.

Wednesday Morning-9 till 11.30.

Afternoon—1.30 till 3, then to adjourn and proceed to the drill shed to participate in the Entertainment and public Temperance meeting.

By vote, P.G.W.P. Creelman was added to the Committee on State of the Order.

On motion of G.W.A., seconded by Rep. Walter McCurdy, Grand Division adjourned its first Sitting at 6 p. m.

J. PARSONS, G.S.

TUESDAY EVENING -2nd SITTING.

Grand Division opened as per Ritual at 7.15 o'clock.

Roll of Officers called:

Present:—G. W. Patriarch; G. W.-Associate; Grand Scribe; Grand Conductor; P.G.W.P., Hon. S. Creelman.

Absent:-Grand Treasurer; G. Chaplain; Grand Sentinel.

Vacancies filled by G.W.P. appointing Reps. F. Layton of No. 52, Grand Treas.; Wm. Layton of 52, G. Chaplain; Hugh Fraser 92, G. Sentinel.

Minutes of the previous sitting read and approved.

The G.W.P. read his Report including extracts from reports of several of the County Deputies.

Received with applause—and on motion of G. Scribe, seconded by D.G.W.P. McLearn, it was placed in possession of the Committee on the State of the Order:

REPORT OF THE GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCH OF THE ORDER OF THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE, PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA, PRESENTED TO THE GRAND DIVISION IN QUARTERLY SESSION ASSEMBLED.

Middle Musquodoboit, Jany. 27th., 1874.

WORTHY OFFICERS AND BROTHERS :-

At the call of duty, we meet this day to interchange the greetings of an exalted friendship, and to promote the welfare and happiness of mankind, grateful remembrances of success in the past call for earnest and devout thanksgiving to the *Great Patriarch* above, who has so signally smiled upon our efforts.

It seems but as yesterday since we met in Annual Session, and yet three months have passed away. During this short space of time it affords me a great degree of pleasure to be in a position to report a good share of progress made in the accession of nine New Divisions to our beloved Order, and the revival of some of the old Divisions that have not been in active work for some time, these actual results, together with the many apparent results likely to follow well directed efforts in other places in the future, encourage me to hope that the day is not very far distant when we will be able to rejoice over a world saved from the curse of strong drink but this cannot be effected without the aid of the Pulpit, the Platform and the Press. One of the most important duties devolving upon us as an organization is to sustain the

AGENCY COMMITTEE,

in their work, for if we expect to bring the influence of the masses to bear upon the Legislatures of our Country, we must send forth our Missionaries to prepare the way for the enactment of sound and wholesome laws against the Mannfacture, Importation and Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, as beverages. The difficulty has been, and still is to raise the funds required to enable this Committee to prosecute their work with anything like satisfaction to this Grand Division or to themselves. If you will accept a suggestion, and act upon it, it will in a great measure at least meet the requirements of the Grand Division. The suggestion is that a circular be issued to every Subordinate Division, calling attention to the fact that funds are very much required, leave a blank in said circular in which any amount a Division may be disposed to contribute during the year, may be inserted, with instructions to return the same circular to the Grand Scribe without delay. This simple plan would place the matter officially before each Subordinate Division, and I believe meet with a ready response. We cannot estimate the importance of sustaining the Agency committee in their work.

During the past quarter I have had the pleasure of spending a short time in the work under the immediate direction of this Committee, in portions of Han's, Kings, Annapolis and Colchester Counties. The actual results arising from

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these efforts have been published in detail in the columns of the Abstainer, and they may be summed as follows:—

Public Lectures delivered	0
Number in attendance	0
	8
Number of Divions re-organized Canning, No. 196, Iron Age, 82, Truro 41	3
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Band of Hope visited	1
Band of Hope Organized	1
	71
Schools addressed	0
Scholars in attendance	8
Miles travelled 66	0

In addition to the above, I have received an application from Isaac McCurdy and Twenty-two other inhabitants of Upper and Central Oaslow, for a Charter to open a New Division, to be organized on Tuesday Evening, the

3rd of Feby.

I have great pleasure in reporting to this Grand Division the fact that some of the older Divisious of our Order have been revived during the past quarter, viz., Concord No 5, and Granite No. 255, in Shelburne County; Hebron, No. 19, in Yarmouth County; and Westville. No. 319, in Pictou County; these with the others mentioned in my report, show that seven old Divisions have been re-organized during the past term.

Charter Members in New Divisions	227
Divisions Visited Officially	14
Cash Received towards Agency Fund\$8	7.06

I must here accord to the brethern in these several localities my warmest thanks for the many courtesies extended to me in my work, and in the words of my predecessors, I would say that if it had not been for the powerful local help afforded I would not be able to report much prosperity. A detailed statement of work done and money raised for Agency Committee, will be prepared and published in the Journals.

I am happy to inform the Grand Division that very shortly after the Annual Session the wishes of the brethern were carried out, and the amount then owing to the National Division was paid, although the plan adopted was not precisely as the Grand Division instructed it to be done, but I am satisfied it

will meet with your hearty approval.

As soon as possible after the Annual Meeting, in conjunction with the Grand Scribe. I corresponded with every Deputy throughout the Province, where Divisions had ceased to work, with a view if possible of inducing them to make some offort to bring these Divisions into the active work, and I think the report of the Grand Scribe will show that this attempt has been successful to some extent at least.

I am satisfied from personal observations and actual experience, that the cause of Temperance, as connected with our Order, is steadly advancing, that a deep and lasting interest is felt in the success that has attended our efforts in the past, and hopes of a lively nature are entertained for our prospects in the future. Let us make up our minds to continue to work until our pur-

poses are accomplished.

It is gratifying to know that our principles are being felt in all departments of Society. In the Family Circle, in Associations, and in the world, that men are embracing these principles, who, a few years ago, would have scoffed at the idea, that our Railway Managers and Employes, are becoming alive to the duty they owe to Society at large, and adopting our principles That efforts are being brought to bear upon our Legislators, that must, sooner or later, be felt in every community. May our actions and sympathies on this occasion tend to the consumation of these objects so devoutly to be desired.

During the past quarter my attention has been called to a Circular issued by the Grand Division of the Province of Ontario, which I think is worthy of our earnest consideration. Said Circular will accompany this report, and I would most cordially suggest its adoption by this Grand Division, for I am fully satisfied if we can hold out any inducements to our County Deputies to aid them in any expense they might incur, we would have quite a number of new Divisions organized during the present year. I earnestly hope that this will receive the attention that it is entitled to at our hands.

The following is a copy of circular:

ORGANIZE! ORGANIZE! ORGANIZE!

To Deputies and Members.—It is urgently requested that all Deputies and members lend their ail and influence in extending and building up our noble Order; seek out the dormant and weak Divisions; resuscitate and strengthen them. If you can find any locality where a new Division can be organized, make an effort to do so; immediately notify the Grand Scribe and apply to that officer for a blank application for a charter; procure eight or more names and send the same to him when arrangements will be made for organization.

At a late Semi-Annual Session the D. G. W. P's Regalia and Emblem promised to the Deputy who would organize the greatest number of Divisions was awarded to Bro. A. D. Weeks, County D. G. W. P., Uxbridge, and the Grand Division have renewed the offer to the Deputy organizing the greatest number (not less than three) by the Annual Session in December next. The usual fee S5 for expenses is also paid by the Grand Division. Brothers and Sisters, let every member add one more to the list of members and every Division one more to the list of Divisions by the Annual Session. This, apparently, is asking much, but requires but little effort on the part of each individual member and Division, and the result would be, our membership would be doubled as well as the number of our Divisions. Let us "close up the ranks" then, and let the earnest efforts of the past six months be doubly renewed during the present term, and thereby do our part in destroying the destroyer of militions and in conquering the enemy of our people.

Fraternally yours, T. WEBSTER, G. S. The important question of Prohibition will, no doubt, be brought beforeyou, and I most earnestly hope that such measures may be adopted as will tend to strengthen the hands of the Committees in connexion with the several Grand Bodies, who are working so harmoniously and efficiently for this great object. The importance of the petitions that are now being circulated cannot be overestimated. We are not asking too much when we say to the Donioion Parliament that we want Prohibition. We are not demanding too much when we ask the Local Legislature of this Province to give us the power to destroy all Liquors kept for Illicit Sale; that this Act apply to all Mining Districts; and and that the City of Halifax enjoy equal privileges with other parts of the Province. In view of the important results likely to follow this well directed effort, let us each individually pledge ourselves to do our daty in circulating the Petitions, having them as numerously signed as possible, and in this way hold up the hands and strengthen the hearts of the Committee.

At the last Annual Session, the Grand Officers were appointed a Special Committee, to prepare a suitable Memorial to the Managers of our Railways, calling attention to the important action taken by the G. T. R. in closing the liquor saloons on their line, and the issuing of a pledge to the employes, with a hope that similar action night be adopted in connection with the Railways in this Province. I am happy to be able to state, that this matter has been at

tended to as far as the W. & A. Railway is concerned. I am happy to inform this Grand Division that a Circular has been issued by Lewis Carvel, Esq., Managing Director of the Intercolonial Railway, a copy of which will accompany this report, but I am satisfied our Grand Scribe will be able to give more information on this part of this most important subject than I can, and therefore I will leave it to him to present any additional particulars that may be necessary.

It has been my privilege during the past term to witness a growing desire in the hearts of temperance men to foster and encourage Juvenile Temperance Organizations. It must be very gratifying to us all this day to know that we have our Bands of Hope and Sections of Cadets, that the influence of these associations is being felt for good in many places; that additional accessions to these important organizations are continually occurring, and that they are considered necessary to our beloved order. It is to be regretted however that men and women cannot be found in many places to take charge of Bands of Hops and Sections of Cadets; but I hope the day is not far distant when this very secious obstacle will be removed, for I am persuaded if we had the boys and girls of this land, and had the opportunity to instil into their hearts the principles of Total Abstinence, we would soon conquer the world. Dear Brethren, let us not forget the children. Organize Bands of Hope in every locality, and in this way enlist their sympathies with ours to drive intemperance from the family circle, from the country and from the world. I most ardently commend to you the other department of Juvenile Temperance Organizations, the Cadets of Temperance. This is a most valuable auxiliary in our work and I trust its importance will not be lost sight of. Here young lads are trained to business habits, and at the same time their temperance principles are cared for, and in every possible way they are being prepared to take their place in the Divisions of our Order. I commend these valuable auxiliaries to your most serious and earnest consideration.

I am sorry that I have to find fault with a very large number of our D. G. W. P's. who have not sent any report during the past term. I am. therefore, unable to give anything like a correct estimate of the state of the Order. but I purpose trying to reform this state of things during the coming quarter if possible. During the past few days I have received reports from a few of the Deputies, from these I have selected a few items of interest to present to you.

Annapolis County.—Past Grand Worthy Patriarch, Bro. Avard Longley, the Deputy for Annapolis County, says, that from the knowledge which I have of the state of the Divisions, I think I may be justified in saying that the cause is making some progress. Olive Branch, is in vigorous operation, and the prospects of New Divisions being soon formed, seems to indicate mcreasing interest generally.

Digby County.—Bro. William H. Taylor the Deputy of Union Division, says, I cannot report much of an increase in the membership of the Division; but among prominent persons, outside of any Temperance Organization, there a; poars to be an improvement; several having adandoned the use of intoxi-

cating drinks.

Guysboro' County.—Bio. Abner Hart, Deputy for this County, reports the Divisions in a lively state. He says, I find that the membership, during the past quarter has been largely increased, and there appears to be a general desire that temperance principles must be advanced and maintained. Cooks Cove Division is in a very good state for a young Division, Chedabucto is progressing, of Sparkling Water and Milford Haven, I cannot speak with any knowledge, yet I understand they are in an active state. I shall do myself the honor of visiting them this quarter, if possible.

Hants County.—P. G. W.P. Rev. John McMurray, the Deputy for West Hants reports as follows:—Most of the Divisions within my district are doing well since your visit to this locality; Hantsport Division is looking up; the interest manifested in the cause by our members is highly encouraging; and weak after week adds to our strength. The New Divisions at Mount Denison.

and Lockhartville are prospering, and give promise of efficiency and usefulness. Avon Division is not prospering as its warmest friends could desire. I have not been able, very recently, to visit Brooklyn, or Riverside Divisions, but believe them to be moving steadily forward.

Bro. Hugh Fraser, Deputy for Orior, and Rose of Douglas Divisions, reports them in good working order. Kellogg Division at Elmsdale, Hants, and Reform Division at the Dutch Settlement in Halifax County are reported to

be in excellent condition.

Bro. John McLearn, Deputy for Rechab, Still-in-Time, and Hillsdale Divisions reports as follows,—Rechab is holding out well, weekly meetings well attended, Initiations almost every evening. Still-in-Time, although small in numbers, is Still-on-Time. Meetings regularly kept up, and interesting, eight initiated during the past quarter, this Division had a healthy influence in the community, although there is much of the Rum influence to contend with. Hillsdale is not looking so well on account of not having a suitable place to hold its weekly meetings; this, with other disadvantages has caused a lack of interest during the past quarter.

Kings County.—Bro. James E. Hennigar, the Deputy for Canning Division, says, I am happy to inform you that in accordance with arrangements made by you, the County Deputy Bro. John E. Starr, met with us on Thursday evening the 18th Dec., and succeeded in re-organizing Canning Division under very favorable arrangements, at the time I write it is gradfyling to me to be able

to report our prospects encouraging.

Pictou County.—G.W.A. Bro. R. S. McCurdy, Deputy for this County, says. I beg leave to report the most of our Divisions in pretty good working order, they are putting forth efforts to extend our bounds, and we trust that before the end of this year, we will see several New Divisions organized, and old ones revived. Westville Division was reorganized, a few evenings ago, under favorable circumstances, with a good prospect of increase in the membership. The whole of the Divisions in this County are doing a good work, and have the good wishes of the right thinking portion of the community, under these circumstances I think we shall go forward.

Queens County.—Bro. William Bryden the Deputy for this County says, I now present to you a brief report of the State of the Order in this County.

New Era Division holds its meetings regularly, the attendance is good, Fifteen members have been Initiated during the past quarter, its present prospects are somewhat flattering.

Green Tree Division has not reported to me, but I have ascertained from some of its members that the meetings have been good until lately, it is hoped

that the trifling difficulty may be soon removed.

Prince Albert Division.—Bro. W. A. Reed the Deputy of this Division reports Twenty-five additions during the first quarter, this is certainly good for a small community like Mill Village; last month we had a Public Temperance meeting, under the auspices of the Division and the Lodge of Grand Templars, it was a perfect success. There is no Liquor sold here.

Ray of Hope Division.—I have not received any report from this Division at the close of term, but I have been informed that the meetings of the Divi-

sion are regularly held with much good feeling.

Ray of Light Division,-I have not had any report from this Division

during the past quarter.

This closes the reports that have been received from the deputies. I would take to have given many more. I have to add however that during the past quarter I have visited officially the several Divisions at Richmond. Without particularizing, I am happy to report the several Divisions in a healthy condition, over one hundred members have been added to their ranks during the last three months, the regular meetings are very well attended, and a spirit of harmony and peace prevailst broughout the entire brotherhood.

I would take this opportunity of acknowledging my indebtedness to the

Grand Scribe, to Past Grand Scribe Monaghan, and other members of the Order, for courtesies extended to me in the discharge of my duties as Grand Worthy Patriarch, during the past term. In bringing my report to a close, allow me to express a hope that the business transacted, the sympathies and resolves we may cherish in connexion with our gathering together on this occasion, may tend to the benefit of ourselves, and the world in which we live. All of which is respectfully submitted in the bonds of L. P. & F.,

THOMAS HUTCHINGS, G. W. P.

The Grand Scribe read his Report as follows, which was referred to the same Committee.

RISING SUN DIVISION ROOM,

Mid. Musquodoboit, January 27, 1874.

G.W.P. AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF NOVA SCOTIA-It is with a degree of trepidation I stand before this Grand Body to present my first report on the standing, progress and prospects of our beloved Order of the Sons of Temperance.

Nine years ago to-day we met in this place in Quarterly Session with "Rising Sun" Division; since which time our Order has held on its way with varying fortunes, contributing largely each year to the welfare, social

and moral, of humanity.

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In grasping the hand of Friendship and Brotherly Love, we tender hearty greetings to the veterans and younger members on this 25th Anniversary of the Organization of "Rising Sun" Division.

I beg to call attention first to the work ordered by the Annual meeting:—
The appeal papers of Bro. C. Fitze from the action of Volfville Division were
returned to the brother and explanations sent to him and to the Deputy. I

have not heard from them since.

In accordance with resolution of this Body, the Grand Officers prepared a memorial to the Superintendents of Railways. Before it had received all the signatures—the following Circular was issued by Lewis Carvell, Esq., Supt. of

the Intercolonial Railway.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY. TOTAL ABSTINENCE PLEDGE.

I, on this Railway, hereby solemnly pledge my word of honor to Lewis Carvell, General Superintendent, that I will not, while in the Railway service, use as a beverage any Spirituous or Malt Liquors, Wine or Cider, and this pledge I give willingly and in good faith upon my honor as a man, in return for the confidence placed in me.

Witness.

Signature.

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

General Superintendent's Office, Moncton, Dec. 24, 1873.

Circular No. B 82.

To the Officers and Men in the Railway Service:

I deem it to be my duty to present for your favorable consideration the question of Railway employes, (especially those having any duty to perform in connection with Trains) refraining from every description of intoxicating beverages.

As affecting the interests of the Railway the subject is of the first importance.

Persons who avail themselves of the advantages of the Railway and incur its risks, as well as the community at large, having to make good the damages

resulting from casualties of all kinds, have a right to expect that the Train Service (at least) shall be controlled and performed by men who are always solver, and in order that, they may be assured of this they might reasonably ask the Railway authorities to require each man to establi. In for himself a

reputation for sobriety.

The rule which requires an employe, intoxicated upon duty, to be dismissed, is no doubt a good one, but, inasmuch as some men habitually live just within the rule, and others confidently rely for protection upon the natural dislike of their fellows to report them, it may become a question how far the Railway authorities are justified in retaining the services of any person whose reputa-

tion for sobriety is not good.

The question is presented, for your consideration, in this form because the time will assuredly arrive when Railways dave not run the risk of doubt in a matter of so much importance. The more particular object of this Circular at the present time is to ask each of you to begin the New Year by abstaining, and by your example and precept, to induce your companions and friends to aid you in propagating the principles of Total Abstinence in every branch of the service. I am confident that each of you will feel better in the consciousness of doing good, and, in promoting, as you may, the true interests of the Railway.

I am aware that Railway men are subject to many, and great temptations to drink, and that it is sometimes difficult to resist the influences which allure them from their duty. But these influences may all be resisted, should the

determination to do so be commenced in a right spirit.

In order that temptation may be, as far as possible, removed, I shall, so far as I have authority to do so, cause all Liquur Saloons kept within the limits of the Railway to be closed, or the sale of Liquur therein be abandoned.

I have prepared a Pledge, printed copies of which will be supplied to the head of each Department of the Service, and also to each Station Master, so that all employes may procure them, and if they desire to do so, may sign the same, in the presence of a witness, who should be his immediate superior, and who should forward the same to me.

My desire is that the act shall be altogether a voluntary one, and that the Pledge should be signed only after the party has fully considered and deter-

mined to adhere to it.

Never having used, as a beverage, any description of intoxicating drinks, no sacrifice will be made when I give you my individual pledge to abstain, but I give it, nevertheless, because it may serve to assure you that my assistance and sympathy shall be extended to all those who evince a disposition to help themselves.

L. CARVELL, General Sup't.

We felt that it would be unnecessary for us then to memorialize Mr. Carvell to close Liquor Saloons when he has undertaken to do that, and much more. It is a subject for this Grand Division to consider, and adopt such a resolution as will be a worthy tribute to so great and noble an undertaking.

But we presented on the 21st of this month to P. Innis, Esq., General Manager of the Windsor and Annapolis Railroad the following fully signed

memorial.

The time has been too short for a reply; as probably the Document will have to be submitted to the Directors. We trust however that another season will find every Railroad in Nova Scotia free from Rum.

P. Innis, Esq., General Manager of the Windsor and Annapolis Railroad in Nova Scotia.

RESPECTED SIR,—

For several years past it has been a source of deep regret with the buiet and order loving portion of the travelling public and of the communities at several of the Railway Stations on your line, that drinking saloons were tolerated in the degrading and really dangerous avocation of supplying to your Employes and others the means for intoxication. Without adverting to the baneful results continually flowing from strong drink, we beg to refer to the alarming fact proved by statistics that very many accidents and much damage with loss of life on railroads are directly attributable to Strong Drink. When intoxicating liquors are allowed to be sold on the cars or at the Stations, it must be admitted that many of the employes will give way to the tempta-With such places removed, the interests of the road, the weltion to drink. fare of the men and their families, the safety of the travelling public and Railway property, and the good of the country at large will be immeasurably

Railway authorities in Maine and parts of Canada have recently forbidden the vending of Intoxicating Liquors along their line, and also in some instances have required the pledge of Total Abstinence from their Employes.

The great satisfaction which this measure have given to the general public, warrants the belief that it is a popular as well as safe and profitable

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The Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance for the Province of Nova Scotia in Annual Session in October last, by unanimous vote authorized the Grand Officers to memorialize you to close the liquor saloons along your line of travel, and in accordance therewith, we do hereby most respectfully request on behalf of the above named Grand Body and for reasons already in part set forth, that you will exercise your authority, and effectually stop the sale of Intoxicating Liquors at the Stations and in the cars along the line of the Windsor and Annapolis Railroad, and your memorialists &c. &c. &c.*

> THOMAS HUTCHINGS, G.W.P. R. S. McCurdy, G.W.A. J. Parsons, G. S. HENRY A. TAYLOR, G.T. Samuel MacNaughton, G. Chap. Robert Putnam, G. Cond. MAXWELL MURDOCK, G. Sent.

I beg to suggest that the Grand Officers be authorized to communicate in a similar manner with the Proprietors of Steamboats plying in Nova Scotia waters, requesting them to discontinue the pernicious practice of providing bar-rooms on the boats.

The notices, resolutions and letters authorized by the Annual Session have

been sent to the respective parties.

The Grand Division authorized the withdrawing of a sum now invested in the Building Society whereby to pay the debt due the National Division; but upon inquiry we found that there would be a large loss by disturbing the money; so the Grand Treasurer by the advice of the G.W.P. and G.S. borrowed \$350.00 at 6 per cent interest. This transaction even if we shall have to pay interest on the whole amount for three years till the Investment matures will save us over \$119. The desire to save this amount is our only reason for differing from the vote of the Grand Division.

The Special Finance Committee also in estimating expenditure set down postage, stationery, &c. for the year at 840. It should be £40. years past the office expenses per quarter have been between 30 and 40 dollars.

Our progress during the three months now ended has been very satisfactory. Eleven Divisions formed—perhaps the twelfth ere this—giving a clear gain of 275 members; while from the reports already at hand the additions to Divisions was about 420—thus increasing our membership 700. Last year we did

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A very courteous reply has been received to this before we go to press .- G.S.

well to have 1000 added to our members; if we take courage and push forward we may double that number this year. Already 87 Divivious have reported with an aggregate membership of 4580; a year ago only 60 Divisions reported with a membership of 3098.

Seven Divisions for some time inactive:-

ConcordNo.	5
Hebron	19
Truro	41
Iron Age	82
Canning	196
Granite	255
Westville	319

Have during the quarter resumed work with good prospects of diligence and consequent success.

DIVISIONS DEAD.

Many Divisions have been inoperative for some time. Some will never rise again; but without some standing rule respecting time of inactivity and caus, for declaring Charters forfeited, it will be necessary for me to particuparize further. When I become more thoroughly acquainted with places and societies, it will be less difficult to give names of those in a hopeless condition.

The following named seem dead :-

AnchorNo.	253
Granite Rock	262
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LaHave	275
Lily of the Lake	· 276 279
Carleton	280
Barratt	282
Longley	283
Star of Promise	298

I reported in the "Abstainer" last week and this week the Divisions forwarding returns and per capita tax. Also notified by P. Card every D.G.W.P. who has not yet reported for the last Quarter. Twenty sets of Ritual were purchased near the beginning of the quarter, and 50 T. & W. Cards at a later period. This Stock has been sent out, and it is necessary to send immediately for more,

The price List published in our Journals could with advantage be amended, and more stock such as blanks for propositions, notifications, dues &c. &c. added, with profit to the Grand Division and great benefit to the Order.

Grand Scribe Monaghan in his Annual report announced the death of P.W.P. Bro. Wm. Wilson of No. 7, and I with sorrow have to report that Bro. Leander Cohoon, P.W.P. of "Ray of Light" together with several members of said Division was lost at sea in the great storm of the 24th of August, 1873. I beg to suggest that memorial Tablets be inserted in the Journals of this GD

The following extract from the Report of P.G.W.P. Rev. J. McMurray is

worth more than a passing notice.

" I was favored by courtesy to attend the Institute of Baptist ministers held here (Hantsport) on Tuesday last, and heard a paper read by Rev. Mr. Welton on the Wine Question as to the sanction given in Scripture to the use of wite, different kinds of wine, meaning of terms rendered wine in our version, &c I have not met with a better argument on the question. You know the position taken on this subject by Temperance Advocates, has been questioned by some of the highest authorities in Hebrew scholarship. Mr. Welton handles the subject is a masterly manner. I expressed my views before the Institute and at their request now bring the subject of your notice. I think it highly

desirable the paper should be given in form of a lecture in Halifax, Windsor, and other leading places, and then published in pamphlet form.

Please give this matter your early and earnest consideration."

The appeal of Brother Hardy from the action of Home Division was received from the R. S. of said Division, and extracts from the records, signed by W. P. and R. S.; all of which were immediately transmitted to Brother Marshall, chairman of the Committee on Appeals. Their report has not yet come to my hands. The following partial statistics show that the term has been one of prosperity.

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" Expelled	223			
" On Financial Scribe	es' Books.			5416
Lady Visitors Admitted				53
" Withdrawn, die	d. &c			17
Whole number				
Violated pledge 1st time-pre				
Reinstated	"	53	1	70
Violated pledge 2nd time	66	35	46	23
	nancial.			
Receipts of the Quarter			\$174	1.92
Expenses exclusive of Benefi				
Tax to Grand Division				
		L. P. & F.,		3100
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J. Parsons, Grand Scribe.

The financial statement of P. G. Scribe Monaghan for first part of the quarter, and of G. Scribe Parsons for the last part were read, and the Report of the Grand Treasurer.

These had been examined and compared by the Standing Committee of Audit and Finance, and the subjoined report thereon was read.

Halifax, N. S., January 26, 1874.

The Standing Finance and Auditing Committee have examined the Books Accounts and Vouchers of the Grand Scribe and Grand Treasurer, all of which they find to be correct.

The have also examined the following Accounts, which appear to be correct, and are recommended for payment, viz:-

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N. S. Printing Co., Pass-words, Odes, Returns, &c......\$53 50 Travelling and withdrawal Cards procured by G.S..... 2.55 Postage, &c. G.W.P. to 20th January...... 2.85 William Macnab, Journals, Seals, Railroad passes, &c....54.75

As the salary of Grand Scribe appears to have been heretofore charged to the beginning of the months in which the meetings of Grand Division have been held, and as the duties of the office are continued to the end of month. or meetings of G.D., your Committee would recommend that the time of payment be made to ag. 'e accordingly.

All of which is submitted in the Bonds of the Order.*

R. H. WETMORE, ROBERT THEAKSTON. The state of the s

^{*} At a subsequent meeting of this Committee the report was slightly amended, and now reads as above, G. Scribe.

Rep. P. Monaghan, P.G. Scribe, read the statement prepared by the Past Grand Officers as a reply to the appeal of Brothers Marshall and Chase.

A question arose here as to the term "Grand Officers" on page 111 of the Journals of Annual Session, and the question asked by G.W.A. McCurdy if that expression does not mean the present Grand Officers.

The G.W.P. decided that it refers to the past Grand Officers.

The G.W.A. appealed from the decision of the Chair, which by vote was unanimously sustained.

The statement was adopted by unanimous vote, and Grand Scribe ordered to engross and forward the same to M. W. Scribe, with extracts and documents bearing on the question.

On motion Grand Division adjourned at 10 p. m.

J. PARSONS, G.S.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, 28TH-3RD SITTING.

Grand Division opened in form prescribed by the Ritual, at 9 a.m.—G. W.P. in the chair.

Roll of Officers called,-

Present: G. W. P.,—G. W. A.,—Grand Scribe,—G. Cond.,—P.G. W. P. Creelman.

Vacant offices filled by G.W.P. appointing Reps. P. Monaghan, G. Treasurer; F. Layton, G. Chaplain; Wm. Sedgewick, G. Sentinel.

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

The G. W. P. appointed Brother Walter McCurdy, of No. 52, and J. J. Brenton, of No. 247, a Committee on Enrollment.

A communication from Rising Sun Division, inviting the members of Grand Division to an entertainment this afternoon at 4 and a public Temperance meeting at 5 o'clock, was received, and by vote accepted.

The G. W. P. reported verbally from the committee appointed by this Grand Division at the annual session, to secure amendments to the License Law, that as there is a united effort in progress by all the Temperance organizations of the Province to petition the Dominion parliament for "Prohibition," and the Local Legislature for the Destruction Clause, and for the ap plication of the law of the Province to Halifax City; they have decided to take no separate action, but to render all the aid possible in this work of petitioning and agitation for these Rights.

On motion of P. G. W. P. Creelman, seconed by G. W. A. Mc-Gurdy, the Grand Division was resolved into a Committe of the Whole, on the State of the Order. G. W. A. in the chair.

The Committee was addressed by Brethren Alexander McCurdy, Daniel B. Reid, J. C. Johnson, William Davis, A. A. Braden, Hon. S. Creelman, Hugh Fraser, Wm. Sedgewick, Grand Scribe, Wm. Layton, Wm. Gladwin, John McLearn, Francis Layton, G. W. P., J. J. Brenton, Robert Putnam, and G. W. A.

Committee adjourned and Grand Division resumed—G. W. P. in the chair.

The question of seals upon official documents of subordinate Divisions, and their absence in many instances, was brought to the notice of the Grand Division by D. G. W. P., F. Layton, and on motion it was resolved to appoint Reps. Wm. Layton, the Grand Scribe, and Hugh Fraser, to consider the advisability of procuring a seal adapted to the general use of subordinate Divisions, and to report at next quarterly session.

Rep. John McLearn, D. G. W. P., chairman of the Committee on Communications, presented the report, which on motion was considered by sections. Discussion ensued until the hour for adjournment had arrived.

This sitting closed pro forma at 11.30 a.m.

J. PARSONS, G.S.

AFTERNOON, 4TH SITTING.

Grand Division resumed business after opening with the ceremony of the Order, at 1.30 p.m.

Officers present at Roll call: G.W.P., G.W.A., Grand Scribe, Grand Conductor, and P.G.W.P. Creelman.

Vacancies filled by G.W.P. as follows: Bros. P. Monaghan, G. Treasurer; F. Layton, G. Chaplain; D. B. Reid, G. Sentinel.

Minutes of the forenoon's sitting read and approved.

Representative Andrew Mitchell, of No. 52, was reported by the G. Conductor in waiting to be initiated, and by vote the

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brother was obligated, and took his seat after signing the Constitution.

The consideration of the report of the Committee on Communications was resumed, and by vote the *first* and *second* sections were adopted. The adoption of the *third* section was moved and seconped, and spoken to by P.G.S. Monaghan and G.W.A. McCurdy.

On motion the G.W.A. was permitted to continue his remarks beyond the time specified in the Rules of Order.

Discussion was resumed by G.W.A., A. A. Braden, F. Layton, Wm. Layton, Walter McCurdy, Hon. S. Creelman, G.W.P., Wm. Davis, Hugh Fraser, Grand Scribe, and P. Monaghan, G.W.A. and G.W.P. the second time.

On motion the time was extended.

The Grand Scribe offered a substitute, which by resolution was accepted.

The section then passed.

Moved, seconded and Resolved, That the whole Report as it

now stands be adopted as follows:

GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCH, - Your Committee on Communications beg to report as follows:—The Communication from Bro. J. P. Smith, D.G.W.P. from Avon Division, No. 12, recommend that such communication did not come through the proper channel, but should come officially through the Recording Scribe.

Also, the Communication from Mr. Dillison, they are of opinion that he has no claim on the Grand Division whatever, as several persons handed in manuscripts, and Mr. Dillison received back his manuscript from the G. Scribe.

On the Communication from New Glasgow Division respecting action of the Grand Division in Annual Session, we are of opinion that harmony can best be secured by placing the document on file. We feel however that the censure laid upon the G.W.P. it. his official duties by New Glasgow Division is entirely groundless and unnecessary.

All which is respectfully submitted.

John McLearn, Hugh Fraser, F. Layton.

Moved by Rep. McLearn, seconded by H. Fraser, that at the public reception the Grand Division appear in regalia. Adopted.

Grand Division adjourned to resume this evening for closing business, immediately after the Anniversary Meeting of Rising Sun Division.

J. PARSONS, G.S.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, 5TH SITTING.

Grand Division resumed business at 10 o'clock, p.m., G.W.P. in the chair.

Roll of Officers called:

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Present: G.W.P.,—G.W.A.,—G.S.,—Grand Conductor,—and P.G.W.P. Creelman.

Vacancies filled by appointment of P.G.S. Monaghan, as G. Treasurer; D.G.W.P. Layton, as G. Chaplain; P.W.P. A. A Braden, as G. Sentinel.

Minutes of preceding sitting were read and approved.

Grand Conductor reported Representative Charles C. Archibald, P.W.P of Pleasant Valley Division, No. 242, in waiting to be initiated. The brother was obligated and signed the constitution.

P.G.W.P. Creelman, Chairman, presented the Report of the Committee on the State of the Order, which by resolution (unanimous) was adopted *en bloc*.

The members of the Committee on the State of the Order are unable to express the joy which they have experienced by the cheering intelligence of the general prosperity of our noble Cause, and humbly say "Thank God, and take courage." Increase our efforts and look for a blessing on our labors in the time to come.

The Committee cannot too highly commend the action of the Superintendent of the Government Railways in his attempt to suppress the use of intoxicating liquors amongst the employes belonging to that Department of our Public Works, and hope that the petition to the Superintendent of the W. & A. Railway will meet a favorable response, and would recommend the ttempt suggested for the purpose of closing Saloons in the Steam Boats.

The Committee commend the diligence of the Committee appointed upon the subject of a Prohibitory Liquor law, and earnestly urge upon the Subordinate Divisions in this Jurisdiction to spare no pains in procuring signatures to petitions forwarded to them by the committee.

It is a matter of high congratulation that the Agency Committee have found an Agent so efficient for the service, so successful in his efforts, and so willing to work, and hope that this valuable department of our Institution will continue to be supported by that spirited liberality which should distinguish the members of the Order of the Sons of Temperance.

The Committee approve of the action taken in reference to borrowing money for the purpose of paying off the debt due the National Division, in-

stead of withdrawing the money invested in the Building Society.

Any intelligence of the prosperity of the Temperance cause amongst the dear boys and girls of our country is matter for joy and thanksgiving, as it is to this class that we must look for the ultimate reformation which we are pledged to promote.

The Committee feel that the vital importance and urgent necessity of an adequate support being given to secure the continued existence of the "Abstainer" cannot be over estimated, but can add nothing to the reasons for such support to those set forth in the Circular lately issued by your Committee

on the subject, and would earnestly commend the facts and arguments contained in that circular to the serious consideration of every well wisher of our Cause.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

In L. P. & F.

SAML. CREELMAN, R. S. MCCURDY, WILLIAM LAYTON, JAMES C. JOHNSON.

Mid. Musquodoboit, Jan'y 28, 1874.

The thanks of the Grand Division, on motion of G.W.A., seconded by G. Cond., were tendered the people of Musquodoboit for their kind hospitality.

Moved by D.G.W.P. McLearn and R. Putnam, and adopted, that thanks be conveyed to Rising Sun Division for the use of their hall for this session.

On motion of Grand Scribe, seconded by Wm. Layton, it was resolved that D.G.W.P. Hugh Fraser, be authorized to visit the locality of the late Gibralter Division, and take charge of all property reverting to this Grand Division.

Thanks to the railroad authorities for reduction of fare, were adopted in due form.

On motion of Grand Scribe, seconded by G.W.A., it was unanimously resolved,—

"That this Grand Body does most heartily approve of the course adopted by Superintendent Carvell, in requesting the employes of the Government Railways to take the pledge of Total Abstainence.

And furthermore, That the effort made by him to abolish the Liquor Saloons from along the line of railway, is most commendable, and meets with the cordial sympathy and support of this Grand Division in its individual and united membership."

The Grand officers were duly authorized to convey the foregoing resolution, with thanks to Mr. Superintendent Carvell.

Recess of fifteen minutes declared by G.W.P., for luncheon of tea and cakes.

Grand Division resumed:

The Grand Scribe was instructed to insert Memorial Tablets in the Journals to our departed brethren.

On motion, the Grand Division resolved to petition the Dominion parliament for Prohibition, and the Local Legislature for the Destruction Clause, and the application of the Province laws to Halifax City.

The G.W.P and G. Scribe are authorized to prepare and present documents in accordance therewith.

The record of this evening's proceedings were read and adopted.

Grand Division closed in due form at 1 o'clock, a.m., to meet in Quarterly Session in Milton Division Hall, Yarmouth, on Thursday, the 30th day of April, ensuing, at 2 o'clock, p.m.

J. PARSONS, Grand Scribe.



GRAND SCRIBE'S Financial Statement—Received by	7. <i>S.</i> , P. M	ONAGHAN.
1878. Oct. 28. From Agent, G.D., Collections and Agency. Crystal Division Agency		\$126 18 4 00
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1873.	PAID.		
Feb. 28.	G. Treasurer on Agency Fund	\$141	
	" General "	6	00
	Jan. 1, 1874	62	50
		209	98
	Amount of receipts	240	62
		\$ 30	64
Deduct:	Amount over paid G.T. by P. Monaghan in Feb \$9 71 Bought stationery for Annual Session 91		
	Paid postage since Annual session 3 97		
	*Amount retained by R. Farnham	16	59
	Net balance due by P. Monaghan	\$ 14	
Add:	Two-thirds rent Post Office Box 81		33
	Balance to be paid by P. Monaghan	\$ 14	38
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Jan. 23.	To tax of South Division, No. 159,— qtr. ended 30th September, 72	,	
	" " 31st December, " 2 10)	
	" 31st March, 73	\$ 5	82
	South, No. 159, 0.72; McMurray, No. 274, \$3.72; Mic-		
	Mac, No. 8, \$5.34; Nelson, No. 95, \$1.38		16
	South, No. 159, \$0.72; McMurray, No. 274, \$3.42;	;	
	Chester, 32, \$1.98; Agricola, 72, \$2.22; Prince Albert 185, \$2.25; Stirling, 321, \$2.52; King's Own, 344, \$1.96	· :	
	Green Tree, 180, \$3.54; New Era, 179, \$6.04; Sparkling	5	
Jan. 7.	Water, 265, \$1.86	. 26	51
	Raymond, \$2.94; Athenaum, \$7.52; Chebucto, \$4.14;	;	
	Howard, \$5.16; Mic-Mac, \$6.30; 8th-Ellershouse, \$3.00; Sailor's Guide, \$2.94; Phonix, \$4.86; Corn-		
	\$3.00; Sailor's Guido, \$2.94; Phonix, \$4.86; Cornwallis, \$5.22; 9th—Morning Light, \$2.64; King's Own, \$2.64; 10th—Royal, \$5.70; Green Tree, \$3.96; LaHave.	,	
	\$1.25; Evening Tide, \$1.92; Sterling, \$2.46; 12th-		
	Watervale, \$1.32; 13th—Crystal Rock, 0.60; 14th— Hope, \$3.12; Cook's Cove, \$2.40; 15th—Milford, \$2.40		
	Concord, S1.68: Granite, S0.54: Princess Louise, S2.46	:	
	16th-Ray of Hope, \$5.34; 17th-Pleasant Valley \$2.40; Cape Breton, \$5.00; Archangel, \$2.78; Bethle-		
	hem, \$1.26; Avon, \$1.36; 19th—North Sydney, \$3.70	;	

^{*}R. Farnham remitted tax for June and Sept. qtrs., 1873, less 2 dollars, which he retained for janitor of hall at Canard, for services Jan'y Session G.D., 1873.

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	Chairman F. & A. Commi	ttee.
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Halifax, January 26, 1874.

REPORT COMMITTEE ON ENROLMENT.

No. 7. Patrick Monaghan, P.G.S. Thomas Hutchings, G.W.P.

No. 17. R. S. McCurdy, G.W.A.

No. 52.
Jonathan Layton,
Alexander McCurdy,
Watson McCurdy,
William Sedgwick,
Francis Layton, D.G.W.P.
Daniel W. B. Reid,
Adam A. Braden,
Francis Guild,
William Layton,
Walter McCurdy,
Andrew Mitchell.

No. 92. Hugh Fraser, D.G.W.P.

No. 112. J. F. L. Parsons, G.S.

No. 242.
I. C. Archibald,
William Davis,
J. C. Johnston, D.G.W.P.
Charles C. Archibald.

No. 244. Hon. Samuel Creelman, P.G.WP.

No. 247. Robert Putnam, G. Con. J. J. Brenton.

No. 309. John McLearn, D.G.W.P.

MEMBERS OF SUBORDINATE DIVISIONS VISITING.

No. 52.
Frederick Layton,
William Gladwin, jr.
Arthur Braden,
Henry Layton,
William Gladwin, sonr.
John Layton,
Adams T. Archibald,
Allen McCurdy,
Jano Layton,
Mary Hurley,
Eliza Olark,
Annjanett McCurdy,
Matilda Bruce,

Arnold Gladwin, Johnson Konnedy, Thomas McCurdy, Morton Layton, Rev. J. Meadows, Richard Sibley, James Ervin.

No. 242. Donald Crawford, Elizabeth Cox, Balinda Johnson, Adams Archibald.

APPENDIX.

A full account of the visits and lectures of the G.W.P., as Agent and Lecturer, has been published in the columns of the Abstainer, therefore it will only be necessary to give an outline of the work done during the Quarter:

Work done by the G. W.P., as Agent and Lecturer of the Grand Division, during the Quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1873.

187	3.	,
Nov.		Visited Chebucto Division officially,
	14.	" Mic-Mac " "
"	15.	" Howard " "
44	16.	" Mayflower " "
"	18.	" Athenæum " "
Dec.	1.	Public meeting at Hall, Agricola Street,
46		North Star Division, No. 354, organized, 21 members,
"	3.	Public meeting at Hantsport,
"	4.	Falmouth, no meeting, night stormy,
"	5.	Public meeting at Mount Denson,
**	• 6	Watermore Division, No. 355, organized, 21 members,
"	"	Addressed school in the afternoon,
"	6.	Public meeting at Lockhartville,
"	"	Newton Division, No. 356, organized, 33 members,
"	7.	Public meeting at Hantsport,
66	8.	" Lower Horton,
"	66	Visited Evangeline Division officially,
**	9.	Public meeting at Greenwich,
"	"	Visited Maple Leaf Division officially,
44	10.	Public meeting at Canard,
"		Addressed School in the afternoon,
"	11.	Public meeting at Canning, 33 members to re-organize Can-
		ning Division, appointed following Thursday for that
		purpose,
46	44	Addressed the School in the afternoon,
"	12.	Public meeting at Perceux,
"	13.	Scot's Bay, no meeting, night stormy,
"	14.	Puplic meeting at Canning for the young people,
"	15.	Bridgetown, no arrangament for public meeting,
61	**	Visited Olive Branch Division officially,
"	16.	Public meeting at Paradise,
**	17.	Public meeting at Nictaux Falls,
"		Nictaux Division, No. 357, organized, 34 members,
"	18.	Public meeting at Middleton,
"	19.	Public meeting at White Rock,
"	"	White Rock Division, No. 358, organized, 38 members,
"	20.	Public meeting at Sheffield's mills,
**	22.	" " Middleton,
**	"	Middleton Division, No. 359, organized, 39 members.
"	30.	Visited Northern Star Division officially,
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	Jan.		Public meeting at Middle Stewiacke,
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	"	61	Visited Crystal Division officially,
	"		Addressed school in the afternoon,
		9.	Public meeting at Hard Wood Lands,
	"	"	Rose of Douglas Division, No. 860, organized, 21 members,
	"	10.	Public meeting at Elmsdale,
	"	"	Visited Kellogg Division officially,
	66	12.	Public meeting at Dutch Settlement,
	"	"	Reform Division, No. 361, organized, 20 members.
	46	66	Addressed School in the afternoon,
	46	:22.	Public meeting at Truro,
	"	"	" " for children,
	46	23.	" Gagent Village,
	"	""	" " for children.
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	"	24.	Iron Age Division, No. 82, re-organized, 20 members,
			Golden Age Band of Hope, reorganized with 70 members.
į	"	46	Public meeting at Upper Onslow, 23 applicants for a Charter. Division to be organized Feb. 3rd,
	66	26.	Public meeting for children at Truro,
	"	"	Truro Division, re-organized, 20 members,
	••	27.	
			Collections and Donations to the Agency Fund.

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Dec.	3.	Collection	public	meeting,	Hantsport	\$ 3	95
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"	6.	"	• 6	66	Lockhartville	1	04
66	7.	46	"	44	Hantsport, 2nd meeting	3	50
	8.	""	"	44	Lower Horton	2	65
"	9.	"	"	66	Greenwich	1	47
66	10.	66	44	**	Concord	1	87
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44	20.	66	"	44	Sheffield's Mills		28
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Jan.	~ 8.	Donation t	rom C	vstal Div	vision	5	00
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THOMAS E. HUTCHINGS, G.W.P.

TEMPERANCE ST NPING OF THE PROVINCE.

In September, 1873, J. F. L. Parsons, G. W.P., addressed the following questions to some of the best informed men in each county of the Province. Replies were not all in at the annual session of the Grand Division, but have been received since, and the detailed replies from each county are here given

to the public. A fair statement of the temperance tone of the Province is furnished, and the means provided of comparing one county with another, and the whole country now with what it will be ten years hence. May the temperance workers have a good record and great success to show in 1883.

QUERIES.

Give the number of licensed taverns in your County. No. 1.

Give the number of places selling without license, in violation of the law.

Give the number of Polling Districts in which licenses are No. 3. granted.

No. 4. Give the number of Polling Districts in which licenses are not granted.

No. 5. Give the number of Polling Districts in which no liquors are sold.

No. 6. How do you think your County would stand, if temperance were made a test question at the polls?

What would be the result in your County, if to our present License Law a clause were added, ordering the destruction of liquors kept for illicit sale?

No. 8. What changes or amendments in our present License Law, do the the temperance workers in your county think most desirable?

No. 9. State the number of working Temperance Societies (of whatever name) in your county?

No. 10. How does the county compare on the whole now with ten years ago, as regards the drinking custom?

No. 11. Any further suggestions or facts?

Annapolis County.—(1) 4; (2) 20; (3) 3; (4) 15; (5) 6.

(6) As well as most other Counties.

(7) Such a clause would meet with general favor.

(8) Hard to say: more interest by Temperance people first...

(9) 12; (10) Not very favorably; drinking has been increasing for some years past; (11) -ANTIGONISHE. (1) none; (2) 55 including Ale and Porter shops; (3) 0;

(4) 9; (5) 1.

(6) A majority in favor of Temperance.

(7) Work well if properly executed.

(8) a. Agents not wanted in each polling District. b. Imprisonment in every case after first offence.

c. Justices of Peace who drink in unlicensed places to be fined as well as forfeit Commission.

(9) 5 Divisions Sons of Temperance.

(10) Much less now than 10 years ago. (11)

CAPE BRETON.—North District (1) 25; (2) about 30; (8) 1; (4) 3 in whole county; (5) 1; (6) Not prepared yet; (7) Decidedly good; (8) the same law for Coal mines you now have a.r Gold mines; (9) 4 Divisions Sons of Temperance; (10) Favorably, the drinking custom is slowly dying out; (11) A man licensed to sell liquor should not be allowed to sit on a Grand Jury.

CAPE BRETON, South District—(1) 22; (2) about 28; (3) 8; (4) 3; (5) 3; (6) Temperance man would not win; (7) Good; just what we want and intend to ask for; (8) No licenses for the mining districts, and power to destroy liquor kept for sale in defiance of the law; (9) Twelve-7 Divisions and 5 Lodges; (10) A great deal of improvement since ten years. (11) Need more promptness and faithfulness among our professed temperance mon.

COLHEESTER.-(1) none; (2) Thirty-four; (3) none; (4) Fourteen; (5). Four; (6) Stand as it does now; (7) Beneficial in some cases; (8) Persons.

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28leve eВ found under the influence of liquor should be compelled to give the name of the party furnishing it or go to prison till they do; (9) Twelve or thirteen, (10) Drinking on the increase to some extent.

Cemberland.—(1) Seven; (2) Probably an average of five in a Polling District, i.e. 45; (3) Three; (4) Nine; (5) None; (6) If temperance and no other exciting questions were at issue, a temperance party would succeed; (7) It would require a premium extra to insure the destruction of the liquor; (8) The Civil Damage Clause; (9) Thirty-eight; (10) Temperance principles at undoubtedly gaining, and maintaining a firmer hold; (11) More temperance work and workers needed.

DIGHY.—(1) None; (2 Twelve or fourteen; (3) None; (4) Fourteen; (5) Six; (6) I am afraid the Temperance Candidate would not be elected; (7) I think the destruction cause would do well; (8) make the selling a pena offence; (9) Eighteen; (10) Improvement in temperance; (II) Make it imperative for office holders to be total abstainers.

GUYSBOROUGH DISTRICT.—(1) None; (2) About fifty; (3) None; (4) Ten, all; (5) Fve; (6) temperance would win; (7) Cannot say; (3) 1 know of

none; 9, Seven; 10, Not worse than ten years ago; 11, ---

St. Mary's District, Guysbono'. (1) None; (2) About four, none doing much; (3) None; (4) Five—all; (5) Two; (6) Strong on the Temperance ticket; (7) Give us that power and we will shortly clear the District; (8) Prohibition; (9) Six; 10, Steadily moving forward; 11, Could not the Grand Division take some decided stand for a Prohibition Law?

HALIFAX CITY.—1, Two hundred and thirty-six; 2, One hundred and upwards; 3, All—six; 4, None; 5, None; 6, Temperance far behind; 7, Inoperative for a while; 8, Law of the Country to be applied to the City; 9, Twentyone; 10, Some improvement; 11, Get the Country to aid in purifying the Country to aid in purifying the

Capital.

HALIFAX COUNTY.—1, Twenty; 2, Fifty-seven; 3, Nine; 4, Twenty-one; 5, Seven; 6, Old party feeling aside and city rum absent, and temperance would win; 7, Soon destroyed in several polling districts where now sold: 8, The Grand Jury and Sessions have not kept up to the Laws we now have: 9, Twenty-nine; 10, Great improvement, 11

11<u>. —</u>

WEST HANTS.—1, Four; 2, About fourteen; 3, Two; 4, Five; 5, None entirely clear; 6, Doubtful, rum and politics go hand in hand; 7, A good move; S, Our present law should be carried out; 9, Eight; 10, As a whole no difference.

INVERNESS.—1, None; 2, Thirty-one; 3, None; 4, Eighteen; 5, Eight; 6, Temperance would win; 7, Driven out of almost every Polling District in less than a year; 8, Destruction; 9, Six; 10, About one-third now of what it was ten years ago; 11, The clergy have been the means of the most of this improvement.

Kinos.—1, None; 2, Fifty; 3, None; 4, Fourteen; 5, None; 6, I fear the result would be unfavorable to temperance at the present time; 7, I believe this cluse would be nobly sustained by the people; 8, Destruction and Civil Damage Clauses; 9, Fourteen; 10, Much better than ten years ago; 11, Carry

out the ideas of Nos. 7 and 8.

LUNENBURG.—1, Two; 2, About twenty; 3. Two; 4, Eleven; 5, Liquor sold in all; 6, Fretty well; the present representatives are all temperance men; 7, Cannot give a definite answer—some good; 8, ————; 9, Seventeen; 10, Favorably on the whole; 11, More agitation of the question.

Picrov.—1, Not one; 2, Between twenty and thirty; 3, None; 4, Twenty-three; 5, Six; 6, Party strife is too much in the ascendent to make the attempt successful; 7, With a good Executive our County would be freed

from Rum in six months; 8, DESTRUCTION OF LIQUORS; 9, About thirty; 10. Substantial Improvement; 11 -

9 Ten: 10, Considerable improvement; 11, -

SHELBURNE.-1. None; 2, About eight; 3, None; 4, Eight, i.e. All; 5; Five; 6, Carry largely; 7, We'd soon have Prohibition; 8, Give us Destruction clause and we will be satisfied for a time; 9, Twenty-eight; 10,

Great Improvement, 11, —...
Victoria.—1. None; 2, Probably between twenty and thirty; 3, Nine; 4,
Three; 5, None; 6, The Temperance man would be nowhere; 7, Men would have to be imported to destroy the Liquor; 8, Nothing; 9, Not one; 10, The drinking is not so beastly as it was.

YARMOUTH.—1, None: 2, Probably, 25 or 30; 3, None; 4, Ten; 5, Six; 6, Gayton went in on the Square Temperance ticket at head of the Poll; 7, The liquor down the street instead of down men's throats; 8, Chiefly Civil Damage Clause and Destruction Clause; 9, About 25; 10, Favorably, 11, ---

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