

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
SONS OF TEMPERANCE
OF
CANADA EAST,
AT THE
SECOND REGULAR QUARTERLY SESSION
AND
FIRST ANNUAL MEETING.

MONTREAL:

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SECOND REGULAR QUARTERLY SESSION,

QUEBEC, *September 8, 1852,*
WEDNESDAY, 10 A.M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Grand Division of Canada East met in the Sons of Temperance Hall, Quebec, the following officers being present:—

J. C. BECKET, G.W.P.
G. MATHESON, G.W.A.
H. ROSE, G. SCRIBE.
R. KNEESHAW, G. CHAPLAIN.
F. J. BARNARD, G. CONDUCTOR.
THOS. WHITE, JR., A.P.G.W.P.

The G. W. P. appointed the following Representatives to fill the vacant chairs:

G. T., C. P. WATSON.
G. SEN., B. COLE.

The Grand Division was then opened in due form.

The G. W. P. appointed the following Committee on Credentials:—Representatives C. P. Watson and T. White, jr.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following to be correct :

JAMES BRENT, P.W.P., Gough Division, No. 2.
 P. LESUEUR, P.W.P., " " "
 R. J. SHAW, P.W.P., " " "
 J. H. CRAIG, W.P., " " "
 DAVID WHITE, P.W.P., Union Division, No. 3.
 JOHN RICKABY, W.P., St Lawrence Division, No. 9.
 G. W. CAMERON, P.W.P., Lochaber Division, No. 8.
 A. McEACHERN, P.W.P., Ormstown Bethel Division.
 W. F. LIGHTHALL, P.W.P., " "

The above Representatives being in waiting, were introduced by the Grand Conductor, duly initiated, and took their seats as members of the Grand Division.

Representative David White being P.G.W.P. elect, took his seat accordingly.

Representative Thos. White, jr., was appointed by the G. W. P. to act as assistant Grand Scribe, and took his seat accordingly.

The Minutes of last Session were read and approved, with the exception of two omissions in the printed proceedings, embraced in the following resolution :

On motion of Grand Scribe Rose, it was

Resolved,—That one hundred copies of a resolution, omitted to be inserted in the last printed proceedings, anent borrowing fifteen pounds each from Gough and Howard Divisions, be printed on slips, and inserted into the printed Report of the Proceedings of last Session, and copies be sent to the Divisions who received the said proceedings, for insertion into the same ; and also to notice on said slip the misprint in the Financial Report of £20, as printed, instead of £27.

The G. W. P. appointed the following Committees :

On the State of the Order—Brothers Kneeshaw, T. White, and Watson, and, on motion, the G. W. P. was added to the same.

On Finance—Brothers LeSueur, Lighthall, and D. White.

On Appeals and Communications—Brothers Barnard, Shaw, and McEachern.

The G. W. P. read the following Report, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order :

G. W. P.'s REPORT.

QUEBEC, September 7, 1852.

Representatives and Brothers,

Before proceeding to the business of the Session, it becomes us to acknowledge the hand of Him through whose protecting and preserving care we are indebted for the privilege of meeting each other once more, to deliberate on matters that are inseparably connected with the best interests of our fellow-men.

It is gratifying and satisfactory to know that we have assembled for such a purpose, that it is not only the object and design of the Order of the Sons of Temperance to promote the happiness and prosperity of our race, but because it is so well adapted to effect this, whenever and wherever it is honestly and fairly tried. It is this conviction, brothers, that adds so much to the pleasure that I experience on the present occasion ; and let me remind you it is this fact which I am persuaded you all fully comprehend and appreciate, that invests every meeting of this Grand Division with an importance, and the action of its members with a responsibility, which we may not, which we cannot, which we dare not overlook, if we seek to fulfil the obligations we have all voluntarily taken upon ourselves.

The date of our present meeting approaches so near to that of our annual meeting that we do not attempt any retro-

spect of the past, except what may appear in the Report of our Grand Scribe. I may add, however, that so far as known to me, the interval that has elapsed since our last meeting has not been marked by anything of special interest. The Divisions have been making progress, though slow it may be in some instances, yet, nevertheless, still advancing.

* You are aware that I have called you together somewhat later than was agreed upon at our last meeting, but this has been done with the advice of several of the Divisions, and for reasons which I have no doubt you will all approve.

During our last session several resolutions were come to, which were to be carried out during the recess, as will appear from the Grand Scribe's Report, all of which have been attended to so far as it was in our power so to do.

1st. In the matter of petitions in favor of a law similar to that now in force in the State of Maine, our attention was early directed to the attainment of this desirable object, and we have reason to know that the different Divisions under our jurisdiction have carefully responded to our advice. It was thought desirable, however, to depart from the advice of this Grand Division in one particular, viz., instead of desiring that the different petitions should be sent in to the Grand Scribe for presentation to Parliament, we have advised that the Sub-Divisions should endeavor to interest the members of Parliament for their respective localities, and forward the petitions through them, under the impression that by this means, a greater number of our legislators would become interested in obtaining the law, we all desire should forthwith grace the Statute Book of Canada—the Canadian Maine Law.

2d. With respect to the matter of transferring from fifteen to eighteen of the Divisions located in Canada West, but laying on our borders, from under the jurisdiction of the Grand Division of Canada West, we have to inform this Grand Division that our efforts in this behalf were unsuccessful;

but this will be more fully adverted to by the Grand Scribe, with some other matters which come more fully under his duties, and which will embrace all that can be fairly expected from your G. W. P.

During the recess we have had the honor of answering several questions by Sub-Divisions, respecting the working of their different Divisions, upon which difference of opinion had arisen, and we are not aware that such Divisions have in one instance refused to accept the advice given.

From some unaccountable mistake as to the precise date at which the National Division was to hold its Annual Session, we were prevented from fulfilling our appointment at last Session, to represent your interests on that occasion, and consequently had not the privilege of bringing before that body the different topics suggested at our last Session. However, on a recent visit to New York, the same object was accomplished, by a conference with the P. M. W. P. Oliver, and which information will be communicated during our present Session.

Let me express the hope, that the same unanimity and good feeling will prevail throughout our present Session as have distinguished those that have preceded it, and that the same forbearance and candid regard will be extended to your G. W. P. as have hitherto been accorded.

J. C. BECKET, *G. W. P.*

On the call of the G. W. P., the Grand Scribe submitted his Quarterly Report as follows, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order and the Finance Committee.

GRAND SCRIBE'S REPORT.

MONTREAL, September 8, 1852.

Grand Worthy Patriarch, Officers & Brothers,

In presenting this Quarterly Report, although I cannot say that we have added any new Divisions to our Order

since last Meeting, yet I have to report the addition of seven Divisions to those already under the jurisdiction of this Grand Division, transferred from under the jurisdiction of the Grand Division of Canada West.

The subject of Divisions lying in Canada East, but under the jurisdiction of the Grand Division of Canada West, which occupied your attention at last quarterly meeting of this Grand Division, I am happy to inform you has since been fully consummated, by the action taken in the matter by the Grand Division of Canada West, embodied in the following copy of a Circular which was sent to the Sub-Divisions lying in Canada East under their jurisdiction :

OFFICE OF G. D. SONS OF TEMPERANCE, C.W.,
HAMILTON, May 28, 1852.

To H. Rose, G. Scribe, G. D. of C. E.

I beg to forward you the annexed extract from the Committee's Report, on the G. W. P.'s Report, for your guidance in respect to Divisions in Canada East, at present under the jurisdiction of this G. D., intending to join the G. D. of Canada East, it having been fully sanctioned at the May Session of this G. D.; the permission, however, is not extended to those Divisions located in Canada West.

I remain, yours in L. P. & F.,

H. W. JACKSON,
G. Scribe.

" We recommend that all Subordinate Divisions, located in Canada East, and under the jurisdiction of this Grand Division, that may wish to withdraw from this G. D., for the purpose of becoming united with the G. D. of Canada East, be allowed to do so, at any time within four months from the date hereof, upon the following terms and conditions:—First, upon their paying to this G. D. all legal demands that this body may have against them, at the time the Resolution hereinafter named may be passed by a two-third vote, at a regular meeting of the Division, after one week's notice has been given, in writing, by some member thereof, that he intends at the next regular meeting to introduce the said Resolution referred to.

Resolved—That ——— Division, No. —, is desirous of separating from the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of C. W., for the purpose

of joining and being placed under the jurisdiction of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of Canada East.

Carried by a two-third vote of the Members present at a regular meeting of this Division, after one week's notice having been given in writing of the same.

(Signed) _____, W.P.

Attested.



_____, R.S.

Second, That when and so soon as any of the said Divisions shall pay all demands as aforesaid, and pass the above Resolution, that they, or any of the said Divisions shall have full power and authority to withdraw from this G. D., for the purpose of connecting themselves with the G. D. of C. E., and that the said Grand Division of C. E. have the full consent and permission of this G. D. to receive them under their jurisdiction: provided always, that the said Divisions withdrawing from this G. D. as aforesaid, shall file in this office a copy of the above Resolution and a certificate from the Grand Scribe of the G. D. of C. E., under the seal of the G. D. last aforesaid, to the effect that the said Division so withdrawing, as before mentioned, has become a Subordinate Division under the jurisdiction of the G. D. of C. E. That then their connection with this G. D. shall cease and determine, and not before."

(A true copy.)

H. W. JACKSON,
G. Scribe.

In answer to this Circular the following Sub-Divisions laying in Canada East, having complied with the terms of the Resolutions there laid down, made application for the necessary certificate, which was immediately granted them on receipt of the resolutions passed by them, and they are now working under the jurisdiction of this Grand Division:

1. Aylmer Division, Aylmer, Ottawa.
2. Perseverance Division, Huntingdon.
3. Chelsea do. Chelsea.
4. Wakefield do. Wakefield.
5. Litchfield do. Portage du Fort.
6. Bethel do. Ormstown.
7. St. Michael's Union Division, St. Michaels, Huntingdon.

These embrace all the Divisions in Canada East which received their Charters from Canada West, so far as I am aware.

Although this Grand Division has received applications for admission into our jurisdiction from Sub-Divisions laying beyond the geographical boundaries of Canada East, as will be seen by the Grand Scribe's Report of last quarterly meeting; and although it might be desirable to us and more convenient and favorable to them that such should be accomplished, yet the Grand Division of Canada West have resolved not to grant this permission, in answer to an application from this Grand Division, that a certain number should be set off, now laying upon our borders, and willing to join us. This of course closes all correspondence in the meantime on this subject.

Owing to the accession of the Divisions above alluded to into our jurisdiction, and the most of them having been organized before some of those already under our jurisdiction, the whole Sub-Divisions now in Canada East will have to be renumbered, and the best way of doing this—whether by the date of their Charters or organizations—will be brought under your consideration.

In accordance with your instructions at last meeting, the following form of Petition was prepared and printed, and copies sent in triplicate to all the Sub-Divisions under our jurisdiction, with instructions to each Division to send them, when filled up, to their representatives in Parliament:

To His Excellency the Governor General of British North America, and Captain-General and Governor in-Chief in and over the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c. &c. &c.

THE PETITION OF THE UNDERSIGNED SONS OF TEMPERANCE AND OTHERS,
Humbly Sheweth,

That your Petitioners regard intemperance as a great moral and social evil, destructive of health, virtue, and happiness, and producing

disease, lunacy, and crime; entailing heavy burdens on society, and erecting a fatal barrier in the path of individual and national progress.

That your Petitioners regard Total Abstinence from the use of intoxicating liquors as the only effectual means of prevention or cure of this great evil; but while rejoicing that many thousands of their fellow-countrymen in this Province are persuaded of the truth of these statements, and act on such persuasion, your petitioners regret that many, from interested motives, consequent on their peculiar avocations, or from the blinding influence of vitiated appetites, are, in this matter, still unmoved, and apparently unmoveable by the remonstrances of moral suasion.

That your petitioners deem it the duty of a wise and patriotic Government, in such circumstances, to protect the community from the immense pecuniary sacrifices, the mental and physical maladies, the outrages on life and property, and the moral contamination, consequent on the use of alcoholic beverages.

Your Petitioners, therefore, pray your Excellency to pass a Legislative enactment, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, except for medicinal or mechanical purposes.

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

I have also to lay before you two cases of appeal—one from St. Andrew's Division, and the other from Gough Division, Quebec, and also the resignation of the Grand Treasurer.

The following will show the state of the finances to the present date:

Grand Division of Canada East in Account with Grand Scribe.

1852.

July 9,	To paid Ware & Co., Hamilton, for Emblems, Voucher 1,	£16 10 0
Aug. 13,	To paid National Division, Account, Voucher 2, ..	3 14 0
Sept. 4,	To paid Messrs Aikens, Account for Regalia, to date, Voucher 3,	19 7 11
	To paid Printing Account, to date, Voucher 4, ..	17 13 9
	To paid R. Mitchell's Account for Grand Division Emblems, Voucher 5,	3 1 6
	To paid Brognard & Co., New York, for Diplomas, Voucher 6,	7 15 0
	To paid sundry expenses on Parcels, to date, ..	0 9 10
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		£68 12 0

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Amount brought over,	£68 12 0
May 13, By Balance on hand at date, ..	£11 10 9½
Sept. 7, By Amounts received for per cent- age, Books, &c.	32 2 8½
By Loans from Gough and Howard Divisions,	30 0 0
	73 13 6
Cash on hand,	£5 1 6
Sept. 7, Amounts due the Grand Division by Sub-Divisions, Stock on hand, viz. :—	£23 18 10
9 Proposition Books and 9 Receipt and Order Books,	6 3 9
5 Grand Division Regalia,	5 10 0
36 Members' Certificates,	1 12 6
350 Travelling Cards,	1 15 0
1 Dozen Regalia, and 1 Sett Emblems, ..	3 16 3
	£42 16 4

And the following is an abstract of the returns to the Grand Division for the quarter ending June 30 :

Members Initiated,	131
Admitted by Card,	3
Initiated by Dispensation,	1
Suspended,	13
Expelled,	8
Reinstated,	6
Withdrawn,	29
Violated the Pledge,	13
Signed over,	5
Violated Pledge Second Time,	3
No. of Deaths,	4
No. of Contributing Members,	665
Public Temperance Lectures held,	4
Temperance Tracts Distributed,	0
No. of Representatives to G. D.,	12
Amount received for Initiation and Dues, ..	£142 7 6½
Per centage for Grand Division,	4 6 2½
Amount paid for Benefits,	14 15 0
Amount on hand,	119 2 9
Total Expense, exclusive of Benefits,	48 2 8½

In conclusion, permit me to congratulate this Grand Division on what it has already accomplished in helping on this glorious Temperance Reformation, and the extension of our Order, and may the first instalment of our reward be the witnessing right speedily an enactment for Canada of a prohibitory liquor law similar to that now in force in the State of Maine.

The whole respectfully submitted, in Love, Purity and Fidelity.

HENRY ROSE,
G. Scribe.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned at half-past twelve noon, to meet again at 2 o'clock, P.M.

SEPTEMBER 8, 1852—2 o'clock, P.M.

Officers present—G. W. P., G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Chaplain, G. Con., Rep. Lighthall as S., and P. G. W. P.

A communication was received from Gough Division and read, inviting the attendance of this Grand Division at a procession of the Sons of Temperance, to take place to-morrow afternoon.

On motion, the invitation was accepted.

A communication was read from Lacolle Division, regretting their inability to send a representative, and also stating that a unanimous decision had been come to by their Division in favor of the adoption of signs and counter-signs, whereby brothers might be able to recognise one another out of Division.

A communication was read from St. Andrews Division, stating their inability to send a representative,—Bro. M'Arthur having withdrawn from the order; and also stating

that the said brother had gone to Montreal to attend the meeting of the Grand Division, at the time appointed at the last meeting of the Grand Division, thereby incurring certain expenses.

Both communications were referred to the Committee on Communications.

The resignation of Bro. M'Arthur, as Grand Treasurer, was read, and, on motion, accepted.

The G. W. P. read a letter which he had received from the M. W. Scribe, making exception to certain action had by this Grand Division, and also a copy of the answer to it, both of which were referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

The Committee on the By Laws of the Grand Division presented their Report, which was considered section by section, some amendments made, and adopted as follows :—

TO THE OFFICERS AND BROTHERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.

Your Committee, appointed to prepare a Code of By-Laws for the government of the Grand Division, beg leave to

REPORT :

That we have carefully examined the By-Laws of the Grand Division of Canada West, and would recommend their adoption, with the following alterations :

Article 1, Section 1, strike out the sentence commencing "The Annual Sessions," and ending "Division," and insert, "The Annual Session of this Division shall be held in the City of Montreal, on the fourth Wednesday of October, and the other two sessions in the months of May and August, the time of such meeting to be fixed by the G. W. P., who shall require the G. S. to give all Sub-Divisions at least three weeks' notice of the time, date, and place of meeting."

Strike out "Brockville," and insert "Montreal," also the word "West," and insert "East," wherever the same may occur.

Article 4, Section 7, that the word "nine" be struck out, and the word "five" inserted.

Article 5, Section 5, strike out clause, "Nor shall any Division under this jurisdiction be named after any living person."

Article 5, Section 20, in place of "12s. 6d." say "5s." Also instead of "five," insert "three." Abolish Dispensation Fee.

Also we recommend the adoption of the Exposition of Art. VII. of Constitution of Subordinates, as laid down in Code of Canada West, and Violation of Article II.

J. C. BECKET.
CHAS. P. WATSON.
FRS. J. BARNARD.

The same Committee was appointed to superintend the printing of the By Laws.

Moved by G. A. Matheson, and adopted—

Resolved—That 250 copies of the Constitutions of the National and Grand Divisions, and By Laws as now amended, be printed, and four copies sent to each Division, and one to each Deputy, when completed.

Moved by G. Scribe Rose, and adopted—

Resolved—That the Divisions whose names stand on the application for the Charter of this Grand Division be requested to pay their proportion of the amount of Charter Fee paid, and that the Divisions who signed the first application, and whose names are not now on the Charter, be refunded the sums they advanced for the said Charter.

Moved by Bro. C. P. Watson, and adopted—

Resolved—That Bros. G. Matheson, P. LeSueur, and T. White, jr., be a Committee to prepare a Memorial to the Legislature, requesting that the Act of the Incorporation of the Order of the Sons of Temperance of Canada West, be amended so as to extend to and include the Grand Division and Sub Divisions of the same Order in Canada East.

Bro. C. P. Watson was, by ballot, declared duly elected Treasurer of this Grand Division, instead of Bro. M'Arthur, resigned.

A communication was read from the R. S. of Litchfield Division, asking certain questions in regard to action taken by that Division in election of a representative to the Grand Division.

It was referred to the Committee on Communications and Appeals.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned at half-past 5 to meet again at 7 P.M.

SEPTEMBER 8, 1852—7 o'clock, P.M.

Same Officers present as at Afternoon Session.

The Committee on the State of the Order reported the following on the G. W. P.'s Report, which was adopted:—

TO THE OFFICERS AND BROTHERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.
The Committee on the State of the Order beg to

REPORT:

That they have had under consideration the G. W. P.'s Report, and have given it such consideration as the limited time allotted to committees to report allowed them.

Your Committee believe that the change made in the time of meeting was a movement tending to the benefit of the Order, as by the change the opportunity is given to present to the Legislature the petitions for the Maine Law.

Your Committee also believe that the suggestion made by the G. W. P. to subordinate Divisions to present their petitions to the members representing the locality in which the Division was located, instead of sending them to the Grand Scribe to present, within a certain date, is calculated to enlist the action of members of Parliament, who might be doubtful on the subject of a prohibitory law, into its advocacy, and is therefore highly commendatory.

Your Committee also approve of the action had in reference to the transfer of subordinate Divisions from the jurisdiction of the Grand Division of Canada West, and while they regret that the constitutional principles of the Order prevented those Divisions situated immediately on the opposite of the Ottawa from connecting themselves with us, they feel that there is abundant cause for rejoicing in what has actually been effected.

Your Committee regret exceedingly the inability of the G. W. P. to attend the meeting of the National Division, but regard his explanation in reference to his non-attendance as perfectly satisfactory, and such as exonerates him from all blame. They are glad, however, to learn that the G. W. P. was enabled to see P. M. W. P. Oliver, and from him receive such information as this Division required. Your Committee would recommend that no further action be taken by this Grand Division for the increase of the number of black balls necessary to exclude a member from the Order.

Your Committee cannot conclude this report without bearing testimony to the uniformly affable and courteous demeanor of the G. W. P., and also his promptness in performing the arduous duties which attach to his office.

So far as they have been able to hear, all matters which have come under his notice and which demanded his action during the recess, have been handled in the most able manner, and with a strict regard for the interests of this Grand Division, and the extension of the Order generally.

All of which is respectfully submitted in the bonds of the Order,
ROBERT KNEESHAW.
THOS. WHITE.

The Committee on Appeals reported the following, which was adopted:—

TO THE OFFICERS AND BROTHERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.
 Your Committee on Appeals

REPORT :

That they have carefully examined the several papers and documents referred to it, and would recommend that the several cases to which they refer be disposed of by your Division as follows :

That the Appeal of Brother Hugh Stewart, from the decision of St. Andrew's Division, No. 4, S. of T., be sustained, provided that the letter forwarded by him to this Grand Division, purporting to have come from the R. S. of said Division, be genuine.

Your Committee would further report, that they have been unable to come to any other decision, owing to the documents not having the seal of the Sub-Division, as well as the absence of any Minute referring to the case.

Your Committee are of opinion that no Division can refuse to grant a Withdrawal Card to any brother who may desire it, unless a charge be preferred against him.

In regard to the Appeal of Brother P. W. P. White, against the decision of Gough Division, No. 2, your Committee are of opinion that the case as it at present stands does not come under the cognizance of your Grand Division, inasmuch as no definite action has been taken by Gough Division in the case.

Your Committee, however, are of opinion that the construction placed on Sec. 3, Art. 5, of the By-laws of Gough Division, by Brothers P.W.P.'s White and Mathewson, is correct.

Your Committee would suggest that Gough Division be requested to come to some definite decision on the case at the earliest opportunity.

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

FRS. J. BARNARD.
A. McEACHERN.

The D. G. W. P. of Quebec, Bro. Matheson, stated that

he had given a decision in reference to the meaning of Sec. 3, Art. 5, of the By Laws of Gough Division, which was slighted by that Division, and no attention paid to it.

Moved by Bro. LeSueur, and adopted—

Resolved—That Bro. Matheson having stated to this Grand Division what decision he had given as D. G. W. P., in the matter of Appeal by P. W. P. White of Gough Division, that decision is by this Grand Division considered conclusive, unless appealed from, and that in all disputes of Law, the decision of the D. G. W. P. is final, unless appealed from and reversed by the Grand Division; such decision, however, to remain in full force until the Grand Division shall have taken action upon it.

Bro. LeSueur handed in a draft of a Memorial to the Legislature, praying that the Act of Incorporation of the Sons of Temperance in Canada West be extended to this section of the Province.

On motion, the Memorial was received as the Report of the Committee, and adopted.

On motion, the Grand Scribe was ordered to engross the Memorial, and forward it to Mr. Badgley, the Member of Parliament for Montreal, for presentation.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned until to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.

SEPTEMBER 9, 1852—9 o'clock, A.M.

The Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment, and was opened in usual form.

Chairs filled same as yesterday, except Treasurer absent.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

The Committee on Communications reported the following, which was adopted:—

TO THE OFFICERS AND BROTHERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.

Your Committee on Communications beg to

REPORT :

That they have examined the papers and documents placed in their hands, and would recommend that the several communications be disposed of as follows :

Communication from St. Andrew's Division, No. 4.

That the apology of St. Andrew's Division for non-attendance of representative be accepted.

Communication from Lacolle Division, No. 9.

That the apology of Lacolle Division for non-appearance of representative be accepted.

Regarding the introduction of Signs, &c., into the Order, your committee are of opinion that the adoption of Signs of recognition would be detrimental to the prosperity of the Order, and would refer Lacolle Division to page 38 of Proceedings of National Division at its Ninth Session.

Communication from Bro. J. Stevenson.

That the communication from Bro. J. Stevenson of Litchfield Division, be not entertained by this Grand Division.

In closing this Report, allow your Committee to state that, in their opinion, no communication ought to be received by this Grand Division, unless bearing the seal of the Division from which it emanates, and its correctness attested by the R. S.

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

F. J. BARNARD.
A. M'Eachern.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned at 11 o'clock, A.M., to take part in the public procession, etc., and to meet again to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.

SEPTEMBER 10, 1852—9 o'clock, A.M.

The Grand Division met according to adjournment,—G. W. A. Matheson in the chair.

Officers present—G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Chaplain, G. C., G. S., and P. G. W. P.

Grand Division was opened in due form.

Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

A communication was read from St. Michael's Union Division, and referred to the Committee on Communications.

The Finance Committee submitted the following Report, which was adopted :—

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.

The Committee of Finance, on the Report of the Grand Scribe, beg leave to

REPORT :

They have examined the account submitted to them, as also the vouchers, G. D. ledger, and also having had the explanations of the G. S. on the same, have found it correct, excepting, however, the voucher for the sum of £7 15s. paid to Brognard & Co. for Diplomas, which was not forthcoming, and respectfully refer you to the G. S. for explanation regarding the same.

Your committee cannot, however, conclude without expressing their testimony to the efficiency, capacity, and zeal of the Grand Scribe, especially in reference to the Financial part of his duties.

The whole, nevertheless, humbly submitted in L. P. and F.

W. F. LIGHTHALL.
P. LESUEUR.

The Grand Scribe offered an explanation in reference to the absence of voucher for the sum of £7 15s., paid to Brognard & Co., which was, on motion, accepted.

The Committee to whom was referred the Grand Scribe's Report, made their Report as follows :—

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.

The Committee on the Grand Scribe's Report beg to submit, that they have given the Report their attention and consideration.

REPORT :

Your Committee notice with pleasure that the G. Scribe has been prompt and energetic in his action relating to the transferring of Subordinate Divisions from the G. D. of C. W. to our G. D. ; and although it is a matter of regret that no charter for new Subordinate Divisions has been granted during the present quarter, yet your Committee feel satisfied that our beloved Order is still progressing in this Province.

Your Committee would recommend that the Subordinate Divisions now under the jurisdiction of this G. D. be re-numbered, to take precedence according to date of Charter, whether such Charter may have been obtained from the N. D., or from the G. D. of C. W. or C. E.

Your Committee regret exceedingly that many Divisions located in close proximity to the Geographical boundary of this Province, are prevented from joining this G. D., inasmuch as we are of opinion that it would tend to promote the welfare of our Order in this part of the province especially.

Your Committee would recommend that some energetic measures be adopted for the extension of our Order in this part of the Province, either by the employment of a Lecturer during the coming winter, or by a plentiful distribution of Tracts, expounding the principles of our Order.

Your Committee would recommend the passage of a resolution to the following effect, viz :—That a Bro. be appointed to write a Tract on the principles of our Order, and that the Committee on Publications be authorised to have printed at least 2,500 copies for gratuitous distribution in the Eastern Townships, and other parts of Canada East. X

Your Committee would further recommend that the matter of engaging a Lecturer, for at least a part of the Winter, be discussed at this Session.

In conclusion, your Committee would recommend—That inasmuch as the office of Grand Scribe is at present an unpaid one, and as our G. Scribe has discharged his duty to the entire satisfaction of this Grand Division, that the sum of £5 be presented to Bro. Henry Rose, as a donation from the Grand Division.

The Finance part of the G. Scribe's Report has been handed to the Committee on Finance.

The whole respectfully submitted in L. P. and F.

F. J. BARNARD.
A. McEACHERN.

The Report was adopted clause by clause.

In reference to the appointment of a public lecturer, the following Committee was appointed to take the matter into consideration, and report at next meeting of the Grand Division, viz. :—Bros. Matheson, White, and LeSueur, Quebec; Rev. W. Scott, Melbourne; D. White, Stanstead; F. J. Barnard, Montreal.

On motion of G. Scribe Rose, Bro. White of Quebec was appointed to write a Tract on the principles of our Order, and to be laid before next meeting of this Grand Division.

The Committee on Communications reported the following, which was adopted :—

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.

We your Committee on Communications would recommend—that the communication from St. Michael's Union Division be accepted, and the apology for non-appearance of Representative be accepted, and that the matter of Deputy be referred to our G. W. P. for his action thereon.

F. J. BARNARD.
R. J. SHAW.
A. M'Eachern.

Moved by G. Scribe Rose, and adopted—

Resolved—That all Committees appointed during this Session, who have finally reported, be now discharged.

The question of the admission of Daughters of Temperance to the meetings of Subordinate Divisions, on which an expression of opinion was requested by the National Division, came up for discussion, when it was

Moved by Bro. Barnard, and adopted—

Resolved—That it is inexpedient to admit the Daughters of Temperance to the meetings of Sons of Temperance.

Moved by Bro. Lighthall, and adopted—

Resolved—That this Grand Division recommend the G. W. P. to appoint such D. G. W. P.'s as Subordinate Divisions shall recommend, and none other.

Bro. T. White submitted the following :—

That any Member entitled to Benefits, belonging to a Subordinate Division under the jurisdiction of the Grand Division of Canada East, withdrawing from said Division, and depositing his Withdrawal Card in any other Division under the same jurisdiction, shall, immediately on the reception of said Card by such Division, become entitled to Benefits.

Laid on the table until next meeting.

Moved by Bro. M'Eachern, and adopted—

Resolved—That the thanks of this Grand Division are due, and are hereby cordially tendered, to the Brethern of the Order of the Sons of

The G. W. P. elect, Bro. Kneeshaw, was obligated according to form, and conducted to his seat.

The other Officers present were installed in the following order :—

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- ~~X~~ T. WHITE, Jr., G. W. A. No. 12.
 H. ROSE, G. Scribe Division, No. 14.
 E. S. ORR, G. Division, No. 17.

The Minutes of last Session were read and approved.

Bro. T. White was appointed to act as assistant to the Grand Scribe.

The Grand Division proceeded to the nomination of Officers, when the following nominations were made :—

- G. W. P.—G. Matheson, No. 3. (declined.)
 R. Kneeshaw, No. 10.
 G. W. A.—J. Ballard, No. 12.
 T. White, jr., No 3.
 G. Scribe—H. Rose, No. 1.
 G. Treasurer—C. P. Watson, No. 1.
 G. Chaplain—E. S. Orr, No. 9.
 G. Conductor—B. Cole, No. 3.
 G. Sentinel—P. O'Connor, No. 17.

The Grand Division then proceeded to the election of Officers.

The following is the result of the several ballots :—

- G. W. P.—R. KNEESHAW.
 G. W. A.—T. WHITE, Jr.
 G. Scribe—H. ROSE.
 G. T.—C. P. WATSON.
 G. Chaplain—E. S. ORR.
 G. Con.—B. COLE.
 G. Sen.—P. O'CONNOR.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned at 12 o'clock, noon, to meet at 2 P.M.

The Committee on Communications reported the following, which was adopted:—

lain, and OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.

The Committee on Communications would recommend—that the consideration the St. Michael's Union Division be accepted, and the the coming winter, reported the Proprietary Representative be accepted, and that the G. W. P. for his action thereon.

F.
TO THE OFFICERS AND BROTHERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the propriety of employing a lecturer during the coming winter, beg to

REPORT :

That in the opinion of your Committee the state of the finances of our Order would not justify the employment of a lecturer during the coming winter. They beg to state that they have written to the other members of the committee for their advice, but have as yet received no answer; if they should, previous to the close of the meeting of the Grand Division receive an answer, they shall be prepared to report.

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

THOS. WHITE, Sec.

The Report was received as progress, and time allowed to report further, if they find it necessary.

X Bro. T. White, jr., who was appointed at last Session to write a Tract suitable for circulation by this Grand Division, presented the same.

On motion, Bro. White was requested to read it to the Grand Division, which was accordingly done.

X On motion, the further consideration of the same was laid over until the evening.

Rep. Clare, of Howard Division, No. 1, was announced to be in waiting, was introduced by the G. Conductor, and initiated.

The Grand Division now proceeded to instal the Officers.

The G. W. P. elect, Bro. Kneeshaw, was obligated according to form, and conducted to his seat.

The other Officers present were installed in the following order :—

X T. WHITE, Jr., G. W. A.
 H. ROSE, G. Scribe.
 E. S. ORR, G. Chaplain.
 B. COLE, G. Conductor.
 P. O'CONNOR, G. Sentinel.

The G. W. P. appointed the following Committees :—
 On Finance—Bros. Cole, Orr, and Clare.

On the Good and Welfare of the Order—Bros. O'Connor, Baillie, and G. W. A. White.

On Appeals—Bros. Becket, Mathison, and W. White.

The Grand Scribe read his Report as follows :—

G. SCRIBE'S REPORT.

MONTREAL, *October 27, 1852.*

Grand Worthy Patriarch, Officers, and Brothers,

Owing to the short period that has elapsed since our last meeting, little has occurred beyond the regular business of this office.

I have endeavored to carry out the actions of the last Session of this Grand Division, and communicated the same to the different Divisions interested in your decisions.

I have the pleasure of announcing that, since last meeting, a Charter has been granted to a new Division, under the name of Cold Spring Division, No. 18, located in Dunham Flats, Eastern Townships, but a report of its institution has not yet reached this office.

I am also happy in being able to lay before you the following list of the Divisions under your jurisdiction, num-

bered according to the date of their charters, and the names of the Deputies appointed by your G. W. P. in accordance with your wishes :—

No.	NAME OF DIVISION.	DATE OF CHARTER.	D. G. W. P.'s	P. O. ADDRESS.
1	Howard.....	Feb. 28, 1850	J. C. Becket *	Montreal
2	Litchfield	March 9, "	J. Stevenson	Portage du Fort
3	Gough	Oct. 5, "	G. Mathewson *	Quebec
4	Perseverance	Nov. 4, "	H. S. Lightball	Huntingdon
5	Bethel	Jan. 10, 1851	A. McEachern	Ormstown
6	Union.....	July 18, "	David White	Stanstead
7	Chelsea	Aug. 1, "	G. Church	Chelsea
8	Aylmer (Ottawa)...	Aug. 10, "	W. J. Allan	Aylmer, (Ottawa)
9	St. Andrew's.....	Aug. 13, "	L. Clarke	St. Andrew's
10	Victoria.....	Aug. 14, "	R. Kneeshaw *	Lachute
11	Lancaster.....	Sept. 2, "	H. McLean	Lancaster
12	Jonadab.....	Dec. 27, "	J. C. Becket *	Montreal
13	Lochaber.....	Jan. 6, 1852	G. W. Cameron	Lochaber
14	St. Michael's Union	Jan. 13, "	Wm. White	Huntingdon
15	Wakefield	Feb. 4, "	James McLaren	Wakefield
16	St. Lawrence.....	Feb. 10, "	G. Mathewson *	Quebec
17	Lacolle.....	April 17, "	P. O'Connor	Lacolle
18	Cold Spring.....	Sept. 30, "	O. Dunning	Dunham Flats

* Since the meeting of the Grand Division, the G. W. P. has appointed W. Easton, Montreal; R. J. Shaw, Quebec; and John Scholefield, Lachute, as D. G. W. P.'s, in place of J. C. Becket, R. Kneeshaw, and G. Mathewson, who have resigned.

I have to lay before you a Resolution from Gough Division, Quebec, in reply to the action taken at last Session by this Grand Division, in the case of Appeal of P. W. P. White from that Division.

Also a case of Appeal from Bro. W. F. Lighthall of Bethel Division, Ormstown, in regard to the improper conduct of a brother in the Division to him, and the neglect of the W. P. in not taking action on the same.

The following is a copy of the Returns for the quarter ending September 30. The Returns from Bethel Division, Ormstown, and St. Andrew's Division, St. Andrew's, have not yet been received, and the absence of which leaves the Returns incomplete :—

STATEMENT OF RETURNS TO GRAND DIVISION OF G. E.,
For Quarter Ending September 30, 1852.

No.	DIVISIONS -	Members initiated	Admitted by Card	Initiated by Dispensation	Suspended	Expelled	Reinstated	Withdrawn	Violated the Pledge	Signed over	Violated Pledge second time	No. of Deaths	No. of Contributing Members	Amount received for Initiation and Dues	Per Centage for G. D.	Amount Paid for Benefit	Amount on hand	Total Expense, exclusive of Benefits	No. Temp'ce Lectures held	No. of T. Tracts distributed	No. Representatives to G.D.
1	Howard	7	3	0	0	1	1	3	1	1	0	0	98	£10 13 6	£0 6 5	£0 0 0	£32 0 11	£0 0 0	0	0	7
2	Litchfield	14	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	80	15 19 9	0 9 7	0 12 6	50 3 7½	0 0 0	2	0	1
3	Gough	20	0	0	8	12	0	5	14	2	2	0	169	39 7 11	1 3 8	6 10 0	99 11 9	7 2 2	8	100	3
4	Perseverance	1	0	0	0	3	1	2	2	1	0	0	61	5 19 2½	0 3 6½	0 15 0	12 7 2½	1 10 4	2	0	0
5	Bethel*	1	0	0	0	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	25	2 16 6	0 1 9	0 0 0	14 18 10	1 10 0	0	0	7
6	Union	4	0	0	2	1	1	2	2	1	0	0	34	6 17 8	0 4 2	0 0 0	7 16 2½	2 13 9	4	50	4
7	Chelsea	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	30	6 17 6	0 4 2	0 0 0	5 19 10	4 12 1½	0	0	1
8	Aylmer (Ottawa)	4	0	0	0	3	0	3	2	2	0	0	68	8 13 10	0 5 2	0 0 0	27 3 4	11 13 3	0	0	1
9	St Andrew*	11	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	0	2	0	94	16 3 1½	0 9 8	0 0 0	33 13 1	0 0 0	1	0	5
10	Victoria	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	73	13 7 10	0 8 0	0 0 0	26 8 11	11 19 6	1	0	4
11	Lancaster	2	1	0	0	1	1	1	2	1	1	0	21	3 8 9½	0 2 1	0 0 0	5 7 2½	3 18 2	0	0	1
12	Jonas	2	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	3	0	0	40	7 13 10	0 3 6	0 0 0	8 16 0	9 5 7	0	0	2
13	Lochaber	10	2	0	0	1	1	7	2	1	0	0	73	6 18 2	0 4 7	0 0 0	11 4 6½	8 12 6	1	0	1
14	St Michael's Union	17	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46	11 5 6	0 6 9	0 0 0	16 5 3	1 50 0	0	0	2
15	Wakefield	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	4 11 3½	0 2 7	0 0 0	0 0 0	0 0 0	3	0	2
16	St Lawrence	9	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	33	8 11 3½	0 5 2	0 0 0	3 4 0	7 1 0	0	0	1
17	Lacolle	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	1	1	0	19	4 8 8	0 2 6	0 0 0	2 11 8	7 2 5	4	0	0
		113	10	1	12	44	19	41	41	13	6	0	986	£173 8 7	£5 3 3½	£7 17 6	£357 12 4½	£78 5 9½	38	150	42

* Received since the Grand Scribe's Report was read.

The following is a statement of the Receipts and Expenditures of this office since last meeting :—

H. Rose, Grand Scribe, in Account with the Grand Division of C. E.

1852.		
Sept. 7,	To amount on hand at date,	£5 1 5½
Oct. 26,	To cash received for percentage,	5 2 0½
—	To cash received for Charter,	1 5 0
—	To cash received for Books, Regalia, &c., sold, ..	4 6 10½
		£15 15 4½
Oct. 2,	By paid Keeper of Sons' Hall, Quebec, £0 5 0	
—	By paid Carriage of Charters from do, 0 1 3	
Oct. 6,	By paid G. Scribe, as ordered last meeting 5 0 0	
Oct. 12,	By paid Carriage of B.B., as per Voucher	
	No. 1,	0 4 9
Oct. 26,	By paid Postage, sundry, to date .. 0 3 3	
—	By amount to Grand Treasurer, as per	
	Voucher, No. 2,	10 1 1½
		15 15 4½

In conclusion, permit me to congratulate this Grand Division on the position it now occupies at this its First Annual Session. All the Divisions laying in Canada East are now in full working order under your jurisdiction, and all now numbered in accordance with their own wishes. The G. W. P. has appointed a Deputy for each Division,—thus enabling them to instal their own officers, and save the expense of employing a Deputy to do so from a distance. In a word, this Grand Division is now in a position to make a good start, and, with the aid of its Deputies, we hope it will be the means of increasing the number of Divisions in Canada East,—especially along the banks of the Ottawa and in the Eastern Townships,—beyond the most sanguine expectations of the warmest friends of our most noble Order, and thus be the means, through its extended influence, of helping to free our land from the accursed traffic in strong drinks, and raising the already fallen victims of this mother

of sin and crime, to their proper standing in society, and their true dignity as men.

The whole of which is submitted in Love, Purity, and Fidelity,

HENRY ROSE,
Grand Scribe.

On motion, the Report was referred to the Committees on the Good and Welfare of the Order and Finance, and the Appeal case to the Committee on Appeals.

The motion of G. W. A. White, on Benefits, presented at last Session of the Grand Division, and laid over to this Session, came up for discussion, and was adopted.

P. G. W. P. Becket dissented from the decision, and expressed his opinion that this Grand Division was not competent to pass such a resolution.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned at half past 5 to meet at 7 o'clock, P. M.

OCTOBER 27, 1852—7 o'clock, P.M.

Officers present—G. W. P., G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. T., G. Chaplain, G. S., and Bro. Matheson as G. C.

The Committee on Credentials reported the credential of Rep. H. S. Lighthall of Perseverance Division, No. 4, correct.

Rep. Lighthall being in waiting, was introduced by the G. Conductor, and initiated.

The P. G. W. P. read his report as follows, which was referred to the Committee on the Good and Welfare of the Order:

G. W. P.'s REPORT.

MONTREAL, Oct. 26, 1852.

To the Officers and Brothers of the Grand Division of C.E. :

BROTHERS,

The observance of our first annual meeting suggest a review of the past, as well as the duty of recognising the good hand of Him who has hitherto sustained us.

As you are aware, it is not yet twelve months since this Grand Division was organized amidst much weakness, and it may be in much trembling on the part of some, yet it has always been our impression, that the interest of the Order demanded a Grand Division for Canada East, and our faith was strong as to our success. It is true we had a small beginning—six Divisions—but we have trebled that number, and instead of six, we are now eighteen strong. This we would regard as an encouraging indication that our faith was not groundless, and that the fears and trembling of others should give place to the firm determination to add yet eighteen more before our next annual meeting.

Since I had the honor to fill the chair of G. W. P., I cannot omit to notice the unanimity that has prevailed in all our councils, and to note the apparent prevailing disposition of all composing the Grand Division, to do what seemed best for the general good. Allow me to say that this is the only way by which our efficiency can be kept up, and consequently our usefulness promoted.

I have not had the privilege of visiting any of the Subordinate Divisions, except those in the city, and have had the Report of but two Deputies; namely, Deputies Geo. Mathewson, Quebec, and the Deputy for Aylmer; but from other sources I have reason to know that the Divisions, with two or three exceptions, are progressing.

In giving up the seals of office, so to speak, permit me to record my grateful sense of the kind consideration

with which I have always been treated by the members of this Grand Division, and to express the hope that the same may be extended to my respected successor.

Yours, in L. P. & F.,

JOHN C. BECKET.

The G. T. read his Report as follows, which was referred to the Finance Committee—

TO THE OFFICERS AND BROTHERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.

Your Treasurer respectfully submits the following

REPORT:

1852.

October 26, To amount received from Grand Scribe... £10 1 1½

CHAS. P. WATSON, G.T.

The Committee on Appeals reported the following:—

TO THE OFFICERS AND BROTHERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.

We your Committee to whom was referred the appeal of Bro. W. F. Lighthall, P. W. P. of Ormstown Bethel Division, beg leave to

REPORT:

1st, That we are of opinion, that Bro. Lighthall has been deeply injured by the conduct of Brother Lockerby, both in and out of the Division.

2d, That the W. P. failed to perform his duty in allowing the said brother so to conduct himself in open Division, as well as in not dealing with the offending brother as the Laws of their own Division point out.— Vide By-Laws, page 51, Art. XI, and Constitution, Art. X., Sec. 2; see also page 83 of the C. West code of By-Laws, paragraph the third, commencing, "When charges," &c.

All which is respectfully submitted by your Committee, in the bonds of the Order,

JOHN C. BECKET.
WILLIAM WHITE.
GEO. MATHISON.

On motion of G. W. A. White, the following Resolution was ordered to be added to the Report:—

Resolved—That the Grand Division cannot too strongly condemn the action of Ormstown Bethel Division in the matter of appeal of P. W. P., W. F. Lighthall, and would hereby express its opinion, that no Subordi-

nate Division can refuse to take action on any charge properly preferred by any brother against another brother; and are also of opinion that the R. S. should have taken a minute of all proceedings, especially when such proceedings affect the standing of members, or appeals to the Grand Division.

On motion of G. W. A. White, the Report of the Committee was adopted, as amended.

P. G. W. P. Becket was nominated as representative to the National Division.

On ballot, he was declared duly elected.

Moved by G. W. A. White, and adopted—

Resolved—That it is the opinion of this Grand Division, it shall for the future be the duty of all brothers, appealing from a Subordinate Division, to give to the Division, to be placed on file, among the papers of the Division, a copy of said appeal, and that the fact of such appeal having been filed be stated by the Reording Scribe.

Moved by G. Scribe Rose, and adopted—

Resolved—That the Tract read by Representative T. White, jr., be received and adopted by this Grand Division, and that 7,500 be printed—
 X 2,500 to be intended for gratuitous distribution, and 5000 for the use of Subordinate Divisions, to be supplied to them at the rate of 2s. 6d. per hundred.

The Credentials of Rep. Howell, of Jonadab Division, was presented, and reported correct.

G. T., C. P. Watson, was installed into his office.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned at 10 o'clock, to meet to-morrow morning at 10 A.M.

OCTOBER 28, 1852—10 o'clock, A.M.

Officers present: G. W. P., G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Conductor, G. Sentinel, and P. G. W. P.—G. Mathison acting as Chaplain.

Division opened in due form.

Minutes of yesterday's session read and approved.

Credentials of Rep. A. McEachern, of Ormstown Bethel Division, No. 5, was received and reported correct.

The Returns of Bethel Division was here handed to the G. Scribe.

The Committee on the Good and Welfare of the Order presented their Report.

After much discussion, P. G. W. P. Becket presented the following as an amendment to the Report, to be inserted immediately after the Resolution of Gough Division :-

Resolved — That the communication from Gough Division be respectfully referred back to that Division, with the explanation, that there is evidently some mistake, either on the part of D. G. W. P. Mathison or on the part of Gough Division, inasmuch as the Deputy states that he gave an official opinion on a certain point, and the Division states that the Deputy gave no such opinion; this Grand Division would be satisfied with Gough Division admitting the fact, or explaining to the Grand Division the apparent incongruity above referred to.

Adopted.

On motion of Grand Scribe Rose, the Report, as amended, was adopted, as follows:—

TO THE OFFICERS AND BROTHERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.

The Committee of Communications and the Good of the Order beg to

REPORT :

That they have had under consideration the Report of the Grand Scribe for the term ending the 27th October, 1852.

Your Committee are glad to learn that the Grand Scribe has carried out the suggestion of the last meeting of this Grand Division, and rejoice in the evidence afforded, by the organization of a new Division, of the advancement of our beloved Order.

Your Committee have also had under consideration the following resolution, dated September the 22nd, from Gough Division, in answer to the communication from the Grand Scribe of this Grand Division, enclosing copy of so much of the Minutes of last meeting of the Grand Division as re-

ferred to the matter of appeal of Bro. P. W. P. White, against the decision of said Division :—

“ Moved by Brother Cole, seconded by Brother Healey, and

Resolved—That inasmuch as there is no mention in the Minutes of this Division purporting to offer any slight to the decision of the D. G. W. P., that in reply to the communication from the Grand Scribe, the R. S. be authorized to communicate the same.”

Your Committee are of opinion that the communication from Gough Division be respectfully referred back to that Division, with the explanation, that there is evidently some mistake, either on the part of D.G.W.P. Mathison, or on the part of Gough Division, inasmuch as the Deputy states that he gave an official opinion on a certain point, and the Division states that the Deputy gave no such opinion ; this Grand Division would be satisfied with Gough Division admitting the fact, or explaining to the Grand Division the apparent incongruity above referred to.

They regret to see that the Returns of Subordinate Divisions are not as punctually made as the proper and efficient working of our organization appears to call for. They would impress upon Subordinate Divisions the necessity for strict punctuality in so important a matter.

Your Committee have had under consideration the report of the Grand Worthy Patriarch, and although the document does not cover a large space, it nevertheless embraces all matters of importance coming within the province of that officer.

They agree with the G. W. P. in his statement, that the success of the past offers inducements to hope for the future, and calls for a recognition of the hand of Providence on behalf of our Order.

They regret the inability of the Chief Officer of this section of the Province to visit Subordinate Divisions under his jurisdiction. This duty is a most important one, and they would recommend that in future it be, if possible, attended to. In reference to the neglect of D. G. W. P.'s to report to the G. W. P., they would recommend that such instruction be given to such officers as will ensure at least a quarterly report of the progress of Divisions in those localities over which, in their official capacity, they preside.

In looking over the progress of the Order in Lower Canada, where so many obstacles stand in the way of its progress, they believe that we have great cause for thankfulness and renewed exertions for the further spread of our glorious principles. They trust that the future will justify the hope at present held out, and that before another year shall have rolled round,

our Order will be planted in every city, town, village, and hamlet of Lower Canada.

All of which is submitted in Love, Purity, and Fidelity,

P. O'CONNOR.
THOS. WHITE, jr.
JAMES BAILLIE.

The Committee on Finance presented the following Report:—

TO THE OFFICERS AND BROTHERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF C. E.

We your Committee of Finance beg leave to

REPORT:

That we have examined the G. Scribe's and G. Treasurer's Accounts and Vouchers, and do find them correct.

ELIAS. S. ORR
BEN. COLE, jr.

On motion of Rep. Cole, the Report was adopted.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned at one o'clock, to meet at half-past 2 P. M.

OCTOBER 28, 1852—Half-past 2 P. M.

Officers present: G. W. P., G. W. A., G. S., G. T., G. Chap., G. Con., and P. G. W. P.

Moved by G. W. A. White and adopted—

Resolved—That a Committee be appointed to take into consideration the propriety of, and devise means for, the establishment of a Grand Section of the Cadets for Canada East.

The G. W. P. appointed the following brothers to carry out the above resolution, viz., Representatives H. S. Light-hall, A. McEachern, and G. Scribe Rose, to report at next session of this Grand Division.

Moved by G. W. A. White and adopted—

Resolved—That this Grand Division cannot allow this session to close without expressing its thanks to the past officers for their efforts for the advancement of our Order, and especially to the Past Grand Worthy Patriarch, who may very properly be looked upon as the founder of the institution in this section of the Province, this Grand Division believing that to his endeavors in a great measure may be attributable the position which we now occupy.

Rep. E. S. Orr, of St. Andrew's Division, put the following questions to the Grand Division :—

Is that part of our obligation, which relates to abstinence from intoxicating liquors, binding to the end of life ?

The brother was referred to the Reports of the National Division, of 7th Session, pp. 81, and 8th Session, pp. 58.

Can a Subordinate Division reinstate a member after the second violation of Art. 2, without imposing a pecuniary penalty ?

The Grand Division gave as its opinion, that a reprimand constitutes a penalty.

Rep. H. S. Lighthall, of Perseverance Division, put the following question :—

When does a brother's resignation take effect—in the middle of a quarter, or at its close ?

The Grand Division gave as its answer, at the end of a quarter.

Moved by G. W. A. White, and adopted—

Resolved—That inasmuch as the progress of our Order is impeded by the construction sometimes put on the proviso of the 2nd Sec. of Art. V., of the Constitution, this Grand Division are of opinion that persons disabled from pecuniary circumstances, or by their connection with other benefit societies, may be admitted, but remain in the position of a member not entitled to benefits.

On motion, P. G. W. A. Mathison, G. W. P. Kneeshaw and G. W. A. White, were nominated as additional Representatives to the National Division.

On ballot, they were declared duly elected.

Moved by G. W. A. White, and adopted—

Resolved—That the proceedings of the last and the present sessions of this Grand Division be printed, and that at least three copies be sent to each Sub-Division, one copy to each Representative, and a copy to each Grand Division.

Moved by G. W. A. White, and adopted—

Resolved—That this Grand Division do now adjourn, to meet in St. Andrews, on the Second Wednesday in the month of May, 1853, at 5 o'clock, P.M.

The First Annual Session was then closed, in Love, Purity and Fidelity.

HENRY ROSE,
G. Scribe.

