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GRAND DIVISION OF NOVA SCOTIA.

QUARTERLY SESSION.

LIVERPOOL, N. S., April 28, 1863.

THE Grand Division met in New Era Division Room, at 7 o'clock P. M., and opened in due form, Grand Worthy Associate John Heenan, in the chair.

Roll of Officers called:-

PRESENT.

John Heenan, G. W. A. Patrick Monaghan, G. Scribe Rev. I. J. Skinner, G. Chap.

ABSENT.

Avard Longley, G. W. P. Robert Boak, G. Treas. W. E. McRoberts, M. D., G. Con. William Murray, G. Sentinel. James D. B. Fraser, P. G. W. P.

The following Report from Standing Committee on Credentials was read and adopted:—

The Standing Committee on Credentials beg leave to rereport that they have examined the Credentials of the undermentioned representatives, and find them correct: MILTON, No. 4.-W. P., Wm. E. Gardner.

Union, No. 6.-W. P., Isaac Balcomb.

MAYFLOWER, No. 9.—W. P., John Bissett. Avondale, No. 13.—W. P., George Mosher.

HEBRON, No. 19 .- P. W.P., Wm. R. Doty; W. P., Nathaniel E. Potter.

CHESTER, No. 32.-W. P., Patrick Cooney; P. W. P., Samuel Gowen.

ROYAL, No. 37.-W. P., Ezekiel Nichols.

STAR, No. 49.—W. P., George J. Locke.

HANTSPORT, No. 62.—W. P., John A. Borden; P.W.P. Chas. D. Randall and John Huntley.

WALLACE, No. 75.—W. P., Wm. B. Huestis.

ATHENÆUM, No. 96-W. P., John Lindsay.

NORTH, No. 99.—P. W. P., John E. Lent; W. P., Analey Brinten.

VICTORIA MINES, No. 108 .- W. P., Abner B. Parker.

Parrsborough, No. 110.—W. P., Jonathan Vickery.

WOLFVILLE, No. 112 .- W. P., Charles Johnson.

PHENIX, No. 115 .- W. P., Rev. John Morton.

PITTACUS, No. 132.—W. P., Edwin Sanders.

CUNNINGHAM, No. 134.—W. P., Thos. F. Foster; P. W. P.'s, Thos. Foster, Jacob Chute, Geo. W. Wilson, James Crossley, Robert Chute, Jos. D. Chute, Holden Farnsworth, Jacob E. Farnsworth, Lorenzo Fash, Elias B. Foster, Stephen S. Foster, W. P.

Tyro, No. 145, W. P.-George Coggins; P. W. P.'s,

Henry Gavin, John Titus, Alfred Peters.

GENERAL INGLIS, No. 152 .- W. P., Wm. Murry; P. W. Ps, Jas. Speclitz and Wm. John.

HOPE, No. 154.-W. P., Jas. A. Nichols.

COBEQUID, No. 155.—W. P., A. B. Fletcher.

CLYDE, No. 157.-W. P., Benjamin Starratt.

LIFE BOAT, No. 158.—P. W. P., Isaac H. Smith.

HALCYON, No. 160.-W. P., Edward Young.

WESTERN STAR, No. 161 .- W. P., Nicholas Haines; P. W. P., Wm. Lent, Isaiah Thurber, Robert Haines, Geo. C. Crocker, Jas. Parry, Nathan Thurber, Jas. Murphy, Ethal Rug.

Forest, No. 163 .- W. P., Charles Rope; P. W. P., Zenas Sanders.

NORTH SYDNEY, No. 167.-W. P., James McKenzie.

Home, No. 169 .- W. P., John S. Thomas.

ISLAND HOME, No. 170.—W. P., Josiah Soley. SHERBROOKE, No. 173.—W P., Simon Hall; P. W. P., Joseph Lantz.

GUTHRIE, No. 174.-W. P., Win. Gair; P. W. P., Mal-

com McKinnon.

HIGHLANDER, No. 178 .- W. P., Alexander J. Beaton.

New Era, No. 179.—W. P., John W. Cobb.

Green Tree, No. 180 .- W. P., Richard Freeman.

OCEANICA, No. 181 .- W. P., Lorenzo Davison.

AMHERST, No. 182.—W. P., R. B. Huestis; P. W. P.'s, W. C. Dimock, G. F. Miles, J. Haram Black.

RAY OF HOPE, No. 186.—W. P., Samuel Foster, Jr.

Reid, No. 192 .- W. P., Rev. F. W. Moore.

GREEN VALE .- W. P., Rev. Samuel B. Martin.

All which is respectfully submitted in L. P. & F.

R. M. BARRATT. JOHN LANIGAN.

Halifax, April 25th, 1863.

On motion of P. G. W. P. McArthur, seconded by the G. Chaplain, it was

Voted, That Lady Visitors and members of subordinate Divisions be admitted to witness the proceedings of the Grand Division.

The Grand Conductor introduced Representatives Peter Ross, of No. 7; John Chase, of No. 112; Nathaniel Findle, of No. 151*; William Bryden, William Jackson, J. N. S. Marshall, M. J. Drew, Charles Bill, Nathan D. West, J. W. Cobb, of No. 179; Richard Freeman, Stewart F. Hunt, Robert Harlow, of No. 180;

^{*} Bro. Findle not having any Credentials, and the G. D. deeming that the Division had neglected to forward the same, he was admitted for initiation .- G. S.

Ephraim Mack, Andrew Mack, Edward Mack, of No. 185, who were duly initiated, and assigned seats in the Grand Division.

The G. W. P. appointed the following named Brothers to fill vacancies in the several offices, pro tem:—Dr. W. A. C. Randall, G. W. A.; Robert West, G. Treas.; Charles Bill, G. Con.; J. N. S. Marshall, G. Sent.; Rev. Alexr. McArthur, P. G. W. P.

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

On State of the Order: P. G. W. P. McArthur, Dr. Randall, Wm. Bryden, Ephraim Mack, Richard Freeman.

On Communications:—Peter Ross, Andrew Mack, N. D. West.

On Enrollment of Names of Representatives present at Session:—Charles Bill, Wm. Jackson.

The following Report was read and adopted:

The Standing Committee on Charters beg to report that since last meeting of the Grand Division, they have recommended the granting of Charters for new Divisions, as follows:—

- On January 30th, to Thomas S. Tuzo, and Fifteen others, residents of Hamilton, Bermuda, for Reid Division.
 No. 192.
- 2. On March 14th, to David II. Clarke, and Eleven others, residents of Port Williams, (Cornwallis,) King's County, for Port Williams Division, No. 195.

3. On March 18th, to John T. McAlpine, and Thirty-four others, residents of Tangier, Halifax County, for Tangier Division, No. 194.

4. On March 25th, to Rev. Samuel B. Martin, and ten others, residents of Musquodoboit Harbor, Halifax County. for Green Vale Division, No. 193.

5. On April 4th, to Ninian P. Jameson, and Seventren

others. residents of Canning, King's County, for Canning Division, No. 196.

6. On April 21, to James A. Nickerson, and Twenty other mule residents of St. Margaret's Bay, Halifax County, for Sunnyside Division, No. 197. The petition for this Charter was also signed by Fifteen femule residents of the settlement.

Submitted in L. P. & F.,

PAT. MONAGHAN.
JOHN L. WHYTAL.

HALIFAX, N. S., April 25, 1863.

Grand Scribe read the following Report, which was adopted:

The Standing Committee on Constitutions and Bye-Laws beg to report that they have had submitted to them for examination the Bye-Laws of Columbia Division, No. 24, Star in the East, No. 61, North Sydney, 167, Prince Albert, No.

185, Argyle, No. 191, and Reid, No. 192.

In Section 3, Article 2, of Bye-Laws of Star in the East Division, your committee recommend that the words "be eligible to any office, or as a Representative to the G. D.", be omitted, as subordinate divisions have no power to regulate the eligibility of members to office—the only privilege they have being to decide on such matters through the ballot box at the proper time.

In the Bye-Laws of the other Divisions it was only neces-

sary to make a few verbal alterations.

Submitted in L. P. & F.

PATK. MONAGHAN. JOHN HEENAN. WILLIAM MURRAY.

HALIFAX, N. S., April 25, 1863.

The following Report was presented by the Grand Scribe:—

The committee appointed at the Annual Session, in October last, "to make the necessary arrangements preparatory to the Session of the National Division, to be held in Halifax,

in June next," beg to submit this, their second report of

progress :--

Since last report your committee have added to their number Brothers George Butler of No. 7, W. McNally, of No. 8, John Lanigan of No. 9, Edward Morrison of No. 26. John Dexter, of 96.

Sub-committees have been appointed to carry out details of some of the arrangements agreed upon, and referred to in the first report.

All the arrangements are not yet complete.

Arrangements have been made for conveyance of Members of the Order for one fare to Halifax and back, on the following named stage routes:—

MESSRS. KING:-Lunenburg and Halifax line.

Do. Annapolis and Halifax line.

MR. TIMOTHY ARCHIBALD :- Guysborough, Tangier and Halifax line.

MR. C. B. ARCHIBALD:—Truro and Amherst line. (at reduced fare.)

Your committee have much pleasure in stating that they anticipate having the Legislative Assembly Room placed at their disposal for the use of the National Division—the Hons. Provincial Secretary and Attorney General having kindly expressed their intention of granting request of committee.

So soon as some further details of programme are carried out, your committee will acquaint the subordinate Divisions, in order that they may be put in possession of necessary in-

formation.

The amounts guaranteed to your committee, so far, from subordinate Divisions, towards expenses that may be incurred, are as follows:—

Chebucto, (some paid)\$	150 00
Athenæum	100 00
Micmac	60 00
Mayflower, (paid)	50 00
Howard, (half paid)	
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Iron Age, do	8	00
Sackville	6	00
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Kinburn, (paid)	4	00
Cobequid		
Royal(paid)	4	00
New Glasgow, do		
Havelock, do	4	00
Chester, do		
Brougham, do	2	00
Pittaeus, do	2	00
Guthrie, do		
Green Tree, (not paid)	4	00

Your committee trust that replies to circular for assistance will be sent in as early as possible; also, that all contributions be forwarded without delay.

Circular letters have been addressed to all the Grand Divisions in the national jurisdiction, requesting them to send delegates to session of the National Division.

Respectfully submitted, in L., P., and F.

On behalt of the Committee,

PATK. MONAGHAN, G. S., Secretary.

Halifax, N. S., April 25, 1863.

Ordered on file.

The following Report from the G. W. P. was read by the Grand Scribe:

Officers and Representatives:

I cannot very well express how reluctantly I have abandoned the hope of attending the session of Grand Division at Liverpool, but trust the occasion may be productive of much good and enjoyment to all who may participate in the proceedings. The material afforded me by the deputies throughout the Province have not been of such a nature as to supply material for a full report upon the state and progress of the

cause, but I doubt not the report of the Grand Scribe will

supply all necessary particulars.

It will be gratifying to those interested in the "Agency Enterprise," to learn that very encouraging success has attended the efforts of our Agents. Through their instrumentality the cause in numerous localities has been revived, Divisions resuscitated, and new ones established. It is to be hoped that this arm of our power will not be allowed to grow weak, but that through an abundant supply of the "sinews of war," the contest may be waged with new vigor until our foe is driven from the field.

Both Brothers Reattie and McArthur are well spoken of, and seem to have given general satisfaction. I have had the pleasure of personal intercourse with the former, on several occasions, since he took the field, and have marked with gratification his high toned morality and devotion to the cause Letters received from different parts of the Province, in regard to the latter, express the high satisfaction his addresses have afforded. But the "Agency Committee," under whose direction these brothers have been labouring,

will give full detail of proceedings.

I am glad to be able to report, at last, the success of the "Amendment of the License Liw," and hope it may be productive of good. The operation of this measure may be most salutary, as it gives to the people the power of excluding the traffic from every place in the Province, with the exception of the city of Halifax, to which it was impossible to make it apply. Perhaps we may congratulate ourselves even upon this measure of success; for the painful conviction is forced upon any one who undertakes to advocate the temperance cause in the Assembly, that little regard is paid to one of the most important questions that can engage the attention of the Representatives of the people. It is to be hoped that, ere long, the people will come to feel the necessity of demanding from their Representatives a livelier interest in this absorbing question, or ad pt the alternative of taking greater care in their selections.

The approaching Session of the National Division, in the

city of Halifax, is looked forward to with no little interest, not unmingled with anxiety, in regard to appropriateness of reception and successful carrying out of the entire programme prescribed for the occasion. It is believed we may consider ourselves pretty certain of securing the Assembly Room, for use on that occasion,—a Committee appointed for that purpose having obtained the pledge of the Hons. Provincial Secretary and Attorney General to that effect.

The unusually large amount of revenue derived from duties on Intoxicating Liquors, during the past year, is indicative of immense consumption, and one cannot but deplore the fact that over forty-two thousand Pounds, or about one-fifth of

our ordinary revenue, was derived from this source.

I have to regret that circumstances have precluded me from bestowing on the cause the time and labor which I could have desired, during the past quarter; but hope it may be

in my power to give more attention in the future.

A few of the Deputies have reported with great promptuess, and in a manner highly interesting; but I have not time to give particulars at any length. Brother Donald Johnston and Brother Bryden have been particularly attentive, and I am happy to learn that the Divisions under the charge of both these Brothers are prospering.

Hoping the session may be a prosperous and happy one, I

remain in Love, Purity and Fidelity, yours,

AVARD LONGLEY,
Grand Worthy Patriarch.

Halifax, N, S, April 25, 1863.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order. The Grand Scribe read his Report as follows:

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

Worthy Brothers:

It is with pleasure I greet you on assembling in Quarterly Session in the town of Liverpool. It is now about eight years since the Grand Division held a session in this place. At that time a number of Divisions were in existence in the County of Queen's, but during a portion of the period that has since elapsed the Order was entirely extinct—three years or upwards. It is gratifying on the present occasion, however, to know that there are now four Divisions in the county, and that the working of the Order was never better—although the membership may be less in numbers than at the former period. The prospects of additions to the number of Divisions in the county are encouraging.

NEW DIVISIONS.

Since the last Quarterly Meeting, Five new Divisions have been organized, viz.:—

1. Reid, No 192, at Hamilton, Bermuda, on 19th day

of February, by D. G. W. P. George Oxborrow.

2. GREEN VALE, No. 193, at Musquodoboit Harbor, Halifax County, on 30th day of March, by Special Deputy G. W. P. Henry A. Taylor

3. TANGIER, No. 194, at Tangier, (Gold District,) Halifax County, on 4th day of April, by Special Deputy A. M.

Peers.

4. PORT WILLIAMS, No. 195, at Port Williams, (Cornwallis,) King's County, on 15th day of April, by County Deputy G. W. P. Rev. Dr. Cramp.

5. CANNING, No. 196, at Canning, (Cornwallis,) King's County, on 23rd day of April, by County D. G. W. P. Rev.

Dr. Cramp.

As you will learn from Report of the Committee "on Charters and institution of new Divisions," a Charter has been granted for a sixth Division, to be located at St. Margaret's Bay, Halifax County. It is expected this Division will be organised on Thursday evening next, 30th inst.

The two Divisions organised in King's County are among the fruits of Rev. Bro. McArthur's agency, and the establishment of those in Halifax County has resulted from the labors of Bro. Francis Beattie. Other Divisions, no doubt, will be formed in places visited by both of the brothers employed by

the Agency Committee.

DIVISIONS RESUMED WORKING, &C.

It is very difficult to report at each session the exact number of Divisions in working order, or that are inoperative, owing to neglect on the part of those whose duty it is to furnish me with such information.

Of those reported at last meeting under the head "inoperative," one—Roseway, No. 25—has resumed working, with

fair prospects of continuance.

Port George, 87, Rechab, 119, and Cunningham, 134, supposed to be then in working order, were inoperative, but the two last mentioned have resumed work.

INOPERATIVE DIVISIONS.

Since my last report I have not received any positive information respecting the prospects of resuscitating those Divisions, except Ohio, Oliver, Glace Bay, and Monitor, all of

which it is expected will soon get into working order.

The names of *Tremont*, 102, and *Hebert*, 138, have been struck from the roll, they being considered as dead. It may be well for the Grand Division to decide at this session what should be done respecting the Charters of the others. The failure, to a great extent, of the Ovens gold diggings, has caused the *Golden Wreath* to cease working. The prospects of reviving it are not very promising at present.

NUMBER OF DIVISIONS, &C.

In my last Report it was stated that the names of one hundred and fourteen Divisions were on the Grand Division Roll. The following statement shows the number at present in the jurisdiction:

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Whole No. reported at last Session. 114 } No. since organised. 5 } 119 No. struck from the Roll. 2
Total now on the Roll
Leaving a total supposed to be in working order of 99, or about the same number as per my last report. Of this number eighty have sent in Returns for the quarter ending March 31, 1863, from which is compiled the following
STATISTICAL SUMMARY.
No. Admitted 571
Rejected
Withdrawn 53
Violated the Pledge
Reinstated 78
Suspended
Resigned the Constitution
Violated Pledge 2d time 24
Expelled
Deaths §
Members on F. S. Books
Lady Visitors admitted
" " withdrawn, died, &c 11
Whole No. of Lady Visitors—in 58 Divisions
No. Public Temperance Meetings held
Temperance documents distributed
Receipts of Quarter\$1816.21
Expense, exclusive of benefits $\dots 1203.51\frac{1}{2}$
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Cash on hand, including investments
Per capita tax to Grand Division
The foregoing summary shows an increase of 313 members, or
a clear gain of 180, by deducting the number of suspended
members.

STATE OF THE ORDER.

I have not received as much information as would be desirable to give a detailed report of the condition of the Order

in each county. So far as I can ascertain however, and judging by the returns received, the Order upon the whole is in as favorable a condition as at any time for several years past. In some portions of the jurisdiction a few Divisions have ceased working, while in others sickly ones have been restored to health or new ones established—this "failure in one part is compensated for by increased activity in another."

Some of the Divisions have had large additions to their membership, among which may be mentioned Milton, No. 4,

forty-four new members being added to its books.

The Order appears to be growing in favor in the Bermuda Islands. The two Divisions recently established there are working well, and now number in all seventy-four members. Tis probable other Divisions may soon be organized in that portion of the jurisdiction. My correspondence with the Deputy, which is maintained regularly once a month, is of the most pleasing character. The Brethren are thinking of establishing an Agency Fund for the purpose of spreading the principles of Total Abstinence, and with the view of extending the Order. I would suggest that the two Divisions be presented gratuitously with a number of the Temperance Tracts now on hand, in order to assist them in their work.

AGENCY DEPARTMENT.

It is with much satisfaction I have to report that since the last Quarterly Session, the Agency Committee succeeded in engaging the services of P. G. W. P. McArthur, and Bro. Francis Beattie, as Lecturers, or Agents. These Brothers commenced their labors about the 10th of February. Bro. McArthur has lectured through Hants and King's Counties, and a portion of Annapolis, and a few districts in Lunenburg and Queen's Counties. Bro. Beattic has labored throughout Halifax County, a portion of Lunenburg, Hants, and Colchester Counties, and will commence in Cumberland County this week. Bro. Beattie's services were secured for three months, and it was hoped Brother McArthur would be employed for the same length of time. It is with regret, however, I have to report that Bro. McArthur was forced to dis-

continue his labors, owing to ill health, which no doubt was accelerated by constant travelling in stormy weather, and over heavy roads, at the end of two months.

With the exception of two or three localities, the labors of both Brothers were highly successful, they having pledged many persons to total abstinence, organized quite a number of societies, awakened an interest in the cause of temperance, and made favorable impressions in favor of the Order, the establishment of several new Divisions being the result.

Letters received speak in the highest terms of the efforts of both brothers, and a general desire has been expressed that they be continued in the field. It would not be advisable, however, to keep them at work after the end of the present, or first part of the next month, as meetings throughout the country would be but poorly attended during the summer season, a few of the larger towns excepted. I would advise that the Agency be renewed about the beginning of October next, and continued till the month of May following. order to carry out this suggestion, it will be necessary that the Divisions, and temperance societies also, exhibit their interest in the matter by forwarding contributions to the Agency Fund, as it is on the liberality of temperance men and women will the continuance of the work depend. Divisions, through Committees and D. G. W. P.'s, should exert themselves to collect monies in aid of the fund, in order that the cause may be kept in a healthy and growing condition. Independent of the collections taken by the Agents, but very little money has been paid into the fund since last quarterly meeting, (\$9.85) in all.) This is not as it should be. A little effort by each Division would accomplish much in this respect. As stated in my last report, New Era, of Liverpool, has decided to pay into the fund a cent and a half each quarter, on every member on the F. S. Books. I have opened a list for such persons as may be desirous of contributing four dollars, or upwards, per annum, to the fund. As yet but three names have been received, viz. :-

William Bryden, Liverpool, \$4.00 per annum. John. L. Whytal, Halifax, 4.00 "Grand Scribe, do. 4.00 "

I hope that in my next report a large subscription list will be reported, of from \$1 to \$4 each.

The Agency Committee will present their Report and Financial statement at the next Quarterly Session.

DETITORS TO NATIONAL DIVISION

RETURNS TO NATIONAL DIVISION.
The Returns to the National Division, for the year 1862,
have been duly forwarded to the Most Worthy Scribe. Fol-
lowing is a copy:
Number of Divisions in operation100
Number of Members admitted1478
Number suspended
Number expelled
Number of Deaths27
Violated the Pledge339
Reinstated
Violated Pledge 2d time
Number of Members
Divisions admitting Ladies
Number of Lady Visitors
Per Capita Tax to National Division—2 cents on each
member\$79.38
Paid for Benefits
Cash on hand and invested
Per centage to Grand Division832.54
Representatives in National Division
Number of Public Temperance Meetings held275
Number of Temperance documents distributed4388
Had all the Divisions sent in their Returns for the year the
Order in this jurisdiction would have been exhibited in a more
favourable position.
The per capita tax to the National Division for the year 1862
has been paid.
FINANCES.
The receipts and disbursements of this office to 24th instant
were:—
Receipts-For per Capita Tax, Charters, Stock,
Agency Fund, &c., &c \$288.361
Disbursements—Amounts paid by Treasurer 273.202
Balance—Cash in hand of G. S \$15.16
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NATIONAL DIVISION MEETING.

Before the G. D. meets again in Quarterly Session, the National Division (it is expected) will have held its meeting in the city of Halifax. The committee of arrangements appointed by this body is preparing to give the members of the N. D. a suitable reception. I trust the appeal made by the committee to the Divisions throughout the jurisdiction will meet with a hearty and liberal response. All should unite in making the reception of the members of the highest branch of the Order Provincial in its character, as the City Divisions do not wish that it should be considered as of local importance merely.

The committee are diligent in making their arrangements, and hope to carry them out to the satisfaction of the Order, and with

credit to the Province.

LICENSE LAW AMENDED.

The G. W. P. has succeeded in getting his bill to amend the license law passed through the Legislature. Although even with the amendments just made the law is capable of much further improvement, yet in its present state much good can be effected by it if the friends of Temperance will only avail themselves of the privileges now conceded them. To reap benefit from the law in its amended state it is necessary that all should be alive to the interests of the cause of temperance, and take every opportunity of striking a blow against the traffic. They should also see that the magistrates and other officers discharge their duties under the law faithfully.

The amendment to the law gives the rate-payers in each polling district the privilege of petitioning against the granting of licenses in said district; and when a majority of rate-payers in a district shall so petition, licenses cannot be granted. The traffic, with or without license, is prohibited at stations and other places along the lines of Railway in the Province, and in proclaimed Gold Districts. Justices of the Peace cannot hold a shop or tavern license. Penalties are laid down for violations of the

Law.

I beg to suggest that the amendment to the License Law be printed as an Appendix to the Journal of Proceedings of this Session, for the information of the Order.

COUNTIES REFUSING TO GRANT LICENSES.

The following named counties of the Province have refused to grant Licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors during the year 1863:—

DIGBY, QUEENS, GUYSBOROUGH, YARMOUTH, LUNENBURG, PICTOU, SHELBURNE, SYDNEY, CUMBERLAND,

and Eastern Division of HANTS County.

There is every reason to believe that good results will follow from the action of the Sessions in the counties named, and that the number refusing to grant licenses will be considerably increased next year.

RETURNS FROM DIVISIONS.

So many of the Returns for the past quarterly term being incorrect, I have deemed it advisable not to report them in detail to the G. D. at the present session; but will direct attention of the proper officers to inaccuracies and discrepancies in the present instance, and at future sessions report all inaccurate Returns in detail, in accordance with resolution passed at last Quarterly Session.

I have again experienced inconvenience by delay in forwarding of Returns. With the Divisions in Bermuda I can have communication but once a month; yet I received their Returns on 24th inst., and with them those of a number of Divisions with

which a daily communication can be had.

STATISTICS OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

In accordance with Resolution passed at the last Annual Session, I prepared a statistical blank circular relating to the Liquor Traffic, and have had 600 copies printed. The sular has been compiled partly by embracing all the items suggested by the National Division at its last Annual Session; and partly by selecting items from copy of a circular on the same subject issued by the G. D. of Canada West. Difficulty will be experienced in obtaining most of the information suggested by the N. D. The information or items selected from the Canada West G. D. circular can be collected with less difficulty. I trust the Deputies will see that as much information as can be obtained will be entered on the circulars. I have made an effort to circulate the

each document as much as possible, in order to get particulars from polling district. A copy of the circular is herewith submitted.

CONCLUSION.

In concluding this Report I regret that we are deprived of the presence of the G. W. P., at the present meeting, who until late last week fully expected to meet with us.

Trusting that this session may be an interesting and profitable

one, I respectfully submit this Report

In L. P. &. F.,

PATRICK MONAGHAN, Grand Scribe.

LIVERPOOL, N. S., April, 1863.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

The Accounts of the Grand Scribe and Grand Treasurer were read, and ordered on file.

The following Report was presented and adopted:

The Standing Auditing and Financial Committee report that they have examined the books and accounts of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer, all of which they find correct.

The committee have also examined the following accounts which

they recommend for payment:-

 James Bowes & Sons
 \$31.00

 Abstainer office
 18.00

R. H. WETMORE. JOHN L. WHYTAL.

Halifax, N. S., April 25, 1863.

The Grand Scribe read extract from communication received by him from Past Most Worthy Scribe Frederick A. Fickardt.

On motion of P. G. W. P. McArthur, seconded by the G. Chaplain, that portion of Dr. Fickardt's letter read by the Grand Scribe was referred to the Committee on Communications.

Bro. J. N. S. Marshall, on behalf of New Era Division, extended "an invitation to the members of the Grand Pivision, to attend a Soiree to-morrow evening."

Conversation occurred on various topics, which occupied attention of Grand Division about half an hour,

and in which several members participated.

Several Lady Visitors of New Era Division entertained the Grand Division with vocal and instrumental music, which added much to the interest of the evening's sitting.

Grand Division adjourned, to meet to-morrow mor-

ning at 10 o'clock.

PATRICK MONAGHAN, Grand Scribe.

WEDNESDAY, April 29, 1863.

FORENOON SITTING.

Grand Division was opened at 10 o'clock A. M., Grand Worthy Associate Heenan in the Chair.

Roll of Officers called:

Present—G. W. A., G. Scribe.

Absent—G. W. P., G. Treas., G. Chaplain, G. Con., G. Sent., P. G. W. P.

The following named brothers were appointed to vacancies: Dr. Randall, G. W. A.; Robert West, G. Treas.; Wm. Jackson, G. Chap.; Charles Bill, G. Con.; S. Hunt, G. Sent.; Rev. Alexr. McArthur, P. G. W. P.

Minutes of last evening's sitting were read and approved.

The G. Chaplain entered and took his seat.

The G. Conductor introduced Representatives Spencer Cohoon, and Samuel T. Foster, of No. 186, who were duly initiated, and assigned seats in the Grand Division.

Bro. Ross presented the following Report from Com-

mittee on Communications:

The committee on communications have read with much pleasure and satisfaction the communication addressed to the Grand Scribe by Past Most Worthy Scribe Frederick A. Fickardt, of Pennsylvania.

Believing that the Representatives now assembled in Quarterly session are desirous of acknowledging the compliments paid the Grand Division by our universally esteemed Brother Fickardt, your committee suggest that the Grand Scribe be instructed to convey to Past Most Worthy Scribe Fickardt in the name of the Grand Division, the good wishes of all its members, with the hope that he may be long spared to work for the good cause in which he has laboured so faithfully for many years.

Your committee hope that the Order in this Province will have the pleasure of giving our Worthy Brother a cordial and hearty welcome with other distinguished Sons of Temperance in June next, on the occasion of the meeting of the National Division at

Halifax. Respectfully submitted,

In L. P. & F.

Peter Ross. Nathan D. West.

Grand Division Room, Liverpool, N. S., April 29, 1863.

Adopted.

P. G. W. P. McArthur, as Chairman, presented the following Report from Committee on State of the Order:

To the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance.

Your Committee, having given their attention to the Reports of the Grand Worthy Patriarch and Grand Scribe, are pleased to find that the Order in this Province is in as prosperous a condition as in many years gone by. While we cannot but regret that some Divisions have ceased operations it is at the same time gratifying to learn that five new Divisions have been formed during the present quarter, and that a charter has been granted for a sixth.

There is a strong temperance element in the Province which has been stimulated in some good degree through the labours of the lecturers which the Agency Committee have sent into the field. It is with pleasure we record the cheering fact that it has been mainly through the instrumentality of our lecturers that these new Divisions have been called into existence—thus offering encouragement for continued effort in this direction, and a powerful incentive to the friends of the cause to sustain by their contributions the work set on foot by the Agency Committee.

Before another Session of the G. D. the N. D. will have held its annual meeting in the capital of our Province. We anticipate much from this assembly of the great and good men of our Order. Nova Scotians have an appreciation of talent and wisdom and cannot fail to be influenced by the presence of such a dignified body in their midst. It is hoped that the members of the Order will regard this national gathering as an important Provincial event, and that they will spare neither pains nor expense in giving our directing head a reception comporting with their august character.

We regard the act passed by the Legislature entitled "Amendment of the License Law" as a very important measure—important in itself; but also as furnishing the entering wedge toward the ultimatum of our efforts—the total prohibition of the

Liquor Traffic.

Too much praise cannot be bestowed on our G. W. P. Brother Longley, for the ability which he manifested in preparing these amendments, and for his activity in seeing them successfully carried. It is a pleasure to know that there is at least one man in our Legislature upon whom the friends of Temperance legislation can

rely in any emergency.

We are gratified to learn that the circulation of the Abstainer has been somewhat extended through the efforts of the agency committee. We cannot express ourselves in language sufficiently strong in relation to the importance of sustaining the Abstainer. Wisely and ably conducted, it is, without question, the most efficient Temperance instrumentality which we have in the Province.

Respectfully submitted in L. P. & F.

ALEX. MCARTHUR, W. A. C. RANDALL, RICHARD FREEMAN, WM. BRYDEN.

Liverpool, N. S., April 29, 1863.

Report ordered to lie on the table till afternoon sit-

ting.

P. G. W. P. McArthur moved the following resolutions, which were seconded by Dr. Randall, and adopted unanimously:

1. Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be tendered to Avard Longley, Esq., M. P. P., G. W. P., for his untiring zeal and courage in the face of so much opposition and indifference to temperance legislation in the House of Assembly, and for his able services in preparing and advocating amendments to the License Law of this Province, recently passed by the Legislature.

2. Resolved, That for the information of the members of the Order, these amendments be printed in an appendix to

the Proceedings of this Session.

P. G. W. P. McArthur read a Report of his labors as a Lecturer of the Grand Division.

On motion of the Grand Chaplain, seconded by Bro. C. Bill, it was resolved, that the Report just read by Bro. McArthur be published in the Journals of this Session, and in the Abstainer.

Grand Division adjourned, to meet this afternoon at two o'clock.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,

Grand Scribe.

AFTERNOON SITTING.

Wednesday, April 29, 1863.

Grand Division was opened at 2 o'clock P. M., Grand Worthy Associate Heenan in the Chair.

Roll of Officers called:

Present-G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Chap.

Absent—G. W. P., G. Treas., G. Con., G. Sent., P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by Bros. Dr. Randall, G. W. A.; J. Chase, G. Treas.; C. Bill, G. Con.; S. Cohoon, G. Sent.; Rev. A. McArthur, P. G. W. P.

Minutes of forenoon sitting were read and approved. On motion of the G. Chaplain, seconded by Bro. Bill, 450 copies of the Journal of Proceedings of this Session were ordered to be printed and distributed in the usual manner.

On motion of P. G. W. P. McArthur, seconded by the G. Chaplain, the Grand Scribe was instructed to order a sett of Grand Division Ritual from the M. W. S.

On motion of Bro. Wm. Bryden, seconded by Robt. West, it was

Resolved, That the Representatives assembled in Quarterly Session at Liverpool, in regretting the absence of the G. W. P., take this opportunity of acknowledging his devotedness to the cause of Temperance: nothing doubting that the circumstances which prevented his attendance were beyond his control.

The Report of the Committee on State of the Order was taken from the table, considered clause by clause, and adopted.

On motion of Bro. Dr. Randall, seconded by J. Chase, it was

Resolved, That this Grand Division regard with pleasing satisfaction the labors of Bros. McArthur and Beattie, who for some months past have been laboring for the advancement of the cause of Temperance, and the good of the Order. We deem the selection of the above named brothers, as made by the Agency Committee, to be a wise one, and sincerely hope that their services may be secured for another campaign as soon as circumstances will permit.

On motion of Bro. Chase, seconded by Bro. McArthur, it was

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division be tenflered to the New Era Division, No. 179, for the use of their Division Room during the present Session.

Bro. Dr. Randall moved, seconded by Bro. J. Chase, That the thanks of the Grand Division be presented to Miss Bill, and other Lady Visitors of New Era Division, for their kindness in entertaining the members with music.

Passed.

After some remarks from the Grand Scribe, in reference to the business of the session, &c., and a few observations from the acting G. W. P., the Minutes of this sitting were read and approved.

The business of the Session being concluded, the Grand Division was closed in due form about five o'clock.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,

Grand Scribe.

Halifax, N. S., May 4, 1863.



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Halifax, N. S., April 24, 1863.

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ROBERT BOAK,

Grand Treas.

Halifax, N. S., April 24, 1863.

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REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT DURING SESSION,

No. 7.

John Heenan, G. W. A. P. Monaghan, G. S.

Peter Ross.

No. 16.

Rev. A. McArthur, P. G. W. P.

No. 32.

Rev. I. J. Skinner, G. Chap.

No. 119.

John Chase.

No. 115.

W. A. C. Randall, M.D., D.G.W.P. Robert West.

No. 151.

Nathaniel Findle.

No. 179.

Wm. Bryden, D. G. W. P. Wm. Jackson. J. N. S. Marshall. M. J. Drew.

Charles Bill. Nathan D. West. John W. Cobb.

No. 180.

Richard Freeman. Stewart F. Hunt. Robert Harlow.

No. 185.

Ephraim Mack, D. G. W. P. Andrew Mack. Edward Mack.

No. 186.

Spencer Cohoon, D. G. W. P Samuel T. Foster.

LADY VISITORS.

No. 179.

Mrs. A. D. West. M. Jackson.

Andrew Gold.

Wm. B. Cobb.

- Harding.

Sarah Chisholm. Miss Anne Bill.

Ann Whitman.

" Lorentine West.

" Jerusha Smith.

" Sarah Smith.

" Mary Dunlap.

" Matilda West. " Abby West.

" Mary E. Freeman.

Miss Mary Jones.

Elizabeth Bryden.

Annie Ryan.

Janet Mulhall. Ella Mulhall.

Ellen Parker. 66

Celia Clements. Annie Clements.

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Matilda Freeman.

No. 185.

Celia Norris.

APPENDIX.

AMENDMENT TO LICENSE LAW.

The following Act in amendment to the License Law, passed the House of Assembly on March 30, and was agreed to by the Legislative Council on April 8,1863. It is here published by order of the Grand Division for the information of the Order.

P. Monaghan, G. S.

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LICENSE LAW.

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council, and Assembly as follows:

1st.—The penalties for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors shall be as follows. For the first offence ten dollars, or imprisonment for twenty days in the County Jail in the event of non payment of fine; for the second offence twenty Dollars or thirty days imprisonment; for the third offence forty Dollars or sixty days imprisonment; and for every subsequent offence eighty dollars or three months imprisonment.

2nd.—In any County in which a majority of the Sessions may be disposed to grant Licenses to sell intoxicating liquors for beveruge purposes they shall nevertheless withhold such Licenses in any Polling District where a majority of the Rate payers petition the Sessions against the granting such Licenses, and such decision shall remain in full force and effect until reversed by a majority of the Rate payers in any Polling district where said action shall have been taken.

3rd.—On information being given to the Clerk of License in writing, and, on his having the costs guranteed by two or more responsible parties, he shall be compelled to prosecute the person anformed against under the penalty of the same amount of fine as

would be imposed on the party informed against, if convicted, to be recovered as an ordinary debt in the name of the person making such request and information; to be appropriated in the same way as other penalties for breach of the License Law, and the Clerk of the License on applying for a summons shall file the written information with the Justices.

4th.—In any County or Township in which Licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors are not granted, it shall be the duty of the General Sessions for such County or Township or Special Sessions convened by the Custos, on application of five Justices for such purpose to appoint one suitable person for each Township or so many for each County as may be required, not exceeding five in number, to be called Agents for the sale of Alcoholic Liquors, provided that they shall reside not less than ten miles apart, to import and sell such Alcoholic Liquors, as may be required for medicinal, mechanical manufacturing and other purposes not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act; and such Agents shall keep a list of the names of persons purchasing liquor, the quantity and description purchased by each person, and the purpose to which such liquor is intended to be applied, and shall receive such compensation for his services, and shall conform to such other regulations for the importation and sale of . such liquors, and shall also be liable to such penalty for neglect or violation of duty as the Court of Sessions appointing shall prescribe. No such agents shall have any interest in such liquor nor in the profits of the sale thereof.

5th.—No Justice of the Peace shall hold a Shop or Tavern

License.

6th.—Bottled liquors shall in no case be sold without license, as contained in the original package unless such package contains at least ten gallons.

7th.—Accounts stated shall be included among securities made void by the 16th clause of chap. 22 of the Revised Statutes.

8th.—It shall not be necessary for any person wishing to take advantage of the Sixteenth clause of Chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes to plead the same specially, but advantage may be taken thereof at any stage of the trial on motion for non-suit.

9th.—Any person holding a License who shall sell intoxicating liquors to any Indian shall on proof thereof before a Justice of the Peace forfeit his license and also shall be liable to a

perialty of Twenty dollars for each offence, and in default of payment shall be imprisoned for a term of not less than ten days

nor more than twenty days.

10th.—It shall be lawful for the chief commissioner of Railways, or any person authorized by him, to seize and destroy all Intoxicating Liquors found exposed or intended for sale within the limits of the Railway, and for that purpose if necessary upon reasonable ground of suspicion forcibly to enter into any house or building within said limits and to seize and take away all such Intoxicating Liquors.

11th—No License shall be granted to any person who shall reside or have his place of business within the limits of the Railway, nor to any person who shall reside or have his occupation within any proclaimed Gold district; and all sales of Intoxicating liquors within such limits, or within such proclaimed Gold district, shall be deemed as made without license, notwithstanding the seller may hold a License, and he shall be liable to all penalties and ferfeitures incurred by those who sell without license.

12th-All Penalties under this Act shall be appropriated in

the same manner as those under the Acts hereby amended.

13th—No person shall be entitled to receive a Tavern License unless Fifteen days notice after the confirmation by the Court of Sessions of the Grand Jury, he shall have paid the fees for such License and entered into the Bonds required by Law.

14th—Section Three of Chapter 30 of the Acts of 1859 and the schedule to such Chapter, and so much of Chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as is inconsistent with this act is repealed.

15th—No part of this Act, except the 11th and 12th sections thereof, shall apply to the City of Halifax.

REPORT OF REV. ALEX. McARTHUR, P. G. W. P.

Lecturer for the Grand Division of Nova Scotia.

TO THE AGENCY COMMITTEE OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

Worthy Brothers,-

Leaving home on the twelfth of Feb., lecturing at River John and Pictou on my way—according to your instructions and directions I commenced my labours under your auspices in Hant's County and continued them in Kings, Annapolis and

Lunenburg during two months ending twelfth of April. The following table which I herewith submit will present you with a succinct view of the results of my temperance tour.

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I regret to state that the fatigue of travelling long distances over muddy roads, at the end of my tour exposed me to a severe cold, which in consequence of constant speaking brought on inflammation of the throat so that I was relunctantly compelled to give up several appointments in Lunenburg County.

It is my pleasing duty to bear testimony to the uniform welcome which I received from Temperance friends generally, and particularly to the many instances of hospitality and attention I met with from those kind friends with whom it was my

good fortune nightly to lodge.

hopeful in relation to the cause of Temperance, particularly the country districts. Shire towns are always exceptions. There has been a decline of Temperance to some extent in Pleasant Valley. Several once flourishing Divisions there are at present lying like so many skeletons on an old battle ground. There is a partial revival of the old custom of social drinking, side heards, &c. On the other hand it is pleasing to note in Cornwallis an extensive revival of Temperance effort. Good men and true, alarmed at the fact of this reaction are seeing the need of organized effort to maintain the ground which they have conquered from the "perfidious destroyer."

In some parts of the country the state of public feeling on the Temperance question is not always indicated by the existence of organizations. For instance, along the north shore of Minas Basin I found a very fine Temperance sentiment without an organization to represent it. There can be no doubt however that such a condition of things can be distinctly traced to the efforts of the early Temperance friends and former Societies.

There is, I am happy to state, a growing feeling everywhere as to the importance and need of Legislative enactments for the suppression of the Liquor traffic. It is being more and more perceived and acknowledged that this traffic is a crime against society and consequently ought to meet with entire prohibition by the Legislature. In many polling districts the people will hail Longley's amendments to the License Law as a great boon. They feel prepared to carry the law as amended into effect. Now that it has become law I feel sure that it will pave the way for total prohibition.

I had frequent occasion to treat the question on moral and religious grounds, and never failed to receive the approbation of christian people and ministers of religion. Experience confirms me in the belief that this cause cannot succeed with the clergy in a hostile or even neutral position in relation thereto. When the church seriously regards and treats intemperance as a sin, and the state the Liquor traffic as a crime, this reform will be

carried forward to a glorious consummation.

The want of one or more Temperance lecturers, who can devote their whole time to the cause, is imperatively felt. There is sufficient Temperance strength in the Province were it properly combined to effect this end. Touching this point I would respectfully call the attention of the committee to Pictou county as an example of what can be done in raising the means requisite to carry on such a work. Pictou county Temperance League is constituted of the various Temperance organizations of the county: Sons of Temperance, Temperance watchmen, and Total Abstinence Societies.—These organizations thus arranged under one head have been able to sustain a lecturer in the county, for a considerable length of time. I see nothing to hinder other counties having a similar institution and uniting their efforts and means to support a Provincial Temperance lecturer, who might divide his time among the counties rendering pecuniary aid.

The public are willing to listen to men of even ordinary talent on this subject. Large assemblies can be collected anywhere. Much remains to be done. The work of agitation and enlightenment must be carried on without abatement until victory perch

upon our standard.

Respectfully submitted In L. P. & F.

ALEX. McARTHUR.

APRIL, 1863.

NOTICE.

A Special Session of the Grand Division of Nova Scotia, will be held in the Division Room, Temperance Hall, on Wednesday, tenth day of June, proximo, at 2 o'clock, P. M., of which Representatives will please take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

All Representatives will please see that their Credentials are

duly forwarded in time.

It is hoped there will be a large attendance at the Meeting, as the Committee of arrangements are making an effort to get a reduction of travelling fares throughout the Province.

PATRICE MONAGHAN, G. S.

Halifax, N. S., May 4th, 1863.

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A Quarterly Session of the Grand Division of Nove Scotia will be held at Weymouth, Digby County, on Tuesday, 28th day of July, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

Returns and Per Capita Tax must be sent in to the Grand Scribe by the 20th day of July, as his Financial accounts will be

closed on the 21st.

County and Divisional Deputies are requested to send in their Quarterly Reports to the Grand Scribe (instead of to the G. W. P. as set forth in their Commissions) by the 20th day of July.

Returns of Liquor Traffic (printed circulars) for the year 1862, must be sent in by the 10th day of July. The No. of the Polling District for which Returns are made to be inserted in the proper place. Also the name of the place and signature of the D. G. W. P. or other party filling up the same.

Patrick Monaghan, G. S.

The following notice has been received from the Most Worthy Scribe, and is here published for information of those concerned:

To Patrick Monaghan, G. S., G. D. of Nova Scotia.

My DEAR BROTHER,-

You are hereby notified that the Nineteenth Annual Session of the National Division will be held in the city of Halifax, Nova

Scotia, on Thursday, June 11, at 10 o'clock, A M.

With this mail I send you as printed matter, 20 Circulars like the one enclosed, one of which I with you to send to each of your Representatives elect to the N. D. Allow me to express the hope that your Grand Division will be represented at the coming Session of the National Division.

The wants of each jurisdiction always require a representative on the floor of the N. D., and at this time we have the open handed hospitality of the Nova Scotia Brethren extended to us. Let us respond to it as freely as the invitation is tendered to us. Fraternally yours,

Saml. W. Hodges, Most Worthy Scribe.

PREPARATIONS FOR N. D. MEETING, &c.

The Committee of arrangements are making every effort to complete their Programme of proceedings as speedily as possible. At a meeting of the Committee held on 12th May, it was decided that the proceedings shall take place in following order as nearly as possible:—

Special Session of G. D. at 2 P. M. on Wednesday June

10th.

As most of the Members of the National Division will arrive by the afternoon Train from Windsor on same day, a Delegation will proceed to the Richmond Depot, in order to receive and conduct them to the Temperance Hall.

On Thursday morning, 11th June, at 8 o'clock, Members of National Division will be entertained at a Public Breakfast, at the Halifax Hotel. N. D. members outside of the Nova Scotia Jurisdiction will receive free tickets to the breakfast—and none others.

National Division will sit in Session in the forenoon and after-

noon of Thursday.

On Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock, a Grand Public reception—on which occasion addresses of welcome will be presented—will be given to the National Division in the large Room of the Temperance Hall.

Or Friday forenoon the National Division will sit in Session.

It is intended to have a Grand Procession of the Order on Friday afternoon, in which all Temperance Associations in the City—including the Bands of Hope—will be invited to participate. Visiting Brethren are requested to bring their Regalias with them. It may be well also, where a number of Brethren come from the same Division, that they bring their Banners with them, if they can conveniently do so.

A Public Meeting will be held in the Temperance Hall on

Friday evening.

It is expected that the Steamboat Excursion on the Harbor, &c., and a visit to Downs' Aviary, will come off on Saturday 13th, or Monday 15th.

The National Division will probably hold sittings on Saturday

and Monday.

It is hoped that friends in the City will afford facilities to our distinguished Brethren to visit our public institutions during their

stay in the City.

The Committee of arrangements intend as far as possible to provide accommodations for Representatives coming from the States and sister Provinces at the residences of friends—free of expense. In order to prevent misapprehension and disappointment, we would here say that Representatives to the National Division only are to be thus accommodated. The means of the Committee cannot afford any more than this.

We would urge Divisions, and Members individually, to assist

the fund of Committee by their contributions.

PERMANENT AGENCY FUND.—Since January Meeting of Grand Division, the Grand Scribe has received subscriptions to the Agency Fund as follows:—

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Members of Renfrew Div., Baddeck, C. B	\$4.62 1
A. Longley, Esq., Paradise,	1.00
G. S. Thompson, Esq., Halifax	1.00
New Era Div., Liverpool, qtr's. subs. 1½ cent on	
each member	1.23
Wm. Bryden, Liverpool, qtr's. subs	1.00
Grand Scribe, Halifax, atr's, subs	1:00
The following named have put down their names a	s Annual
Subscribers to the Fund of \$4.00 each:-	

Wm. Bryden, Liverpool. John L. Whytal, Halifax. Grand Scribe, Halifax.

New Era Div., Liverpool, 1½ cent per qtr., on each member on F. S. Books.

The Subscription List for Agency Fund is now open. Those friends willing to subscribe \$1, \$2, \$3, or \$4 annually, will please forward their names to the Grand Scribe at their earliest convenience.

The list of subscribers will be published in the Abstainer once a month until further notice. D. G. W. P.'s will please obtain subscribers to the fund, and forward names to the G. S.

Persons wishing to contribute towards the Permanent Agency Fund of Grand Division will please send in their names and contributious to the Grand Scribe. Such Divisions as have made appropriations during the past year will please send in the amounts voted as soon as convenient, in order that the services of the agents now employed may be continued.

The attention of Divisions and D. G. W. P.'s is directed to the Resolutions passed at the Annual Session, in reference to the Agency Department. (See page 338, Jour. Ann. Sess.)

It is requested that all Returns due for quarter ending March 31, 1863, be sent in immediately.

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

. The address of the G. W. P. is Avard Longley, Esq., Paradise, Annapolis County.

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

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

> P. Monaghan, Grand Scribe.