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Quarterly Report of G. S. to G. Division for Quarter beginning 1st July and ending 30th Sept. 1854.

Names of Divisions	No. of Division.	Location.	Number admitted.	Number suspended.	Number expelled.	Deaths.	Violated Pledge.	Reinstated.	Violated Pledge 2d time.	Contributing Members.	Cash received.	Paid for Benefits.	Cash on hand, including money invested.	Per Centage to G. Division.	Per centage not received	Withdrawn.	Rejected.	Representatives to G.D.
Acadia	1	Yarmouth									10 2 1	1 10 0	60 0 0	0 12 0				12
Central	2	Yarmouth								48	40 5 8	6 0 0	344 16 1	2 2 9				21
Milton	4	Yarmouth								171	20 16 1	10 10 0	135 3 4	2 2 9				22
Concord	5	Barrington								98	9 2 2	3 0 0	9 16 1	1 4 6				22
Chicoutic	6	Halifax								42	19 4 9	0 7 6	31 0 9	0 10 3				11
Micmac	29	Halifax								78	13 4 9	13 10 0	117 4 9	0 18 0				21
Mayflower	11	Liverpool								72	10 17 6	1 10 0	23 18 8	0 13 0				16
Victoria	6	Windsor								52	14 6 3	2 5 0	105 1 10	1 5 3				13
Avon	6	Newport								101	3 5 0	0 10 0	70 0 0	0 10 6				23
Avondale	13	Granville								42	9 9 8	2 10 0	72 10 0	0 14 3				13
New Castledonia	1	Westport								55	4 1 1	4 15 0	63 3 6	0 9 3				5
Westport	1	Pictou								54	7 18 1	1 10 0	84 16 6	0 11 6				16
Oriental	14	New Glasgow								46	3 5 1	1 0 0	25 9 0	0 7 0				2
New Glasgow	1	Yarmouth								28	4 4 4	0 15 0	72 8 6	0 15 0				5
Helbron	4	Windsor								29	16 13 0	3 10 0	15 0 0	0 9 3				9
Coldstream	5	Walton								40	4 2 6	0 10 0	7 15 9	0 6 3				12
Columbia	24	Weymouth								40	1 2 2	0 10 0	109 15 0	0 19 3				19
Roseway	26	Shelburne								40	4 5 0	2 12 6	15 11 1	0 9 6				10
Howard	5	Halifax								29	5 19 0	1 10 0	61 14 9	0 7 3				13
Cape Breton	6	N. Sydney								20	4 8 10	2 10 0	22 0 0	0 10 0				17
Wilberforce	1	N. Sydney								15	2 16 3	2 10 0	175 0 0	0 3 9				11
Prince William	1	N. Sydney								59	13 0 0	2 10 0	30 19 5	0 14 9				15
Prince of Wales	1	N. Sydney								57	6 13 1	3 19 3	23 1 5	0 14 3				15
Chester	3	N. Sydney								28	4 15 0	1 15 0	83 17 0	0 7 0				11
Mechanics	3	Chester								28	10 15 6	0 10 0	109 15 0	0 19 3				19
Cumberland	3	Dartmouth								38	4 5 0	4 0 0	34 14 6	0 5 0				2
Pugwash	1	Pugwash								20	4 5 7	4 0 0	6 2 6	0 2 6				3
Royal	1	Hillsborough								10	4 5 7	4 0 0	34 14 6	0 5 0				3
Morning Star	1	Cheveree								10	4 5 7	4 0 0	34 14 6	0 5 0				3
Archange	1	Sydney Mines								33	3 14 10	0 10 0	31 6 11	0 8 3				7
Truro	14	Truro								46	6 0 6	3 0 0	41 4 1	0 11 6				9
Oak	43	Kentville								34	3 5 2	3 0 0	3 6 0	0 8 6				7
Olive Branch	44	Bridgetown								36	4 1 3	0 10 0	19 17 4	0 9 0				9
Paradise	4	Winlot								25	4 14 4	1 10 0	15 0 0	0 6 3				1
Port Royal	4	Annapolis								43	3 7 10	2 10 0	17 11 0	0 9 9				13
Star	4	Cornwallis								136	17 15 11	15 0 0	85 5 0	0 7 0				11
Canard	4	Tatamagouche								21	3 1 7	1 5 0	5 9 7	0 14 0				11
Sirling Sun	3	Musquodoboit								40	2 7 1	1 5 0	12 8 3	0 5 3				16
Queen's Own	1	Liverpool								19	4 5 7	4 0 0	34 14 6	0 5 0				7
Mainmast	1	Riv. John, Pictou								20	4 5 7	4 0 0	34 14 6	0 5 0				3
Morning Star	1	St. Margaret's B.								10	4 5 7	4 0 0	34 14 6	0 5 0				3
Lunenburg	1	Lunenburg								33	3 14 10	0 10 0	31 6 11	0 8 3				7
Star in the East	2	Sydney, C. B.								46	6 0 6	3 0 0	41 4 1	0 11 6				9
Hantsport	2	Hantsport								33	3 13 9	3 0 0	41 4 1	0 11 6				7
Rock	8	Maitland								46	3 5 2	3 0 0	3 6 0	0 8 6				4
Harmony	6	Harmony								31	4 18 4	0 10 0	5 18 9	0 7 9				7
Aurora	6	Cornwallis								46	3 10 11	0 10 0	50 3 8	0 7 9				13
Lake	2	Antigonishe								40	1 8 10	2 10 0	17 11 0	0 9 9				10
Agricola	2	Cornwallis								32	4 5 8	15 0 0	16 14 0	0 8 0				10
Wallace	1	Sewanacke								30	4 16 3	3 0 0	30 6 11	0 7 6				6
Albion Mines	1	Albion Mines								44	6 6 9	3 0 0	13 0 0	0 7 6				10
Margaretville	1	Winnit								36	1 16 9	0 10 0	43 3 10	0 8 9				1
Iron Age	1	Londonerry								24	2 2 1	0 10 0	4 5 0	0 6 9				2
Father Matthew	4	Shubenacadie								25	1 8 2	0 10 0	14 6 1	0 6 3				15
Clements Arch	3	Clements Port								26	1 19 7	0 10 0	12 0 0	0 6 6				7
Bellevue	2	Stewiacke								24	4 4 0	0 10 0	0 6 2	0 6 0				4
Kellogg	2	North Sydney								28	4 4 0	0 10 0	0 6 2	0 7 0				4
Chetaucto	2	Douglas								80	9 10 1	2 12 5	100 0 0	1 0 0				17
Athenaum	0	Guy'sborough								27	6 17 1	3 0 0	19 19 1	0 6 9				2
Evening Star	3	Halifax								32	3 12 3	3 0 0	5 3 4	0 6 9				17
North	3	Lunenburg								42	3 9 10	4 10 0	25 0 0	0 10 6				6
Young Men's	3	Aylesford								16	1 10 0	4 10 0	8 8 0	0 4 0				10
Kingston	1	Yarmouth								16	0 3 1	1 2 6	1 5 1	0 4 0				5
Wilmot	103	Kingston								22	1 1 6	1 2 6	6 17 0	0 5 6				2
Garland	106	Canso								19	1 16 4	2 0 0	1 19 8	0 4 9				9
Friendship	107	Cornwallis								40	4 12 6	0 10 0	9 10 0	0 10 0				8
Compeer	108	Nappan								43	3 5 7	0 8 4	0 8 4	0 10 9				5
Victoria Mines	109	Nictaux								49	2 14 1	3 15 10	4 16 4	0 12 3				6
Wellington	110	Parrboro'								43	2 18 3	2 4 11	2 4 11	0 4 9				3
Parrboro'	10	Shubenacadie								19	2 6 10	1 15 10	1 15 10	0 5 3				3
Railway	4	Wolfville								21	0 18 7	1 15 10	1 15 10	0 5 3				3
Exeter	2	Shubenacadie								21	3 10 10	0 0 8	0 0 8	0 4 0				2
Maine Law	3	Shubenacadie								16	4 7 1	0 0 8	0 0 8	0 4 0				2
Phenix	2	Upper Rawden								29	7 14 4	9 7 3	0 0 8	0 7 3				4
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THE GRAND DIVISION OF NOVA SCOTIA.

SPECIAL SESSION.

TEMPERANCE HALL, Halifax, Oct. 21st, 1854.

The G. D. was opened in due form, the G. W. P., Rev. Dr. Cramp in the Chair. Roll of Officers called.

Present—G.W.P., G.W.A., G. Scribe, G. Sentinel.

Absent—G. Treasurer, G. Chap. G. Con., P.G.W.P.

The vacancies were filled by appointing brothers Quinan, G. Trea.; G. J. Creed, G. Chap.; Shean, G. Con.: Brown, P.G.W.P.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain. The G. D. declared open. The requisition calling this Special Session was read.

The Standing Committee on Credentials, reported those of the following representatives correct :—

W. P. William F. Randolph,	} Union, No. 6.
P. W. P. Edward J. Budd,	
Henry Stewart,	
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Wm. M. Jones,	
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Charles J. Cassitt,	
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Miles Woodman,	
Crocker Woodman,	

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 Wm. Ackhurst,
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 Thomas Wesley,
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 John Martin,
 John Henan,
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 Saml. Gray,
 J. E. Cabot,
 Thomas Nixon,
 E. R. Jost,
 P. J. Beuric,
 J. B. Flowers,
 Thomas Holder,
 R. McMillen,
 John Rarden,
 Thomas Conron,
 Robert Pendar,
 Edward Butler,
 Edward Joyce,
 R. M. Barratt,
 T. Wellington,
 W. Lawson,
 Jno. Uhlman,
 John L. Whytal,

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 Wm. Fenton,
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 John Lannigan,
 Fred. Bacon,
 Richard Dyer,
 Wm. Murray,
 Thomas Bauer,
 John Willoughby.

} Mayflower, No. 9.

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 P. W. P. Joseph Barnaby,
 W. A. S. Blewitt,
 Geo. S. Parker,
 John Aberdeen,
 Geo. J. Soutin,
 Nathan Payzant,
 Wm. Gold,
 James E. Mullhall,
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 Wm. Briden,
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 Moses Crossland,
 Charles Bill,
 Nathan D. West,
 Henry Whitman,
 Edward McLeod,
 James R. B. Bull,
 G. W. Bochner,
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 P. W. P. Thomas S. Harding,
 George B. Sandford,
 P. S. Burnham,
 John A. Jenkins,
 D. P. Allison,
 Simon Black,
 John Parker Smith,
 Lawrence Leadley,
 James Irons,
 John R. Martin,
 George Fuller,
 Edward Davidson,
 M. H. Goudge,
 Joseph Fuller,
 Mark Currie,

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 James Mosher,
 James W. Allison, Jr.
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 Nicholas Mosher, 3rd.
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 Hugh Chambers,
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 Charles D. Mumford,
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 Robert Delap,
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 Isaiah Delap,
 Wm. Young,
 Daniel James,
 Israel L. Troup,
 Stephen B. Troup,
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 James Van Blencum,
 Shadrick Parker,
 Joseph Shaw,
 Stephen Parker,
 Jeremiah Gilliat,
 Job Wade,
 Wm. Webb,
 Samuel Pickup,
 Wm. H. Gilliatt,
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 Walter Mills,</p> | } | <p>New Caledonia, No. 14.</p> |
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 James P. McLellan,
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 Adam McKean,
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 James Allen,
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 Richard Tanner,
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 James Skinner,</p> | } | <p>Oriental, No. 16.</p> |

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Howard, No. 26.—W. P. Robert Boak. P. W. P. J. W. Johnston, James Spike, John Metzler, Wm. Full, Wm. Scott, Simon Barss. George G. Gray, C. Vaux, R. W. Reese, J. A. Johnston, J. W. Johnston, Jr., W. H. Neal, Robert Motton, Richard Currie.

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Wilberforce, No. 28.—W. P. Thomas C. Wheelock. P. W. P. Wm. Baker, James P. Dodge, Wm. A. Fowler, Wm. Gates, Samuel C. Longley, Jos. Dodge, Manning McGregor, Walter Welton, Busby Gates, Chas. Armstrong, Beniah Morse.

Chester, No. 32.—P. W. P. Isaac Hume, James Mosher, James Bond, John L. Corkham, John Ridden, Senr., John Stuart, Wm. Evens, James Morgan, Robert Smith, William Reeves.

Mechanics, No. 34.—W. P. R. McLearn. P. W. P. Martin Pheney, J. W. Turner, Jon. Elliott, N. Russell, Alex. James, Chas. Robson, S. Selden, E. Foster, Wm. Foster, Henry Brown, John Burton, Peter J. Kuhn.

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Pugwash, No. 36.—P. W. P. Henry G. Bennett, Wm. H. Rogers, D. J. Rogers, Daniel Rogers, Angus McGilvery, James Hitchins, Wm. Gould, James A. Elliott, Angus Campbell, Kenneth Ross, Henry Seamen.

Royal, No. 37.—P. W. P. William Nicholl, Edward Clark, Andrew Harris, Wm. F. Marshall, Wm. S. Purdy, Wm. Dunn, Edward Welsh, Freeman McDormand, Charles Peters, Caleb S. Phiney, Edward Copelan, Richard Clark, Wm. Hanley, Nelson Miller, James Nicholl.

Morning Star, No. 38.—P. W. P. John Burgess, Senr., Thomas Malcom, Senr., Daniel McCallan, Thos. A. Malcom, Charles D. Burgess, Jeremiah McComber, Benj. Bradshaw, George R. Wilcot, John S. Card, John Caldwell, James A. Smith, Jos. Masters, Isaiah Malcom, Samuel Caldwell.

Truro, No. 41.—P. W. P. A. L. Archibald, George Reading,

James K. Blair, Charles Blanchard, Chas. H. Blair, Jas. F. Blanchard, Charles B. Archibald, S. G. W. Archibald, Jothan B. McCulley, Jothan B. Waddell, James Kent, E. F. Munroe, David Page, Charles D. Upham, Andrew Moore, Richard Craig, Rev. D. W. C. Diinock, Edward Archibald, Isaac N. Archibald.

Olive Branch, No. 44.—W.P. S. T. Neily. P.W.P. Silas L. Morse, John A. Morse, Benj. S. Fellows, James E. Fellows, George Fellows, Enoch Dodge, William H. Morse, W. H. Chipman, Walter Ricketson, Thos. Spurr, John B. Currell, John E. Forsyth.

Port Royal, No. 46.—(No Seal).—P.W.P. A. W. Corbett, James Corbett, Andrew Davidson, Wm. Ritchie, Thomas Burton, John Whitman, R. Harris, Welcom Wheelock, W. H. Roach, George Purdie, George Lecain, Charles James, Simon W. Riley, Senr., S. W. Riley, Jr., L. E. Van Buskirk, J. F. Lecain.

Star, No. 49.—P.W.P. Jos. Freeman, Jacob Locke, David Eisenhauer, Jas. McDonald, Enos C. Locke, Jas. Collie, Joshua Chadsey, John Locke, Senr., Samuel T. Eldridge, Jas. Lloyd, Martin Ringon.

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Mainmast, No. 57.—P. W. P. John Gauld, John McQuanie, Stuart Burns.

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Lake, No. 71.—W.P. William C. Bill. P.W.P. Nathan Tupper, Wm. Chase, Samuel Sweet, James Cox, C. C. Morse, James Bligh,

Jeremiah Bligh, James M. Silver, Elisha Eaton, Valentine E. Lawrence, David Lawrence, Thomas Lawrence.

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Albion Mines, No. 79.—P.W.P. Hector McKenzie, Neal McKay, J. Wier, Duncan McKay, John Kerr, Hector Fraser.

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Iron Age, No. 82.—P.W.P. A. W. McLellan.

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Evening Star, No. 97.—P.W.P. John M. Watson, Elias N. Oxner, George Anderson, William Cronin, James Eisenhauer, Charles Morash, James P. Milward, Benjamin Dauphine.

Invincible, No. 100.—P.W.P. Abraham Van Buskirk, Wm. S. West, William Rhodes, Chas. Sandford, John Rockwell, Joseph M. Taylor.

Kingston, No. 102.—(No Seal). W.P. Henry McRene. P.W.P. E. Wheelock, G. H. Parker, W. H. Baker, A. T. Baker, John Wheelock, Jos. L. McKenna, Parker Baker, Olden Banks.

Wilnot, No. 103.—P.W.P. Spinney Whitman.

Garland, No. 105.—P. W. P. Stephen Nichols, Henry Hall, Charles Brown, Charles Hall, Edward C. Charlton, Eliakum Tupper, Gideon Beardsley, Joseph Swindle.

Victoria Mines, No. 108.—(No Seal). W. P. Stephen B. Willett. P. W. P. Thos. Hardy, James Bent, Thos. Banks, John Barteaux. Elias Grimes, Samuel McKeowen, Benj. H. Parker, Chas. Bortaux.

Parrsboro' No. 110.—W. P. Fred. York. P. W. P. E. D. W. Ratchford, Cyprion Davidson, John Lockhart, A. P. Bradley, Wm. Vickery, David Lockhart, Edward Vickery.

Railway No. 111.—(No Seal). P. W. P. Francis R. Parker, Peter Etter, James K. McHefsey, Thomas McKenzie, David Moore, John Cooke.

Wolfville, No. 112.—W. P. Watson Eaton. P. W. P. W. H. Troop, Dr. S. Fitch, John Rounsefell, Rev. J. M. Cramp.

Exeter, 113.—(No Seal.) P. W. P. John B. Cotter, W. R. Wallace, J. J. Blackburn:

Maine Law, No. 114. P. W. P. Jeffery Burgess, James Withrow, Isaac Withrow, George H. Madill.

Phoenix, No. 115.—(No Seal.) W. P. James B. Tabor. P. W. P. Benj. W. C. Manning, John Tobin.

Salem, No. 116.—W. P. Welwood Reynolds. P. W. P. James Murray.

Southampton, No. 117.—(No Seal.) W. P. Tillet Harrison. P. W. P. Henry Harrison.

Flowing Fountain, No. 118.—W. P. John McKenzie. P. W. P. John D. McDonald, Peter Fraser, Rev. James Ross.

The Grand Conductor retired and introduced the following representatives: Wm. Brown, No. 7; Thomas Granville, W. G. Lawson, and R. S. Pender, No. 8; Martin Pheeney, No. 34, who were duly initiated and took their seats.

On motion, Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to consider the order of Business to be observed at the Annual Session, and report such recommendations as they may deem necessary, at the first Session on Wednesday: brothers J. S. Thompson, R. McLearn and George VanBuskirk were appointed that Committee.

On motion, Resolved, That a Public Meeting be held on Thursday Evening, 26th instant, under the auspices of this G. D., and that brothers Barratt, Selden, Shean, Motton and Monaghan be a Committee to carry it into effect.

The G. D. was then closed.

ANNUAL SESSION.

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HALIFAX, Wednesday, 25th October, 1854.

The Grand Division opened in due form, the G.W.P. Rev. Dr. Cramp in the Chair. Roll of Officers called.

*Present*—G.W.P., Rev. Dr. Cramp; G.W.A. Richard McLearn; G. Scribe, Wm. Scott; G. Con., D. Mosher, Junr.; G. Sentinel, P. Monaghan.

*Absent*—G. Treasurer, Nathan Tupper, G. Chap. Rev. J. C. Cochran, P.G.W.P. Rev. George Christie.

The vacancies were filled by appointing brothers Blewitt, G. Treasurer; Rev. J. Cameron, G. Chaplain; Reading, P.G.W.P.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain. The G. D. declared open for business.

The G. Conductor retired and introduced the following representatives: Rev. Alex. McArthur, No. 16; Isaac Hume, No. 32; who were duly initiated and took their seats.

The minutes of Special Session held on 21st instant, were read and confirmed.

Brother Thompson reported from the Committee appointed at the Special Session, in reference to the order of business:

At a Special Session of the Grand Division, held on the evening of Saturday, the 21st instant, a Committee was appointed to consider of business which requires the attention of the Grand Division at its approaching Annual Session, and recommend certain topics for deliberation;—which Committee report as follows:

The Committee do not consider it requisite to call the attention of the Grand Division to more than three questions, of a general character; several other topics of interest may be included in routine, or may come up in the course of the Session. The questions alluded to, may be thus expressed:

How may the establishing of a Law, for the prohibition of the traffic in Intoxicating Liquors, be best advanced or secured in reference to the next session of the Provincial Legislature?

Shall the Athenæum Newspaper, as an organ of Temperance and Moral and Intellectual Progress, generally, be carried successfully over the present crisis of its affairs, by the Temperance People of Nova Scotia,—and how?

Is the Order of the Sons of Temperance in the Province, in the vigorous state which its excellent organization, its great promises, and its vast objects, require,—and if not, how best may its prosperity be revived and advanced?

The Committee respectfully recommend the consideration of these questions to the Grand Division, and that they be taken up, on the afternoon of Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, respectively, in the order in which they are stated, if they are not sooner considered and determined. In Love, Purity and Fidelity.

J. S. THOMPSON,  
GEO. VANBUSKIRK,  
RICH. McLEARN.

Adopted.

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

*On the State of the Order*—Brothers Rev. J. Cameron, George Reading, and Edwin Sterns.

*On Communications*—W. A. S. Blewitt, Rev. A. McArthur, J. S. Thompson.

*Auditing Committee*—A. J. Ritchie, R. M. Barratt.

The G.W.P. read his report as follows:—

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

*Officers and Brethren*:—In presenting my final Report, I have again to express my regret that I have been unable to furnish to the Grand Division, at its Quarterly Sessions, such information respecting the state of our Order in this Province as it is desirable to possess. Confined, for the most part, to one spot, in the discharge of my official duties in Acadia College, extensive visitation of the Divisions was impracticable. I have taken advantage, during the year, of such opportunities as were in my power, to lecture on Temperance and attend public meetings; but those opportunities were not so numerous as could be wished. Nevertheless, I have laboured in various ways to promote the advancement of our noble cause, and I have reason to believe that my efforts have not been wholly without effect.

With a view to obtain more accurate and full information on the state of the Order, a circular was addressed in August last to the Deputies throughout the Province, requesting them to forward to me replies to certain queries contained therein. Forty-two Deputies have held commissions during the year. I am sorry to inform the Grand Division that only twenty-two of them have transmitted replies to the circular, so that it is impossible for me to present a complete report. I can only place before you a few items of information gleaned from the above mentioned replies.

After stating that Aurora Division, No. 70, has been “gradually increasing” since the last annual session, brother Harrington of

Antigonish refers to the fact that the renewal of Licenses, which had been withheld for several years, has operated very injuriously in that district, and that several Sons of Temperance have yielded to the force of temptation.

Brother Corbitt of Annapolis deplures the "carelessness and lukewarmness" manifested in that place, and the hostility shown by some influential persons; but he expresses a hope that "having stood it all through thus far," the Sons will ultimately prevail.

Clements Arch Division, No. 86, brother Ditmars reports, "has not progressed," numerous expulsions having taken place, "chiefly for non-payment of dues; several members, however, have been recently proposed, and it is expected that during the winter months prosperity will return."

Agricola Division, No. 72, "has made considerable progress;" Wilmot Division, No. 88, evinces less energy, but, as brother S. F. Creelman states, "there are zealous and praiseworthy individuals connected with that Division, who have made considerable sacrifices for the cause."

Brother Caldwell reports favourably concerning the Divisions in Windsor and Hantsport; respecting the latter place, he says that "the whole community, with few exceptions, are temperate."

Six Divisions have been under the care of brother (Rev.) J. Cameron. Two of them, Exeter, No. 113, and Maine Law, No. 114, have been formed during the year, and now number 21 members each. Rock Division, No. 63, was reorganized last February: there were then eleven members, and they have increased to thirty-four. The other three Divisions (Father Matthew, No. 85, Kellogg, No. 92, and Railway, No. 111,) are also on the increase. There are difficulties and dangers of a peculiar kind in that district, and they can only be overcome by undeviating consistency on the part of the Sons of Temperance; I trust that there will be no failure in that respect.

Of the three Divisions placed under the charge of brother (Rev.) A. S. Hunt, Canard, No. 50, is by far the most active and healthy. "It embraces," brother Hunt observes, "a large number of the most respectable and influential members of the community, who give much of their time and energy to the work; consequently, the Division has enjoyed a gradual increase. Its influence on the community is acknowledged by all parties." Lake, No. 71, has not prospered of late, owing to some circumstances which have tended to disunite its members; and Oak, No. 43, has not been in working order for some time, but hope is entertained that it will shortly resume its position.

Brother Marsters states that Invincible and Garland Divisions (Nos. 100 and 105) are struggling with difficulties, but that Aurora, No. 68, is in a very satisfactory condition; "the regular meetings are well attended, and the members are making vigorous efforts to obtain signatures to the petitions to the Legislature for the Maine Law, and funds for the support of a Temperance Lecturer."

Wolfville Division, No. 112, I am happy to report, is still going on well.

Brother Roach of Amherst informs me that of the five Divisions in his district, three have ceased to exist, while a new one has been organized in Maccan, and Parrsborough Division is "in a very flourishing state."

Star in the East Division, No. 61, is not increasing, but its members are "faithful to their obligations and zealous in the cause." Brother McQueen, the Deputy, says—"a fruitful source of almost all the drinking habits of this community has recently been removed, by the withdrawal of the troops from Sydney, where a Company has been stationed for the last 80 or 90 years, by whose support all the low grog shops sprung up and thrived. Many of those grog shops have already been closed, and the keepers of them have betaken themselves to more legitimate industry, or have left the country. From these circumstances the Sons here are led to anticipate additions to their numbers and the gradual extirpation of the evil."

Brother Reading reports "a considerable decrease in the number of the members of the Order in Truro." Fourteen were expelled last Quarter for non-payment of dues; but brother R. says that "they are all strictly Temperance men, so that it would not be fair to infer that the Temperance Cause is declining on that account."

The cause is advancing in Liverpool. Brother Blewitt states that Victoria Division, No. 10, "has been working most harmoniously, and increasing in numbers nightly—the brethren vying with each other how they can best advance the interests of the Order. . . . The meetings have been enlivened with animating debates during the greater part of this Term." Queen's Own Division, No. 54, which has not been in working order during the last Quarter; is about to resume operations.

Brother Bowen, of North Sydney, says, "I am happy to state that the Divisions (Cape Breton, No. 29, Archangel, No. 40, and Bethlehem, No. 89,) are in good working order," and that though they do not increase in number, their influence is felt in Society. Brother Bowen adds—"I have observed a great reform in our shipping within the last few years, particularly those engaged in the Newfoundland trade. Five years ago there was scarcely a vessel that did not enter spirits as ship's stores; now, there is not one in a hundred that enters any, or has it on board."

In Star Division, No. 49, serious loss has been sustained, some of "the most active and influential members" having died during the year; but brother Locke, the Deputy, observes—"we hope to gain strength. Unanimity prevails among all our members, and good feeling towards the cause is maintained throughout."

Brother Geddes of Barrington reports that the Order "has not receded, neither has it very materially advanced during the past year. From the thinness of the population, and the scattered condition and avocations of the people, there are few localities favourable to the working of our Order in this Township." No open or secret grogery has existed in Barrington itself for 20 years; but the influence of alcohol is felt in the neighbourhood, and the people "are almost unanimously agreed that the time has come for a stringent law."

In the Communications received from the Deputies having charge of the Divisions in New Glasgow, Tatamagouche, Londonderry, Guysborough, St. Margaret's Bay, Chester, Shelburne, Wilnot, and Weymouth, there is no information sufficiently interesting to lay before the Grand Division. Some of those Divisions, I fear, exhibit a retrograde movement.

There are twenty one Temperance Halls in the districts from which I have received Reports; the cost of their erection was about £3500. In the same districts there are twenty-four clergymen, of various denominations, members of our Order, and thirty-eight other clergymen, not members of the Order, who advocate the cause of Temperance. There are also thirty Temperance or Total Abstinence societies, bearing different designations, and numbering upwards of 6000 members.

The statistical details which will be presented to you by the Grand Scribe will inform you respecting the state of the Order in this Province, numerically considered. With reference to its condition in other respects, different opinions will probably be entertained, according to the point of view from which individuals may take their survey. Some, looking at the number expelled for non-payment of dues, will be disposed to conclude that considerable declension has taken place; and they will be confirmed in that conclusion by the indications of sluggishness and indifference, and the inattention to duty, which, it must be confessed, distinguish many of the Divisions. On the other hand, it may be maintained that the excision of the members referred to, like the cutting out of unsound flesh, leaves the body in a healthier state, and prevents further mischief. It will be also observed, that all great enterprises are liable to alternations of progress and decline, and that our Institution is peculiarly exposed to such changes, because many who join it have been but recently delivered from an evil which still spreads its alluring besetments around them, tempting them to relapse, and not unfrequently with success. Notwithstanding, therefore, those drawbacks in our prosperity to which I have adverted, and although in some districts the drinking habit has of late been revived, the Grand Division may surely be congratulated on the prevalence and extent of our principles. They have firm hold on a large portion of the people of Nova Scotia. Final success depends, under God, on our perseverance. If we continue steadfast, the ultimate triumph is certain. But we must be united as well as faithful. We must give ourselves to the work with the whole heart, not suffering difference of opinions on other subjects to interfere with our action as Sons of Temperance. And we must *all* be engaged in it; no one can be exempted from the obligation to labour.

In my last Report I gave an account of the proceedings of the National Division, as far as they affected the Order, generally. The Journal has since reached me. I find in it the following notice of the action of the National Division in reference to an application made in pursuance of a vote of this Grand Division at its last annual Session:—



“The Committee on Constitutions submitted the following

### REPORT.

“The Committee on Constitutions have under consideration, the request of the Grand Division of Nova Scotia for power to strike out certain words from their charter.

We are of opinion that charters of a Grand or Subordinate Division should not be mutilated by erasures; and as the Grand Division has the power at an Annual Session to designate its places of meeting, there is no necessity for the erasure; and in view of the further fact that the charter as it now reads agrees with the fact as recorded by the National Division, there would be a manifest impropriety in contradicting the record.”

The Report of the Committee was agreed to.

The Constitutions of the various branches of the Order have been reprinted, amended in accordance with resolutions passed at the last session of the National Division. But although it is stated, in an addition made to Article 5, Sect. 2, of the Constitution of Subordinate Divisions, that “the amount of all initiation fees and weekly dues” is “to be regulated by each Division,” the addition in question appears in connection with an article that relates to excepted cases, and not to the members at large; while Article 6, Sect. 1, which declares that “the regular dues shall not be less than five cents per week” is left unaltered. Being convinced, on a perusal of the Journal, that it was the intention of the National Division to give to Subordinate Divisions the entire control of their funds, and that Article 6, Sect. 1. ought to have been altered accordingly, I corresponded with the Most Worthy Patriarch and the Most Worthy Scribe, and their replies to my communications confirm the impressions which I had entertained. Article 6, Sect. 1. has been inadvertently left unchanged; but I am authorised by the Most Worthy Patriarch to inform the Grand Division that the Subordinate Divisions will be fully justified in regulating their fees and dues at their discretion, in the assurance that the necessary legislation will take place at the next meeting of the National Division. In presenting this statement, I beg to congratulate the Grand Division on the result. Many persons who would have joined the Order for the sole purpose of aiding the great Cause of Temperance, having no desire to participate in benefits, have been deterred by the expense, there being no power to adjust the fees and dues so as to meet the case. That difficulty is now removed. The Subordinate Divisions have it in their power to adopt a graduated scale of fees and dues, and thus to avail themselves of the co-operation of zealous friends of Temperance, who will now be able to join the Order, and remain “in the position of members not entitled to benefits.”

The Agency Committee appointed by the Grand Division succeed-

ed, in August last, in securing the services, for a limited time, of brother James Cooper, P. G. W. P. of the Grand Division of P. E. I. Brother Cooper has visited the Eastern portion of the Province and the Island of Cape Breton, lecturing, and inspecting the subordinate Divisions. His efforts have been doubtless productive of great benefit. I am happy to inform you that he is present on this occasion.

The present position of the Temperance cause, generally, affords ground for satisfaction and gratitude. The truth of our principles is conceded. Men shrink from the advocacy of alcoholic drinks. Whatever excuses may be framed for indulgence, and however unwilling they may be to admit the necessity for the adoption of extreme measures, they are compelled to acknowledge that we are right in the main. The cholera experience of this year has also furnished terrible proof of the soundness of our views, in the havoc that has been made among the intemperate, and the comparative exemption of abstainers, very few of whom have fallen victims to the pestilence. And it must be regarded as a significant fact that the Temperance agitation has attracted the notice of the *Edinburgh Review*, one of the most influential Journals in the world, and wrung from an able writer in that Review important concessions in favour of the cause in which we are engaged. The article to which I refer contains, it is true, some pleasantry at our expense; but the arguments we are accustomed to employ are fairly stated, and thousands have now had an opportunity to inform themselves on the subject, to whom a Temperance publication would have been offered in vain. The insertion of that article shows that public opinion is extensively in our favour in the mother country. Our noble army gains every day new accessions there—a result to which the powerful and inexhaustible eloquence of Mr. Gough has materially contributed.

The war is carried on in the United States, I am happy to report, with characteristic vigour and growing success. In those States in which prohibitory laws have been enacted, they are put in force with an energy perfectly astounding to the Rumsellers; and preparations are going on in almost every other part of the Union for the extinction of the evil traffic at no very remote period. In far distant countries the anti-liquor agitation has been commenced, and since the recent annual session of the National Division our present M. W. P. has issued the necessary documents for the introduction of our Order into the District of Kansas, New Mexico, the Sandwich Islands, and Australia.

Permit me now, Officers and Brethren, to offer a few practical suggestions with reference to the present state of our Order in this Province.

In the first place, I beg to remind you of the essential importance of punctuality in attending the weekly meetings of the Divisions. The spirit and life of the Order depend upon it. If, as some think, there has been of late any declension, or falling off in energy, I know of no more likely way of bringing about a revival, than a general determination of every member to be always at his post. Neglect of

attendance cannot fail to diminish the interest felt in the cause, while regularity tends to keep alive attachment, excite sympathy, and encourage enterprise.

Ought we not also, in our respective neighbourhoods, to employ strenuous efforts for the increase of the Order? The pecuniary objection being now removed, it is specially incumbent on us to seek the co-operation of those numerous friends of Temperance who have hitherto stood aloof, and whose aid will be invaluable at the present crisis. It is peculiarly desirable to enlist in our ranks the young men of the community, not only as a safeguard to themselves, but that the object we have in view may gain all the advantage to be derived from their vigour and activity.

It deserves consideration, further, whether great benefit may not accrue from the establishment of Libraries and Reading Rooms in connection with the Divisions, thus substituting useful and improving gratification for the brutifying indulgences in which the lovers of alcohol take delight. Such arrangements will not only promote individual pleasure, but will also extend and perpetuate the influence of the Order by increasing its intelligence.

Frequent public meetings are absolutely necessary to our prosperity. Without them it will be impossible to secure and retain the sympathy of the public at large; besides which, they are admirably adapted for the exercise and discipline of native talent. Professed speakers need not be waited for; if the brethren will take care to inform themselves accurately and continuously respecting the state of Temperance affairs, they will be able to conduct meetings in their respective localities without foreign aid, whether they assume the form of conferences or discussions, or are composed of set addresses.

I may also suggest the propriety of co-operating with other Temperance organizations. The Temperance and Total Abstinence Societies which preceded the establishment of our Order performed a great work. I rejoice to learn that in some places they have been recently revived. We should encourage and assist them, not only because they are kindred Institutions, but because they may be appropriate nurseries to the Order. In this connection a reference may be made to the Temperance League lately constituted in this Province, chiefly for the purpose of promoting a prohibitory liquor law. The simplicity of the object commends it to public approval. It will doubtless be patronized by the friends of Temperance, of all orders and organizations.

Penetrated with the conviction that our success depends, in a great measure on the extent to which we avail ourselves of the use of the press, the most powerful organ of influence the world has ever seen. I earnestly entreat you to be adventurous in this matter. New vigour should be infused into your periodical, and it should be placed at once on a secure and permanent basis. And it would be advantageous, as I hinted on a former occasion, to provide for a systematic distribution of tracts, particularly on the subject of the Maine Law. These operations will require considerable outlay, but success is not otherwise

attainable, and if we can deliver our country from the curse of the liquor traffic we shall not grudge the price that may have to be paid for the deliverance.

This leads me to speak of Agency. Something has been done during the year. Brother Johnson laboured for five months, and his labours were very serviceable. Brother Christie has lectured in many places with great effect. Recently, brother Cooper, as I have already observed, has given us the benefit of his services in the Eastern part of the Province. But it must be obvious to the members of the Order, that if we would accomplish our purpose, this department of effort must be extended and invigorated. There should be two General Agents always in the field, or such measures adopted as may secure from various sources an amount of labour equal to that which two Agents, continually employed, would perform. So much benefit would result from such arrangements, that the Divisions, it cannot be doubted, would cheerfully supply funds to meet the expenditure.

I come now to the great question—the Prohibitory Law. When the late M. W. P. the Hon. Judge O'Neill, retired from office, he addressed the National Division in the following words:—

“You, too, have taken up the glorious watchword, *Prohibition*. Let it prevail everywhere. Let every Son of Temperance, as he plunges into the fight, remember it is for this we are in arms. It is for this we are to press on by every legitimate means until it is obtained. Remember it in your arguments; above all remember it at the ballot box. Let your rulers hear it, and make them, like Felix, tremble in the judgment seat. Truth—our cause is truth—will prevail.”

Our present M. W. P. responded thus:—

“I most heartily concur in the sentiments just advanced by my venerable and honoured predecessor, that to secure the consummation of our hearts' desire, our watchword must be '*Prohibition*.' Let every State in your vast Union, and every Province on this continent be aroused with the cry—and may their inhabitants never cease their efforts till a decided and glorious victory has been achieved.”

“*Prohibition*,” then, is our war-cry—prohibition, and nothing less. We must follow in the wake of the people of Ohio, and our Legislature, like theirs, must declare the groggery a public nuisance, to be dealt with accordingly. Our representatives must again hear the voices of their constituents, and must prepare themselves for compliant action, nor will there be any difficulty on that score, when the popular will has been expressed with sufficient significance. It is ours, in unison with other Temperance Institutions, to inform the public mind, and agitate, and persevere, never quailing, never fainting, till a prohibitory law shall usher in the jubilee, the triumph of benevolence and justice, the day of freedom to the wretched slaves of intemperance. We have power—and our opponents know it. Let it be

used with boldness and discretion, and the downfall of the traffic is sure. You will doubtless give to this subject your most earnest consideration, and form such plans as shall satisfy the expectations of the people of Nova Scotia.

It may be proper to suggest that the ensuing session of the Legislature will be the last before another general election. It may be fairly argued that Members of the Assembly who desire re-election will be anxious to avoid incurring the displeasure of their constituents by any vote clashing with their views. Is not the present, therefore, a most favourable season for the renewal of our application? Are we not entitled to expect that no friend of Temperance will aid by his vote to send an anti-prohibitory law man to the Legislature? And will not the declaration of this resolve exert a salutary influence on existing and prospective Legislators?

Officers and brethren :—having now adverted to the principal topics that appeared to me, to require notice in this Report, I conclude by reminding you that it is above all things necessary to carry on this enterprise under a deep consciousness of responsibility to God and our fellow creatures. Ours is not the petty strife of party, or the clamour of a faction. It is the protest of christianised humanity against a death-dealing traffic. It is the stern purpose of men who have heard the wail of the widow and orphan, bereft of their all by that traffic, and hold themselves bound to avenge their cause. It is the conflict of virtue with vice, of right with wrong. We cannot shrink from the conflict without guilt. We cannot withdraw from the field and be blameless. Intemperance is ruining men, soul and body, by tens of thousands. We dare not look on with indifference, or refrain from stretching out the hand to save. “If thou forbear to deliver them that are drawn into death, and those that are ready to be slain; if thou sayest, Behold, we know it not,—doth not he that pondereth the heart consider it? And he that keepeth thy soul, doth he not know it? and shall not he render to every man according to his works?”

To the rescue, then,—and may God defend the right!

Respectfully submitted, in Love, Purity, and Fidelity,

J. M. CRAMP,

*Grand. Worthy Patriarch.*

HALIFAX, Oct. 25, 1854.

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

HALIFAX, October 25th, 1854.

GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCH, OFFICERS, AND BROTHERN :

In the natural course of events we are again assembled in Annual Session, and it becomes our duty to weigh well our responsibilities, and devise such means for the furtherance of the Cause of Temperance, as may be deemed the best suited to advance the principles of Total Abstinence from all that intoxicates.

It would be needless for me to occupy the time of this Grand Division, after the very able Report of our G. W. P. so replete with valuable information, and embracing all the topics in connection with our cause necessary to be brought before us; and I shall therefore confine myself to statistical information in connection with this office.

It would also be fruitless to complain of the want of punctuality in forwarding the Quarterly returns to this office, having so repeatedly done so, without success, I will merely say that it prevents my giving such attention to the report expected from me, as to enable me to do justice to myself or the Order; many of the returns only reach me of the eve of the sessions of G. D.

A misunderstanding appears to exist in the minds of brethren, from the fact of the National Division at its last annual session having amended the constitution of G. Divisions, to enable them to exact from Subordinate Divisions, one shilling per quarter for each member on the F. S's Book, where the Financial affairs of the G. D. may require it; this amendment having been reported by the G. W. P at the July Session of this G. D., it has been taken by several Divisions as the action of this body in reference to the Order in this Province, and has caused a good deal of uneasiness, and enquiry upon the subject, which I have allayed by explanation. Our Bye Laws provide for three pence only being exacted from the Subordinate Divisions for each member on the F. S's Book, I trust therefore that the brethren will feel satisfied on this head.

The National Division having granted to Subordinate Divisions, the privilege of abridging the initiating service of the new Ritual, with certain restrictions, the Divisions in the city appointed Committees for that purpose, and having adopted a form in concurrence with the privilege, with consent of the G. W. P., I have had Five hundred copies printed for the use of Subordinate Divisions, that each officer taking part in the Ceremony might have a copy, thereby facilitating the matter; a set of five copies will be furnished for Two shillings and six pence. I also prepared a new form of Blank return, which has been printed for the use of Subordinate Divisions, and will be furnished at the rate of Two shillings and sixpence per dozen, it simplifies the duty and elicits a greater amount of information than the old form; one was sent to each Subordinate Division previous to the end of the Quarter—punctuality in forwarding the returns to this office, would speak more for the prosperity of the Order than can be imagined. Experience convinces me, that where carelessness and indifference exist in this respect, apathy in respect to the cause of Temperance is also to be found, and on the contrary, where Divisions are punctual in attending to these duties, the cause in those localities is in a flourishing condition; would that all were so, for if every Division in the Province was a living branch of the noble Tree of Temperance, receiving nourishment from the Trunk and in return bearing fruit, the light would soon beam around and shine into the hearts of many now opposed to us, and cause them to come.

to our help, and then the slothful and the sluggards now amongst us would be roused into renewed activity and vigorous action, and the whole land be covered with lecturers. Unfortunately we have too many withered branches, neither receiving nor giving nourishment to the vine, and I fear that the pruning knife will have to be called into service, to lop them off; how can apathy and indifference exist in such a noble cause, having for its object the good of all mankind, especially when the enemy are strong and powerful, and our utmost exertions are needed to give us the victory.

In accordance with a vote passed at Canard, Cornwallis, in April last. I have had one Thousand Copies of Constitution and Bye-laws of this Grand Division printed, for distribution among the members of this body at this session.

During the recess an engagement was entered into with brother D. G. W. P., J. B. Cooper Esq., of P. E. Island, to visit the Divisions and lecture in the Eastern Section of the Province, including Cape Breton. That brother is now among us and prepared to give a report of his Mission, which I have no doubt will prove highly satisfactory.

Two new Divisions have been instituted since the last session of Grand Division: "Southampton" No. 117, at Maccan County Cumberland, by D.G.W.P., Page; and "Flowing Fountain," No. 118, at Durham Village, County of Pictou, by D. G. W. P., J. D. B. Fraser.

Queen's Own and Iron Age Divisions have resumed work, and it is to be hoped, that others now dormant will follow their example in this respect.

Lalla Rookh 83, and Britannia 91, have surrendered their Charters; North Star 58, also surrendered its Charter, for the purpose of uniting with the Mic-Mac Division No. 8, most of the members have joined the latter Division by Card, as will appear by the returns.

The following Divisions have sent in their returns for the quarter ending 30th June, since my last report, viz.: Acadia No. 1, Central 2, Milton 4, Concord 5, Union 6, New Caledonia 14, Westport 16, Hebron 19, Walton 23, Roseway 25, Pugwash 36, Royal 37, Truro 41, Rising Sun 52, Rock 63, Harmony 67, Aurora 68, Aurora 70, Iron Age 82, Bethlehem 89, Chedabucto. 93, Invincible 100, Young Mens 101, Wilmot 103, Garland 105, Railway 111, Salem 116.

The following Divisions are not working, viz.: Union 39, Oak 43, Grand Pre 47, Elisium 77, Port George 87, Nelson 95, North 99, Friendship 106, Compeer 107, and several others are in a declining state, and will require great effort to preserve them from falling away, and their names from being taken off our roll, True "Sons" everywhere should deplore this, and make strenuous exertions to keep the Divisions in good working order.

No return has been received for the quarter ending 30th Sept. from Acadia No. 1, Central 2, Milton 4, Concord 5, Hebron 19,

Columbia 24, Prince William 29, (for the last two quarters), Prince of Wales 30, Paradise 45, Harmony 67, Aurora 68, Young Mens 101, Salem 116. This delay occurs every quarter on the part of some of the Divisions, and renders it utterly impossible to keep the affairs of the Order in that correct manner which is desirable.

66 Divisions have made returns to this office for the quarter ending 30th Sept. of which the following is a synopsis :

|                                         |            |        |
|-----------------------------------------|------------|--------|
| Initiated during the Quarter,           | - - - - -  | 155    |
| Admitted by Card,                       | - - - - -  | 32     |
| Dispensation,                           | - - - - -  | 5—192  |
| <hr/>                                   |            |        |
| Suspended during the Quarter,           | - - - - -  | 109    |
| Expelled for non-payment of dues,       | - - - - -  | 94     |
| Do. for Violation of Article 2,         | - - - - -  | 53—256 |
| <hr/>                                   |            |        |
| Deaths,                                 | - - - - -  | 3      |
| Violated pledge 1st time,               | - - - - -  | 54     |
| Reinstated,                             | - - - - -  | 23     |
| Violated pledge 2d time,                | - - - - -  | 11     |
| Signed over,                            | - - - - -  | 18     |
| Rejected,                               | - - - - -  | 3      |
| Withdrawn by Card,                      | - - - - -  | 20     |
| Do. from the Order,                     | - - - - -  | 27—47  |
| <hr/>                                   |            |        |
| Temperance Meetings held,               | - - - - -  | 70     |
| Tracts distributed,                     | - - - - -  | 2221   |
| Representatives elected to G. Division, | - - - - -  | 615    |
| Contributing Members, as per returns,   | - - - - -  | 2821   |
| <hr/>                                   |            |        |
| Cash received during the quarter,       | £405 11 6½ |        |
| “ Paid for benefits,                    | 108 19 3   |        |
| “ Expenses exclusive of benefit,        | 213 6 2    |        |
| “ On hand including investments,        | 2476 10 4  |        |
| Total amount of per Capita Tax,         | 34 19 0    |        |

The above gives positive proof that we are not progressing as we ought to do, and that our principles have not that deep hold on the community that we could wish, and ought to desire, but rather gives strong evidence of the necessity for a Prohibitory Law for Nova Scotia, and to secure this our best efforts should be directed,—and until we obtain it, our task must necessarily be hard and up hill, for there is no other way of thoroughly reclaiming the inebriate than removing the temptation from him. Much then is expected by the friends of humanity from our deliberations at this time, and I sincerely trust that we may be so directed and guided by Supreme Wisdom, as that our acts may prove highly beneficial to the Cause of all mankind.

Submitted in L. P. and F.

WM. SCOTT, G. Scribe.



Referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

On motion, *Resolved*, That during this Annual Session of G. D. that we regularly adjourn at 1 o'clock until half-past 2 o'clock, and at 6 o'clock until half-past 7 o'clock.

The G. Scribe read a communication from the M. W. Scribe in reference to fixing a central location for the N. D.

Referred to Committee on Communications.

A communication was also read from Avon Division, No. 12, in reference to the Quarterly Sessions of this G. D.

Referred to Committee on Communications.

The G. D. adjourned to meet at half-past 2 o'clock.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

The G. D. opened in due form, the G. W. P. in the Chair. Roll of Officers called.

*Present*—G. W. P., G. Scribe, G. Trea., G. Conductor, G. Sentinel.

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

The vacancies were filled by appointing brothers Sterns, G. W. A.; Cameron, G. Chap.; McArthur, P. G. W. P.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain. The G. D. declared open for Business. Minutes of Morning Session read and approved.

The Grand Conductor retired and introduced Representatives W. C. Silver, No. 96, who was duly initiated and took his seat.

Brother McLearn submitted the following report from the Committee appointed at last quarterly session.

The Committee on Legislative action report:—That if the Grand Division resolve on petitioning the Legislature again, it will be of great importance to do it more effectually than last year. They believe, however, that this great question rests with the temperance people of Nova Scotia, and must be settled at the next general election, whether we are to have a prohibitory law or not.

RICHARD McLEARN,  
CHARLES ROBSON,  
W. M. BROWN.

Oct. 1st, 1854.

Adopted.

On motion, *Resolved*, that a Committee of three be appointed to prepare a form of Petition, for presentation to the Legislature. Brothers Brown, S. Creelman and McArthur, were appointed that Committee.

The Committee on Communications reported as follows :

The Committee appointed to consider of Communications, had under their notice, a communication from the M. W. S. respecting the location of the Sessions of the National Division, and communications concerning the location of Session of the Grand Division.

The Committee do not wish to give any strong opinions on the first subject, but merely recommend that for the time being the Sessions be moveable as at present, directed by the expediencies which may appear to the National Division, when convened. The Committee would take this opportunity, to call the attention of the Grand Division to the question before mooted, of application for a National Division for the British North American Provinces.

Concerning the location of Sessions of the Grand Division, the Committee had not sufficient facts before them on which to ground any recommendation for general arrangements, at the present time.

In Love, Purity, and Fidelity.

W. A. S. BLEWITT.

J. S. THOMPSON.

ALEX. McARTHUR,

Grand Division Room, Halifax, Oct. 25, 1854.

Adopted.

The Agency Committee reported as follows :

The Committee appointed by the quarterly session of the Grand Division of Sons of Temperance, held in April last, for the purpose of securing the services of a Lecturer or Lecturers, beg to report that they have not yet been apprised by the committee appointed to obtain the necessary funds, of any being available for that purpose, but in the mean time Brother Cooper of the Grand Division of P. E. Island, having been highly recommended to them, and there being in the hands of the Grand Treasurer a small sum remaining from the Agency fund of last year, the committee entered into an arrangement with brother Cooper to be employed till the present session of the Grand Division, at the rate of £4 per week, and he has been labouring in the Eastern part of the Province and Cape Breton, for the past few months, as will be perceived by the report of his proceedings as published in the Athenæum Newspaper. Brother Cooper being in the City, will furnish the Grand Division with an account of his labours in that quarter.

WILLIAM L. BELL.

W. ACKHURST.

WILLIAM HOWE.

Adopted.

Brother Brown, from the Committee appointed for that purpose, reported the following form of Petition :

*To the Honorable the Representatives of the Province of Nova Scotia, in General Assembly now convened :*

The Petition of the undersigned inhabitants of the county of—

Petitioners humbly and earnestly solicit from your Honourable House, the enactment of a law for the total prohibition of the traffic in intoxicating liquors, except, strictly, for purposes of medicine and useful manufactures.

And, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Adopted.

The G. D. was then adjourned, to meet at half-past 7 o'clock.

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EVENING SESSION.

The G. D. opened in due form, the G. W. P. in the chair.

Roll of officers called. *Present*—G. W. P., G. Scribe, G. Conductor, G. Sentinel. *Absent*—G. W. A., G. Treasurer, G. Chaplain, P. G. W. P.

The vacancies were filled by appointing brothers Selden, G. W. A., Quinan, G. Treasurer, McArthur, G. Chaplain, E. Creelman, P. G. W. P.

Prayer by G. Chaplain. The G. D. declared open for business.

The Minutes of the Afternoon Session were read and approved.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the present G. W. Patriarch and G. W. Associate and their successors in office, be a Committee to prepare, on behalf of the Grand Division, a Petition to the Legislature, for the enactment of a Law providing for the abolition of the traffic in intoxicating liquors, the destruction of such liquors when seized for infraction of the laws, and for aid in enlightening the people on the subject of Temperance;—and that such Petition include illustration and argument on these topics, so that a comprehensive and brief exposition of our views on these subjects, shall be before the country and the members of the Legislature.

*Resolved*, that 2000 copies of said Petition be printed and circulated.

On motion, of brother McArthur, *Resolved*, that the Grand Division advise the Subordinate Divisions to recommend to their members to vote at the next General Election for such candidates only as will pledge themselves to support a bill for the prohibition of the Liquor traffic in this Province, similar in provisions to that which is now in operation in the State of Maine.

Brother Monaghan moved in amendment that the mover have leave to withdraw the Resolution.

On the question being taken, the amendment was lost, and the resolution passed, 28 voting for it and 12 against it.

Brothers Monaghan and Shean gave notice in writing that at the morning session of to-morrow (Thursday) they would move for the rescinding of the Resolution.

On motion, *Resolved*, that a Standing Committee of five be appointed to advise with our friends in the Legislature, with reference to the passage of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

Brothers J. S. Thompson, R. McLearn, C. B. Naylor, W. M. Brown, and R. Noble, were appointed that Committee.

The report of the Committee on the Athenæum Paper was read as follows :

The Committee on the Athenæum Newspaper, report that for several months past, the paper has been conducted on the pecuniary responsibility of the Grand Division, and edited gratuitously by Brothers John A. Bell, Alexr. James, Charles Robson, W. M. Brown, and R. McLearn. These brethren are unwilling to perform this service any longer than to allow of new arrangements being made by this Grand Division; and they recommend—in order to make the paper efficient and independent—that a fund amounting to at least five hundred pounds, should be raised in such subscriptions as the Grand Division judge expedient; to be under the direction of a committee who may be appointed, and to be expended in the employment of an Editor and Publisher, and for other necessary expences in conducting the paper. Your Committee are further of the opinion that the paper should be enlarged, to embrace a wider range of subjects,—making it a good family paper, and that the price should be raised to ten shillings for each copy.

With the sum above named, your Committee are of opinion, that the paper would, with good management, become self-sustaining and not require any further pecuniary aid. The subscription list,

now embracing upwards of one thousand copies, would probably extend to fifteen hundred or more.

RICHD. McLEARN,  
W. M. BROWN.  
JOHN A. BELL.

The further consideration was deferred until the morning session of to-morrow.

The Grand Division then adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, October 26th, 1854.

The G. D. opened in due form. The G. W. P. in the chair.

Roll of officers called. *Present*—G. W. P., G. Scribe, G. Conductor, G. Sentinel. *Absent*—G. W. A., G. Chaplain, P. G. W. P.

The vacancies were filled by appointing brothers Aekhurst, G. W. A., McArthur, G. Chaplain, Herbert, P. G. W. P.

Prayer by G. Chaplain. The G. D. declared open for business. Minutes of last evening session read and approved.

The question for rescinding, of which notice was given last evening, was taken up, and negatived 18 to 7.

The consideration of the report on the Athenæum Paper, being next in order, was brought up for discussion, and adopted.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the election of officers be proceeded with this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The report of the Committee on the State of the Order was read, as follows :

The Committee appointed by the G. W. P. on the State of the Order, beg leave to report as follows :

From the Reports of the G. W. P. and G. S. it is evident that our Order is not in as flourishing a condition as is desirable, and that in many places the same amount of zeal is not displayed by the members of the Order as formerly. This indifference your Committee would account for on the following grounds :

*First*.—The remissness of Deputies in discharging the duties devolving upon them. While 42 Deputies have been appointed only 22 have reported to the G. W. P. in answer to his 'Circular;' and not more than two-thirds of the Division have sent in their Re-

turns to the G. S. : the result of which is, that these Reports are necessarily incomplete in statistical information.

Your Committee would suggest the propriety of appointing Deputies who will interest themselves in our Cause—efficiency in these matters depending so much upon their zeal and energy. ‘Honour to whom honour is due.’”

*Secondly.*—This indifference may in some measure be accounted for on the grounds of the present prosperous condition of the Province. The friends of our Cause not having had the same amount of time at their disposal as formerly and our enemies having had abundantly the means of indulging in the use of Alcoholic drinks.

With regard to the suggestions contained in the Reports of the G. W. P. your Committee would offer the following remarks :

They are not prepared to recommend the establishing of Libraries as the best means of exciting an increased interest in our Cause : but would earnestly recommend the free distribution of tracts having a special reference to a Prohibitory Law.

In conclusion your Committee would recommend that our Agency be increased—that the services connected with our Order be made available ; and that these services so far as practicable be remunerated.

Let each Son of Temperance determine that he will give no rest to the enemy, till we secure a law sufficient to protect our Country against intoxicating drinks with their legion of evils—Let our motto be henceforward, “Prohibition or no seat in the Legislature.”

Respectfully submitted in Love, Purity and Fidelity,

JOHN CAMERON,  
GEO. READING,  
EDWIN STERNS.

Adopted.

The report of the Committee for raising funds for Lecture and Agency purposes, was read, as follows :

HALIFAX, October 26th 1854.

The Committee appointed by the Grand Division at Quarterly Session held at Canard, April, 1854, to raise funds for Lectures and Agency purposes, beg leave to report that the following Divisions only have replied to their application :

|                |                     |   |   |   |     |    |   |
|----------------|---------------------|---|---|---|-----|----|---|
| Avon Division, | -                   | - | - | - | £10 | 0  | 0 |
| Truro “        | (more if required,) | - | - | - | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Chebucto “     | -                   | - | - | - | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Aurora “       | -                   | - | - | - | 2   | 10 | 0 |
| Railway “      | -                   | - | - | - | 1   | 0  | 0 |

Victoria Division will respond - - -  
 Hantsport " (will pay their proportion) -  
 Wallace " (has appointed Collector, June 29th.)  
 Morning Star Division, (will do their share)  
 Maine Law " (whatever sum is raised in six months)  
 Avondale "  
 Respectfully submitted.

M. G. BLACK, Jr.  
 GEO. VANBUSKIRK,  
 GEORGE J. CREED.

Adopted.

The Grand Division adjourned to meet at half-past 2 o'clock.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

The G. D. opened in due form. The G. W. P. in the chair.

Roll of officers called. *Present*—G.W.P., G. Scribe, G. Treasurer, G. Conductor, G. Sentinel, *Absent*—G. W. A., G. Chaplain, P. G.W. P.

The vacancies were filled by appointing brothers Blewitt, G. W. A., McGregor, G. Chaplain, Brown, P. G.W.P.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain. The Grand Division declared open for business.

Minutes of morning session read and approved. The consideration of the details in connection with the Athenæum Paper, was postponed until the afternoon session of to-morrow, Thursday.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the next Annual Session of this G. Division be held in Halifax, the last Wednesday in October, 1855. Moved in amendment, that it be held in Yarmouth, which on being put was lost, and the original Resolution passed.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the first quarterly Session be held in Windsor, in January next, in Truro in April, in Liverpool in July, on the last Wednesday of each month respectively.

The following Standing Committces were appointed :

FINANCE.....Bros. R. McLearn, C. B. Naylor, A. J Ritchie.  
 BYE-LAWS.... " W. L. Bell, J. Heenan, P. Monaghan.  
 PRINTING..... " C. B. Naylor, J. Spike, P. Monaghan.  
 CREDENTIALS, " Barratt, J. Heenan, Cuthbert C. Vaux.  
 ON HALLS.... " D. P. Alliscn, G. Reading, W. A. S. Blewitt.

The Standing Committee on Bye-Laws reported those of Port Royal Division, No. 46, correct.

Adopted.

The Grand Division proceeded to the election of officers, and on the ballot being taken, the following brethren were declared duly elected :

|                       |                         |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| John S. Thompson .    | Grand Worthy Patriarch. |
| Rev. J. Cameron . .   | Grand Worthy Associate. |
| William Scott . . .   | Grand Scribe.           |
| W. A. S. Blewitt . .  | Grand Treasurer.        |
| Rev. P.G. McGregor,   | Grand Chaplain.         |
| John Shean . . . . .  | Grand Conductor.        |
| J. P. Smith . . . . . | Grand Sentinel.         |

Brother J. B. Cooper, the Agent of the Grand Division, submitted the following report of his labors :

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE GRAND DIVISION,  
SONS OF TEMPERANCE OF THE PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

*Worthy Brethren*,—On the 18th of August last, I received official Instructions from your Grand Scribe to proceed to the Eastern parts of Nova Scotia and the Island of Cape Breton, as your Travelling Agent and Lecturer. On the 19th I embarked at Charlottetown, P. E. Island, on board the sailing Packet, for Pictou, N. S., where I arrived on the Sunday morning following.

In accordance with your instructions and the advice of the several D. G. W. Patriarchs whom I had the pleasure of consulting, I have since travelled about 700 miles—416 of which have been accomplished on horseback. I have delivered twenty-one public Lectures, and met and advised with nearly all the Divisions and Temperance Societies lying in my route, as will be seen by the accompanying Synopsis and extracts from my Journal.

Towards defraying the expences of the Agency, I have received, in Public Collections and Donations from Subordinate Divisions the Sum of £10 2s. 4½d. Several additional Collections were taken up and Donations promised, which were not handed to me, but which, I doubt not will be forwarded to the proper quarter in due season.

The better to prosecute the objects of my mission, and to facilitate my movements, I deemed it advisable when at Sydney, C. B., to purchase a Horse, which I subsequently found to be indispensable, although my travelling expenses have, on the whole, been considerably augmented thereby.



To the various Deputies and brothers, as well as other valued and influential friends of the Cause of Temperance, in the several Districts recently visited by me, I am deeply indebted for their uniform kindness and attention. Large audiences everywhere assembled to hear my addresses, in all cases where due notice had previously been given. These were invariably listened to with the most marked attention, and were productive, I humbly trust, of some good; and although it is undeniable that our Temperance organizations generally are not as numerous nor as well supported as they ought to be, there is, I rejoice to report, everywhere perceptible, a strong feeling in the public mind in favor of a Law to prohibit the Traffic in Intoxicating Liquors of all descriptions—feeling which, I trust, will soon assume a more tangible shape, and develop itself in a way that must make itself felt—where it ought to be felt and appreciated—in the Halls of Legislation.

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

J. B. COOPER, *Agent and Lecturer.*

HALIFAX, N. S., Oct. 27th, 1854.

### SYNOPSIS.

| Places visited, &c.                                                                                 | Date.                     | No. of Lectures delivered | Miles Travelled. |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|
|                                                                                                     | 1854.                     | —                         | —                |
| Charlottetown to Pictou, - - -                                                                      | Aug. 19, 20,              |                           | 60               |
| Pictou to New Glasgow, - - -                                                                        | " 22,                     | 1                         | 9                |
| New Glasgow to Albion Mines, }<br>once to make arrangements and }<br>once to meet the Division, - } | " 23, 24,                 |                           | 6                |
| Albion Mines to Antigonish, - - -                                                                   | " 25,                     | 1                         | 40               |
| Antigonish to Sherbrooke, - - -                                                                     | " 28,                     | 1                         | 35               |
| Sherbrooke to Guysborough, - - -                                                                    | " 29,                     | 1                         | 45               |
| Guysborough to Manchester & back,                                                                   | " 30,                     |                           | 6                |
| Guysborough, - - - - -                                                                              | " 31, }<br>Septemb'r 3, } | 2                         |                  |
| Do. to Manchester and back,                                                                         | " 4,                      | 1                         | 6                |
| Guysborough to Canseau, - - -                                                                       | " 8, 10,                  | 2                         | 30*              |
| Canseau to Arichat, - - - - -                                                                       | " 12,                     |                           | 12               |
| Arichat to Sydney, - - - - -                                                                        | " 17, 18,                 | 2                         | 100              |
| Sydney to Bar, - - - - -                                                                            | " 19, 21,                 | 1                         | 5                |
| Bar to Sydney Mines and back,                                                                       | " 22,                     | 1                         | 6                |
| Bar to N. W. Arm, - - - - -                                                                         | " 23,                     | 1                         | 3                |
| N. W. Arm to Sydney, - - - - -                                                                      | " 25,                     | 1                         | 12               |
| Sydney to Bar, - - - - -                                                                            | " 28,                     |                           | 5                |
| Bar to Jakisoni and back to Sydney,                                                                 | " 29,                     | 1                         | 65*              |
| Sydney to Bar, - - - - -                                                                            | October 3,                | 1                         | "                |

| Places visited, &c.                  | Date:<br>1854. | No. of<br>Lectures<br>delivered | Miles<br>Travelled. |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|---------------------|
| Bar to Baddeck, - - - -              | October 5,     |                                 | 40*                 |
| Baddeck to Margarie, - - -           | " 7,           | 1                               | 30*                 |
| Margarie to Mabou, - - - -           | " 9,           |                                 | 30*                 |
| Mabou to Port Hood, - - - -          | " 10,          |                                 | 10*                 |
| Port Hood to Strait, - - - -         |                |                                 | 30*                 |
| Strait to Antigonishe, - - - -       | " 13, 15,      | 2                               | 42*                 |
| Antigonish to Pictou, - - - -        | " 17,          |                                 | 40*                 |
| Pictou to West River & back to road, | " 18,          | 1                               | 11*                 |
| West River to Truro, - - - -         | " 19,          |                                 | 33*                 |
| Truro to Halifax, - - - -            | " 21,          |                                 | 60*                 |
|                                      |                | 21                              | 776                 |

J. B. COOPER,  
*Travelling Agent and Lecturer.*

HALIFAX, N. S., Oct. 27th, 1854.

The Grand Division adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock this evening, after the Public Meeting.

EVENING SESSION.

The G. D. opened in due form. The G. W. P. in the chair.

Roll of officers called. *Present*—G. W. P., G. Scribe, G. Conductor, G. Sentinel. *Absent*—G. W. A., G. Treasurer, G. Chaplain, P. G. W. P.

The vacancies were filled by appointing brothers Reading, G. W. A., Sterns, G. Treasurer, McGregor, G. Chaplain, Brown, P. G. W. P.

Prayer by G. Chap. The G. D. declared open for business.

The G. Conductor retired and introduced representative A. P. Bradley, No. 110, who was duly initiated and took his seat.

Minutes of afternoon session read and approved.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the officers elect be now installed. That duty was performed by P. G. W. P. Brown, assisted by P. G. W. P. Cramp, as follows :

\* Performed on Horseback.

|                                   |                                  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| P. W. P. John S. Thompson . .     | Chebucto Division, No. 7, G.W.P. |
| “ Rev. J. Cameron . . . Kellogg   | “ “ 92, G.W.A.                   |
| “ William Scott . . . Howard      | “ “ 26, G. S.                    |
| “ W. A. S. Blewitt . . . Victoria | “ “ 10, G. T.                    |
| “ Rev. P. G. McGregor. Athenæum   | “ “ 96, G. Cha.                  |
| “ John Shean . . . . . “          | “ “ 96, G. Con.                  |
| “ J. P. Smith . . . . . Avon      | “ “ 12, G. S.                    |

The Grand Worthy Patriarch addressed the Grand Division.  
The G. D. adjourned to meet to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

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MORNING SESSION.

OCTOBER 27th, 1854.

The G. D. opened in due form. The G.W.P. in the chair.

Roll of officers called. *Present*—G. W. P., G. Scribe, G. Treasurer, G. Conductor, P.G.W.P. *Absent*—G. W. A., Grand Chaplain, G. Sentinel.

The vacancies were filled by appointing brothers Sterns, G. W. A., McArthur, G. Chaplain, Monaghan, G. Sentinel.

Prayer by G. Chap. The G. D. declared open for business.

The following appeal was submitted by brother T. Angus :

I hereby appeal against the decision of this Grand Division, at its quarterly session held at Annapolis, in July last, in reference to the case of Patrick Murray, and request that the necessary documents be forwarded to the National Division, for its decision in the matter.

THOMAS ANGUS.

On motion, *Resolved*, that new Regalias be procured for the officers of this Grand Division.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the expenses of the officers in attending this Annual Session, be paid.

On motion, *Resolved*, that the salary of the Grand Scribe for the ensuing year, be Forty Pounds.

Brother Monaghan gave notice that he would move at the next session of Grand Division, the following as an addition to the Bye-Laws :

An appeal to the National Division against decisions of this Grand Division, shall not be in order, unless a notice in writing of such appeal be given by the parties appealing, at the session when such decision was made.

On motion—*Resolved*, That three hundred copies of the Journal of the present Session of this G. D. including the Special Session of the 21st instant, be printed.

On motion—*Resolved*, That Twenty Shillings be paid brother Joyce, Messenger of this G. D. for his services.

On motion—*Resolved*, That the G. W. P. brothers C. Robson, G. J. Creed, A. J. Ritchie, W. M. Brown, J. Lanigan and R. Motton, be the Agency Committee for the ensuing year.

On motion—the following brothers were elected Representatives to the N. D. for the ensuing year :

|             |                      |
|-------------|----------------------|
| G. W. P.,   | John S. Thompson,    |
| G. W. A.,   | Rev. J. Cameron,     |
| P. G. W. P. | Rev. Dr. Cramp,      |
| “           | W. M. Brown,         |
| “           | Hon. J. W. Johnston, |
| P. G. W. A. | R. McLearn,          |
| “           | C. B. Naylor,        |
| “           | Edwin Sterns,        |
| “           | L. E. VanBuskirk,    |
| “           | John Campbell.       |

On motion—*Resolved*, That P. G. W. P.'s Burrell and Christie be elected as Representatives to the N. D. provided that their Credentials be sent in previous to the next Quarterly Session.

The Auditing Committee reported as follows :

The Committee appointed to audit the Books and accounts of the Grand Scribe and Grand Treasurer, beg leave to report that they have attended to that duty, and find them correct.

A. J. RITCHIE,  
R. M. BARRATT,

Division Room, Oct. 27th, 1854.

The G. D. adjourned to meet at half-past 2 o'clock.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

The G. D. opened in due form. The G. W. P. in the Chair. Roll of Officers called. *Present*—G. W. P., G. Scribe, G. Con., P. G. W. P.

*Absent*—G. W. A., G. Treasurer, G. Chap, G. Sent.

The vacancies were filled by appointing brothers Sterns, G. W. A., Motton, G. Treasurer, McArthur, G. Chap., Monaghan, G. Sent. Minutes of Morning Session read and approved.

The following Accounts were passed and ordered to be paid.

|                                |     |   |   |
|--------------------------------|-----|---|---|
| James Bowes & Son, - - -       | £14 | 1 | 3 |
| A. J. Ritchie, - - -           | -   | 3 | 2 |
| Public Meeting Committee - - - | -   | 2 | 4 |

On motion—*Resolved*, That the thanks of this G. D. be given to the Subordinate Divisions in the city for the use of their Room during this Annual Session.

On motion—*Resolved*, That the thanks of this G. D., be given to brothers J. A. Bell, R. McLearn, C. Robson; A. James and W. M. Brown, members of the Committee, who conducted the Athenæum paper, under the direction of this G. D.

On motion—*Resolved*, That this Grand Division cannot separate without expressing its very high sense of the services rendered to the Cause of Temperance and interests of the Order, by P. G. W. P. Rev. Dr. Cramp, particularly by the masterly address on the subject of a Prohibitory Law delivered by him before the Legislature in February last.

On motion of P. G. W. P. Rev. Dr. Cramp, the following were unanimously passed.

*Resolved*, That it is desirable to issue the *Athenæum*, at the commencement of the year 1855, or as soon as possible thereafter, in an improved and enlarged form, embracing the following arrangements:—

The Advocacy of Temperance in all its aspects, including the Prohibitory Liquor Law, and the communication of Temperance intelligence from all parts of the world;—

The advocacy, in like manner, of Institutions and plans adapted to promote moral reform, and the general improvement of Society—

Useful and instructive articles on science and agriculture—Educational and literary information, and brief notices of books. A weekly digest of general and provincial news.

Communications from correspondents, special correspondents being also appointed in various places.

In every department of the paper a strict adherence to its design as a Family Paper to be observed.

*Resolved*, That the following brethren be appointed a committee, to be designated "The Newspaper Committee," viz., R. McLearn, C. Robson, A. J. Ritchie, Alexr. James, Wm. M. Brown, J. A. Bell, and W. Scott,—that they be requested to take charge of the paper and conduct it till a suitable Editor is appointed, and afterwards to assume its general management.

*Resolved*, That the sum of £500, be raised by contributions from the friends of Temperance throughout the Province, thereby to constitute a fund, to be called "The Athenæum Fund;" that the contributions, as they are realized, be placed in the hands of the "Newspaper Committee," who shall expend the same in the employment of an Editor, the purchase of a press and printing materials, if such purchase be deemed advisable, and in defraying the expenses attending the publication; the said press and printing materials, as well as the paper itself, if purchased, to be the property of the Grand Division;—and that the "Newspaper Committee," shall render an account of their receipts and expenditures, and a report on the state of the paper, at each Quarterly session of the Grand Division.

*Resolved*, That the "Newspaper Committee" be requested to prepare and publish a detailed prospectus of the proposed new series of the Athenæum, founded on the preceding Resolutions.

*Resolved*, That a subscription list be opened forthwith, and that the Agency Committee be requested to adopt suitable measures for raising the "Newspaper Fund," by appeal to the Subordinate Divisions, and otherwise as they may think proper.

*Resolved*, That in the event of any eligible proposal being made by an individual or a company, to assume the Athenæum, as private or joint stock property, the amount of the "Newspaper Fund" then in hand, and the sum realized by any property then held by the "Newspaper Committee" shall be transferred to the "Agency Committee," to be employed by them in promoting the cause of Temperance, under the auspices of the Grand Division.

Minutes of this afternoon's session read and approved.

The Grand Division then closed to meet at Windsor on Wednesday, 31st January, 1855, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

WILLIAM SCOTT,  
*Grand Scribe.*



*The Grand Division in account with N. TUPPER, G. T.*

| 1854.    |                                      | Dr.   | £          | s.       | d.       |
|----------|--------------------------------------|-------|------------|----------|----------|
| Aug. 21. | To Cash paid G. Sentinel's expences, | -     | 6          | 6        | 0        |
|          | Do. G. W. P.                         | Do. - | 3          | 13       | 3        |
|          | Do. G. Scribe's                      | Do. - | 7          | 12       | 7½       |
| Sept. 7. | Do. W. Grant,                        | -     | 0          | 9        | 10½      |
|          | Do. A. Davidson,                     | -     | 1          | 0        | 0        |
|          | Balance on hand,                     | -     | 56         | 19       | 11       |
|          |                                      |       | <u>£76</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>8</u> |

|          |                               | Cr. | £          | s.       | d.       |
|----------|-------------------------------|-----|------------|----------|----------|
| July 25. | By Balance from last Quarter, | -   | £18        | 9        | 11       |
| Oct. 23. | Cash from Grand Scribe,       | -   | 35         | 1        | 9        |
| 25.      | Do. Do.                       | -   | 22         | 10       | 0        |
|          |                               |     | <u>£76</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>8</u> |

|          |                     |   |     |    |    |
|----------|---------------------|---|-----|----|----|
| Oct. 25. | By Balance on hand, | - | £56 | 19 | 11 |
|----------|---------------------|---|-----|----|----|

NATHAN TUPPER, G. T.

*Halifax, N. S.*

*The Agency Fund in account with N. TUPPER, G. T.*

| 1854.    |                                    | Dr. | £          | s.        | d.         |
|----------|------------------------------------|-----|------------|-----------|------------|
| Oct. 18. | To Cash paid J. B. Cooper's order, | -   | 22         | 10        | 0          |
|          | Balance on hand,                   | -   | 19         | 4         | 11½        |
|          |                                    |     | <u>£41</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>11½</u> |

|          |                               | Cr.        | £          | s.        | d.         |
|----------|-------------------------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| July 20. | By Balance from last Quarter, | £34 14 11½ |            |           |            |
| Oct. 24. | By Cash from G. S.            | 7 0 0      | £41        | 14        | 11½        |
|          |                               |            | <u>£41</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>11½</u> |
| Oct. 26. | By Balance on hand,           | -          | £19        | 4         | 11½        |

NATHAN TUPPER, G. T.

*Halifax, N. S.*



WM. SCOTT, *Grand Scribe, in account with the Grand  
Division of Nova Scotia.*

|       |          | Dr.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | £  | s. | d.                |
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| 1851. | Aug. 1.  | To Balance per account at July Session,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | -  | -  | 11 7 6            |
|       |          | For per centage received for quarter ending 30th June, after report, Roseway, 10s.; Rock, 6s. 9d.; Maine Law, 5s.; Railway, 14s.; Exeter, 4s. 9d.; Kellogg, 7s.; Union, 12s.; Royal, 14s. 9d.; Paradise, 3s. 6d.; Wilberforce, 6s. 6d.; Margaretville, 11s.; Kingston, 4s. 6d.; Truro, 22s.; Victoria Mines, 4s. 9.; Salem, 5s. 9d.; Rising Sun, 10s. 3d.; Chedabucto, 21s. 6d.; Aurora, (63), 11s.; Invincible, 10s. 6d.; Garland, 6s.; New Caledonia, 23s. 3d.; Westport, 10s. 9d.; Wilmot, (103) 4s.; Acadia, 7s.; Central, 9s. 6d.; Milton, 5s. 9d.; Hebron, 5s. 9d.; Young Men's, 12s. 3d.; Prince of Wales, 5s. 9d.; Lalla Rookh, 5s.; Harmony, 6s. Walton, 7s.; Morning Star, (59), 2s. 6d.; Pugwash, 4s.; Aurora, (70), 6s. 3d.; Bethlehem, 5s. 6d.; Iron Age, 8s. 9d.; do. for March quarter, 8s. 9d. | -  | -  | 16 9 3            |
|       | 25.      | Received for New Ritual from Divisions,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | -  | -  | 3 5 0             |
|       |          | Do. for abridged Ritual,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | -  | -  | 0 7 6             |
|       |          | Do. for Cards sold during the quarter,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | -  | -  | 1 2 1½            |
|       |          | Do. for Blank returns,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | -  | -  | 0 18 10           |
|       | Sept. 6. | A. W. McLellan, balance of account,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | -  | -  | 0 6 0             |
|       | 20.      | Chedabucto Division, do.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | -  | -  | 0 3 0             |
|       |          | Charles D. Roach, on account charter, &c.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | -  | -  | 1 10 3            |
|       | 26.      | Charter Fee, Flowing Fountain Division,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | -  | -  | 1 5 0             |
|       |          | Wolfville Division Dispensation fee,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | -  | -  | 0 5 0             |
|       |          | Chebucto,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | -  | -  | 0 2 6             |
|       | Oct.     | New Glasgow Division on account Agency,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | £5 | 15 | 0 } 7 0 0         |
|       |          | Do. paid Agent, J. B. Cooper,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | 1  | 5  | 0 }               |
|       | 26.      | Per centages received during the quarter, per return,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 30 | 15 | 0                 |
|       |          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |    |    | <u>£74 16 11½</u> |
|       |          | Cr.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | £  | s. | d.                |
|       | Oct. 19. | By Cash paid G. Treasurer,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 35 | 7  | 9                 |
|       | Oct. 25. | Do. Do.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | 22 | 10 | 0                 |
|       |          | Do. on account Agency,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 7  | 0  | 0                 |
|       |          | Postages paid to date,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 1  | 3  | 1½                |
|       |          | Wellington Division,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | 0  | 2  | 9                 |
|       |          | Port Royal,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | 0  | 4  | 3                 |
|       |          | Quarterly Salary, Grand Scribe,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 7  | 10 | 0                 |
|       |          | Balance,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | £1 | 5  | 1                 |

## REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT DURING THE ANNUAL SESSION.

|                     |                      |                      |           |
|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| *P. Monaghan,       | } No. 7.             | James Spike,         | } No. 26. |
| *J. S. Thompson,    |                      | John Metzler,        |           |
| *A. J. Ritchie,     |                      | Hon. J. W. Johnston, | } No. 32. |
| *Richard Baker,     |                      | John Corkum,         |           |
| C. B. Naylor,       |                      | Isaac Hume,          |           |
| *Wm. Ackhurst,      |                      | *Richard McLearn,    | } No. 31. |
| Edward Jost,        |                      | *Stephen Selden,     |           |
| *J. W. Quinnan,     |                      | *Martin Phceney,     |           |
| *John Heenan,       |                      | Edward Foster,       |           |
| *E. Creelman,       |                      | Henry Brown,         | } No. 41. |
| John Martin,        | Charles Robson,      |                      |           |
| *William Brown,     | Alex. James,         | } No. 46.            |           |
| George E. Knowlan,  | George Reading,      |                      |           |
| Daniel O'Brien,     | L. E. VanBuskirk,    | } No. 50.            |           |
| *Thos. Wellington,  | Abraham G. Marsters, |                      |           |
| *R. M. Barratt,     | Alex. McCurdy,       | } No. 52.            |           |
| *Thos. Granville,   | Matthew J. McCurdy,  |                      |           |
| *Edward Joyce,      | Nathan Tupper,       | } No. 71.            |           |
| *Ronald McMillan,   | James Silver,        |                      |           |
| *George J. Creed,   | A. W. McLellan,      | } No. 82.            |           |
| *John B. Flowers,   | Rev. J. Cameron,     |                      |           |
| *Robert Pender,     | John Caldwell,       | } No. 92.            |           |
| *Wm. Lawson,        | Roderick McKenzie,   |                      |           |
| Thos. Angus,        | *H. R. Cunningham,   | } No. 93.            |           |
| *William Murray,    | Edwin Sterns,        |                      |           |
| *John Lanigan,      | *George VanBuskirk,  | } No. 96.            |           |
| John W. Marvin,     | *John Shean,         |                      |           |
| W. A. S. Blewett,   | Michael Herbert,     |                      |           |
| No. 10.             | *Wm. M. Brown,       | } No. 96.            |           |
| Simon Black,        | Samuel Creelman,     |                      |           |
| J. Parker Smith,    | Robert Noble,        | } No. 96.            |           |
| James Mosher,       | Wm. Howe,            |                      |           |
| Elkanah Harvie,     | Wm. L. Bell,         | } No. 13.            |           |
| Rev. A. McArthur,   | *Eliakum Tupper,     |                      |           |
| No. 16.             | M. G. Black, jr.     | } No. 20.            |           |
| Daniel Mosher,      | Rev. P. G. McGregor, |                      |           |
| No. 20.             | Wm. C. Silver,       | } No. 26.            |           |
| C. C. Vaux,         | A. P. Bradley,       |                      |           |
| *William Scott,     | No. 110.             | } No. 26.            |           |
| *Robert Motton, Jr. | *Rev. Dr. Cramp,     |                      |           |
| George G. Gray,     | No. 112.             |                      |           |

\* Present at the Special Session.