

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
Sons of Temperance of Canada East.

HELD ON THE 21st, 22nd, and 23rd, JANUARY, 1863.



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Montreal, January 21st, 1863. 10 o'clock A.M.

This day the Grand Division, S. of T., C.E. assembled in Annual Session, in the City of Montreal.

OFFICERS PRESENT :—H. D. Jordan, G. W. P. ; Wm. Russell, G. W. A. ; John S. Hall, G. Scribe ; Rev. A. Duff, G. Chap. ; John N. Mills, G. C. ; P. H. Burton, G. S. ; G. M. Rose, P.G.W. P. ;

The G. W. P. named Rep. Bates, to fill the vacant office of G. Treasurer.

Grand Division opened in due form.

The G. W. P. appointed Reps. J. M. Hall, Hungerford, and H. Rose, a Committee on Credentials, who reported the Credentials of the following Representatives correct, viz :—

HOWARD DIVISION, No. 1 :—J. C. Becket ; H. Rose ; J. S. Hall ; J. T. Dutton ; D. Tees ; J. Montgomery ; J. M. Hall ; G. Martin ; J. Ballard ; Wm. Butes ; A. Manson ; W. B. Allan ; W. J. Patterson ; P. H. Burton ; T. Hutchings ; D. McDonald ; Rev. A. Duff ; F. Delamere, P.W.Ps. ; and B. S. Barnett, W.P.

GOUGH DIVISION, No. 3.—Wm. Brodie ; R. Brodie ; T. Brodie ; James Geggie ; J. R. Healey ; Jas. Hay ; Wm. Hall ; J. P. McEwan ; Thos. Hughes ; John Smyth ; D. Lawson ; T. Davidson ; John Sears, Jur. ; John Sears, Snr. ; Wm. Palmer ; Peter Johnston ; P.W.Ps.

LANCASTER DIVISION, No. 10.—Kenneth Ross and T. Williams, P.W.Ps.

ST. LAWRENCE DIVISION, No. 16.—Alex. Smeaton ; Wm. Russell ; John Moore, and G. M. Rose, P.W.Ps. ; and —White, W.P.

LACOLLE DIVISION, No. 17.—J. C. McCallum, W.P. ; E. Boyce ; J. A. Bachant ; R. Foster ; B. Noel ; Edwin Scriver ; G. Smith ; W. B. VanVliet ; W. R. VanVliet ; W. H. VanVliet ; G. M. VanVliet ; John Gray ; T. S. Haynes ; J. O'Connor ; Edward Scriver ; T. S.

Stokes; Wm. Gunn; D. Laurent; L. S. Miller; Rev. E. B. Ryckman, and J. Smith, P.W.Ps.

RICHMOND DIVISION, No. 38.—Bruce Carnie, W.P.; David Main; Joshua Beede, and George Hamel, P.W.Ps.

SHEFFORD DIVISION, No. 47.—Arrad Taylor, W.P.; H. D. Jordan; J. B. Lay; Enoch Frost; D. L. Allan; W. A. Taylor; H. C. Jenne and Daniel Frost, P.W.P's.

EASTERN STAR, No. 49.—D. Lander; Wm. McCormick; Thos. Robinson; Wm. McWatters; Thos. Fessenden; Alfred Evans; John Wilson; John Dawson, P.W.Ps.; and Peter Haining, W.P.

ADAMSVILLE DIVISION, No. 50.—J. F. Thomson; E. Fordice; P. J. Pells, and A. Knight, P.W.Ps.

ST. HENRY UNION DIVISION, No. 53.—John Davidson; John Burns; Hugh Brodie, Jur.; Wm. Cooly, P.W.Ps.; and D. Rose, W.P.

HUNGERFORD DIVISION, No. 54.—J. Hungerford; J. N. Mills; and R. Alcombrack, P.W.Ps.

BEDFORD DIVISION, No. 55.—Wm. Josleyn; G. P. Rixford; M. R. Meigs; Anson Borden; C. L. Smith, P.W.Ps.; and Horatio Horskin, W.P.

BROCKVILLE DIVISION, No. 56.—Henry Jamieson; Gardner Greene; W. N. Lewis; A. S. Crothers, and Jas. Crothers, P.W.Ps.

COWANVILLE DIVISION, No. 58.—E. T. Miles; Wm. Stevenson, P.W.Ps.; Johnston Littledale, W.P.

EAST FARNHAM DIVISION, No. 59.—C. H. Mansfield, and Y. T. Cameron, P.W.Ps.

KNOWLTON DIVISION, No. 60.—Luke M. Knowlton; V. E. Chamberlin; I. England; George Robb; A. Tibbets; Henry C. Knowlton, P.W.Ps.; and W. N. Peters, W.P.

WEST SHEFFORD DIVISION, No. 64.—L. H. Lawrence; H. A. Lawrence; W. S. Allan; A. Garlick; R. W. Richardson, P.W.Ps.

MECHANICS DIVISION, No. 65.—J. J. Higgins; Almon Higgins; John Higgins; Henry D. Jackson; George B. Hoy, P.W.Ps; and Richard Hardesty, W.P.

NORTH STANBRIDGE DIVISION, No. 66.—A. M. Stone; W. H. Snyder, P.W.Ps; H. N. Currie, W.P.

The following Representatives reported in waiting, were introduced by the Grand Conductor and duly initiated, viz:—Howard Division, No. 1; D. McDonald, F. Delamere P. W. P's., and B. S. Barrett, W. P., Lancaster Division, No. 11; T. Williams, P. W. P., Eastern Star Division, No. 49; D. Lander, J. Wilson, P. W. P's., and P. Haining, W. P., Adamsville Division, No. 50; A. Knight, P. W. P., St. Henry Union, No. 53; H. Brodie, J. Burns, P. W. P's. and D. Rose, W. P., Cowansville, No. 58; Johnson Littledale, W. P., Mechanics, No. 65; John Higgins, H. D. Jackson, and G. B. Hoy, P. W. P's.*

Moved by Representative H. Rose, and seconded.

That the hours of Meeting of the Grand Division be as follows:—

* This includes the whole initiated during the Session.

Adjourn at 12 o'clock noon. Meet at 3 o'clock, P. M.; adjourn at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 5 o'clock, and meet again at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 7 o'clock P. M.

The G. W. P. filled up vacancies in Committees, as follows:—
 Good and Welfare Committee, Rep. Thos. Fessenden,
 Finance Committee, Rep. Thos. Brodie.

On motion, Grand Division adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment. Officers present same as morning session.

Services of Grand Chaplain.

The G. W. P. presented his Report.

Montreal, C. E., January 21st, 1863.

To the Grand Division Sons of Temperance, C. E.

Esteemed Brothers.

It affords me great pleasure to meet you here upon this important occasion; and we ought all to be grateful to our Heavenly Father that we have been spared to meet in this great city to celebrate the eleventh birth day of this Grand Division, and our thanks are due to the friends in Montreal whose fostering care was over the first Division organized in Eastern Canada, also over the first meeting of this Grand Division, that they have with warm hearts and hands welcomed us to their homes. May peace and prosperity be theirs long to enjoy. Seasons like the present should be hailed with hope and pleasure by every well-wisher of society. Men from every part of the country, with no selfish pecuniary object in view, meet together to consider the means by which they can get rid of one of the greatest curses that man ever brought upon himself. Truly this is an object worthy of esteem and consideration.

The time has come, in my opinion, when the friends of humanity should gird on the armor afresh and prepare for a more desperate onset.

May the present session be characterized by firm and decided action; may unyielding and uncompromising determinations be entered into against the great invader of our soil and to prosecute this warfare until our country is free and the demon intemperance is forever banished from our land. As we have met in harmony may we discuss the matters that shall be brought before us, in the same spirit, and the result of this meeting will tell favorably upon the future destiny of our noble Order.

As it is my official duty to report again the prosperity of our cause in Canada East, I do not come with shouts of triumph over great victories; ours is a subtle foe, and every inch of ground we gain must cost us labour and sacrifice. The blessings of liberty and freedom we enjoy cost our forefathers days of toil and sacrifice of blood; so if our children enjoy a freedom from intemperance we must expect to toil many days and pass through many a hard fought battle. But while we cannot boast of large accessions to our numbers or of many new Divisions being formed the past year yet we should be thankful and take courage that there have been two new Divisions organized and many a distressed family have been made happy and comfortable by reclaiming the wanderer and restoring the poor drunkard to sobriety and virtue.

There seems to be a growing zeal on the part of temperance men to roll on the car of total abstinence until the last grog shop is closed, the last drunkard reclaimed, and the fearful source of intoxication is forever driven from our shores. The public mind is being enlightened upon the question of Prohibition; many that were opposed to this measure have been led to acknowledge that although moral suasion with its Heaven inspired pleadings and entreaties, have cheered and saved many a desolate family; yet, so long as the law of our land makes the traffic in ardent spirits respectable by its sanc-

tion, just so long will there be men base enough to deal out the intoxicating glass, drunkards will be multiplied, and men destroyed, and that nothing short of Prohibition will answer the emergency of the case; the country is growing ripe for Prohibition, and while the Sons of Temperance have done a great deal in this important work it is also due other organizations that we mention their good works. The British American Order of Good Templars has done much in the Townships and have occupied a field that would probably have been occupied by us in time; they are doing a good work, and we bid them God speed; yet in my opinion it would have been better for the Cause had the Soas been organized in their stead; but whether it be through us or them that a good work has been accomplished, we rejoice that the work has been done. Still there is a great field of usefulness for us, and we should work while the day lasts for the night cometh when no man can work. Already the cry comes from the East and West, the North and South as from Macedonia, come over and help us.

From the mountain tops and valleys,
See the banners streaming high,
While the Sons of Temperance rally
To the widows lonely cry.

The true Son of Temperance will labour regardless of place or power, he is ever ready to save the poor and destitute among the children of men; his heart beats with high emotions of joy as his beneficent work under Divine Providence, is having its desired fulfilment; his mission is one of benevolence to destroy the destroyer of millions, his mind reaches out and is ever exercised towards suffering humanity. It matters not whether black or white, bond or free, where misery and suffering are, there is he ever ready to extend the heart and hand of love and charity. There are some it is true, although not worthy of the appellation of Sons of Temperance, when they have reaped the honors of office are ready to retire from the field, the work is left for others, and they are seldom seen in the Division. My brethren these things ought not so to be; let us be true to our cause and to our country, let us be ready to sacrifice time and money for the good of mankind. The poor drunkard needs food and raiment as well as counsel and kind words; to say: be ye warmed and fed without giving him some of the necessaries of life, is not carrying out our glorious mission. A few shillings bestowed will touch a chord that will vibrate deeper in the poor man's soul than many kind words or long exhortations; faith without works is dead, being alone.

There are several things that ought to engage our attention this session. The importance of a prohibitory liquor law should not be lost sight of. It cannot be denied that intemperance is the cause of nine-tenths of all the misery and crime that is in our land, and that if the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits for drinking purposes were prohibited by law and that law properly enforced, in a short time intemperance to a great extent would be diminished, pauperism and crime would be less fearful, our jails would be almost tenantless, and the logical saying be true, in this case as in others; remove the cause and the effect will cease. Until we can have a prohibitory law let us use the laws we have to stop the illicit sale of strong drinks; never be in favour of granting licenses to sell spirituous liquors to be used as a beverage to any man under the canopy of Heaven; the traffic is a nuisance, it is detrimental to society; it imposes a grievous tax upon our loyal subjects; it produces poverty and crime, and leads a man to forget his family and friends; it makes him disloyal to his Queen and a reproach in society, therefore it ought to be prohibited.

The granting of further privileges to Lady visitors is of vast importance to us in Canada, and if the National Division could grant us the privilege to regulate our own affairs in reference to Lady visitors, I think it would be well.

I am of opinion that it would be for the good of the Cause of Temperance to have an organization formed, consisting of delegates chosen from all the different Temperance bodies in Canada, to meet once in each year

I would also recommend the adoption of some form of Regalia, for Lady Visitors.

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Some are of opinion that it would be better for us to separate from our Brethren in the United States, and have a National Division for the British Provinces in North America, but in my opinion a move of this kind, would be detrimental; while war clouds are occasionally rising in the horizon, to darken our prospects as a nation, and more especially as Provinces we should labor to strengthen every bond that might bind us together, in Love and Harmony. During the past year I have made one decision, which should have been recorded last Session, the case is as follows:—The Rec. Sec. of Gough Division, asked, in the name of that Division, if dancing at Soirees or any meeting under the auspices of the Division, is not contrary to the resolution passed by the Grand Division, at the Semi-annual Session, held in Ormstown, in 1860; to which I replied, I thought it was; and farther said, that I should be very sorry ever to hear of any Division, going contrary to that resolution, because many good men would be compelled from conscientious scruples, to leave the Order, if dancing was countenanced. Some time after, I received another communication from Gough Division, requesting my permission for them to publish my letter, to which I replied: if they thought it would be for the good of the Cause, I had no objection to its being published. Many Constitutional questions, have arisen in different Divisions, which I have endeavored to answer to the best of my ability. There has been a charge preferred against Bro. Russel, D.G.W.P. of Quebec, for not asserting the authority of the Grand Division, and for countenancing dancing entertainments at St. Lawrence Division. I appointed a Committee of five P.W.Ps. to investigate the charge, and report at this Session, and I have the Report before me, which is as follows:—

MONTREAL, 20th November, 1862.

To H. D. Jordan, Esq., G.W.P., S. of T. of C.E.

We, the Committee named by you to investigate the charge preferred by Gough Division, No. 3, against Bro. Wm. Russell, D. G. W. P., beg leave to report that we have fully investigated the charge, and find as follows:— That at the Annual Session of the Grand Division, held in Montreal, October, 1859, a Resolution was proposed prohibiting dancing, comic singing, &c., at all entertainments under the auspices of any Subordinate Division; an amendment to the effect that the whole matter of entertainments be left in the hands of the Subordinate Divisions, was offered and accepted. The Resolution founded on by Gough Division, passed at the semi-annual Session held in Ormstown, July, 1860, is a mere expression of opinion on the part of the members of that meeting, that "it is a violation of the promise made to a member before his initiation for Subordinate Divisions to countenance dancing at any meeting held under their sanction or auspices," and neither abrogates or rescinds the previous resolution. The Resolution leaving the matter of entertainments in the hands of Subordinate Divisions, being still unrepealed, and in full force, the D. G. W. P. had no right to interfere, and therefore has violated no obligation.

Your Committee recommend that the charge of Gough Division be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted in L. P. and F.

JOHN S. HALL,

J. CBECKET, P.G.W.P.,

J. J. HIGGINS,

P. H. BURTON.

Two or three of the Divisions have ceased to work, and some more are in a languishing condition, many are doing well. The hard times for money, seem to militate against us, and in some Divisions there has not been that strong love for the Cause of Temperance and Humanity as there ought to have been. Questions of Order, and things of minor importance, occupy their attention, while strife, envy, and discontent, have been the legitimate result.

If we are to maintain our position among the great societies of the world for moral reform we must keep truth, morality, and virtue on our side; be willing to sacrifice our own feelings, where moral principles are not concerned, for the good of the whole.

As I am about to leave this high and honorable station allow me to thank you all for the kindness you have shown and the honors you have conferred

upon me and had it not been for the kindness of some of my brethren in assisting me, in my official duties I should have utterly failed in accomplishing the task assigned me. Bro. J. S. Hall, G. S. has been more than a Father in assisting me in my duties and has won for himself honors that can only be rewarded by the Great Patriarch above. Finally brethren, may we long live to see the temperance cause prosper and so spend our days to secure the approbation of our Heavenly Father, and when life's toils are closing may we have the happy thought to cheer us that we have been instrumental under Divine Providence of doing good to our fellow men and with my earnest prayer for the prosperity of this noble Order.

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

H. D. JORDAN, G. W. P.

On motion referred to Good and Welfare Committee.

The G. S. read his Report as follows:—

MONTREAL, 21st January, 1863.

To the G.W.P., Officers and Representatives of the G. D. S. of T. of C. E. Brothers,

It now becomes my duty to lay before you my annual report of the state of the Order, in this jurisdiction.

The Report I have to make as to the state of the Order, is not such as I should wish it, the Order is not in the condition it ought to be. At the semi-annual session held in Bedford, in July last, I reported that returns had been received from 34 Divisions for the quarter ending 31st March. I have now to report that 30 Divisions have made returns for quarter ending 30th June, and that Returns have been received from only 27 Divisions, for quarter ending 30th September, thus showing a gradual decrease in the number of Divisions reporting, and I regret to add that there is more than a proportionate decrease in the number of members reported. Thirty-four Divisions report for March 1552 members, whilst twenty-seven Divisions in Sept. report only 1131. That there should be such a falling off in our membership is a matter of deep regret, but not of discouragement, and I trust that the members of this Grand Division will return to their homes after the business of the session is closed with a determination to labor in the good cause more faithfully and zealously in the future than they have done in the past. In the view of the present condition of our Order I would strenuously urge upon the Grand Division to devise means for the employment of paid Agents or lecturers to travel through the different portions of the jurisdiction, to organize new divisions where none are at present existing, resuscitate such as may have gone down and to strengthen and encourage existing ones.

Since last meeting of Grand Division, one new Division has been organized viz:—Inkerman, No. 69, located in the township of Bristol, on the Ottawa Victoria Division of Lachute, which had for some time ceased working, has been again revived with every prospect of success. Six Divisions have ceased working—two have failed to make returns for 3 quarters—five for 2 quarters, and ten for 1 quarter, that is for quarter ending 30th September last.

In accordance with the Resolution passed at last Session of the Grand Division, recommending the formation of juvenile temperance organizations, by the Subordinate Divisions, in the jurisdiction, an effort has been made in Montreal to establish the order of C. of T. Two sections of the Order were formed in August last. One of them has been unsuccessful and gone down, the other, although as yet it has but few members, still as they are regular in their attendance at the weekly meetings, and appear earnest in the cause, I have no fear of ultimate success. There has been likewise another Section lately organized in the town of Sherbrooke, under the superintendence of our present excellent Grand Chaplain, which, I understand is prospering rapidly.

I herewith lay before the Grand Division a copy of the Constitution and Code of Laws for the Order sanctioned at last session of National Division, and also a copy of the By-Laws of the Grand Division, and recommend that

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the same be placed in the hands of the Committee on Constitutions, in order that the By-Laws may be revised, and where necessary corrected.

It is my painful duty to announce the decease, since last Session of the Grand Division, of one of our oldest and most esteemed Brothers, P.G.W.P. Kneeshaw. By the older members of this Grand Division, he was well known and highly esteemed. From the infirmities of age, he had not for some years taken any active part in our proceedings, or attended any of our meetings, and he has now gone to his reward, full of years and good works.

I have also to bring under your notice the following melancholy communication, just received, regarding another past officer of this Grand Division, P.G. Chap. J. R. Lambly. It is to this effect: "I am sorry to inform you, that D. G. W. P. Lambly is very ill, and has been for a length time. His friends have been watching for some time for his last moment. More than likely before this reaches you, he shall have gone to his rest. He will be a great loss to our Division, for he has been a most active member and his place will not be easily filled."

The following is a synopsis of the Returns from 27 Divisions, for Quarter ending 30th Sept. 1863.

Initiated	119
Withdrawn	62
Suspended	23
Violation of Pledge, 1st time	50
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Nonpayment of Dues	75
Reinstated	26
Expelled	118
Dead	1
Contributing Members	1,131
Lady Visitors	944
Receipts	\$359,07
Paid for Benefits	\$45,00
Incidental Expenses	\$318,91
Cash on hand	\$1,259,39
Per Cap tax to Grand Division	\$36,63
Public meetings held	38

The Financial Statement is as follows:—

The Grand Scribe In account with Grand Division S. of T. C. E.

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To cash on hand, 1st July, 1862, - - - - -	\$30 28½
" received for per capita tax, from 1st July, 1862, to 1st July, 1863, - - - - -	103 79
" received for books, &c., from 1st July 1862, to 1st January, 1863, - - - - -	12 74
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By Cash paid expenses to and from Bedford, -	\$2 25
" paid J. C. Becket printing No 1. -	34 75
" paid H Rose, " No 2. -	28 00
" paid M. W. Scribe, No 3. -	27 94
" paid " No 4. -	4 00
" paid postages -	18 60
" G. S. ½ year's allowance. - - - - -	50 00
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Balance due G.S. - - - - - \$18 73

The following Communications have been received, and are herewith laid before you.

From John C. Becket, Montreal, Canada Temperance Advocate.

" Z. Pope Vose, Rockland, Youth's Temperance Visitor.

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

JOHN S. HALL, Grand Scribe.

On motion referred to Good and Welfare and Finance Committees, and to Committee on Constitutions, &c.

On motion voted to proceed with the nomination of Officers for the ensuing year.

The following nominations were then made.

G. W. P.—Reps. Rev. A. Duff, J. Hungerford, Wm. Russell, J. B. Lay, and J. J. Higgins.

G. W. A.—Reps. G. Martin, J. B. Lay, J. Moore, Rev. A. Duff, J. J. Higgins, and T. Hutchings.

G. Scribe.—Rep. John S. Hall.

G. T.—Reps. J. Moore, J. N. Mills, and W. McWatters.

G. Chap.—Reps. Rev. A. Duff, T. Fessenden, and E. Fordice.

G. Con.—Reps. P. H. Burton, E. T. Miles, E. Fordice, J. F. Thompson, and W. McWatters.

G. Sent.—Reps. C. L. Smith, T. Robinson, P. J. Pell, R. Alcombrack, and H. A. Lawrence.

On motion voted to proceed with the nomination of places of meeting for the Semi-Annual and Annual Sessions of the Grand Division.

For Semi-Annual Session,—Cowansville, Lacolle, Adamsville, Quebec, Granby, Cote St. Paul. Adamsville selected.

For Annual Session,—Quebec, Cote St. Paul, West Shefford, Montreal. West Shefford selected.

On motion, Grand Division adjourned to meet at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 7 o'clock, P.M.

$\frac{1}{2}$ PAST 7 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment.

Officers present same as afternoon Session.

Services of Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Division now proceeded to the Election of Officers the following is the result:

G.W.P.—Rev. A. Duff.

G.W.A.—John B. Lay.

G.S.—John S. Hall.

G.T.—John Moore.

G. Chap.—Thos. Fessenden.

G. Con.—E. T. Miles.

G. Sen.—H. A. Lawrence.

On motion, voted to proceed with installation of Officers.

The G.W.P. elect, Rev. A. Duff, was then obligated and conducted to his seat. The other Officers were then installed in the following order, viz: J. B. Lay, G.W.A.; John S. Hall, G. S.; J. Moore, G.T.; T. Fessenden, G. Chap.; E. T. Miles, G. Con.; and H. A. Lawrence, G. Sen.

Moved by Rep. Ross and seconded.

Resolved.—That the vote selecting Adamsville as the place of meeting for semi-annual session be reconsidered. Carried.

Moved by Rep. Ross and seconded.

Resolved.—That the semi-annual meeting be held in the City of Quebec. Carried.

On motion, Grand Division adjourned to meet to-morrow, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

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22nd January 1863. 10 o'clock, A.M.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment.

Officers all present.

Services of Grand Chaplain.

Finance Committee reported as follows:—

To the Grand Division, S. of T., of C.E.

Your Committee have the honor to report having examined the vouchers, and documents submitted to them by the Grand Scribe, find the same correct.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. HUNGERFORD.

J. N. MILLS.

T. BRODIE.

Adopted.

On motion voted,—That the time for holding the Sessions of this Grand body be as follows: Semi-Annual, 2nd week in July next, and Annual, 3rd Wednesday in January, 1864.

The following were elected Representatives from this Grand Division to the National Division, John C. Becket, A. McEachern, John S. Hall, A. Smeaton, T. S. Haynes, Henry Rose, G. M. Rose, H. D. Jordan, P.G.W.P's., Wm. H. VanVliet, Kenneth Ross, Wm. B. VanVliet, Wm. Russell, P.G.W.A's., Rev. A. Duff, G.W.P., and J. B. Lay, G.W.A.

Moved by Rep. Ross and seconded,

Resolved.—That the sum of \$40 be appropriated for the payment of our Representatives to the National Division. Carried.

Petition of Rep. J. F. Thompson, against the action of Adamsville Division, was presented and read. On motion, referred to a Special Committee of three, to report at afternoon session.

The G.W.P. named as said Committee, Reps. Hungerford, Ross, and McCormick.

Report of Committee on Good and Welfare was then read, and on motion, voted to be the first order of business at Afternoon Session, then to be discussed section by section.

On motion, Grand Division adjourned to meet at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 1 o'clock, p. m.

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Grand Division met according to adjournment.

Officers present same as Morning Session.

Services of Grand Chaplain.

The Report of the Committee on Good and Welfare being the first order of business, was now taken up and discussed section by section. Several amendments were offered and carried; that in regard to the extension of privileges to Lady Visitors having been carried by a majority of 18 to 14.

The following is the Report, as amended:

MONTREAL, January 22nd, 1863.

To the G. W. P Officers and Brothers of Grand Division of Lower Canada Sons of Temperance.

BROTHERS.—We your committee of good and welfare beg to report 1st in reference to the report of the G. W. P. that we are much pleased with its general tenor and excellence and hope that the many subjects treated upon, will receive the attention that their great importance merit.

We regard the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law as the great object

at which we should aim, and it should be our endeavor to educate the public mind with that view, and at the same time we should be diligent in the use of all suitable means by which the fearful evils of the liquor traffic may be in any way mitigated and the prevailing custom of society entirely changed, and this Grand Division should recommend all the Subordinate Divisions in this district to petition the Legislature to pass the prohibitory measure introduced by the late Mr. Clark, M.P.P.

That the G. S. be directed to prepare a Petition in accordance with the foregoing, and furnish copies thereof to the different Subordinate Divisions for circulation and signature in their respective localities.

We recommend that the G. D. urge upon the attention of the National Division the propriety of extending further privileges to Lady Visitors and that our representatives be instructed to that effect.

With reference to a general temperance organisation in the province for the advancement of our common cause, your committee think that such an organisation is not only highly desirable but the only thing that will give weight and influence to our movement; we would therefore recommend that the Grand Scribe communicate with the other organisations on the matter with a view to calling a convention for this purpose, during the coming summer.

With regard to the uniformity of regalia for Lady Visitors we would recommend that a strip of red satin ribbon three inches wide and nine inches long with a rosette of red white and blue, and the emblem of the Order stamped on the ribbon be the form of badge.

With regard to the formation of a separate National Division for the British provinces your committee are of the opinion that such a step would be highly undesirable, as our cause is a common one and of a purely moral character, no distinction of country race or creed should be allowed to mar its progress. We therefore agree with the G. W. P. and hereby tender our sympathies with our brothers across the line 45°, hoping that we shall always work in harmony together.

In regard to the report of the Grand Scribe, your committee see with deep regret, that our Order has gone backward considerably in numbers during the past year, and think that the only remedy is to set earnestly before us sound temperance principles, and to do away with everything that prevent men of known good moral standing and influence from taking hold with us, we would therefore recommend greater earnestness and firmness in our temperance principles, in order that we may show that we are labouring not for our own gratification and pleasure but for the common welfare, and we must not yet rest upon what we have done, nor depend upon the old standing of the order alone, for future success, lest we should be outrun by others younger and more eager in the race.

We see with pleasure that juvenile organizations have been started in Montreal and Sherbrooke, and hope that all Divisions will follow so good an example as it is from the young that we shall expect our future men and prosperity.

We are sorry that the members of the Order do not patronize the *Canada Temperance Advocate* as it deserves, and hope that this will not continue. We would recommend that the delegates present canvass for it in their respective localities. There is also a juvenile temperance paper published in Rockland, which is worthy of the hearty support of the members.

In conclusion we would earnestly hope that the members of this Grand Division will go home with increased love for the cause, and for one another, and determined to support to the utmost of their ability, both in time and means the great cause for which we are banded together, and thus fulfill our duty to God and man; then may we expect the blessing of Heaven to rest upon us, without which all our efforts will be futile.

Submitted in L. P. and F.,

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On motion, Report adopted as amended.

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Moved by Rep. J. M. Hall and seconded.

Resolved,—That it be a recommendation from the Grand Division to its officers that they visit officially, at least once a quarter, all the Subordinate Divisions in their respective neighbourhoods so that the interests of the Order and the cause of Temperance generally may be promoted in the several localities Carried.

On motion adjourned to meet at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

3rd January 1863. 10 O'CLOCK A. M.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment,

Officers present same as yesterday's session.

Services of Grand Chaplain,

Special committee on Petition of J. F. Thompson reported as follows:—

Report of the Special Committee, appointed to investigate the appeal of John F. Thomson, from the action of Adamsville Division, in the case of Bro. J. J. Hawk.

Your Committee have the honor to report, that, having examined the proceedings of Adamsville Div. No. 50., in relation to the expulsion of Bro. J. J. Hawk, find that the proceedings of said Division are irregular, for the following reasons.

First:—Because the charge against Bro. J. J. Hawk, was not sufficiently specific, to warrant the Division in taking action thereon.

Secondly:—Because the proceedings of the said Division, are irregular and illegal.

Thirdly:—Because no charge was brought against Bro. Hawk, in accordance with Article III., Sec. 2., Constitution Subordinate Divisions, S. of T., which could involve his expulsion from the Division.

Your Committee therefore recommend, that the said proceedings be set aside, and Bro. J. J. Hawk reinstated. All which is respectfully submitted.

J. HUNGERFORD.

KENNETH ROSS.

W. MCCORMICK.

Having been highly favoured by a visit from the M.W.P. of our Order in North America, it was moved by P. G. W. P. Jordan, and seconded by G. W. A. Lay and resolved:—That the cordial thanks of this Grand Division are due and hereby tendered to Bro. S. L. Carleton, M. W. P. for his visit to and presence among us during the present session. Carried unanimously.

The thanks of the Grand Division having been conveyed by the G. W. F. to the M. W. P. he made an eloquent response.

Moved by P.W.P. H. Rose, seconded by Rep. J. M. Hall,—That this Grand Division have heard with deep regret the decease of P.G.W.P. Bro. R. Kneeshaw, one of the pioneers of our noble Order in this Province, and who from his first entrance in our ranks, has been a warm and zealous advocate of our glorious cause, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to Victoria Division Lachute.

On motion voted that the per capita tax for the ensuing year, be 5c for each member.

On motion voted that the Grand Scribe's salary be the same as last year.

Moved by G. W. A. Lay and seconded.

Resolved,—that it be a recommendation from this Grand Division to Subordinate Divisions to take up periodical voluntary subscriptions to form a fund for the payment of suitable and proper temperance lecturer or lecturers for this Province. Carried.

Moved by Rep. H Rose and seconded.

That as the G. D. is not in a position at present to employ a Temperance lecturer, the sum of four dollars be appropriated to any deputy or member of this Grand Division or P. W. P. who may institute a new Subordinate Division. Carried.

Notice was given that the following motion would be brought up for discussion, at the next semi-annual session.

—
Montreal, 23rd January, 1863.

We hereby give notice of the following addition to the By-Laws of this Grand Division of Canada East, to be moved at the Semi-Annual Session to be held in Quebec. *Resolved*,—That the Initiation fee in this Grand Division be one dollar, and the regular annual dues be one dollar for each Representative.

P. H. BURTON, Rep. Howard Division No. 1.
JOHN MOORE, Rep. St. Lawrence, No. 16.
J. B. LAY, Rep. Shefford Division, No. 47.
W. B. VANVLIET, Rep. Lacolle Division, No. 117.
J. J. HIGGINS, Rep. Mechanics Division, No. 65.
THOMAS BRODIE, Rep. Gough Division, No. 3.

Moved by Representative Miles and seconded by Rep. Stevenson, that in the opinion of the Grand Division of Canada East, it is inexpedient that a man should belong to more than one organization of a character so similar as the "Sons of Temperance," and the "Good Templars," because it is found to be impracticable for a man to be equally zealous in both. Therefore while we are fully alive to the efficiency of the various organizations now existing, and the vast field before us, we are yet of opinion that the efficiency of all would be greatly increased were each individual in connection with only one such organization at one time.

The Resolution was discussed at some length, during which the question was put to the G.W.P. whether the Resolution then under discussion was to be considered obligatory on the Order or as a mere expression of opinion. The G.W.P. answered that it was a mere expression of opinion and not obligatory. He was then asked if the Resolution passed at Ormstown in 1860 relative to dancing was in the same position. He answered that it was. It was then moved in amendment, and seconded; that the consideration of this resolution be postponed to this day six months. Amendment carried.

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

GOOD AND WELFARE.—Reps. W. Russell; W. B. VanVliet, and W. Stevenson.

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APPEALS.—Reps. J. B. Lay ; J. J. Higgins ; J. Hungerford ; W. McCormick, and G. Martin.

PUBLICATIONS, CONSTITUTIONS, &c.—Reps. P. H. Burton ; H. Brodie, and G. B. Hoy.

Moved by Representative G. M. Rose, P.G.W.P., and seconded. That the thanks of this Grand Division are due, and are hereby tendered to the Divisions in Montreal and vicinity, and their Lady friends, for the exceedingly kind and handsome manner in which they have contributed to our entertainment and comfort during the Session of the Grand Division. Carried unanimously.

On motion, the thanks of the Grand Division were voted to the P.G.W.P., G. S., and G.W.P., for their very efficient services.

Moved by Representative G. M. Rose, and seconded. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Grand Division are due, and are hereby tendered to the C. and S.L., and S. S. and C. Rail Road Companies, for their liberality, in allowing our Representatives to travel at half-fare, and that the G.S. do communicate the same to the proper parties. Carried unanimously.

The Grand Division then adjourned, to meet in the City of Quebec, on the 2nd Wednesday in July next.

JOHN S. HALL,
Grand Scribe.

OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES

In attendance, at the January Session of the Grand Division, 1863. Rev. A. Duff, G.W.P. ; J. B. Lay, G.W.A. ; John S. Hall, G.S. ; John Moore, G.T. ; Thos. Fessenden, G. Chap. ; E. T. Miles, G. Con. ; H. A. Lawrence, G. Sen., and H. D. Jordan, P. G.W.P.

Representatives :—Howard No. 1.—J. C. Becket, H. Rose, J. S. Hall, J. M. Hall, Wm. Bates, G. Martin, W. J. Patterson, P. H. Burton, T. Hutchings, Rev. A. Duff, D. McDonald, F. Delamere, B. S. Barnett. Gough, No. 3.—T. Brodie, W. Palmer. Lancaster, No. 11—K. Ross, T. Willinms. St. Lawrence, No. 16.—G. M. Rose, Wm. Russell, J. Moore. Lacolle, No. 17.—W. B. VanVliet. Shefford, No. 47.—H. D. Jordan, J. B. Lay. Eastern Star, No. 49.—Wm. McCormick, W. McWatters, T. Robinson, T. Fessenden, J. Wilson, D. Lander, P. Haining. Adamsville, No. 50.—J. F. Thomson, E. O. Fordice, P. J. Pells, A. Knight. St. Henry Union, No. 53.—H. Brodie, J. Burns, D. Rose. Hungerford, No. 54.—J. Hungerford, J. N. Mills, R. Alcombrack. Bedford, No. 55.—C. L. Smith, G. P. Rixford, W. R. Meigs. Cowansville, No. 58.—E. T. Miles, W. Stevenson, J. Littledale. East Farnham, No. 59.—C. H. Mansfield, Y. T. Cameron, West Shefford, No. 64.—H. A. Lawrence. Mechanics, No. 65.—J. J. Higgins, John Higgins, G. D. Hoy, H. D. Jackson.

LIST OF DEPUTIES.

Howard Division, No. 1.—Montreal,	P. H. Burton.
Gough, No. 3.—	Wm. Russell.
St. Lawrence, No. 16. } Quebec,	A. McEachern.
Bethel, No. 5.—Ormstown,	T. Barron, Jur.
Victoria, No. 10.—Lachute,	John M. Snider.
Lancaster, No. 11.—Lancaster.	
St. Michaels' Union, No. 14.—Athelston,	G. M. VanVliet.
Lacolle, No. 17.—Lacolle,	R. Stewart, Jur.
Bristol, No. 28.—Bristol,	R. Ralph.
Clarendon, No. 29.—Clarendon,	G. Bayne.
Balaclava, No. 30.—Leeds,	J. Sievright.
Harmony, No. 34.—New Glasgow,	
St. Francis, No. 35.—Durham, }	J. Beede.
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Richmond, No. 38.—Melbourne,	J. Kay.
Havelock, No. 39.—Inverness,	
Granby, No. 44.—Granby,	J. B. Lay.
Gore Progressive, No. 45.—Herdman's Corners,	Wm. Morgan.
Shefford, No. 47.—Waterloo,	W. McWaters.
Phillipsburg, No. 48.—Phillipsburg,	P. J. Pell.
Eastern Star, No. 49.—Montreal,	J. Nesbitt.
Adamsville, No. 50.—Adamsville,	
Trout River, No. 52.—Trout River,	G. B. Hay.
St. Henry Union, No. 53.—Tannery, }	R. Alcombrack.
St. Charles, No. 61.—Point St, Charles, }	C. L. Smith.
Mechanics' No. 65.—Cote St. Paul, }	G. Green.
Hungerford, No. 54.—Bedford,	Eugene Dyer.
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Brockville, No. 56.—Brockville,	V. W. Sanborn.
Washingtonian, No. 57.—Sutton,	V. E. Chamberlin.
Cowansville, No. 58.—Cowansville,	C. England.
East Farnham, No. 59.—East Farnham,	D. S. Meigs.
Knowlton, No. 60.—Knowlton,	H. A. Lawrence.
Farnham Centre, No. 62.—Farnham Centre,	A. Stone.
North Missisquoi, No. 63.—South Potton,	M. Auger.
West Shefford, No. 64.—West Shefford,	J. Gibbons.
North Stanbridge, No. 66.—North Stanbridge,	Chas. Cole.
Milton, No. 67.—Roxton,	
Shefford Mountain, No. 68.—Shefford Mountain,	
Inkerman, No. 69.—Bristol,	