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TEMPERANCE HALL. Gore, Hants Co., January 25, 1870.

The Grand Division met in Vesper Division Room, at 2.30 o'clock, p. m., and opened in due form, the G. W. P. in the Chair.

Roll of Officers called:

Present: Rev. L. Gaetz, G. W. P.; George G. Gray, G. W. A.; P. Monaghan, G. Scribe.

Absent: John Heenan, G. Treas.; Rev. G. O. Huestis, G. Chap.; John Shean, G. Con.; Wm. Cummings, G. Sent.; Hon. S. Creelman, P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by P. G. W. P. Taylor, G. Treas.; Thos. Hunter, G. Chap.; Richard S. Blois, G. Con.; D. A. F. Cameron, G. Sent.; A. Longley, P. G. W. P.

On motion of R. S. Blois, seconded by P. G. W. P. Longley, it was agreed that Lady Visitors and members of Subordinate Divisions be admitted to sittings of this Session as spectators.

The following Report was read and adopted: --

Halifax, N. S., 21st January, 1870.

The Committee on Credentials have examined the Credentials, and submit the following as correct:

- 2 CENTRAL—W. P., Henry Allen.
 4 MILTON—W. P., Thomas Kirk.
 8 MICMAC—W. P., Patrick. McDermott.
 9 MAYFLOWER—W. P., Thomas Foster.
- 12 Avon-William Theakston.

- 25 Rosewar- W. P., W. J. Hogg.
 37 Royal—W. P., Charles Hulsman.
 41 Tauno—W. P., Isaac Baird.
 44 Olive Branch—W. P., Norman Foster.
 52 Rising Sun—W. P., Rev. S. B. Martin.

72 AGRICOLA—W. P., James M. Page; P. W. P's., Hugh Dunlap, W. F. Cox, W. Bentley, Obed. Chute, Chas. L. Cox, E. N. Bentley, Jas. A. Cox, Fred. Tupper, A. N. Layton, Robt. Creelman, Saml. F. Creelman and A. N. Tupper.

- 75 WALLACE-W. P., John W. Morris. 79 ALBION MINES-W. P., John Smith; P. W. P's. John Carr, Jas. Corbet, James Culten, John McIntosh, Chas. Patridge, Chas. W. Dickson and Hector McKenzic.
- 96 ATHENEUM-W. P., R. G. Noble; P. W. P., W. C. Brennan.

119 RECHAB-W. P., John Welwood.
124 VESPER-W. P., Rev. Robt. Tweedie; P. W. P. Chas. Sim.

128 NORTH AMERICAN-W. P., W. S. Raymond; P. W. P's George Gouley, David P. Corning. 145 Trno-W. P. Isaac Pugh, P. W. P's., Jas. A. Peters, George Bowers,

James Glaven.

155 Conequid-W. P. John N. McElheny.

- 161 WESTERN STAR-W. P., George Prime; P. W. Ps., Byron Thurber, Albert J. Thurber.
- 167 NORTH SYDNEY-W. P., Alexander Logan.

180 Green Tree-W. P., Charles Freeman.

182 Amnerst-W. P., Rupert Black.

186-Ray or Hope-W. P., Wm. T. Martin; P. W. P's., J. L. Letson, Geo. M. Fancy, Joseph Atkins, S. P. Foster, Wm. Daily, L. D. Christopher, S.F. Freeman, J C. Poster, D. N. Manthorn, Edwin Morine, Atwood Cohoon, Spencer Cohoon. 205 WAVERLY-W. P., James Rowe.

203 RAY OF LIGHT—W. P., Soloman Dolliver; P. W. P's., Wm. J. Cohoon, Thomas Cooney, James Cooney
212 St. Andrews—W. P., Robt. Crocket,
213 Arcadia—W. P. Frances Vickery.

214 Pereaux-W. P., Elijah C. West.

221 MARINE-W. P., Steward Gould, P. W. P's., J. B. B. O'Brien.

224 CHAMPION-W. P., Jonas Balcom. 232 INGRAHAM-W. P., Henry Webber. 236 MARATHON-W. P., Elijah Covey.

237 RICHMOND-W. P., Wm. Inglis. 241 ROCKPORT-W. P., Wm. Gould.

246 Moriex—W. P., Nathaniel Martell.
 250 Monaghan—W. P., David B. Thomas, P. W. P's., Jonathan Letteney, Asa Porter, James Marshall, Joseph Mallett, Albert Marshall.

263 COLD HUNTER-W. P., George P. Thomson.

267 LADY OF THE LAKE-W. P., Palmer S. Hulbert. 271 Homeville-W. P., George Martell.

- 282 BARRATT-W. P., Abner Perry. 291 Hillside-W. P., Edward R. Whitman; P. W. P's., Ambrose L. Banks, James Beals, Albert Whitman, Charles Crisp, William Crisp, R. M. Welsh.
- 292 EVENING TIDE-W. P., Wm McRae, P. W. P's., Angus McLean, A. V. Heughins, Angus McPhie.
- 296 BRULE—W. P., Daniel Craig, P. W. P's., Thos. Malcom, James Semples. 303 GLADSTONE—W. P., Joseph S. Morton. 305 Fraser—W. P., John McDonald.

308 ORIOR-W. P., Andrew Malcom.

309—STILI-IN-TIME—W. P., Edward Pentz, P. W. P., John McGilvary. 310 Beacon—W. P., Nicholas Mulligan. 311 Dominion—W. P., Malcom McDonald; P. W. P's., Duncan McLean, John McLeod, John McKay.

313 Young Branch-W. P., Wm. R. McLearn, P. W. P's., David Harding, Jacob B. Ringor, Charles Dakin. 314 LIVINGSTONE-W. P., John Campbell.

In Love, Purity and Fidelity,

WM. WILSON, JOHN E. BUTLER.

G. S. read Communications from Avon Division, No. 12, and Vesper Division, No. 124, cancelling credentials of Representatives.

Communications ordered on File, and names of Representatives to be erased from Roll.

Also a Communication from Vesper Division, No. 124, asking permission from Grand Division to pass a Bye-Law granting privilege of voting to members under eighteen years of age.

Referred to Committee on Communications.

Grand Scribe presented an Appeal from C. G. Buchanan, vs. action of North Sydney Division, No. 167.

Referred to Standing Committee on Appeals.

The following Report was read and approved: -

Halifax, January 22nd, 1870.

Since the Annual meeting of the Grand Division, the Committee on Charters

have recommended the granting of Charters as follows:

1. On November 16, 1869, to Edgar H. Porter, and seventeen others, residents of Lower Granville, Annapolis County, for Karspale Division, No. 315.

2. On January 5, instant, to Alexander Knowlton, and nineteen others, residents of Mediord, Kings County, for Goodwill Division, No. 316. In Love, Purity, and Fidelity,

Patk. Monaghan M. A. SHAFFER.

Grand Conductor introduced the following named, who were duly initiated: Harry H. Blois, Daniel Thompson, Wm. Murdoch, Charles Sim, of No. 124; Rev. S. B. Martin, No. 52; John C. Fisher, No. 92; Adam R. O'Brien, Steward Gould, No. 221.

The G. W. P. appointed Committees as follows: -

On State of the Order-P. G. W. P. Longley, Thos. Hutchings, Alex. Dunbar, H. H. Blois, George J. Creed.

On Communications-P. G. W. P. Taylor, Rev. S. B. Martin, David Ellis.

On Enrollment of Members-Roland Creed, R. S. Blois.

On motion of P. G. W. P. Longley, seconded by G. J. Creed, P. G. W. P. Taylor and Thos. Hunter were appointed a Committee to co-operate with Committee of Vesper Division in arranging for a public Temperance meeting, to be held this evening.

The Financial Statements of the Grand Scribe and Grand Trea surer were read and ordered on File.

The following Report was read and adopted: -

The Standing, Auditing and Finance Committee have examined the books and accounts of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer and find them to be correct. They have also examined the following accounts, which being correct, they reccommend for payment viz:

> James Barnes...... \$4.00. Wm. McNab 42.00. Nova Scotia Printing Company.....

R. H. WETMORE, Chairman.

January 24th, 1870.

On motion of R. S. Blois, it was agreed that this sitting adjourn at 5.30 o'clock, and that the G. D. resume business to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

P. G. W. P. Taylor reported a Programme for public meeting to be held this evening, which was approved of.

The Grand Scribe presented the following Report: -

To the Grand Division S. of T. of Nova Scotia.

WC...IY BROTHERS,-

Since the Annual Meeting two new Divisions have been organized, viz:

1. KARSDALE, No. 315, at Lower Granville, Annapolis County, on 22nd November, 1869, by Provincial Deputy C. Edgar DeWolfe.
2. Goodwill, No. 316, at Medford, Kings County, on 14th instant, by County Deputy William C. Bill.

Several Divisions that had been inactive for a portion of the past year have resumed work. New Caledonia No. 14, and Tanger No. 194 have been resuscitated and are now working with fair prospects.

Glenelg No. 269 and Western Home No. 307, have surrendered their charters. The members of the former have joined Youth's Refuge, the existence of a Lodge of Templars not affording room for two organizations in Glenelg.

The following named Divisions are not working: Nos. 13, 89, 141, 172, 192,

193, 196, 203, 240, 278, 294,—11.

The following named are dead: Nos. 59, 63, 169, 173, 177, 202, 218, 254, 269, 273, 300, 307,-12.

In reference to these Divisions, I would repeat a paragraph in my report to the Annual Session, viz:

"A number of these Divisions could be resuscitated by the exertions of an earnest and active Agent. Some of them cannot get a sufficient quorum to transact business, owing to the existence of other Temperance associations in the same locality, and with which a number of their once most active members are connected. Others are wavering, being uncertain whether it would be better to retain their Charters as Divisions of the Sons of Temperance, or surren-

der them and work under charters that may be granted by other organizations."

Correspondence with the officers of most of those Divisions make it appear that the privilege of electing females to office is a necessity; and if accorded, the

Divisions would revive and flourish.

The want of an Agent is much felt. An active Agent travelling through the jurisdiction and increased circulation of The Abstainer would rouse many of our Brethern to action and set inoperative Divisions to work. A few Divisions

would now be at work had an Agent been in the field since the Annual Meeting of this body, whereas the ground is now occupied by other organizations.

The Incorporation Papers of Great Eastern Division, No. 285, were filed in

the Provincial Secretary's Office on Jan. 22nd inst.

From encouragement received, the continuance of *The Abstainer* has been decided upon. The Divisions and friends in Halifax have done well in reference to the support granted. With few exceptions the friends and Divisions in the Country have not done so much as they should. It is to be hoped, however, that greater exertions to increase the circulation of the paper will be made before the April meeting of this body.

DECEASED MEMBERS.

It becomes my painful duty to announce the death of D. G. W. P. Walter Ricketson, Esq., of Olive Branch Division, which event occurred on the 14th instant. Bro. Ricketson was connected with the Order for many years, and discharged the duties of his office as Deputy with faithfulness and satisfaction. In his decease Olive Branch Division has lost a useful member—the Order a faithful Son of Temperance—the community in which he lived an honest man. At the time of his death Bro. R. was in the 60th year of his age. He was initiated a member of this Grand Division on 26th October, 1853.

I have also to announce the death of P. W. P. James Glenson, of Archangel Division, after a long illness, in the 37th year of his age, and which occurred on the 14th inst. Our deceased brother was a useful member of Archangel Division, and much respected by his brothren. He became a member of the Order

in 1860, and was initiated a member of this body on 25th July, 1866.

STATISTICS.

The receipts at this office to 20th inst. amounted to \$347.11, \$11.77½ of which amount was towards Agency Fund.

The following statistics are gleaned from the returns received from Divisions for quarter ending December 31, 1869: --

Members admitted	384
" withdrawn	101
" expelled	362
" died	6
" on Financial Scribe's books	
Lady visitors admitted	
" withdrawn, died, etc	
" Whole No.,	
Violated Pledge 1st time	
Retained	90
Violated Pledge 2nd time	40
Public Temperance Meetings held	26

FINANCIAL.

Receipts for quarter	·\$1283 · 82
Expenses, exclusive of Benefits	· 1274.261
Paid for Benefits	
Cash on hand and invested	.12254.40
Per Capita Tax to Grand Division	231.01
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Respectfully submitted, in L. P. & F.
PATRICK MONAGHAN,

Gore, Hants Co., Jany. 25th, 1870.

Grand Scribe.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order, except so much of it as referred to decease of P. W. P's. Ricketson and Gleason, which was referred to a Special Committee, consisting of P. G. W. P's. Longley and Taylor, and G. W. A. Gray.

The G. W. P. read his Report as follows: -

TO THE GRAND DIVISION S. OF T. OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Worthy Brothers,-

In presenting this report, suffer me first of all to acknowledge the goodness of God, to whose restraining grace we owe our personal deliverance from that which "at the last biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder," and to Whose gracious smile and approval we may justly trace the successes which have attended the operations of our noble order from the first. Successes which, considering the vicious tendencies of our fallen nature, the prevalency of drinking customs, and the potency of habit, are most remarkable, and trusting in the God of righteousness and truth, our expectations of universal victory over the fell destroyer we oppose, are certain and unwavering. Our temperance warfare may be long, and the draft on patience and perseverance numerous and trying, but the results cannot be woultful, for our principles and practices are in perfect harmony with the laws of nature and the religion of Christ.

STATE OF THE ORDER.

In reporting upon the state of the Order, it is a matter of unfelgned regret that the delinquency of Deputies in reporting the exact status of subordinate Divisions, renders it impossible to obtain any thing like a fair representation of our influence or efficiency as an organization; nevertheless from what we have been enabled to glean from the scanty information communicated, we are warranted in saying that during the last quarter "peace has been within our walls, and a measure of prosperity within our borders.

At no period of our history as a Grand Division, was our influence more felt, or our principles more respected; and although as Deputy Marshall says, "uncertain sounds are yet to be heard around the watch-towers of Zion," it is manifest that the sympathy between the Church and the Temperance Reform was

never stronger than it is to-day.

From some counties we have not heard at all, and in the case of others, Divisional Deputies have but reported their own Divisions. From

CAPE BRETON.

Deputy Harrington reports very fully for the southern district of Cape Breton. "Star of the East" heroically survives the ruins of the fire of '67 and the discouragements and inconvenience incident thereupon, and bids fair to shine with a brighter lustre. "Beacon" has greatly revived during the past quarter, and is now working with fresh life and vigour. "International" is quiet in consequence of the cessation of work at the International Colliery, and removal of members. "II. A. Taylor" is feeble from the same cause.

Four out of the six Divisions in this district are reported prosperous and useful, and the remaining two are only suffering from that species of paralysis

incident upon depressed trade and business. From

ANTIGONISH,

County Deputy King writes: "The Divisions in this County maintain their efficiency, and are cheered in the knowledge that the principles of Temperance, through their advocacy, are steadily gaining ground. We fear not the result; the enemy is strong, but right and truth are stronger, and will prevail.

COLCHESTER.

Count, Deputy McRobert complains of the negligence of divisional Deputies not advising him respecting the working of their several Divisions, in consequence of which he is not able to report fully upon the state of the Order, but believes, judging from various sources of information, that the Order is in a he divy, if not a prosperous, condition. "Iron Age" is flourishing. "Cobequid" is doing a good work in the face of many difficulties. "Springside" is holding its own, and exercising a wholesome and beneficial influence in the community.

"Truro" has a large increase of members, and the Temperance feeling throughout the County is as strong, if not stronger, than at any previous period.

Brother Heughins reports "Highland" dead, but does not regard its death as at all fatal to the best interests of Temperance. "Evening Tide" and "Pominion" have opened the winter campaign under somewhat more encouraging circumstances, and hope for a brighter future. From

County Deputy W. C. Bill reports the institution of a new Division at Medford, Cornwallis, under the most favorable circumstances. With this exception, the Order has undergone no material change during the past quarter. "Scott's Bay." "Port Williams," and "Wolfville" are in a languishing condition, but "Lake," "Fenwick," "Rockport," and "Percaux" are prosperous and flourishing,—"Upon the whole," says Brother Bill, "we are not retrograding. Present circumstances assure us that the blessing of Heaven is now resting upon our labours."

County Deputy Mosher reports very mournfully from

HANTS.

"Martock" has ceased working: books and implements in safe keeping. "Avondale" and "Brooklyn," reported inactive last year, have since died. Liquor in small quantities is constantly finding its way into the County. There remain, however, nine Divisions not reported by Bro. Mosher, and as good news travels slower than bad, let us hope that good tidings are yet in reserve. Brother J. P. Smith reports "Avon" increasing, and says-" A bright future awaits us if we remain faithful and harmonious as at present." From

SHELBURNE COUNTY,

Deputy T. D. Hart says: Brother Perry of "Barratt" Division, writes: "Against opposition, but with the assistance or some of the best men in the section, we are moving bravely on." "Young Branch is doing well, and has prospects of steady advancement. Brother Locke reports "Star" Division, Locke's Island, working well this winter. The out side of their new Hall has been finished at a cost of \$1,400, though no aid has thus far been received out side the Division.

ANNAPOLIS.

Deputy Longley writes: Two or three of the Divisions in this County are working actively and prosperously. "Karsdale," instituted in November last with a membership of 8, now numbers 25. "New Caledonia," after an alarming case of suspended animation has again come to life.

GUYSBORO'.

"Chedabucto," during the summer and autumn was very low but has recently revived again. Glenelg has amalgamated with "Youth's Refuge." By this we lose in number; whether we gain in efficiency remains to be tested.

YARMOUTH.

We have only heard from two Divisions in the County. "North American" which Brother Raymond reports in a low and struggling state; and "Tusket" which though small is slowly progressing, and is diligent in the prosecution of rum-sellers. Brother Harding assures us that there cannot now be a glass of l'quor bought in the village of Tusket, which is more than could have been said for many years. County Deputy Christie, while he cannot report progress in the County, looks hopefully to the future. From

Brother J. S. McNeil writes. I believe "Melrose" dead and past resuscitation. "Gen. Inglis" ceased working in March last; they have recently held a few meetings but it is yet doubtful whether they will succeed in reviving their languishing interests. From

PICTOU.

County Deputy Marshall writes. "I am unable to report large increase, still the progress of Temperance is real. From every part of our County we hear that our principles are becoming settled in the public mind. I heard it stated publicly by Brother W. Carmichael, M. P.: "Picton has no open houses on nomination day!" Contrast this statement with the experience of by-gone days. "Mainmast" is firm, with immediate prospect of increase. "Fraser" is in a prosperous condition. "New Glasgow" is moving forward. Gladstone" is all that we could wish — enterprising, zealous and faithful. They have moved into their new hall. "Oriental" has not been in a healthier state for 20 years. Twenty-two initiations during the last quarter, and many excellent marks among these. Temperance is steadily advancing in the town of Pictou. Imports of ardent spirits reduced by 1,000 gallons during the past year. And Brothers I would state it as my firm conviction, matured by observation and reflection, that if the temperance people of Pictou County are faithful to their present trust and standing, they will carry the county in less than five years on a Prohibition ticket. Thousands are ready for it to-day!

HALIFAX COUNTY.

County Deputy Parsons reports as follows: "Of the 21 Divisions in the County, 7 have reported through their Deputies-the 5 Divisions of the city, together with "Rising Sun," No. 52, and "Day-Spring," No. 217.

Brother Gray, reporting from the city Divisions, says,-" I have visited the five city Divisions, and have installed the officers. I have great pleasure in

informing you they are all in good working order."

Brother Anguin reports increased attendance and interest in the regular meetings of "Day-Spring" Division, Dartmouth. Part of the following extract

from his Report can be well applied to many parts of the Province : -

"We can but view with extreme pleasure the recommendations contained in the last Presentment of the Grand Jury, and adopted by the Sessions, whereby a Clerk of License is to be appointed for the eastern sections of the County, to reside in Dartmouth. We can only hope that with the new liquor law, an efficient Clerk of License, and the active support of the Temperance men generally, we shall soon have the pleasure of reporting the rum fiend expelled from our little town."

Brother Francis Layton reports that "Rising Sun" Division is still living, and bids fair for brighter times. The meetings are quite well attended, and quite an interest manifested in the Cause. I had the privilege of visiting this Division in November, and found them preparing for their 21st anniversary.

"Morning Star" Division is inactive, and the members seem discouraged. "Tangier" Division has been resuscitated during the quarter, and bids fair for much usefulness. "Waverley" is holding on its way. "Champion" Division, at Sheet Harbor, though not as successful as it was a year ago, still stands as one of the most active Temperance organizations in the County. "Ingraham" and "Marathon" Divisions, at Margaret's Bay, are doing well. ite Rock," at Sambro, is more energetic this quarter than for some time past. The Division at Oldham has a Hall now for their use, and is prospering.

" Oakland," at Meagher's Grant, is holding its own.

I have not heard from "Gibraltar," No. 171, "Richmond," No. 237, "Fisherman's Home," No. 293, "Lake Echo," No. 301, "Crystal Rock," No. 304.

The Cause of Temperance is advancing in this County. We have very much to be thankful for, and very much to do. I hope that several new Divisions will be formed during this year."

I would add here that "Richmond" Division, located near the Railway De-

pot, is prospering.

LUNENBURG COUNTY.

From this county Deputy Skinner complains of inattention on the part of Divisional Deputies in reference to their reports, two only giving him information respecting the Divisions under their care. In his report he says:—
"Chester is as usual doing its accustomed work, keeping up its regular meetings, and holding its own as to numbers and the interest of the Division, sustained largely by the introduction of readings, recitations, &c., &c.. Beyond this there is not much apparent fruit.

"I can say nothing for the simple reason that I have not heard from them

through the proper channel.

"I fear however, that the cause is rather on the decline, doubtless for the want of more direct agency, which shall look to the cause of Temperance as its appropriate every-day work. It is simply impossible that the work can be thoroughly done by local agents, because every man, whether in public or private life has his own work to perform, and he cannot perform extra labour without, in some measure at least, neglecting his own duties."

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS.

One encouraging feature of our Temperance work is the harmony and good will existing between the different temperance organizations. It is but one work we have to do,—one foe we have to meet,—we cannot afford to be divided! God speed all who speed the great cause.

THE ABSTAINER.

Allow me to congratulate the Grand Division on the prompt and noble response, which the temperance public gave to the appeal of your committee relative to the organ of this body. This speaks for itself as to the appreciation in which the Abstainer is held, and the deep-rooted conviction that prevails, that we cannot, we will not, forego so valuable an auxiliary as the Press. Brothers let us double our diligence, for enlightenment is an essential element of reform.

LEONARD GAETZ,

Gore, Hants County, Jany. 25th, 1870.

G. W. P.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

P. G. W. P. Taylor presented the following Report from 'Committee on Communications: —

The Committee on Communications beg to report: They have considered the Communication, from "Vesper "Division, No. 124, for permission to pass a bye-law "allowing members between 14 and 18 years of age to vote," and recommend That as this matter was before this Grand Division at its last annual session in October last, its decision on that occasion be still adhered to, viz: "That it would be unwise to grant the request."

(Signed)

H. A. TAYLOR, S. B. MARTIN, DAVID ELLIS.

January 25th, 1870.

A motion was made for adoption of the Report, which on being put was declared to be lost.

The Yeas and Nays being called for, they were recorded as follows: --

Yeas—Taylor, No. 7; Ellis, No. 9; Dunbar, No. 92; Fisher, No. 92; R. Creed, No. 119; Fraser, No. 92; Hunter, No. 221; Martin, No. 52: Monaghan, No. 7,—9.

Nays—Gray, No. 26; Thompson, No. 124; H. H. Blois, No. 124; Hutchings, No. 7; Longley, No. 44; Cameron, No. 124;

A. Judson Walker, No. 41; Hamilton, No. 124; Gould, No. 221;
G. J. Creed, No. 119; Murdoch, No. 124; O'Brien, No. 221;
Cochran, No. 124; R. S. Blois, No. 124; Sim, No. 124,—15.

Brother Thomas Hutchings moved the following Resolution, which was seconded by D. A. F. Cameron, and passed, 14 for, 7 against:

That the application from "Vesper" Division asking this Grand Division for power to allow said Division to pass a bye-law, allowing youths between 14 and 18 years to vote in accordance with the Constitution be complied with.

Brothers David Ellis and Grand Scribe gave notice, in writing, of motion to reconsider at to-morrow morning's sitting.

On motion, it was agreed that members of the Order appear in Regalia at the public meeting to be held this evening.

Grand Division adjourned.

P. Monaghan, G. S.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 1870.

Grand Division resumed business at 9 o'clock, a. m., the G. W. P. in the Chair.

Boll of Officers called:

Present: G. W. P., G. W. A., G. Scribe.

Absent: G. Treas., G. Chap., G. Con., G. Sent., P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by Bros. D. Ellis, G. Treas.; Rev. S. B. Martin, G. Chap.; R. S. Blois, G. Con.; Thos. Hunter, G. Sent.; H. A. Taylor, P. G. W. P.

The Grand Conductor introduced Representative Jas. Creelman, of No. 244, who was duly initiated.

The Minutes of yesterday afternoon's sitting were read and approved.

In accordance with notice given yesterday, Brother D. Ellis moved, seconded by the Grand Scribe,

That the Resolution passed yesterday granting permission to Vesper Division, No. 124, to pass a Bye-Law giving privilege of voting to their members who are under eighteen years of age be reconsidered.

After discussion the Resolution was put, and declared lost-8 voting for, and 13 against.

The Grand Scribe moved the following, which was seconded by Brother D. Ellis:

Whereas at the afternoon sitting of yesterday a resolution was passed, granting permission to Vesper Division, No. 124, to enact a Bye-Law allowing the privilege of voting to members under eighteen years of age,—

And Whereas the Grand Division, at its last Annual Session, decided not to grant such privilege to Subordinate Divisions then applying for the permission—

And Whereas it is of importance that Legislative action of the Grand Division relating to, or affecting important interests of the Order requiring careful consideration, should be taken only at Annual Meetings of this body when a larger number of Subordinate Divisions are represented,—

Therefore Resolved,—That the privilege granted to Vesper Division, No. 124, in the Resolution passed yesterday, do not go into effect until after the next An-

nual Session of the Grand Division.

After discussion the Resolution was put and declared lost-7 voting for, and 10 against.

Brothers D. Ellis and P. Monaghan then gave notice, in writing, that at the next Quarterly Meeting they would move a reconsideration of the Resolution passed yesterday, granting permission to Vesper Division to enact a Bye-Law giving privilege of voting to members under eighteen years of age.

The Grand Scribe presented an Appeal from Isaac Baird and F. A. Laurence, vs. action of Truro Division, No. 41.

Referred to Standing Committee on Appeals.

P. G. W. P. Longley presented a Report from Committee on State of the Order, which was considered by clauses, and adopted as follows:—

The Committee upon the state of the Order beg leave to report that they have little of change to note in the condition and prospects of the Order since the annual session in October last.

While the reports of the G.W.P. and G.S. are of a character less cheering than could be desired, still they indicate that our cause is advancing. As Divisions here and there die, or become inactive, others spring into life, and thus the ground is maintained.

Your committee are rejoiced to learn that the recent efforts made on behalf of the Abstainer have resulted in such a measure of success as will ensure its continuance for at least another year, and we sincerely trust for many years to come.

In no way for years, perhaps, has the vitality of the Order and the disinterestedness of its members been more plainly tested than in connection with the support of this useful paper.

Brother Monaghan has made great sacrifices in order to preserve the existence of the Abstainer, and it must afford him no little satisfaction to find that his disinterestedness and devotion to the welfare of the Order has been to some extent appreciated.

It is to be hoped, however, that continuous and earnest efforts will still be made for the increase of the subscription list, and the collection of arrears now

due for the paper.

Perhaps there are few who take sufficient pains to promote the efficiency of the paper, by furnishing contributions to its columns. It is fervently to be hoped that the necessity for furnishing this sort of aid will not be lost sight of.

In the absence of a "Prohibitory Law," any improvement of the license law should be accepted and commended. That feature of the license law which places the rumseller under the disability of having to procure the signatures of a majority of the rate-payers in any polling district before he is in a position to apply for a license, may be considered of much consequence.

The committee are of opinion that no pains should be spared in the way of enforcing the present law; and it would appear to your committee that we are

bound to do so before applying for a law of greater scope and power.

It may well be asked of what value would "Prohibition" be to us, if we cannot enforce the existing license law? The most obvious and pressing duty of the hour is to enforce the existing license law; then may we with prosperity

ask for Prohibition, and not before.

Your committee, while duly commending the conservatism which distinguishes the Order, are of the opinion that the infusion of a little more of the liberal element into our organization would do no harm, but much good. The admission of ladies to full membership is a question which has from time to time been mooted in this Grand Division, and one which is steadily growing in importance. This queston will doubtless have to be dealt with at an early day, and in such a way as will accord with the sentiment of the times.

There are other questions of kindred character which will also demand early

attention.

The requests coming to us from time to time from the Divisions relative to conceding to members between the ages of 14 and 18, the right to vote on all questions coming before the Division, may well beget in our minds some mis-

giving about witholding the privilege thus sought.

The delinquincies of the Deputies in not promptly reporting respecting the condition of their respective Divisions, or jurisdiction, have been so frequently referred to that it seems to be almost useless to say anything more upon the subject; but your committee would fain hope that this matter

may receive better attention in the future than it has in the past.

It is to be regretted that the "Provincial Alliance" has as yet accomplished but little; but this is no reason why it should not be maintained. Perhaps more has been accomplished, in the way of preparation, than may at first appear. Measures should at least be taken for holding the Annual Meeting in March next, and let us hope that the future of this alliance may be characterised by more vigour and activity than the past.

Too much importance cannot well be attached to the "Agency." Could an efficient Agent be put into the field for a single year, more could probably be

accomplished in this way than by all other Agencies combined.

There are, however, many obstacles to be overcome before this can be effected; still the effort should be, and we hope will be made to accomplish the object.

Respectfully submitted,

AVARD LONGLEY, THOS. HUTCHINGS, ALEX. DUNBAR, H. H. BLOIS, G. J. CREED.

. Gore, Jan. 26, 1870.

P. G. W. P. Taylor moved, seconded by R. S. Blois.—

That 500 copies of the Journal of Proceedings at this Session be printed. Agreed to.

P. G. W. P. Longley presented the following Report from Committee on Deceased Members, which was adopted by a rising vote:

It is the melancholy duty of this Grand Division to record the death, recently of two of its members, namely, brother Walter Ricketson, of Olive Branch Division No. 44, Bridgetown, and brother James Gleason, of Archangel Division, No. 40, Sidney Mines.

In regard to brother Ricketson, he was a standard-bearer in the Order; and one of the most consistent and devoted members within the jurisdiction. He was also a most valued citizen, an honest man, and a sincere christian. Of him it may truly be said, "that his star went not down behind the darkened west," but " melted away in the brightness of heaven."

Brother Gleason was also a worthy and useful member of the Order, and his

comparatively early death is much to be deplored.

A. LONGLEY.

Gore, Jan. 26, 1870.

G. G. GRAY, H. A. TAYLOR.

Brother Thomas Hutchings moved the following, which was seconded by P. G. W. P. Taylor, and adopted:

Resolved,—That the thanks of this Grand Division be tendered to the Temperance friends of the Gore for their hospitalities accorded to the Representatives from a distance while attending this Quarterly Session.

On motion of P. G. W. P. Taylor, se conded by Bro. Thomas Hunter, a vote of thanks was passed to Vesper Division for use of their Hall during this Session.

After some appropriate closing remarks from the G. W. P., the Grand Division closed at 12.30 o'clock, in L. P. & F.

PATRICK MONAGHAN.

Grand Scribe.

Halifax, February 1, 1870.

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REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT AT SESSION.

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No. 9. David Ellis, No. 16. Rev. L. Gaetz, G. W. P. No. 26. G. G. Gray, G. W. A. No. 41. A. Judson Walker, D. G. W. P.	R. S. Blois, D. G. W. P. D. A. F. Cameron, L. Hamilton, Charles Sim, John Cochrane, Wm. Murdoch, D. Thompson, H. H. Blois, No. 221.
No. 44. A. Longley, P. G. W. P. No. 52. Rev. S. B. Martin, No. 92.	Thomas Hunter, D. G. W. P. Adam R. O'Brien, Stewart Gould, No. 244. James Creelman.
A. Dunbar, D. G. W. P. Hugh Fraser, Cameron Fisher,	No. 309.

Ephraim Brymer. VISITOR.—O. S. Beale, G. D. of Maine.

APPENDIX.

G. D. AGENCY FUND.

Amounts received by Grand Scribe between Oct. 26, 1869, and Jan. 22, 1870.

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GRAND SCRIBE'S OFFICIAL NOTICE.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 6, 1870.

A QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF NOVA Scotia will be held in Bridgetown, Annapolis County, on Tuesday, 26th April, at 8 o'clock, p. m

Quarterly Returns to be forwarded to the Grand Scribe, direct.

by the 19th April.

The Grand Scribe's Financial Statement will close on the 20th

April.

Divisional Deputies are requested to report on state of the Order in their respective localities, to the County Deputies, before the 8th day of April. County Deputies will please forward their Reports to the Grand Scribe by the 15th April.

BACK RETURNS.—It is positively requested that all Returns due from Divisions for year 1869, be forwarded to the Grand Scribe without delay, in order that his annual Returns for the National Division may be in hands of the Most Worthy Scribe before the end of March.

The P. O. Address of the G. W. P. is: REV. LEONARD GAETZ, Picton.

The Grand Scribe's address is P. Monaghan, Box 87, P. O. Halifax.

Office 191 Barrington Street: Up stairs.

Office hours: 11 A. M. to 3 P. M., except on Thursday and Saturday, when business hours are from 11 A. M. to 2 P. M.

PATRICK MONAGHAN, Grand Scribe.

QUARTERLY RETURNS to Grand Division of N. S., for quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1869.

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