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QUARTERLY RETURNS to Grand Division of Nova Scotia, for Term ending December 31st, 1866.

No. of Division	Names of Divisions	Location	No. admitted.	Withdrawn.	Reinstated.	Whole No. Suspnd. W/bs.	No. Expelled.	Whole No. of Members on W/bs. Books.	Lady Visitors admitted.	Whole No. Lady Visitors.	Temperance Meetings held.	Representatives to G. D.	Receipts of Quarter.	Expenses exclusive of benefits.	Profit for Benefits.	Per Capita Tax to G. D.	Per Capita Tax received.	Cash on hand, including Investments.
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QUARTERLY SESSION.

BRIDGEWATER, N. S.,
TUESDAY, Jan'y 29, 1867.

The Grand Division met in Phoenix Division Room, Temperance Hall, and opened in due form at 10 o'clock, A.M., the Grand Worthy Patriarch in the chair.

Roll of Officers called:

Present—Thomas M. King, G.W.P.; B. M. Barratt, G. W. A.; Patrick Monaghan, G.S.

Absent—Wm. C. Bill, G. Treas.; Rev. J. E. Balcom, G. Chap.; David Marshall, G. Con.; Wm. Williams, G. Sent.; Henry A. Taylor, P.G.W.P.

Vacancies were filled, *pro tem.* by Bros. Dr. W. A. C. Randall, G. Treas.; W. J. Gates, G. Chap.; P. G. Fraser, G. Con.; John A. Church, G. Sent.; P.G.W.A. Morrison, P.G.W.P.

The following Report was read and adopted:—

The Standing Committee on Credentials beg leave to report that they have examined the Credentials of the undermentioned representatives, and find them correct:—

- 2 CENTRAL.—Thomas M. Lewis.
- 4 MILTON.—Israel L. Burrill.
- 5 CONCORD.—Nathaniel Crowell.
- 6 UNION.—John Connor.
- 7 CHEBUCTO.—Norman Stirling.
- 9 MAYFLOWER.—S. W. Bryden.
- 12 AVON.—Peter Smith.

- 13 AVONDALE.—S. E. Whiston.
 16 ORIENTAL.—Michael English.
 17 NEW GLASGOW.—John D. Fraser.
 25 ROSEWAY.—Augustus Swansbury.
 26 HOWARD.—Thomas Trenaman.
 27 CAPE BRETON.—Otta. B. Lewis.
 41 TRURO.—Lyman J. Walker.
 44 OLIVE BRANCH.—Chipman Backman.
 49 STAR.—Joshua Chase.
 62 HANTSPOET.—Rufus Cumstock.
 68 AURORA.—A. J. Parker.
 71 LAKE.—Rufus Porter.
 72 AGRICOLA.—Frederick Tupper.
 75 WALLACE.—Rev. James Anderson.
 89 BETHLEHEM.—Alex. Grant, John H. Grant.
 92 KELLOGG.—James Canty.
 96 ATHENÆUM.—D. R. McElmon.
 105 GARLAND.—Henry Simanson.
 112 WOLFVILLE.—Daniel Eaton, Rev. S. B. Kempton.
 115 PHENIX.—Angus McDonald.
 124 VESPER.—Daniel Thompson.
 132 PITTACUS.—Thomas Byrens.
 140 ARCTIC.—Suther C. Murray.
 145 TYRO.—James Milbury.
 152 GENERAL ENGLIS.—Neil McNeil, junr.
 158 LIFE-BOAT.—William A. Smith.
 159 SOUTH.—John W. Kenny.
 161 WESTERN STAR.—William H. Prime.
 167 NORTH SYDNEY.—William J. Henderson.
 169 HOME.—Charles S. Cossett, Benjamin Hardy, Chas. T. Potts,
 Jno. S. Thomas, Jno. L. Sirles, Geo. H. Hardy, Henry J. Thomas,
 mas, James E. Conett.
 171 GIBRALTAR.—Isaac Logan.
 179 NEW ERA.—Henry Manthorn.
 181 OCEANICA.—H. G. Davison.
 185 PRINCE ALBERT.—Edward Condon.
 186 RAY OF HOPE.—Lorenzo Christopher, Danforth N. Manthorn.
 193 GREEN-VALE.—Alex. F. Thompson.
 195 PORT WILLIAMS.—Joseph Petty.
 198 SCOTS BAY.—Leander Jess.
 199 RESCUE.—Amos Blenkhorn.
 203 BACHELOR.—Simeon Kempton.
 205 WAVERLY.—Arch. McDonald.
 208 RAY OF LIGHT.—W. B. Armstrong.
 212 SAINT ANDREWS.—James Page.
 213 ARCADIA.—Thomas Boyd.
 214 PEREAUX.—Leander Newcomb.
 217 DAY-SPRING.—Jas. A. Angwin.
 218 CENTREVILLE.—Edward Beckwith.
 220 YOUTH'S REFUGE.—Wm McKeen, Alexr. Fisher, Alexander
 McKeen, Thos. McKeen, Samuel G. McKeen, Jas. W. Young.

- 221 MARINE.—Andrew Crowe.
 226 NOBLE.—George Shider.
 230 PHILANTHROPY.—Samuel Darrell.
 231 RANDALL.—C. Sabian.
 232 INGRAHAM.—John Webber.
 233 PALMERSTON.—Wm. J. Brannen.
 236 MARATHON.—Elias Covey.
 237 RICHMOND.—Edward Allen.
 238 FREEDOM.—William Sullivan.
 239 FENWICK.—Alvin Neily.
 241 ROCKPORT.—William Collins.
 242 PLEASANT VALLEY.—Wm. A. Pratt.
 243 OAKLAND.—Geo. McKinlay.
 244 SPRINGSIDE.—Berry Hamilton.
 245 CLONMEL.—John A. Coney.
 246 MORIEN.—Alex. McInnes.
 247 CRYSTAL.—Rupert Fulton.
 249 H. A. TAYLOR.—Dr. D. G. McKay.
 250 MONAGHAN.—James R. King, Rev. Thomas D. Hart, Samuel Greenwood.
 252 SAILOR'S GUIDE.—John Larkin.
 255 GRANITE.—Israel Wilson.
 257 VICTORY.—Thomas Ethridge.
 258 ROCKLAND.—John F. McKeen, Allison Drew, Geo. Walls.
 259 BRUCE.—Malcom McLeod.
 260 WELCOME.—Joseph H. Shortliff.
 261 ARICHAT.—Edwd. E. Binet.
 262 GRANITE ROCK.—John McLean.
 263 GOLD HUNTER.—Geo. P. Thompson.
 266 GOLDEN AGE.—Samuel R. Giffin.
 267 LADY OF THE LAKE.—John W. Sears, John Scars.
 268 ADDINGTON.—Rodk. McLean, J. G. Bradshaw.
 269 GLENELG.—Saml. Archibald, John A. Kirk.
 270 PRESERVATION.—Wm. M. Clark, Hy. Archibald.
 271 HOMEVILLE.—Henry Spencer, Arnold Holmes.
 272 MACLEOD.—David Hunter, John Burgess.
 273 PLEASANTVILLE.—James W. Falt.
 275 LAHAVE.—Thomas H. Mosher.

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

Halifax, 26th January, 1867.

ANDW. B. BOAK.
 WM. WILLIAMS.

On motion of Bro. Dr. Randall, seconded by W. J. Gates,
 it was voted—That members of Subordinate Divisions be
 admitted to the sittings of this session as spectators.

P. G. W. A. Morrison moved, seconded by Robert West—
 That Lady Visitors be admitted to the sittings of this session
 as spectators.

Agreed to.

The Grand Conductor introduced the following named Representatives, who were duly initiated: B. L. Telfer, No. 200; John Slocumb, James Grinton, Alex. E. McDonnell, Angus McDonnell, J. M. Shand, Rev. Stephen March, Solomon Baker, 115; L. S. Ford, 203; Thos. H. Mosher, 275; Danfirth N. Manthorn, 186; Solomon Drew, 226; Isaac C. Crowell, 25.

Representative J. W. Falt, of No. 273, being announced in waiting, it was ordered that he be obligated by the P.G. W.P. The brother, upon being obligated, entered, signed the constitution, and took his seat as a member.

The G.W.P. appointed following committees:

On State of the Order—P.G.W.P. Skinner, Dr. W. A. C. Randall, L. W. Drew, J. C. Hills, Thos. K. Cragg, P. G. Fraser, Robert West.

On Communications—Rev. S. March, John A. Church, J. D. Wallace.

On Enrollment of Names of Representatives present at session—Daniel McNiven, Samuel Freeman, Jr.

The following Report was read and approved:—

The Standing Committee on Charters have recommended the granting of Charters to new Divisions as follows:—

1. On 12th November, 1866, to E. A. Bancroft, and thirteen others, residents of St. Croix, Hants County, for MACLEOD DIVISION, No. 272.

2. On 26th December, 1866, to J. A. Falt, and sixteen others, residents of Corkum Settlement, Lunenburg County, for PLEASANTVILLE DIVISION, No. 273.

3. On 10th January, instant, to Joshua R. Swain, and nineteen others, residents of Cape Negro, Shelburne County, for McMURRAY DIVISION, No. 274.

4. On 11th January, instant, to Thomas H. Mosher, and twenty-three others, residents of Middle LaHave, Lunenburg County, for LAHAVE DIVISION, No. 275.

5. On 19th January, instant, to N. Pushee, and eleven others, residents of West River, Antigonish County, for LILY OF THE LAKE DIVISION, No. 276.

Submitted in L., P. & F.,

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
S. SELDEN,
JAMES SPIKE.

Halifax, January 26th, 1867.

Read a communication from Chebucto Division, No. 7, announcing the death of P. W. P. George Butler, a member of this Grand Division.

Referred to Committee on Communications.

Read communications from Milton Division, No. 4, Micmac, No. 8, Avon, No. 12, Day-Spring, No. 217, and Clonmel, No. 245, cancelling Credentials of Representatives to this Grand Division.

Ordered on file, and names of members to be erased from the roll.

Read circular letter from the Most Worthy Patriarch in reference to Female Members and Lady Visitors of the Order. (*See Appendix A to this Journal.*)

Referred to Committee on Communications.

Read a proclamation from the Most Worthy Patriarch revoking the Charter of the Grand Division of East Tennessee.

Ordered on file.

The following Report from the Agency Committee was read:—

The Agency Committee beg to report as follows :

The important work entrusted to your Committee continues to receive their anxious and careful supervision. They are pleased in being able to announce the engagement of a third lecturer in our large field of operations—they having secured the services of Brother Francis Beattie as Agent and Lecturer,—and are gratified to find he has been commissioned by our Grand Worthy Patriarch as a Provincial Deputy for Nova Scotia.

Your Committee would further report that Brothers McArthur and Barratt are actively, and we trust successfully employed in the work of spreading information, and in educating public sentiment on "the cause of all mankind."

You will be gratified to learn of that measure of success that has crowned their labors in the past, and that the important work is favorably progressing. Several new Divisions have been instituted through their instrumentality during the quarter now ending. The necessity for continuous and persistent effort was never more apparent than at present, when hundreds of young men and others are to all appearance on a downward course through the use of intoxicants—a fact which cannot be denied even by the most careless observer.

The drinking habits of many of our young men of respectable position in society, of education and talent, belonging to more than one of the learned, as well as other professions, are attracting considerable attention at the present time; and it is expected that an effort will shortly be made to restrain, and, if possible, remove some of the too numerous facilities for obtaining intoxicating beverages, by which such awful consequences are being perpetrated in Halifax and elsewhere.

Your Committee would again appeal to the generous sympathy of the friends for "aid and comfort" in a work so good and praiseworthy—and bespeak a liberal and hearty response from every "Son," "Lady

Visitor," from every "Band of Hope" and friend of humanity and progress in our widely extended jurisdiction. All can, if willing, help on the good work. All can do a little, and who will refuse; and if each will perform his or her part fairly, conscientiously, and as God has blessed him or her, then "the ways and means" requisite for the prosecution of our great missionary work will be ample and sufficient for every purpose.

The increasing demands upon the funds entrusted to our care in the maintenance of the three lecturers now in the field, will, we trust, be a sufficient apology for this our urgent appeal for succor for carrying on a work so philanthropic and benevolent as that in which we are all engaged,—that of aiding in the rescue of "our fellow-man from errors path."

Submitted in L., P. and F.,
 HENRY A. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*
 JOHN McMURRAY,
 CHARLES ROBSON,
 S. SELDEN,
 ROBERT NOBLE.

Halifax. January 26th, 1867.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

The G. S. presented a Report from Standing Committee on Appeals, on case of Robt. T. Murray vs. Micmac Division, No. 8.

Laid on the table till afternoon sitting.

On motion it was agreed that the hours for meeting and adjourning during this session be as follows: adjourn at 0.30 P.M., meet at 2 P.M., adjourn at 5.30 P.M.

On motion of Dr. Randall, seconded by Robt. West, Bros. P. G. Fraser, Wm. Holloway and Robert West were appointed a Committee to co-operate with a Committee of Phoenix Division, in making arrangements for a public Temperance meeting to be held this evening.

Read Report from the Special Committee appointed at last annual meeting to suggest alterations in the Ritual for Lady Visitors.

Laid on the table till afternoon sitting.

P.G.W.A. Morrison laid on the table a question he intended submitting to the Grand Division at the afternoon sitting.

Bto. W. J. Gates laid on the table a series of resolutions on the subject of County Leagues, and gave notice that he would move the same at the afternoon sitting.

Grand Division adjourned.

PATRICK MONAGHAN. G. S.

AFTERNOON SITTING.

TUESDAY, 29th Jan'y, 1867.

Grand Division resumed business at 2 o'clock, P.M., the G.W.P. in the chair.

Roll of Officers called:

Present—G.W.P. and G.S.

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

Vacancies were filled *pro tem.* by Bros. J. A. Church, G.W.A.; W. F. Russell, G. Treas.; Rev. S. March, G. Chap.; P. G. Fraser, G. Con.; J. H. R. Fayle, G. Sent.; Rev. I. J. Skinner, P.G.W.P.

The Grand Conductor introduced Representatives Silas W. Bryden of No. 9, and W. R. Calder of No. 185, who were initiated.

The G.W.A. entered and took his seat at 2.30 o'clock.

The Minutes of forenoon sitting were read and approved.

Representative J. B. Geldert of No. 179 being announced in waiting, it was ordered that he be obligated by the P.G.W.P. After being obligated the brother entered, signed the Constitution and took his seat as a member.

Read a communication from P.G.W.P. McMurray, asking the Grand Division to "give a distinct enunciation" of the meaning of the pledge, so far as it relates to the term Agent. (*See Appendix B to this Journal.*)

Referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Bros. Dr. W. A. C. Randall, P.G.W.P. Skinner, I. B. Hamblin, H. B. Mitchell, John A. Church.

The G.W.P. presented the following Report:—

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

Officers and Brother Representatives.—

How pleasant, to the true Son of Temperance, to exchange the greetings of our exalted friendship. Brought together once more to counsel and strengthen one another, may our hearts rise in gratitude to the Father of Mercies for his providential goodness towards us individually, and his fostering care of our noble Order; and, inspired each by the love of God in our hearts, may we seek to dedicate ourselves anew to the ennobling cause of Temperance, that, through the instrumentality of our much loved institution, many, yet in the toils of the

Great Destroyer, may be saved from the drunkard's doom, to the glory of our Great Patriarch above.

But, while we would invoke each other to increased devotion to the cause in the future—what of the past, which cannot be recalled? Three months have rolled away since in the flush of our successful effort, our Grand Division of the Temperance Army met for annual review. Did we not then determine with renewed zeal to press forward in the good fight of Temperance, to the gaining of fresh trophies from the discomfited enemy, to the winning of new laurels for our wreath of victory? Have all been faithful to these high resolves? Have not some of us cause for self-condemnation in view of our inactivity during the past quarter? And if our conscience condemns us in the matter, how can we expect the approving smile of the Great Judge, in view of neglected opportunities of following the example of Him who went about doing good.

Through the courtesy of the Grand Scribe I have been put in possession of much valuable information, and am able to report the Order generally, as holding its own, and that through its instrumentality much good is being accomplished,—that from the high position it continues to hold in the affections of the good and the true, it will long be a recognized power for good in our midst.

I have to report some little misunderstanding between myself and one of the Halifax Divisions, with respect to my legally appointed Deputy. I have hopes that the difficulties may be arranged before the next session. With this exception, as far as I am aware at present peace and brotherly love continue to be manifested among the Brotherhood in this jurisdiction.

It affords me pleasure to know that Bands of Hope are increasing in number and efficiency. With their pledge against that trio of vices,—the use of rum, tobacco, and profane language,—what may we not expect when they replace us on the field of virtuous action. Our victories, though great and cheering, will appear indecisive when compared with their triumphs. Let us encourage and strengthen as far as in our power, this source of future good, as destined to achieve mighty results in manhood's battle, against the stronghold of vice and misery.

The bonds of the Grand Scribe and Grand Treasurer have been placed in my possession, The reports of these two officers will be laid before you.

For more particular information I refer you to the report of the Grand Scribe. But while I believe you will be put in possession of statistics which will afford you, and every true Son of Temperance, the liveliest satisfaction, as showing that the agencies in operation, have been and are now doing their duty faithfully, I cannot lose sight of the fact that increased and immediate efforts are required at our hands to meet the requirements of the present. The past cannot be recalled; our acts are all recorded; and how pleasing to the faithful worker the assurance that "he who giveth a cup of cold water only, shall in no wise lose his reward." The future is before us: who can explore its mysteries? Our opportunities may be few; "the night cometh when no man can work;" our duty then is with the present. Our land now groans 'neath many a curse caused by the traffic in Rum. Can we not do more in our

several localities in curtailing this evil? I would recommend to Divisions where gratuitous effort is not sufficient, the employing of competent persons in getting petitions signed by the rate-payers in their several districts, as a good expenditure of funds; for while I am glad to know that there are some counties in which the Magistracy are fully alive to the best interests of the people, it is still to be deplored that in many of our counties there are so many who hold this honorable position who appear to believe that to license this evil is the best way to subserve the interests of the community; and I believe that there are but few districts in the Province but would, with a little effort on our part, gladly take from them the power of doing so much injury. The application of this section of the Provincial License Law, followed by persistent effort in aid of the proper officers of the law, would do very much in curtailing the evils we are seeking to banish from our country, and assist in some measure the final triumph—the successful application of a *Prohibitory Liquor Law*. But while not losing sight of the importance of availing ourselves of the aid of legal legislation in suppressing the traffic, our principal aim at present should be the better education of the public mind in the principles of Total Abstinence. For this purpose Divisions should act as centres of Temperance effort, holding frequent public meetings for the discussion of such subjects as engage the attention of the Temperance public.

Let every Division also feel responsible for the success of our missionary efforts, so that our Agency Committee will have not only its two or three in the field proclaiming the gospel of Temperance, but have its missionary in every county of the Province. The Agency Committee's operations I consider of the first importance. Facts which have from time to time been laid before you prove unmistakably that much of our past success is to be attributed to the very effective operations of those zealous and experienced labourers, Brethren McArthur and Barrett. Great praise is due to them from the Order, and the temperance public generally, for their able advocacy of abstinence principles.

The report of the Agency Committee, under whose control the Brothers named are working, will be laid before you. I believe it is the intention of that committee to sustain not only the third agent—who is already in the field—but also the fourth if possible. I hope that Divisions will consider it part of their duty to aid to the best of their ability in this department of our labour.

"*The Abstainer*" demands more than a passing notice. As the organ of this Grand Division it has been unflinching in its advocacy of our principles and rights. Under the faithful management of our energetic and untiring Grand Scribe, it is making our influence felt as a power to be respected; and it is of the utmost importance that this arm of our power should not be weakened by the lukewarmness of the professed friends of temperance. I consider it well that each Division in the Province should have a copy for file and reference. But by individual subscriptions alone, can the paper be sustained. Divisional subscriptions to the paper may be of some advantage to the Order; but it is where the "*Abstainer*" is paid for and read by the individual, that its value is ascertained and appreciated. I would say to members of the Order who do not already subscribe, that the best way to increase your

interest in the order, and strengthen you in the good work of Temperance, is to enjoy the weekly visits of the "*Abstainer*."

Having noticed, briefly, the obligations this Grand Division is under to our agents in the field, our painstaking and vigilant Grand Scribe, and to the "*Abstainer*," allow me to add that the best efforts put forth by these agencies may come far short of successfully combatting our common foe, if unsupported by the Brotherhood generally. It is to *individual effort* that we must look for permanent success. Let every Brother and Sister of our Order feel that on them as individuals, rest responsibilities of the gravest importance, and feel it a duty to sustain the operations of the Order by their money, their sympathies, and their prayers.

I would recommend to your consideration, the propriety of appointing a committee to prepare a code of Bye-Laws and Rules of Order for subordinate Divisions. The cost to Divisions under present arrangements is so excessive, that I have cause to believe that in many instances their use is dispensed with, while I believe that a code of general application would supply a want at present much felt.

I hope our deliberations at this time will tend to advance the interests of our beloved Order.—May we all remember that all true moral efforts are founded in love to God and love to man; let these be the actuating influences in prompting us to labour in the Temperance reform, and unto every good word and work, that we may in the end receive the reward of faithful servants.

Respectfully submitted in L. P., and F.

T. M. KING, G. W. P.

Bridgewater, 29th January, 1867.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

The Grand Scribe read his Report as follows:—

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

Grand Worthy Patriarch and Brethren,—

I have much pleasure in reporting the continued prosperity of the Order in this jurisdiction.

NEW DIVISIONS.

Since the annual session of this body the following named new Divisions have been organized:

1. MACLEOD, No. 272, at St. Croix, Hants County, on November, 20th, 1866, by Bro. Daniel Mosher, County D.G.W.P.

2. PLEASANTVILLE, No. 273, at Corkum Settlement, Lunenburg County, on 28th December, 1866, by G.W.A. R. M. Barratt.

3. McMURRAY, No. 274, at Cape Negro, Shelburne County, on 11th January, instant, by G.W.A. R. M. Barratt.

4. LAHAVE, No. 275, at Middle LaHave, Lunenburg County, on 17th January, instant, by P.G.W.P. Rev. I. J. Skinner, Co. Deputy.

5. LILY OF THE LAKE, No. 276, at West River, Antigonish County, on 19th January, instant, by Provincial D.G.W.P., Francis Beattie.

All these Divisions give promise of usefulness. There are prospects

of other new Divisions being organized before the next quarterly meeting of this body.

Ohio Division, No. 150, has resumed work.

NO. OF DIVISIONS, STATISTICS, &c.

The names of *one hundred and seventy-one* Divisions are on the roll, of which number the following named are not working: *Wilberforce*, 28, *Margaretville* 80, *North* 99, *Friendship* 106, *Temple* 131, *Cunningham* 134, *Sackville* 137, *Watford* 151, *Forest* 163, *Highlander* 178, *Brilliant Star* 183—total..... 11

Port George may be considered as dead,..... 1

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The number of Divisions supposed to be in working order,.... 159

Returns for quarter ending 31st December, 1866, were due from 154, of which number 133 have been received, (including membership of one new Division from which Returns were not due,) from which is compiled the following

Statistical Summary.

Number admitted.....	798
“ withdrawn.....	193
Violated pledge 1st time.....	247
Retained.....	150
Suspended.....	193
Violated pledge 2d time.....	46
Expelled.....	459
Deaths.....	27
Whole No. Members on F. S. Books.....	7480
Lady Visitors admitted.....	469
Withdrawn, died, &c.....	62
Whole No. Lady Visitors.....	5752
Public Temperance meetings held.....	77
Temperance documents distributed.....	1514

Financial.

Receipts.....	\$2,900.92½
Expenses, exclusive of benefits.....	2,032.25½
Paid for benefits.....	319.96½
Cash on hand and invested.....	13,032.67
Per capita tax to Grand Division.....	418.32

It will be noticed in the foregoing statistics that a large number of members have been expelled, principally for non-payment of dues, a number of Divisions having availed themselves of the privilege given by Section 2, Chapter 5 Code of Laws—to deal with members six months in arrears.

The Returns also show a larger number of deaths than usual in a quarterly term. The decease of 13 Lady Visitors has also been reported.

FINANCES.

The receipts of this office to 24th inst., amount to \$867.73, as per financial statement—all of which, less one dollar, has been paid over to

the Grand Treasurer. Of the sum mentioned, \$279.28 was on account of Agency Fund.

DIVISIONS INCORPORATED.

Since the annual meeting the Incorporation papers of several Divisions have been filed in the Provincial Secretary's office, viz:—

1. RICHMOND, No. 237, Halifax, on 8th December, 1866.
2. INGRAHAM, No. 232, Ingraham River, Halifax County, on 17th January, instant.
3. AURORA, No. 68, Berwick, on 23rd January, instant.

AGENCY.

The Grand Division will be gratified to learn from the report of the Agency Committee that a third Agent and Lecturer has been employed, and that his labours have proved successful in the district to which he has been appointed.

DECEASED MEMBER.

I have to report the decease of Brother George Butler, P. W. P. of Chebucto Division, No. 7, which event occurred on 27th November last, after a lingering illness of sixteen months. The deceased Brother was an esteemed member of the Order, and one of those who had its true interests at heart, always ready to perform duties assigned him by either Subordinate or Grand Divisions. His purse was ever open for contributions to the cause, and he was one of the few regular contributors to the Agency Fund. His connection with the Order extended over a period of eighteen years. He was initiated into this body on 25th April, 1855.

APPEALS, COMMUNICATIONS, &c.

Two circular letters from the M.W.P. will be laid before you—the first relating to Lady Visitors and Female Visitors of the Order; the second concerning the Grand Division of East Tennessee.

One Appeal—R. T. Murray *vs.* action of Micmac Division—having been received, it was handed to the Standing Committee on Appeals, whose report will be submitted at this session.

Respectfully submitted in L., P. & F.,
PATRICK MONAGHAN, *Grand Scribe.*

Bridgewater, January 20th, 1867.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

On motion the Report of the Standing Committee on Appeals (presented at forenoon sitting) was taken from the table.

The Report was read.

After some conversation it was agreed that the Report, with accompanying papers, be referred back to the Committee, with instructions to obtain further information from the Division, (Micmac, No. 8.)

The Report of the Special Committee on amendment of

Visitor's Ritual, was taken from the table. After conversation, Bro. P. G. Fraser moved, seconded by the G.W.A.:

That the Report be referred back to the Committee, with instructions to prepare a suitable form of Ritual for initiation of Visitors, for recommendation to the National Division, and report at next quarterly session.

The G. S. moved in amendment that the report be adopted. P.G.W.P. Skinner seconded the amendment.

The amendment was put and lost.

The original motion passed.

Bro. W. J. Gates, in accordance with notice given at the forenoon sitting, moved the following:—

Whereas, It becomes necessary that every right-thinking person in this Province, who has the interests of the Temperance cause at heart, should be united in their endeavours to rid our country of the curse of the *Rum traffic*,—

And whereas, the various Temperance organizations are more or less divided in opinion as to the best and most effectual mode of accomplishing the object sought,—

And whereas, it is desirable that the united influence and power of the whole Temperance body should be brought to bear upon our Legislators, and that temperance sentiments should be more systematically and widely diffused among the people, so as to educate them up to the principles we seek to advance :

Therefore Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Grand Division, *County and Provincial Temperance Leagues*, composed of Delegates from all Temperance organizations in the Province, are much required, and would tend to unite the people, and would give greater power to the Temperance movement.

Seconded by Bro. P. G. Fraser.

After some conversation the resolutions were referred to a Special Committee to report thereon, viz.: Bros. W. J. Gates, H B. Mitchell, Nicholas Ennis.

Brother P. G. Fraser, from Committee to arrange for public meeting to be held this evening, reported a list of speakers.

It was agreed that members of the Order appear in Regalia at the public meeting this evening.

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

PATRICK MONAGHAN, G. S.

FORENOON SITTING.

WEDNESDAY, Jan'y 30, 1867.

Grand Division opened at 10 o'clock, A.M., the G.W.P. in the chair.

Roll 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, *pro tem.*, by Bros. I. B. Hamblin, G. Treas.; Rev. S. March, G. Chap.; P. G. Fraser, G. Con.; J. H. R. Fayle, G. Sent.; Dr. W. A. C. Randall, P.G.W.P.

The Grand Conductor introduced Representatives Edwd. Freeman, No. 186; Richmond Manning and E. J. Manning, No. 115, who were duly initiated.

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

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

The following Report was read and adopted:

The Standing Auditing and Finance Committee, having examined the books, accounts, and vouchers, of the Grand Scribe and Grand Treasurer, find them to be correct.

They have also examined the following accounts, which they find correct, and recommend for payment.

Abstainer Office, Printing,.....	\$59.60
R. T. Muir, Stationery, &c.....	9.61

R. H. WETMORE,
JOHN L. WHYTAL,
R. J. WILSON.

The following Report from Committee on Communications was read and adopted :- -

The Committee on Communications having attended to the duty assigned to them, beg leave to report :

1. That your Committee have carefully considered the Circular Letter addressed by the M.W.P. to the G.S. of this G. D., dated Decr. 15th, 1866, relating to Lady Visitors and Female members of our Order, and would recommend that the rules recommended by the M. W. P. be observed, so far as they relate to the admission of females who have become lady members of Divisions not within the limits of the jurisdiction of this G. D., as visitors to Divisions which *are* within the limits, in the same manner and subject to the same rules and usages as apply to Brothers in like cases.

They would also recommend that the said Circular Letter of the M. W. P. be published in the Journals, with such omissions as in the judgment of the Grand Scribe may be necessary to prevent divulging the private affairs of our Order

2. That your Committee learn with deep regret of the demise, during the past quarter, of our late lamented brother, George Butler, P.W.P. of Chebucto Division, No. 7, and a member of this G. D., and would recommend that his death be recorded in the Minutes of the Grand Division.

Submitted in L. P. & F.

STEPHEN MARCH, *Chairman.*

JAS. D. WALLACE,

J. A. CHURCH.

P.G.W.A. Morrison moved, seconded by I. B. Hamblin,—
That the Grand Scribe devote a page of the Journal (each) to notices of decease of P.W.P.'s George Butler, of No. 7, and Rev. Thos. Brady, of No. 4.

Agreed to.

Bro. Gates, from Special Committee, presented the following Report:—

Your Committee on the resolution in reference to the formation of County and Provincial Leagues, beg leave to report:

That after a careful consideration of the whole question, in their opinion the most fitting time has not yet arrived for the calling together of a Provincial Temperance League; but from the success that has attended the formation of the various County Leagues now in operation,—such gatherings being composed of delegates from Divisions Sons of Temperance, Lodges of Templars, Temperance Unions, and other total abstinence institutions,—meeting thus together, tends to create a sympathy of feeling and good fellowship among the whole, and cause united action and modes of working for the promotion of the cause in general, outside the private working of separate societies,—as for the abolition of licenses, the securing and employment of County Lecturers, (such lecturers being enabled to visit and labor in the smaller settlements and out-districts of the various counties, thus creating a temperance sentiment in places not likely to be visited by the lecturers of the Agency Committee of this Grand Division,) &c., we would therefore submit the following resolution for the adoption of this Grand Division:

That the various Subordinate Divisions throughout this jurisdiction be hereby recommended to unite with other Temperance institutions in forming County Temperance Leagues, for the purposes above intimated, as one great means of advancing the cause of Temperance, and also preparing the way for the calling together of a Provincial Temperance Convention or League.

W. J. GATES,

H. B. MITCHELL,

NICHOLAS ENNIS.

Bridgewater, 30th January, 1867.

Adopted after a lengthy discussion.

P.G.W.P. Skinner presented a Report from Committee on State of the Order.

Laid on the table till afternoon sitting.

Dr. Randall presented a Report from Special Committee on Communication from P.G.W.P. McMurray.

Laid on the table.

Grand Division adjourned.

PATRICK MONAGHAN, G. S.

AFTERNOON SITTING.

WEDNESDAY, Jan'y 30, 1867.

Grand Division resumed at 2, P. M., the G.W.P. in the chair.

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, *pro tem.*, by Bros. Dr. Randall, G. Treas.; Rev. S. March, G. Chap.; P. G. Fraser, G. Con.; Isaac Hume, G. Sent.; Rev. I. J. Skinner, P.G.W.P.

Minutes of forenoon sitting were read and approved.

On motion the Report of Committee on State of the Order was taken from the table, and considered by clauses.

Pending consideration of first clause the Report was laid on the table, in order to proceed to initiation of a Representative.

The Grand Conductor introduced Representative S. T. R. Bill, of No. 179, who was duly initiated.

Consideration of Report from Committee on State of the Order was resumed.

The first clause of Report was adopted.

A motion was made for adoption of second clause.

P.G.W.A. Morrison moved an amendment to the second clause.

It was moved in amendment to the amendment that the amendment be inserted as the second clause of the Report.

The amendment to the amendment passed.

The amendment was then adopted as the second clause of the Report.

The third and following clauses of the Report were adopted.

The report was adopted as a whole, as amended, as follows:

The Committee on State of the Order beg leave to report:

That having examined the documents placed in their hands they find since the annual session in October last, a large apparent decrease in numbers; the number reported at the close of the quarter just now ending being less than at the last report, by 455 members. This diminution may be largely accounted for, by the fact that the number of Returns from Divisions in the hands of the Grand Scribe is less by 9 than those received before the last report. Admitting this to be the case, it is still apparent that there must be much indifference, and consequent negligence, on the part of some of those whose duty it is to place in the hands of our worthy Grand Scribe the requisite statistical information, to enable him to exhibit on the Journals of this Grand Division the full numerical strength of the Order throughout this jurisdiction. This indifference is to be deplored, and your Committee would earnestly recommend that those Divisions and their Deputies, to whom these remarks apply, be more prompt in future in sending in their Returns, with all the information required.

We regret to learn that there is a difference existing between the G.W.P and a city Division, and trust that it will be soon amicably arranged.

So far your Committee have been looking at the dark side of the picture. This, however unpleasant, is nevertheless sometimes necessary. On the other hand, we are happy to be able to state that it is our firm conviction that notwithstanding all the difficulties and obstacles in the way, the Order generally is in a healthy and vigorous condition; and that the decrease of numbers apparent on the statistical tables, does not indicate a corresponding decline in the Order. On the contrary where expulsions for non-payment of dues, indifference, &c., thin the ranks of the Order, it denotes more vitality in those Divisions so acting.

Your Committee are gratified to know that more attention is being given to the juvenile portion of our community,—that Bands of Hope are multiplying. They recommend every Division, where practicable, to take measures to gather in the young, and train them in the principles of sobriety and virtue.

The success of the Grand Division Agency needs no commendation from your Committee. It speaks for itself in the achievements of the past. They however congratulate this Grand Division that the third Lecturer is employed, with the strong desire and hope on the part of the Agency Committee, of securing at no distant day the fourth in the field.

The *Abstainer*, ably conducted as it is by our indefatigable worthy Grand Scribe, in its weekly visits to every part of this jurisdiction, is the very life blood of our loved institution, “quickenning through all its veins the tide of healthful life.” May its circulation be increased a hundred fold. Then with the Royal Head now over us,—the mental and moral power exerted by our Agents and members generally, we may pursue our onward course, hopeful—nay certain—of ultimate success.

In conclusion, while your Committee would recommend increased exertions in connection with our *own loved institution*, they would heartily concur in, and encourage co-operation in every laudable way, with any or all other existing organizations, for the promotion of the common cause. And may the smile of approving Heaven gladden our toilsome way, until our most sanguine expectations shall be realized in the entire expulsion of the demon Intemperance from the land.

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

I. J. SKINNER, *Chairman*,
 W. A. C. RANDALL,
 P. G. FRASER,
 THOS. K. CRAGG,
 L. W. DREW,
 JAMES C. HILLS,
 ROBERT WEST.

Bridgewater, January 30th, 1867.

Report of Committee on Communication from P.G.W.P. McMurray, was taken from the table.

A motion was made for adoption of the Report.

P.G.W.A. Morrison moved an amendment.

Pending discussion on the Report and amendment, the Grand Division adjourned, to meet this evening at 7 o'clock.

PATRICK MONAGHAN, *G. S.*

EVENING SITTING.

WEDNESDAY, Jan'y 30, 1867.

Grand Division resumed business at 7 o'clock, P.M., the G.W.P. in the chair.

Roll 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, *pro tem.*, by Bro. I. B. Hamblin, G. Treas.; P. R. Foster, G. Chap.; P. G. Fraser, G. Con.; S. W. Bryden, G. Sent.; P.G.W. A. Morrison, P.G.W.P.

Minutes of afternoon sitting were read and approved.

Consideration of Report of Committee on communication from P.G.W.P. McMurray was resumed.

After a lengthened discussion the amendment was put and declared lost, viz :—

Whereas this Division having heard the letter read from Bro. McMurray in reference to the 'Pledge'; *and whereas* this Division believing it to be a matter of grave importance,

Therefore be it Resolved, That the subject of the letter be referred to the next session of the National Division.

The Report was adopted, as follows:—

Your Committee to whom was referred the communication from P.G.W.P. McMurray, offer the following report :

Your Committee are of opinion that Sons of Temperance, acting as voluntary agents in the purchase or sale of alcoholic liquors as an article of trade, or for beverage purposes, violate, not only the well understood principles of our Order, but also the Pledge as contained in Art. 2nd of our Constitution, as well as sec. 3, chap. 2nd of the Code of Laws.

Submitted in L. P. and F,

W. A. C. RANDALL,
H. B. MITCHELL,
I. B. HAMBLIN,
J. A. CHURCH.
I. J. SKINNER.

G.W.A. Barratt moved the following, which was seconded by P. R. Foster:—

Resolved,—That, in accordance with the suggestion of the G.W.P., the Standing Committee on Constitutions and Bye-Laws be instructed to prepare a Code of Bye-Laws and Rules of Order for general application, and submit the same at our next session for the information of this body.

Adopted.

Bro. Barratt presented a Report of his mission as Agent and Lecturer during the past quarter. Ordered to be printed as an Appendix to the Journal.

Bro. J. C. Hills moved, seconded by J. D. Wallace:—

That 600 copies of the Journal of Proceedings at this session be printed and distributed in the usual manner,—and that one copy be sent to each Representative in attendance at this session.

Agreed to.

Bro. P. G. Fraser moved, seconded by H. B. Mitchell,—

That a vote of thanks be tendered to Phœnix Division, No. 115, for the use of their Hall during the present session; and to the Brethren and Lady Visitors of Bridgewater for their kind attentions to Representatives in attendance at the session.

Passed.

On motion, a vote of thanks was passed to Bro. H. B.

Mitchell, for affording Representatives the privilege of travelling at reduced fares by the stage lines under his control.

Bro. I. B. Hamblin was appointed a member of the Standing Committee on Credentials, in place of J. C. Merlin, resigned.

P.G.W.A. Morrison moved, seconded by P.G.W.P. Skinner,—

That a vote of thanks be tendered to the Committee of Phoenix Division who arranged for this meeting of the Grand Division.

Agreed to.

The following named were appointed a Committee to bring the subject of an Asylum for Inebriates to the notice of the Legislature at its next session :—Chas. Robson, *Chairman* ; Alexander James, P.G.W.P. McMurray, G. G. Grey, P.G.W.A. Selden.

Bro. J. C. Hills moved, seconded by W. J. Gates :—

That a Committee of five be appointed to take into consideration the best mode of celebrating the *twenty-fifth* anniversary of the Order in September next, and report at next session of Grand Division.

Agreed to, and following named appointed as Committee : P.G.W.P. Taylor, *Chairman* ; P.G.W.A. Selden, P.G.W.A. Murray, P.G.W.A. Morrison, P.W.P. G. G. Gray.

The Minutes of this evening's sitting were read and approved.

The Grand Division closed at 10.15 o'clock, P.M.

Previous to closing of the session, about three-quarters of an hour were pleasantly spent in social intercourse, and several Lady Visitors and Brethren sang a number of pieces, P.G.W.P. Skinner presiding at the Harmonium.

PATRICK MONAGHAN, *Grand Scribe*.

HALIFAX, N. S., February 1, 1867.

THE GRAND SCRIBE *in account with the GRAND DIVISION.*

1866.

DR.

Oct. 31.	To Tax from Divs. qr. ending June 30, 1866, viz:	
	Avondale, \$3.96; Roseway, 4.20; Main-	
	mast, 2.88; Kellogg, 3.00; Wolfville,	
	1.92; Rocklin, 3.00; Pittacus, 3.60; Arc-	
	tic, 3.30; Gibraltar, 4.32; Oceanica, 2.28;	
	Port Williams, 2.28; Canning, 3.96;	
	Monaghan, 0.90.....	\$39.60
	Tax from Divs. qr. ending Sept. 30, 1866, viz:	
	Avondale, \$3.96; Hebron, 2.64; Rose-	
	way, 4.38; Truro, 3.00; Rising Sun,	
	4.44; Morning Star, No. 69, 1.14; Hants-	
	port, 1.68; Lake, 5.34; Iron Age, 5.52;	
	Bethlehem, 1.56; Chedabucto, 4.74; Gar-	
	land, 1.92; Wellington, 2.58; Wolfville,	
	2.04; Rechab, 1.80; Vesper, 2.04; June	
	Rose, 1.74; Rocklin, 2.28; Arctic, 3.96;	
	General Williams, 0.84; General Inglis,	
	4.56; Western Star, 3.00; Island Home,	
	bal., 0.92; Gibraltar, 4.20; Sherbrooke,	
	1.50; Green Tree, 1.80; Oceanica, 2.22;	
	Ray of Hope, 3.24; Star of Hope, 0.78;	
	Reid, 1.80; Green-Vale, 1.44; Tangier,	
	3.66; Port Williams, 1.98; Canning, on	
	acct., 3.60; Rosignol, 3.66; Bachelor,	
	3.12; Bethesda, 3.42; Pereaux, 1.86;	
	Centreville, 1.20; Youth's Refuge, 3.54;	
	Champion, 2.28; Philanthropy, 1.92; In-	
	graham, 1.92; Marathon, 2.04; Freedom,	
	3.54; Fenwick, 4.44; Rockport, 5.76;	
	Pleasant Valley, 2.28; Monaghan, 0.90;	
	Sailor's Guide, 3.18; Annan, bal., 0.90;	
	Stirling Blue, 3.12; Rockland, 1.14;	
	Welcome, 1.74; J. G. Crowdis, balance	
	on Hart, Victory and Bruce Divs., 2.58.	146.84

1867.

Jan. 23.	To Tax from Divs. qr. ending 31st Dec., 1866, viz:	
	Central, \$4.56; Milton, 3.96; Concord,	
	2.52; Union, 3.36; Chebucto, 9.00; Mic-	
	mac, 4.68; Mayflower, 5.52; Avon, 7.26;	
	Avondale, 3.90; Oriental, 2.94; New	
	Glasgow, 6.30; Hebron, 2.52; Columbia,	
	3.24; Howard, 6.66; Cape Breton, 4.80;	
	Chester, 4.92; Royal, 1.86; Archangel,	
	3.60; Truro, 3.72; Olive Branch, 3.72;	
	Star, 2.76; Mainmast, 2.04; Hantsport,	
	2.28; Rock, 5.64; Aurora, 3.48; Lake,	
	4.86; Wallace, 2.10; Albion Mines, 9.00;	
	Iron Age, 5.52; Chedabucto, 4.20; Nel-	
	Amount carried over	\$186.44

THE GRAND SCRIBE *in account with the* GRAND DIVISION.

1867.

Dr.

Amount brought over.....	\$186.44
son, 0.90; do. balance Sept. qr., 0.06; Athenæum, 7.74; Garland, 2.64; Wel- lington, 2.64; Phoenix, 4.62; Pittacus, 1.42; Excelsior, 1.44; Tyro, 2.04; Ge- neral Williams, 0.78; General Inglis, 4.98; Cobequid, 2.46; South, 2.10; Western Star, 3.00; North Sydney, 5.04; do. balance Sept. qr., 0.40; Home, 1.20; Island Home, 2.10; New Era, 4.26; Am- herst, 2.94; Prince Albert, 2.82; Ray of Hope, on acct., 1.76; Green-Vale, 1.32; Port Williams, 1.50; Scot's Bay, 3.42; Rescue, on acct., 5.00; Rosignol, 4.08; Brooklyn, 1.86; Bachelor, 3.12; Waver- ley, 2.52; Ray of Light, 1.80; St. An- drew's, 5.34; Arcadia, 2.04; Pereaux, 1.80; Alexandra, 1.50; Day Spring, 3.30; Centreville, 1.20; Greville, 4.92; Youth's Refuge, 3.54; Marine, 4.80; Morning Light, 4.56; Noble, 2.82; Raudall, 2.52; Ingraham, 1.80; Palmerston, 6.84; Rich- mond, 3.60; Freedom, 3.36; Fenwick, 4.20; Scotia, 4.56; Rockport, 3.90; Plea- sant Valley, 2.28; Springside, 3.30; Clon- mel, 0.90; Morien, 5.10; H. A. Taylor, 2.50; Monaghan, 1.14; Sailor's Guide, 3.12; Granite, 2.88; Stirling Blue, 2.64; Victory, 1.74; Bruce, 0.84; Welcome, 1.92; Arichat, 3.36; Granite Rock, 5.52; Gold Hunter, 6.96; Milford Haven, 2.64; Sparkling Water, 2.10; Lady of the Lake, 3.06; Addington, 2.28; Glenelg, 1.44; Preservation, 2.76; Macleod, 1.02; North American, tax on 3 qrs., 7.00....	345.98
Received towards Agency Fund, (<i>See appendix to Jour.</i>).....	279.28
For Charters new Divisions.....	21.00
T. and W. Cards.....	9.90
Band of Hope Rituals.....	9.69
Blue Books.....	4.00
Blank Quarterly Returns.....	3.99
Visitors' Ritual.....	3.00
Ode Cards.....	2.25
Ceremonies.....	2.10
Officers' Cards.....	1.00
Constitution.....	0.10
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	\$868.73

		CR.	
1866.			
Nov. 23.	By paid Grand Treasurer on Agency Fund.....		\$160.11
Decr. 8.	“ “ “ “		23.81
1867.			
Jan. 10.	“ “ “ “		35.00
	“ “ General Account....		182.00
21.	“ “ “ “		75.00
	“ “ Agency Fund.....		30.00
24.	“ “ “ “		45.86
	“ “ General Account....		200.00
25.	“ “ “ “		116.35
	Amount retained by G. S., overpaid G. T. last qr ..		0.10
	Balance on hand.....		1.00
			\$868.73

PATRICK MONAGHAN, *Grand Scribe.*

Halifax, January 25th, 1867.

Examined and found correct,

R. H. WETMORE, }
 J. L. WHYTAL, } *Auditing Committee.*
 R. J. WILSON. }

GRAND DIVISION, N. S., in account with W. C. BILL, *Grand Treasurer.*

1866.		DR,		
Nov. 1.	To Cash in Saving's Bank, (see book)	-	-	\$927.93
	" on hand,	-	-	185.28
1867.				
Jan. 10.	" from Grand Scribe, -	-	-	182.00
21.	" " " -	-	-	75.00
24.	" " " -	-	-	200.00
26.	" " " -	-	-	116.35
				\$1686.56
1866.		CR.		
Nov. 9.	By Cash paid Bowes & Sons, Journals, &c.	-	1	\$42.50
	" McNab & Shaffer, Bye-Laws, -	-	2	20.00
	" Abstainer office, passwords, &c. -	-	3	14.50
	" R. T. Muir, paper, envelopes, ink, &c.	-	4	8.83
	" Miss Anderson, room attendance, -	-	5	5.00
12.	" Agency Fund, voted annual session,	-	6	100.00
1867.				
Jan. 10.	" Grand Scribe's salary to 1st inst., -	-	7	75.00
	" Editor Abstainer, salary to 31st Dec. 1866,	-	8	60.00
	" M. W. Scribe, stock, &c., \$44, }	-	9	37.27
	" G. S. Mass., ceremonies, \$2.50, }	-	10	
	" Freight, &c., on stock -	-	-	0.75
26.	" Grand Scribe's postage and office acc.	-	11	34.58½
	" Cash in Saving's Bank, -	-	-	927.93
	" Cash on hand, -	-	-	360.19½
				\$1686.56

W. C. BILL, *Grand Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct,

R. H. WETMORE, J. L. WHYTAL, R. J. WILSON.	}	<i>Auditing Committee.</i>
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AGENCY FUND, G. D., in account with W. C. BILL, Grand Treasurer.

1866.		DR.		
Nov. 1.	To Cash	in Saving's Bank, (see book),	- - -	\$200.00
	"	on hand, - - -	- - -	67.17
12.	"	from General Fund voted at annual session,		100.00
23.	"	" Grand Scribe, - - -	- - -	160.11
Dec. 8.	"	" " " - - -	- - -	23.81
1867.				
Jan. 10.	"	" " " - - -	- - -	35.00
21.	"	" " " - - -	- - -	30.00
24.	"	" " " - - -	- - -	45.36
				<u> </u>
				\$661.45

1866.		CR.		
Nov. 12.	By Cash paid	R. M. Barratt on account, - - -	1	\$60.00
23.	"	Bro. McArthur, - - -	2	174.25
	"	postages, &c. - - -	3	22.00
Decr. 8.	"	Bro. Barratt on account, - - -	4	50.00
1867.				
Jan. 10.	"	" " " - - -	5	50.00
24.	"	in Saving's Bank, (see book) - - -		200.00
	"	on hand, - - -	- - -	105.20
				<u> </u>
				\$661.45

W. C. BILL, Grand Treasurer.

Examined and found correct,

R. H. WETMORE,	}	Auditing Committee.
J. L. WHYDAL,		
R. J. WILSON.		

REPRESENTATIVES PSRESENT AT SESSION.

No. 7.

P. Monaghan, G. Scribe,
James C. Hills.

No. 8.

R. M. Barratt, G.W.A.
D. McNiven.

No. 9.

S. W. Bryden.

No. 25.

P. G. Fraser, D.G.W.P.
Isaac L. Crowell.

No. 26.

E. Morrison, P.G.W.A.
F. W. S. Russell,
Wm. B. Fidler.

No. 32.

Rev. I. J. Skinner, P.G.W.P.
John A. Church, D.G.W.P.
Isaac Hume.

No. 59.

P. R. Foster, D.G.W.P.

No. 96-

J. D. Wallace, D.G.W.P.

No. 115.

W. A. C. Randall, M.D., D.G.W.P.,
W. J. Gates
Robert West,
H. B. Mitchell,
Thos. K. Cragg,
Rev. Stephen March,
B. W. C. Manning,
J. M. Shand,
John Slocumb,
James Grinton,
Alex. E. McDonald,
Solomon Baker,
E. J. Manning,
Angus McDonald,
L. R. Manning.

No. 179.

Wm. Jackson, D.G.W.P.
Nicholas Ennis,
S. T. R. Bill,
C. C. Vesey,
J. B. Geldert.

No. 185.

W. R. Calder.

No. 186.

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Wm. Holloway,
E. F. Freeman,
D. N. Manthorn.

No. 200.

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R. A. Carter,
R. Carden.

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L. S. Ford.

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Thos. M. King, G.W.P.

No. 226.

L. W. Drew, D.G.W.P.
Solomon Drew.

No. 232.

George B. Hubley.

No. 245.

J. H. R. Fayle, D.G.W.P.

No. 262.

I. B. Hamblin, D.G.W.P.

No. 273.

Jas. W. Falt.

No. 275.

Thos. H. Mosher.

LADY VISITORS.

No. 115.
 Miss Bessie Newcomb,
 Miss Kezia Heckman.
 Miss Annie March,
 Miss Julia Cronin,
 Mrs. Matilda Bates,
 Miss Elenora West,
 Miss Sarah Ann West,
 Miss Margaret Keating,
 Mrs. John Slocumb.
 Miss Tupper,
 Miss Whitman,
 Miss Louisa Foster,
 Miss Delia Manning,
 Miss Edna Burkett,
 Miss Annie Wilc,

Miss Fanny Manning,
 Miss Jane Glattenburgh,
 Miss Jane Rice,
 Mrs. Susan Shand,
 Mrs. Randall,
 Miss Emma Venot,
 Miss Theresa Ballie.

No. 185.
 Mrs. W. R. Calder,

No. 200.
 Miss Steadman.

No. 273.
 Mrs. Mary Jane Falt.

APPENDIX.

A.

OFFICE OF THE MOST WORTHY PATRIARCH, }
 172 WILLIAM STREET, NEW YORK. }
 December 15, 1866.

TO THE GRAND SCRIBE OF THE GRAND DIVISION.

Worthy Brother,—Being in receipt of numerous letters containing inquiries regarding the admission of Females to Membership in the Order, I have deemed it expedient to issue this Circular, giving my views on the various questions which have been brought to my immediate notice.

The National Division, near the close of its session in June, 1866, adopted the amendment to the Constitution providing for the admission of females to membership; but owing to a press of business, omitted to make such changes in other portions of our Laws and Ritual as were necessary to produce harmony. It is probable these omissions will be remedied next June, and in the mean time I would recommend the following rules be observed:

1. Females may be among the applicants for a Charter for a Subordinate Division in those jurisdictions whose Grand Divisions have granted permission to admit females to membership. If objection be made to the admission of any of the applicants, the instituting officer must require the candidates to decide the question by the same form of ballot as would be taken in a Division on a proposition for membership.
2. Divisions admitting females to membership are recommended

thereafter to discontinue receiving Lady Visitors. Divisions are at liberty to make such disposition of their Lady Visitors as in their judgment may be deemed most judicious; either allowing them to retain their present status; making provision for changing their relationship from that of Visitor to Member; or by rescinding the Bye-Laws, (see Sec. 13, Chap. III., Code of Laws) which provide for the admission of Lady Visitors, severing their connection with the Division entirely.—Should the latter course be adopted, I would recommend that each Lady Visitor desiring it, be furnished with a Visitor's Withdrawal Card.

3. Lady Visitors whose relationship is changed to that of members, must be duly initiated, or obligated, in the same manner, and by the same ceremony, as male candidates. Any portion of the ceremony may be omitted, if desired, in accordance with the provision of the Blue Book, as contained on the title page.

4. Lady members have the same rights and privileges as brothers in all respects; and, therefore, no Division can legally refuse admission as visitor to a lady member except on the same ground as it would be justified in refusing admission to a brother. Because a Division has decided not to receive lady members does not debar females who may be members of other Divisions from visiting and being recognized as members of the Order, subject only to such rules and usages as apply to brothers. This rule will also apply to Divisions located in the jurisdiction of a Grand Division which has refused permission to its Subordinates to receive lady members.

5. Female members are equally eligible to all the offices of a Division as male members, and may be elected to the Grand Division in the same manner.

6. Lady Visitors of a Division are entitled to visit any Division of the Order which may choose to permit them to do so, but they cannot claim a right to enter any Division other than that to which they are attached.

J. N. STEARNS, *M.W.P.*

B.

HALIFAX, N. S., January 26, 1867.

To the G.W.P., the Officers and Members of the Grand Division of Nova Scotia, in Quarterly Session convened.

WORTHY BROTHERS,—Not being able to meet with you in your session at Bridgewater, I crave the privilege of addressing you in this mode, on a matter which I believe to be of vital interest to our Order.

In the judgment of some leading members of our Order in this city, the Constitution is interpreted to admit the propriety of Sons of Temperance acting as voluntary and private agents in the purchase of liquors.

In the judgment of the undersigned such an interpretation of our Constitution is in violation of the fundamental principles of our Order,

is an inconsistency and reproach to us as a professedly Total Abstinence organization, and cannot but be fraught with mischief.

If it be allowable for persons to act as Agents in the purchase and sale of liquor, *not as Auctioneers by legal compulsion, or as Agents of the law or law officers*, but in their private capacity, and wholly of their own free will and accord, and for the accommodation and profit of those engaged in the liquor traffic, then the principles so broadly and repeatedly laid down by the National Division are at fault, and the whole business of the manufacture, the importation, the purchase and sale of liquor, whether by wholesale or retail, is right and proper.

If the Grand Division will be pleased to give a distinct enunciation on this subject, the loose views now entertained may be checked, the character of our Order vindicated, and much evil prevented.

Hoping that you may have a pleasant and profitable session,

I remain, in the bonds of the Order,

Yours fraternally,

JOHN McMURRAY, P.G.W.P.

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REPORT OF MISSION UNDER THE APPOINTMENT OF GRAND DIVISION AGENCY COMMITTEE, BETWEEN NOV. 1, 1866, AND JAN'Y 29, 1867.

Worthy Brothers,—

The return of another session of the Grand Division affords me the pleasing duty to present a report of my work for the past three months, showing that something has been done to advance the cause of Temperance, and extend the number and influence of our beloved Order. It is with much pleasure that I am able to bear testimony to the general prosperity and harmonious working of the twenty-three Divisions it has been my privilege to visit. I regret that it has not been in my power to do more in the way of organization, but trust that the Divisions instituted will be found valuable additions to our roll.

Owing to the severe storms and unusually heavy roads, I have been prevented from overtaking several appointments during the past two weeks, but trust that I shall be able to fulfil these appointments at a future time.

For more general information I have to refer you to my detailed statements, and which I trust will be found satisfactory as regards my diligence in the discharge of the important duties entrusted to me.

Submitted in L. P. and F.

R. M. BARRATT.

Bridgewater, N. S., January 29, 1867.

Statement of places visited, distances travelled, meetings held, and collections taken, from November 1, 1866, to January 29, 1867.

Date.	Places visited.	Miles.	Collect'ns,	Remarks.
Nov. 13	Middle Musquodoboit . . .	58	\$1.00	
14	Meagher's Grant	10	0.54	
15	Little River	12		No meeting.
16	Gays River	14	1.61	
19	Waverley (via Halifax) . .	57		No collection. See Do-
20	Middle Stewiacke	46	0.90	[nation lists.
21	Upper Stewiacke	8	1.52	
22	Eastville	9	1.82	
23	Upper Musquodoboit . . .	12		No meeting, (heavy rain
26	Tangier (from Sheet Har.)	16	1.17	[storm.
27	Sheet Harbor	16	2.13	
28	Upper Musquodoboit . . .	30	1.14	
29	South Branch, Stewiacke,	12	0.73	
Decr. 1	Halifax	58		
3	Little River	56	0.54	
5	Sambro	18		Meeting for young.
6	Bedford	26	1.09	
7	Renfrew	32	5.52	
11	Musquodoboit Harbour . .	70	1.16	
12	Ship Harbor	19	1.04	
18	Ingraham River	53		No meeting, (stormy).
19	Chester	20	1.14	
20	Martin's River	16		No meeting, (people re-
21	Bridgewater	12	1.85	[fused to have one.)
22	Summerside	3		No collection.
24	Dublin Shore	19	0.92	
25	Corkum Settlement	10	0.62	
26	Petite Riviere. (via Bridge-			
	water,)	22	1.72	
28	Corkum Settlement	34		No collection.
29	Petite Riviere	10		Meeting for the young;
31	Milton	26	1.89	[19 Pledged.
1867.				
Jan'y 2	Locke's Island	40		{ Too late for meeting, on
3	Ragged Islands	8	1.88	{ acct. heavy roads.
4	Shelburne	28	2.42	Public Installation.
7	Clyde River	14	2.17	Public Installation.
8	Barrington	7		No meeting it being
10	Cape Negro	7	0.42	[Week of Prayer.
12	Barrington	7	1.09	
14	Barrington Passage	6	2.40	
15	Cape Island	4	1.60	
16	Clarke's Harbor (Cape Is.)	6	1.87	
17	Wood's Harbor	20		{ Detained here by violent
				{ snow storm on my way
				{ to Pubnico Beach.
18	Shag Harbor	4		No meeting on account
21	Wood's Harbor	4	0.96	[of snow storm.
29	Bridgewater	6		To attend sess. of G. D.
		965	44.86	

Statement of Divisions visited, instituted, &c., from Nov. 1, 1866, to Jan'y 29, 1867.

Date.	Division.	Location.	Miles.	Pledged	Remarks.
Nov. 8	Sackville	Sackville	16		Resuscitated Div.
7	Granite Rock	Sambro	30		
16	Gibraltar	Gays River			Voted & pd. \$3.
22	Springside	Eastville			
24	Champion	Sheet Harbor	30		Voted & pd. \$5.
28	Musquodoboit	Up. Musquodoboit			
29	Pleasant Valley	South B. Stewiacke			
50	Rising Sun	Mid. Musquodoboit	10		
Dec. 3	Rising Planet	Little River			
4	Day-Spring	Dartmouth	57		
5	Granite Rock	Sambro			
7	Gold Hunter	Renfrew			Pres. by invitat'n.
13	Green-Vale	Musquodoboit Har.	19	1	
28	New Era	Liverpool	24		Instituted.
28	Pleasantville	Corkum Settlement	34	24	Pres. by invitat'n.
29	Noble	Petite Riviere		1	Pres. by invitat'n.
Jan. 3	Rockland	Ragged Islands		5	
5	Roseway	Shelburne			Pres. by invitat'n.
7	Banyan	Clyde River			
8	Concord	Barrington	7		Instituted.
11	McMurray	Cape Negro	7	36	
14	Granite	Barrington Passage			
15	Life-Boat	Cape Island			
19	Palmerston	Wood's Harbour			
			234	67	

Collections at Public Meetings.....\$44.86

DONATIONS.

Nov. 16.	Gibraltar Division	\$3.00
19.	Waverly Division	2.50
20.	Brother Frame	0.25
24.	Champion Division	5.00
26.	Mrs. Buskirk	0.50
Jan'y 14.	Pioneer Lodge of Good Templars	1.50
19.	Palmerston Division	2.00
		\$14.75
		\$59.61

Travelled 1199 Miles; addressed 34 Public Meetings; organized 2 Divisions with 35 members and 25 lady visitors; whole number pledged, 35 women, 42 men, 22 girls and 16 boys,—in all, 115. R. M. BARRATT.

GRAND DIVISION AGENCY FUND.

Amounts received by the Grand Scribe between Oct. 31, 1866, and Jan'y 25, 1867.

John Heenan, subscription from members of Chebucto Division, viz:

Joseph Bell, 1866	\$4.00
John Heenan, 4th qr. 1866	1.00
P. Monaghan, do. and 1st qr. 1867	2.00
H. A. Taylor, 4th qr. 1866	1.00
H. L. Everett, 1866	3.00
A. J. Ritchie, "	1.00
Edward Jost, "	4.00

A. Longley, 2nd half do.....	1.00
J. S. Thompson, bal. do.....	1.50
J. C. Hills, half year 1866.....	1.50
C. McQueen, 4th qr. do.....	0.50
G. J. Cook, 3rd qr. do.....	0.25
John Martin, half year do.....	0.50
Basket collections in Division, 5 weeks.....	2.75
	<hr/> \$24.00

J. D. Wallace, subs. from members Athenæum Div., 1866, viz:

Robert Noble.....	\$4.00
Wm. J. Wallace.....	2.50
James Butler.....	2.00
James A. Gossip.....	1.00
Alexander Hutt.....	1.00
D. R. McElmon.....	1.00
John T. Edwards.....	1.00
Chipman Chisholm.....	1.00
J. H. Martell.....	1.00
William Silver.....	1.00
Edward Kervan.....	0.50
	<hr/> 16.00
Less overpaid last qr.....	0.50
	<hr/> 15.50
Rev. A. McArthur, collections at meetings and donations for June, July, August, Sept., Oct., 1866.....	160.11
R. M. Barratt, do., Nov. and Dec., 1866.....	40.70
Rising Sun Division.....	4.00
North Sydney Div.....	5.00
Lady Visitors Athenæum Div.....	3.00
Waverley Div.....	2.50
Joseph Salter, 50 cts. } John Leadham, 50 cts. } Waverley.....	1.50
John Hancock, 50 cts. }	
Ray of Hope Div.....	3.00
Wolfville Div.....	1.54
Columbia Div.....	3.00
Rev. R. A. Temple, Halifax.....	1.00
Wm. Bryden, Liverpool, qrs. subs.....	1.00
Rev Dr Cramp, Wolfville.....	5.00
Union Div.....	6.00
James Barnes.....	0.52½
Chas. Cahan, junr., Hebron.....	0.84
New Era Div., qr. subs. on members.....	1.06½
	<hr/> \$279.28
Add amount 3 Charter Fees.....	15.00
	<hr/> Cr. \$294.28
By paid G. Treasurer.....	\$294.28

(See G. S. Account.)

FERRATA.—In Journal of Annual Session, 1866, page 559, fourth line, read James D. Wallace, \$1.00, and add Thomas Clarke, 25 cts.—Which will correct amount received from Athenæum Division, \$18.75.

☞ Please see that monies paid G. S. are duly acknowledged in Journals.

Halifax, January 25, 1867.

P. MONAGHAN, G. S.

In Memory
OF
REV. THOMAS BRADY,
Free Will Baptist Minister,
AND
PAST WORTHY PATRIARCH
OF
MILTON DIVISION, No. 4.

Initiated a Member of this Grand Division Jan. 28, 1852.

Died July 7th, 1866.

He was for many years a useful member of the Order in Yarmouth, and was held in estimation by his Division, and by the public generally, for his earnest and consistent advocacy of the principles of our Order.

"THE MEMORY OF THE JUST IS BLESSED."

In Memory
OF
GEORGE BUTLER,
Past Worthy Patriarch
OF
CHEBUCTO DIVISION, No. 7.

Initiated a Member of this Grand Division April 25, 1855.

Died November 27, 1866.

“A man of strong feelings, great consistency, and much firmness of principle.”

GRAND SCRIBE'S OFFICIAL NOTICE.

HALIFAX, N. S., *February 2.* 1867.

A Quarterly meeting of the Grand Division of Nova Scotia will be held in BERWICK, KING'S CO., on *Tuesday, the 30th April, commencing at 8 o'clock, P.M.*

All Returns to be forwarded to the Grand Scribe, *direct*, before the 24th day of April, as his quarterly financial accounts will be closed on that day.

Divisional Deputies are requested to forward a Report of the State of the Order in their several localities to the County or District Deputies as soon as possible after the first day of April. County and District Deputies to forward their Reports to the Grand Scribe by the 15th day of April.

Such Divisions as have not yet sent in their returns for the year 1866, are requested to do so without delay.

PATRICK MONAGHAN.

Grand Scribe.