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JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION OF NOVA SCOTIA.

TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION.

DIVISION ROOM, TEMPERANCE HALL,
Halifax, Oct. 24, 1860.

The members of the Grand Division assembled at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon,—the G. W. P. in the chair. Grand Division was opened in due form. Roll of officers called :

Present—Rev. Peter G. McGregor, G. W. P.
Patrick Monaghan, G. Scribe.
Roderick Fraser, G. Treas.
John McKenzie, G. Con.
Donald Johnstone, G. Sent.

Absent—Avarad Longley, G. W. A.
Rev. D. M. Welten, A. M., G. Chap.
Rev. R. Alder Temple, P. G. W. P.

G. W. P. filled vacancies by appointing Brothers B. Legge, G. W. A.; Wm. H. Porter, G. Chap.; George Mathison, P. G. W. P., *pro tem*.

Grand Division was declared open for business.

The G. W. A. entered and took his seat.

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 :

MILTON, No. 4.—W. P., Joseph Shaw ; P. W. P.'s, Rev. Thos. Brady, James B. Danc, Wm. Bancroft, Wm. Burrill, senr., George Allen, Edw. C. Moulton, Wm. Burrill, jr., John W. Lovitt, Jacob Sturney, Joseph Burrill.

CONCORD, No. 5.—W. P., Samuel Westwood ; P. W. P.'s, Thos. Coffin, Jas. D. Coffin, Theodore Crowell, Prince McLaren, Charles Doane, Samuel O. Doane, Elisha Atwood, Israel K. Wilson, John C. Crowell, Chas. Crowell, Isaac Hopkins, R. H. Crowell.

UNION, No. 6.—W. P., William H. Taylor ; P. W. P.'s, Edward J. Budd, Henry Stewart, Hy. E. Bonnell, Wm. M. Jones, Edmund Burnham, Abraham L. Gavil, Edward M. Marshall, Francis Hutchinson.

CHEBUCTO, No. 7.—W. P., John Smedley ; P. W. P.'s, Daniel Gallagher, Edward Jost, Robert H. Wetmore, Jos. W. Quinan, Thos. Wesley, Alex. J. Ritchie, John S. Thompson, John Martin, John Heenan, Patk. Monaghan, Henry A. Taylor, Richard Baker, George Butler, Wm. Brown, Alex. Robinson, Chas. Legge, senr., Rodk. Fraser, James Marshall, W. A. S. Blewett, Rich. Anderson, George J. Cooke, John G. Wetmore, Thomas Conran, H. Morrissey, George H. Cutlip, James Lamont, John P. Muir.

MICMAC, No. 8.—W. P., William J. Wallace ; P. W. P.'s, R. M. Barratt, George J. Creed, Thomas Holder, Ronald R. McMillan, Charles Allen, George A. Sanford, John L. Whytal, Geo. S. Webb, John Dunn, John J. Uhlman, James Merlin, Edw. Joyce, Stephen Selden, Charles McLean, Wm. G. Pender, Joseph Leamey, Hy. A. Jennings.

MAYFLOWER, No. 9.—P. W. P.'s, Wm. Williams, Jas. Jackson, Wm. Murray, John Lanigan, Manfred A. Shaffer, Donald Fraser, Fredk. F. Bacon, George Porter, Richard Purcell, Rev. N. Gunnison, John W. Marvin, Wm. Philips, Wellington McNally, Alexr. Ross, James Gordon.

AVON, No. 12.—P. W. P.'s, Theodore S. Harding, David P. Allison, John P. Smith, Monson H. Goudge, Mark Curry, Edward Curry, John Willis, Daniel Mosher, Elisha Curry, Rev. Daniel M. Welton, A. M., John B. Flowers, William Johnston, Francis J. Parker, M. D., Wm. Ruddle.

AVONDALE, No. 13.—P. W. P.'s, Nicholas Mosher (1st), Nicholas Mosher (2nd), E. T. Harvie, Silas Mosher, Allen Mosher, Absalom Smith, Nicholas Mosher (3rd), James Mosher, William Mounce, William H. Mosher, George W. Smith, William Forrest, Hugh Mosher, William A. Mosher, Edward Dimock, John W. Harvie, Daniel Mosher, John A. Harvie, Charles D. Mumford, George C. Harvie, James W. Allison, junr., John Dimock, Hugh Chambers, Mark Rathbun, jr.

NEW CALEDONIA, No. 14.—P. W. P.'s, Stephen B. Troop, Robt. Delap, Samuel Pickup, Harris Wright, Samuel McCormick, Joseph Hall, Israel Troop, Whitman Armstrong, Joseph D. Halfyard, John Carter, Charles Halfyard, James Reid, Reed Hall, Walter W. Mills, Robert Mills (1st), James A. Halliday, Daniel James, William H. Gilliatt, William Young, Job Wade, Isaiah Delap.

ORIENTAL, No. 16.—W. P., Wm. Campbell; P. W. P.'s, Richd. Tanner, Francis Beattie, jr., J. D. B. Fraser, Edw. M. McDonald, Anthony McKean, William N. Rudolf, Samuel A. Foster, James Patterson, William B. Henderson, Colin McKenzie, James Munro, George Hamilton.

NEW GLASGOW, No. 18.—P. W. P.'s, Wm. Lippincott, Jas. W. Carmichael, George Forbes, Duncan McLean, Roderick McGregor, Donald Ross, James W. Fraser, Kenneth Forbes, John Oliver, George Murray, Alexr. McLeod, George F. McKay, Donald Rose.

ROSEWAY, No. 25.—P. W. P.'s, George H. Deinstadt, Joshua Snow, Wm. Hogg, George Snyder, M. D., Alexr. McNaughton, Robert McIntosh, Peter Fraser, George Cox, Thomas Muir, G. H. Munro, James McAlpin.

HOWARD, No. 26.—P. W. P.'s, Thomas Drew, Wm. Holloway, Edward Boak, Edward McHeffey, Edward Morrison, George S. Yates, Maurice Stafford, George Smith, James Adams, Jas. Tracey, Samuel Tupper, Richard Abbott, Richard Curry, Robt W. Rheese, George G. Gray, Robert Boak, John Metzler, James Spike, Jas. W. Johnston.

CAPE BRETON, No. 27.—W. P., Stephen Moffatt; P. W. P.'s, John A. Moore, Donald Johnston, Alex. Musgrave, John Musgrave, John McLean, Rev. Hugh Ross, Lewis W. Peppitt, jr, John Nesbit, Andrew Nesbit, Charles Bown, Jas. Lawley, senr., John Melowney, Charles Moffatt.

CHESTER, No. 32.—P. W. P.'s, Jos. Morgan, Wm. Evans, senr., Isaac Hume, Robert Smith, John Stuart, William Reeves, Daniel Dimock, John Redden, John Frail, Charles E. Church, H. B. Mitchell, Amos P. Morgan, Albert L. Mitchell.

PUGWASH, No. 36.—P. W. P.'s, Wm. H. Rogers, Hy. Seaman, James A. Elliott, David Rogers, senr., William Gould, H. Hollis, James Hitchens, Samuel Rogers.

ROYAL, No. 37.—I. W. P.'s, William Nicholl, Andw. H. Harris, William S. Purdy, William Hanley, William F. Marshall, Alpheus Marshall, Nelson Miller, Israel Rice, James D. Nicholl, Richard Clarke, Edward Clarke, Asaph Rice, Charles Peters, Robert Rice, Freeman W. McDormand, Charles Rice, George Nicholl, William Dunn, Edward Dunn, Joseph C. Rice, Judson Rice.

ARCHANGEL, No. 40.—W. P., John Melvin; P. W. P.'s, Wm.

Oram, jr., Wm. Adamson, George Burchell, Wm. Burchell, Edwd. Burchell, Wm. Clark, James Armstrong, John Edwards, Charles Carmichael, senr., Charles Carmichael, junr.

TRURO, No. 41.—P. W. P.'s, Richard K. Craig, George Reading, Charles H. Blair, J. B. McCully, Rev D. W. C. Dimock, Andrew Moore, James Kent, Robt Chambers, A. Berry, A. J. Walker.

OLIVE BRANCH, No. 44.—W. P., Parker T. Miller; P. W. P.'s, John R. Currill, Samuel T. Neilly, Thomas W. Chesley, Enoch Dodge, senr., James R. Currill, Benj. S. Fellows, Jas. E. Fellows, George Kervin, Andrew McKenna, William Chipman, junr., John B. Reid, Rev. George Armstrong, John E. Sancton, Enoch Dodge, jr., Daniel J. Foster, S. L. Morse.

STAR, No. 49.—W. P., Piers Locke; P. W. P.'s, Chas. Hayden, John Locke, Eno^s C. Locke, X. Z. Chipman, Jacob Locke, Rev. A. W. Barss, Joshua Chadsey, Martin Ringor, David Eisenhaur, James Lloyd, James McDonald, Howard Locke, Michael Shaw.

RISING SUN, No. 52.—W. P., John White; P. W. P.'s, William Layton, Isaac McCurdy, Francis Layton, Thomas McCurdy, Wm. Kaulback, Andw. Wilson, Jonathan Layton, John Taylor, M. J. Archibald, Alexr McCurdy, Arn. McCurdy, M. J. McCurdy.

MAINMAST, No. 57.—W. P., Robert Sutherland; P. W. P.'s, John Gauld, Ebenezer McLeod, Stewart Burns, Nelson Sutherland, Arthur Perrin, John Johnson, James W. Mahy.

STAR IN THE EAST, No. 61.—W. P., Saml. E. Peters; P. W. P.'s, John W. Keveny, C. H. Harrington, C. W. Hill, Matthew Bradley, Jos. Dobson, James Peters, Thomas C. Hill, William Hill, Albert Hill.

HANTSPORT, No. 62.—P. W. P.'s, Nicholas Beckwith, Danl. W. Faulkner, Jos. Follet, Whitman Holmes, John W. Holmes, Samuel West, Nathan T. Harris, Wm. Davison, Elisha Fuller, E. M. Payzant, M. D., Rev. Wm. Burton, Rev. S. T. Rand.

LAKE, No. 71.—W. P., Jethro Chase; P. W. P.'s, James Bligh, William Chase, C. C. Morse, William C. Bill, Saml. Sweet, Nathan Tupper, Caleb R. Bill.

AGRICOLA, No. 72.—P. W. P.'s, John Creelman, A. N. Tupper, Francis Cox, James Creelman, George Fulton, Samuel Creelman, S. F. Creelman, William Bentley, Eliakim Bentley, Aram Layton, John R. McCurdy, William Creelman, Robert Gammell, James S. Tupper, Hugh Dunlap, John Gammell.

WALLACE, No. 75.—W. P., William Manning; P. W. P.'s, Hy. Smith, W. S. Huestis, Stephen Fulton, James Drysdale, B. S. Seaman, L. Betts, John Steele, S. H. Morris, P. McFarlane, Jasper Huestis.

ALBION MINES, No. 79.—W. P., Hector McKenzie; P. W. P.'s, David Coghill, Wm. McPherson, Chas. A. McKay, John Cutten, David W. Cutten, Alexr. McKay, Thos. McKay, John Carr, Duncan McKay.

MARGARETVILLE, No. 80.—W. P., John N. Roach; P. W. P.'s, Wm. Sims, Joseph Reagh, Wm. B. Stronach, Asaph B. Stronach, Thos. D. Baker, James Roy.

IRON AGE, No. 82.—P. W. P., R. N. B. McLellan.

BETHLEHEM No. 89.—W. P., Foster Weeks; P. W. P.'s, John Grant, Alexr. Grant, Henry Grant, J. H. Grant, Henry Grantmire, William Rudderham.

CHEDABUCTO, No. 93.—P. W. P.'s, H. R. Cunningham, Lewis DesBarres, Jas. A. Tory, Joseph Hart, Wm. G. Scott, Wm. Scott.

NELSON, No. 95.—P. W. P.'s, John McKeown, senr., John Hammond, Wm. C. Whitman, John Whitman, senr., Isaac North, Jas. Beals, Elias Beals, Wellington Daniels, Jas. Dobson, Edw. Alexander.

ATHENEUM, No. 96.—P. W. P.'s, John Shean, Wm. M. Brown, Wm. L. Bell, Martin G. Black, Wm. Howe, Robert Noble, Michael Herbert, John Longard, Rev. P. G. McGregor, Rev. J. C. Cochran, Jas. Thompson, Jas. Wallace, Wm. C. Silver, Wm. Ackhurst, L. E. Van Buskirk, M. D., J. Smith, W. Blackman, G. R. Johnson, J. Bacon, Thos. Brown, Chas. Robson, Alexr. James, W. Winterton, George Matheson, H. Matheson, John Bowes, A. C. Cogswell, M. D.

NORTH, No. 99.—W. P., Weston Johnson; P. W. P.'s, Rev. Perez F. Murray, Joseph Graves, John Charlton, Wm. Phinney, Walter Graves, Phineas Graves, Uriah Johnson, Wm. Ryan.

INVINCIBLE, No. 100.—P. W. P.'s, Leonard Fitch, Abraham Van Buskirk, John G. Rockwell, Paoli R. Foster, Wm. Tufts, Geo M. Duncanson, Amos B. Jacques, Stephen Taylor, Chas. Taylor.

TREMONT, No. 102.—W. P., Jas. Craig; P. W. P.'s, Bradley Welton, John Wheelock, Ansel T. Baker, Rev. Chas. Tupper, D. D., Lovett McKenna, John W. Ray.

VICTORIA MINES, No. 108.—W. P., P. Viditoe; P. W. P.'s, Jas Bent, Saml McKeown, B. H. Parker, Israel H. Parker,

Thos Banks, Thos Holland, S. B. Willett, Wm Heatley, A. J. McLeod, Wm. J. H. Balcom, Ephraim Power, Wm. Morse, Simpson Woodberry, T. H. Chipman, John H. Barceaux.

WELLINGTON, No. 109.—W. P., J. H. McDonald; P. W. P.'s, Donald McDonald, John A. McDonald, Donald Kennedy, Neil McQuarry, Donald H. McKenzie.

WOLFVILLE, No. 112.—W. P., Joseph Weston; P. W. P.'s, Rev. J. M. Cramp, D. D., J. Rounsefelle, C. C. Hamilton, M. D., Richd K. Angus, Andie Cleveland, David H. Clark, Geo. V. Rand, Thos Wallace, A. S. Chase, Reuben F. Reid, C. Fritze, W. H. Porter.

PHENIX, No. 115.—W. P., Thomas K. Cragg; P. W. P.'s, John B. Manning, B. W. C. Manning, Danl Waterman, Robt West, Benj Ward, Rev J. J. Skinner, W. J. Gates, Angus G. Tupper, W. A. C. Randall, M. D.

FLOWING FOUNTAIN, No. 118.—W. P., Alexr D. McKenzie; P. W. P.'s, Simon Ross, John D. Cameron, John McKenzie, Wm McKenzie, Abram Clark, John S. F. McKenzie, William Cameron, Jas B. McDonald.

RECHAB, No. 119.—P. W. P.'s, Geo Creed, Edwin S. Creed, Wm J. Dimock, Wm Dimock, Wm B. Dimock, Chas Dimock, Enoch T. Dimock, Jos Dimock, Rev Jas Stevens, Francis Hamilton, Joshua Knowies, John McLearn.

JUNE ROSE, No. 125.—W. P., Jonathan Hays; P. W. P.'s, Robt O. B. Johnson, John Thomson, Josiah Frizzle, Wm Taylor, senr., Jas Manders, James Thomson, John Thomson, senr., Benj Thompson, Saml Thomson, Christopher Bezanson, Amos Bezanson, John Davison.

EMBLEM, No. 126.—W. P., Edw Eaton; P. W. P.'s, Chas Jacques, Rev Abraham S. Stronach, Thos Gates, Season Baker, Isaiah Baker, Hy. Goucher, Johnson Eagen, Eri V. Buskirk, Wm Nichols, Nathaniel Parker, Elkany Gates, Wm Stephenson, Hugh Kerr, Edw C. Phinney, Shippy S. Boyd Magee.

ROCKLIN, No. 129.—W. P., John D. Fraser; P. W. P.'s, Robt Fraser, Alexr Sutherland, Robt Fraser, Donald McLeod, Alexr Fraser, Hugh Murray, Wm Sutherland, John D. Fraser, Wm H. Murray, Robt Sutherland, Robt Fraser.

HAVELOCK, No. 130.—W. P., John Marshall; P. W. P.'s,

Thos Graham, jr., Thos Fraser, Thos P. Jones, Jas R. McKenzie, Jeffrey McColl, Angus Chisholm, David Marshall.

TEMPLE, No. 131.—W. P., William Oxley; P. W. P.'s, Chas B. Oxley, Wesley Oxley, Solomon Peers, John S. Forshner, Andrew Peers, George W. Wells, Wm B. Huestis, Andw Forshner, Thos Forshner, Jas C Peers, Jesse D. Montross.

PITTACUS, No. 132.—W. P., Thomas Burns; P. W. P.'s, Cyrus Parry, Thomas Simons, Benj B. Moses, Vincent Harris, Aaron Jeffry, Wm S. Patten, Wm P. Trask, Stephen Patten.

SACKVILLE, No. 137.—W. P., Lister Ellis; P. W. P.'s, Rev T. H. Porter, Jas Davison, Francis Webber, David Ellis, James Webber, Chas Heffler, Henry Hiltz.

ARCTIC, No. 140.—P. W. P.'s, Wm. A. Fulmore, A. K. Moore, Douglas McCarty, O. H. Moore.

WHITE ROSE, No. 142.—P. W. P.'s, D. J. Taylor, Joseph Atkinson (2nd), James McAloney, David Dickenson, John E. Dickenson, Fones Holmes, Alexr McAloney, Caleb Lewis, Jesse W. Fullerton, Jesse Henwood.

TYRO, No. 145.—W. P., George Bailey; P. W. P.'s, Henry Flavin, Maurice Peters, Geo Welch, Danl Bailey, Geo Coggin, Wellington C. Morrell.

KINBURN, No. 147.—W. P., Ingram B. Langille; P. W. P.'s, Jos B. Worthylake, Benj. Legge, John Kedy, Lewis Knaut, J. E. Best.

CONHEATH, No. 148.—W. P., T. S. Bown, sr.; P. W. P.'s, Neil McLellan, Wm W. Bown, Jno Murphy, Thos Bown, jr., Peter T. Clark, Jno Volger.

ENTERPRIZE, No. 149.—W. P., Edw Armstrong; P. W. P., Wm. Rhodes.

WATFORD, No. 151.—W. P., David Lantz.

COBEQUID, No. 155.—W. P., Jno B. Fleming; P. W. P.'s, David F. Layton, John R. Fletcher, Danl Morrison, Wm. C. Smith, Thos B. B. West.

CLYDE, No. 157.—W. P., Ephraim Bachman; P. W. P.'s, Wm H. Troop, John Sanders, Avarad Longley, R. D. Balcom.

LIFE BOAT, No. 158.—W. P., Simeon F. Smith; P. W. P.'s, Rev E. G. Eaton, Jas C. Smith.

SOUTH, No. 159.—W. P., Wm B. Smith; P. W. P., Alfred K. Smith.

HALCYON, No. 160.—W. P., Ingrm. B. Gidney; P. W. P.'s, Chas Pinkney, Thos C. Kerr, William O. Montrose, Ansell B. Holdsworth.

WESTERN STAR, No. 161.—W. P., Robt Harris; P. W. P.'s, Ethel Ring, Isaiah Thurber, Geo C. Crocker.

SILOAM, No. 162.—W. P., John Hume; P. W. P.'s, Christopher Millett, W. J. Flemming.

ONWARD, No. 164.—W. P., Edmund Rice; P. W. P., John Hull.

OLIVER, No. 165.—W. P., Thos Brown; P. W. P., Alexr Anderson.

RENFREW, No. 166.—W. P., Thos. McKean; P. W. P., C. J. Campbell.

The committee would urgently recommend that Recording Scribes and Deputies would write nothing on the credentials beside the names of representatives, and that in all cases the Deputies would see that the credentials are properly filled up and signed.

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

R. M. BARRATT,
JOHN LANIGAN,
W. A. S. BLEWETT.

Grand Division Room, Oct. 24, 1860.

The Grand Conductor introduced the undernamed representatives, who were duly initiated and took their seats:—John Smedley, No. 7; William S. Huestis, No. 75; James B. McDonald, No. 118; David Marshall, No. 130.

The Grand Worthy Patriarch appointed the following committees:

On State of the Order—Wm. H. Porter, B. Legge, John Gammell (2nd), A. Longley, Henry A. Taylor.

On Appeals—B. S. Scaman, W. A. S. Blewett, R. Baker.

On Communications—J. Shean, David Marshall, R. M. Barratt.

On enrollment of names of Representatives present at Session—H. A. Taylor, J. P. Muir.

The Grand Scribe read communication from Chebucto Division, No. 7, announcing the withdrawal of a representative from the Order. Communication ordered on file, and name of member erased from books of Grand Division.

Also, a communication from Mayflower Division, announcing the expulsion of three representatives from the Order. Communication ordered on file, and names of members erased from books of Grand Division.

Also, a communication from Phoenix Div., No. 115, asking that the session of January, 1861, be held either in Mahone Bay or Lunenburg. Referred to committee on communications.

Also, a communication from Kinburn Div., No. 147, in reference to the same subject, asking that the session be held as requested in the communication from Phoenix Division. Referred to committee on communications.

Also, a communication from J. McKeown, D. G. W. P. of Lawrencetown, Annapolis county, in reference to giving passwords to members previous to paying their dues. Referred to committee on communications.

Also, a communication from R. S. Micmac Division, No. 8, with copy of a resolution adopted by that body in reference to prohibition. Referred to committee on state of the order.

Also, a communication from Secretary to Board of Managers of the Micmac Band of Hope, asking permission for the Board to visit the Grand Division for the purpose of presenting an address.

On motion, it was passed that the Grand Division receive the Band of Hope to-morrow (Thursday) evening, at 7 o'clock.

The following appeals were presented by the Grand Scribe:

An appeal of George Welch vs. Tyro Div., No. 145.

Case:—Bro. Welch preferred a charge against a

member for violation of article 2 of the constitution; a committee was appointed to investigate the same; Bro. Welch did not attend the meeting of committee when notified, as the brother charged had left the place, and he thought it unnecessary to attend the meeting of the committee to substantiate the charge until the brother's return. The committee sustained the charge, and the Division fined Bro. Welch for not attending the committee meeting when notified. Against this action of the Division Bro. Welch appeals to the Grand Division.

Referred to committee on appeals.

An appeal of David Dunlop *vs.* Renfrew Division, No. 166.

Case:—A member of the Division was elected to the office of Assistant Conductor, he being at the time under eighteen years of age. The D. G. W. P. had commenced the installation services on the first night of the quarter, and when about to install the A. C. elect, Bro. Dunlop made objections, on the grounds above stated. The D. G. W. P. decided that that was not the proper time to make objections, and that the matter would be considered at another time. At the next meeting the subject was brought up, and the Division sustained the election of the Assistant Conductor, on the ground that the Deputy had the power to dispense with section 1, article 5 of the constitution; hence the appeal of Bro. Dunlop.

Referred to same committee.

An appeal of Geo. A. Purdy *vs.* Royal Div., No. 37.

Case:—Brother Purdy was chosen to represent Royal Division in the Sons of Temperance procession, on the occasion of the reception of the Prince of Wales at Halifax, on 30th of July last. On his return home, he presented a bill for a portion of his expenses, which the Division refused to pay; hence the brother appeals to the Grand Division.

Referred to the same committee.

The Grand Scribe submitted, in connection with the

appeal of Brother Purdy, a communication from that brother, and a memorial signed by a number of members of Royal Division; but as those documents were not forwarded *officially* through the Division, they were ruled out of order.

The following report was read :

The Standing Committee on Charters beg leave to report, that since last quarterly meeting they have recommended the granting of Charters as follows :

1st.—On 5th October, to Alexander McKenzie and *thirteen others*, residents of North Sydney, Cape Breton County, for *North Sydney Division*, No. 167.

2nd.—On 20th October, to John B. Fraser and *nine others*, residents of Shubenacadie, Hants County, for _____ *Division*, No. _____.

Your committee solicits the approval of the Grand Division in the granting of said Charters.

Respectfully submitted in L. P. & F.

PATR. MONAGHAN,
JOHN L. WHYTAL,
JOHN SHEAN.

Halifax, N. S., 22nd October, 1860.

Adopted.

The following report was read and adopted :

The Standing Committee on Constitutions and Bye-Laws beg to report, that they have examined the bye-laws of Renfrew Division, No. 166, and would recommend as follows :

Art. 1, Sect. 1.—The words “if no P. W. P. be present, the Division shall elect a chairman,” to be omitted.

Art. 3, Sect. 4.—The words “or as a Representative to the Grand Division,” to be omitted, as a P. W. P. cannot be deprived of his eligibility for election as a Representative to the Grand Division, unless a charge is pending against him.

Art. 4, Sect. 5.—The words “four successive nights,” to read *three* “successive nights”; and the words “*after one week's previous notice has been given,*” to be added at end of section. (*See Revised Rules*).

Respectfully submitted in L. P. & F.

PATR. MONAGHAN,
WILLIAM MURRAY,
JOHN HEENAN.

Halifax, 23rd October, 1860.

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

The following report was read and adopted :

The Standing Finance Committee report that they have examined the accounts and books of the Grand Scribe, and the Grand Treasurer's account, and find them correct.

The committee recommend the payment of the following account which appears to be correct, viz :

J. Bowes & Sons, for printing. £15 12 6

ROBERT BOAK,
JOHN L. WHYTAL,
R. H. WETMORE.

Halifax, 22nd October, 1860.

The following report from the Publication Committee was read :

The Publication Committee have to report that in consequence of the recommendation of the Grand Division at its last session, that the *Abstainer* should be continued, and the promise of increased activity in its behalf with which that recommendation was accompanied, the publisher has been induced to continue it for another year, at its present size and price. The circulation at present amounts to between 900 and 1000, which is rather more than was anticipated when the committee last reported; and the prospects of the paper are evidently improving, as a number of new friends have come forward with promises to labor for the enlargement of the subscription list. Much more, however, remains to be done before the *Abstainer* can be regarded as having been placed on a permanent footing, without speaking of increasing its size or frequency of issue; and the committee believe that no question of more importance demands our attention during the present session than that which regards the increase of its efficiency and the enlargement of its circulation.

The publisher states that he requires £200 to meet the expenses of publishing the present volume. If 100 individuals, Divisions, or Societies, would guarantee subscriptions to the amount of two pounds each, this amount would be at once secured. As a large number of Representatives from all parts of the Province will probably be present at this meeting of the Grand Division, strenuous exertions ought to be made to obtain as many of such guarantees as possible, for while £200 is indispensable,

if the paper be continued, three times that sum is required to make it what it ought to be. If indifference and inactivity on our part should occasion pecuniary loss to Mr. Barnes, and thus lead to the discontinuance of the *Abstainer* at the close of the present year, the cause of Temperance would be seriously injured, and its friends and supporters sadly disgraced. If, on the other hand, the *Abstainer* can be greatly improved and extensively circulated, the energy and liberality of its friends will afford the surest presage of the complete and speedy triumph of their principles.

The committee would earnestly recommend to all friends who undertake to procure and forward lists of subscribers, the propriety of taking the subscriptions in advance. They also recommend that the usual grant of £50 be made to the Editor. Mr. Pender having relinquished the editorial management of the *Abstainer* at the close of the year, the Grand Scribe has discharged the duty of editing those numbers of the new volume which have been already issued. These numbers have been marked by so much ability and tact, that, if he be willing to undertake the task, the paper, in the opinion of the committee, may safely be entrusted to his management.

The above is respectfully submitted in L. P. and F.

CHARLES ROBSON, *Chairman.*

Halifax, 24th October, 1860.

On motion, the report was referred to a special committee to report thereon, viz. :—W. A. S. Blewett, D. Johnstone, E. M. McDonald.

On motion, the hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed as follows :

Meet at 10 o'clock A. M. ; adjourn at 1 o'clock P. M.

“ 2½ “ P. M. ; “ 5½ “ P. M.

“ 7 “ P. M.

On motion, the time for election of officers was fixed for this evening, at half-past eight o'clock.

On motion of Bro. Wm. Murray, seconded by Bro. Geo. Mathison, it was

Resolved, That the expenses of the G. W. P. (or the G. W. A. when acting as G. W. P.) and the Grand Scribe, only, be paid for their attendance on the sessions of the Grand Division during the year 1861.

The Grand Worthy Patriarch read his report, as follows :

Officers and Brethren of the Grand Division of Nova Scotia:

Another year of life and of precious opportunity for serving God and doing good to man has passed away. Let us enter on the work of a new session, thankful for the health and mental energy by which we have been enabled to do something to lighten the world's miseries, and for such evidences of the progress and usefulness of our Order as have, during the past year, presented themselves to the eyes of all observing men.

Not a few of the true friends of our body can now look back on a service of one-fourth of a century in the temperance cause. Some have completed their thirtieth campaign. They can mark many phases of the warfare. They can tell of triumphs and of disappointments, of victories which made their hearts glad, and of hopes deferred which made their hearts sick. Many of us then young and ardent, thought that long ere this, society would have been revolutionized, and the work in fact achieved. We have been mistaken, but we have also been instructed and disciplined.

We have been *instructed*. We know now much better the magnitude and the difficulty of our work. We know that Intemperance is a gigantic and many sided evil, resting on the strong foundations of fashion and interest, of appetite and depravity. It has grown to be a system of sin firmly entrenched, and still capable of stern and protracted resistance. In fact, though oft assailed and oft defeated, it yet holds the field with defiant attitude, often still triumphant over law and order, humanity and religion.

We have been *trained* as well as taught. We commenced the work experimentally, and have advanced with some reverses and temporary defeats, and yet with great steadiness. Point after point, apparently of great vitality has been carried. Gradually we have come to know where the heart of the mischief, the stronghold of the enemy is. As that centre has been retreating, we have been advancing. We have been disciplined by our work, and we are now resolved never to lay down our arms until we have reached the last citadel of the foe. As for ourselves we scarcely expect to see the end, but if we do, expect to die with our armour on.

We have met for drill and also to reconnoitre; in a word to prepare for another campaign. If any are faint-hearted or afraid

let them turn back. A united band, we trust will remain, prepared to hold their ground, and to advance in the name of humanity and of God.

It is highly necessary that we should look around on the state of the different divisions of our attacking force, in different parts of the field. This force is not all that we could desire. We neither see the energy, the union nor the zeal which would warrant the hope of speedy success; and yet on the other hand, the men are in the main loyal and faithful, and the officers vigilant, skillful and brave.

THE CONDITION OF OUR FORCES.—YARMOUTH.

In the far west, I learn from D. G. W. P. Christie, that although the Yarmouth Divisions have been rather inactive during the summer season, yet they are looking forward to do exploits during the winter months, and already the trumpet call to arms had been sounded by annual meeting of the County Convention. I think that Yarmouth may be relied upon; her arms will not be wanting in the day of battle.

ANNAPOLIS.

In Annapolis, D. G. W. P. Dr. Robertson is constrained to admit that Wilberforce Division is out of line,—indeed, so incapable, just now, of being restored to working order, that a temporary forfeiture of their charter, to use the language of our vocabulary, has become necessary; but the Doctor, who is an admirable drill sergeant in a great moral cause, is determined against a permanent surrender. He has also to confess that the occupants of "Tremont" have been faint-hearted of late, but *Nelson is ready for action*. Who could doubt it? And Clyde, Port George, Margaretville, Emblem, North, and Cunningham, together with Victoria Mines and Olive Branch, are doing well, and eagerly anticipating the long nights of winter, when they will take part in the struggle.

KINGS.

D. G. W. P. Cramp complains that his aides have not informed him fully of the condition of the forces under his inspection. From Deputy Bill, however, he has learned that Lake Division is in a state of health and activity. The true martial spirit has there been fostered by a series of sermons preached by chaplains of various denominations of Christians, with decided

effect. From Deputy Van Buskirk he had also learned that Invincible was determined to act a part worthy of its name; that Enterprize was suffering for want of the sinews of war—non-payment of dues on the part of deserters; and Waterloo, for want of a field of action—a suitable place of meeting.

We think the two Doctors will be able to give a good account of their respective contingents before the campaign season closes.

SHELBURNE.

From Shelburne County, Deputy McNaughton is able to report that Roseway holds its ground, that intemperance is held at bay and retreating, while it is equally gratifying to know that Star in Locke's Island is in a healthy state, and prospects cheering.

HANTS.

From Hants County I must complain of great backwardness in reporting, and must place Colchester County in the same list. From the latter I have received no intelligence. From the former I have reports from Deputies Logan, of Rock Division, Maitland; McLearn, of South Rawdon, and Elder, of Hantsport. The Rock has been exhibiting some signs of decay or fracture during the past season, but Deputy Logan reports confidently that these faults are mainly on the surface, and that when the scales are scraped off, the Rock will be found sound and impregnable.

Rechab Division has felt the salutary influence of zealous lady visitors, who exceed the male members in number. Rules and usages well observed, and exertions made to increase the circulation of the *Abstainer*.

Deputy Elder reports favorably of Hantsport Division.

CAPE BRETON.

I have not heard from many counties in the East, but the news is highly encouraging, so far as reports have been forwarded. Our quarterly session in Cape Breton was not only exceedingly delightful to such of us as enjoyed the high privilege of visiting our brethren and sisters in the Orient, but has been followed, as I am happy to learn, by a gratifying revival of Temperance feeling and activity. D. G. W. P. Bown reports that it has had a favorable effect on all classes of society, and has been followed by an increase of members in almost every division under his charge, with an application for a new division at North Sydney.

The Divisions in Victoria county are working well, and increasing in number. In Cape Breton ninety members have been initiated during the past quarter.

PICTOU.

The Pietonians also are at work in earnest. In part of Pietou township a more thorough canvass on the subject of prohibition and license has been made than has ever been accomplished in any part of Nova Scotia. The result showed a large majority against granting licenses, and a majority absolutely overwhelming in favour of prohibition.

NEW GLASGOW.

The following report from D. G. W. P. Lippincott, will further show how our brethren in that fine county are engaged :

“In giving you this my last report for the current year, I have great satisfaction in saying that the Temperance cause generally is in a healthy condition, perhaps more so than I ever have seen it in the portion of the County of Pictou within my jurisdiction.

The Albion Mines Division now numbers 160 members, exclusive of Lady Visitors ; and besides building for themselves a very handsome and commodious Hall, they have been very active in suppressing the illicit sale of intoxicating liquors.

The two Divisions in New Glasgow are continuing steady in their labors. On these devolve more especially the formation and oversight of Temperance Societies in the various parts of the country districts. For this purpose the League, along with the Sons, have had a lecturer, Mr. Davidson, who has been very successful, particularly in the back settlements.

There are now, exclusive of four divisions, three clubs and seven T. A. Societies, making in all 14 Associations within the limits of my jurisdiction, besides one juvenile T. A. Society and one Section of Cadets—16 all told.”

CUMBERLAND.

I cannot report so favorably of Cumberland. In that fine county we have been losing ground ever since the departure of P. G. W. P. Temple. Wallace Division under Deputy Seaman, keeps the banner floating. Eureka also has found the secret of success and continues prosperous, but there is lukewarmness in the Temple itself, and languor in Pugwash. Dep. Rogers mourns that ministers and other influential men, whose aid might rally the Temperance hosts, do not help, but pass by on the other side.

HALIFAX COUNTY.

We have looked all round the Province. What is the state of the metropolitan town and county? There is nothing of interest of late from the country. June Rose and Sackville under Deputy Porter, maintain their character. The time for the Temperance Aid operations have not yet arrived, but those active missionaries will soon be in the field.

THE CITY.

The city Divisions are active and interesting, and holding their ground. They hold many interesting social gatherings at which audiences varying from 100 to 250 are agreeably entertained with short speeches, recitations and refreshments. But it must be confessed that we have few *public temperance meetings*; and Temperance Hall is employed for the advocacy of nearly all subjects, religious and political, social and controversial, except temperance.

We are not doing for the *public* advocacy of the cause in the City of Halifax, what our numbers, our talents, and even our zeal and energies seem to warrant. Our talents are not fully drawn out; our zeal is partially misdirected. We have many speakers in the Division Room who ought to be heard and are yet never heard on the platform.

In thus sketching our army of attack I may mention, that there are now 92 Divisions on the roll. Twelve new Divisions have been opened during the year, but this gain has been well nigh overbalanced by the loss of eleven, some of whom might have been reported as dead a year ago. Although our force then is not all that we could desire, yet we must say that in life and energy, as in numbers, it has gained during the past year.

We must now direct attention for a little to the strongholds of the enemy. We must again give prominence to the *rum traffic* which meets us everywhere, as an unmitigated curse, an incubus on the moral and material prosperity of this city, of the most crushing character, and a loathing to good men over the city and over the world.

PROHIBITION.

Since we last assembled here, Lord Brougham has volunteered his services as an advocate of the principles of Prohibition, entering his indignant protest against the folly and wickedness of a nation, on spending ten times as much on strong drink as upon

all the means and appliances of literature and education, and against the folly and guilt of encouraging what produces disease both of mind and body, filling our gaols with criminals and our workhouses with paupers. In this protest this great man discourses thus: "*Intemperance is the common enemy. It attacks even persons of cultivated minds, spreads havoc widely among the multitudes of the inferior orders, and fills our workhouses and our gaols. To lessen its force, and contract its sphere, no means must be spared if we really mean to stay the progress of destitution and crime.*"

The *Philanthropist* has *no more sacred duty* than to *mitigate* if he cannot remove this enormous evil. The Lawgiver is *imperatively bound* to lend his aid *in enacting repressive measures* when it appears manifest that no palliatives can avail."

If my voice could reach the people of Nova Scotia, I would remind them that the chief wealth of any state must be found in the *intelligence* and CHARACTER of its population. I would remind them that the character of our people is the surest basis and pledge even of material prosperity, and that the highest objects of legislation and law should be the protection and development of knowledge and virtue. I would remind them that while they are spending their thousands on schools to make *good* citizens, they are at the same time encouraging the most powerful agencies for making *bad* citizens. I would earnestly invite the citizens of Halifax to consider that they are licensing and fostering more than 300 schools of ignorance, idleness, vice and crime, while not half the number are devoted to intellectual, moral, or religious purposes, and perhaps not so many to all these combined, and to consider this when they make their annual choice of Civic representatives. I would ask the electors of Nova Scotia to think whether they would have those schools of brutality and crime multiplied and perpetuated, when they are about to choose men to act for them, in the management of the great questions of social order and political economy.

If Lord Brougham's views of the duty of the Lawgiver and Ruler be correct, I would ask, what are we to think of the existence along the Railway line of rum-shops under the name of refreshment saloons, existing without license, and therefore contrary to law; under *government patronage*, because on government property. Here is a nuisance which meets the eye and shocks the moral sense of the best part of our people in their travels east and west. It has been represented to the proper

authorities, and yet the abomination continues, while it is well known that on some of the English Railway lines, the managers have felt constrained to sweep away the nuisance, to the great benefit of the owners and servants on these lines, and, I need scarcely add, of the public generally.

GENERAL CARY.

I deeply regret that the application of the Agency Committee for the services of General Cary during the present month, has not received a favorable reply. It was confidently anticipated that even a brief campaign under this champion, would have rallied and united a mighty phalanx in city and country, to demand the righteous and necessary prohibitive measure already named, and to prepare the people to welcome and rightly to use such a law. The Grand Division must now decide whether it would be wise, without the agitation, to ask for the measure in question, at the present time. If asked, and the request be *well sustained by Petitions*, the subject must have a fair consideration, and such a consideration will be gain, whatever decision be arrived at.

GREETINGS FROM ABROAD.

From New Brunswick, your chief officer has received the following fraternal Address, which I have great pleasure in laying before you :—

ST JOHN, N. B., October 15, 1860

WORTHY BROTHER,—

Permit me, in the name of L. P. and F., and on behalf of this jurisdiction, to tender to your brethren a fraternal salutation! Engaged in a common cause, the "Sons" of New Brunswick feel an affectionate interest in your welfare. The untrammelled catholicity of our Order is such, that we recognize no sectarian, governmental or geographical latitudes or distinctions. Believe me, young New Brunswick strikes hands with you, and fraternally solicits to "do and dare" with you in the kindly rivalry. We feel a delightful intimacy already existing between you and us. That we may have an opportunity of enhancing by *personal* association, those feelings, is, I think, our *mutual* hope, and rest well assured, that should you, or any of your brethren, turn hitherward, *true* Sons of Temperance will, with pride and pleasure, greet and welcome you.

A stranger, yet a brother, believe me,

Very fraternally yours,

WM. WEDDERBUNE, G. W. P.

The following is from the *Worthy Associate* of the National Division—the Grand Scribe of Virginia, and is an invitation to your chief officer and Grand Scribe to attend the annual session of the Grand Division of Virginia, in the city of Norfolk, which happens not only in this week, but this day, and consequently we may, if so inclined, send them a telegraphic message in reply.

[*Extract.*]

“ We want you to be with us. I am sure I need not say that you will have extended to you a brother’s hand and a brother’s welcome. Come, and warm us up, and we will try to encourage you. Come, and advise with us. Come, and witness our proceedings. Come, and see our working Temperance men in the old dominion. For the year about to end, we have more than maintained our ground in Virginia. With us, the cause of all mankind is on a firm foundation. Come, and see our state and our people. For a thousand reasons come.”

Yours, in L. P. and F.

THOS. J. EVANS, G. S.

LOSS OF A VETERAN.

In my last report I alluded to the loss by removal, of our beloved and esteemed brother Brown, now a resident in the city of Boston. We have since that date, indeed almost at that very time, met with another severe loss in the lamented death of Richard McLearn of Dartmouth, than whom a truer son, and more earnest advocate of our principles cannot be found in Nova Scotia. Steady as the needle to the pole, was brother McLearn in his devotion to all the great objects of our brotherhood. May his mantle fall on many of the younger brethren, for we may safely say of him, “ He was a good man and feared God above many.” In this Providence, I trust that the *men of the old guard*, who are gradually diminishing in number, will feel themselves admonished to gird on their armour anew, to pray and labour more earnestly for the promotion of every good work, including our present work of humanity and social reform.

THE PLATFORM.

I again, as in all previous reports, would urge upon every Division in the Province to *take the platform*. The cause must be advocated. *Public Temperance meetings must be held*. Recruits must be gathered in, to carry on the war. If the Sons

will not do this work, others must and will undertake it. If the Sons know their duty and their day—if they know the true elements of their life and progress, they will work *without*, as well as within the Division room. I do say to this organization—“Hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.”

THANKS TO DEPUTIES.

I feel it to be a pleasing duty gratefully to acknowledge the punctuality and zeal of my valuable coadjutors the County Deputies, and do hereby tender my sincere thanks, and I am sure I may add, the thanks of this Grand Division, to Dr. Cramp of Kings, Dr. Robertson of Annapolis, Rev. Mr. Christie of Yarmouth, Rev. Mr. Cameron of Hants; Messrs. McNaughton of Shelburne, Dimock of Lunenburg, Rogers of Cumberland. Fraser and Lippincott of Pictou, Bown of Sydney, and Rev. Mr. Porter, of western district of Halifax.

NOTICE OF GRAND SCRIBE.

I have equal satisfaction in testifying to the attention, courtesy and punctuality of the Grand Scribe in the discharge of his official duties. I have met with the readiest co-operation from him, on all measures proposed for the benefit of the Order or of the Temperance cause. I feel pleased to learn from him that our financial condition is improving.

THE “ABSTAINER.”

A growing interest is beginning to manifest itself, so far as I can judge, in behalf of the *Abstainer*. It will devolve on you to provide an editor, and to determine its future size and frequency of issue.

MINISTERIAL CONVENTION.

On the part of the Ministerial Convention which met in this place yesterday afternoon and this morning, I have been instructed to lay before this Grand Division the results of their application to ministers of the Gospel to sign a declaration condemnatory of the liquor traffic, and pledging their moral influence to aid in the carrying out of prohibition, so soon as a prohibitory law shall be obtained. These results may be thus shortly summed up:

150 clergymen of various denominations have forwarded their names.

10 others *declare themselves fully* for prohibition, but for various reasons decline appending their names.

20 more declare themselves advocates, from pulpit and platform, of *total abstinence*, but fear prohibition to be impracticable ; making in all 180 ministers who have responded favorably. It may fairly be presumed that some twenty others overlooked the call through pressure of professional engagements. If so, there are at least 200 ministers of the Gospel in Nova Scotia decidedly in favor of total abstinence principles, and as decidedly opposed to the strong drink traffic.

The list of those who signed the declaration, with their residence and a statement of the denomination to which they belong, is appended ; and the Convention express their belief that there are true and tried friends of the Temperance movement whose names are not on this list.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, let us work on, trusting to God and to the power of truth to work its way. Much labor awaits us ; yet, so far from yielding to discouragements, a strong and happy confidence should fill our hearts. No changes remain to be accomplished so great and difficult as those which have already been achieved. *Society has changed*, and is changing ; and though the surface tide, swayed by the breeze, be now *for* and now *against*, the *deep under-current is setting in the right direction*. May the all-wise Ruler of human progress and destinies incline us all to persevere and to be strong in this labor of love, and crown our efforts with a triumph which shall afford cause for joy here, and for a higher song of praise in the eternal world.

In Love, Purity and Fidelity,

PETER G. MCGREGOR, G. W. P.

Halifax, Oct. 24, 1860.

Referred to committee on state of the Order.

The Grand Scribe read the following report :

To the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia.

OFFICERS AND BROTHERS,—

Permit me to offer you a fraternal greeting, in assembling in (twelfth) annual session of Grand Division. It is pleasing to your Grand Scribe to meet again with so many old friends of the cause, and to meet for the first time a number of "new-made brothers" It is with regret, though, I miss the faces of some who have met with us on former occasions, a few of whom have gone out from the Order, and others, whose valuable counsels

would have assisted us much in our deliberations, are prevented from being present. I wish they were here, to participate in the labors of the session.

The Order throughout the jurisdiction has progressed favorably, generally speaking, during the year just closed. The year, like many of those that preceded it, has been marked with the usual phases of sunshine and cloud; but, I am happy to say, we have had more of the bright sunshine to cheer, than of dark clouds to discourage us. The facts and statistics which I am enabled to present to you in this report (and the figures are not as complete as I would wish) will, I think, bear me out in the opinion I have formed—that the Order in Nova Scotia at the present time is fully as prosperous (if not more so) as at any former period of its history.

As to the prosperity of the Divisions and the cause of Temperance in the several localities within the jurisdiction, the G. W. P. has already informed you. It will therefore be unnecessary for me to repeat what that officer has reported to you in reference to these particulars.

Since our last meeting in Quarterly Session, a new Division has been organized, viz.: NORTH SYDNEY, No. 167, at North Sydney, Cape Breton, on 12th inst., by County Deputy, Thos. S. Bown, Esq. A charter was also granted on 20th inst., for a new Division, to be located at Shubenacadie, Hants' County. Applications are expected from several localities for charters for new Divisions, and no doubt nearly as many will be organized during the incoming year, as in the past.

Since last annual meeting, *twelve new Divisions* have been organized in the Province, viz.: three each in Shelburne, Digby, Annapolis, Lunenburg, and Victoria Counties, and one in Cape Breton County.

During the year the names of *eleven* Divisions have been erased from the roll, eight of which number, perhaps, might have been reported dead at last annual session, but hopes were then entertained of their resuscitation before this meeting.

Wilberforce, No. 28, of Nictaux, and Miner's Hope, No. 133, of Acadian Mines, are dead. The charter of the first named, and the charter and B. B. of the latter, have been placed in my possession. Several efforts were made by Deputy Robertson to revive Wilberforce, but without effect. The death of Miner's Hope may be attributed, in a great measure, to enemies among its own members. The conduct of some of them, I have reason

to believe, has been very discreditable. I have been informed, on reliable authority, that among those enemies was a member who was initiated into this branch of the Order; who walked in the ranks of the Grand Division at the reception given to the Prince of Wales, in this city, on the 30th July last; and whose name is still on our books. This person hardly waited for the Division to be *declared dead*, before he entered into the liquor traffic; and is now engaged in dealing out liquors to some of those who were formerly in the Division. Such conduct, I have no doubt, will be *duly appreciated* by this Grand Division.

At the present time, the names of *ninety-two* Divisions are on the roll, *eighty-nine* of which are supposed to be in working order. Returns should have been sent in from *eighty-eight* for the quarter ending 29th September; but only *seventy-two* have been received, exhibiting, in the aggregate, the following figures:

Initiated	241	}	256
Admitted by Card	9		
" Dispensation	6	}	58
Withdrawn by Card	30		
" from the Order	28	}	212
Expelled for violation of Pledge	97		
" non-payment of Dues	115		
Deaths	7		
Rejected	10		
Violated Pledge first time	78		
Reinstated	51		
Signed over	38		
Violated Pledge second time	30		
Temperance Meetings held	50		
Temperance Tracts distributed	86		
Members on F. S.'s books	3919		
Female Visitors	1405		
Receipts during quarter	£325	8	$\frac{21}{2}$
Expenses, exclusive of benefits	308	18	$\frac{41}{2}$
Paid for benefits	46	14	4
Cash on hand, including investments	1625	11	8

Returns are still due from Divisions, as follows:

For quarter ending 31st March—Evening Star, Garland, and General Williams.

Quarter ending 30th June—Morning Star, Lunenburg, Kel-

logg, Evening Star, Tremont, Garland, Vesper, North American, and Waterloo.

Quarter ending 29th September—Central, Hebron, Columbia, Morning Star, Lunenburg, Aurora, Port George, Kellogg, Vesper, North American, Hebert, Waterloo, General Williams, Ohio, and Forest.

Rock, Evening Star, and Garland Divisions are not working.

Forty-two returns (answers to queries) have been received from Deputies. I would suggest that these documents be referred, as usual, to a special committee. I also beg to suggest the propriety of requiring said returns to be made *semi-annually* instead of *quarterly*.

The receipts and disbursements of this office to 20th instant were as follows :

RECEIPTS.

Tax from Divisions for March and June quarters...	£6	8	3
“ “ quarter ending 29th Sept...	31	8	3
For stock, &c., as per detailed account.....	2	17	0
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	40	13	6
Balance due G. D. on 2d August.....	13	12	4
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	£54	5	10

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid G. Treasurer, per receipts	£30	2	6
“ for printing, stationery, postages, &c.....	5	19	8
Grand Scribe's salary to 1st October .. .	10	0	0
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	46	2	2
	54	5	10
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Balance due G. D.....	£8	3	8

In order that you may understand the present condition and future prospects of the finances of the Grand Division, I have prepared the following estimate of the probable revenue and expenditure for the incoming year :

PROBABLE RECEIPTS.

Per capita tax from Divisions, say about.....	£208	0	0
Sale of stock, &c., say.....	22	0	0
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	£230	0	0

PROBABLE EXPENDITURES.

Editor of <i>Abstainer</i>	£50	0	0
Salary of Grand Scribe	40	0	0
Journals of Grand Division.....	36	0	0
Expenses of G. W. P. and G. S. in attending sessions, say.....	25	0	0
Postages, stationery, printing, &c., say.....	22	10	0
Per capita tax to National Division, say.....	20	0	0
Unforeseen incidental expenses, say.....	10	0	0

£203 10 0

Excess of receipts over expenditures..... £26 10 0

There is now due the National Division, on account of old debt, about.....£15 0 0

Due Bowes & Sons..... 15 12 6

£30 12 6

To meet this amount, there is due the Grand Division, for *per capita tax* and stock, about.....£32 0 0

In hands of Grand Scribe..... 8 3 8

“ Grand Treasurer..... 2 9 6

£42 13 2

RECAPITULATION.

Revenue.

Probable receipts	£230	0	0
Due Grand Division.....	42	13	2
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	£272	13	2

Expenditure.

By items named.....	£203	10	0
Debts of Grand Division	30	12	6
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	234	2	6

Excess of revenue over expenditure..... £38 10 8

The charter fees that may be received from new Divisions will increase the receipts.

Since the introduction of the Order into this Province, in November, 1847, *one hundred and sixty-nine Divisions* have been organized, distributed over *sixteen counties*. The *ninety-*

two Divisions now in existence are located in the several counties as follows :

Annapolis.....	11	Yarmouth.....	6
Digby.....	9	Shelburne.....	6
Hants.....	9	Cumberland.....	6
Halifax.....	8	Cape Breton.....	6
Lunenburg.....	8	Colchester.....	5
Kings.....	7	Guysborough.....	2
Pictou.....	7	Victoria.....	2—92

The Order is now extinct in Queens and Sydney counties. It has never yet been planted in Richmond or Inverness. As so many of the returns for last quarter are still wanting, I am unable to give the number of members of the Order in each county.

Documents will be submitted for your consideration as follows :

1. A communication from Phoenix Division, No. 115, asking that the January Session of 1861, be held either in Mahone Bay or Lunenburg.

2. A communication from J. McKeown, D. G. W. P., asking information respecting the giving of Password to members of Subordinate Divisions, before payment of dues.

3. An appeal of David Dunlop, vs. Renfrew Division, No. 166.

4. An appeal of George Welch, vs. Tyro Division, No. 145.

5. An appeal of George A. Purdy, vs. Royal Division, No. 37.

Among other subjects that will claim your attention, I may name the following: The Prohibitory Liquor Law, and the best mode of obtaining it for this Province. Shall the Legislature be solicited to enact the law at its next sitting? Shall the people generally be requested to petition for the law? Or shall the Grand Division itself petition the Legislature to pass the Law, and urge the Subordinate Divisions, and other Temperance organizations in this Province, to petition also?

The next subject is the Agency department of our organization. How can a sufficient sum be realized with which to employ either general, or district Lecturers? Some scheme should be matured whereby the system of district lecturing may be resumed and continued, as in my opinion it is the most preferable mode to keep up the interest of the Temperance cause. Some Divisions during the past year have guaranteed appropriations to the Agency fund, but such guarantees will not exceed *twenty pounds*,

as a large number of Divisions have either refused to contribute anything, or withheld replies to the Circulars addressed to them.

The Abstainer.—How shall the circulation of our Organ be increased? Unless members of the Order, and the temperance community, support the paper more liberally than they have heretofore, the publisher cannot undertake the responsibility of either enlarging or improving it as he would wish. Neither can he assume the responsibility of issuing a weekly sheet. Were the members of each Division but to do their duty in sustaining the paper, the circulation would be largely increased, and the publisher encouraged to make such improvements as would render it second to no other Temperance journal in America.

I would solicit your consideration of the following subjects :

1st. The advisability of keeping the accounts of the Order in *dollars and cents*, instead of *pounds, shillings, and pence*, and fixing the per capita-tax from Divisions at *six cents* instead of *three pence*, said change to commence on 1st of January, 1861.

2nd. The best way of raising a small fund, whereby the Grand Officers, particularly the G. W. P., may be enabled to visit Subordinate Divisions, which visitations, I am convinced, would tend to make the Divisions more active in advancing the interests of the Order.

3rd. The advisability of addressing the medical men in Nova Scotia on the subject of Temperance, and enlisting their services in the cause.

4th. The propriety of addressing the members of the Order on their leading duties as Sons of Temperance, counselling and encouraging them to a strict observance of the pledge, and their other obligations.

This, I think, is necessary, as some Divisions become careless in the observance of the constitution, ceremonies and usages of the Order, and eventually, through such carelessness, cease to work; while, on the other hand, it is my experience, that those Divisions are the most prosperous, and active in the cause, whose members attend regularly the stated meetings—study and perform the ceremonies in a proper manner—adhere strictly to the rules and usages of the Order—act consistently with our principles—and are ever ready to sacrifice personal feelings for the good of the cause.

In accordance with the power vested in the G. W. P. and G. S., at last annual meeting, a *Clearance Card* has been granted to Rev. James Robertson, D. C. L., who was a member of

the late *Wilberforce* Division, he having been deemed worthy of such card.

A few days since I received a courteous, brotherly, and pressing invitation from the worthy Grand Scribe (Col. Thomas J. Evens,) of Virginia, to attend the Annual Session of the Grand Division of that State, and there to meet with a number of the most distinguished brethren from other Grand jurisdictions. While I acknowledge the compliment paid to myself personally, I feel that it is also, and perhaps more especially, intended as a compliment to Nova Scotia, and one worthy of being most cordially reciprocated. The Grand Division of Virginia, however, assembling in Session on the same day that brings us together, would prevent me—even if no other circumstance interfered—from accepting the kindly proffered invitation. Let us send a fraternal greeting over the Telegraph wires this evening, to the brethren of the “Old Dominion” State, and assure them, that although we cannot be with them personally, our hearts are with them; and that we are engaged at the same hour with themselves, in devising the best measures for promoting the prosperity of our glorious Order.

As you are aware, the next Session of the National Division will be held at Nashville, Tennessee, in June 1861. It is of great importance that Nova Scotia would be represented at each meeting of that body. But, it will be urged, our finances will not afford the payment of the expenses of a representative or representatives. In order to establish a fund for this special object, I would suggest the propriety of ascertaining what amount each Subordinate Division would be willing to contribute *annually* for this purpose; and also that each member of the Grand Division pay a small annual fee. I trust an effort will be made to have this body represented at the meeting in Nashville in June.

Having entered upon the duties of the Session, let us devote ourselves assiduously to the work before us; and as it has pleased Divine Providence to bless our past labours—feeble though they were—with much success, let us implore Him to continue with us in our future efforts.

Respectfully submitted in L. P and F.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

Halifax, October 24th, 1860.

Referred to committee on state of the Order.

In accordance with suggestions of the G. W. P. and

G. S. in their reports, in reference to the invitation from the Grand Division of Virginia, Bro. E. M. McDonald moved, seconded by Bro. Wm. Murray :

That fraternal greetings be sent over the telegraph wires to the Grand Division of Virginia, by the G. W. P. and G. S.

Passed.

Grand Division adjourned.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

EVENING SITTING.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 24.

Grand Division assembled at 7 o'clock P. M., and opened in due form,—the G. W. A. in the chair. Roll of officers called :

Present—G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Con., G. Sent.

Absent—G. W. P., G. Treas., G. Chap., P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by Bro. R. M. Barratt, G. W. A.; B. Legge, G. T.; W. H. Porter, G. Chap.; Geo. Mathison, P. G. W. P., *pro tem.*

The Grand Conductor introduced the following-named representatives, who were duly initiated and assigned seats in the Grand Division:—William J. Wallace, No. 8; Thomas Drew, No. 26; John Taylor, No. 52; A. C. Cogswell, M. D., No. 96; T. H. Chipman, No. 108.

The minutes of afternoon sitting were read and approved.

The Grand Treasurer entered and took his seat.

On motion, the returns from Deputies (answers to queries) alluded to in Grand Scribe's report, were referred to a special committee, consisting of Bros. Chas. Pinkney, Michael Herbert, Geo. J. Creed.

On motion, it was decided that the Grand Division name the places at which the sessions for 1861 will be held, immediately after election of officers this evening.

On motion of Bro. Wm. Murray, seconded by Geo. Mathison, it was

Resolved, That 400 copies of the Journal of Proceedings of this session be printed, and distributed by the Grand Scribe in the usual manner.

On motion of Bro. John McKenzie, seconded by Bro. Geo. S. Webb, it was

Resolved, That the officers for the ensuing year be installed to-morrow evening, after the reception of the Band of Hope.

On motion of Bro. Roderick Fraser, seconded by Geo. S. Webb, it was

Resolved, That this Grand Division send two representatives to next annual meeting of the National Division, which will be holden at Nashville, Tennessee, in June, 1861.

On motion of Bro. John Lanigan, seconded by J. D. Wallace, it was

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to raise funds for the purpose of paying the expenses of the delegates to the National Division.

Bros. John Lanigan, J. P. Muir, Robt. Boak, Geo. Mathison, and R. R. McMillan, were appointed as the committee.

A number of lady visitors being announced in waiting in the ante-room, it was *resolved* that they be admitted.

The Grand Worthy Patriarch entered and took his seat.

The time fixed for the election of officers having arrived, the Grand Division proceeded to that duty.

Bros. John Heenan and W. A. S. Blewett were appointed tellers.

After ballotting was had, the following named were declared duly elected :

Avard Longley, of Paradise.....G. W. P.

Donald Johnstone, North Sydney, C. B. .G. W. A.

Patrick Monaghan, Halifax.....G. Scribe.

Robert Boak, HalifaxG. Treas.

William H. Porter, WolfvilleG. Chap.

Henry A. Taylor, HalifaxG. Con.

Benjamin S. Seaman, Wallace.....G. Sent.

The following report from Committee on Communications was read :

The Committee on Communications have had before them an application from two Divisions in the county of Lunenburg, asking for a session of the Grand Division in that county in January next. Your committee would recommend that the January session of 1861 be held in the town of Lunenburg.

Submitted in L. P. & F.

JOHN SHEAN,
DAVID MARSHALL,
R. M. BARRATT.

G. D. Com. Room, Oct. 24, 1860.

Adopted.

It was decided that the sessions during the year 1861 be held at the following named places:

Lunenburg—on fourth Tuesday in January, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Paradise, or Bridgetown (as may be arranged by the Divisions)—on last Wednesday in April, at 10 o'clock A. M.

New Glasgow—on third Wednesday in July, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Annual, at Halifax—on last Wednesday in October, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Grand Division adjourned.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

THURSDAY, *October 24*, 1860.

Grand Division assembled at 10 o'clock A. M., and opened in due form,—the G. W. P. in the chair. Roll of officers called:

Present—G. W. P., G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Con., G. Sent.

Absent—G. Treas., G. Chap., P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by John Gammell, G. T.; Wm. H. Porter, G. Chap.; John Shean, P. G. W. P., *pro tem.*

The following report from Committee on Credentials was read and adopted:

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the credentials of the undermentioned representatives correct:

GENERAL INGLIS, No. 152.—P. W. P.'s, John S. McNeill, Wm H. John, Joseph S. McNeill, Jacob Jones, Alfred McNeill, John Smith, Asa Porter, Jr.

HOPE, No. 154.—W. P., John Nichols. P. W. P.'s Miles C. Woodman, Jas. M. Aymer, Abraham Nichols, Wm. Aymer, Jas. A. Nichols.

Submitted in L. P. and F.

R. M. BARRATT,

JOHN LANIGAN,

W. A. S. BLEWETT.

Grand Division Room, Oct. 25th, 1860.

The G. Conductor introduced Representative David Coghill, of No. 79, who was duly initiated and took his seat.

The minutes of last evening's sitting were read and approved.

The Grand Treasurer entered and took his seat.

The Grand Scribe read the following communication, which was ordered to be spread on the records :

YARMOUTH, Oct. 15th, 1860.

WORTHY BROTHER,—

Your letter to our County Temperance Convention, communicating a resolution of the Grand Division, with greetings and kind wishes for our prosperity in the good work of Temperance, was read this day before us. Whereupon it was moved, seconded, and unanimously agreed : " That the Convention express their gratification at receiving this token of the fraternal regard of the G. D. of the Sons of Temperance of Nova Scotia." It was also agreed that the letter aforesaid be " referred to the Standing Committee of the Convention, with instructions to return a suitable reply."

In obeying the instructions which they have received, the Committee do not feel it necessary to enter into any lengthy details respecting the present state of the temperance cause in this county ; nor would they weary the G. D. with a recital of events, sometimes pleasant, and at other times painful.

But they cannot refrain from expressing their firm belief, that, under the blessing of the God of Heaven, the convention has already been the means of accomplishing much good ; and, judging from the past, is likely still to exercise a most beneficial influence in this county.

Our Convention has been in existence twelve years, during which time, it has never failed to hold at least an annual meeting. In general, too, the attendance at the annual meeting is very large, and it may be added very interesting.

The delegates manifest much independence in dealing with the question of temperance. While they are known to possess, in many cases, strong political leanings, as a general rule, they do honour to their temperance principles by demanding that the men who ask for their support should be true friends to the temperance cause.

Our Convention rejoices in every token of success among the "Sons of Temperance." They are our brothers. Our aim is one. Our hearts are one. In the prosperity of the Order we rejoice. Over their trials we mourn. As they advance to the battle we bid them God speed. We add our prayers as they return with a song of victory. And we give God thanks when we hear of perishing men saved through their instrumentality, from the snare of the devil and the disgrace and doom of the drunkard.

Accept then, brethren of the Grand Division, this our thankful acknowledgment of your fraternal greetings, and be assured of our sincerity, when as now, we express our earnest desire, that your labours in the good cause shall be honoured by the countenance and blessing of the Most High.

In L. P. and F.,

GEORGE CHRISTIE,
SAMUEL BROWN,
SAMUEL FLINT,
HEMAN GARDNER,
J. A. FLINT,
J. B. BOND.

P. Monaghan, G. S., S. of T.

The following report was read and adopted :

The Committee on Communications have had submitted to them a communication from brother John McKeown, D.G.W.P. of Lawrencetown, asking information in reference to giving the password to members

Your committee beg leave to report that it is a matter which can alone be regulated by the bye-laws of the Division, and would recommend that the Grand Scribe communicate the same to the D.G.W.P.

Submitted in L. P. and F.

JOHN SHEAN,
DAVID MARSHALL,
R. M. BARRATT.

Committee Room, Oct. 25, 1860.

The following report was read and adopted :

Grand Division Room, Halifax, N. S.

The committee to whom was referred the Circulars containing answers to the series of questions, sent to the Deputies by the Grand Scribe, have examined those documents as fully as the limited time at their disposal would allow, and beg leave to report as follows :

The answers to the first six questions they find, are generally favorable, there are, however, some few exceptions, more especially to the 6th question—"Are the members imbued with an active spirit for the increase of the Order."

With reference to the 7th query—"Have your Divisions any organization of youth under their "care." Your committee are sorry to report, they find only one favorable reply, from the Deputy at New Glasgow, who says that they have a "Section of Cadets." It was, however, stated by one of the members of the committee, that Mic Mac Division of Halifax, had a "Band of Hope" in a flourishing condition under their care.

To the 8th question—"Have they lady visitors? if so, what is their effect on the Divisions?" Your committee are pleased to find so many divisions admit them, and that the Deputies report their influence to be very beneficial, especially in conducting the singing. One Deputy reports that his Division could not get along without the ladies; and another says, "*it acts like a charm.*"

The committee regret to find that so few Divisions take the *Abstainer*, and earnestly recommend the Deputies and Worthy Patriarchs, to use every exertion in their power to increase its circulation, it being the only temperance paper in the province, and unless it is better supported than at present, it cannot, it is feared, be continued. They are of opinion, that the employment of an active agent, would be of great service in collecting subscriptions and procuring subscribers.

The general answer to the 11th question—"Have you anything to propose for the good of the Order in your district?" is, "send us a good lecturer." We recommend the Grand Division to take this subject into their serious consideration, during the present session.

With reference to the 12th query—"Does intemperance greatly abound in your district?" the answers are, generally speaking favorable; though some few of the Deputies report intemperance to be on the increase.

Your committee are sorry to observe, that the temperance cause is not supported by either clergymen, physicians, or school teachers, as generally as it ought to be, because each of those classes of persons have more opportunities than others of exercising a powerful influence in their several localities, and different spheres of life. They are aware that there are some honorable exceptions, and worthy members of our noble Order, from each of the above named classes of persons.

In conclusion, your committee regret that their report, from want of time, is necessarily so brief. There are several points they would like to have noticed more particularly, had they time to give them that consideration their importance demands. They had 42 returns referred to them, each containing 15 questions and answers, which would require a day or two, instead of an hour or two, to report fully upon; and they beg to suggest that in future, these reports should, if practicable, be referred to a committee (appointed for that purpose), some time before the meeting of the Grand Division.

Your committee would further suggest, that these returns should be in future sent in semi-annually instead of quarterly, as recommended by the Grand Scribe in his report.

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

CHARLES PINKNEY,
GEORGE J. CREED,
MICH. HERBERT.

Halifax, October 25, 1860.

The Committee on Appeals presented the following report:

Grand Division Committee Room,
Halifax, October 24th, 1860.

The Committee on Appeals having had under consideration an appeal of brother George Welch, of Tyro Division, No. 145, of Westport, from the decision of that Division, beg leave to report the facts as follows:

Brother Welch preferred a charge against brother Healy of same Division, for violation of Article 2nd. A committee was appointed to investigate the same, but prior to the night of meeting, the brother implicated sailed for Newfoundland, and the appellant was absent from the committee meeting. Under these circumstances, the Division thought proper to fine brother Welch five shillings, for non-attendance to prosecute such charge, from which decision the brother appeals.

Your committee not being in possession of the bye-laws of Tyro Division, are unable to state whether there is a fine attached for such non-performance of duty, and would therefore ask to be relieved from further consideration of the matter.

Respectfully submitted.

B. S. SEAMAN, Chairman,
RICHARD BAKER,
W. A. S. BLEWETT.

Adopted.

The same committee presented the following report:

Grand Division Committee Room,
Halifax, October 24th, 1860.

The Committee of Appeals having had under consideration an appeal of brother David Dunlop, of Rensfrew Division, No. 166, of Baddeck, C. B., from the decision of that Division, in the case of brother Richard King, who was elected and installed into the office of Assistant Conductor, under the age of 18 years, beg leave to recommend, that as brother Dunlop did not make objections to the election and installment of brother King at the proper time, the appeal be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted.

B. S. SEAMAN, Chairman,
RICHARD BAKER,
W. A. S. BLEWETT.

Pending consideration of report, papers were called for and read.

Report adopted.

The same committee presented the following report:

Grand Division Committee Room,
Halifax, October 24th, 1860.

The Committee on Appeals having had under consideration an appeal of brother George A. Purdy, of Royal Division, No. 37, of Hillsburgh, from the decision of that Division, beg to report the following as the facts of the case:

That at a meeting of the Royal Division, a circular was read from the Grand Scribe, inviting the Division to take part in the welcome to H. R. Highness the Prince of Wales at Halifax. Subsequent to discussion, a brother offered to go provided his expenses were paid, which the Division declined doing. Ultimately brother G. A. Purdy was appointed. On the return of

brother Purdy he presented an account to the Division to the amount of £2 6s. 3d., which the Division unanimously declined to pay, whence brother Purdy makes this appeal.

Your committee beg leave to report, that from the documents laid before them, they are of opinion, that the appeal should be dismissed, on the grounds that the Grand Division have no authority to interfere in the monetary affairs of the subordinate Divisions.

Your committee would therefore recommend, that the appeal of brother Purdy be dismissed, and that the action of Royal Division be sustained.

All which is respectfully submitted.

B. S. SEAMAN, Chairman,
RICHARD BAKER,
W. A. S. BLEWETT.

Adopted.

The Standing Committees for the ensuing year were appointed as follows:

Constitutions and Bye-laws—G. Scribe, John Heenan, William Murray.

Printing—Grand Scribe, Alexr. J. Ritchie, Edward M. McDonald.

Credentials—Robert M. Barratt, John Lanigan, Wm. A. S. Blewett.

Finance—Roderick Fraser, Robert H. Wetmore, John L. Whytal.

Agency—Charles Robson, Stephen Selden, Roderick Fraser, Henry A. Taylor, Robert Noble.

Publication—Charles Robson, A. J. Ritchie, Stephen Selden.

Charters and institution of new Divisions—G. Scribe, John Shean, John L. Whytal.

On Deputies' Returns—R. M. Barratt, John Metzler, John P. Muir.

On Halls—William Murray, Halifax; D. S. McDonald, Lunenburg; G. W. P., Paradise; David Marshall, New Glasgow.

The Grand Scribe having brought to the notice of the Grand Division that Bedford Division, No. 136, was

dead, and that the charter, ritual, &c., were not handed into him,—Bros. R. M. Barratt, John Shean and James Davidson were appointed a committee to wait on the person having such property, and demand the same in the name of the Grand Division.

Grand Division adjourned.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

AFTERNOON SITTING.

THURSDAY, October 24, 1860.

Grand Division assembled at half-past two o'clock, and opened in due form,—the G. W. P. in the chair. Roll of officers called :

Present—G. W. P., G. Scribe.

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

Vacancies were filled, *pro. tem.*, by Bros. R. M. Barratt, G. W. A.; John Gammell, G. T.; Wm. H. Porter, G. Chap.; E. Morrison, G. Con.; B. S. Scaman, G. Sent.; J. Whitman, P. G. W. P.

G. D. declared open.

G. W. A. and G. Sent. entered and took their seats.

Minutes of forenoon sitting were read and approved.

G. Con. entered and took his seat.

The G. W. P. presented a communication received by him from the chairman of a committee of Yarmouth County Temperance Convention, in which was contained the following resolution, and remarks by the committee :

“*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this Convention a place should be provided in each county or township in the province, where persons really needing alcoholic liquors for medicine and other purposes, but not as a beverage, could be supplied under such restrictions, as would render it impossible for the privilege to be abused for drinking purposes.”

In support of such a resolution, we think much may be said, although time and space will not permit us to enlarge at present.

1st. One of the objections made against the action of the tem-

perance body, in demanding that licenses to sell intoxicating liquors should not be granted, is that intoxicating liquors are often needed for medicinal and other purposes! This we cannot deny. And we feel that this is the only way to meet the difficulty.

Respecting the principle involved, we think there can be no disagreement among those who are prepared for a Prohibitory law. We all assent to it as a necessary part of such a law. It is therefore in our opinion, an important step in the right direction.

We need not say that there is at present no statute in our province, enabling the authorities to appoint an agent for such a purpose. This all know. And therefore we propose to ask the Legislature for a law that would enable the magistrates in the different counties to appoint such an officer, and to define his duties.

We are of opinion, that the salary of the person so appointed should be fixed by the sessions, just as that of the clerk of the peace or any other public officer, and the proceeds of the sales made by him, should all be handed over to the county treasury, accompanied by a return, duly attested to, of his sales, naming the persons to whom made, and the purpose, and all other facts that might be necessary for enabling the sessions to exercise such oversight as would prevent the law from being broken or evaded.

There are many matters which we cannot now refer to, that we consider would require attention, in preparing a Bill on this subject. These we may refer to at some future time, should the Grand Division agree to co-operate with us in endeavouring to obtain such a law.

When we ascertain that there are any parties with whom we can correspond, we will probably ask to be allowed to offer such suggestions as occur to us.

Trusting that in this matter, and every other that shall engage your attention at the approaching session of the G. D. you may enjoy the direction and blessing of our Father in Heaven.

We remain,

Yours, in L. P. & F.

GEORGE CHRISTIE,

Chairman Com. Yar. Co. Temp. Con.

The co-operation of the Grand Division having been requested by the Yarmouth County Convention, on the subject matter of the foregoing, it was, on motion of H. A. Taylor, seconded by A. Longley, and adopted:

That this Grand Division adopt the views of the Yarmouth County Temperance Convention, and that a committee be appointed in accordance with the request of said Convention.

A committee was appointed, consisting of Avard Longley, J. D. B. Fraser, C. C. Hamilton, M. D., S. Selden, E. M. McDonald.

Bro. E. M. McDonald presented the following report :

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Publication committee, beg leave to report :

That after carefully considering the various suggestions embodied in said report, they believe that they are calculated to benefit the *Abstainer*, and through it the cause of Temperance in this province, and therefore would respectfully recommend, that the same report be received and adopted.

Submitted in L. P. and F.

W. A. S. BLEWETT,
E. M. McDONALD,
D. JOHNSTON.

G. D. Room, Oct. 25th., 1860.

Adopted.

Bro. Wm. H. Porter, as chairman, presented a report from Committee on state of the Order, which, on motion, was considered clause by clause, and subsequently adopted as a whole, as follows :

Your Committee on the State of the Order having examined the Reports laid before them by the Grand Worthy Patriarch and Grand Scribe, beg leave to report as follows :

Your committee most sincerely regret to learn that so many Divisions have ingloriously expired during the past year—the number according to the Grand Scribe's report being no less than eleven—and would most seriously urge the importance of attending to the health of declining Divisions ere the disease becomes fatal; feeling assured that health might generally, if not always, be restored if only timely attention was given. But while your committee record with sorrow the decease of so many hopeful offspring of our grandmother—yet with corresponding pleasure they record the birth of still more, the number of Divisions organized during the year being twelve. Thus in spite of the ravages of such mortality, the family has made some increase during the year.

Your committee also regret to learn from the Grand Scribe's report, that no less than 115 have been expelled from the Order, during the past quarter, for non-payment of dues, and 97 for violation of Article 2 of the Constitution.

Believing that attention to the following suggestions might result in great good to the Order, your committee would most earnestly suggest that the subject of temperance be more repeatedly and zealously agitated in the Division Rooms generally; and that more timely attention be given to those who begin to be delinquent in the payment of their dues. The former suggestion we think we have seen most beneficially attended to in some of the Divisions.

Your committee are happy to learn that the *Abstainer* is obtaining a wider circulation than formerly, but would still urge that active and effective measures be taken to give to that periodical as wide circulation as its importance demands, and its merits claim. If members were to bring the subject before their respective Divisions at suitable times, and use their endeavours to secure subscribers, exerting themselves individually, as well as collectively, we believe that the list might be greatly increased. Indeed we have known such effort to prove measurably successful.

The somewhat sudden departure from our midst of the constant and zealous in action, and wise and deliberate in counsel, highly honored, and deeply regretted Brother McLearn, has been no inconsiderable blow to the advocates of our cause, and while we would seek to bow in humble submission to the overruling Providence that has taken him from our midst, we would endeavour to perpetuate the words of warning in this solemn dispensation, "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do for the good of man do quickly for the night of death cometh when no man can work."

Your committee would highly recommend that this Grand Division consider the suggestion of the Grand Scribe, to present a memorial to the physicians of the Province, eliciting their testimony to the physical effects of intoxicants as a beverage, on society, and to the benefits which would result by the spread of the principles of Total Abstinence.

The question of a Prohibitory Liquor Law which has so long agitated the public mind, seems to be like the mirage of the desert—seen only in the distance—many have fainted in the long wearisome pursuit—some to arise from their long swoon of inactivity—some never—some have rested from their labors and their works do follow them, others are still struggling on, but to those

yet remaining the object is still in the distance. Doubtless to many a one arises the enquiry : Is it only a mirage? Is the long looked for, and the long laboured for Prohibitory Liquor Law ever in prospect a reality?—or is it only a phantasy, after all? We, your committee, believe that under certain circumstances the Prohibitory Liquor Law is a reality, and is not only an advantage, but a *necessity* to the well being of the community. But are *we* in such circumstances? That is the question—the question upon which individuals and communities are divided—the question upon which legislators and legislatures are divided. And sorry are we to say that a question of such vital importance to the country at large should be made the mere stepping-stone to power by the contending parties representing our country.

Your committee believe that too much time has been already worse than wasted in useless discussion, and that now the country may be fairly said to be ready for the question; and your committee would suggest, that the country be called upon, with united acclamation, to demand from the Legislature, or from Government, such a sound and wholesome Prohibitory Law as shall at once test the practical voice of the country upon this vitally important question. Your committee would suggest, as a most effectual way of testing public opinion on the passage of such a law, that a census be taken of those who are ready to give their support to such a law—of those who are indifferent to the subject, and of those who are really opposed to it. In this manner—and we conceive in no other—can the real state of public opinion on the question be ascertained; and in order to secure such census, your committee would suggest that the Legislature be petitioned to instruct the Government to take this subject into account, in taking the anticipated census during the coming year. But, previous to the passage of such a bill, we believe it necessary to agitate most assiduously, in every possible way, the importance of the principles of Temperance and Prohibition. Your committee would especially urge the importance of agitating the subject, as far as possible, by local and travelling lecturers. Your committee are happy to learn that 150 ministers of different denominations through the Province have signed a declaration of their conviction that the traffic in intoxicating liquors as a beverage is highly injurious to society, and ought to be abolished,—pledging themselves to exert all the influence they possess in order to secure the effective administration of a law prohibiting the importation, manufacture and sale

of intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes, whenever such a law shall be passed by the Legislature. Your committee feel convinced that such a noble band as this, having declared their conviction of the desirableness of such a law, and their determination to support such an enactment if passed, will not fail to exert their best energies to promote those principles which must ultimately secure the passage of so desirable an act.

Your committee beg leave to suggest that the names of those who have signed the above declaration be published in the *Ab-stainer*, together with the denominations to which they severally belong.

Your committee would also suggest the desirableness of changing the *per capita tax* from its present amount of threepence to *six cents per head*, as such a change would not only save the G. S. great inconvenience, but would also increase to a considerable extent the revenue of the Grand Division, by this almost imperceptible burthen on the subordinate Divisions. Your committee would also suggest that a change be made in the currency of the Grand Division, to the keeping the accounts in decimal currency; this change will also expedite the transaction of business, and save a large amount of unnecessary labor.

Grateful in our review of the past, and hopeful in prospect of the future, your committee beg leave to submit their imperfect report in the bonds of the brotherhood.

W. H. PORTER, Chairman.
H. A. TAYLOR,
JOHN GAMMELL,
A. LONGLEY,
D. MARSHALL.

Halifax, October 25, 1860.

Bros. L. E. Vanbuskirk, M. D., C. C. Hamilton, M. D. and Rev. J. M. Cramp, D. D., were appointed a committee to prepare a memorial to physicians in the Province, as recommended in sixth clause of the report.

Bros. E. M. McDonald, the Grand Scribe, and J. S. Thompson, were appointed a committee to prepare a petition to the Legislature and Government, in reference to taking a census of persons favorable and unfavorable to a prohibitory law, as recommended in seventh clause of foregoing report.

On motion, the Grand Scribe's salary for the ensuing year was fixed at *forty pounds* (£40).

On motion of Bro. Chas. Pinkney, seconded by Bro. Robert Noble, a vote of thanks was passed to the members of the various standing committees for their services during the past year.

The G. W. P. tendered the thanks of the Grand Division to the committees, which was acknowledged by members present.

On motion of Bro. A. Longley, seconded by Bro. D. Dimock, a vote of thanks was passed to the City Divisions for the use of their room during the session.

Grand Division adjourned.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

EVENING SITTING.

THURSDAY, Oct. 24, 1860.

Grand Division assembled at 7 o'clock. P. M., and opened in due form,—the G. W. A. in the chair. Roll of officers called :

Present—G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Treas., G. Con., G. Sent.

Absent—G. W. P., G. Chap., P. & W. P.

Vacancies were filled, *pro tem.*, by Bros. Wm. Murray, G. W. A. ; W. H. Porter, G. Chap. ; George Mathison, P. G. W. P.

The Grand Conductor introduced Representative E. M. Marshall, of No. 6, who was duly initiated.

The minutes of afternoon sitting were read and approved.

SUSPENSION OF BUSINESS.

On motion of Bro. Wm. Murray, seconded by Bro. C. Pinkney, business was suspended, for the purpose of receiving the "Micmac Band of Hope." (*See Appendix.*)

BUSINESS RESUMED.

At the expiration of half an hour, the Grand Division resumed business,—the G. W. P. in the chair.

The hour appointed for the installation of officers having arrived, G. W. P. McGregor made a pleasing valedictory address, previous to installing the G. W. P. elect.

The officers elect were then duly installed into office, P. G. W. P. Geo. Mathison assisting the G. W. P., viz. :

G. W. P., Avarad Longley, of Clyde Division, No. 157.
 G. W. A., Donald Johnstone, Cape Breton Div., No. 27.
 G. Scribe, Patrick Monaghan, Chebucto Div., No. 7.
 G. Treas., Robert Boak, senr., Howard Div., No. 26.
 G. Chap., Wm. H. Porter, Wolfville Div., No. 112.
 G. Cond., Henry A. Taylor, Chebucto Div., No. 7.
 G. Sent., Benj. S. Seaman, Wallace Div., No. 75.

G. W. P. Longley gave an interesting inaugural address.

The G. W. A. and G. Scribe addressed the Grand Division, and returned thanks for the honors conferred on them.

On motion of P. G. W. P. McGregor, the G. W. P. was instructed to reply to the fraternal greetings of G. W. P. Wedderburne of New Brunswick.

The representatives to the National Division were elected as follows :

G. W. P. Avarad Longley, No. 157.
 G. W. A. Donald Johnstone, No. 27.
 P. G. W. P. William Burdell, No. 4.
 “ Hon. J. W. Johnston, No. 26.
 “ William M. Brown, No. 96.
 “ Rev. John M. Cramp, D. D., No. 112.
 “ John S. Thompson, No. 7.
 “ George Mathison, No. 93.
 “ Rev. Peter G. McGregor, No. 96.
 P. G. W. A. Law. E. Van Buskirk, M. D., No. 96.

P. G. W. A. William A. S. Blewett, No. 7.

“ William Lippincott, No. 18.

“ Robert Noble, No. 96.

G. Scribe, Patrick Monaghan, No. 7.

On motion, it was

Resolved, That P. G. W. P. Rev. George Christie, of No. 2, and P. G. W. A. Rev. John Cameron, of No. 92, be elected as representatives to the National Division, on condition that their credentials be sent in to the Grand Scribe before the January session.

Bros. Christie* and Cameron were then ballotted for, and elected as representatives to the National Division.

On motion of Bro. Wm. Murray, seconded by Bro. D. Johnstone, it was

Resolved, That the Grand Division do now select two representatives to attend the annual meeting of the National Division, which will be holden at Nashville, Tennessee, in June, 1861.

P. G. W. P. McGregor and G. W. P. Longley were chosen as the delegates.

The following report was read, and ordered on file:

HALIFAX, Oct. 24, 1860.

Since the last report of the Agency Committee, they regret to say that they have been able to do little for the promotion of those objects for which the fund, which they were appointed to manage, was placed in their hands. They have made strenuous exertions to procure such a lecturer as might be qualified to impress the population of this city, but hitherto without success; and they are anxious to receive the instructions of the Grand Division as to the measures which, in these circumstances, they ought to adopt. They respectfully submit an account, by which it will appear that during the past year they have only expended £27 17s. 9d., and that £2 17s. 4d. remains in the hands of the committee. The sum of £12 10s., granted to Cape Breton at the last meeting of the Grand Division, remains still undrawn. At the last annual session of the Grand Division, the balance of the bazaar fund remaining in the Grand Treasurer's hands was £85 16s. 1d., of which £15 has been since drawn, so that

* Credentials since received.—G. S.

£70 16s. 1d. still remains. The amount expended within the county of Halifax up to the present time amounts to £44 13s. 10d., so that of the £100 originally destined to be expended in Halifax, £55 6s. 2d. remains on hand. The balance of the £70 16s. 1d., being £15 9s. 11d., with the £2 17s. 4d. in the hands of the committee, being £18 7s. 3d., remains to be expended in the country.

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

C. ROBSON, Chairman,
H. A. TAYLOR,
RODERICK FRASER,
S. SELDEN.

Grand Division in account with the Agency Committee.

1859—Oct. 27.	By balance in hands of committee,	£15	3	10
Dec. 11.	Cash from Grand Treasurer..	5	0	0
1860—April.	Do. Do. ..	5	0	0
Sept.	Do. Do. ..	5	0	0
	Amount of collections received from J. S. Thompson, Esq.	0	11	3
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	To cash paid Mr. Thompson....	12	10	0
	Advertising Journal.....	0	7	6
	Postage	0	0	3
	Paid printing Mr. Thompson's report	5	0	0
	Paid Halifax Aid Association,	10	0	0
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		27	17	9
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	Bal. in hands of committee..	£2	17	4

On motion, it was

Resolved, That the Grand Scribe insert the address presented to the Grand Division by the Micmac Band of Hope, in the proper place on the records.

P. W. P. Seaman, of Wallace, having urged on the Grand Division to adopt measures for securing the services of a lecturer of talent for the Province, it was, on

motion of P. G. W. P. McGregor, seconded by P. G. W. P. Mathison, and adopted :

Resolved, That this Grand Division highly approves of the object now advocated, viz. : the agitation of Temperance principles throughout the whole Province, and would rejoice to see one or more lecturers constantly employed in this jurisdiction ; but is of opinion that this object is most likely to be accomplished by combination of effort on the part of divisions and societies or leagues, in counties or sections of the Province.

Grand Division closed at half-past ten o'clock P. M., the session being the most harmonious one ever held.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

Halifax, N. S., Oct. 27, 1860.

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

1860.		Dr.	
Aug. 2.	To balance due G. D.....		£13 12 4
20.	To tax from Divisions, quarter ending June 30 : Wallace, 9s. 3d; Hebert, 6s. 6d.; Arctic, 9s. 6d.; Iron Age, 11s.; Margaretville, 14s. 9d.; Em- blem, 8s. 3d.; Wellington, 7s. 6d.; Lake, 18s.; Miner's Hope, 4s.; Cobequid, 11s. 3d.; New Caledonia, 15s. 6d.; Agricola, 7s. 9d.....		5 19 3
Oct. 20.	To tax from Clyde Division, March quarter.....		0 9 0
	To tax from Divisions, qr. ending September 29 : Concord, 10s.; Union, 10s.; Chebucto, 40s.; Miacmac, 18s. 3d.; Mayflower, 35s. 3d.; Avon, 16s.; New Glasgow, 9s. 9d.; Howard, 24s.; Star, 5s. 6d.; Pugwash, 4s. 3d.; Star in the East, 11s. 3d.; Hantsport, 12s.; Rechab, 7s. 3d.; Wallace, 9s. 3d.; Albion Mines, 40s.; Athenæum, 14s. 6d.; Mainmast, 7s. 6d.; Margaretville, 12s. 9d.; Emblem, 6s. 3d.; Chedabucto, 13s. 9d.; Wellington, 7s. 6d.; Wolfville, 11s. 6d.; Phœ- nix, 10s. 3d.; Halcyon, 4s. 3d.; June Rose, 11s.; Rocklin, 5s. 9d.; Havelock, 10s.; Temple, 8s. 3d.; Pittacus, 7s.; ditto, bal. 2s. 3d.; Sackville, 10s. 6d.; Eureka, 12s. 9d.; Tyro, 11s.; Kin- burn, 13s. 9d.; Watford, 11s. 3d.; South, 10s. 9d.; Life Boat, 9s. 9d.; Western Star, 12s. 3d.; North, 15s. 6d.; Olive Branch, 9s. 3d.; Clyde, 7s. 6d.; ditto, bal. 6d.; Cape Breton, 21s. 6d.; Arch- angel, 17s.; Coxheath, 7s.; Onward, 4s. 6d.; Renfrew, 5s. 6d.; New Caledonia, 15s. 6d.; Oriental, 18s.; Royal, 18s.; Lake, 14s. 9d.; Bethlehem, 7s. 6d.; Invincible, 8s. 3d.; Enter- prise, 4s. 3d.; White Rose, 11s.; Agricola, 7s. 6d.		31 8 3
	Received for Journals, August session of G. D...		1 5 9
	“ T. & W. Cards.....		0 16 0
	“ Quarterly Returns.....		0 5 0
	“ Ode Cards.....		0 3 9
	“ Officers' Cards.....		0 2 6
	“ Dispensation Fees (June quarter)..		0 2 6
	“ Public Ceremonies.....		0 1 6
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1860.		Cr.	
Sept. 17.	By paid Hall & Beamish, stationery.....		£0 7 0
Oct. 11.	“ G. Treasurer.....		2 2 6
12.	“ Hall & Beamish, stationery.....		0 8 9
13.	“ G. Treasurer.....		12 15 0
	“ James Barnes, printing Passwords.....		1 10 0
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	Carried forward.....		£17 3 3

GRAND SCRIBE'S ACCOUNT, continued.

1860.		Cr.	
		Brought forward.....	£17 8 3
Oct. 17.	By paid	Bowes & Sons, printing Letter Headings,	0 6 3
18.	"	James Barnes, printing Circulars.....	0 10 0
19.	"	G. Treasurer	10 0 0
20.	"	Do.	5 5 0
	"	Postages, &c., during quarter.....	2 17 8
	"	G. Scribe's salary to 1st October.....	10 0 0
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			46 2 2
		Balance due Grand Division....	£8 3 8

PATRICK MONAGHAN, G. S.

Halifax, October 21, 1860.

THE GRAND DIVISION in acct. with RODERICK FRASER, G. T.

1860.		Dr.	
Aug. 22.	To paid	G. W. P.'s expenses to G. D., Sydney...	£5 10 0
	"	G. S.'s expenses to G. D., Sydney.....	5 0 0
Sept. 17.	"	W. G. Pender, quarterly salary as editor,	12 10 0
Oct. 19.	"	National Division on account.....	15 5 0
	"	Premium on draft of above.....	0 12 3
22.	Balance on hand.....		2 9 6
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			£51 6 9

1860.		Cr.	
Oct. 1.	By balance from last quarter.....		£21 4 3
11.	By cash from Grand Scribe.....		2 2 6
13.	Do. Do.		12 15 0
19.	Do. Do.		10 0 0
20.	Do. Do.		5 5 0
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			£51 6 9

The sum of £71 12s. 4d. is in the Savings' Bank, to the credit of the Agency Fund.

RODERICK FRASER, G. T.

Halifax, October 22, 1860.

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT AT SESSION.

E. M. Marshall.....	No. 6.	Thomas Drew	} No. 26.
W. A. S. Blewett, P.G.W.A.	} No. 7.	Wm. Holloway	
P. Monaghan, G. S.....		E. Morrison.....	
R. Fraser, G. T.....		John Metzler.....	
John Smedley		James Tracy	
Edward Jost		D. Johnstone, G. Sent., No. 27.	} No. 52.
Geo. H. Cutlip.....		D. Dimock, D. G. W. P., No. 32.	
John Martin		Richard Craig.....	No. 41.
John Heenan.....		J. H. Taylor.....	} No. 61.
Richd. Anderson.....		Matt. Archibald.....	
J. P. Muir		C. H. Harrington.....	No. 72.
H. A. Taylor	John Gammell (2nd)...	No. 75.	
Richd. Baker.....	Benjamin S. Seaman,	} No. 75.	
Geo. Butler	D. G. W. P.....		
A. Robinson	W. S. Huestis.....	} No. 79.	
H. Morriscey.....	David Coghill.....		
Wm. Brown.....	Elias Beals	} No. 95.	
A. J. Ritchie	John Whitman.....		
Robt. M. Barratt.....	Rev. Peter G. McGregor,	} No. 96.	
Jos. Leamy.....	G. W. P.....		
Geo. J. Creed.....	Geo. Mathison, P. G. W. P.	} No. 100.	
S. Selden	Robt. Noble, P. G. W. A..		
John J. Uhlman.....	L. E. Van Buskirk, M. D.,	} No. 108.	
Chas. McLean	P. G. W. A.....		
Jas. Merlin.....	Chas. Robson	} No. 112.	
John L. Whytal.....	John Shean		
H. A. Jennings	W. K. Winterton	} No. 116.	
Geo. S. Webb	Geo. R. Johnston		
R. R. McMillan.....	Jos. Bacon.....	} No. 119.	
W. J. Wallace.....	M. Herbert		
Chas. Allen	J. D. Wallace	} No. 130.	
W. G. Pender	A. C. Cogswell, M. D.....		
Wm. Murray.....	Alexr. James	} No. 137.	
John Lanigan	P. R. Foster		
Wm. Williams.....	T. H. Chipman.....	} No. 147.	
Alexr. Ross	W. H. Porter		
M. A. Shaffer	J. McKenzie, G. Con.}	} No. 157.	
Richd. Purcell.....	Jas. B. McDonald..		
Geo. Porter	John McLearn,	} No. 160.	
W. McNally.....	D. G. W. P.....		
E. M. McDonald	No. 16.	E. S. Creed.....	
James Spike	} No. 26.	— Dimock.....	
Robt. Boak, senr.....		David Marshall.....	
Robt. W. Rheese		Jas. Davidson.....	
James Adams		B. Legge, D. G. W. P.	
M. Stafford		A. Longley, G. W. A.	
		C. Pinkney	

LADY VISITORS.

Mrs. Martha Uhlman.....	} No. 8.
“ Eliza Barratt	
“ Dorothea Nesbit	
“ Sarah Gossip	
Miss Catherine Gossip.....	
“ Catherine Jost	
“ Susannah M. Jost	
“ Ann Cooke.....	
“ Georgina Cleveland.....	
Mrs. Catherine Matheson	

NOTICE.

A quarterly meeting of the Grand Division of Nova Scotia, will be held in the town of Lunenburg, on Tuesday, 22nd day of January, 1861.

Divisional Deputies will please send in their reports to the County Deputies, as soon after the 1st day of January as possible; where no County Deputies have been appointed, they will please report direct to the G. W. P. County Deputies will please forward their reports to the G. W. P. before the 15th day of January.

Returns and *per capita tax* must be sent into the Grand Scribe by the 17th day of January, as his financial accounts will be closed on the 18th.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

Halifax, 29th October, 1860.

A P P E N D I X .

VISIT OF MICMAC BAND OF HOPE TO GRAND DIVISION.

On Thursday evening, 25th October, in accordance with previous arrangement, the Band of Hope in connection with Micmac Division, visited the Grand Division. On entering the room, the members of the Band sung "The Teetotallers are coming." The little lads and lasses were very neatly attired, and decorated with their respective badges. The Board of Managers, appointed by the Division, accompanied them. After the Band was presented to the Division, the following address was read by Master W. Nisbet, Chairman of the Band, who performed his part very creditably:—

To the Grand Worthy Patriarch, Officers and Members of the Grand Division.

HONORED SIRS,—

We, the members of the Micmac Band of Hope, avail ourselves of the privilege you have kindly afforded us at this, your first Session since our formation, to approach you with expressions of high respect for you as a body, and the most entire sympathy in the noble and arduous work in which you are engaged.

Although young in years, we are not ignorant of the many and great evils arising from the use of strong drink as a beverage, and while we desire to be thankful to our Heavenly Father, for the comfortable circumstances in which He has placed us, we would not be unmindful of the many hapless children, who by the agency of the vice of Intemperance, are reduced to poverty and suffering, and exposed to the temptations of a cold and heartless world, and from duty to them, and gratitude for our own mercies, we would desire to do whatever is in our power to aid in the suppression of this fearful evil.

In you, honored Sirs, we recognize our fathers and leaders in this reform, and trust we shall be enabled to maintain our principles, and hereafter be privileged as men and women, to occupy the places now held by you.

We shall be rejoiced to know, that Bands similar to our own, are organized all over our beloved country, and shall be glad to interchange kind greetings with them.

In conclusion, permit us to assure you of our ardent desire for the

welfare of each individual of your body, the extension of Temperance principles, and a confident hope of ultimate success.

Signed by order, and on behalf of Miemac Band of Hope.

W. NISBET, Chairman.

M. STEPHEN, Secretary.

Halifax, October 25th, 1860.

In the absence of the G. W. P. (who entered immediately after,) G. W. A. Longley replied to the address in language suitable to the occasion. Brother Wm. H. Porter, of Wolfville, being called upon, addressed the children in a very pleasing and acceptable manner. ;

About half an hour was occupied in listening to dialogues, recitations, songs, addresses, &c., which were given by several members of the Band, male and female, who all acquitted themselves very cleverly.

The members of the Grand Division—especially representatives from country districts—expressed themselves highly gratified with the performance of the juveniles; and a number left Halifax with the determination of organizing “bands of hope” in connection with their respective Divisions.

On motion of the Grand Scribe, seconded by G. W. A. Longley, a vote of thanks was passed to the Band of Hope for the address presented, and the pleasing entertainment they afforded to the members of Grand Division.

G. W. P. McGregor tendered the vote of thanks in a very graceful manner, and brother R. M. Barratt, on behalf of the Band, acknowledged the same. The children then withdrew, after marching round the Division Room several times, singing, as when entering, “The Tectotalers are coming.”

PATRICK MONAGHAN,

Grand Scribe.

HALIFAX, October 27, 1860.

NOTICE.

☞ The address of the G. W. P. is, AVARD LONGLEY, Esq., Paradise, *Annapolis County*.

☞ The Grand Scribe may be seen any week day at his residence, No. 143 Albemarle street (between Prince and George streets), between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 3 P. M.

Communications for the Grand Scribe may be addressed, as above, or to Box 87, Post Office

INSTRUCTIONS TO DEPUTIES.

County D. G. W. P.'s are to be governed by the instructions set forth in their commissions, which documents they will cause to be read at their first visitation to subordinate Divisions. They are to send in their quarterly reports to the G. W. P., at such times as may be named in the official notices of the Grand Scribe, which are published in the *Abstainer*.

Divisional Deputies are also to be governed by their commissions, which are to be read to the Divisions over which they are appointed as soon as possible after their receipt.

They are also to observe the following hints :

Report promptly to the County Deputies by the day named at the end of each quarter ; and where no County Deputies are appointed, they are to report direct to the G. W. P.

See that the returns for the Grand Division are promptly forwarded to the Grand Scribe at the end of each term.

Withhold the passwords from Divisions until the returns and *per capita tax* are handed to them.

Forward their own returns ("Answers to Queries") direct to the Grand Scribe, semi-annually, viz. : half years ending 30th June, and 31st December.

See that all the blanks in the quarterly returns are *properly* and *legibly* filled in ; and that the returns are also properly dated, and the seal of the Division and official signatures attached.

See that the forwarding of the returns are not delayed, because of not having proper money to enclose for the *per capita tax*. The money can be forwarded afterwards.

When making money remittances, to state distinctly what the money is for. They will also be careful in sealing money letters, which they are recommended to register in the Post Office.

When writing to the Grand Scribe, not to do so on the face or back of quarterly returns or credentials. By attending to this, confusion will be prevented, and their communications are more likely to be promptly answered.

See that all official documents issued from the Grand Division are promptly presented to the Divisions, and such action taken thereon as may be deemed necessary.

Report promptly to the County Deputy or G. W. P. any irregularities on the part of Divisions.

After instituting a new Division, to return to the Grand Scribe the Withdrawal Cards of members' who may join by deposit of

such cards ; also forward to the Grand Scribe an account of the opening of the Division, with list of officers, &c.

RECORDING SCRIBES.

Recording Scribes will please observe the following rules :

Be careful in filling up their quarterly returns.

Enter a copy of said returns in the record books of their Divisions. (The G. S. would suggest that a book for this special purpose be provided by each Division.)

Write words, names, and figures, plainly.

Attach seal of Division to all returns, credentials, and official communications. Attach signatures to the same ; and see that the W. P.'s attach their signatures to returns.

In remitting money, to state distinctly how it is to be appropriated.

See that they have blank quarterly returns on hand previous to expiration of the quarter.

Not to write on the back or face of credentials or returns.

Present all official documents to the Divisions immediately on receipt thereof.

When W. P.'s and P. W. P.'s, who may have been elected as representatives to, or initiated as members of, the Grand Division, violate article second of the constitution, or withdraw from the Division, or have been expelled therefrom, to communicate the same to the Grand Scribe immediately, in order that their credentials may be cancelled, and names erased from the books of the Grand Division.

If the quarterly returns do not agree with those of the previous quarter, to explain to the Grand Scribe how the discrepancy occurs.

Members of the Order writing to the Grand Scribe for information, will be careful in giving their post office addresses, and also enclose a postage stamp for return letter. Unless this is attended to, communications cannot be answered.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

NOTICE.

Divisions, as also Deputies, Recording Scribes, and other officers, will please take notice, that on and after the 1st day of January, 1861, the accounts of the Grand Division will be kept

in *decimals*, instead of the present currency,—that is, in dollars and cents, instead of pounds, shillings and pence.

From the same date, the *per capita tax* will be six cents (6 cts.) on each member, instead of *three pence*.

The change in currency will not apply to accounts against, or tax from Divisions, for the quarter ending 31st December, 1860.

PATRICK MONAGHAN, G. S.

27th October, 1860.

The Grand Scribe has constantly on hand—T. and W. Cards at 6s. per dozen; Ode Cards, 3s. 9d. per doz.; Lady Visitor's Ritual, 2s. 6d. per sett; Blank Quarterly Returns, 2s. 6d. per doz.; B. B. for D. G. W. P.'s, 5s. each; Journals of Grand Division, 3s. per doz., or fourpence each; Constitutions of the Order, 4d. each; also, a few copies of the Public Ceremonies, (Installation, Funeral and Dedication of Halls,) bound—price, 1s. 6d.

ERRATA.

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