



ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
SONS OF TEMPERANCE,
OF CANADA EAST,
HELD AT
COWANSVILLE, 10th & 11th JAN., 1866.

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Cowansville, 10th January, 1866.
10 o'clock, a.m.

The Grand Division Sons of Temperance of Canada East met this day in Annual Session, at Cowansville, Eastern Townships.

Officers Present:—George Martin, G. W. P.; William Josley, G. W. A.; John S. Hall, G. S.; Wm. Stevenson, G. T.; Rev. J. A. Farrar, G. Chap;

The Grand Division opened in form. G. W. P. presiding.

Prayer by Grand Chap.

The G. W. P. filled vacancies as follows, viz.,

P. H. Burton, G. Con.; C. H. Mansfield, G. Sent.

The G. W. P. named as a Committee on Credentials, Rep. J. M. Hall, C. H. Mansfield and J. Staniforth.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following to be correct, viz:—

Howard Division, No. 1, J. C. Becket, John S. Hall, J. T. Dutton, D. Tees, J. Montgomery, J. M. Hall, G. Martin, P. H. Burton, Thomas Hutchings, Wm. Bates, John Jackson, Rev. A. Duff, J. J. Higgins, T. Robinson, T. Fessenden, G. B. Hoy, B. S. Barrett, Wm. Brown, G. Smith, A. Brown, J. M. M. Duff, R. Smith, B. H. Hugman, Rev. J. W. Manning, P. W. P's.

Gough Division, No. 3, George Lamb, W. P.; William Brodie, Robert Brodie, Thomas Davidson, William Hall, Peter Johnson, John Sears, Senr., J. P. McEwan, James Geggie, P. W. P's.

Victoria Division, No. 10, J. Staniforth, P. W. P.

Lancaster Division, No. 11, J. M. Snider, P. W. P.

St. Lawrence Division, No. 16, John O'Farrell, W. P.; Alex. Smeaton, Alexander Woods, James Bacon, Edward Frost Robertson, Lawrence Gorman and George J. Duff, P. W. P's.

Lacolle Division, No. 17, D. Larault, W. H. Vanvliet, W. B. Vanvliet, A. Force, R. Foster, John Gray, John O'Conner, Edwin Scriver, Jonathan Smith, George Smith, J. T. Stoakes, Edward Scriver, W. R. Vanvliet, and George M. Vanvliet, P. W. P's.

- Havelock Division, No. 39, Neil John McKillop, W. P.; W. H. Lambly and D. McKenzie, P. W. P's.
- Granby Division, No. 44, Alex. McKechnie, W. P.; James Kay, G. E. McIndoe, E. S. Ingalls, C. T. Miner, R. T. Hayes, R. Nicol, H. Cole, D. Kennedy, H. Rose, J. Lorimer, and S. H. C. Miner, P. W. P's.
- Shefford Division, No. 47, D. Draper, W. P.; W. A. Taylor, J. P. Noyes, E. T. Miles, W. O. Lawrence, G. W. Lawrence, J. B. Lay, L. H. Knowlton, C. E. Harvey, O. Eastman, D. Clark, H. Taber and D. L. Allan, P. W. P's.
- Adamsville Division, No. 50, E. A. Fordice, J. F. Thompson, George Adams, E. Douglas, H. Hawk, R. Goddard, F. B. Sanborn, R. Allen, J. Chalmers, and P. A. Martin, P. W. P's.
- Hungerford, Division, No. 54, N. C. Martin, W. P.; Henry Whitcomb, R. Alcombrack, J. N. Mills, George Halcrow, Peter Bedard, Chas. Best, J. Hungerford and E. H. Fogg, P. W. P's.
- Bedford Division, No. 55, M. R. Meigs, W. P.; Wm. Josleyn, A. Burdon, G. P. Rixford, A. O. Horskin, Alexander Beck, P. W. P's.
- Cowansville Division, No. 58, John Dent, W. P.; William Stevenson, William Dent, Rev. J. A. Farrar, S. N. Smith, John Pharoah, James Jones, and George P. Ruiter, P. W. P's.
- East Farnham Division, No. 59, Rodney Hutchins, W. P.; C. H. Mansfield, A. P. Hulbert, T. Y. Cameron, R. W. Sanborn, H. Allen, Thomas Dalgliesh, A. D. Goddard and B. L. Beck, P. W. P's.
- St. Charles Division, No. 61, Alex. Stewart, D. Christie, and Richard Hyde, P. W. P's.
- West Shefford Division, No. 64, J. E. Lawrence, R. W. Richardson, Orvil Kathan, H. A. Lawrence, Z. S. Lawrence, Horatio Gladden and L. H. Lawrence, P. W. P's.
- North Stanbridge Division, No. 66, A. M. Stone and H. N. Currie, P. W. P's.
- Shefford Mountain Division, No. 68, Joseph Gibbons, G. H. Craig, John Copland and Hugh Adam, P. W. P's
- North Star Division, No. 72, J. Hawk, W. P.; George Woodward, and Daniel Westover, P. W. P's.
- New Road Division, No. 73, Robert McCarroll, W. P.; James Bustard, Thomas Sanders and William Johnston, P. W. P's.
- The G. Con. reported the following Representatives in waiting who were introduced and initiated.
- St. Lawrence Division, No. 16, John O'Farrel, G. J. Duff.
- Shefford Division, No. 47, E. T. Miles and H. Taber.

Adamsville, No. 50, G. Adams and H. Hawk.

Hungerford Division, No. 54, E. H. Fogg, Chas. West, N. C. Martin,
and H. M. Whitcomb.

Cowansville Division, No. 58, N. N. Smith, Wm. Dent, J. Dent, Jn.
Pharoah and George Ruiter.

East Farnham, No. 59, A. D. Goddard.

Moved by Rep. Barrett and seconded:

"That the hours of meeting of this Grand Division, shall be as follows,
viz: adjourn at 12 o'clock noon, meet at $\frac{1}{4}$ past 1, adjourn at 5, meet at 6,30;
meet again to-morrow morning at 9, and to continue as above until the busi-
ness is finished." Carried.

Moved by Rep. Burton and seconded:

"That the nomination and election of the Officers of the Grand Division,
be one of the orders of the day for the evening Session." Carried.

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

$\frac{1}{2}$ past 1 o'clock, p.m.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment.

Officers present same as morning session.

Grand Division opened in form.

Services of Grand Chaplain.

Bro. J. G. Elwood, G. W. P., S. of T. of C. W., having been
announced, was introduced and received with all the honors and
conducted to the P. G. W. P's chair.

The G. W. P. read his Report:—

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

Brothers.—Under the merciful dispensation of our heavenly Benefactor
I am permitted to meet you in Session once more, and to present you with this
my Annual Report.

It is gratifying to be able to bear witness that since our last meeting the
general cause of Temperance has made decided advancement. The great
Convention held at Saratoga in August, composed of delegates from all
parts of North America, representing almost every form of Temperance
organization, is one of the hopeful indices of the times. Some of the
brightest scholars and clearest thinkers of the Republic were there, and
renewed their vows of devotion to our principles.

From Great Britain we learn that our friends are pressing forward, and
that a large number of men of wealth, rank, and literary eminence have be-
come closely identified with the good cause.

In Canada the Temperance Act of 1864 has achieved many victories, and
in spite of strenuous opposition continues to force its way into new localities.
In some places, I regret to say, that professed temperance men have failed
to give it that support to which it is entitled, and which in many cases would
have ensured success where it has met with defeat. Whether we are to at-
tribute this dereliction of duty to sheer indifference and disloyalty or to a

candid and intelligent doubt as to the sound policy of the Act, the result is equally disastrous, and equally disgraceful to our cause. One sure test of the power and efficiency inherent in this Act is seen in the hostility with which it is everywhere confronted by the tavern-keepers. They know when their business is in danger and are consistent in their opposition. Let all temperance men be equally consistent, and avoid the stigma attached to too many of being found standing on the side of the enemy. I would recommend that this Grand Division express its continued faith in the wisdom and utility of "Dunkin's Bill," and that we will aid in its adoption and enforcement whenever, and wherever practicable.

Our Order, as a whole, throughout Canada, maintains its wonted strength and vigor. In the West our brethren have commenced their campaign for 1866, with retrospective satisfaction, and agreeable anticipations. I took the opportunity to visit their Grand Division at its late Session in Ottawa, and was greatly pleased and edified with their proceedings. The attendance was large and the several sittings were characterized with entire harmony, and with marked ability. One important measure was introduced and settled which is worthy the special attention of this Grand Division. They decided to abrogate their semi-annual Session, and to meet but once a year, this prerogative having been granted by the National Division at its convention held in New Haven last June. Whether it were wise in us to effect a like change is a question of grave importance, and I here present it to your notice that you may deliberate upon it and decide to the best of your judgment.

The state of our Order in Canada East is not so encouraging as I could desire. The reports furnished by my Deputies indicate, in certain localities, a tendency to retrogression. A spirit of apathy, which is almost as bad as the spirit of rum, has taken possession of some of our Divisions, and the non-attendance of a majority of the members disheartens and paralyzes the faithful few who are always found at their post. Still there is no positive ground for despondency. On the contrary there is ample promise to stimulate us to perseverance. Within the last Quarter charters for three new Divisions have been issued, and only one charter has been surrendered. Besides, there is a fair prospect that additional charters will soon be in requisition. On the night of the 20th December, we planted our standard in the beautiful village of Lennoxville, a place which has hitherto resisted all attempts at temperance organization, under any flag. Learning from our indefatigable Grand Scribe that a charter was called for, I proceeded from Montreal to Lennoxville, and there meeting with our esteemed Bro., the Rev. Mr. Duff, we together had the pleasure of instituting the Division. It is worthy of note that Bro. Duff took an active part in laying the foundation and preparing the material for this new outpost on our territory. His zeal upon this occasion is only one proof of his uniform love for the Order. May he long be spared to utter his protest against the curse of the age, and to illustrate by his own truly christian example what can be accomplished to abolish a vicious custom. If all public servants of the Divine master were as he is, the churches, without exception, would soon become powerful seminaries of total abstinence, and the liquor traffic would be broken down throughout Christendom in a single year. At our last Annual and Semi-Annual Sessions the motion to employ a lecturer was discussed and adopted. The design has not yet been carried out, partly from insufficiency of funds, but chiefly from a difficulty experienced in obtaining a suitable person to undertake the work. A considerable sum has, I believe, been collected and pledged, and the Committee have been endeavoring to secure the services of the Rev. Bro. Manning, a gentleman whose qualifications are well known. He has not yet consented to act, but it is thought he may be induced to do so; and I now urge upon this body the imperative necessity of immediately raising the balance of supplies required to prosecute the labor for at least three months. There are extinct Divisions which can

be restored to new life; weak Divisions which can be strengthened; and in many places new Divisions can be established. An able lecturer would infuse fresh vigor into the Order multiply our forces, and cheer us on to victory, Several Deputies in reply to the question, have you anything to propose for the good of the Order in your District? have written, "Send us a Lecturer." Let us, if possible, respond to the call at once, and in due time the seed thus scattered will produce an abundant harvest.

Allow me in connection with this subject, to impress upon Deputy G. W. P's. the responsibility of their position. Each ought to consider himself as an active substitute for the G. W. P. within his District, and endeavor to exercise a Missionary spirit, a self sacrifice, and liberality that will inspire those under his supervision with like virtues. Many perform their part nobly, but there are others, I fear, who are content to whistle for a fair wind, while resting upon their oars, the enemy, meantime, bombarding their forts.

I would also take the liberty to enjoin upon those elder brothers who absent themselves from the Division Rooms, on the plea sometimes urged, that they have served their time or some other equally weighty and constitutional apology, to return to their duty. Their presence is needed at the weekly meetings, to encourage younger members by their example, counsel and admonitions. What would be thought of any military power whose oldest and most experienced officers should withdraw from the camps, and leave the management of a defensive and aggressive warfare to youthful aspirants and raw recruits? The answer and its application are too obvious to require further remark.

The salutary influence of Lady visitors is everywhere acknowledged. There is no indication of any desire to modify the relation which they now bear to the Order. Our policy of exempting them from the labor of certain offices in the Division Room is, I think, wisely shaped. I believe that our government, differing in this respect from an Order somewhat similar to our own, will bear the test of time and experience.

We are sometimes accused of a less liberal regard for the rights of the gentle sex than is exercised by the Order referred to. The charge is built on sand. The moral strength of the fair sex has a sphere and mode of manifestation peculiar to itself. This sphere is not the public platform, and this mode is not the demonstrative and dominant boldness that becomes masculinity. We cannot, therefore, be fairly accused of any lack of concession or gallantry towards the angelic sex. We think, on the contrary, that we are more worthy their esteem, inasmuch as we exhibit a larger degree of scrupulosity in guarding the sacredness of that inestimable gem which has ever shone in the coronet of Woman's Character as her chiefest adornment, namely, her modesty. May the smiles of the Lady Visitors continue to be reflected on our banner till it waves over the ruins of the last rum-shop in the land.

The National Division is to hold its next convention

no surrender." In great Britain and the Island Continent of Australia we are making rapid progress. In the former country the National Division held its Annual Session in Birmingham last June, and the number of subordinate Divisions then in existence were reported as 95, representing a membership of 3,567. The M. W. P. Bro. Beresford and M. W. S. concurred in reporting that from all parts of the United Kingdom inquiries were being made relative to the Order, and new Divisions were being constantly organized. Thus, wherever the English language is spoken, our Order commends itself to the sturdy Aglo-Saxon intellect. Let us then value it for its achievements, and intrinsic beauty; and here in the commencement of a new year let us swear upon the altar of our Order renewed allegiance to its claims, and go hence to act our part with heroic resolve in the great social revolution of the age. Our labor will not be in vain, for there is a sublime truth in the lines,

"Earth casts off a slough of darkness, an eclipse of hell and sin.
In each cycle of her being, as an adder casts her skin.

For my own part, when it please the Divine Head to order my exit from the stage of life I should consider it the highest honor that could be conferred on my memory to have engraven on the stone which shall mark the place of my repose, these simple words;—"Here lies one who lived and died a faithful Son of Temperance". Such an Epitaph were more creditable to a departed soul than the conqueror's wreath, or the palatial tomb of a millionaire.

In closing this my final Report, I have only to add that in vacating this seat, to which I was elevated by your unanimous suffrage, I shall carry with me, even to the end of life, a grateful remembrance of your confidence and friendship. It has been to me a source of constant regret that unavoidable causes have withheld me from appropriating a larger share of time, and personal attention, to the good of the Order. But while I can lay no claim to efficiency in my administration, I retire with the consciousness of having neglected no duty wilfully, but to have done all that lay in my power to serve the Order, and to uphold the dignity of the Grand Division.

Respectfully submitted.

GEO. MARTIN, G. W. P.

On motion referred to Good and Welfare Committee.

The Grand Scribe read his Report:—

Cowansville, 10th January, 1866.

To the G. W. P. Officers and Members of the G. D. of C. E.

Worthy Brothers:—

Being once more assembled in Annual Session it becomes my duty to lay before you this my sixth Annual Report.

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North Missisquoi Division, No. 63, which had for a length of time ceased working has now formally resigned its Charter. Gore Progressive Division has for the time ceased working but it is hoped will shortly resume operations. St. Michaels Union, No. 14, which did not meet or make returns to the Grand Division for three quarters, has again commenced its meetings. N. Stanbridge Division has been re-organized, Bethel Union, No. 5, and Manningville Hope, No. 22, which twelve months ago I reported as having been re-organized, I regret to state have again gone down. One new Division has been organized, viz., Rising Sun, No. 74, located at Lennoxville, County of Compton. Two Charters have also been issued for organizing new Divisions, one to be located at Rawdon, County of Montcalm, the other at Kinneir's Mills, Township of Leeds, County of Megantic.

According to instructions I communicated the Resolutions of sympathy on the death of President Lincoln to the Cabinet at Washington, through Her Majesty's Representative; and to Mrs. Lincoln through the Consul General of the United States.

The correspondence is herewith submitted. *

Financially our position is somewhat better than at last Annual Session. At that time we were indebted in the sum of \$100, it is now reduced to \$60, and against this has to be placed the indebtedness of Subordinate Divisions amounting to over \$40.

Submitted in L. P. and F.

JOHN S. HALL,
Grand Scribe

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF GRAND SCRIBE.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand	\$00 15
" for per cap. tax from 1st July 1865 to 1st Jan 1866.	110 30
" for Books, Cards, &c.	17 13
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DISBURSEMENTS

Cash paid expenses to semi-annual Session	3 00
" paid for postages, &c.	12 25
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Montreal, 9th January, 1866.

JOHN S. HALL.
Grand Scribe.

* For correspondence, see appendix.

To cash paid J. O. Becket for printing,	\$18 92
" " stationery, \$2.00 and \$1.30	3 30
" " G. S. on account Salary	90 00
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By Cash from Grand Scribe	\$112 22
Cowansville, 10th Jan., 1866.	

W. STEVENSON
Grand Treasurer.

On motion referred to Finance Committee.

Rep. R. Goddard presented a statement of the prosecutions in the County of Brome, for the contraveations of the Temperance Act of 1864 ; which having been read, it was on motion, ordered to be printed as an appendix to these proceedings, leave having been obtained from the Rep. Goddard for that purpose. Carried.*

Finance Committee reported as follows :—

Cowansville. E. T., January 10th, 1866.

The Finance Committee, to whom was referred the Financial Statement of the Grand Scribe and the Report of the Grand Treasurer, respectfully report that they have attended to that duty and find the same correct.

Your Committee rejoice with the Grand Scribe in the fact that the Financial position of the Grand Division is in such an improved and healthy condition and feel satisfied that the day is not far distant when this drawback to the interest of our Order shall be finally removed.

Your Committee would recommend that the Per Capita Tax be continued at the rate of 7c. per Member for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

In Love, Purity, and Fidelity,

B. S. BARRETT.

G. E. McINDOE.

THOS. HUTCHINGS.

On motion received and laid on the Table.

Lecture Committee presented their Report.

Cowansville, January 10th, 1866.

Grand Worthy Patriarch, Officers and Brothers of the Grand Division of C. E.

Your Committee appointed for the purpose of procuring a lecturer for Lower Canada, beg leave most respectfully to report that they have not so far been able to find a competent and suitable person to whom they could entrust so important a charge.

The absence of a part of the Committee has prevented the possibility of

* For Statement see Appendix.

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frequent meeting, but we do not consider that this has had any influence on our action. We have several times consulted our G. S. and have acted in accordance with his suggestions, but the fact that no one could be found not already engaged by some other organization, capable of taking the field with honor to himself and credit to us has been the simple cause of our failure hitherto.

We believe that most of the Divisions have raised the amount their representatives subscribed at the last Annual Session. The Division to which your committee have the honor to belong, Howard, No. 1, have collected the full amount they agreed to provide for the purpose, and the funds are in the hands of the Treasurer ready to be paid to a lecturer when required.

Your committee would refer you to that portion of the G. W. Ps. report in which he mentions the probability of engaging our good Brother and former Grand Chaplain, Bro. Manning; and should this engagement meet the acquiescence of the Grand Division the labors of your Committee may not have been altogether in vain.

Submitted in L. P. and F.

R. S. BARRETT, } Committee.
P. H. BURTON, }

On motion received and referred to Good and Welfare Committee.

On motion Grand Division adjourned to meet at 6.30.

$\frac{1}{2}$ past 6 o'clock P. M.

The Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment.

Officers present same as at former Sessions, except G. Sent. who was absent.

G. W. P. named Rep. Bates to fill the vacancy.

Division opened in due form.

Services of Grand Chaplain.

Report of Good and Welfare Committee was read.

It was then moved by Rep. McIndoe and seconded:—That the Report be taken up and discussed section by section. It having been so discussed, and adopted with amendments, on the motion of Rep. McIndoe, duly seconded, the Report was adopted as a whole as amended.

Report of Good and Welfare Committee as amended.

Cowansville, January 10th, 1866.

To the G. W. P., Officers and Brothers of Grand Division of C. E.

We, your Committee of Good and Welfare, to whom was referred the report of the G. W. P., G. S., Lecture Committee, D. G. W. P. of Quebec on National Division Session; and other communications, beg to report as follows:

1st. With reference to the Great Convention held at Saratoga last August, your Committee notice with pleasure the fact that "men of letters," wealth and influence there renewed and proclaimed their devotion to our principles, and regret that in the cities of Lower Canada, at least the great majority of such men have so far held aloof from the temperance cause, and ignored the duties that devolve upon them, and we cannot hold them guiltless

of the pauperism and crime produced by the liquor traffic, which it is their duty to suppress.

2nd. With regard to "Dunkin's Bill," your Committee are of opinion that it fully meets in its spirit the wants of the community, but that such a bill from the fact of its newness and non-adoption throughout the whole land cannot be expected to produce the same effects and command the same respect as a law that is universal and has been handed down from generation to generation. We are glad that it has been adopted in so many localities, but regret that in some of these places it has been largely inoperative, owing to the lack of support from temperance men and the want of a public prosecutor, all private informers not personally interested, bring upon themselves much odium, and your Committee are of opinion that the appointment by the town, city, or county council of a public prosecutor, and the appointment of only one place in each locality where alcoholic liquors can be sold for specific purposes, and that it should not be sold either in five gallons or any other quantity for any other purposes, would contribute largely to its usefulness; we would also recommend that this Grand Division communicate to Mr. Dunkin its sense upon these points.

3rd. With regard to a lecturer your Committee are of opinion that from the low state of other temperance organizations in Lower Canada, the present affords an opportunity for labor in our own Order, such as we have not had for years. The field being, to a great extent, at present unoccupied, we consider it absolutely necessary that a lecturer be at once put in the field, for three months at least, for the purpose of resuscitating old Divisions and establishing new ones, and if such were done, we are confident that our numbers could be doubled this year. And we recommend that the various deputies guarantee certain amounts to be paid to the lecturer on visit to them.

4th. With regard to the abolition of semi-annual meetings your Committee are not prepared to recommend such abolition, as our sessions have so far been pleasant and successful, and we prefer to await the working of the scheme in the Upper Province.

5th. With regard to the privilege of Lady visitors, we fully concur with the sentiments of the G. W. P., and we believe that the Lady visitors of our Divisions now occupy a really more exalted and honorable position in governing our hearts, than in filling our offices to govern our proceedings.

6th. We are glad to notice the visit made by our G. W. P. to the G. D. of Upper Canada, as such visit cannot fail of good results.

7th. The progress of the Order in Great Britain is pleasing and we feel that when Britons get hold of it well they will put it through with their usual pertinacity.

8th. We are sorry to learn that some old members of the Subordinate Divisions attend so irregularly and think with the G. W. P., that these can least of all be spared, as their age and experience eminently qualify them for usefulness in the Order.

9th. We are pleased to notice that the matter of entertainment of the National Division has received some attention, and the sum of \$205 has been already subscribed by the members of the Howard Division, not from its funds, and also a sum from Quebec, and would recommend that each Division should collect private subscriptions for that purpose and forward the same to the G. S., before 1st April next. G. S. to issue circulars to this effect to each Division.

10th. We are glad to notice the formation of a Division in Lennoxville, mainly through the exertions of our brother Rev. A. Duff, P. G. W. P., and are sorry that all the Christian ministers of the land are not found in the same active manner advocating total abstinence, but some rather supporting moderate drinking by their example and precept, and thus upholding and perpetuating

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11th. We would recommend that each Division should hold if possible public meetings once a month, in order to bring our principles before those who are not members of our Order.

12th. We are glad to be able to congratulate the G. D. on the efficiency of its officers now retiring, and their fidelity to our Order, especially the G. W. P., for his able report, which shows much care and thought in its compilation and an appreciation of the wants and merits of the Order. Also the G. S., whose faithfulness is so well known, and who has always scrupulously and generously paid all claims against the G. D., before deducting his own salary, which we are sorry is so small for the labors performed and so unpromptly paid.

13th. In conclusion your Committee trust that not only the D. G. W. P's, but each individual member will this year use his utmost efforts to advance our Order in Lower Canada.

The whole submitted in Love, Purity, and Fidelity,

W. JOSLEYN, *Chairman.*

W. O. LAWRENCE

P. H. BURTON, *Secretary of Committee.*

The Report of Finance Committee having been taken from the table was on motion adopted.

The Grand Division then proceeded to the nomination of Officers for the ensuing term. The following Representatives were then nominated to the respective Offices.

G. W. P. Rep., W. Josleyn, W. O. Lawrence, (declined) G. E. McIndoe, (declined) W. Stevenson, J. O'Farrell, (declined) Henry Cole.

G. W. A. Rep. John Sears, Sen., P. H. Burton, W. O. Lawrence, E. T. Miles, (declined).

G. S., John S. Hall.

G. T., Rep. R. Alcombrack, and J. F. Thomson.

G. Chap., Rep. Rev. Archibald Duff.

G. Con., Rep. N. C. Martin and J. Staniforth.

G. Sen., N. C. Martin.

The G. W. P. named as Scrutineers, Rep. J. Sears, Sen., and J. M. Hall.

The following is the result of the election.

G. W. P., Rep. W. Stevenson; G. W. A., Rep. John Sears, Sen; G. Scribe, Rep. J. S. Hall; G. Trea., Rep. J. F. Thomson; G. Chap., Rep. Rev. Archibald Duff; G. Con., Rep. J. Staniforth; G. Sen., Rep. N. C. Martin.

The installation of Officers was then proceeded with.

The G. W. P., Wm. Stevenson, was obligated and conducted to his seat.

The other Officers were than installed in the following order.

G. W. A., John Sears, Sen; G. Scribe, John S. Hall; G. Treas., John F. Thomson; G. Chap., Rev. A. Duff; G. Con., J. Staniforth; G. Sen., N. C. Martin.

On motion, Grand Division adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

11th January, 1866, 9 o'clock A.M.

The Grand Division met pursuant to adjourment.

All the Officers present.

Grand Division opened in form.

Services of Grand Chaplain.

G. W. P. appointed the following Committees.

Good and Welfare, P. G. W. P. Martin, Grand Chaplain Duff, and Rep. Barrett.

Finance—Reps. W. O. Lawrence, Burton and J. M. Hall.

Appeals.—P. G. W. P., H. Rose, Reps. Miles, Hutchings, Staniforth and Alcombrack.

Printing, Publishing, Constitutions, &c., Reps. Burton, Robinson and Bates.

The following were elected Representatives to the National Division.

P. G. W. P's., J. C. Becket, John S. Hall, A. Smeaton, H. Rose, A. Duff, J. B. Lay and George Martin, P. G. W. A's., W. H. Vanvliet, W. B. Vanvliet, A. P. Hulbert and Wm. Joselyn, G. W. P., William Stevenson, G. W. A., John Sears, Senr.

There being a recommendation from each Division in Quebec for the appointment of D. G. W. P., considerable discussion arose, after which it was moved by Rep. J. M. Hall and seconded, that G. W. A. Sears, be appointed D. G. W. P. for Quebec.

In amendment, it was moved by Rep. John O'Farrell and seconded, that Bro. E. F. Robertson be appointed.—Amendment carried.

The Grand Division then proceeded to the nomination of the place and time for holding the Semi-Annual and Annual Sessions.

For Semi-Annual Session, Lachute selected. Meeting to be held on Wednesday, 11th day of July next.

For Annual Session; Bedford selected. Meeting to be held on 2nd Wednesday of January, 1867.

On motion G. W. P. named Reps. Hulbert, H. Rose and Miles, a Committee to arrange for speakers at the public meeting to be held this evening.

On motion adjourned to meet at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 1 o'clock.

½ past 1 o'clock, P. M.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment.

All the officers present.

Services of Grand Chaplain.

Grand Division opened in form.

Moved by G. Scribe and seconded :—Resolved that the thanks of this Grand Division are due and are hereby tendered to the Grand Trunk and S. S. & C. Rail Road Companies for their liberality in allowing our Representatives to pass along their respective Roads to and from this session at single fare.—Carried.

Moved by Grand Chaplain and seconded :—Resolved that the thanks of this meeting are due and are hereby tendered to G. W. P. Elwood of C. W., for his fraternal visit, and trust such visits will continue to be reciprocated between the two Grand Divisions of C. W. and C. E., as in the opinion of this meeting they are likely to be productive of much good :—Carried unanimously.

Moved by Rep. Miles and seconded :—Resolved that the Lecture Committee appointed at last annual meeting be empowered to secure the immediate services of Bro. Manning, or of some other efficient person for the purpose of resuscitating old Divisions and establishing new ones in accordance with the third section of the Good and Welfare Committee's Report :—Carried.

Moved by Rep. McIndoe and seconded :—Resolved that the arrangements for the reception of the members of the National Division at the meeting in June next, be left in the hands of the Committee appointed by Howard Division, No. 1, it being understood that owing to the condition of the funds, no pecuniary responsibility be incurred by this Grand Division as a Grand Division :—Carried.

The Committee named to fix on speakers to address the public meeting this evening reported the following : G. W. P. Elwood, of C. W., P. G. W. P. Martin, Grand Chap. Duff, and Rep. J. O'Farrell—Report adopted.

Moved by Rep. Hutchings and seconded :—That while we rejoice to learn that the Congregational Union of Canada has been carrying out a Resolution passed three years ago, viz : the preaching of Temperance Sermons on the Sabbath preceding Christmas of each year.

Resolved, that th's Grand Division respectfully and earnestly request all Clergymen in Lower Canada, favorable to our principles, to deliver one or more Temperance Sermons to their respective Congregations during the year.—Carried.

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

Resolved, that the Thanks of this Grand Division are due and are hereby tendered to the members of Cowansville, East Farnham and Adamsville Divisions, and their Lady friends, for the very kind and handsome manner

They have contributed to the entertainment of the members of this Grand Division during the present Session:—Carried.

Moved by G. S. Hall and seconded :

That the Pass Words shall in future be withheld only from such Sub. Div. as shall forward no return for the immediately preceding quarter.—Carried.

On motion voted:—

That the salary of the G. S. be the same as last year.

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

Resolved that 150 copies of the proceedings of this Session be printed and distributed to Subordinate Divisions as formerly.—Carried.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Division closed to meet in Semi-Annual Session at Lachute, on Wednesday, the 11th day of July next.

JOHN S. HALL.

Grand Scribe.

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LIST OF DEPUTIES.

- Howard Division, No. 1. Montreal—J. Montgomery.
 Gough, No. 3. }
 St. Lawrence, No. 16. } Quebec, E. F. Robertson.
 Victoria, No. 10 Lachute, D. B. Hume.
 Lancaster, No. 11.—Lancaster, John M. Snider.
 St. Michael's Union, No. 14.—Athelstan, Joshua Breadner.
 Lacolle, No. 17.—Lacolle, W. H. Vanvliet.
 Bristol, No. 28. }
 Inkerman, No. 69. } Bristol, Duncan Campbell.
 Balaclava, No. 30.—Leeds, George Bayne.
 Harmony, No. 34.—New Glasgow, J Sieveright.
 Richmond, No. 38.—Melbourne.
 Havelock, No. 39.—Inverness, Wm. H. Lambly.
 Granby, No. 44.—Granby, Henry Rose.
 Gore Progressive, No. 45.—Herdman's Corners, Martin Connell.
 Shefford, No. 43.—Waterloo, W. O. Lawrence.
 Adamsville, No. 50.—George Adams.
 Hungerford, No. 54.—Bedford, R. Alcombrack.
 Bedford, No. 55. " A. O. Horsken.
 Cowansville, No. 58.—Cowansville, W. Stevenson, G. W. P.
 East Farnham, No. 49.—East Farnham, A. P. Hulbert.
 St. Charles, No. 61.—Point St. Charles, Alex Stewart.
 West Shefford, No. 64.—West Shefford, H. A. Lawrence.
 Shefford Mountain, No. 68.—Shefford Mountain, G. H. Craig.
 Covey Hill, No. 70.—Covey Hill, James Curran.
 Hemmingford, No. 71.—Hemmingford, J. F. Scriver.
 North Star, No. 72.—Shefford Ridge, G. Woodward.
 New Road, No. 73.—Havelock, J. Bustard.
 Rising Sun, No. 74.—Lennoxville, Rev. A. Duff.
 Star of Hope, No. 75.—Rawdon, Rev. T. J. Williams.

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OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES

In attendance at the Annual Session of the Grand Division held at Cowansville on the 10th and the 11th days of January 1866.

- Wm. Stevenson, G. W. P. John Sears, Sen., G. W. A.
 John S. Hall, G. S. J. F. Thomson, G. T.
 Rev. A. Duff, G. Chap. J. Staniforth, G. Con.
 N. C. Martin, G. Sen. George Martin, P. G. W. P.
 HOWARD DIVISION, No. 1.—J. S. Hall, J. M. Hall, W. Bates, P. H. Burton,
 George Martin, B. S. Barrett, Rev. A. Duff, T. Hutchings, Thos. Robinson
 and J. M. Duff.

GOUGH DIVISION, No. 3.—John Sears, Sen.

VICTORIA DIVISION, No. 10.—J. Staniforth.

LANCASTER DIVISION No. 11.—J. M. Snider.

ST. LAWRENCE DIVISION, No. 16.—J. O'Farrell and G. J. Duff.

GRANBY DIVISION, No. 44.—G. E. McIndoe, H. Rose, H. Cole and O. T.

Minor.

SHEFFORD DIVISION, No. 47.—W. O. Lawrence, E. T. Miles and H. Taber.

ADAMSVILLE DIVISION, No. 50.—E. A. Fordice, J. F. Thompson, R. Goddard,
 G. Adams and H. Hawk.

HUNGERFORD DIVISION, No. 54.—J. N. Mills, R. Alcombrack, G. Halcrow, Chs.
 Dept, E. H. Flagg, H. M. Whitcomb and N. C. Martin.

BEDFORD DIVISION, No. 55.—W. Josleyn and G. P. Rixford.
 COWANVILLE DIVISION, No. 58.—Wm. Stevenson, Rev. J. A. Farrar, J. Dent,
 W. Dent, J. Pharoah, S. N. Smith and G. P. Ruiter.
 EAST FARNHAM DIVISION, No. 59.—O. H. Mansfield, A. P. Hulbert, T. Dalgleish
 and A. D. Goddard.
 WEST SHEFFORD DIVISION, No. 64.—L. H. Lawrence, H. A. Lawrence, Z. S.
 Lawrence and J. E. Lawrence.
 NORTH STANBRIDGE DIVISION, No. 66.—A. Stone.
 SHEFFORD MOUNTAIN DIVISION, No. 68.—J. Gibbons.

LADY VISITORS.

GRANBY DIVISION, No. 44.—Mrs. McIndoe, Mrs. Cole and Miss Miner.
 ADAMSVILLE DIVISION, No. 50.—Mrs. Goddard, Mrs. Fordice and Mrs. Taber.
 COWANVILLE DIVISION, No. 58.—Mrs. Stevenson, Miss Stevenson, Miss Nolan
 and Mrs. Dent.
 EAST FARNHAM DIVISION, No. 59.—Mrs. Mansfield.

Grand Division S. of T. of Canada East
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 Montreal, 22nd July, 1865.

To His Excellency Sir F. W. A. Bruce, K. O. B.,
 H. M. Minister, Washington, D. C.

May it please your Excellency

Pursuant to instructions from the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of
 Canada East, I have the honor to transmit to you, for presentation to the
 Executive Government of the United States, the enclosed Resolutions passed
 by that Grand Division, expressive of their feelings upon the death of the late
 President of the United States.

I beg therefore that your Excellency will cause the same to be laid before
 the Cabinet at Washington in such manner as to your Excellency may seem
 best. I have the honor to be

Your Excellency's most obt. Servt.

Signed JOHN S. HALL,
 Grand Scribe.

Grand Division S. of T. of Canada East.
 Grand Scribe's Office,
 84 Great St. James Street,
 Montreal 22nd July, 1865.

Mrs. Abraham Lincoln.

Madam,

Pursuant to instructions of the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of
 Canada East, I have the honor to transmit to you the enclosed Resolutions
 passed by that body, expressive of their feelings upon the death of your honored
 and lamented Husband, the late President of the United States.

With the liveliest sympathy for you in this severe dispensation,

I have the honor to be,

Your most obt. Servt.

Signed JOHN S. HALL,
 Grand Scribe.

Grand Division S. of T. of Canada East
 Grand Scribe's Office,
 84 Great St. James Street,
 Montreal, 22nd July, 1865.

The Honorable John F. Potter,
 U. S. Consul General, Montreal.

Sir,

Pursuant to directions from the Grand Division Sons of Temperance of Canada East, I have the honor to hand you the enclosed Resolutions passed by the above Grand Division, expressive of the feelings of that body upon the death of the late President of the United States with accompanying letter and to request you to cause the same to be transmitted to Mrs. Lincoln through such channel as you may deem best. I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obt. Servant,
 Signed JOHN S. HALL,
 Grand Scribe.

British Legation, Washington D. C.,
 August 3, 1865.

Sir,

I beg to inform you that I have received your letter of the 22d ultimo, and forwarded the enclosure to the Secretary of State of the United States, who has requested me to convey to you and the body to which you belong, the high appreciation entertained by the Government and people of the United States for these manifestations of sympathy and good will.

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient humble Servant,
 (Signed) FREDERICK W. A. BRUCE.

The Grand Scribe, Sons of Temperance,
 84 Great St. James Street, Montreal.

United States Consulate General,
 British North American Province.
 Montreal, July 25, 1865.

John S. Hall, Esq., Grand Scribe,
 Grand Division Sons of Temperance.

Sir,

Your communication enclosing the Resolutions of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance relative to the death of the late President Lincoln, and expressive of their sympathy with the people of the United States at the great loss they sustained is received.

Mr. Potter is absent from the City. On his return your communication shall be laid before him when he will no doubt comply with your request.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,

Your ob. Serv.

(Signed)

C. G. B. DRUMMOND.
 Priv. Secy.
 U. S. Conl Genl. B. N. A. P.

Statement of Prosecutions at Knowlton and Brome, for contravention
 of the Temperance Act of 1864, during the year ending 31st
 December, 1865.

Declared settled before judgment :

Charles P. Kilburn,	vs Jeduthan L. Perkins,	Potion.
do	vs Benjamin B. Jenks.	do
do	vs Daniel Dodge,	do
do	vs John Jones,	do

Leonard Boright	vs Alexander Sargent,	Bolton.
do	vs John O. Hall,	do
do	vs Alfred Hunt,	Sutton, 1st offence.
do	vs Neri Holmes,	do
do	vs Alfred Neild,	do
do	vs Alfred Hunt,	do 2nd offence.
Rufus Goddard,	vs Prescott Crotean,	do
do	vs Peter Bovin,	do
do	vs Edward Gillman,	do

Statement of cases prosecuted to conviction and penalties imposed :—

		(Residence.)	
Charles P. Kilburn,	vs Ithamar Hadlock,	Potton,	\$30.00
do	vs Overett Ober,	do	40.00
Versel E Chamberlin,	vs Stephen B. Westover,	Brome, 1st offence	20.00
do	vs Albert Kimball,	do	20.00
do	vs David McLachlan	do 1st offence	20.00
do	vs do	do 2nd do	50.00
do	vs do	do 3rd do	50.00
do	vs do	do	20.00
Rufus Goddard,	vs Edward McCulloch,	do	20.00
do	vs Stephen B. Westover,	do 2nd offence	20.00
Leonard Boright	vs John Laffin,	Bolton,	20.00
do	vs David McLachlan,	Brome, 4th offence	30.00
Charles P. Kilburn	vs Edward Davis,	Potton,	19.00
do	vs James Hanson,	do	20.00
do	vs Thomas Smith,	do	20.00
do	vs Nathan Young,	do	20.00
Leonard Boright	vs Thomas Wing,	do 1st offence	20.00
do	vs do	do 2nd do	20.00
			<u>\$440.00</u>

Statement of penalties paid and expiated in prison :

Stephen B. Westover,	\$20.00
David McLachlan,	20.00
do	50.00
do	6.00
Stephen B. Westover,	20.00
John Laffin,	20.00
Thomas Smith,	20.00
Thomas Wing,	20.00
Edward McCulloch. Expiated in prison,	20.00
	<u>176.00</u>
	<u>\$264.00</u>

Amount of penalties unpaid :
Statement of Cases pending :

Leonard Boright	vs David McLachlan,	5th offence
do	vs do	6th do

RECAPITULATION.

Number of complaints made	29
do convictions rendered	17
do cases pending	2
do settled by Prosecutors	10
Amount of fines imposed	\$440.00
do do paid	156.00
do do expiated in prison	20.00
	<u>\$176.00</u>
do do unpaid	<u>\$264.00</u>