

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GRAND DIVISION OF NOVA-SCOTIA.

QUARTERLY SESSION.

BERWICK, (Cornwallis,) 22nd April, 1858.

The Grand Division assembled at 10½ o'clock, A. M., in the Temperance Hall, and opened in due form, the G. W. P. in the Chair. Roll of officers called :

Present : G. W. P., Rev. John McMurray.

G. Scribe, Patrick Monaghan.

Absent : G. W. A., William Lippincott.

G. Treas., Robert Noble.

G. Chap., Rev. T. H. Porter.

G. Con., Michael Herbert.

G. Sent., Isaac McCurdy.

P. G. W. P., Rev. Alexander McArthur.

The G. W. P. filled vacancies by appointing brother James Mosher, G. W. A.; Nathan Tupper, G. T.; Rev. Dr. Robertson, G. Chaplain; Robert M. Barratt, G. Con.; Benjamin Morse, G. Sent.; Rev. Dr. Cramp, P. G. W. P., *pro tem*.

The following Report from Standing Committee on Credentials, was read and adopted :

The 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. Chas. Manson.
 UNION, 6—Abraham L. Govill and Harry C. Bonnell.
 MIC-MAC, 8—W. P. James Merlin.
 AVON, 12—W. P. James M. Smith.
 AVONDALE, 13—W. P. Hugh Mosher.
 HEBRON, 19—W. P. Robert Rose.
 *COLUMBIA, 24—Sterns Jones, Jasper Jourmeray.
 *MORNING STAR, 38—W. P. Jno. G. Burgess.
 *CANARD, 50—W. P. James Willard Marsters.
 *HANTSPORT, '62—W. P. Robert Cogswell.
 †ALBION MINES, 79—W. P. John Murray.
 *MARGARETTEVILLE, 80—W. P. Thomas Baker, senr.:
 P. W. P. Thomas D. Baker.
 *IRON AGE, 82—W. P. A. W. McLellan.
 ATHENÆUM, 96—W. P. George R. Johnstone.
 TREMONT, 102—Parker Welton, Rev. Dr. Chas. Tupper.
 *GARLAND, 105—W. P. Thomas H. Chute ; P. W. P.
 George Gould, Gideon Beardsley.
 †VICTORIA MINES, 108—W. P. John Heatly.
 ‖WOLFVILLE, 112—W. P. A. Cleveland.
 RECHAB, 119—W. P. Richard McLearn.
 *VESPER, 124—W. P. David McDonald.
 *JUNE ROSE, 125—W. P. John Davison.
 HERO OF KARS, 127—W. P. Joseph Kinney.
 *HAVELOCK, 129—W. P. John Miller ; P. W. P. Tho.
 Graham.
 *ROCKLIN, 130—W. P. Robert Fraser.
 †TEMPLE, 131—W. P. William Smith.
 PUGWASH, No. 36—Bros. Geo. Page, David Dogers.
 *FLOWING FOUNTAIN, 118—John McKenzie, John D.
 McDonald, Wm. McKenzie, John D. Cameron.
 LOWER HORTON, 122—W. P. Hibbert W. Crane ; P. W.
 P. Amos Black.

The credentials of the following named representatives were omitted being returned at the October session. As they appear to be correct in other respects, the committee recommend that the representatives be allowed to take their seats

UNION, No. 6—P. W. P.'s Edw. J. Budd, Henry Stewart

* Wanting Seal. † Wanting Date.

‡ Wanting Seal and Date. ‖ Wanting Seal, Date, and Location.

Wm. H. Dakin, Wm. H. Taylor, Edw. M. Marshall, Wm. M. Jones, Miles Woodman, Crocker Woodman, John Dakin, Wm. F. Randolph.

CANARD, 50—P. W. P.'s David Dickey, Leander Rand. Isaac F. Marsters, John A. Chipman, John Lingley.

HANTSPORT, 62—P. W. P.'s James Elder, Benj. Frost, William Davis &c.

IRON AGE, 82—P. W. P.'s R. N. B. McLellan, William McKimm, T. R. McKimm, John McComb, Ezra Layton, David Murray, Amos Fountain.

LAKE, 71—P. W. P.'s Nathan Tupper, James M. Silver, Caleb R. Bill, Samuel Sweet.

UNION, No. 6, and IRON AGE, No. 82, were not working until January.

Submitted in L., P. & F.

R. M. BARRATT,

JOHN LANIGAN,

Halifax, N. S., 19th April, 1858. W. A. S. BLEWETT.

The Grand Conductor introduced the under-named Representatives, who were duly initiated and took their seats: Rev. George Armstrong, James R. Currill, of No. 44: James C. Morse, Charles Norwood, George H. Dimock, of No. 68; James Bligh, William Chase, John L. Dunham, of No. 71; William S. West, Isaac Foster, John G. Rockwell, of No. 100: Rev. Charles Tupper, D. D., of No. 102; Thomas H. Chute, Henry Hall, Gideon Beardsley, of No. 105.

The G. W. P. appointed the following named Committees:

On the State of the Order.—Rev. Dr. Robertson, Jas. Bligh, Rev. Dr. Tupper.

On Appeals.—Rev. S. W. Deblois, Nathan Tupper, Abel Parker.

On Communications.—Rev. George Armstrong, Roderick Fraser, Abraham VanBuskirk.

On motion, It was decided that the Grand Division adjourn this day at 12½ o'clock, M., and meet at 6½ o'clock, P. M., meet to-morrow, at 8½ o'clock, A. M., adjourn at 12½ o'clock, M., and meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

On motion, Brothers Nathan Tupper, Abel Parker, Beniah Morse, Charles Norwood and G. W. Caldwell, were appointed a Committee to make arrangements for a public Temperance Meeting, and procession, for this afternoon.

The Grand Scribe read a communication from Chebucto Division, No. 7, in reference to cancelling of Credentials of a Representative to the Grand Division. Ordered on file, and name of Representative erased from the list.

Also, a communication to same purport, from Mayflower Division, No. 9. Ordered on file, and names of the Representatives referred to, struck from the roll of members.

Also, a communication from C. H. Harrington, Chairman of Cape Breton Temperance Committee, which was referred to Committee on Communications.

Also, a communication from the Grand Scribe of the Grand Division of New Brunswick, in reference to the holding of a Continental Meeting of the friends of Temperance in 1859, which was referred to Committee on Communications.

The Committee appointed to make arrangements for public meeting and procession this afternoon, reported progress, and presented a programme of proceedings, which was approved.

Brother Charles Norwood was appointed Marshal for the procession of this afternoon.

Grand Division adjourned, to meet at 6½ o'clock, P. M.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

EVENING SESSION.

The Grand Division assembled at 6½ o'clock, P. M., 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. T., G. Chap., G. Con., G. Sent.
P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled as in Morning Session, excepting Treasurer's, to which office brother Roderick Fraser was appointed, *pro tem*.

The Minutes of Morning Session were read and approved.

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

The following report of standing Finance Committee, 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 following bill for payment :

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GEORGE J. CREED.

R. H. WETMORE.

A. J. RITCHIE.

Halifax, 16th April, 1858.

The following report of standing Committee on Constitutions and Bye-Laws, was read and adopted :

The Standing Committee on Constitution and Bye-Laws have had submitted to them, for examination, the Bye-Laws of Milton Division, No. 4 ; Margaretville, No. 80 ; North American, No. 128 ; Temple, No. 131 ; Pittacus, No. 132 : upon which they beg to report as follows :

MILTON, No. 4.—Your committee recommend that the word “ shall,” in section 2, of article 4, be stricken out, and the word “ may ” inserted instead thereof ; and also that the words “ in accordance with article 7 of the constitution and article 2 of the revised rules,” be added to the same section.

MARGARETVILLE, No. 80.—The proposed addition to bye-laws of this Division, making it compulsory on the brother passing through the W. P.'s chair to serve in the office of O. S. without election by the Division, your committee deem to be unconstitutional, as the only legal way of appointing brothers to office is by nomination and ballot.

NORTH AMERICAN, No. 128.—Your committee would recommend that the words “ after one week's notice has been given ” be added to section 4 of article 3 (see article 4, re-

vised rules) :—that the words “in accordance with article 7 of the constitution and article 2 of the revised rules,” be added to section 2 of article 4 :—and that the words “provided, however, that such resignation shall not take effect until the expiration of the quarter in which such resignation is tendered.” (*see article 8, revised rules.*)

In the bye-laws of Temple, No. 131, and Pittacus, No. 132, your committee find nothing contrary to the constitution

. Submitted in L., P. & F.

PAT. MONAGHAN.
JOHN HEENAN.

Halifax, N. S., 15th April. 1858.

The following report was read, and ordered to be spread on the Journals :

HALIFAX, April 17, 1858.

The committee appointed to prepare addresses to Her Majesty the Queen and His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, beg leave to report as follows :

His Excellency was pleased to give a most gratifying reception to the deputation who had the honor of representing the Grand Division, and made many enquiries about our Order and its objects, constitution, &c.

His Excellency expressed his perfect readiness to forward the petition of the Grand Division to Her Majesty the Queen without delay.

The Grand Scribe can furnish a copy of the address and reply.

W. M. BROWN.
J. S. THOMPSON.
ROBT. NOBLE.

The report of Committee appointed to devise means to liquidate debts of Grand Division was read, and ordered to lie on the table for future consideration.

The Grand Conductor introduced Representative C. H. Corey, of No. 112, who was duly initiated and took his seat.

The following report was read, and on motion referred to a special Committee of three, to report thereon to-morrow morning :

The committee appointed at the quarterly session of the G. D. held at Musquodoboit, in January last, to procure the presentation of a petition on the subject of Prohibition, and to prepare bills, beg leave to report :

That they had a conference with some of the members of the House of Assembly favorable to the cause of Temperance, and procured the presentation of the petition referred to, and also a bill for the prohibition of the liquor traffic,—being the same bill that had been passed by the House in 1855, and which was rejected by the Legislative Council. By the public prints, your committee learn that, after a languid debate that contrasted strangely with the spirited discussions of former years, the bill was contemptuously thrown out of the House on the 16th day of March last,—one honorable and learned member sneeringly describing the measure as “ Forsaken by its friends—forsorn and neglected ;” “ and presuming,” he said, “ that the bill was now consigned to ‘ the tomb of all the Capulets,’ ” he, with mock pathos, bade it “ farewell forever.”

A bill, styled the “ Permissive Bill,” recommended by the G. D., was also prepared by your committee, by which counties, or smaller divisions of the Province, were to be permitted to adopt prohibition by open vote. This measure has also been before the House of Assembly ; but from the apathy that seems to pervade the House on the subject, your committee have small hope, if any, that this bill will pass into law.

Your committee further state that sundry amendments to the existing license laws were suggested by them to members of the House of Assembly,—the principal changes or additions recommended being the separation of the sales of liquors from sales of groceries, &c., and to make the liquor seller, after notice, liable in damages to any person suffering injury by the sale of intoxicating drinks to persons of intemperate habits, in whose welfare, either from relationship or otherwise, he or she may have a direct interest. Several other amendments and additions have also been suggested by members of the House since the discussion of the subject, of the nature and extent of which your committee are not fully informed, and as the whole matter is under debate, no idea can be formed of the result, or whether any material and decided improvement is likely to be obtained.

The business and duties assigned to your committee, embraced in the resolution of last Quarterly Session, have been promptly and fully discharged, and upon the heads of others be laid the responsibility of thwarting and rejecting the hopes and aspirations of those whose desire it is to secure an add to the happiness of the great human family.

In preparing the bills and documents referred to above, your committee had necessarily to incur some expense, the particulars of which have been handed to the Grand Scribe.

Submitted in Love, Purity and Fidelity.

On behalf of the committee,

W. M. BROWN, *Chairman*.

WM. HOWE, *Secretary*.

HALIFAX, April 17th, 1858.

Committee: Beniah Morse, Robert M. Barratt, C. C. Hamilton, M. D.

The following report from Agency Committee was read and referred to Committee on State of the Order :

THE Agency Committee beg to report that they have made enquiries in various directions, with a view to obtain the services of a Lecturer, such as, in their judgment, might be suited to the wants of the public, and to the present state of the temperance question. The G. W. P. has had some correspondence on this subject with J. Johnston, Esq., of Moncton, New-Brunswick, and a communication has also been received from Mr. Nicholson, Grand Scribe of the Grand Division of Pennsylvania. Mr. Johnston is, they believe, a gentleman of abilities and character, and not unknown in this Province as an acceptable lecturer; but, as there seemed to be some doubt on his own mind whether he was open to an engagement at present, the Committee did not continue the correspondence. Mr. Nicholson labored under the disadvantage of not being personally known to any member of the committee.

Taking all the circumstances of the case into account, the committee are of opinion that the services might be performed very efficiently by the local Deputies, that is, in cases where other duties and claims will permit. The committee think there are many arguments in favor of this arrangement and which will, they doubt not, readily suggest themselves to the minds of the Grand Division. If, for instance, the Re-

Dr. Cramp, Rev. Mr. Christie, and Rev. Dr. Robertson, in the west, and the G. W. P., Rev. Mr. Cameron, and Rev. Mr. McArthur, in the east, could be prevailed upon to devote a portion of their time to the work, the committee feel satisfied that great good would result to the cause, and many inconveniences as well as risks, thereby be avoided. Perhaps it would still further improve the idea, if the gentlemen named could exchange counties and localities with each other, for a short time.

The committee beg to state, in conclusion, that they are mainly indebted for this suggestion to the Grand Scribe.

All of which is submitted in L. P. and P.,

WM. M. BROWN,
CHARLES ROBSON,
GEORGE CREED,
S. SELDEN,
J. A. BELL.

HALIFAX, 20th April, 1858.

The Grand Worthy Patriarch read his report as follows :

WORTHY BRETHREN : Assembled at this Quarterly Session, it is with much satisfaction we hail each other in the true spirit of our fraternal combination ; while, at the same time, we would offer our fervent gratitude to our Heavenly Father, by whose goodness we are permitted to reach this, the first decade of the Grand Division of Nova-Scotia.

We very naturally are led, on this occasion, to review our history ; and in the reminiscences which come up, we have much to afford instruction, and also very much to inspire confidence and hope. We cannot admit that the past exhibits a great deal to dishearten the true-hearted veterans of our cause, for, although our pathway has been marked by struggles and reverses, as well as by successes and triumphs, yet surely we have not had more of discouragement or difficulty than might reasonably have been apprehended in a reform of such a character, aiming as it does to uproot the wide-spread and inveterate sinking usages of society, and coming in direct collision with mighty interests, formidably sustained by numbers and by wealth : and considering, also, the condition of political parties, and political party-feeling in this Province. True, many of the more sanguine of our brotherhood may have been disappointed

in not witnessing, long since, the realization of their fondly cherished hopes in the overthrow of the liquor business, and in the wide diffusion of our principles. Yet, upon a calm review of the incidents of our whole campaign, and entertaining some limited appreciation of the glorious fruits of our toils, in the enlightenment of public opinion on the liquor traffic—in the reclamation of very many who, but for our Order, would, in all probability, have been ere this utterly ruined, but who are now industrious, sober, and useful in social life, and, in cases not a few, worthy members of the Church of God—and such refreshing facts as these have gladdened us on every hand—we can see much reason to thank God and take courage.

We do not forget the bright promise of success which distinguished the career of our Order during the earlier years of its existence, but which was induced greatly by the prestige of the novelty of our organization. Yet, upon a comparison of the present state of our cause with its circumstances in some periods of the past, we clearly perceive much to inspire the belief that the Order of the Sons of Temperance is well-fitted to make a right impression upon the public mind in favor of Total Abstinence—to maintain the standard of Prohibition in opposition to the hosts of its opponents, and to promote the sobriety of society by redeeming the inebriate and saving our youth from the path of the fell destroyer; nor is it difficult to discern that, by unfaltering perseverance in the work assigned to us in the Providence of God, the Order in Nova-Scotia will be rendered instrumental of a vast amount of good—and that we shall receive, at a period not greatly distant, the fulfilment of our labors and prayers and predictions in the removal of the withering curse of this moral Upas tree the liquor traffic,—not by lopping off a few of its branches but by utterly uprooting and destroying it; and when the consummation is attained, our beloved Province shall present to view, in its temporal prosperity, and in its moral and religious advancement, one of the fairest portions of the empire of Britain. Haste, happy day!

While thus confident of the triumph of our principles in Nova-Scotia, we do not expect to realize so grand an achievement without the most strenuous and devoted labor. That will be required, in order to the working out of this result—steady, burning zeal, unremitting application, pains-taking plodding, self-denying industry. Before our mission

accomplished, we shall have many a hard-fought battle; but our difficulties and toil shall but endear the cause the more to our hearts: and our hard-earned laurels, when secured, shall be estimated the more highly in the remembrance of the trials by which they were gained.

Nor is our hope limited to our own Province, nor to a few more favored portions of our earth. We are anticipating the enlargement of the circle of sobriety until it shall enclose the whole family of man. The conviction is deeply seated in our hearts that the whole world is yet to be redeemed from the terrible curse of intemperance; and, though we may not live to see the day, we have confidence it shall be done, and that

“Our earth shall glisten in the ray
Of that good time coming.”

Our hope of this end is placed in a power higher than the most help which an arm of flesh can afford, and, having such hope, even the magnitude of our discouragements shall but stimulate us to greater effort.

But in the highest and best of enterprises, constituted as the best minds are, some degree of success is necessary to nerve us for the faithful prosecution of the course of duty. We are therefore thankful that present circumstances seem to assure us that upon the work in which we are engaged, the blessing of Heaven is even now resting in a very considerable measure. We do not for a moment suppose that the Order in Nova Scotia is as heartily engaged in the prosecution of its appropriate mission as could be desired; yet so marked an improvement in the revived zeal and renewed prosperity of a large proportion of our Divisions has taken place within the past few months, that our hearts have been greatly gladdened. Surely Divine Providence is preparing our brotherhood for the great work committed to our trust.

The nett increase, for the last quarter, in the number of contributing members, will be found, I believe, to be nearly 1000. Three new Divisions have recently been opened under encouraging auspices, Temple Division, at Wallace Bay, Cumberland County; Pittacus Division, in Yarmouth County; and Miner's-Hope Division, at Acadian Mines, Colchester; and we learn that, in all probability, some others will be instituted at an early period. Some of the older Divisions had not been in working condition for a considerable

length of time, have recommenced their labors with zeal and vigor; some other Divisions supposed to have been dead, which had not formally surrendered their charters, have been resuscitated, and now give promise of lengthened usefulness. Of this latter class are North and Exeter Divisions, whose state of suspended animation has been happily succeeded by every symptom of healthy life. Financial difficulties, arising from an unsafe investiture of funds, have caused Harnett Division, located in Queen's County, to surrender its charter. The number of Divisions now under this jurisdiction is seventy-four, of which, seven are inactive, showing the whole number now in working order, to be sixty-seven.

While cheered by the encouraging reports which have reached me of the continued faithfulness of many of our Divisions, and the revived activity of others, I am at the same time fully persuaded that our Order is not exerting all the influence upon the public which it could readily employ were its machinery kept in proper operation. This comparative inefficiency of any proportion of our Divisions, is to be associated with the irregularity of the attendance of members at the division-room. Can any suggestions be offered to bring about an improvement in this respect? I have thought that perhaps a strong and spirit-stirring Address on this subject, prepared by a committee of the Grand Division, printed in cheap form and in sufficient quantity to furnish a copy to each member of our Order in the Province, might result in bringing back to their duty many who have become apathetic.

The result of our application to the Legislature for a Prohibitory Law, will not have disappointed the friends of the measure, except as regards the opposition of some honorable members of the Assembly from whom we had hoped better things. Nevertheless, let us steadily concentrate our energy, that our whole force shall be brought directly to bear on the question, until a majority of the people shall see its superiority over every party consideration, and shall make their wishes upon it to be well understood.

Believing that the true basis of such an enactment must be the promotion of a healthy Temperance sentiment throughout the Province, not only by means of the Press, but also by the labors of the Lecturer, we have long felt the necessity of having some efficient general Agents as laborers in the field. The way is clear for their employment, could we secure for

propose men of the right stamp. I strongly hope the Agency Committee are able to report that they have been successful in their negotiations for the immediate employment of one or more brethren, well adapted to this important service. Should the committee have failed in this object, it would be of consequence to inquire whether some of the County Deputies might not be induced to some extent to supply this lack of service. Could we have our official organ, the *Abstainer*, well sustained and widely circulated, and at the same time have the services of able lecturers, our system would then be in operation, harmoniously working to secure the same end: while these essential forces, so intimately connected with each other, are inactive, or but one of them in operation, our whole power is much crippled, and our great work but feebly and imperfectly accomplished.

The recommendation of this Grand Division, as expressed in a resolution at the last Session, with regard to the formation of County Temperance Conventions, has already been taken up by some of the counties. We would renewedly commend this matter to the consideration of Temperance men in every county, persuaded that the effects of such combination would be in every way, of advantage to the cause.

The Address to the Clergy, adopted at our last Session, has been issued and circulated, and we earnestly pray that this effort to enlist the sympathies and co-operation of a body of ministers exerting the widest moral influence, will greatly tell upon the spread of Temperance principles. The Address to the several ecclesiastical bodies, as also the necessary preparation for holding the Ministerial Conference, as resolved upon by the Grand Division, will no doubt be attended to in due season by the committee to whom these matters have been committed.

Commending these and the general interests of the Temperance Cause in this Province to your thoughtful consideration, I submit this report in the bonds of our Order.

JOHN McMURRAY, G. W. P.

referred to Committee on State of the Order.

The Grand Scribe read his report as follows:

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

Grand Worthy Patriarch and Brethren :

Permit me to congratulate you on assembling to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Grand Division : and in doing so I regret that none of the brothers who assisted in organizing this branch of the Order on the 22nd of April, 1848, are present on this occasion, particularly when we meet under so auspicious circumstances.

On referring to the records, I find that the Grand Division was organized by twelve representatives from six subordinate Divisions. Of this number, as far as I can learn, but two have remained in the Order and retained their honors to the present time, viz., P. G. W. P., William Burrill, and P. G. W. P., James B. Dane ; a third who left the Order has recently joined one of the Divisions, but has not yet attained the honors of a representative to this body.

The *quere* will occur to your minds, no doubt : Are the Divisions which were represented on that occasion, still in existence ? Where are the other nine who assisted in organizing the Grand Division ? Are they still faithful temperance men ? Is their influence still exerted in the promotion of the cause ?

Of the men I can give you no account as to their standing in the Temperance movement at the present time. Let us hope, though, that they are as we would wish them to be.

Of the Divisions, Central, No. 2, and Milton, No. 4, are still active in the cause, are progressing very favorably, and have in their ranks some long-trying, consistent, and persevering friends of the temperance reform. Concord, No. 5, is inactive for some time, but resumed operations during the past year, and is now showing signs of new life and vigor. Acadia, No. 1, has been inactive for about two years, but I have the pleasure in stating that the Deputy informs me it will get into working order immediately. The other two Divisions—Halifax, No. 3, and Chebogue, No. 17—are dead.

You may enquire : Are all the brethren who passed through the Chair of the Grand Division, still in the Order ? I will answer you that, with one exception, they are ; that they retain their honors, and, with a second exception, still are men in our glorious cause.

You may also ask : What are our prospects now, compared

with those of ten years ago? I am convinced in my own mind that they are brighter, for, instead of receiving many into our Order who were induced to join the Divisions from mere curiosity, or for the novelty of the thing, and whom we were unfortunately compelled to cast out, because they were not truly "of us," we now receive those only who are inclined to be sincere in their professions, and desire to remain with us. Yes, brothers! our Order is on the advance; our prospects are brightening; the cause of Total Abstinence is progressing in Nova-Scotia.

In proof of these assertions, (notwithstanding I have to report that one Division has gone down and a second become inactive), it is only necessary for me to state that since our last Annual Session five new Divisions, comprising about 170 P. W. members, have been instituted; that several sickly Divisions have been restored to health, and some that were dead, come to life again; that old Temperance Societies have been reconstituted, and new ones organized; that County Conventions are being formed; that a number of Clergymen throughout the Province, Catholic and Protestant, are lending their aid to the cause by preaching on Temperance, denouncing Intemperance, and administering the Total Abstinence Pledge to members of their respective congregations. In addition to this, many of the Divisions have had large accessions to their numbers during the past quarter. I would also state that there is a probability of applications being soon made for Charters for two or three new Divisions.

With these facts in view, brethren, should we not feel encouraged to still persevere and *be active in the work*, knowing that *there is yet much to be done to protect our homes from the manifold evils of Intemperance?*

Since the introduction of the Order into this Province, in November, 1847, Charters have been issued to 134 Divisions. Of this number, seventy-four only are on the roll of the Grand Division, seven of which are not working, leaving but sixty-seven in active operation.

Three new Divisions have been organized since the last quarterly Session; the first, Temple, No. 131, at Wallace, Cumberland County, on the 5th of February, by D. G. W. P., Rev. R. Alder Temple, fifteen members being initiated. The second, Pittacus, No. 132, was instituted on the 9th of February, at Maitland, Yarmouth County, by D. G. W. P.,

Charles Pinkney; twenty members were initiated at the first meeting. The G. W. P. opened the third, Miner's-Hope, No. 133, at the Acadian Mines, Colchester County, on 26th March; this Division commenced operations with twenty members.

I have much pleasure in announcing that the following named Divisions have resumed operations since the last Quarterly Session, viz., Union, No. 6, which is now in a prosperous condition: Roseway, No. 25, on the 3d of March, after having lain dormant for about nine months, and has initiated twelve new members since it was resuscitated. I may here remark that fatal accidents by drowning, which occurred at Digby and Shelburne, and which were caused by intemperance, seem to have aroused the brethren of those Divisions to action. Iron Age, No. 82, has got to work again, under favorable circumstances. North, No. 99, which ceased working about four years ago, has commenced again with sixteen members. As before stated, Acadia, No. 1, is in working order by this time.

I have also much pleasure in stating that, through the efforts of our esteemed chief, Exeter, No. 113, which was reported at last session as having surrendered its Charter, has been resuscitated, and that its prospects are now brighter than ever before.

The following named Divisions are not working, viz., Walton, 23; Wilberforce, 28; Queen's Own, 54; Morning Star, 59; Parrsborough, 110; Diligent River, 120; Alma, 121. With the exception of Wilberforce, none of these Divisions have been in working order during the last three years; neither is it likely that they will soon resume operations, unless, indeed, that we be fortunate enough in securing the services of a suitable agent and lecturer. Wilberforce ceased working during the past quarter; I trust, however, that its inactiveness will be but of short duration.

Harmony, No. 67, is dead. This Division has not been in working condition for nearly three years; financial embarrassments and unwise investment of the funds, have caused it to go down. The Charter, B B. and Cards, have been placed in my possession.

The undernamed Divisions have not yet received the new Ritual: Canard, 50; Albion Mines, 79; Father Mathew, 81; Southampton, 117; Hero of Kars, 127. Some of these

Divisions applied for the Ritual, but I had no B. B.s on hand when the applications were made. I thought it necessary to order twenty-five additional B. B.s from the office of the M. W. S., which, I trust, will meet the approval of the Grand Division.

The superceded Ritual has been received from Avon, Royal, Star, Lunenburg, Hantsport, June Rose, Concord, Chedabucto, Lake, Aurora, and Invincible Divisions.

The Returns of the Grand Division to the National Division for the year 1857, were forwarded to the office of the Most Worthy Scribe. The following is a copy of the Returns sent :

| | |
|---|---------------|
| Number of Divisions in operation | 58 |
| “ Members Admitted | 1,098 |
| “ “ Suspended | 236 |
| “ “ Expelled | 677 |
| “ “ Dead | 21 |
| “ “ Violated Pledge | 264 |
| “ “ Reinstated | 165 |
| “ “ Violated Pledge, second time | 85 |
| “ “ Members on F. S.’s Books | 2,452 |
| Number of Representatives to Grand Division | 604 |
| “ “ to National Division | 15 |
| “ Temperance Meetings held | 345 |
| “ “ Tracts distributed | 7,655 |
| Amount of Cash received | £1,377 19 11½ |
| “ Paid for Benefits | 292 9 1½ |
| “ Expenses, exclusive of Benefits | 1,097 19 7½ |
| “ Cash on hand | 1,495 7 8 |
| “ Tax to Grand Division | 126 10 0 |
| “ Per Centage to National Division .. | 6 6 6 |

Fifty-five Returns are still due from Divisions, for the year 1857, about one-third of which number is due from Divisions working order, and which I have not been able to obtain, consequence of the neglect of Divisions and their officers.

The necessary papers for the incorporation of Pugwash Division, No. 36, of Pugwash, have been received, and were filed in the Provincial Secretary’s Office, on the 6th of February.

In accordance with the resolution passed at the last Quar-

terly Session, I had 750 copies of the "Address to the Clergy" printed, and forwarded copies to every Clergyman in the Province.

Since last Quarterly Session, the Ritual for initiation of female visitors has been issued to Iron Age, North American, Albion Mines, Howard, Temple, North, Concord, Miner's Hope and Chedabucto Divisions. Thirty-four Divisions now admit lady visitors; for the number admitted, I would refer you to the accompanying Returns.

Of the sixty-seven working Divisions, fifty-two only have sent in their Returns for past Quarter, of which the following is a synopsis:

| | | | | |
|--|-------|----|----|-----|
| Number Initiated, (48 Divisions) | 578 | } | .. | 613 |
| " Admitted by Card | 9 | | | |
| " " Dispensation..... | 26 | } | .. | 26 |
| " Withdrawn by Card..... | 10 | | | |
| " " from the Order..... | 16 | } | .. | 121 |
| " Expelled for Violation of Pledge, (21 Divisions) | 53 | | | |
| " Non-payment of Dues, (17 Divs.)... | 68 | } | .. | 1 |
| " Deaths | | | | |
| " Rejected | | } | | 42 |
| " Suspended | | | | |
| " Violated Pledge, first time | | } | | 61 |
| " Reinstated | | | | |
| " Signed over | | } | | 55 |
| " Violated Pledge, second time | | | | |
| " Members on F. S.'s Books, (52 Divisions)... | 2,625 | } | | 47 |
| " Temperance Meetings held, (32 Divisions)... | 111 | | | |
| " Tracts distributed..... | 273 | } | | 11 |
| " Female Visitors, (20 Divisions) | 414 | | | |
| Receipts of Quarter, (52 Divisions) | £432 | 7 | 3 | |
| Expenses, exclusive of Benefits, (50 Divisions) | 319 | 17 | 3 | |
| Paid for Benefits, (17 Divisions)..... | 112 | 12 | 4 | |
| Cash on hand, including Investments, (45 Divs.) | 1,638 | 6 | 8 | |
| Per Capita Tax to Grand Division, (52 Divs.) | 31 | 17 | 3 | |

I will here state that a number of the Returns have been forwarded to me without being properly filled up, and some of them without the Seal of the Division, or signatures of the proper officers. I am now convinced that it is almost useless for your Grand Scribe to complain of the state in which the

Returns and Credentials are forwarded to him; it appears to be almost an impossibility to get the Divisions or their officers to comply with the requests made by him from time to time, and this is more to be wondered at from the fact that the printed blank Quarterly Returns are so plain in themselves, and easily filled up. I trust this shall be the last time I will have to bring this subject to the notice of the Grand Division. The Receipts and Disbursements of this office to the 15th inst., were as follows:

RECEIPTS.

| | | | | |
|-----|--|-------|----|----|
| | Tax from Divisions, December quarter, 1857.... | £6 | 17 | 6 |
| | Do. Do. March, Do. 1858.... | 22 | 16 | 0 |
| 613 | Charters and Rituals for new Divisions | 8 | 15 | 0 |
| | On account of new Ritual..... | 11 | 16 | 3 |
| 26 | Towards Bazaar Fund..... | 7 | 9 | 6½ |
| | Towards debt of Grand Division..... | 5 | 15 | 1½ |
| | Other sources, as per detailed account..... | 9 | 2 | 0 |
| | Balance due Grand Division, 14th January..... | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| | | <hr/> | | |
| | | £73 | 12 | 8 |
| | | <hr/> | | |

DISBURSEMENTS.

| | | | | |
|-------|---|-------|----|----|
| 61 | For 250 Cards of Odes | £1 | 15 | 0 |
| 41 | Stationery | 0 | 12 | 3 |
| 14 | Grand Treasurer, per receipts | 54 | 1 | 2 |
| 2,623 | Grand Scribe's quarter's Salary, to 1st April.... | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| 111 | Postages, &c., &c., during quarter..... | 2 | 18 | 0½ |
| 273 | Balance due Grand Division..... | 4 | 6 | 2½ |
| | | <hr/> | | |
| | | £73 | 12 | 8 |
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I would inform the Grand Division that the claim of Messrs. Jones & Sons, (£25 6s. 10½d.), for printing the *Athenæum* newspaper, has been paid by the Grand Treasurer, and further, that they made a discount of thirty shillings, which has been entered in my financial accounts as being received towards debt of the Grand Division.

I have to inform the Grand Division that I have no record, either written or printed, of a Special Session of this body

held in the city of Halifax, in October, 1851, immediately preceding the annual meeting of that year. A number of representatives were initiated at that Session, but I can not find any records where their names are entered. I have not the original signatures of representatives initiated into the Grand Division previous to January, 1852, and the names of representatives initiated during the year 1851, appear only in the printed journals. In justice to the memory of the late Grand Scribe, William Scott, I may remark that the documents containing the (to us) lost information, must have been misplaced by his predecessors in office.

I regret to state that the Agency Committee have not yet succeeded in obtaining the services of a suitable agent and lecturer to the Grand Division. This very important subject will require your deliberation at the present session.

Although this report is more lengthy than I intended, I feel that, before closing it, I should refer to the *Temperance work* of the Legislature, during the present Session, and do so because I think it necessary to have it recorded in our Journals, for future reference. I shall give it in chronological order :

FEBRUARY 23.—The petition of the Grand Division, praying for the passage of a Prohibitory Liquor Law, was presented by Mr. Morrison, previous to which he “ Enquired if the Attorney-General intended to bring in a bill to prohibit the traffic in intoxicating liquors ;” whose reply was, “ That he had no such intention.”

MARCH 3.—Mr. Morrison introduced the Prohibitory Bill prepared by the Committee of the Grand Division, which was read the first time.

5.—Dr. Brown presented petition of Mr. Simon Fitch and others, of Horton, praying the passage of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

10.—Mr. Moses presented petition of Yarmouth Temperance Convention, praying the passage of a Prohibitory Law.

13.—The Prohibitory Bill was read a second time. “ After a debate in which several of the members took part, the House divided on the question of committing the Bill. The numbers were : For committing the Bill, 16 ; against it, 20. It was then resolved, by 19 to 15, that the Bill should be deferred.”

three months,—that is, rejected,—such being the meaning of the Parliamentary phrase, ‘Deferred for three months.’

“The names of the members who voted were :

FOR.

A. G. Archibald,
C. R. Bill,
F. Bourneuf,
Dr. Brown,
Hon. J. Campbell,
S. Chipman,
E. Churchill,
I. Dimock,
T. Killam,
A. C. McDonald,
G. McKenzie,
J. McKeagney,
G. W. McLellan,
T. T. Morrison,
N. Moses,
R. Robertson.—16.

AGAINST.

W. Annand,
W. W. Bent,
E. D. Davidson,
J. Esson,
T. H. Fuller,
G. Geldert,
Hon. J. W. Johnston, A. G.
Hon. J. J. Marshall, F. S.
A. McFarlane,
Hon. J. McKimmon,
H. Munro,
J. Ryder,
M. Shaw,
J. Tobin,
Hon. Dr. Tupper, P. S.
J. C. Wade,
Dr. Webster,
B. Wier,
Hon. M. I. Wilkins, S. G.
Hon. Wm. Young.—20.

“Messrs. Bourneuf, McKenzie and Robertson, who voted against the Bill in 1856, voted for it now.

“Messrs. Chipman and Dimock, who voted for the second reading of the Bill in 1856, but afterwards for its postponement, voted for it this year. Dr. Webster, who had acted with Messrs. Chipman and Dimock, in 1856, voted against the Bill.

“On the other hand, Mr. Bent, the Hon. J. W. Johnston, the Hon. J. J. Marshall and the Hon. Dr. Tupper, who voted for the Bill in 1856, voted this year against it.

“Messrs. C. J. Campbell, H. Hyde, M. McLearn and C. White, who voted for the Bill in 1856, were not present when the division took place.”

18.—The House decided, “That the Sessions of each County have power to regulate the price of Licenses, except

in Yarmouth and the city of Halifax, where municipal corporations exist, who will have power to regulate Licenses."

A Committee was appointed on the same day to revise the License Laws.

19.—Mr. McDonald presented petition of officers of six Divisions, and of officers of other Temperance associations in the County of Pictou, praying that alterations might be made in the License Law.

APRIL 3.—Mr. Morrison presented Permissive Prohibitory Liquor Law Bill, prepared by Committee of the Grand Division; it was read a first time.

16.—The Bill regulating Licenses was taken up, discussed and passed. As far as I can learn, the Bill provides for the separation of the Liquor from other traffic; that fines for selling Liquors without License, shall be from £1 to £20; that there shall be a separate entrance to places where Liquors are sold, and that such entrance shall be from the street; it will not be necessary to prove the kind of Liquor sold in cases of prosecution—delivery of the article will be sufficient evidence; it will be sufficient to serve a summons or warrant on the premises, when it cannot be served on the proprietor. The Bill is to go into operation on the 1st of June next. Its provisions do not extend to the City of Halifax or the Municipality of Yarmouth.

I presume the representatives present have formed their own opinion as to the conduct of some of our (*once*) friends in the Legislature, particularly those who advocated the adoption of the Prohibitory Law in former years, and proclaimed it to be *paramount to all other questions* of the day, but recently saw fit to vote against it, without giving sufficient or good reasons for their doing so. Comment of mine is unnecessary.

In conclusion, brothers, let us return thanks to the Almighty for the great success with which He has been pleased to reward our feeble efforts, and pray that He will still continue His blessings on the great and glorious enterprize with which we are connected.

Submitted in L., P. and F.,

PATRICK MONAGHAN.

Grand Secy.

BERWICK, (Cornwallis,) April 22, 1858.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

P. G. W. P., Rev. Dr. Cramp, moved the following resolution, which was seconded by brother B. Morse, and adopted :

Resolved : That in all cases in which Divisional Deputies are appointed, the B. B.'s for the use of such Deputies shall be paid for by the Division to which they belong.

On motion, it was

Resolved : That the names of the lady Visitors present at this session of the Grand Division, be inserted in the Journals.

P. G. W. P., Rev. Dr. Cramp, moved the following resolution, which was seconded by B. Morse, and adopted :

Resolved : That the Deputy for Annapolis County be requested to ascertain whether, when Paradise Division, No. 45, surrendered its Charter, the Rev. N. Vidito was a member of that Division in good standing ; and that, if that fact be ascertained, a Card of Clearance be issued to brother Vidito, for this Grand Division, on his making written application for the same, through the Grand Scribe.

Grand Division adjourned.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

FRIDAY, April 23rd, 1858.

The Grand Division assembled at 8½ 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. Scribe.

Absent : G. W. A., G. T., G. Chap., G. Con., G. Sent., P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by brothers James Mosher, G. W., Roderick Fraser, G. T., Rev. George Armstrong, G. Chap., Robt. M. Barratt, G. Con., Beniah Morse, G. Sent., Rev. Dr. Cramp, P. G. W. P., *pro tem.*

The Minutes of last evening's session were read and approved.

On motion, 400 copies of Journal of Proceedings of this

Session were ordered to be printed and distributed, in the usual manner.

Rev. Dr. Robertson, as Chairman, presented the following report from Committee on State of the Order, which was read clause by clause, and adopted after amendment:

The Committee on the State of the Order beg leave to report, that they have considered the several documents submitted to them, and find, from the statistical and other information therein contained, much reason for thankfulness and encouragement. On this, the tenth anniversary of this Grand Division, we feel that there is great cause for gratitude to the Author of all good for the great progress that has already been made. Amidst many drawbacks and discouragements, we rejoice to understand that within the last few months renewed energy seems to have been infused into the cause in very many populous localities. New Divisions have been formed, and dormant ones have been resuscitated; aggregating in the whole an amount of nearly 600 additional members. A deep and earnest sentiment regarding the necessity of further efforts seems to pervade every part of the Province where the good effects of the Temperance movement have in any degree been experienced. And from the general prevalence of this feeling, your committee earnestly hope that the best possible results may be anticipated. We believe that the action of the National Division, which admitted lady visitors to the different subordinate Division Rooms, has been productive of much good, by diffusing a more general interest in the cause, and by its earnest advocacy in their several spheres of usefulness.

The application to the Legislature for a Prohibitory Law has not resulted in that measure of success which the friends of the cause had a right to expect.

Under these circumstances, we must chiefly rely on renewed and continued efforts on the part of the friends of the cause in every section of the Province,—trusting that the blessing of Heaven may accompany and fructify all and every exertion in favor of this important movement.

Every great and combined effort for the amelioration of the human race is necessarily attended with difficulties and obstructions, and must therefore advance very slowly in its course. But the Temperance cause, your committee hope

will proceed under the same laws of progress and completion which attended such measures as the abolition of slavery, the extension of free trade, and reform, in the mother country. We must continue to propagate the pure principles of our Order among the rising generation, in the hope that, when, in the course of time, they will attain to the position of leading members of the community, they will naturally carry into practice what was deeply impressed on their minds in youth. Your committee would recommend the adoption of a suggestion in the report of the Grand Worthy Patriarch, in reference to the printing and circulating a brief address, to be presented to all the members of the Order, on the subject of regular attendance at the Division Rooms.

Your committee would further recommend, in view of the report of the Agency Committee, that the suggestion contained in it, of having the work performed by the local and district deputies, in country places, be adopted, leaving the particular arrangements to the different parties and the committee; and that the endeavors of the Agency Committee be continued, in order to procure the services of an efficient and acceptable lecturer for Halifax County and vicinity; and that for this latter purpose the sum of £100 be placed at their disposal.

In conclusion, your committee would recommend the formation of County Conventions, and the continued action in every practicable case of the old Total Abstinence Societies; also the formation, where possible, of Young Men's Christian Associations, on sound Temperance principles, for the promotion of the great cause we all have in hand.

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

JAMES ROBERTSON.

CHARLES TUPPER.

JAMES BIGH.

April 23rd. 1858.

P. G. W. P., Rev. Dr. Cramp, Rev. S. W. Deblois, and Rev. Dr. Tupper, were appointed the Committee to prepare the Address to the Members of the Order, and the Grand Scribe was instructed to have it published and circulated. Rev. George Armstrong, as Chairman, presented the following report from Committee on Communications, which was adopted:

The Committee on Communications beg leave to report :

1. In relation to that from the Grand Scribe of New-Brunswick, we recommend that, as this Grand Division is unable to send delegates to the next Session of the National Division, the G. Scribe be instructed to communicate with the G. Scribe of New-Brunswick, that we are not in a position to aid them in the object of their communication.

We, however, express our desire that the National Division of North America would hold their meeting for 1859 in the city of Halifax, Nova-Scotia, or so near the British Provinces that a large number of representatives from the Provinces may be able to attend; and also recommend that the Grand Scribe be instructed to bring this subject to the notice of the National Division, through the Most Worthy Scribe.

2. They recommend that brother C. H. Harrington's resignation as Chairman of the Cape-Breton Temperance Committee "be accepted;" and that the thanks of the G. Division be presented to that zealous brother, for his past services in the cause of Temperance.

All which is respectfully submitted in L., P. and F.,
 GEORGE ARMSTRONG, *Chairman.*
 RODERICK FRASER,
 ABRAHAM VANBUSKIRK.

BERWICK, April 23, 1858.

The report of Committee to devise means, &c., was taken up, discussed, amended, and adopted as follows :

The Committee appointed at the last Quarterly Session, to devise means whereby the debts of this Grand Division may be liquidated, beg leave to report that, impressed with the importance of the duty assigned them, they have given to the subject their most earnest consideration.

After mature deliberation, your committee decided upon making an appeal to the members of the Order under this jurisdiction, a copy of which is as follows :

(See *Abstainer*, 15th March, 1858.)

Your committee regret that this effort, like previous ones does not meet the difficulty. The whole amount reported at the present time, is comparatively trifling; yet, as there are a number of Divisions not yet heard from, and the committee of the city Divisions are yet engaged in collecting, the com-

Committee believe that if their brethren throughout the Province contribute in the same proportion as is being done in the city, a very fair proportion of the means will be realized. Yet, as there will, of necessity, be a deficiency, and funds beyond the ordinary income will be required to enable this body to carry on their Temperance work, your committee would respectfully offer, for the consideration of the Grand Division, the following suggestions :

1st. The adhering to the resolution passed at the Quarterly Session held at Nictaux, in April, 1857, recommending the making up a collection at each Session.

2nd. The propriety of recommending to the several subordinate Divisions to hold at least one public meeting, soiree or entertainment, in each year, the proceeds of which, either by admission fee or collection taken at the meeting, to be appropriated as a supplementary offering to this Grand Division, for Temperance purposes.

Your committee regret that they have not been able to offer any suggestions more feasible or worthy the consideration of this meeting.

Submitted in L., P. & F.,

R. M. BARRATT,
H. A. TAYLOR,
J. D. WALLACE.

HALIFAX, N. S., 19th April, 1858.

On motion, it was

Resolved : That a remittance be made to the M. W. Scribe, as soon as the Grand Treasurer be in possession of sufficient funds.

Grand Division adjourned, to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Division assembled at 2 o'clock, P. M., 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. T., G. Chaplain, G. Con., G. Sentinel, P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled as in Morning Session, except P. G. W. P.'s Chair, to which brother Charles Norwood was appointed, *pro tem*.

The Minutes of Morning Session were read and approved.

The following report was presented by brother R. M. Barratt, discussed clause by clause, and adopted :

The Special Committee to whom was referred the report of the Committee on the Prohibitory Liquor Law, have given the matter due consideration.

Your committee recommend that the expenses incurred by the brothers, in the prosecution of this matter, be paid, and that the thanks of this Grand Division be given to that committee, for their diligence on the subject.

Your committee deeply regret that the application made in this instance has failed to secure the support of the professed friends of Temperance, and especially that any of the representatives of the people should be found forgetting, in their places in Parliament, that respect which is justly due to the reasonable requests of so intelligent and numerous a portion of their constituents as comprise the Temperance body.

Your committee further recommend the continual agitation of the question of Legal Prohibition, and the necessity of more active and united action on the part of all the friends of Temperance as regards the political aspect of the question, is dependent of all party considerations.

In conclusion, your committee trust that the amendment proposed to the License Laws will be found effective in controlling, to some extent, the great evils of the traffic, and hope the day is not distant when this blot upon our Statute Book shall be swept entirely away.

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

BENJAMIN MORSE,
R. M. BARRATT,
C. C. HAMILTON.

GRAND DIVISION ROOM, April 23, 1858.

On motion, it was

Resolved: That on all occasions when public meetings are held in connection with the Quarterly Sessions, a collection be taken in aid of the funds of the Grand Division.

On motion of the Grand Scribe, seconded by P.G.W. A., James Mosher, it was unanimously

Resolved: That the thanks of the Grand Division be tendered to the residents of Berwick, for the courtesy and kind hospitality extended by them to representatives from a distance, and also to Aurora Division, No. 68, for the use of their Division Room during the present Session.

An hour was occupied in interesting conversation on the state of the Order and Cause in several districts in the Province, in which a number of the Representatives participated.

The Minutes of this Session were read and approved.

After a very harmonious and interesting Session, the Grand Division was closed, to meet again in Quarterly Session, at Hillsburg, Digby County, on Wednesday, 28th day of July, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

PATRICK MONAGHAN,
Grand Scribe.

HALIFAX, N. S., 26th April, 1858.

NOTE.—The sum of £1 5s. was collected from members, towards debt of Grand Division.—G. S.

NOTICE.

ALL communications for the Grand Division are to be addressed to PATRICK MONAGHAN, 143 Albemarle-street, Halifax, between Prince and George-streets.

THE GRAND TREASURER, in account with the G. DIVISION

| 1858. | | DR. | £ | s. | d. |
|--|--|-----|-----------|----|----|
| Jan. 15. | To balance on hand at this date, per account rendered, including £10 of the Bazaar Fund, | | 10 | 9 | 5 |
| Mar. 27. | Cash from G. S. for Bazaar..... | | 7 | 9 | 0 |
| | | | <hr/> | | |
| | | | £17 18 11 | | |
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| | | | 0 | 9 | 5 |
| | | | 16 | 15 | 9 |
| April 15. | Do. Do. Do..... | | 29 | 16 | 7 |
| | | | <hr/> | | |
| | | | £47 1 0 | | |
| | | | <hr/> | | |
| April 15. | Balance of General Account..... | | 2 | 9 | 3 |
| | | | <hr/> | | |
| Bazaar Fund deposited in the Provincial Savings Bank, £167 9 0 | | | | | |

| 1857. | | CR. | £ | s. | d. |
|-----------|---|-----|----------|----|----|
| March 27. | By deposit in Savings Bank on account of Bazaar Fund..... | | 17 | 9 | 0 |
| | | | 0 | 9 | 5 |
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| | | | 17 18 11 | | |
| | | | <hr/> | | |
| | | | 2 | 10 | 0 |
| | | | 10 | 1 | 15 |
| | | | 11 | 12 | 10 |
| April 15. | Do. Editor Abstainer | | 12 | 1 | 4 |
| | | | 13 | 25 | 6 |
| | | | 14 | 1 | 5 |
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| | | | £47 1 0 | | |
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E. F.

ROB. NOBLE, G. T.

HALIFAX, N. S.

THE G. SCRIBE, in account with the GRAND DIVISION.

| | | DR. | £ s. d. |
|-------|----------|--|---------|
| 1858. | Jan. 15. | To balance due Grand Division..... | 1 1 3 |
| 9 5 | 19. | Tax, Dec. quarter, 1857:—Hero of Kars, 9s. | |
| 9 2 | | 9d.; Emblem, 5s.; New Caledonia, 10s. 6d.; | |
| 18 11 | | New Glasgow, 11s. 6d.; Albion Mines, 9s. | |
| 9 3 | | 6d.; Lunenburg, 5s.; Evening Star, 6s. 3d.; | |
| 15 4 | | Margaretville, 8s. 9d.; Invincible, 6s.; June | |
| 16 7 | | Rose, 12s.; Agricola, 6s. 3d.; Rising Sun, | |
| | | 11s.; Avondale, 10s. 3d.; Port Royal, 2s. 6d.; | |
| | | Concord, 4s. 9d.; Wellington, 10s. 3d.; | |
| | | Rechab, 8s. 3d..... | 6 17 6 |
| 1 0 | Feb. 2. | A. W. Mc'Leilan, D. G. W. P., tax Iron Age for | |
| 9 2 | | 1857..... | 1 16 0 |
| 9 0 | April 1. | Amounts received for new Ritual:—Star, 7s. | |
| 9 0 | | 6d.; New Glasgow, 7s. 6d.; Lunenburg, 7s. | |
| 9 0 | | 6d.; Chester, 7s. 6d.; Agricola, 7s. 6d.; | |
| 9 0 | | Rising Sun, 7s. 6d.; Pugwash, 7s. 6d.; Star | |
| 9 0 | | in the East, (bal.) 5s.; June Rose, 7s. 6d.; | |
| 9 0 | | Concord, 7s. 6d.; Avon, 7s. 6d.; Hantsport, | |
| 9 0 | | 7s. 6d.; Rechab, 7s. 6d.; Morning Star, 38, | |
| 9 0 | | 7s. 6d.; Columbia, 7s. 6d.; Iron Age, 7s. 6d.; | |
| 18 1 | | Evening Star, 7s. 6d.; Kellogg, 7s. 6d.; | |
| 10 4 | | Vesper, 7s. 6d.; Union, 7s. 6d.; Margaret- | |
| 15 10 | | ville, 7s. 6d.; C. Pinkney, on account, four | |
| 10 4 | | setts, 21s.; Mainmast, 7s. 6d.; Roseway, 7s. | |
| 6 1 | | 6d.; Royal, 7s. 6d.; Wellington, 7s. 6d.; T. | |
| 5 9 | | S. Bown, bal. on three setts, 9s. 6d.; New | |
| 9 0 | | Caledonia, 7s. 6d.; Victoria Mines, 7s. 6d.; | |
| 1 1 | | Aurora, on account, 5s. 9d..... | 11 16 3 |
| 6 1 | | Charters and Ritual:—Havelock Division, 35s.; | |
| 5 9 | | Rocklin, 35s.; Temple, 35s.; Miner's Hope, | |
| 9 0 | | 55s.; Pittacus, 35s..... | 8 15 0 |
| 1 1 | | Amounts received towards Bazaar Fund:— | |
| 6 1 | | Concord, 20s.; Rising Sun, 20s.; Aurora, | |
| 5 9 | | (bal. of 50s.) 38s. 9d.; Treasurer Bazaar | |
| 9 0 | | Committee, 70s. 9½d..... | 7 9 6½ |
| 1 1 | | Amount received for Journals of Grand Division | 3 0 0 |
| 6 1 | | “ “ Cards of Odes..... | 1 11 3 |
| 5 9 | | “ “ Ritual for Female Visitors | 1 1 6 |
| 9 0 | | Tax March quarter:—Central Division, 7s. 9d.; | |
| 1 1 | | Milton, 15s.; Union, 9s. 9d.; Chebucto, 39s. | |
| 6 1 | | 3d.; Micmac, 29s. 9d.; Mayflower, 43s.; | |
| 5 9 | | Hebron, 10s.; Star, 5s. 9d.; Columbia, 4s.; | |
| 9 0 | | Howard, 13s. 9d.; Royal, 8s. 9d.; Mainmast, | |
| 1 1 | | on account, 5s. 9d.; Star in the East, 20s.; | |
| 6 1 | | Lake, 6s. 9d.; Agricola, 7s.; Wallace, 9s.; | |
| 5 9 | | Margaretville, 10s. 6d.; Athenæum, 15s. | |
| 9 0 | | 9d.; Invincible, 5s. 9d.; Wellington, 11s. | |
| 9 0 | | 6d.; Emblem, 10s.; June Rose, 11s. 9d.; | 15 0 6 |

Carried forward..... £58 8 ½

THE G. SCRIBE, in account with the GRAND DIVISION.

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| | Brought forward..... | £58 8 9 |
| | Hero of Kars, 8s. ; Temple, 4s. ; Roseway, 7s. 6d. ; Truro, 18s. 6d. ; Kellogg, 8s. ; Ves- per, 5s. 3d. ; Avon, 6s. ; New Glasgow, 12s. 6d. ; Albion Mines, 12s. 6d. ; Havelock, 18s. ; Rocklin, 6s. 3d. ; Hantsport, 12s. 6d. ; Tre- mont, 7s. 6d. ; New Caledonia, 10s. 9d. ; Victoria Mines, 16s. 3d. | 7 15 |
| 15. | Amounts received towards debt of G. D. :— Bowes & Sons, 30s. ; Kellogg Division, 10s. ; Vesper Division, 10s. ; members of Star Di- vision, 15s. ; ditto Union, 11s. 6d. ; ditto Atheneum, 31s. 10½d. ; do. Columbia, 6s. 9d. | 5 15 |
| | Amount received for blank quarterly returns | 0 18 |
| | “ “ Dispensation Fees..... | 0 15 |
| | | <hr/> £73 12 |
| 1858. | CR. | |
| Feby. 8. | By paid Bowes & Sons, 250 Cards of Odes..... | 1 15 |
| 26. | “ J. A. Graham, for Stationery..... | 0 11 |
| | “ Do. Do..... | 0 1 |
| March 8. | “ Bowes & Sons, pr'g Seals on Cards, &c. | 0 7 |
| 27. | “ G. Treasurer on General Account..... | 16 15 |
| | “ Do. account Bazaar Fund | 7 9 |
| April 15. | “ Do. General Account..... | 29 16 |
| | “ G. Scribe's Salary, to 1st April..... | 10 0 |
| | “ Postages, &c., during quarter..... | 2 10 |
| | “ Balance due Grand Division. | 4 6 |
| | | <hr/> £73 12 |

PATRICK MONAGHAN, G. S.

HALIFAX, N. S., 15th April, 1858.

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT AT THE SESSION.

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| P. Monaghan, G. Scribe..... | } | Chebucto, No. 7. |
| Rodk. Fraser,..... | | |
| Robt. M. Barratt..... | | Micmac, No. 8. |
| Rev. Dr. Robertson, D. G. W. P..... | } | Wilberforce, No. 28. |
| Beniah Morse..... | | |
| James Mosher, P. G. W. A..... | | Chester, No. 32. |
| Rev. John McMurray, G. W. P..... | | Truro, No. 41. |
| Rev. George Armstrong..... | } | Olive Branch, No. 44. |
| James R. Currell..... | | |
| C. C. Hamilton, M. D..... | } | Canard, No. 50. |
| J. L. Dickey..... | | |
| H. C. Marsters, M. D., D. G. W. P..... | } | |
| T. H. Parker..... | | |
| Wm. C. Shaw..... | | |
| G. W. Caldwell..... | | |
| James Beckwith..... | | Aurora, No. 68. |
| Abel Parker..... | | |
| Isaac Shaw..... | | |
| James Morse..... | | |
| Charles Norwood..... | | |
| George H. Dimock..... | | |
| Nathan Tupper..... | } | |
| James M. Silver..... | | |
| James Bligh..... | | Lake, No. 71. |
| William Chase..... | } | |
| John L. Dunham..... | | |
| A. Vanbuskirk, D. G. W. P..... | | |
| Isaac Foster..... | | |
| John Rockwell..... | | Invincible, No. 100. |
| George Best..... | } | |
| Elisha D. Harris..... | | |
| Rev. Dr. Charles Tupper..... | | Tremont, No. 102. |
| Charles Brown..... | } | |
| Henry Hall..... | | |
| Thomas H. Chute..... | | Garland, No. 105. |
| Gideon Beardsley..... | | |
| Rev. Dr. J. M. Cramp, P. G. W. P..... | } | |
| Rev. S. W. Deblois, D. G. W. P..... | | Wolfville, No. 112. |
| Charles Corey..... | | |

The undermentioned Lady Visitors of Aurora Division, No. 68, were present during the Session :—

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| Beniah Morse, | Miss Clara Caldwell, | Miss Harriet Shaw, |
| Edwin Sterns, | “ Amanda Chipman, | “ Maria Shaw, |
| T. H. Parker, | “ Salome Freeman, | “ Rachel Shaw, |
| George Eaton, | “ Susan J. Parker, | “ Elizabeth West, |
| Isaac Shaw, | “ Susannah Shaw, | “ Isabella West. |