

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GRAND DIVISION

OF THE

SONS OF TEMPERANCE

OF

CANADA EAST,

AT THEIR

REGULAR MAY SESSION,

HELD AT ST. ANDREWS, ON 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 1853.

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**CANADA EAST.**

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St. Andrews, May 11, 1853.

The Grand Division met according to previous appointment in the Hall of St. Andrew's Division, for the purpose of holding its May Session—R. Kneeshaw, G.W.P. presiding.

Officers present:

R. KNEESHAW, G.W.P.  
H. ROSE, G. Scribe.  
E. S. ORR, G. Chaplain.  
P. O'CONNOR, G. Sentinel.

The following Representatives were appointed to fill the vacant chairs, *pro tem.*:

G. W. CAMERON, G.W.A.  
J. S. HALL, G. T.  
A. McEACHERN, G. Con.  
W. EASTON, P.G.W.P.

The Grand Division was then opened according to form.

The minutes of last meeting were then read and approved.

Representatives Easton and McEachern were appointed a special Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Credentials reported the Credentials of the following Representatives correct:

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRAND DIVISION,

- J. S. HALL, P.W.P., Howard Division, No. 1.  
M. M. DREW, W.P., Litchfield Division, No. 2.  
A. McCALLUM, P.W.P., Perseverance Division, No. 4.  
D. K. LIGHTHALL, P.W.P., Bethel Division, No. 5.  
JOHN GORDON, P.W.P., Aylmer Division, No. 8.  
L. CLARK, F. McMARTIN, P.W.P.'s, D. DEWER, W.P., St. Andrew's Division, No. 9.  
P.W.P.'s SCHOLEFIELD, CHRISTIE, M.D., and Rev. Mr. CONSTABLE, and W.P. BARRON, Victoria Division, No. 10.  
A. S. ROBINSON, W.P., Wellington Division, No. 20.  
R. WILSON, W.P., Chatham Division, No. 23.

The above Representatives, with the exception of Rev. Mr. Constable, were announced in waiting, introduced by the Grand Conductor, and initiated.

The G.W.P. addressed the Grand Division.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned at 6, to meet at 7 o'clock, P.M.

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May 11, 1853—7 o'clock, P.M.

The Grand Division met, pursuant to adjournment, and opened according to form.

Chairs filled same as previous session.

The Rev. T. W. Constable was announced in waiting, introduced by the Grand Conductor, and initiated.

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

*On the State of the Order*—Reps. O'Conner, Constable, and Robinson.

*On Finance*—Reps. Cameron, McEachern, and Crr.

*On Appeals*—Reps. Hall, Easton, and Clarke.

The G.W.P. submitted his report, as follows, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

### G. W. P.'S REPORT.

St. Andrews, May 11, 1853.

*Officers and Representatives,*

Six months have passed away since we assembled last for the despatch of business connected with our order, and I congratulate you on our meeting again in this place for a similar purpose. I trust that the spirit of harmony which has characterised

our former meetings will continue to pervade this assembly, and that we shall strive, by the best means, to carry out the great end of our organization—the *cause of temperance*!—not only by exhibiting its benefits in our own lives, but by exerting a wholesome influence on that society in which our providential lot is cast. We have still to lament the fearful extent to which intemperance prevails, notwithstanding the agencies employed for its suppression. Still we have cause to rejoice that, by the blessing of God, we have been made the humble instruments of much good. I am happy to learn that, in general, our divisions are working most harmoniously, and that, since we last assembled, we have added six new divisions, some of which I have visited, and I learn that the whole of them are making steady progress. This, then, should lead us to thank God and take courage. Yet much remains to be accomplished; the snares in the path of the poor inebriate are very numerous, and often awfully successful. While the unhallowed manufacture and traffic in alcoholic drinks is sanctioned by law and tolerated by custom as a beverage, but a small part of our work is done. It is, therefore, cause of deep regret, that the bill proposed by the Hon. M. Cameron, in the House of Assembly, should, by such disingenious means, have failed to be realised. I trust that, although it has been delayed, it is only for a season, and that renewed and more systematic and energetic measures will be resorted to, and that we shall still be blessed with something possessing the character and effect of the Maine Law for Canada. In the senate our voice has been already heard; our petitions have been regarded with unwonted respect, and will eventually succeed. It is only a question of time; still a fearful amount of evil may be expected to result from this delay, when it is considered that such large masses of men are likely to be brought together, whose habits are often to a large extent intemperate. In the midst of such surrounding danger, it will become our anxious duty, in our respective divisions, to watch with the utmost vigilance and care over our brethren, and whenever practicable, to make war on the enemy's camp.

I trust that amongst the various subjects which will come before us during the present session, some efficient measures will

be adopted, for the establishment of Sections of Cadets, whenever practicable, as from them we may expect to recruit our ranks by a class of persons who may have received such a valuable training.

The subject of a Temperance League, which is now engrossing the minds of temperance men in Upper Canada, may call for our attention and co-operation.

Since we last met, I have received communications from several subordinate divisions, requesting my advice on various subjects relative to the working of their divisions, where a difference of opinion existed, and which, as far as I am informed, the advice I gave has been favorably received and acted upon. I may mention in this place that our friends in Aylmer have had to pass through a painful conflict, and defend their own character and the order with which they are associated, from an attack by persons in that place, whose office and station might have been expected to have found them employed in more fitting work. This division is justly entitled to our sympathy, and we sincerely hope that they will not only sustain their present ground, but be encouraged to greater exertions.

In conclusion, I would beg leave to present my thanks to some of the Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarchs for their promptitude in sending me their quarterly reports of the state of their divisions; yet it is to be regretted, with regard to others, that their reports have been delayed, so as to prevent the Grand Scribe and myself from finishing our reports in due season. They should be sent as soon as possible after the installation of officers at the end of each quarter.

My earnest wish and prayer is, that our present session may lead us to renewed exertions, from the conviction that we shall reap in due season, if we faint not.

The whole of which is humbly submitted in Love, Purity and Fidelity,

ROBERT KNEESHAW, *G.W.P.*

The Grand Scribe submitted his report, as follows, which was referred to committees on State of the Order and Finance :

**GRAND SCRIBE'S REPORT.**

OFFICE OF THE GRAND DIVISION, S. OF T., OF C. E.  
Montreal, May 11, 1853.

*Grand Worthy Patriarch, Officers & Brothers,*

Since our last meeting, at the annual session of this Grand Division, there has been a steady improvement in the condition of the order in Canada East.

Since the annual session, six new charters have been granted, and seven new divisions instituted. The Charter for Cold Spring was granted before our last meeting, but no notice of its institution had then reached this office.

The following are the names of the new divisions, and date of institution :

- Cold Spring Division, No. 18, Dunham Flats, October 23, 1852.
- Clarenceville Division, No. 19, Clarenceville, December 11, 1852.
- Wellington Division, No. 20, Point Fortune, January 1, 1853.
- Gatineau Division, No. 21, Hull, Chelsea, February 12, 1853.
- Manningville Hope Division, No. 22, Manningville, February 16, 1853.
- Chatham Division, No. 23, Chatham, March 10, 1853.
- Cameron Division, No. 24, St. Johns, May 3, 1853.

Some of these new divisions, as will be seen by the Returns, are already in a most prosperous condition, and number more contributing members than a number of much older ones.

The "Essay on the Order of the Sons," written and read by Brother White, G.W.A., at last meeting of the Grand Division, was printed according to your order, but very few of the divisions have yet ordered any of them, thus leaving a large quantity on hand. As the tract was printed to meet the wants of the subordinate divisions under your jurisdiction, in supplying them with the means of giving more extended knowledge of the working of our order, by their distribution in the localities of their several divisions, and as the printing of the same has caused considerable expense to the Grand Division, your G. S. would urge upon divisions the propriety of sending orders for them to this office, where they can be supplied to them at the rate of 2s 6d per hundred. X

The Constitutions and By-Laws of this Grand Division have

also been printed, and copies sent to the different deputies and divisions, according to your instructions.

I have to lay before you a case of appeal from Gough Division, No. 3, in regard to the paying of benefits to a brother, now a lunatic in Beauport Asylum.

Also a notice from the same division of T<sup>r</sup>. White, G.W.A., having taken his withdrawal card from that division, and ceasing to be their representative.

Also, a letter from the Grand Scribe of the Grand Division of Eastern New York, inviting this Grand Division to meet with them at their July Session, to be held at Plattsburgh.

The following is a synopsis of the returns for the quarter ending December 31, 1852, and March 31, 1853, and also of the annual returns to the National Division, for the year ending December 31, 1852:

	Dec. 31,	March 31.
Members Initiated .. .. .	100	155
Admitted by Card .. .. .	6	20
Initiated by Dispensation .. .. .	0	0
Suspended .. .. .	12	16
Expelled .. .. .	46	28
Reinstated .. .. .	16	14
Withdrawn .. .. .	44	24
Violated the Pledge .. .. .	37	41
Signed over .. .. .	14	14
Violated the Pledge Second Time .. .. .	13	5
No. of Deaths .. .. .	0	3
No. of Contributing Members .. .. .	986	899
No. of Public Temperance Lectures held .. .. .	10	22
No. of Temperance Tracts distributed .. .. .	0	550
No. of Representatives to Grand Division .. .. .	49	47
Amount received, Initiation and Dues .. .. .	£193 18 9	£186 3 10
Percentage for Grand Division .. .. .	5 16 1½	5 12 0
Amount paid for Benefit .. .. .	18 15 0	26 11 0
Amount on hand .. .. .	383 19 0	351 7 0
Total expense, exclusive of Benefits .. .. .	82 13 9½	110 19 3

Returns have not been received from Gough, St. Lawrence, and Gatineau Divisions.

Returns of the Grand Division of Canada East to the National Division, Sons of Temperance, of North America, for the Year ending 31st December, 1852.

Number Admitted .. .. .	586
Number Suspended .. .. .	38

SONS OF TEMPERANCE, OF CANADA EAST.

Number Expelled .. .. .	102
Deaths .. .. .	6
Violated Pledge .. .. .	100
Reinstated .. .. .	39
Violated the Pledge Second Time .. .. .	24
Contributing Members .. .. .	986
No. of Public Temperance Meetings Held .. .. .	42
No. of Temperance Tracts Distributed .. .. .	150
No. of Representatives to Grand Division .. .. .	54
Cash Received .. .. .	\$2813.60
Paid for Benefits .. .. .	208.50
Cash on hand, (including moneys invested) .. .. .	1535.78
Percentage to Grand Division .. .. .	85.41
Percentage to National Division .. .. .	4.27
Names and number of Representatives to the National Division, John C. Becket, G. Mathison, T. White, R. Kneeshaw.	

The following is a statement of the receipts and expenditures of this office since last meeting :

*Grand Division of Canada East, in account with H. Rose, Grand Scribe.*

— Dr. —

1852.		
Nov. 6,	To paid for Emblems, Voucher 1, .. .. .	£2 8 0
1853.		
Jan. 14,	To paid for do., Ware & Co., Hamilton, Voucher 2, .. .. .	8 10 0
Feb. 5,	To paid expenses on Regalia, Voucher 3, .. .. .	0 7 6
March,	To paid M. W. S. percentage and account, Voucher 4, .. .. .	1 15 0
March,	To paid G. C. Barnard account, Voucher 5, .. .. .	0 18 9
April 3,	To paid expenses of Parcel from Philadelphia, Voucher 6, .. .. .	0 6 2
April 3,	To paid J. C. Becket's account for Printing, Voucher 7, .. .. .	30 0 0
May 10,	To paid for Travelling Trunk, Voucher 8, .. .. .	0 10 0
May 10,	To paid Postage, sundry to date, .. .. .	1 8 0
May 10,	To paid G. T. Watson, .. .. .	24 0 0
	Balance on hand, .. .. .	0 3 7
		<hr/> £70 7 0

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By cash received on account of percentage for Qr., Dec. 31,	£5 18 7
By cash do do do do March 31,	3 17 10½
By cash received for Charters and B.Bs., .. .. .	9 0 0
By cash received for proportion to G. D. Charter, .. .. .	3 15 0
By cash received for Books, Regalia, Emblems, &c., accounts and sales, .. .. .	46 16 9
By cash received for White's Tract, sales, .. .. .	0 18 9
	<hr/> 70 7 0

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRAND DIVISION,

## To amounts due by Grand Division :

P. T. Ware & Co., Hamilton, for Regalia, .. .. .	£18 0 0
Aitken & Co., Montreal, for Regalia, .. .. .	3 7 0
M. W. Scribe, National Division, .. .. .	1 14 10
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	£23 1 10

## Amounts to be refunded to the following Divisions, who advanced the same for Charter of Grand Division :

Huntingdon Perseverance, .. .. .	£1 0 0
Bethel, Ormstown, .. .. .	1 0 0
Glengarry, Williamstown, .. .. .	1 0 0
Howard Division, .. .. .	0 7 6
Gough Division, .. .. .	0 7 6
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	3 15 0
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	£26 16 10
	28 6 1½
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Total amount of accounts due by Sub-Divisions, ..	

## ABSTRACT.

Cash in hands of Treasurer, .. .. .	£34 1 1½
Amounts due by Grand Division, .. .. .	26 16 10
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	£7 4 3½
Amounts due by Sub-Divisions .. .. .	28 6 1½
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	£35 10 5
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More Divisions have been instituted during this last term than any previous one since we have had a Grand Division, auguring that the extension of our Order in Canada East will yet be considerable. There is still plenty of room for more divisions, and if our deputies and members continue their activity, in next report we may have the pleasure of announcing still more additions to our number; and thus will our work ever go on until the community is thoroughly leavened by our principles, so that when the Maine Law comes, as it surely will, it may not be said as is too often said, that we are not prepared for it.

The whole respectfully submitted in L. P. & F.,

HENRY ROSE, G. S.

The Grand Treasurer presented his report, as follows, which was referred to the Committee on Finance :

*To the Officers and Brothers of the Grand Division of Canada East.*

The Grand Treasurer begs leave to submit his

REPORT :

May 10. To balance last quarter .....	£10	1	1½
To cash from Grand Scribe Rose .....	24	0	0
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Total amount.....	£34	1	1½

CHAS. P. WATSON, G.T.

The resignation of T. White as G.W.A., in consequence of his having left Canada East, and gone to reside in Canada West, was announced to the Grand Division.

On motion, the resignation was accepted.

Reps. M'Eachern, Barron, Easton, Dewar, and D. K. Lighthall, were nominated to fill the office of G.W.A.

Reps. Lighthall declined.

On ballot, Rep. M'Eachern was declared elected G.W.A., and installed into office.

Rep. Cameron was appointed to fill the chair of G. Conductor, *pro tem.*

Rep. Orr, of St. Andrew's Division, in name of that division, invited the Grand Division to join a demonstration of the Sons of Temperance, at 2 o'clock, and attend a public meeting there after.

On motion of Grand Scribe Rose, the invitation was accepted.

The Committee on the formation of a Grand Section of Cadets for Canada East, asked for time to report.

On motion of Rep. Hall, they were allowed to next session to report.

Moved by Rep. M. M. Drew, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That the propriety of altering the Constitution of subordinate divisions, so that youths of 15 years and upwards, instead of 18, be admitted into divisions, be taken into consideration by the Committee on the State of the Order.

Moved by Rep. M. M. Drew, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That this Grand Division recommend to the different subordinate divisions under its jurisdiction, to so alter their

By-Laws, that members joining by card be not asked to pay any initiation fee.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned at half-past 10, until next day at 10 o'clock, A.M.

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 May 12, 1853—10 o'clock, A.M.

The Grand Division met according to adjournment, and was opened in usual form.

Officers present, same as at last night's session.

The minutes of yesterday's meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on Appeals presented their report.

On motion, the documents in this case were ordered to be read before the Grand Division, and accordingly done.

The report, as follows, was adopted unanimously :

*To the Officers and Brothers of the Grand Division of Canada East.*

Your Committee on Appeals beg leave to

REPORT :

That they have carefully examined the several papers and documents referred to in Appeal case of Brother James Shewbridge, whereby it appears that brother Shewbridge was a Member in good standing in Gough Division, No. 3, Sons of Temperance, Quebec, and bearing a good moral character, which is admitted by the Gough Division. That this Brother, some time after his initiation, fell sick, which sickness resulted in the very worst of human afflictions, Insanity—that he was placed, and where he is now, in the Beaufort Lunatic Asylum, where, it appears the best of care is taken of him. It appears that Gough Division, by one of its By-Laws, binds its body to pay ten shillings per week for a sick or disabled brother, unless such sickness or disability arises from misconduct: such in this instance has not been the case, for it appears that the affliction to this brother has not been occasioned by any misconduct on his part, but apparently attributable to the institution of the Almighty. It appears Gough Division has paid him said benefits to the amount of £7 10s. 0d., and has not since paid him any further benefits, for reason that if the benefits are paid by the Division, they must go to the Provincial Government, inasmuch as he is under their care, and the family of the brother would in consequence be no better off than at present, and therefore the Division, by resolution, refused payment of any further benefits; to which decision five members of Gough Division have appealed, on the ground that, by the hereinbefore recited By-Law the division is bound to pay the weekly stipend to his wife for her support, and that of her four children.

Your Committee, over and above a careful examination of the papers and vouchers filed and produced in this case, and taking into consideration the circumstances of the case, the evil results which would follow to the Order by adopting such a precedent, have come to the decision, that Gough Division, having enacted such a By-Law, is bound, as well by the law itself as by justice and equity and by the bonds of the Order, to pay this weekly stipend to the brother or his family, so long as he remains in the state in which he is.

Your Committee would recommend that this Grand Division notify Gough Division of their opinion, that the arrears of benefits and all future benefits should be paid, and handed over to the wife of Brother Shewbridge, for her and her children's support.

All which is respectfully submitted, in Love, Purity and Fidelity,

W. EASTON.  
JOHN S. HALL.  
LEONARD CLARK.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was adopted :

*To the Officers and Brothers of the Grand Division of Canada East.*

We, your Committee of Finance, beg leave to

REPORT :

That we have examined the Grand Scribe's and Grand Treasurer's accounts and vouchers, and do find them correct.

We beg to recommend that the sum of ten pounds be paid to the Grand Scribe, from the funds of the Grand Division, as a remuneration for his services during the present year.

Humbly submitted in Love, Purity and Fidelity,

ELIAS S. ORR.  
A. M·EACHERN.  
GEO. W. CAMERON.

A communication from Brother J. B. Cliff, P.W.P. of Clarenceville Division, anent employing a lecturer during the ensuing winter, and also stating his reason and asking to be excused for non-attendance at the meeting of the Grand Division.

On motion, the communication was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order, and his excuse accepted.

Moved by Rep. Easton, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That this Grand Division do immediately present, through the Grand Scribe, to Eastern Star Union, No. 1, Daughters of Temperance, of the City of Montreal, blank books of investigating committee and receipts.

Grand Conductor Cole arrived, and took his seat.

Rep. C. Brodie of Gough Division, No. 3, was announced in waiting, and his credentials being reported correct, was introduced and initiated.

The Grand Division adjourned, to join the demonstration at 2 o'clock, and to meet again at 7 P.M.

May 12, 1853—7 o'clock, P.M.

The Grand Division met according to adjournment.

Officers present, same as previous session, except G. Conductor absent.

Rep. Clark was appointed to act as G. Con., *pro tem*.

Rep. J. Johnson, W.P. of Wellington Division, was announced in waiting, and his credentials being reported correct, was introduced and initiated.

The Committee on the State of the Order presented the following report, which was adopted :

*To the Officers and Brothers of the Grand Division of Canada East.*

Your Committee on the State of the Order beg to

REPORT :

That they have had under consideration the Report of the Grand Scribe for the term ending the 11th May, 1853.

Your Committee are glad to ascertain that the cause of our beloved Order is so steadily progressing, and rejoice in the evidence so manifestly afforded by the organization of seven new divisions since the last meeting of the Grand Division, and that those divisions have been formed under more favorable auspices than that of their predecessors. Your Committee regret to see that the Essay written on the Order, by brother G. W. A. White, has been allowed to lay upon the hand of the Grand Division, and regret that divisions have not availed themselves of the valuable information it affords. Your Committee feel gratified at the promptness with which the Grand Scribe has printed and circulated the Constitution and By-Laws of this division.

Your Committee regret to learn of the withdrawal of G. W. A. White from the jurisdiction of this division, of which he has proved such an active and efficient member.

Your Committee would recommend that as many as can make it convenient of this Grand Division, should meet with the Grand Division of New York, to be held at Plattsburgh, on 13th July.

Your Committee have carefully perused the report of the Grand Worthy Patriarch, and would especially call attention to the suggestions it contains ; and

although we feel with the Grand Worthy Patriarch some disappointment at the loss of the Hon. M. Cameron's bill, yet there is cause for more gratitude and hope than despondency, when we consider it was lost by a so small a majority, and feel with him that it only requires renewed exertions, coupled with fidelity, in members, and zeal in the officers of this and subordinate divisions, to secure the wide spread of our glorious principles, and the ultimate passage of those laws by which the curse of our country shall cease to receive the sanction of law.

Your Committee would urge upon the D.G. W.P.s. the importance and necessity of transmitting their reports to the G.W.P., giving full and sufficient accounts of the state of those divisions under their care, at their earliest convenience, after the expiration of each quarterly term, so as to enable him to make up his report as full as possible.

Your Committee would also impress upon every member the suggestion of the G.W.P., that the utmost vigilance should characterise our watchful care of each other, and, at the same time, that large and benevolent views should be always a distinguishing feature of our organization, and thus shall we shine as lights in dark places.

Your Committee has had under consideration the resolution proposing an alteration in the Constitution, and they deem it advisable to recommend that it lay over for the present, as it involves matters deeply affecting the interests of the Order.

Your Committee have had under consideration the communication from Clarenceville, and recommend to the various divisions the adoption of the suggestion which it embodies, viz., that 7½d be paid by each member, as a contribution towards defraying the expenses of a public lecturer. We recommend that a committee of this Grand Division be appointed to engage a lecturer, and superintend the field of his labors.

Your Committee would recommend to every subordinate division the propriety of getting up a mass meeting in every locality, for the purpose of showing the propriety and necessity of the Maine Law; at the same time of renewing their exertions to obtain signatures to petitions which shall be presented to both branches of the Legislature, praying that such a law may be passed at its next session.

Believing that it requires renewed and increased exertion to spread our principles through the length and breadth of the land, we recommend that all suitable efforts be put forth during the ensuing summer, for the accomplishment of so desirable an end.

All of which is respectfully submitted in Love, Purity and Fidelity,

P. O'CONNOR.  
A. S. ROBERTSON.  
T. W. CONSTABLE.

On motion of Rep. Scholefield, the Grand Scribe was instructed to communicate with subordinate divisions in the matter of raising subscriptions to employ a lecturer.

Moved by G. Con. Cole, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to confer with any public lecturer that they may deem suitable, and that the Grand

Scribe be a member of said committee, *ex officio*, and report at next meeting.

The G. W. P. appointed the following committee for that purpose :

G. Con. Cole, Quebec ; Reps. W. Easton and John S. Hall, Montreal ; Rev. T. W. Constable and the G. W. P., Lachute.

Moved by Rep. Easton, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That this Grand Division recommend to all subordinate divisions under its jurisdiction, the propriety of immediately aiding and encouraging the Canadian Temperance League, at present in operation in Upper Canada, by forming branches thereof in their respective localities, or take such steps as to form an independent league for Lower Canada.

Moved by Rep. Easton, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That this Grand Division recommend to all subordinate divisions under its jurisdiction, the propriety of forming in every locality where a division of the Sons of Temperance is in operation, a Union of the Daughters of Temperance and a Section of Cadets.

On motion of Rep. Easton, G. Con. Cole was granted permission to address the Grand Division, giving explanations in the case of appeal from Gough Division.

The G. W. P. asked, will the Grand Division reconsider the case of appeal from Gough Division ?

The Grand Division answered in the negative.

G. Con. Cole then rose and appealed from the decision of this Grand Division, as given in the case of appeal from Gough Division, to the National Division.

Moved by G. Con. Cole, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this Grand Division, all accounts referred to a Finance Committee should be immediately paid, without being referred back to such division, as the said account shall have been presented.

Moved by Rep. M. M. Drew, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That it is the opinion of the National Division and this Grand Division, that Sons of Temperance who sign petitions for tavern licenses, shall be held guilty of violating Article 2 of the Constitution.

Moved by G. W. A. McEachern :

*Resolved*, That when this session of the Grand Division closes, we adjourn, to meet in Huntingdon, on the Second Wednesday of August, at 10 A.M.

Moved in amendment by Rep. Dewar, "That Aylmer be substituted, instead of Huntingdon."

Amendment adopted.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned at 11 o'clock, to meet next morning at 9.

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May 13, 1853—9 A.M.

Officers present, G.W.P., G.W.A., G. S., G. T. Hall, G. Sen., G. Con. Clark. Representative Scholefield, Chaplain, and M. M. Drew, P.G.W.P.

Grand Division opened in due form.

Minutes of yesterday read and approved.

Rep. Scholefield submitted the following :

*Resolved*, That a recommendation be made by this Grand Division to all subordinate divisions under its jurisdiction, to the effect, that a reserve fund be established, to which each subordinate division shall contribute yearly the sum of —, to which members of our order, joining, by card, to other divisions in C.E., can apply for relief, in case of sickness, and during the six months immediately following the deposit of card in such division as they may join.

Laid on the table till next meeting.

Rep. Easton submitted the following :

*Resolved*, That from henceforth the seal of this Grand Division shall not be printed on letter or other paper, and used by the proper officers of this Grand Division, but that the same shall only be used and affixed in the usual way that official seals are, after the name of the proper officer is affixed.

Laid on the table till next meeting.

Moved by Rep. C. Brodie, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That the proceedings of the present session of this Grand Division be printed, and the proportion of 5 copies for every 50 members be sent to each of the subordinate divisions under this jurisdiction.

Moved by Rep. M. M. Drew, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That copies of the petition for the Maine Liquor Law, adopted by this Grand Division, be printed, and copies sent to the subordinate divisions for signatures, for presentation at next session of Parliament.

Moved by G. Con. Cole, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That the Grand Scribe be authorised to put himself in communication with the committee appointed at the September session of this Grand Division, to draw up a memorial to the Provincial Parliament, for an Act of Incorporation, and urge immediate action.

Moved by Rep. Easton, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That the Grand Scribe be requested to procure forthwith 50 printed cards, containing the Odes of Installation, Initiation, &c., of this Grand Division.

Moved by G. W. A. McEachern, and adopted :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Grand Division are due, and are hereby tendered to the brethren of St. Andrew's Division, for their kind entertainment of the members of this Grand Division, who have come from a distance to attend this session, the said thanks to be communicated to them by our G.W.P.

On motion of G.W.A. McEachern, the Grand Division adjourned, to meet at Aylmer on the second Wednesday of August, at 10 o'clock, A.M.

Minutes of this day read and approved.

Grand Division closed in due form with prayer.

HENRY ROSE,  
*Grand Scribe.*