

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
Sons of Temperance
OF
CANADA EAST,

AT THE
Half-Yearly Session and Ninth Annual Meeting.



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DURHAM, ORMSTOWN, 4th July, 1860,
Wednesday, 4 P.M.

THE Grand Division of Canada East assembled in Ormstown, Bethel Division Rooms, for the purpose of holding its Semi-Annual Session.

Officers present.—G.W.A. Kenneth Ross, and G.S. John S. Hall.

In the absence of the G.W.P., the chair was occupied by the G.W.A.

The following Representatives were then named to fill the vacant offices, *pro. tem* :—

J. C. Becket, G.W.A.,
J. McWilliams, G.T.,
A. Manson, Grand Chap.,
W. Winters, G. Con.,
J. Dawson, G. Sen.,
A. McEachern, P.G.W.P.

The Grand Division was then opened in usual form.

Representatives McWilliams, Bryson, and J. M. Hall were ap-

pointed a Committee on Credentials, who reported the Credentials of the following Brothers to be correct, viz:—

W. B. Allan, James Jarvis, P.W.P.'s, and W. J. Patterson, W.P., Howard Division, No. 1.

Robert Brodie, P.W.P., Gough Division No. 3.

J. Ford, G. Anderson, H. S. Lighthall, James Vosburgh, P.W.P.'s, and Philip McDonald, W.P., Huntingdon Perseverance, No. 4.

Mathew Wright, W.P., S. M. Lighthall and Joseph Cairns, P.W.P.'s, Ormstown Bethel, No. 5.

John B. Snider, W.P., and John M. Snider, P.W.P., Lancaster Division, No. 11.

Wm. White, Wm. McIntosh, D. C. Boyce, James Baird, Wm. Lumsden, James Baird, R. Graham, A. McIntosh, P.W.P.'s, St. Michael's Union, No. 14.

J. Rickaby, P.W.P., St. Lawrence, No. 16.

Rob. Johnston, jr., S. Henderson, John Purse, P.W.P.'s, and R. Johnston, sen., W.P., Gore Progressive, No. 45.

Alex. Bryson and John Dawson, P.W.P.'s, Eastern Star, No. 49.

The following Representatives being in waiting were introduced and initiated.

Howard Division, No. 1.—W. J. Patterson.

Huntingdon Perseverance, No. 4.—G. Anderson.

Ormstown Bethel, No. 5.—Mathew Wright, Simon Fax, W. McNaughton, Joseph Cairns.

Lancaster Division, No. 11.—John M. Snider and J. B. Snider.

St. Michael's Union, No. 14.—James Baird and Robert Graham.

Gore Progressive, No. 45.—S. Henderson, John Purse and Rob. Johnston, jr.

The following Committees were appointed:—

GOOD AND WELFARE.—Rep. J. C. Becket, A. McEachern and W. J. Patterson.

FINANCE.—Rep. J. M. Hall, J. McWilliams and Wm. White.
 RETURNS, &c.—Rep. Alex. Bryson, J. M. Hall, and R. Brodie.
 The G. W. P.'s Report was read as follows:—

GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCH'S REPORT,
 FOR HALF-YEAR ENDING JULY 1, 1860.

MONTREAL, July 4, 1860.

To the Grand Division, Sons of Temperance, Canada East.

WORTHY BROTHERS:—

In accordance with custom and requirement, I submit this my Semi-Annual Report.

In presenting this report your G. W. P. would congratulate the Grand Division upon the general prosperity and increase of our noble Order in Canada East. The evidence of this increase is very marked in comparing the returns for the quarter ending June 30, 1859, (which shows the total number of contributing members as 793) with the returns for quarter ending March 31, 1860, (showing total number to be 1260,) giving an increase during that period of 467.

The increase of new Divisions has been in keeping with this increase of members, so much so, that we have instituted a greater number for this half-year, than during any similar period in the past, eight new Divisions and 2 old ones resuscitated, making an addition of 10 new Divisions since last meeting. This is all the more gratifying and encouraging as they have been organized in entirely new localities which were visited by your present Grand Scribe, Bro. Hall, and Bro. W. J. Patterson of Montreal, as mentioned in my report at last Annual Meeting.

The returns from the Deputies, in answer to the usual questions, are very satisfactory, showing that a very harmonious spirit prevails throughout the Order here.

D. G. W. P's Lambly of Leeds, McWilliams of St. Michaels, and Wanless of Huntingdon, report that through the instrumentality of the Sons in these districts, their Municipalities passed no-license By-Laws. These Brothers deserve great credit for the accomplishment of this, as great good will undoubtedly flow from it. There is a great drawback in the law, as regards the carrying out of this measure, in

the difficulty of convicting and punishing the offenders. If a clause were added to the law, giving greater facilities to this end, we could not wish for a better "Permissive Law" than the one we now have, and each Municipality that desired it could have a perfect Prohibitory Liquor Law for itself.

Since last meeting efforts were again made in the Legislature for the enactment of a Prohibitory Liquor Law. A great number of Petitions were presented from both sections of the Province, but we are still without what we want. Several bills were brought before the House bearing on the subject, but there was only one really good bill—Mr. Clarke's—and unfortunately that one seemed to be entirely overlooked, and the petitions appropriated in favor of a measure entirely local and restricted.

The Grand Division of Canada West, at its meeting last week appointed a Committee to attend our meeting and confer as to the necessity of getting up a convention on this subject, and concert measures for preparing a Prohibitory Liquor Bill, and adopt means for supporting members in the House, in favor of such a law. I would recommend this Grand Division to reciprocate in this matter by appointing a similar committee, and adopting some measures to unite all the other Temperance Organizations in the Province to take immediate action. We want little preparation; let action begin now, and a force may be accumulated by next meeting of the Legislature that may accomplish our end.

There ought to be more fraternal intercourse between the two Grand Divisions of Canada East and West, and a thorough understanding of what action each may take in advancing the interest of our Order and the cause of Temperance generally, and to this end I would recommend that this Grand Division appoint a delegation to attend the next meeting of the Grand Division of Canada West. By this means a more fraternal spirit may become manifest, which will result in benefit to both.

The Grand Division of Canada West also recommended Bros. Carswell of Oshawa, and W. J. Patterson, of Montreal, as lecturers, who would render efficient services to Subordinate Divisions. This Grand Division ought to take similar action and appoint Bro. Patterson as their accredited lecturer for Canada East.

Since last meeting I granted commissions to Bros. Patterson, Hungerford and Rev. Mr. McKillican, as Provincial Deputies, so as to enable them to open Divisions as opportunity offered. This Grand Division should also authorise the U. S. Deputies to make short excursions, similar to those he made on a previous occasion for the purpose of encouraging the establishment of new Divisions.

The attention of the Grand Division is specially directed to the Band of Hope movement now occupying so much attention, and so admirably adapted to promote the success of the great reform, for which we are banded together. These Juvenile organizations demand most cordial support from the Order of the Sons of Temperance as striking at the root of the drinking usage and their direct consequence—intemperance. I would recommend prompt and specific action.

The National Division held its Annual Meeting in Portland, early last month, and the following synopsis of returns will show the cheering progress made during the year ending Dec. 31, 1859:—

Number of Grand Divisions	41
Total number of Divisions in operation	2,398
Number admitted	53,432
Number suspended	7,590
Number expelled	11,658
Deaths	556
Violated pledge	10,246
Reinstated	4,204
Violated pledge second time	1,579
Contributing members	94,213
Number of Divisions who accepted Lady Visitors	1,103
Number of Lady Visitors in the jurisdiction	50,728
Number of public Temperance meetings held	4,157
Number of Temperance Tracts distributed	61,672
Total number Representatives to National Division	442
Number of boys organised in Temperance Associations in this jurisdiction	27,526
Paid for Benefits. (Funeral Benefits included,)	\$30,888 00
Cash on hand, (including money invested,)	\$248,904 00
Total per centage to Grand Divisions	\$18,777 16
Do do to National Division	\$941 64

There were but few Constitutional alterations made.

The per centage of Grand Divisions was changed to a per Capita Tax of 2 cents.

The following are the amendments made to the Constitution for Subordinates:—

Preamble. Strike out "shield us," and insert "*Protect ourselves and others.*"

Article 3. After "T," in list of officers to be elected, insert, "*Chap.*"

Art. 4. Sec. 3. Strike out "per centage," and insert "*per capita tax.*"

Art. 5; Sec. 2. After "moral character, or" insert "*as a benefit member one.*"

Art. 7. Strike out the whole of section 6, and make sec. 7., Sec. 6.

Art. 8. Strike out all after "Vacancies."

Art. 9. Sec. 1. Strike out "or as chaplain."

Art. 10. Sec. 7. After "membership by," insert "*being obligated and.*"

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.

HENRY ROSE, G. W. P.

On motion it was referred to "Good and Welfare Committee," and the Grand Scribe's Report was read as follows:—

GRAND SCRIBE'S REPORT.

To the Grand Division, Sons of Temperance, Canada East.

G. W. P., OFFICERS AND BROTHERS,

It affords me much pleasure on the present occasion to be enabled to congratulate you on the very encouraging condition of the Order in this jurisdiction. At no former period of its existence, I feel confident in asserting, did the prospects of the Order appear brighter than at the present moment. New Divisions springing up, dormant ones reviving, and in the case of almost all the old existing Divisions increase of numbers and activity reported. At last annual meeting of the Grand Division, the number of contributing members reported for quarter ending 30th June, 1859, was 793; I have now to report as on 31st March, 1860, the number of contributing members to be 1262. The return to the National Division for 1858 gives 667 mem-

bers—the return for 1859 shows the members to be one thousand two hundred and ten.

In compliance with a Resolution passed by the Grand Division at its annual session held in Montreal in October last, I accompanied Bro. Patterson, General Agent for the Montreal Temperance Society, in his tours through the Eastern townships on three different occasions, with the view of organizing new Divisions in that portion of the jurisdiction. The result of my labors has been the formation of seven new Divisions, and the re-organization of one long dormant. The expenses incurred by me amount to the sum of \$29.40.

Since last meeting eight new Divisions have been established, viz :

No. 44, Granby,	located in Granby, County of Shefford.
" 45, Gore Progressive,	" Gore of Finchbrooke, County of [Huntingdon.
" 46, Bedford,	located in Bedford, County of Missisquoi.
" 47, Shefford,	" Waterloo, " Shefford.
" 48, Phillipsburgh,	" Phillipsburgh, " Missisquoi.
" 49, Eastern Star,	" Montreal, " Montreal.
" 50, Adamsville,	" Adamsville, " Brome.
" 51, Pike River,	" Pike River, " Missisquoi.

I have also to report the re-organization of Lochaber Division, No. 13, Lochaber, and Cold Water Spring Division, No. 18, Dunham Flats.

Two Divisions have ceased to exist since last meeting, viz : Litchfield Division, No. 2, Portage du Fort, and Samaritan Division, No. 25, Pointe a Cavagnol.

From one Division no return has been made for the quarter ending 31st March—from two Divisions no return has been had for two quarters, and two more have made no return for four quarters.

At the meeting of the National Division lately held at Portland, Me., some alterations were made in the Constitution of Grand Divisions, as also in that of Subordinate Divisions; but as these have not yet been officially announced, it would be premature to take any particular notice of them here.

The following is a copy of the annual return to the National Division for 1859 :—

Total number of Divisions in operation	30
Number admitted	751

Number suspended	53
Violated pledge	159
Violated pledge second time	25
Reinstated	71
Number expelled	148
Deaths	1
Contributing members	1,210
Number of Divisions who accepted Lady Visitors	7
Number of Lady Visitors in the jurisdiction	122
Number of boys organised in Temperance Associations in this jurisdiction	1,567
Total number Representatives to National Division	9
Number of public Temperance meetings held	104
Paid for Benefits. (Funeral Benefits included.)	\$132 50
Cash on hand, (including money invested.)	\$2,628 27
Total per centage to Grand Division	\$218 15
Do do to National Division	\$10 90

The following is an abstract of the return from 25 Divisions for the quarter ending 31st March last :—

Initiated,	526
Withdrawn,	46
Suspended,	26
Violated Pledge,	79
Violated Pledge 2nd time,	5
Non-Payment of Dues,	34
Re-instated,	35
Expelled,	86
Deaths,	5
Contributing Members,	1,262
Lady Visitors,	229
Members of Juvenile Organizations,	1,567
Receipts,	\$600 08½
Paid for Benefits,	\$53 00
Incidental expenses	\$421 45½
Cash on hand,	\$1125 30½
Per capita Tax to Grand Division,	\$80 17

The following is the Financial Statement :

The Grand Scribe in account with Grand Division,

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July 4, 1860.	To cash received from 12th Oct. 1859, to 4th of July 1860.		
	For Charter, &c.,	- - - -	\$69 66
	Per capita tax,	- - - -	173 52
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			\$243 18

— Dr. —

July 4, 1860.	To paid J. C. Becket for Printing,	- -	\$21 00
	" H. Rose on account for Printing,	- -	36 00
	" M. W. S., on account	- -	55 00
	" G. S., expense for organizing Divisions	- -	29 40
	" G. S., allowance for 3 quarters	- -	75 00
	" Postage, &c.	- - - -	24 58
	" Stationery	- - - -	3 20
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			\$243 18

The whole respectfully submitted in L. P. and F.

JOHN S. HALL, G. S.

On motion, referred to Good and Welfare and Finance Committees.

Read Communication from St. Lawrence Division, recommending a form to be used in reinstating members who violate Art. II of the Constitution.

On motion, referred to a special Committee consisting of Reps. Bryson, Anderson and Brodie.

Committee on Lectures reported progress and craved further time to give in final report.

Moved by Rep. Manson, and adopted :

Resolved,—That the Committee be allowed further time to report.

G. W. A. Breckenridge, from Canada West, being announced in waiting was now introduced and received with all the honors.

Moved by Rep. J. M. Hall, and adopted :

Resolved,—That this Grand Division deeply deplore the loss of Rep. A. Farquhar, of St. Lawrence Division, and recommend that a special Committee be appointed to draw up a Resolution expressive of our sympathy with the widow and family of our deceased brother—said Committee to consist of Reps. Anderson, Becket and Brodie.

P. G. W. P. McEachern, on the part of Ormstown Bethel Division, invited this Grand Division to attend the Temperance celebration to be held to-morrow, (Thursday,) at 1 o'clock, p. m.

Moved by Rep. Manson and adopted :

Resolved,—That the invitation be accepted.

On motion, adjourned to $\frac{1}{2}$ past 8, p. m.

July 4, 1860, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, p. m.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment.

Officers present same as at afternoon session, with the exception of G. Chap., to which chair Rep. the Rev. G. Anderson was appointed.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The Finance Committee reported as follows :

ORMSTOWN, 4th July, 1860.

To the Grand Division Sons of Temperance, Canada East.

We, your Committee appointed to examine the financial statements of the Grand Scribe, beg leave to report that we have examined the said statements, and the accompanying vouchers and find them correct.

Submitted in L. P. and F.,

JAMES M. HALL,
WILLIAM WHITE,
JAMES McWILLIAMS.

G. W. A. Breckenridge, of Canada West, addressed the Grand Division on the subject of a General Temperance Convention to concert the measures necessary to be adopted by the Temperance community for procuring a Prohibitory liquor law for Canada.

Moved by Grand Scribe Hall and adopted :

Resolved,—That a Committee be named by this Grand Division, for the above purpose and to co-operate with the Committee named by the Grand Division of Canada West.

The G. W. P. named on said Committee Reps. Patterson, J. M. Hall, Bates, Brodie, and G. Scribe Hall.

The Committee on returns made the following report :

ORMSTOWN, 4th July 1860.

To the Grand Division Sons of Temperance, Canada East.

We, your Committee on Returns of Subordinate Divisions beg leave to report that we have examined the returns and find them apparently correct.

In examining these returns there seems to be a large discrepancy between the number of contributing members, and those remaining on the books ; this can hardly be accounted for by the fact of these members being in arrear over 12 months for dues, as in some instances the Divisions making these returns have not been twelve months in existence, and it having been ascertained that several Divisions admitted youths under 18 without charging them dues, and do not enter their names as contributing members in the returns to Grand Division, and thus pay no per capita tax for those parties. We would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :—

Resolved,—That from and after the next annual session of this Grand Division, the amount payable by Subordinate Divisions as per capita tax on youths under 18 years of age, shall be one half of the rate paid on those over that age.

ALEX. BRYSON,
ROBERT BRODIE,
JAMES M. HALL.

Moved by Rep. Manson, and seconded, that the Report be received and adopted.

It was moved in amendment by P. G. W. P. McEachern and seconded :—That the following resolution be adopted in place of that recommended by the committee :

Resolved,—That no per capita tax be paid by Subordinate Divisions on youths under 18 years of age.

Lost.

The Report of Committee adopted.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned until to-morrow morning at 7 a. m.

July 5, 1861, $\frac{1}{2}$ past 7 a. m.

The Grand Division met, pursuant to adjournment.

Officers present same as last evening.

Minutes read and approved.

Moved by Rep. J. M. Hall, and adopted :

Resolved,—That a Deputation be named to attend the Annual Session of the Grand Division, C. W., at Bowmanville, in December next, said Deputation to consist of G. W. P., Henry Rose ; G. W. A., Kenneth Ross ; G. Scribe, John S. Hall, and Reps. W. J. Patterson, and John C. Becket.

Rep. S. M. Lighthall being in waiting, was introduced and obligated.

The Good and Welfare Committee submitted the following Report :

ORMSTOWN, 5th July, 1860.

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

The Committee on "Good and Welfare," to whom were committed the semi-annual Reports of the G. W. P., and the G. S., beg respectfully to submit that they have had them under consideration. In reference to the communication of the G. W. P. they are gratified by the evidence it contains of the progress of the Order, in the addition of so many to the number of Subordinate Divisions, and the consequent increase of members, as well as the general activity manifest throughout the jurisdiction.

The thanks of this Grand Division are due to the G. S. and to Rep. W. J. Patterson for their efficient labors during the past winter, which have resulted greatly to the interest of the Order, and the Temperance cause generally ; and your Committee submit as a Resolution by this Grand Division—that a similar arrangement be made to secure a repetition of such services by these Brothers in the coming fall and winter.

The action of the municipalities of Huntingdon and other towns, in resolving to refuse licenses for the retail sale of intoxicating liquors, deserves the approbation of this Grand Division. Your Committee regret, however, that this action has been rendered nugatory, by defects in the law itself, and that the By-law has recently been rescinded. They are of opinion that the law should be amended so as to sustain Municipalities in their efforts to carry out the intentions of the existing Act, by conferring the requisite powers to prosecute offenders to conviction and punishment.

Your Committee, recognising in its fullest sense the truth of the axiom that "union is strength," are gratified by the desire for united action on the part of the Grand Division of Canada West, as evidenced in the appointment of a Committee of Conference for the promotion of the cause, and by the presence here of our esteemed brother, G. W. Associate Breckenridge ; and most cordially reciprocate the fraternal feeling,—ready to unite with them in any movement that will be for the good of the cause. It is, therefore, suggested that a deputation from this Grand Division be appointed to visit the Grand Division of C. W. at its next annual session.

With the view of awakening fresh interest among Divisions generally, your Committee respectfully suggest that such representations be made to the Grand

Division of Canada West, as will induce a consideration of the propriety of consenting to an extension of the jurisdiction of this Grand Division, so as to include all Subordinate Divisions east of a straight line drawn from Cornwall to Ottawa City,—thereby increasing our usefulness without impairing the action of our western brethren.

Relative to the Band of Hope movement, as mentioned by the G. W. P., your Committee have to state that there is now in operation a "Canadian Band of Hope Central Committee," whose object is to systematize and render uniform the efforts now making to promote Temperance among the young, and particularly in connection with Sabbath Schools—to prepare a simple and comprehensive constitution and formulary, to suggest modes of procedure, and to call attention to suitable kinds of amusement for the young so to be organized.—That committee have been, and still are, in correspondence with the Executive of the Band of Hope Union in Great Britain, and with other Temperance organizations in the British Provinces; so soon as they have matured any measure or proposal, they will call the particular attention of the Temperance community to this most important subject; and your Committee recommend that whenever they do so, the G. S. be instructed to communicate their action to the Subordinate Divisions in this jurisdiction, to secure active co-operation throughout the Province, with the aforesaid central committee,—and that especially where Teachers or Superintendents may fail to take up the subject, Subordinate Divisions be urgently recommended to organize Bands of Hope, without delay.

It is clearly the imperative duty of all temperance organizations to endeavor zealously and constantly to advance the cause, and among other measures, your committee recommend that this Grand Division enjoin Subordinate Divisions to make special exertions for the sustentation of a Temperance Lecturer in this jurisdiction, at the same time that they make a vigorous effort to extend the circulation of suitable Temperance literature throughout the Province. In this way a powerful public sentiment may be created, on which to base future demands for Prohibitory Legislation; and in reference to the general principle of "Prohibition," Subordinate Divisions should be aroused to the necessity of influencing County and Town Councils to enact By-Laws preventing the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors and of giving such assistance as it is in their power to help in their enforcement. Every temperance man, and especially every Son of Temperance, has duties to perform as a citizen; and one of these is the use of the elective franchise so as to elevate men of character and sobriety to seats in the halls of legislation. We may hope for the triumph of the Temperance Reformation, and the utter extinction of intemperance from our fair Province, but long and strenuous efforts must be put forth to influence our public men before that happy day dawns; and the chief way to effect that is, to let temperance influence be felt at the polls.

Your committee further recommend the active co-operation of this Grand Division, with other Temperance Organizations, in reference to a Provincial Temperance Convention, to deliberate upon the provisions of a Prohibitory

Law, to be drawn up and entrusted to some member of the Provincial Parliament;—and that henceforth all petitions forwarded to both houses should definitely specify the measure prayed for.

Your Committee find no particular recommendation in the report of the G. S. In conjunction with that of the G. W. P., it is most encouraging in every particular; and your Committee have only to conclude by commending the diligence and ability of your G. S. to the cordial approbation of the Grand Division, as well calculated to advance the interests of our beloved Order, and to promote the Cause of Temperance.

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

J. C. BECKET, *Chairman*.

It was moved by Rep. J. M. Hall, and seconded :

Resolved,—That the Report now read be received and adopted.

Carried.

Reps. Ford and McDonald being in waiting were introduced and obligated.

The committee to whom was referred the communication of St. Lawrence Division relative to a form for re-instating members who have violated Art. II of the Constitution, gave in their Report as follows :

ORMSTOWN, BETHL DIVISION ROOM,
July 5, 1860.

Your committee are of opinion that it would not be wise or politic to have any particular form by which parties who have violated Art. II. might be re-instated, as it would be difficult to prepare a form suitable to all cases, and as a form might deter some from coming forward to re-sign the constitution and pledge, whom it is desirable to save, but would recommend, that parties who have violated Art. II. on being reinstated should be re-obligated, and that the W. P., or P. W. P., may give on such occasions a suitable advice or address.

GEORGE ANDERSON,
ROBERT BRODIE,
ALEX. BRYSON.

The Committee appointed to prepare a resolution of condolence with the family of the deceased, Rep. Farquhar, report the following :

ORMSTOWN, 4th July, 1860.

We, your Committee appointed to prepare a Resolution of condolence with the family of our late brother Farquhar, beg leave to submit the following :—

That this Grand Division have heard with deep regret of the demise of Alexander Farquhar, who from the period of his first enlistment in the temperance

ranks, has acted the part of an upright and consistent abstainer; and deeply sympathizing with the widow and family of our deceased brother, record their sense of his loss and would respectfully convey to them our heartfelt sympathy in their trying bereavement, and fervently pray that our Heavenly Father will prove more than a husband to the widow, and a father to the fatherless children.

ROBERT BRODIE.
GEORGE ANDERSON,
J. C. BECKET.

It was thereupon moved by Rep. Manson and adopted :

Resolved,—That the Report be received and adopted, and that the Grand Scribe be instructed to communicate the resolution of this Grand Division to the widow and family of the deceased brother.

Moved by Rep. J. C. Becket and seconded :

Resolved,—That this Grand Division considers it a violation of the promise made to each member before his initiation, for Subordinate Divisions to countenance dancing at any meetings held under their sanction or auspices.

Moved in amendment by Rep. Alex. Bryson and seconded :

Resolved,—That the farther consideration of this question be postponed to next session.

Amendment lost.

Original Resolution carried.

Moved by Rep. J. C. Becket and adopted :

Resolved,—That the Grand Scribe be instructed to collate from the Report of the Committee on Good and Welfare, such parts of it as may seem desirable to bring specially before the Subordinate Divisions, and to print and circulate the same without delay.

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

July 5, 1860, 7 p. m.

The Grand Division met, pursuant to adjournment.

Officers present same as previous session.

The Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Moved by Rep. Alex. Manson and adopted :

Resolved,—That the thanks of this Grand Division are due, and are hereby tendered to Ormstown Bethel Division, and their Lady friends, for the exceed-

ingly kind and handsome manner in which they have contributed to our entertainment and comfort during this session of the Grand Division.

Moved by Rep. G. Anderson and adopted :

Resolved,—That this Grand Division direct the Grand Scribe to prepare a synopsis of the proceedings of this semi-annual session for insertion in the *Canada Temperance Advocate*, and that 300 copies of said paper be by him circulated among the Subordinate Divisions, and that the same be inserted in as many of the other papers as will give it gratuitous insertion.

Moved by Rep. Alex. Bryson, seconded and adopted :

Resolved,—That this Grand Division appreciating the vital importance of the aid given to the cause by the Temperance press, and considering it to be our duty to support the same by every means in our power, would respectfully and earnestly recommend to every Son of Temperance in our jurisdiction to subscribe for one or more Temperance periodicals and to do their utmost to promote their circulation.

Moved by Rep. Alex. Bryson, seconded and adopted :

Resolved,—That the thanks of this Grand Division are due and are hereby tendered to Rep. the Rev. G. Anderson, Bro. Breckenridge, G.W.A., C.W., Ken. Ross, G.W.A., C.E., John S. Hall, G.S., and Reps. W. J. Patterson, Alex. Manson and S. Fax, for their services at the Temperance celebration held this day.

Moved by Rep. Alex. Manson, seconded and adopted :

Resolved,—That a vote of thanks from this Grand Division be given to Bro. J. S. Hall and K. Ross, for attending the last session of the National Division at Portland, as representatives of this Grand Division, and also for the able report they have given of the proceedings of that session.

Moved by Rep. R. Brodie, seconded and adopted :

Resolved,—That the thanks of this Grand Division are hereby tendered to P. G.W.P. A. McEachern and the following brethren, who acted as chairmen of the different Committees in respect of the arrangements for this meeting and entertainment of this Division, viz : W. McNaughton, W. Winters, S. Fax, M. Wright, and McCarty.

Minutes read and approved.

The Grand Division then adjourned, to meet at Melbourne, on the second Wednesday in January, 1861, at 3 o'clock, P. M.

JOHN S. HALL,
Grand Scribe

SPECIAL MEETING.

MONTREAL, August 24, 1860.

This day the Grand Division, C.E., held a special meeting.

Officers present :—

H. ROSE, G.W.P.

K. ROSS, G.W.A.

JOHN S. HALL, G.S.

W. M. MACFIE, G.T.

W. B. VANVLIET, G. Chap.

DR. T. S. HAYNES, P.G.W.P.

The following Representatives were appointed to fill the vacant offices :—

W. McWATERS, G. Con.,

J. VOSBURGH, G. Sen.

The Grand Division was then opened in due form.

The G. S. then read the application for holding this special session of the Grand Division.

Reps. McEachern, Haynes and J. M. Hall, were named a Committee on Credentials.

The following Credentials were then reported correct, viz :—

Howard Division, No. 1—Alex. Craig and Jas. McKenzie, P.W.P's.

Lacolle Division, No. 17.—George Nichols and Jonathan Smith, P.W.P's, and George Noel, W. P.

Clarenceville Division, No. 19.—Rev. R. A. Flanders, W.P.

Shefford Division, No. 47.—H. D. Jordan, W.P.

Eastern Star Division, No. 49.—W. McCormick and Daniel McDonald, P.W.P's.

St. Henry Union Division, No. 53.— J. J. Higgins, W. P.

The following Representatives being in waiting, were then introduced and initiated, viz.—J. J. Higgins, W. McCormick, R. A. Flanders, James Jarvis, D. McDonald, G. Nichols, and H. D. Jordan.

Moved by the G. S., and seconded :—

Resolved,—That this Grand Division do take part in the Temperance Demonstration in honor of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, which is to take place to-morrow, 25th inst., and all Divisions or members of Divisions at present in this city are hereby recommended to do the same; all to appear in proper regalia.

Carried.

Moved by Rep. Becket and seconded :—

Resolved,—That it be a recommendation to the members of the Grand Division, and to the members of Subordinate Divisions who may take part in the Temperance Demonstration, to wear white gloves on the occasion.

Carried.

On motion of P.G.W.P. Haynes and duly seconded, Rep. McEachern was appointed Grand Marshal.

On motion, P.G.W.P. Haynes, Reps. Bryson and J. M. Hall, were directed to procure gloves for the members, and regalia for the Grand Marshal.

Moved by P.G.W.P. Haynes, and seconded :—

Resolved—That a Deputation from this Grand Division be named to wait upon P.M.W.P. S. L. Tilley, to request him to take part in the demonstration to-morrow,—said deputation to consist of Reps. J. C. Becket, W. J. Patterson and G. S. Hall.

Carried.

Moved by Rep. Bryson and seconded :—

That the Grand Division authorise Subordinate Divisions to wear at all processions, &c., the Badge recommended by the Committee on Regalia, &c., of the National Division at their last meeting in Portland.

Adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at half-past 7 o'clock to take part in the Temperance Demonstration.

JOHN S. HALL,
Grand Scribe.

ANNUAL MEETING.

MELBOURNE, EASTERN TOWNSHIPS,
9th January, 1861, 3 P. M.

This day the Grand Division of Canada East assembled in Richmond Division Rooms to hold its Annual Session.

The G. W. P. Bro. Henry Rose in the chair.

The Grand Division was then opened in due form.

The Officers present were

JOHN S. HALL, G. S.

WM. B. VANVLIET, G. Chap.

The following Representatives were named to fill the vacant offices, viz :—

G. MARTIN, G. W. A.

WM. BATES, G. T.

JOHN MONTGOMERY, G. Con.

GEORGE HAMEL, G. Sen.

J. M. HALL, P. G. W. P.

The G. W. P. appointed Reps. J. Montgomery and J. M. Hall, a Committee on Credentials.

The Credentials of the following brothers were then examined and reported correct,—as having been elected until October next, viz :—

Howard Division, No. 1.—John C. Becket, Henry Rose, John S. Hall, J. T. Dutton, John Montgomery, James M. Hall, William G. Slack, William Bates, George Martin, Alexander Manson, Daniel Rose, W. B. Allan, James Jarvis, Wm. J. Patterson, A. Smeaton, Alex. Craig, J. McKenzie, P. H. Burton, P. W. P's, and Geo. Philpot, W. P.

Gough Division, No. 3.—J. R. Healey, George Fitch, William Brodie, J. P. McEwan, R. Brodie, Thos. Brodie, Thos. Davidson, P. Johnston, Wm. Hall, James Hay, Thos. Hughes, P. McMullen, P. W. P's, and David Lawson, W. P.

Perseverance Division, No. 4.—George Anderson, W. S. Lighthall, James Vosburgh, John Ford, P. W. P's, and James Lennan, W. P.

Bethel Division, No. 5.—A. McEachern, McNaughton, Simon Fox, S. M. Lighthall, Winters, Wright, Gibson, Cairns, P. W. P's, and Robert Clegg, W. P.

Lancaster Division, No. 11.—Kenneth Ross, James Reid, John M. Snider, Beniah McBain, John B. Snider, Donald Cameron, P. W. P's, and Thomas Scott, W. P.

St. Michaels Division, No. 14.—J. McWilliams, J. Breadner, Wm. White, D. Sandilands, Boyce, Graham, Buchanan, William McIntosh, Alex. McIntosh, James Johnston, James Baird, P. W. P's, and Robert Lumsden, W. P.

St. Lawrence Division, No. 16.—Anderson, Fowler, Rickaby, G. M. Rose, Sweetman, Walker, Woods, Wooton, Hines, P. W. P's, and Palmer, W. P.

Lacolle Division, No. 17.—R. Foster, John Gray, T. S. Haynes, D. Lareau, George Nichols, B. Noel, John O'Connor, Edwin Scriver, Edward Scriver, John Smith, J. T. Stockes, R. Tranter, W. B. Vanvliet, W. H. Vanvliet, and G. M. Vanvliet, P. W. P's.

Cold Water Spring Division, No. 18.—Edward Finlay, J. B. Gibson, P. W. P's and J. G. Golland, W. P.

Clarenceville Division, No. 19.—W. M. Macfie, Henry Jameson, L. Bush, George Gunn, R. A. Flanders, H. G. Trepanie, J. A. Clark, A. Hawley, P. W. P's, and R. F. Hamilton, W. P.

Manningville Division, No. 22.—William Lander, John Moe, P. W. P's, and Archibald McLaren, W. P.

Cameron Division, No. 24.—Wm. Whelan, John Cousins, John Knight, Henry Gillespie, J. Gillespie, Henry Chillingsworth, William

Borbridge, M. Whalen, C. Hibbard, Peter Duffy, P.W.P's, and Edgar R. Smith, W.P.

Balaclava Division, No. 30.—John R. Lambly and D. W. Brown, P.W.P's.

Harmony Division, No. 34.—James Kerr, Isaac Sivewright, John Murray, William Campbell, Thomas D. Davies, Mathew Tindale, P.W.P's, and James Furse, W. P.

St. Francis Division, No. 35.—Jacob Armitage, Rev. D. Dunkerly, J. Robb, Thomas Burrel, W. Stevens, P.W.P's, and R. T. Miller W.P.

Richmond Division, No. 38.—Francis E. Gilman, George Hamel, W. Lyster, David Main, Nathaniel Wells, Francis C. Ridgway, P.W.P's, and George Duntin, W.P.

Kingsey Division, No. 41.—Solomon Hall, Joseph Armitage, Simon Stevens, William Dickson, P.W.P's, and Joseph Boast, W.P.

Granby Division, No. 44.—G. E. McIndoe, Henry Cole, G. W. Crosby, P.W.P's, and E. S. Ingalls, W.P.

Gore Progressive Division, No. 45.—Robert Johnston, Samuel Henderson, John Purse, Robert Johnston, senr., P.W.P's, and William Henderson, W.P.

Shefford Division, No. 47.—Henry D. Jordan, Charles P. Kilborn, Walter A. Taylor, P.W.P's, and John B. Lay, W. P.

Philipsburgh Division, No. 48.—Wm. Morgan, John Foster, W. S. Crothers, P.W.P's, and A. H. Russell, W.P.

Eastern Star Division, No. 49.—Alex. Bryson, William McCormack, Daniel McDonald, William McWatters, John Dawson, P.W.P's, and Thomas Robinson, W.P.

Adamsville Division, No. 50.—John F. Thomson, W.P.

Trout River Division, No. 52.—John Nisbet, P.W.P., and Alex. Jameson, W.P.

St. Henry Union Division, No. 53.—John J. Higgins, P.W.P.

Hungerford Division, No. 54.—John Hungerford, John N. Mills, P.W.P's, and Richard Alcombrack, W.P.

The following Representatives being announced in waiting, were introduced by the Grand Conductor and initiated :

Balaklava Division, No. 30.—John R. Lambly.

St. Francis Division, No. 35.—John Robb and Thomas Burrel.

Richmond Division, No. 38.—David Main, F. C. Ridgway.

Kingsey Division, No. 41.—Wm. Dickson, Simon Stevens, Joseph Boast, Solomon Hall, and Joseph Armitage.

Shefford Division, No. 47.—John B. Lay.

The G. W. P. named the following Representatives to fill vacancies in Good and Welfare Committee: Reps. Martin and Lambly.

In Finance Committee: Reps. G. M. Rose, and A. Smeaton.

The G. C. introduced Rep. G. Dunton, W. P. of Richmond Division, who was duly obliterated-

The G. W. P. submitted the following Report :

GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCH'S REPORT,

RICHMOND, January 11, 1869.

To the Grand Division, Sons of Temperance, Canada East.

WORTHY BROTHERS:—

We are assembled on this occasion, in accordance with our rules, to hold the Annual Session of this our noble Order, in Canada East. Let us thank our Heavenly Father for giving us strength, and putting it into the hearts of so many to gather together at this time, on such an important mission, to spread the principles of our Order—an Order instituted to raise the fallen, and to purge this world of ours of a vice the most debasing and degrading to humanity. We meet on this occasion, on the threshold of a new year, and I trust in pursuance of a desire and firm determination on the part of each and every one of us to make this year a perfect success in the spread of our principles; that no opportunity be lost, or proper incentive withheld, which can induce the young men and women, and the fathers and mothers of our country, to enlist under the glorious banner of temperance, upon

which is inscribed our motto, "Love, Purity, and Fidelity," and beaming forth from its ample folds the light of truth and the language of Peace on Earth and joy to all mankind. As we are just entering a new year, we ought to take a lesson from the past, and gird on our armour afresh, knowing that only through toil and years of labor have we accomplished what has been already achieved. We have still a great work before us, and we must labor earnestly and diligently until our work is accomplished, and we have really a sober world before us. "Sit no longer inactive upon your mats," said the ancient Indian warrior, "but lift the hatchet, and console the spirits of the dead, and tell them they shall be avenged." So with us, the millions slaughtered by the foul demon Rum have got to be avenged by driving him from our land, but we must be active and lift the hatchet of the law and of moral force to accomplish it. We must agitate and organize and organize, and press on in our work of love and benevolence, with untiring and unslackening pace, until the good time coming shall come, and the "destroyer of millions, the enemy of our people," the curse of humanity shall be done away, and our flag shall float over a people redeemed and disenthralled from the withering, blighting curse of intemperance.

For the statistics of our order in this jurisdiction, I refer you to the report of our able and faithful Grand Scribe, which I trust will be found satisfactory and encouraging. During the year now closed, we have instituted thirteen and resuscitated four, making equal to seventeen new Divisions; a greater number, I believe, than we have ever instituted in the same period in our history. This ought to be matter for congratulation, and greater encouragement for the future.

The Divisions in our jurisdiction on the whole are in excellent working condition, and endeavouring to advance the interest of our Order, and the cause of Temperance in their several localities. From the report of the Deputies and personal knowledge, I am aware of many localities where the habits of the people have been entirely changed through the influence of the Divisions, and if the Sons of Temperance are faithful to their mission, wherever they are, their influence will be felt and society made better by them. One Deputy writes: "When this Division was organized, the place was notorious for drinking; now a drunken man is seldom seen in the neighbor-

hood." In regard to another Division in a different place, the same Deputy says: "The organization of this Division has done much for this place, and I believe will be the means of destroying drunkenness here. Visited the Division at its last meeting and was delighted to witness the fraternal feeling that exists among the brethren. The introduction of lady visitors has a good influence, and will, no doubt, give a new impulse to the cause." The Deputies, generally, have been faithful in making returns, since we adopted the printed forms with queries. The answers have been very satisfactory, and give us good grounds for hopefulness in the prosperity of our Order. The Deputy for Montreal and vicinity sends me the following Report, which I give at length, showing the progress we have made in Montreal, and although there are but three Divisions, they constitute about one-third of the membership of this jurisdiction. Bro. Martin says:—

"Since my appointment as your deputy for Montreal, our noble Order, in this locality, has increased to an extent which is at once cheering for the present, and most hopeful for the future. Two new Divisions, you are aware, the Eastern Star, No. 49, and St. Henry Union, No. 53, have been added to our list. These, in connection with "Old Howard," No. 1, constitute a trio of immense strength, inspired with one accord and filled with fresh enthusiasm they are hurrying forward the Temperance chariot, adding joy to the world and dismay to the enemy. Eastern Star Division, though only nine months in existence, numbers already 80 members and 30 lady visitors. St. Henry Union, instituted about five months, has 60 members and 40 lady visitors. The male membership of Howard Division is now over 430, lady visitors about 150. Thus, all united together, we present a formidable body. Our influence is gradually becoming more manifest in the community. We are evidently undermining the pernicious custom of domestic treating and tipping; public drinking having already become disgraceful, and from which decent men shrink away as from any other shameful act. Now in seeking out the immediate cause of the rapid progress of our Order in this section of country, we find it, not in any extraordinary exertion on the part of the brethren, but unquestionably, in *the admission of ladies to the Division room*. We cannot, therefore, rate this new element of prosperity too highly. In Howard Division, which led off first in this matter, our regular weekly attendance has more than doubled since the introduction of female visitors. It is well known that the presence of woman in any assembly rarely ever fails to shed a serene and pacifying influence upon all shades of character. In the Division room, it softens the asperity of discussion; restrains vulgarity and

imposes upon the members a clear sense of decorum, forbearance and brotherly courtesy. Many a coarse-grained member, whose voice, like a note of discord in a piece of music, is always sure to disturb the harmony of a Division, will sit abashed under the eloquence of female glances, or if he attempts to speak now, he feels that there is a divinity watching him whose silent condemnation he dare not incur. This new phase of our Order renders the Division room pleasing and attractive. Men, both young and old, visit it, not alone from a sense of duty, but to enjoy a brief season of social happiness, and to carry home with them pleasurable emotions, and a renewal of noble resolves. If then, the influence of woman, as a motive power in impelling forward the great cause of Temperance, were to cease simply with her presence in the Division Room, this alone would add greatly to our advancement! But when we reflect that in admitting a lady into our Order, we enlist an efficient volunteer, one eminently qualified for rendering signal service *outside* the Division, the importance of female co-operation rises to a magnitude of incalculable dimensions. In her private domestic walk and abroad in society, her gentle hand scatters the seeds of temperance daily. Her example, or admonition exercised where the evil cup may happen to be passed around, will fall on the slaves of alcohol like a reproof from the lips of an angel. I deem it therefore, a matter worthy of earnest recommendation to all subordinate Divisions that they receive lady visitors. In this vicinity we have had ample experience in both systems, and can speak with confidence. To my own mind, a Division room without lady visitors is very much like an old bachelor's cabin, marked with disorder and squalor, suggestive of ague fits and unpalatable victuals. On the contrary, a Division room with the ladies has the appearance of a cheerful mansion, wherein a new-married couple meet with their friends and kindred, whose cordial greetings administer to bright hopes, and the wave of joy rolls on with its little fleet of happy hearts."

In the month of October last I made a visit to the County of Missisquoi, accompanied by the Grand Scribe. We visited and met with seven Divisions, and found them all in good working order, with one exception, and spent very pleasant evenings, and we left them filled with zeal to carry on their Divisions in the best spirit, and with renewed energy. We were only sorry that we had not the time at our command to extend our visit to other localities, as we believe such visits would have tended greatly to stir them up and help them onward. I am of opinion that if a travelling agent could be sustained to visit the Divisions occasionally, and tell them what others are doing to advance the work, and deliver a lecture, where desirable, a great good would be accomplished, and many of the Divisions made much

more useful. This Grand Division may not be in possession of the means to engage such an one permanently, yet a fund might be raised so as to enable the Grand Scribe or some other grand officer to visit any Division that may be languishing, to ascertain the cause and stir them up to greater activity. Many a Division in an isolated locality, has gone down for want of some such support and sympathy, that might otherwise have been in good working order. One or two cents a quarter from each member might be sufficient for this purpose, if the Order could be made to realize the benefit that might accrue from it.

One of our objects in visiting the Missisquoi Divisions was to endeavor to settle some difficulty that had arisen in Bedford Division, No. 46. After going over the whole matter and taking such action as we deemed necessary, the affair was apparently settled. Something, however, again went wrong shortly after, and they surrendered their charter, but I am happy to inform you that the Order was not left without a witness there, for, out of the ruins of the old Division, two new ones have arisen, which I trust will work in better harmony and complete the work they had so nobly begun; for, during the time the old Division was in good working order, the influence they exerted in the place was very manifest in the changed habits of the people.

In December last I visited Bowmanville, to attend the meeting of the Grand Division of Canada West, as a representative from this Grand Division, and it was very gratifying to me to see the fraternal manner in which I was received by the officers and brothers of our sister Grand Division. This visit illustrated to me very forcibly the fraternal character of our organization, and showed that among Sons of Temperance there is really no East or West, North or South, for wherever a Section of our body meets, a Son, wherever he comes from, is greeted with the same fraternal feeling as if he was at home in his own circle of brotherhood. As I have already said in my last report, these interchanges of visits between the members of the two Grand Divisions of Canada ought to be as frequent as possible, for our interests are alike, and we ought to be of one mind and have a perfect understanding on the mode to be adopted when we again apply to parliament for a prohibitory enactment in regard to the liquor traffic.

The order in Canada West, I am happy to inform you, is in a first-rate condition. There were about 150 representatives at the Grand Division, from nearly every section of the Province, showing that the Order is thoroughly alive to its duty in being represented at the meetings of its Grand Division.

From the reports which I have received, I observe that our beloved Order, during the past year, has been making very great progress all over the continent. In Maine and Massachusetts, especially, their progress has been unprecedented in the history of our Order. May this state of things continue, until our circle of sobriety embraces the entire brotherhood of man.

We have now arrived at that point in our history when the grand question to be solved is:—What are the best means to be adopted to fill our Division Rooms and keep them filled? And the last part of this question, it seems to me, is the most important. To this end our meetings ought to be made as attractive as possible, in keeping with our leading object, the promotion of the cause of Temperance. The social element, that enters so largely into all our proceedings, and has been so considerably enhanced by the introduction of lady visitors into our Divisions, is one of the great means of attraction into our Order. As a proof of the influence of woman in the spread of our Order, I would merely refer to what has been done in Maine and Massachusetts, and also in Montreal, in our own jurisdiction. In Maine the Order numbers 9,000 males and 10,000 females, and in Massachusetts, 16,000 males and 21,000 females. As a still further means of keeping up the interest in the meetings, the introduction of singing, recitations, &c., at the conclusion of the regular business, has been found extremely advantageous.

In view of the fact of so many being expelled from the Order, for non-payment of dues, I cannot let this opportunity pass, of urging upon the attention of Divisions and Deputies the propriety of seeing that Financial Scribes attend to their duty in calling upon and collecting from members their dues, quarterly, or oftener; as from the neglect of this, members get into arrears, and cease to attend the meetings, and get expelled. This is an important matter, and ought to be attended to, as more members are lost to the Order by non-payment of dues than by violation of the pledge.

As my term of office now expires, I would thank the officers and members of this Grand Division for the support and assistance rendered me during my official term.

Brothers, the work of the year is before you; the interests and hopes of thousands are in your hands; upon you and those you represent, is a great responsibility, and as you battle for our noble cause—

“Faint not! faint not! but onward press,
Pursue your God-like calling;
Achieve more bloodless victories,
Rum's captives disenthraling!
Be heedless of the 'strife of tongues'—
Assail man's Cause—remove it!
Whilst earth your work shall hail with songs,
And God shall well approve it.”

Respectfully submitted, in Love, Purity, and Fidelity,

HENRY ROSE, G. W. P.

The following is the Grand Scribe's Report:—

GRAND SCRIBE'S REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND DIVISION, C. E.,
Montreal, January 8, 1861.

OFFICERS AND BROTHERS:—

We are again, in the kind providence of God, met together in Annual Session, to consult on matters tending to the extension and strengthening of our beloved Order, and the dissemination of abstinence principles throughout our land. Let us then in all our deliberations, look to Him who alone is able to guide us aright, and may he so overrule all our doings at this time, that they may redound to his glory and the good of our fellow-men.

It now becomes my duty to lay before you the transactions of this office since last meeting, and the present condition of the Order in this jurisdiction.

In the month of October last information reached this office from the D. G. W. P. of Bedford District and the R. S. of Bedford Division, No. 46. That serious disagreements had taken place in that Division,

and which it was found impossible to settle among themselves. they therefore asked advice from this office. Having laid the matter before the G.W.P., and consulted with him, we determined (finding the statements of the parties, &c., discordant.) to go to Bedford, and examine into and decide the matter on the spot. We accordingly went, and having heard what the different parties had to say relative to the matter in dispute, and examined the records, decided in a manner which we believed to be satisfactory to both parties, and left the members of the Division to all appearance determined for the future to act together for the good of the cause. It appears, however, that the snake had been scotched, not killed. New causes of dissension arose, party spirit ran as high as ever, and it soon became evident, from the communications received that the two parties could not work together, and that unless some remedy could be immediately applied, not only would the Division itself be destroyed, but the Order would in that locality receive a blow from which it might never recover. In these circumstances we recommended that the Division should surrender its charter and each of the parties separately make application for a new charter, so that their party spirit might expend itself in a rivalry to obtain the greatest number of members and do the most good to the cause. This advice was acted upon. The charter of Bedford Division was constitutionally surrendered, and each party made application for a new charter. Both charters were with consent of the Committee on Charters, granted, and the Divisions organized with every prospect of ultimate success to each.

From other portions of our jurisdiction I have no particular information to lay before you, but from such information as I have received, I feel warranted in saying that now peace and harmony prevail within our borders.

Since our last meeting one Division, Bedford, No. 46, (as before stated,) has resigned its charter.

Two Divisions, St. Andrews, No. 9, and Cameron, No. 24, after remaining for a length of time in a dormant state, have revived and commenced working with every prospect of success.

Charters have been issued for five new Divisions, viz: Trout River, No. 52, located in Trout River; St. Henry Union, No. 53, located in the village of St. Henry, suburbs of Montreal; Hungerford, No. 54,

located in Bedford; Bedford, No. 55, also located in Bedford; and Brockville, No. 56, located in Brockville, Seignory of Noyau.

Two Divisions have made no Return for two quarters, and four have omitted to make Returns for one quarter, and one for four quarters.

As only a few of the Returns for the quarter ending 31st December have been received, I am under the necessity of making up my abstract from the Returns for quarter ending 30th September last, and even that is not complete, seven Divisions having failed to make returns for that quarter.

The following is the abstract of Returns for 29 Divisions for quarter ending 30th September:—

Initiated,	-	-	-	-	-	225
Withdrawn,	-	-	-	-	-	60
Suspended,	-	-	-	-	-	12
Violated Pledge,	-	-	-	-	-	45
Violated Pledge 2nd time,	-	-	-	-	-	2
Non-Payment of Dues,	-	-	-	-	-	47
Re-instated,	-	-	-	-	-	14
Expelled,	-	-	-	-	-	73
Deaths,	-	-	-	-	-	1
Contributing Members,	-	-	-	-	-	1,251
Total number of Members,	-	-	-	-	-	1,502
Lady Visitors,	-	-	-	-	-	400
Receipts,	-	-	-	-	-	\$396 46½
Paid for Benefits,	-	-	-	-	-	\$10 00
Incidental expenses	-	-	-	-	-	\$331 38½
Cash on hand,	-	-	-	-	-	\$430 71½
Per capita Tax to Grand Division,	-	-	-	-	-	\$83 31

I have to lay before you a communication from Pike River Division, relative to the non-payment of dues by members, also, statement of assets and liabilities; statement of stock on hand and amounts due by Subordinate Divisions.

The following is the Financial Statement of the transactions of this office, since last meeting:—

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The Grand Scribe in account with Grand Division, C. E.

— DR. —

Jan. 8, 1861.	To cash received from 4th of July 1860 to Jan. 8th, 1861.		
	To amount received for per capita tax,	-	175 94
	“ Charter, Books, &c.,	-	\$44 80
			<u>\$220 74</u>

— CR. —

To cash paid H. Rose for Printing and Stationery,	\$75 23	
“ J. C. Becket for Printing, -	24 00	
“ Binding Proceedings N. and G. Division,	1 00	
“ G. S.'s expenses to Ormstown,	4 50	
“ Postage, - - - -	26 96	
“ G. S., allowance for half-year,	50 00	
		<u>181 69</u>
Balance on hand, - - -		<u>\$39 05</u>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities of Grand Division, C. E.

ASSETS.

Cash on hand, - - - -	\$39 05
Amounts due by Divisions, - - - -	69 08
Stock on hand, - - - -	83 15
	<u>\$191 28</u>

LIABILITIES.

Amount due National Division for books, &c., -	\$35 86
Amount <i>per capita</i> tax to N. D. for 1860, (supposed),	28 00
	<u>63 86</u>
Balance, - - - -	\$127 42

JOHN S. HALL,
Grand Scribe.

On motion of Rep. J. M. Hall, the reports of the G.W.P. and G.S. were referred to the usual Committees.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned, to meet at half-past 7, P. M.

Mulligan
Richmond July 5, 1860, 7½ p. m.

The Grand Division met, pursuant to adjournment.

Officers present same as afternoon session.

The Committee on Lectures presented the following Report:

To the Grand Division Sons of Temperance, Canada East.

MELBOURNE, 9th January, 1861.

We your Committee named to concert measures to secure the means to employ a lecturer under the auspices of this Grand Division beg leave to report: That they sent a circular to the different Subordinate Divisions to ascertain what each would be willing to contribute towards the support of such lecturer, and that they have received responses from only four Divisions offering contributions to the extent of \$36. Under the circumstances your Committee cannot recommend any farther action in the matter.

Respectfully submitted in L. P. and F.,

G. MARTIN,
 JOHN S. HALL.

On motion of Rep. Smeaton and seconded, the Report of the Committee was received and adopted and Committee discharged.

Rep. Wells, P.W.P., Richmond Division, was introduced by the G.C., and obligated.

Moved by Rep. Smeaton, seconded and adopted:

Resolved,—That the G. S. be instructed to notify all Subordinate Divisions, through the *Life Boat*, whenever the Howard Division have succeeded in engaging General Cary to lecture in Montreal.

The Banner Committee reported verbally that the cost of a banner similar to pattern submitted for approval, would be \$100.

On motion referred to Finance Committee.

The Grand Division then proceeded to the nomination of officers for the ensuing year, which was as follows:—

G. W. P.—G. M. Rose, J. R. Lambly, W. B. Vanvliet and Geo. Martin.

G. W. A.—J. R. Lambly, W. B. Vanvliet, and J. M. Hall.

G. Scribe.—John S. Hall.

G. Treas.—J. R. Lambly and George Martin.

G. Chap.—J. R. Lambly.

G. C.—John Robb, J. B. Lay, and G. Hamel.

G. S.—John Robb and G. Dunton.

The G.W.P. named as scrutineers Reps. J. Robb, W. Dickson and J. M. Hall.

The following is the result of the several ballots:—

G.W.P.—G. M. Rose.

G.W.A.—W. B. Vanvliet.

G. Scribe.—John S. Hall.

G.T.—G. Martin.

G. Chap.—J. R. Lambly.

G. Con.—G. Hamel.

G. Sen.—John Robb.

The installation of the officers elect was then proceeded with.

The G.W.P. elect, Bro. G. M. Rose was obligated in due form and conducted to his seat.

The other officers were then installed in the following order:—

W. B. Vanvliet, G.W.A.

John S. Hall, G.S.

George Martin, G.T.

J. R. Lambly, G. Chap.

George Hamel, G.C.

John Robb, G.S.

The following Standing Committees were then appointed:

GOOD AND WELFARE.—H. Rose, P.G.W.P., J. M. Hall, and W. B. Vanvliet, G.W.A.

FINANCE.—J. R. Lambly, Smeaton, and Hamel.

APPEALS.—W. B. Vanvliet, G.W.A., H. Rose, P.G.W.P., Johnston, Robb and Lay.

ELECTIONS, CHARTERS, PUBLICATIONS, &c.—G. Martin, Bates, and Dixon.

On motion of Rep. Lay, seconded and adopted:

Resolved,—That Bro. Henry Rose, P.G.W.P., be tendered the thanks of this Grand Division for the very able and efficient manner in which he has discharged the duties of G.W.P. of C. E.; also for the able and instructive address he has just delivered us.

The thanks of the Grand Division were then conveyed by the G.W.P. and eloquently responded to by the P.G.W.P.

On motion of Rep. Martin, and duly seconded, it was

Resolved,—That the thanks of this Grand Division be tendered to Grand Scribe John S. Hall for the able and satisfactory manner in which he has performed his duties for the past year.

Notice was given that the following motion would be brought up for discussion at next annual meeting:

Resolved,—That clause 1st, sec. 1st, Art. 1st of the By-Laws of this Grand Division be so altered as to read:—That three sessions of this Grand Division shall be held in each year,—the annual session to be held permanently at Montreal; the other two sessions to be held at such places as may be determined at the previous annual session; The time for holding all the meetings to be also determined at the previous annual session.

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

That the semi-annual meeting of this Grand Division be held in Waterloo, C. E.

Moved in amendment by Rep. G. Martin:

That Quebec be the place of meeting.

Original motion, that it be held in Waterloo, carried.

Moved by P.G.W.P. H. Rose, and adopted:

Resolved,—That the time for holding the semi-annual session be fixed for the 2nd Wednesday in July.

Moved by Rep. Smeaton and seconded:

That the annual session be held in Quebec, in the month of October.

Moved in amendment by Rep. G. Martin:

That the annual session be held in Montreal in the month of January.

The amendment was carried.

Moved by P.G.W.P. H. Rose and seconded:

Resolved,—That the whole matter as to the time and place for holding the sessions of the Grand Division be re-considered.

Carried.

It was thereupon moved by Rep. G. Martin and adopted :

Resolved,—That the semi-annual session be held in Quebec on the 2nd Wednesday in July next.

Moved by P.G.W.P. H. Rose, seconded and adopted :

Resolved,—That the annual meeting be held in Waterloo, E.T., on the 3rd Wednesday in January, 1862.

Adjourned, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

10th October, 1861, 9 o'clock, A. M.

All the Grand Officers present.

Grand Division opened in form.

The Committee on Good and Welfare presented the following Report:—

RICHMOND, January 11, 1861.

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

Your Committee on the Good and Welfare of our Order, beg to submit the following Report:—From the Reports of the G.W.P. and G.S., we are rejoiced to find that during the past year our Order has made a decided advancement. We would respectfully offer the following suggestions relative to the working of our Order during the year upon which we have just entered.

A thin attendance of members at the regular meetings of Subordinate Divisions is a complaint of frequent recurrence. Now, we find that this evil is almost exclusively connected with only such Divisions as do not receive lady visitors. At the approach of woman the evil takes wing and flies away from the Division Room. Vacant seats are filled, and an air of cheerfulness and comfort takes the place of dullness and dry formality. We deem it, therefore, important to urge upon all Divisions, hitherto wholly masculine, to take unto themselves helpmates from the ranks of woman; and also, that they introduce into their meetings, songs of a pleasing and strictly moral character, recitations, readings and original compositions. This order of things, properly managed, can scarcely fail to ensure a full and regular attendance. It will give to the Division meeting more the character of a social party than a mere routine of business transactions. Let members no longer waste the precious moments in wordy strife, but leave all such ambition to meetings of a different stamp, and let them come unto a higher tier of existence, where their influence and example will never fail to fall like lightning on the adversaries of our cause.

"We would especially recommend to all Divisions a careful perusal of the Reports laid before us. We find them so replete with suggestions for good,

that it is almost needless to do more than enforce them on the attention of members. A communication from Pike River Division has been submitted for our consideration. The Division in question is represented as in a very languid condition. Let its few members who are still faithful to their obligation try the experiment of adopting the new incentives to attendance, namely, admission of lady visitors, musical entertainment, &c. There appears to be a widespread disaffection among the Divisions on the ground of the *per capita* tax, paid to the Grand Division. We would suggest a reduction. If it can be done consistent with the safety and efficiency of the Grand Division, it might be placed, for the present year, at five cents per member. Many of our Divisions are still in their infancy, and the lighter their load the more cheery will be their march. In conclusion, we would call upon each member of the Order, to ask himself, personally, "Am I doing all in my power to promote the harmony, advance the interest, and preserve unsullied the reputation of the Sons of Temperance?" Grateful for past achievements, and hopeful for the future, our motto is, "Onward, hand in hand and heart to heart," our solid phalanx fears no defeat, but looks forward through the vista of an unfulfilling promise to the day of triumph, to the temperance millenium whose song of redemption shall sound in joy throughout the world.

Submitted in L. P. and F.,

W. B. VANVLIET,
GEORGE MARTIN.
JOHN R. LAMBLY.

On motion of Rep. J. M. Hall, the Report was adopted, except the portion relative to the *per capita* tax, which was left over for further discussion.

It was then moved by Rep. J. Robb and seconded :

That the *per capita* tax for the next year be 5 cents for each contributing member, without distinction of age.

Moved in amendment by Rep. J. R. Lambly and seconded :

That the *per capita* tax be for next year 7 cents.

After a prolonged discussion the original motion was carried, making the *per capita* tax for next year 5 cents.

Read Report of Finance Committee :

To the Officers of Grand Division Sons of Temperance, Canada East.

We, your Committee appointed to examine into the account of the Grand Scribe, beg to report that we have examined the same, comparing them with the vouchers, and find them correct.

We would recommend that the purchase of a banner for the use of the Grand Division be deferred for the present.

G. M. ROSE,
A. SWEATON,
JAMES M. HALL.

On motion the Report was adopted.

Moved by P.G.W.P. Henry Rose, seconded and adopted

Resolved,—That the Grand Scribe's salary be the same as last year

Moved by Rep. J. M. Hall, seconded and adopted ;

Resolved,—That the following be our Representatives to the National Division, viz :—P.G.W.P.'s J. C. Becket, R. Kneesbaw, A. McEachern, John S. Hall, A. Smeaton, T. C. Haynes, and Henry Rose ; P.G.W.A.'s W. H. Vanvliet, A. Bryson and K. Ross ; G.W.P. G. M. Rose ; and G.W.A. Wm. B. Vanvliet.

Moved by P.G.W.P. Henry Rose, seconded and adopted :

Resolved,—That 300 copies of the proceedings of the last and present sessions of this Grand Division be printed and distributed as heretofore among the Divisions.

G.W.A. Vanvliet asked the Grand Division if youths under 18 years of age are entitled to speak in Divisions.—Answered affirmatively.

Moved by Rep. Montgomery, seconded and adopted :

Resolved,—That the thanks of this Grand Division are tendered to Richmond Division for the use of their Hall during this session.

Moved by Rep. Lay, seconded and adopted—the G.W.A. in the Chair.

Resolved,—That the thanks of this Grand Division are due and are hereby tendered to the G.W.P. for the very able and courteous manner in which he has conducted the business of the meeting since he has assumed the chair.

Moved by Rep. G. Martin and adopted :

Resolved,—That this Grand Division recommend to members of all Subordinate Divisions that they patronize the *Life Boat*, it being the only organ of the Order in Canada East.

The Grand Division adjourned to meet at Quebec on the 2nd Wednesday of July next.

JOHN S. HALL,
Grand Scribe.

LIST OF DEPUTIES FOR 1861.

No. 1—Howard Division,	Montreal,	} Wm. G. Slack.
49—Eastern Star,	Montreal,	
53—St. Henry Union,	Tanneries,	
61—St. Charles,	Point St. Charles	} Wm. Hall.
3—Gough,	Quebec,	
16—St. Lawrence,	Quebec,	} Rev. G. Anderson,
4—Perseverance,	Huntingdon,	
5—Bethel,	Ornstown,	A. McEachern.
9—St. Andrews,	St. Andrews,	Thos. Wanless.
10—Victoria,	Lachute,	Thos. Barron, jr.
11—Lancaster,	Lancaster,	James Read.
14—St. Michaels Union,	Athelstan,	D. Sandilands.
17—Lacolle,	Lacolle,	J. T. Stocks.
18—Cold Water Spring,	Dunham,	Dr. Gibson.
19—Clarenceville,	Clarenceville,	} W. Macfie.
56—Brockville,	Brockville,	
22—Manningville,	Manningville,	Wm. Lauder.
24—Cameron,	St. Johns,	Wm. Whalen.
28—Bristol,	Bristol,	A. McKechnie.
29—Clarendon,	Clarendon,	R. Ralph.
30—Balaclava,	Leeds,	J. R. Lambly.
34—Harmony,	New Glasgow,	J. Sievwright.
35—St. Francis,	Durham,	} John Robb.
41—Kingsey,	Trenholmvile,	
36—Lake Beauport,	Lake Beauport,	Ed. Gosneld.
38—Richmond,	Melbourne,	} David Main.
42—Windsor,	Windsor,	
39—Havelock,	Inverness,	Peter Campbell.
44—Granby,	Granby	Henry Cole.
45—Gore Progressive,	Herdman's Corner,	Rob. Johnson.
47—Shefford,	Waterloo,	} H. D. Jordan.
60—	Knowlton,	
48—Philipsburg,	Philipsburg,	Wm. Morgan.
50—Adamsville,	Adamsville,	Edward Fordice.
51—Pike River,	Pike River,	Chas. H. Roberts.
52—Trout River,	S. Hinchinbrooke,	John Nisbett.
54—Hungerford,	Bedford,	John N. Mills.
55—Bedford,	Bedford,	Wm. Josleyn.
57—Washingtonian,	Sutton,	Rev. J. S. Sykes.
58—Cowansville,	Cowansville,	E. T. Miles.
59—East Farnham,	East Farnham,	C. H. Mansfield.