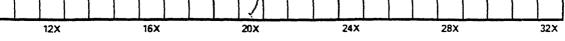
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GRAND DIVISION OF NOVA SCOTIA.

QUARTERLY SESSION.

AVONDALE DIVISION ROOM,

Avondale, Hants Co., April 26, 1864.

THE GRAND DIVISION was opened in due form at 7 o'clock, P.M., the Grand Worthy Patriarch in the Chair.

Roll of Officers called:

PRESENT.

Rev. I. J. Skinner, G.W.P. Patrick Monaghan, Grand Scribe. Henry A. Taylor, G. Treasurer. Charles E. Church, G. Conductor. Francis Beattie, G. Sentinel.

ABSENT.

Edward Morrison, G.W.A Rev. John Lathern, G. Chaplain. Avard Longley, P.G.W.P.

Vacancies were filled by bros. Nicholas Mosher, 1st (of No. 13), as G.W.A.; Daniel Mosher (No. 12), G. Chaplain; S. Selden, P.G.W.P.

On motion of the Grand Treasurer, seconded by G. J. Creed, it was *voted* that Lady Visitors and members of subordinate Divisions be admitted to the sittings of this Session as spectators. The following Report was read and adopted :---

The Standing Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report that they have examined the credentials of the undermentioned representatives, and find them correct:

CENTRAL, No. 2.-W.P., Joshua Attwood.

MILTON, No. 4.-W.P., Nathan Hilton; P.W.P., Geo. H. Gardner.

UNION, No. 6.—W. P., Francis Hutchinson; P. W. P.'s, Wm. H. Taylor, E. J. Budd, E. Burnham, A. L. Gavel, E. M. Marshall, Geo. Dennison, Isaac H. Balcomb, William Hanley.

CHEBUCTO, No. 7.-W.P., Charles McQueen.

MICMAC, No. 8.-W.P., Charles Archibald.

Avox, No. 12.-W.P., Elisha Curry; P.W.P.'s, Theodore S. Harding, Monson H. Goudge, J. Parker Smith, Dan. Mosher, Mark Curry, Wm. H. Blanchard, John B. Flowers,

Rev. Danl. M. Welton, Andrew Shand, Wm. Ruddell.

HEBRON, No. 19.-W.P., Charles Cahan, jr.; P.W.P., Charles Cahan, senr.

HOWARD, No. 26 .- W.P., T. M. Maddison.

CHESTER, No. 32 .- W.P., Simon Hutt.

MORNING STAR, No. 38.-W.P., Chas. H. Burgess.

STAR, No. 49.-W.P., Piers Locke.

HANTSPORT, No. 62.-W.P., George Stoddart; P.W.P., Juo. Huntley.

WALLACE, No. 75 .- W.P., II. Smith.

IRON AGE, No. 82.-W.P., Jno. C. Spencer.

BETHLEHEM, No. 89.-W.P., Jno. Lewis.

CHEDABUCTO, No. 93.-W.P., Christopher Jost, jr.; P. W.P.'s, Jno. Cunningham, Chas. Peddy.

NELSON, NO. 95.—W.P., Henry Burbridge. ATHENAUM, NO. 96.—W.P., Joseph Muirhead. NORTH, NO. 99.—W.P., Phineas Graves. INVINCIBLE, NO. 100.—P.W.P., Elisha D. Harris. FRIENDSHIP, NO. 106.—W.P., Amos Blinkhorn.

VICTORIA MINES, No. 108.-W.P., George Barker; P.W.

P.'s, Edwin Barteaux, Burton Parker, Wm. Hatley, Thos. Banks, W. F. Foster, F. H. Smith, W. F. Hatley, John Halley, A. B. Parker, S. B. Willett.

PARRSBORO, No. 110.-W.P., Geo. F. Corbett.

PHENIX, No. 115.-W.P., Jno. A. Tupper; P.W.P.. Enos Vinot.

RECHAB, No. 119.-W.P., Wesley Mason.

VESPER, No. 124 .- W.P., Donald A. F. Cameron.

EMBLEM, No. 126.-W.P., Johnston Eagan; P. W. P.'s. Chas. Jacques, Shippy Spaw, Elkanah Gates, Nath. Parker, E. C. Phinney, Henry Goucher, L. Baker.

PITTACUS, No. 132.-W.P., J. S. Porter ; P.W.P., W. S. Porter.

CUNNINGHAM, No. 134.-P.W.P., J. D. Chute.

ARCTIC, No. 140.-W.P., Saml. Thompson; P. W. P.'s. Thos. McKenzie, Geo. V. McLellan, Hamilton Durning.

EUREKA, No. 144.-W.P., Thos. R. Fillmore; P. W. P.. Samuel T. Holt.

TYRO, No. 145.-W.P., George Welch.

HOPE, No. 154.-W.P., Leslie M. Craig.

COBEQUID, No. 155.-W.P., D. S. Davidson.

CLYDE, No. 157 .- W.P., Gilbert Saunders.

WESTERN STAR, No. 161.-W.P., Wm. H. Grime; P.W. P., Jacob Brown.

RENFREW, No. 166 .- W.P., Samuel W. McKeen.

NORTH SYDNEY, No. 167 .- W P., Jno. S. Morgan.

Номе, No. 169.-W.P., Jno. L. Sulis.

SHERBROOKE, No. 173.-W. P., Edwd. O'Neal; P.W. P., Wm. Corkum.

BROUGHAM, No. 175.-W.P., Alex. McLean; P.W.P., Rodk. Levingston.

NEW ERA, No. 179.-W.P., Albert M. Hemmcon.

BRILLIANT STAR, No. 183.—W.P., Robt. Blackford; P. W.P., Jno. A. Smith.

PRINCE ALBERT, No. 185.-W.P., Newton Mack.

RAY OF HOPE, No. 186.-W.P., J. E. Goucher.

REID, No. 192.-P.W.P., Rev. Wm. M. Percival.

GREEN VALE, No. 193 .- W.P., Isaac Gaetz.

TANGIER, No. 194.-W.P., John J. Fulton.

PORT WILLIAMS, No. 195 .- W.P., George W. Borden.

CANNING, No. 196.-W.P., Jas. S. Millar.

ROSIGNOL, No. 200.—W.P., Joseph B. Harlow; P.W. P. Jas. B. Hunt.

BROOKLYN, No. 202.—W.P., S. M. Weeks, M. D., ; P. W. P., Rev. John McLeod.

BACHELOR, No. 203:-W.P., Leander S. Ford; P.W.P., Nicholas Smith.

WINE HARBOR, No. 204.-W.P., Donald McIntosh; P. W.P.'s, Alex. D. Cameron.

WAVERLY, No. 205.-W.P., John Lingley; P.W. P.'s, Charles Dimock, Joseph Salter.

GOLDENVILLE, No. 206.-W.P., John Sutherland; P.W. P., Alex. Archibald.

PRINCE ALFRED, No. 207.-W.P., Robt. Bradbury; P. W.P., Angus Campbell.

RAY OF LIGHT, No. 208.—W.P., R. Armstrong; P.W.P., Jno. P. Armstrong.

BETHESDA, No. 209.-W.P., A. J. Leadbetter; P.W.P., Augustus Freeman, A.B.

LAVING OAK, No. 211 .- W.P., Rev. Jno. O. Ruggles.

Your Committee have further to report that one return gives the names of

P.W.P. Thos. Arnold, and W.P. Wm. Davison, but without Name, No., Seal, Date, or name of R. S.

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

R. M. BARRATT, John Lanigan, James C. Merlin.

Grand Division, Avondale, April 26, 1864.

The Grand Conductor introduced the following named Representatives, who were duly initiated and assigned scats in the Grand Division : John A. Harvie, Albert C. Mosher, George J. Mosher, John R. Fraser, H. Mumford, of No. 13; Richard S. Blois, of No. 124.

G.W.P. appointed Committees as follows:

On State of the Order-S. Selden, E. T. Harvie, Jas. Elder, John McLearn, George Porter.

On Communications-J. W. Allison, George Butler, Robert Boak.

On Enrollment of numes of Representatives present dur-

ing Session — The Grand Conductor and George C. Harvie.

The following Report was read and approved of:

The Standing Committee on Charters and Institution of New Divisions beg to report that since the last quarterly Meeting they have recommended the granting of charters as follows :---

1st. On February 1st, to L. E. Smith and nine others, residents of Warwick and Paget Parishes, Bermuda, for ARQUS DIVISION, NO. 210.

2nd. To Rev. Thomas Downie and twenty-one others, residenis of Antigonish, Sydney County, on February 13, for ST. ANDREW'S DIVISION, No. 212.

3rd. On March 2nd., to and eleven others, residents of Chebogue, Yarmouth County, for ARCADIA DIVISION, No. 213.

4th. On March 17th, to Rev. J. O. Ruggles, and twenty-five others. residents of Kentville, King's County, for LIVING OAK DIVISION NO. 211.

5th. On April 15th, to Elijah C. West, and twenty-one others, residents of Pereaux, King's County, for PEREAUX DIVISION, No. 214.

Submitted in L., P., & F.,

Patk. Monaghan. James Spike. Geo. Mathison.

HALIFAX, April 25, 1864.

The following Report was read and adopted :

The Standing Committee on Constitutions and Bye-Laws beg to report, that they have had submitted to them for examination, the Bye-Laws of New Glasgow Division No. 17, Pugwash 36, Vesper 124, Port Williams 195, Wine Harbour 204, Goldenville 206, Argus 210, upon which they would report as follows:

NEW GLASGOW, No. 17.—Sec. 1, Art. 4.—The words "to appoint a Chaplain," to be omitted, as the Chaplain being now a constitutional officer, is elected by the Division.

Ser. 6, Art. 4.—The words "after one weeks previous notice has been given," to be inserted between "Division" and "unless." Sec. 2, Art. 5.—Eleven to be inserted instead of "six," before the word "months" in second line.

Sec. S. Art: 5.—The words after the Division has voted the Card, and, to be inserted between "F S." and "after."

PUGWASH, No. 36.—Sec. 1, Art. 3.—The words "to appoint a Chaplain for the quarter," to be omitted, as the Chaplain is now a constitutional officer, and elected by the Division.

Sec. 2, Art. 3.—The words "Constitution and" to be omitted.

Sec. 3, Art. 4, is unconstitutional, as no member's connection with the Order can be severed without action being taken under provisions of Articles 6 and 8 of the Constitution, and Chapters 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Code of Laws.

VESPER, No. 124.—Sec. 2, Art. 3.—The words "Chaplain and also" to be omitted, as Chaplain is now a constitutional officer, and elected by the Division.

Sec. 6, Art. 3.—The words after one week's previous notice has been given, to be added to the section.

PORT WILLIAMS, No. 195.—Your Committee do not find anything unconstitutional in the Bye-Laws of this Division.

WINE HARBOUR, No. 204.—Sec. S, Art. 5.—The words provided the Division votes him the Card, to be inserted between "F. S." and "after."

GOLDENVILLE, No. 206.—Sec. 1, Art. 5, to be omitted, heing already provided for in Sec. 2 of Art. 2.

Sec. 1, Art. 6.—After the word "withdrawal" in 5th line, insert the words after the Division has voted the same.

Sec. 1, Art. S.—Your committee cannot recommend, it being unconstitutional.

Art. 17.—Your committee are of opinion that this article is unconstitutional, and would therefore recommend its erasure from the Bye-Laws of the Division. Your committee, however, would here observe that they are of opinion the National Division should re-enact the law whereby brethren would be prevented from holding effice until after the expiration of a certain period after re-instatement for violation of the pledge.

Angus, No. 210.—Your committee do not find anything in the Bye-Laws of this Division conflicting with the Constitution or Code of Laws.

Submitted in L., P., and F.,

PATE. MONAGHAN, WM. MURRAY, JOHN HEENAN.

Halifax, April 25, 1864.

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Bro. R. M. Barratt presented the following report of progress, from the committee appointed at last annual meeting, on "Bands of Hope":

The committee appointed by this G. D. in Oct. last, in reference to matters connected with Bands of Hope, have given some attention to the subject with a view to a more systematic organization, and more general recognition of its claims by the Order at large,—claims theoretically acknowledged by many members who yet are not in a position to give their aid in working them, in consequence of not being able to accept themselves that portion of the pledge which prohibits the use of tobacco. This aifficulty has been experienced in many localities throughout this Province, and at the present time the committee appointed by three of the city Divisions to organize a Band under their joint management, feel the difficulty in common with the two Divisions who already have such bands, as regards the unwillingness of many members to subscribe to the tobacco portion of the pledge.

The committee propose to prepare a code of laws and frame a ritual more suited to the capacities of children than those now in use; and trusting that your committee will, at the next meeting of this Grand Division, be able to make a more satisfactory report, they would urge upon the attention of those present, the duty of engaging in the formation and fostering of Bands of Hope, as nurseries from which they will derive in the future strength and material for the carrying on of the Temperance work.

On behalf of the Committee,

Submitted in L., P., and F.,

R. M. BARRATT.

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The Grand Scribe read the following communication from the Provincial Secretary's office, acknowledging receipt of copy of resolution passed at the January session, in reference to appointment of persons to office by Governments,—and which was ordered to be spread on the Records:

> PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Halifax, 25th Feb'y., 1864.

SIR,—I am requested by the Hon. Provincial Secretary to inform you that your communication with its accompanying resolution passed by the Grand Division, Sons of Temperance, of Nova Scotia, has been received, and will receive the consideration which its importance demands.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your very obdt. servt.,

JAMES H. THORNE,

Deputy Secretary.

To PATK. MONAGHAN, G: S., Halifax.

Grand Scribe read a communication from D.G.W.P. Denton, on behalf of General Williams Division, No. 146, located at Prince William, Digby County, asking that the location of that Division be changed to Waterford.

Referred to Committee on Communications.

On motion of bro. R. M. Barratt, seconded by Robt. Boak, it was agreed that the Grand Division meet tomorrow morning at $9\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock; adjourn at 12 M.; and meet at $1\frac{1}{2}$ P.M.

The Grand Scribe read his report as follows :

TO THE GRAND DIVISION OF THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE OF THE PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA:

Grand Worthy Patriarch and Brothers,-

It again becomes my pleasing duty to report progress of the cause in this jurisdiction.

NEW DIVISIONS.

Since the January quarterly meeting, the following named new Divisions have been instituted :

1. BETHESDA, No. 209, at North Brookfield, Queen's Co., on 30th January, by County Deputy Wm. Bryden.

2. ARGUS, No. 210, on February 25th, at Warwick, Bermuda, by General Deputy George Oxborrow.

3. LAVING OAK, No. 211, at *Kentville*, King's Co., on March 19th, by bro. Beattie, Grand Sentinel.

4. Sr. ANDREW'S, No. 212, at Antigonish, Sydney County, on March 22, by bro. H. R. Cunningham, County Deputy for Guysborough.

5. ARCADIA, No. 213, at *Cheboque*, Yarmouth County, on _____by County Deputy, Rev. George Christie.

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DIVISIONS RESUSCITATED.

It is with pleasure I have to report that several old Divisions have been resuscitated since the last quarterly meeting, principally through the efforts of bro. Beattie, Grand Lecturer, viz. :

1. New Caledonia. No. 14, on February 1st.

2. Emblem, No. 126, on February 13th.

3. Margaretville, No. 80, on February 16th.

4. Lake, No. 71, on March 2d.

The first named Division had not been in operation for upwards of twelve mor. hs previous, and the others had not been working for more than two years previous.

I may here observe that Union. No. 6, Avon, No. 12, Morning Star, No. 38, and Olive Branch, No. 44, which were inactive during the greater portion of the past year, are now exhibiting more vigour, some of them having received good accessions to their membership during the past quarter.

NUMBER OF DIVISIONS, &C.

The names of one hundred and twenty-three Divisions are now on the Roll of the Grand Division. Of this number ten are not working, and four are supposed to be inoperative, returns not being received from them for several quarters. Those not working are—Garland 105, Rocklin 129, Temple 131, Waterloo 143, Coxheath 148, Ohio 150, Onward 164, Guthrie 174, Ainslie 187, Sunnyside 197.

Those supposed not to be working, are—Agricola 72, Inverness 172, Mabou 176, Hart 177.

Deducting the above named from the Roll, there remain 108 working Divisions, from all of which, returns for quarter ending March 31 should have been received.

Ninety-five have sent in returns, from which has been compiled the following

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

| No. | of Members admitted | 1148 |
|-----|-----------------------------|------|
| | Rejected | |
| | Withdrawn | 79 |
| | Violated Pledge | 160 |
| | Reinstated | |
| | Suspended | 110 |
| | Violated Pledge second time | 23 |
| | Expelled | 258 |

| No. Deaths |
|--|
| Members on F. S. Books |
| Lady Visitors admitted (in 50 Divisions) 378 |
| " " withdrawn, died, &c 22 |
| Whole No. of Lady Visitors (in 68 Div.)2736 |
| No. Public Temperance Meetings held |
| Temperance documents distributed 1513 |
| Receipts of quarter |
| Expenses, exclusive of benefits 1630.921 |
| Paid for benefits |
| Cash on hand including investments 8643.924 |
| Per Capita Tax to Grand Division 280.66 |

By the foregoing it will be seen that there has been a large accession to our membership, during the quarter, leaving a nett increase, after deducting the withdrawals, deaths, and expulsions. of 806.

MEMBERS ADMITTED IN COUNTIES.

The number of members admitted into the Divisions in the different counties, during the quarter, are as follows:

| 2 | * |
|--------------|-----------------|
| Halifax147 | Colchester 12 |
| Hants 47 | Cumberland 60 |
| King's 81 | Pictou 44 |
| Annapolis 73 | Guysborough 211 |
| Digby 52 | Sydney 31 |
| Yarmouth111 | Cape Breton 82 |
| Shelburne 6 | Inverness |
| Queen's130 | Victoria 0 |
| Lunenburg 41 | |
| 3 | 1128 |
| Bermuda | |
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DIVISIONS AND MEMBERSHIP IN COUNTIES.

The number of Divisions and members in each County is shown in the following table:

| Counties. | No. of Divisio | ons. No. of Members. |
|-----------|------------------|----------------------|
| Halifax | Working. Not wor | king. |
| | | |
| Annapolis | . 11 0 | |

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| Counties. | | No. of Members. |
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| | Working. Not working. | |
| Digby | . 10 0 | |
| Yarmouth | . 6 1 | |
| Shelburne | . 5 0 | 64 |
| Queen's | | |
| Lunenburg | . 7 0 | 234 |
| Colchester | . 5 1 | |
| Cumberland | - | |
| Pictou | | |
| Guysborough | . 4 0 | |
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| Cape Breton | | |
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| Bermuda | . 3 0 | 104 |
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CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

It will be needless for me to enter into lengthened details in reference to the state of the Order in the Province. The foregoing figures exhibit the fact that—except perhaps during the first two or three years in its history, and when, "owing to the novelty of the thing," persons flocked into the Divisions—our organization never before received in any quarter so large an accession of membership as during the past quarterly term. Let us hope that this progressive movement may continue.

FINANCES.

The receipts and disbursements of this office to 23d inst., were as follows:

Receipts.

| Receiv | ed for per Capita Tax | \$314.53 |
|--------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| " | Charters and other stock, &c | . 43.925 |
| " | Towards Agency Fund | $. 15.12\frac{1}{5}$ |
| | · | \$373.58 |
| | Balance due-G. D. Jan'y. 23 | 8.69 |
| | | \$382.27 |

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Disbursements.

Paid G. Treasurer per Receipts.....\$362.87¹/₂ Balance in hands of G. S. 19.40

\$382.271

RETURNS TO NATIONAL DIVISION.

On 29th March last, the returns from this Grand Division to the National Division, for the year 1863, were forwarded to the Most Worthy Scribe, and the receipt thereof has been duly acknowledged by that officer.

Following is a copy of the returns sent :

| No. of Divisions in operation 100 Admitted 2105 |
|---|
| Reinstated 302 Suspended 489 |
| Expelled for violation of the pledge 363 |
| "for other causes" 493 Of deaths 35_ |
| Of violations of the pledge 442 Whole number of members 4361 |
| No. of Lady Visitors admitted |
| Whole number of Lady Visitors |
| Whole amount of Receipts |
| Cash on hand and invested 2151.06 Per Capita Tax to Grand Division 950.32 |
| Per Capita Tax to Nat. Div., 2 cents each member, 87.22 |
| No. of Members in Grand Division 565 |
| Representatives in National Division 20 Public Temperance Meetings held 275 |
| Temperance Documents distributed 2708 |

The per centage to the National Division for the year 1863, as will be seen by the Grand Treasurer's account, has been forwarded to the M. W. Scribe.

* Returns received since above were forwarded to M.W.S., increase the whole No. of members to 4,507.-G. S.

AGENCY.

It is with much pleasure I have again to refer to the successful mission of brother Francis Beattie, during his lecturing tour through the Western Counties. He has given general satisfaetion in that portion of the jurisdiction through which he has travelled; and from many places I have received the enquiry, "When will he be with us again?" I trust the Grand Division will be able to continue the brother in the field, in order to keep the Agency department in vigorous operation. It is highly desirable, however, that the Order should contribute towards the sustainment of this good work, which, I regret to say, has not yet received that financial encouragement which should be given to it by the Divisions. I need not here refer at more length to brother Beattie's labors, as he will be with us at this Session, and no doubt will report upon the good work in which he has been engaged for the past six months.

RETURNED CHARTERS.

On the 2d of April brother Beattic returned to me the Charter and Ritual of the late Oak Division, No. 43; and on the 6th of April I received from brother C. H. Harrington the Charter and Ritual of the late Monitor Division.

DECEASED MEMBERS.

It becomes my painful duty to announce the decease of two members of this Grand Division—brothers Robert W. Rees of Howard Division, No. 26; and George Burchell of Archangel Division, No. 40. The first named brother became a member of this body on 20th October, 1852. His death occurred on the 13th ultimo.

Brother Burchell died on the 22d of March. He was initiated into the body August 13, 1860.

P. M. W. P. DR. S. L. CONDICT.

It is with regret I have to announce the death of P. M. W. P. Condict, of New Jersey, which event occurred on the 9th day of February. "Brother Condict was renowned in the jurisdiction for Christian zeal in the cause of Temperance, of Charity, and of general good Morals and Religion. Celebrated in his own country for varied pious efforts in behalf of humanity, his fame extended to these Provinces also, and met with hearty response in the minds of many admiring brethren and friends."

DIVISION INCORPORATED.

North Sydney Division, No. 167, having taken the necessary steps to become incorporated in connection with the Grand Division, the proper documents, under certificate of the G. W. P. and G. Scribe, were filed in the Provincial Secretary's Office on 18th inst.

VARIOUS MATTERS.

Since the last Quarterly Meeting Bro. C. H. Harrington, P. W. P. of the late Monitor Division having applied for a Clearance Card in order to enable him to join another Division, such card was granted him on March 1st, with the understanding that he was to obtain the Charter, Ritual, &c., of the Division. and place them in possession of the Grand Division, with which conditions he has complied.

The supply of Charters having become exhausted since last meeting, I have had *fifty* copies printed.

The following supplies have been received from the M. W. S. since last meeting: 20 copies of Ritual; 100 T. and W. Cards, and a further supply of 100 Lady Visitors' Ritual, and 12 sets Officers Cards have been ordered.

The Committee appointed at the Annual Meeting to raise a sufficient sum to defray expenses of the delegate appointed to attend the meeting of the National Division at Cleveland, Ohio, in June next, have issued an appeal to the Divisions on the subject, which I trust will receive a liberal response—particularly as it is very desirable that Nova Scotia should be represented at that meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

In L., P., & F.,

Avondale, April 26, 1864.

PATRICE MONAGHAN,

Grand Scribe.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

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

The following Report was read and adopted :

The Standing Auditing and Finance Committee report that they have examined the books and accounts of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer, all of which they find to be correct. The committee have also examined the following account, which they recommend for payment:

On motion, brothers Daniel Mosher and R. M. Barratt were appointed to confer with Committee of Avondale Division, in making arrangements for a public Temperance Meeting, to be held to-morrow evening.

Grand Division adjourned.

PATRICK MONAGHAN, G. S.

Wednesday, April 27, 1864.

FORENOON SITTING.

Grand Division opened in due form, at $9\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, the G. W. P. in the chair.

Roll of officers called.

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Present-G. W. P., Grand Scribe, G. Treas., G. Con., G. Sent.

Absent-G. W. A., G. Chap., P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by bros. Nicholas Mosher, (1st,) of No. 13, G. W. A.; Daniel Mosher, of No. 12, G. Chap.; S. Selden, P. G. W. P.

The Grand Conductor introduced Representative Rev. John McLeod, of No. 202, who was initiated, and assigned a seat in the Grand Division.

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

A Communication from Phœnix Division, No, 115, cancelling Credentials of two Representatives, was read; ordered on file, and names to be erased from Roll of G. D. members.

The following Report was read, and ordered to be spread on the Records :

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The Committee appointed at the Quarterly Session recently held at Canning, to examine the answers to the questions to the four Queries submitted to the Subordinate Divisions by the Grand Division, on the propriety of admitting Ladies to full Membership, to hold office, &c., &c., have attended to that duty, and beg to report.

Your Committee do not pretend to give the number of members voting on these questions, as many Divisions voted affirmatively or negatively, without giving the number of members voting-those thus voting, however, were generally in the negative. The number of Divisions reporting were between fifty and sixty. To the first question, "Are you in favor of the admission of Females to full membership, on the same terms as males ?" there were ten for, and forty-mine against. To the second question-"Are you in favor of the admission of Females to full membership, with certain restrictions in regard to holding office ?" there were twelve for, and forty-six against. To the third question-"Are you in favor of the admission of Females, as Members, who may desire to become such, without disturbing the principle of admitting or retaining as visitors, Females who prefer to assume or retain that relation ?" there were twenty-five for, and thirty-four against; and to the fourth question-" Are you in favor of giving to Divisions the right to elect Lady Visitors to any of the offices of the Order, now held only by Members ?" there were fifteen for, and forty-three against.

From the above it will be seen at a glance, that the first question was negatived by a majority of thirty-nine; the second by a majority of thirty-four; the third by a majority of nine; and the fourth by twenty-eight.

Two Divisions were willing to abide the decision of the Grand Division.

One Division deemed it inexpedient to take any action on these questions at the present time.*

Submitted in L., P., and F., MENRY A. TAYLOR, Chairman. JOHN WATSON. March 26, 1864. R. M. BARRATT.

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^{*} In accordance with instructions of the Grand Division, given at the January Session, a copy of the above Report was forwarded to the Most Worthy Seribo, on the 20th of March. Since the Report was drawn up, three other Divisions have sent in replies; their decision was as follows: in favor of first question, one; against i, two is the second question—all against; third question—one for, two against; fourth question—one for, two against.~G. S.

Bro. Selden, as Chairman, presented the following Report from Agency Committee :

The Agency Committee beg to report that they have been enabled, by the liberal proposal of Brother Francis Beatie, to make arrangements for his making a lecturing tour through the western counties, during the past six months, now just completed. The committee are glad to have to report that Brother Beattie has been so well received by the Divisions, and the public, wherever he has been. They regret that the funds at their disposal will not permit them to remunerate him more fully for the valuable service he has rendered the Grand Division.

The Committee are of opinion that it is highly important to have one or more lecturers continually in the field. Such efforts would keep awake the public interest in the Order, and by personal visitation of the Divisions, would establish a more intimate connection between the Subordinate Divisions and the Grand Division. The work of reformation might by this means be expected to proceed more effectively, and the people be brought to a higher appreciation of Total Abstinence principles.

The Committee are gratified to learn that the brethren in some of the Divisions have contributed towards the Agency Fund, and, by annual subscriptions, have thereby given a prospect of permanency to that Fund. If this example were followed, generally, and every Division were to open a subscription list, there would be no difficulty in securing the services of lecturers, and remunerating them for their labor. The committee believe it would be a legitimate application of the funds of the Grand Division, which flow in an increased stream in consequence of the labors of a ch Agents, by the extension of the Order, if a sum of money were given annually by way of donation towards the Agency Fund.

The Committee beg to inform the Grand Division that they are in treaty with Brother Rev. Alex. McArthur to spend a few weeks in a lecturing tour, of which due notice will be given in the *Abstainer*. Should this arrangement be accomplished, the committee would solicit for Bro. McArthur the kind censideration of the Divisions and Temperance friends, and would ask for him such aid in the prosecution of his work as may be in their power to render.

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

S. Selden, Henry A. Taylor, J. McMurray. Charles Robson.

Halifax, April 26, 1864.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

Bro. Daniel Mosher presented a Report from Committee appointed to arrange for a Public Meeting to be held this evening. Programme submitted by the Committee was approved of.

Bro. Beattie read a Report of his labors as Lecturer since November iast, as addressed to the Agency Committee.

On motion of Bro. H. B. Mitchell, seconded by R. M. Barratt, the Report was referred to Committee on State of the Order, and ordered to be published as an Appendix to Journal of Proceedings of this Session.— (See Appendix.)

The G. W. P. read his Report, as follows :

TO THE GRAND DIVISION S. OF T. OF NOVA SCOTIA:

Officers and Brothers,-

Through the merciful kindness of an ever-watchful Providence, we are again permitted to assemble in quarterly session. And the favourable circumstances which surround us in meeting with the brothers of Avondale Division, call forth feelings of unmingled joy, and move our hearts to gratitude for the preservation of life, and the continual bestowment of every necessary blessing.

But the question arises, for what purpose have we met? Is it merely to exchange brotherly congratulations and renew former acquaintances? True, this is a privilege not to be overlooked; and delightful sensations thrill our hearts as we grasp each others hands and feel that we are firmly united in this great brother-

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hood. Is it to go through the accustomed round of ceremonies only—to record on our journals a number of good resolutions, and complete the business of another session, thereby presenting to the public and transmitting to posterity a record of our labours and triumphs in this good cause? All this is absolutely necessary; but of comparatively trivial importance when viewed in connection with the *higher grand* object of our gathering. What then, is that object?

It is, worthy brothers, not merely to talk, but to *work*—not merely to buckle on the armour and equip ourselves for the conflict, but to do battle against the deadly enemy of mankind the foe alike of all classes. We have met to engage in a work which contemplates nothing less than the ultimate extermination of the ruinous rum-traffic—the entire banishment of the demoralizing, though fashionable drinking costoms of the day, and the moral elevation of the depraved and wretched, made so by the use of alcoholie stimulants. This is the aim of all true Sons of Temperance.

And will any one accuse us of extravagance in our anticipations? Are we not warranted by the justice of our cause—the success of the past, and the exigencies of the present, in making this the subject of our most earnest prayers, and the object of our united and continued labours; in the exercise of a strong conviction that with the blessing of God, it can and must be accomplished?

Let us take only a partial view of the past quarter, and we shall be justified in our conclusions.

That obstacles numerous and formidable have for years stood, and still stand in the way of Temperance reform, is unquestiona-The wretched inebriate, steeped in strong drink, the slave ble. of a morbid and dep aved appetite, is almost a hopeless case : and the utmost patience and perseverance are necessary in order to The unprincipled money-loving rumseller, for "filthy save him. lucre's sake," deals out to the poor drunkard the poison which slowly but effectually does its deadly work. Enactments stand on our statute book legalizing the destructive traffic. Legislators themselves, many of them not only use intoxicat gliquors ficely, but afford facilities for its more extended use by permitting it to enter our country to certain classes duty free And moreover, the largest portion of those who are styled the "higher circles," -the elite of society, throw the weight of their influence in favor of the drinking customs, and present a most formidable barrier in the way of temperance reformation. This is the kind of opposition we are called to meet, -- opposition which must have a withering, disheartening effect upon the minds of Temperance men. But yet, in the face of all this, what has been accomplished during the last three months? Here let the figures of the Grand Scribe speak. They give us facts. And what do they say? They tell us that the Divisions, with few exceptions, have not only held their ground, but have made advances upon the enc-They have enlisted in this noble army upwards of *Eight* my. Hundred men, who are proud to hail as Sons of Temperance under our glorious colours, the red, white and blue, besides large accessions to the ranks of Lady Visitors who are heartily engaged in the cause. The good thus accomplished, who can estimate? Who can tell how many of those Eight Hundred have been taken from the lowest depths of drunkenness and hopefully restored to the true dignity of men-how many young men snatched, as it were, from the vortex of intemperance, the smoother and downward path to which they had already begun to tread ? Who can tell how many miserable abodes of poverty and wretchedness have been converted into comfortable, peaceful, and happy homes? And how many mothers' hearts have thrilled with joy at the reformation of the wayward son? Who can tell how many broken-hearted wives have witnessed with unmingled delight the rescue of the husband of their youth and the father of their children, and how many children have been spared the heart-rending reflection that they were the offspring of a drunken father? And moreover, who can estimate the weight of influence for good which will be exerted by the accessions to our number during the last quarter? These are questions which the future only can answer.

Now, it may be asked, what are the means by which those gratifying results have been accomplished? Doubtless the most direct cause is traceable to immediate individual effort. This cannot be over estimated, as the great lever by which the masses who are worshippers of Bacchus must be elevated to their true position in society. We may refer also to the labours of our indefatigable agent—the Grand Sentinel—as a powerful means of stirring up and calling into action the slumbering energies of individuals, and it is an occasion of joy that so large a measure of success has attended his labours wherever he has travelled. And last, but by no means least, we would mention the incessant toil of our worthy brother the Grand Scribe. Acting in the threefold capacity of G. S., Editor of the *Abstainer*, and the corresponding Sceretary, he becomes preeminently the "right arm" of the whole society. And I am persuaded that to his labours in the weekly issues of the *Abstainer* and correspondence otherwise conducted by him with all parts of the Jurisdiction we are largely indebted for the progress of the Order which is apparent in his report. I hope this Grand Division will afford him all possible encouragement by giving him such remuneration as shall enable him to devote all the time and energy necessary to the carrying on of the work.

But while we dwell upon the past and the present, the difficulties encountered and victories gained we should not lose sight of those things which afford us encouragement for the future.

We have a strong hold upon the working classes of society throughout the country. Many professional men of high standing and moral worth are in our ranks. And there are a few who occupy important position in our Legislature, whom we claim as our own, and it is a source of unmingled joy that some of them, at least, can be relied on under any circumstances as unflinching Sons of Temperance-who are not ashamed nor afraid to show their colours in any place, and record their names in a small minority if necessary rather than compromise their principles in any degree. Such gentlemen deserve our highest esteem and admi-I hope to see the day when the inhabitants of the country ration. shall be so thoroughly educated on the Temperance question, that no man will be permitted to occupy a seat in our Legislative halls, unless he is, if not a Son of Temperance, a Total Abstainer from all intoxicating beverages. Then may we hope for the accomplishment of the object at which we are aiming, namely, Prohibitory enactments which rightly enforced would soon banish the curse of intemperance from the land entirely,

Let the success of the past, the necessities of the present, and the prospects of the future excite us all to steadfastness and perseverance, and nerve us to greater efforts in this good cause, "the cause of all mankind." And let us seek Divine wisdom, and strength from on High, animated by the strong hope that ultimately we shall come off victorious.

Submitted in L., P., & F.,

I. J. SXINNER, G. W. P.

Avondale, April 27th, 1864.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order. Grand Division adjourned.

> PATRICK MONAGHAN, Grand Scribe.

AFTERNOON SITTING.

Grand Division met at 2 o'clock, and opened in due . form, the G. W. P. in the chair.

Roll of officers called.

Present-G. W. P., G. Scribe, G. Treas., G. Con., G. Sent.

Absent-G. W. A., G. Chap., P. G. W. P.

Vacancies were filled by bros. Nicholas Mosher, (1st,) No. 13, as G. W. A.; Rev. J. McLeod, G. Chap., Elkanah T. Harvie, P. G. W. P.

Minutes of forenoon sitting were read and approved. Bro. Selden, from Committee on State of the Order, presented the following Report, which was considered by clauses, and adopted :

The Committee on the State of the Order beg to report that they have had before them the able reports of the Grand Worthy Patriarch and Grand Scribe; and that of the Agency Committee and of Brother Beattie, and congratulate the Grand Division on the facts they severally make known. As these documents will appear in the Journals, the Committee do not think it necessary to make any extended analysis of them. There are in them, nevertheless, several points which deserve special attention, and we commend them to the careful perusal of the brethren. One of these particulars is that out of a membership of 4,977 there have been but six deaths during the quarter. Although we would not forget that it is not in man to command or control life or death, yet we believe that adherence to temperance principles, not only tends greatly to alleviate the amount of human suffering, during the whole period of life, but has the effect also of extending in the aggregate the length of men's days.

The addition of six new Divisions and 806 efficient members of this branch of the organization is no mean advance for a period of three months. If a similar state of activity were rendered permanent so as to become a characteristic feature of our body, we should soon find such a change in the customs of society as would banish the great Destroyer from all places of respectability; and Prohibition would be enacted by common consent.

It is gratifying to learn that more attention is being paid to the preparation and sending forward of the Returns to the Grand Division. We would suggest to the Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarchs, and Divisions generally, that this is one of the most important matters in connection with our body. Accurate statistical information furnished promptly at the times appointed, has much to do with the progress and harmonious working of the various parts of our organization, and is intimately associated with every moral improvement.

Respectfully submitted in L., P., & F.,

JOHN MCLEARN, S. SELDEN E. T. HARVIE, JAMES ELDER, GEORGE PORTER.

Avondale, April 27, 1864.

Bro. Allison presented the following Report from Committee on Communications :

The Committee on Communications beg to report :

That they have had laid before them by the Grand Scribe a proposal from Mr. Z. Pope Vose, Rockland, Maine, who invites this Grand Division to subscribe for a number of copies of a work which he designs to publish, entitled, "The Text-Book of Temperance." Fle offers it to the Grand Division at cost of publication, to be disposed of at the subscription price, 75 cents to subscribers, obtained through the subordinate Divisions.

Your Committee consider that in the present state of our funds and in view of the additional support which our own Temperance press requires, they cannot recommend the adoption of Mr. Vose's proposal, leaving for the Grand Division to take any further action on the matter which they may think proper.

They have also had submitted for their consideration a letter from D. G. W. P. Danton, of General Williams Division, requesting that the locality of that Division be changed from Prince William to Waterford, where it in reality is. This request your Committee think should be promptly complied with.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. W. Allison, jr. G. Butler, R. Boak.

April 27, 1864. Adopted.

Bro. Barratt presented the following Report* :

The Committee on Deputies' Returns beg leave to report that they have had submitted to them Returns from the several counties, as follows:---

| Annapolis, 3 | Returns | from | 3 | Divisions, |
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| Colchester, 3 | ** | " " | 6 | " |
| Cumberland 6 | "" | " | 7 | " |
| Dighy, 8 | "" | " | 9 | " |
| Guysboro, 2 | " | " | 2 | " |
| Halifax, 10 | " | " | 11 | " |
| Hants, 2 | ** | * * | 2 | " |
| Kings, 3 | " | " | 3 | " " |
| Lunenburg 5 | ** | " | 6 | "" |
| Picton, 4 | " | * * | 4 | " |
| Queens, 4 | " | " | 4 | " |
| Shelburne, 3 | ** | " | 3 | " |
| Yarmouth, 3 | " | ** | 4 | " |
| Cape Breton 6 | " | " | 4 7 | " |
| Victoria, 1 | " | " | 1 | " |
| Bermuda, 1 | " | " | 2 | " |

Making in all, 64 Returns from 74 Divisions.

From the foregoing the following answers to queries are obtained :---

To the first question, the answers, with four exceptions are very satisfactory.

To the second question, three report the attendance as very poor, eleven as only partial, twelve as very good, eleven as only partial, twelve as very good, and the remainder give the simple answer, "yes."

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^{*} Had the Returns been sent in in time, this Report should have been presented at the Annual Session, October, 1863.-G. S.

The third question is answered in the affirmative, with but few exceptions, and only one gives a direct answer in the negative.

The fourth question is answered very satisfactorily, with three exceptions.

The answers to the fifth question are all in the affirmative, with the following exceptions—two return no answer, and one reports misunderstanding arising from difficulty in locating of Hall, and from Politics.

To the sixth question, four report in the negative, twentyseven say only partial, four give no answer, and the remainder say. "Yes."

To the seventh question the answers are all in the negative, with the following exceptions—Divisions Nos. 79, 96, 137, and 190, who each reports a "Band of Hope."

The eighth question is answered in the affirmative by all but eleven, and one of these reports having just decided to admit. Five of the deputies speak indifferently of the effect for good, while the remainder pronounce the practice as highly beneficial.

To the ninth question several localities are named as fields for work.

The answers to the tenth question are not at all satisfactory,—ten say simply yes, and forty-two report as taking the *Abstainer*, but in most instances only to a limited extent, and three name the *Abstainer* and *Youth's Temperance Visitor*: all the rest say, none.

To the cleventh question, the following suggestions are given:* The twelfth question pronounces the following facts: thirty returns say distinctly, "No"; 11 report the evil as existing to a partial extent, six report it as pretty general, and the remainder pronounce it as abounding; among the latter, the deputies in the city report unanimously.

The answers to the thirtcenth question mark an improvement; as thirty-seven report the clergymen as active, and twenty-two say they are partially so, but it is still to be regretted that there are so many who have to report them as either opponents or else indifferent to the claims of the cause.

The fourteenth question is not satisfactory, as only nineteen report them as giving decided or partial countenance to the work, while all the remainder are said to stand apart, if not oppose it, and two report their physicians to be decided drunkards.

* See Appendix .-- G. S.

The answers to the fifteenth question are pretty much the same as those given to the thirteenth, with the exception that where the teachers are females they are invariably supporters of Temperance principles.

To the sixteenth question answers are only given by eight, who report a total of 681 boys organized.

The answers to the seventeenth question are as follows: twenty-seven T. A. Societies, one Union "Daughters of Temperance," one Temperance Alliance, and three Watchman Clubs.

The returns to the eighteenth question are only from fourteen deputies, who report a total of about four thousand organized Total Abstainers in Societies independent of the Order or of juvenile organizations.

Submitted in L., P., & F.,

R. M. BARRATT,

R. NOBLE.

JAMES SPIKE.

G. D. Room, Avondale, April 26, 1864.

Adopted.

Bro. Selden moved the following Resolution, which was seconded by Rev. J. McLeod, and passed unanimously:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division are due, and are hereby presented to Francis Beattie, Grand Sentinel of this Grand Division, for the very efficient service he has rendered to the cause of Temperance, particularly in connection with the various Subordinate Divisions under this jurisdiction, during the past six months.

The G. W. P. tendered the vote of thanks to brother Beattie, who acknowledged the same in suitable terms.

On motion of brother Selden, seconded by brother Beattie, it was unanimously

Resolved, That we the members of this Grand Division, who have come from a distance to attend this Session, desire to present, and hereby offer our best thanks to the brethren in Avondale and their families, for the kindness and hospitality they havo shown to us while attending on the present occasion.

Bro. R. M. Barratt moved the following, which was seconded by brother Beattie, and adopted : Whereas it is of the utmost consequence that Divisions of our Order should exist in every part of our Province, and especially in all the towns and villages; and whereas for some years past the Divisions in Annapolis and Truro have ceased to exist; and whereas both these places being the shire towns of their respective counties, and the absence of the Order is a reflection upon the active and aggressive spirit of our institution: *Therefore resolved*, that this Grand Division, acting under a sense of duty to the Order and Temperance cause, feel themselves bound to use their efforts to re-establish the Order in both those localities, do hereby *resolve*, that a Committee of three brothers be appointed to visit Annapolis Town; and a Committee of three brothers be also appointed to visit Truro, and in each case use their influence with the leading Temperance friends in these localities to re-establish the Order in both places.

On motion of brother H. A. Taylor, seconded by bro. Robt. Boak, a vote of thanks was passed to the Avondale Division, for the use of their Hall during the Session.

On motion of brother Daniel Mosher, seconded by H. A. Taylor, it was *ordered* that three hundred copies of Journals of Proceedings of this Session be published and distributed in the same manner.

Minutes of this sitting were read and confirmed. Grand Division closed in due form.



Halifax, N. S., April 29, 1864.

PAT. MONAGHAN, Grand Scribe. THE GRAND SCRIBE in account with the GRAND DIVISION. 1864. Dr.

Jan'y. 23. To balance due Grand Division \$8.694 30. Tax from Divs. for otr. ending Sept. 30, 1863: Avon, \$1.26; Olive Branch, 1.20; Phcenix, \$1.86; Welsford, 2.04..... 6.36 Tax from Divs. for qtr, ending Dec. 31, 1863 : Concord, \$2.10; Avon, 1.26; New Glasgow, bal. \$1.08; Hebron, 1.86; Cape Breton, 3.06; Archangel, \$3.48; Olive Branch, 0.96; Hantsport, \$1,80; Bethlehem, 1.20; Chedabucto, \$1.44; Nelson, 2.46 ; Evng. Star, 1.20; North, for June, Sept. and Dec. qrs., \$5.04; Victoria Mines, \$1.20 : Parrsboro', 5.22 ; Phœnix, 0.90; White Rose, \$1.26; Eureka, 1.32; Watford, \$1.74; Clyde, 2.40; Western Star, \$2.64; Forest, \$1.50; North Sydney, 4.44; Welsford, \$1.80; Gibraltar, 2.34; Highlander, 0,96; Brilliant Star, \$1.02; Prince Albert, 1.50; Green Vale, \$1.62; Star of Hope, \$2.76; Reid, \$3.18; Canning, 4.92; Scots Bay, 2.58; Rescue, \$1.92; Hall's Harbour, 2.94; Brooklyn, \$1.80..... 78.90 April 18. Tax from Divs. for gtr. ending March 31, 1864 : Central, \$4.02; Milton, 8.46; Union, 2.04; Do. Sept. and Dec. qrs., \$2.16; Chebucto, 7.80; Micmac, \$7.08; Mayflower, 7,62; Avon, 1.26; New Calcdonia, \$2.70; Oriental, 4.80; New Glasgow, \$3.12; Hebron, 3.12; Howard, \$9.24; Chester, 3.90; Pugwash, 5.82, Royal, \$3.00; Olive Branch, 2.22; Star, 1.62; Mainmast, \$8.72; Star in the East, 4.74; Lake, \$2,22; Wallace, 2.84; Albion Mines, 7.38; Iron Age, \$4.56 ; Chedabucto, 2.70; Atheneum, §7.74; Invincible, 1.50; Friendship, \$1,20; Victoria Mines, 1.20; Wellington, 3.78; Parrsborough, \$6.48; Phœnix, 1.38; Emblem, \$1,50; Pittacus, 4.32; Cunningham, 1.56; Arctic, \$3.90; Eureka, 1.08; Tyro, 3.12; General Williams, \$1.56; Kinburn, 2.34; Wat-ford, on account, \$1.45; Hope, 1.38; Cobequid. \$3.36: Clyde, 2.64; Western Star, 2.64; Forest, \$1.50; ()liver, 2,58; Renfrew, 1.62; Home, \$1.68; Island. Home, 2.46; New Era, \$4.56; Amherst, 4.44; Brilliant Star, 1.08; Prince Albert, \$1.98; Ray of Hope, 4.38; Mariners' Guide, \$2.04; Green Vale, 1.20; Tangier, \$3.12; Port Williams, \$3.18;

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| 1864. | Dr. | |
| Jan'y. 24. | To Cash on hand, General Fund | |
| March 3. | Cash from Grand Scribe | |
| | Premium on \$16.00 New Brunswick notes | |
| | Discount on draft per Capita Tax N. Division | 30.21 |

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| Feb'y. 11. | By cash paid G.W.P., expenses to Canning | \$4.20 |
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| • | Do. do. do. postage | 0.60 |
| 15. | Do. do. Grand Scribe's expenses to Canning. | 5.00 |
| | Do. do: Abstainer Office, Circulars L. Visitors | 2.50 |
| March 3. | Do. do. Per Capita Tax, Nat. Division, 1863. | 86.32 |
| | Do. do. postage on draft as above | 0.10 |
| April 15. | Do. do. J. Bowes & Sons, Journals, &c | 45.55 |
| 21. | Do. do. Editor Abstainer, salary | 60.00 |
| | Do. do. Grand Scribe's salary | 45.00 |
| 23. | Do. do. G. S.'s acct. postage, &c | $20.23\frac{1}{2}$ |
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HENRY A. TAYLOR,

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Grand Treasurer.

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AGENCY FUND, GRAND DIVISION, N. S., in account with H. A. TAYLOR, GRAND TREASURER.

| 1864. | .DR. | |
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| Feb'y. 27. April 4. 15. | To Cash paid Temp. Hall Co., two nights Hall " Advtg. acct. Brown's Lectures " Wesleyan office, printing Rules | 6.00 |
| 25. | Available funds in Bank and on hand | \$21.00 74.18 |
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| March 28. | " Cash on hand | 22.78 <u>4</u> 5.69 |
| April 15. | " " Grand Scribe | . 12.981 |
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ROBT. BOAK, WM. WILSON, R. H. WETMORE.

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The Grand Treasurer acknowledges receipt of the sum of Six Dollars from the G. S., in aid of the Representative fund for delegate to the National Division in June pext

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT DURING SESSION,

No. 7. Patrick Monaghan, G. S., H. A. Taylor, G. T. George Butler.

No. 8. Stephen Selden, D. G. W. P., John J. Uhlman.

Nc. 9.

George Porter.

No. 12.

J. Parker Smith, D. G. W. P., Danl. Mosher, John B. Flowers.

No. 13.

E. T. Harvie, D. G. W. P. Nicholas Mosher, senr., ' John A. Harvie, Albert Mosher, John R. Fraser, Charles Mumferd, Mark Rathburn. J. W. Allison, James Mosher. William Forest. George Mosher, Heber Mumford, Allan Mosher,

John W. Harvie, Daniel Mosher. Nicholas Mosher, 3rd. No. 16. Francis Beattie, G. Sent. No. 26. Robert Boak, senr. No. 32. Rev. I. J. Skinner, G. W. P., Charles E. Church, G. Con. Daniel Dimock, H. B. Mitchell, Benjamin Mitchell. No. 62. James Elder, D. G. W. P. No. 96. R. M. Barratt, D. G. W. P. No. 119. John McLearn, D. G. W. P. George J. Creed. Wm. Dimock. No. 124. Richard S. Blois. No. 202. Rev. J. McLeod. VISITOR-C. E. Dewolfe, G. Div., Maine, U. S.

Lady Visitors present during the Session.

· No. 12. Mrs. J. Parker Smith. No. 13. Mrs. G. C. Harvie. J. W. Allison, 33 " Daniel Mosher, ... J. W. Harvie, Miss Catherine Mumford. " Martha Smith, £2 Melinda Mosher, " Jane Smith,

Miss Annie Armstrong, " Joan Mosher, ٠. Hannah Mosher, e e . Jane Mosher, ** Mary Mumford. No. 32. Mrs. I. J. Skinner. " H. B. Mitchell. No. 62.

Mrs. James Elder.

APPENDIX.

MR. BEATTIE'S REPORT.

To the Agency Committee of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of the Province of Nova Scotia:

Worthy Brothers,-

Having placed myself under your control, I left home on the second of November, (1863)—and, in accordance with your directions, commenced my labors by lecturing at Margaret's Bay on the fifth and continued labouring in Lunenburg, Queens, Shelburne, Yarmouth, Digby, Annapolis, Kings, and Hants, embracing a peried of nearly six months, ending April 25th.

The following table will, at a glance, unfold the labour and its results.

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| Lunenburg 6 | • • • • | 12 . | 1.00 |
| North West 4 | | • • • • | 0.38 |
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| New Germany 16 | • • • • | •••• | $0.60\frac{1}{2}$ |
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| Hebron4 | •••• | 88 | 2.80 |
| Salmon River11 | •••• | •••• | 1.39 |
| Weymouth34 | •••• | 17 | $2.92\frac{1}{2}$ |
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| Kennetcook 10 | | 9 | 0.57 |
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| 1230 | 25 | 974 | \$160.62 |

The cause of Temperance received a shock at the late election, from which it has in some localities not yet recovered. If there is anything that Temperance men have cause to deprecate, it is the manner in which our elections are contested, with the free and unlimited use of intoxicating liquor for political purposes. Temperance men, especially Sons of Temperance, should keep themselves free from all participation in such practices, and so act that not even a shadow of suspicion should rest on them on such occasions, acting out the statement of a worthy member of our Order who at a late contest said, "I would rather lose my election than gain my seat by one gallon of Rum." If our principles were thus universally carried out, our campaign would soon have a successful issue.

The longer I continue in the work, and the wider becomes my field of observation, the deeper becomes my impression of Church and Clerical influence. Denominations in the Abstinence scale stand precisely where their elergy stand; and that denomination in which Rumselling excludes from communion stands high above any other on this question. In every locality where the Gospel trumpet gives no uncertain sound, there you find the hosts prepared for battle. Temperance men are beginning to realize the truth, that our warfare is a ceaseless one—that present success can only be secured by future triumph—that cessation of hostilities is always attended with most disastrous results—that no armistice can be concluded save by the evacuation of our territory—that much ground has been lost by an opposite course, and that henceforth our motto must be "We will conquer or die."

Again it affords me great pleasure to testify to the kind welcome received from Temperance men, and the disposition invariably manifested to render my visit a pleasant one. Attentions from some quarters liable to distract a young man from the main object of his mission were experienced—attentions in some measure filled the aching void which a protracted absence from home and home enjoyments ever causes.

Although it may be true that organizations do not always indicate the state of temperance feeling, I believe that where no such organization exists Temperance feeling is liable to die out. One danger to which our cause is exposed lies in the fact, that while the generation now passing away having seen and felt the evil the iron having entered deeply into their own souls, causing them to work with zeal, earnestness, and with great success, the generation now rising having neither seen or felt these evils as their fathers did, believe them to be exaggerated, and are now tampering in some localities with the accursed thing. Until we realize the truth and act it out that there is no safety until the evil is driven entirely from our borders, we will have to mourn over portions of the temperance field blighted by alcohol.

No general statement will apply to the counties through which I have passed. I will therefore review each of the counties. Of course I only speak of my own impressions, and do not consider by any means that these are infallible.

The moral aspect of Lunenburg is somewhat dark; nor was that darkness dispelled by the large quantity of intoxicating liquor used for electioneering purposes. Active effort is almost altogether confined to those localities in which Divisions are sustained, and their brightness almost serves to darken, as by contrast, surrounding settlements. After three weeks labour I left this County much depressed and disheartened, when lo! the bright star of Queens rises to my view, the brightest star in the temperance galaxy.

Queens stands far ahead of all our counties in deep rooted at-

tachment to the cause, and love for our Order. If all the counties resembled Queen's, Prohibition would be a fixed fact. Warm hearts and active minds, as well as energetic working characterize the sons of Queen's. My labour here was of the lightest description—confirming and encouraging the brethren.

Shelburne is shaled. In some localities earnest effort is being put forth and much good being accomplished. In large districts temperance men are asleep, and I fear nothing will arouse them save the evil re-entering their midst. This is especially true of Barrington. The evil lurks in secret places and will gather strength and courage from the supineness of our friends. As an illustration of the elevating influence of our Order, we might point to Cape Island, where the establishment of Life-Boat and South Divisions have had not a little influence in elevating the social condition of the inhabitants and placing the young men in positions that otherwise they might not have occupied.

Yarmouth, the birth place of the Order in the Province, next claims attention. It may with Queen's dispute for the first place in the temperance scale, and is certainly not far behind. May they provoke each other to good works, and in generous rivalry work on.

Digby, with its ten Divisions demands attention. I should say that no county with the same population sustains so large a number of Divisions; and this appears to a greater degree when we take into consideration the fact that in the township of Clare no temperance movement is apparent. A very sad sight in this County met my view—three brothers all in the prime of life staggering over the road toward their homes. The Islands claim a passing notice; and warmer hearted and more open handed sons exist nowhere in this province. The collection at Westport was the largest taken in my tour, being \$7. If all the localities would act in a similar manner, the agency committee would not be hindered in their efforts.

The first matter that attracts the attention of a temperance man in Annapolis is "Liquor by License." In no other previously named is such an announcement to be met. As an inevitable result the traffic has a respectability which it cannot assume in other localities, and intemperance is more open and undisguised. Our cause has evidently retrograded in Annapolis, and a large amount of ground has been lost. Prohibition was the watchword, and nobly for a time it was sounded; but alas! a change came over the trumpeters, and the uncertain note "we are not prepared for Prohibition" was sounded. This note disheartened the left wing of our army and many of them disbanded. They are again rallying under the watchword—"We will work for Prohibition," and labor until we receive it.

In King's several Divisions still lie, if not dead, at least speechless on the field; and in some portions of the county fashionable drinking is reviving. I trust that the temperance wave spreading over Cornwallis will reach Pleasant Valley, and reanimate these Divisions that once esisted in that locality. I believe that more elergymen wear our regalia in King's than in any other county, and I have strong faith that their efforts will result in placing King's in the moral scale where she stands in the natural—in the first place; and that the day will come when from some of her lofty eminences, her unrivalled beauties surveying, we can say the eye rests on no locality cursed by Rum.

Hants I visited under the most unfavourable circumstances. The roads were almost impassible and audiences generally small. I conceive that temperance feeling is at a low ebb, although there are indications of the dawning of a better day. Along the Basin of Minas no liquor is sold; and there appears to be a determination to suppress its introduction. But my impression is that this feeling will have to be concentrated in organizations to be perpetuated. If another agent should revisit Hants in a short time, I have no doubt but that he would reap a rich harvest.

I have sought to advocate the cause on moral grounds, and have not prostituted our cause for a laugh, or to produce a sensation; and in this course I have always been sustained by those whose good opinion is worth having. With pain have I overheard the remarks coming from those proceeding to meeting —"If we have nothing else we will have a good laugh." I do conceive that the manner in which our cause has been by some advocated, has injured instead of benefitting it. The day of trifling has passed and the solemn realities of the case have taught the lesson that earnestness commensurate with the cause must characterize its advocacy. There is a growing feeling in favour of the agency, and earnest desires have been expressed for its permanency; but I somewhat fear that this feeling does not reach the pocket,—and mere expressions of feeling will fail to sustain the agency. If other Counties would give collections equal to Yarmouth and Digby, that source alone would sustain the Agency. The Divisions have reduced their dues so low that very few of them can from that source contribute, as their expenses almost equal their income. And although agitate, agitate, agitate ! ought to be our resolve, the source from which the necessary funds will come is yet I fear undiscovered.

One pleasing incident in this connection was given me: a brother who felt it to be his duty to contribute something, came to the resolution that he would have a box, and that on every occasion when he had an errand to the throne of Grace, he would drop into it a cent.

In taking what will in all probability be a final farewell of the agency field, I can look back on happy days spent in it, where the kind attention of many new friends has caused time to pass most pleasantly; and if in the journey of life we are never permitted to meet, these hours will be as Oases on which memory will long dwell, and around which pleasant associations will ever cluster.

Permit me also to convey to the Grand Scribe my thanks for his efforts to make my sojourn pleasant and profitable—efforts that cost time and labour. Wanting these efforts my labours in many cases would have been comparatively circumscribed.

As an evidence of the amount of labour performed by that officer, permit me to state that, in connection with my engagement, he has written no less than one hundred and forty letters.

Brothers, forward appears to be at the present time the watchword of our loved Order. Sound it loudly, sound it clearly. Let it ring along our line with its heart-inspiring sound! and may no retreat be sounded, no pause made, until Love, Purity, and Fidelity girdle our Province.

> Men and Brothers, onward, onward; Lag not 'till the work is done; Grow in ardour, grow in earnest, For the dawning is begun; Let not heart be found to tarry; Stirring impulse bear you through; All men more or less are missioned— Each one hath a part to do. Respectfully submitted in L., P., & F.,

> > FRANCIS BEATTIE.

April 27th, 1864.

GRAND DIVISION AGENCY FUND.

Received by Grand Scribe.

April 4. 15. New Era Div., grs. subn. of 14cts on 76 members. 1.14 Wm. Bryden, Liverpool, atrs. subs..... 1.00

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\$15.124 By paid Grand Treas. on acct. Agency Fund. 15.124 PATE, MONAGHAN, G. S.

April 23, 1864.

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DELEGATE TO NATIONAL DIVISION FUND.

Received by Grand Scribe.

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April 20. Donation from Mayflower Division towards expenses of Delegate 6.00

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22. By paid G. Treasurer..... \$6.00

PATE. MONAGHAN, G. S.

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April 23, 1864.

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Page 43, 13th line, fill in blank by inserting Abijah Hurd. Same page, 14th line, for "Chebogue" read Arcadia. Page 46 (in G. S. Report), last line but one, for "Chebogue" read Arcadia. Same page, last line, fill in blank by inserting March 25. Fage 61, last line but one, for "Danton" read Denton. Page 63, the following to be added to ninth paragraph: In answer to the eleventh question the following arc some of the suggestions made: The keeping a Lecturer, or Lecturers in the field. The distribution of Temperance Literature. The continued advocacy of a Prohibitory Law. The establishing of Monthly Public Temperance Meetings.

1864.

NOTICE

HALIFAX, N. S., May 7, 1864.

A Quarterly Session of the Grand Division of Nova Scotia will be held at Parrsborough, Cumberland County, on Wednesday, 27th day of July next, at 8 o'clock, P. M.

Divisional Deputies will please send in their Reports to the County Deputies by the 8th day of July next. Where no County Deputies have been appointed, they will report direct to the Grand Scribe.

County Deputies will please forward their Reports to the Grand Scribe by the 15th day of July.

Returns and *Per Capita Tax* must be forwarded to the Grand Scribe by the 15th day of July.

The Grand Scribe requests that all returns due from Divisions be sent in immediately.

D. G. W. P.'s, W. P.'s, and R. S.'s, are particularly requested to examine Returns and Credentials from Divisions before forwarding them to the Grand Scribe, in order that proper dates may be inserted, and other Blanks carefully filled up. In order to do this correctly, it would be well to compare Returns with those of previous quarter.

Divisions, in future, will be required to return the num ber of members suspended during the quarter; and also the whole number of suspended members.

PATRICK MONAGHAN, G. S.

The address of the G. W. P. is Rev. I. J. Skinner, Chester. The address of the Grand Scribe is PATRICK MONAGHAN, G. S., Box 87, Post Office; Halifax.