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**JOURNAL**  
OF THE  
**PROCEEDINGS**  
OF THE  
**GRAND DIVISION OF NEW-YORK,**



At the Quarterly Session,  
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Quarterly Report of G. S. to G. Division for Quarter beginning 1st Jan. and ending 31st March, 1853.

Names of Divisions	No. of Divisions	Location.	Number admitted.	Number suspended.	Number expelled.	Deaths.	Violated Pledge.	Violated Pledge 2d time.	Contributing Members.	Cash received	Paid for Benefits.	Cash on hand, including money invested.	Per Centage to G. Division.	Per centage not received.	Reflected.	Withdrawn.	Representatives to C. D.		
Acacia	1	Yarmouth	2	2	4	1			44	£6 5 0	£5 15 0	£63 19 5	0 6 3						
Central	2	Yarmouth	1						43	5 6 11		11 7 6	0 5 3						
Millon	4	Yarmouth	3	3					43	4 5 3		58 0 0	0 4 6						
Concord	7	Barrington	7			1			66	13 14 10	3 5 0	22 18 61	0 13 5						
Union	2	Digby	2			2			78	19 0 11 1/2	13 10 0	57 0 0	0 9 0						
Chicout	10	Halifax	5	1	2	2			197	48 17 9 1/2	29 5 0	183 17 7	2 8 11				11 16		
Micmac	9	Halifax	5	5	21	2			90	15 9 6	5 5 0	75 8 0	0 15 6				14		
Mayflower	4	Halifax	5	5	2	2			53	9 10 0	9 0 0	31 6 9	0 9 6				13		
Victoria	10	Liverpool	7		1	11			73	10 6 8	4 10 0	14 19 7 1/2	0 10 4						
Avondale	2	Windsor	21		19	3			45	12 7 6	18 10 0	120 5 4	0 12 4						
New Calcutonia	13	Newport	19	2	4	2			87	9 8 9	10 4 11	6 12 14	0 9 5						
Westport	17	Granville	17	2	4	2			107	29 1 3	10 10 0	91 7 9	1 9 0						
*Oriental	6	Westport	6	2	1				51	8 3 1	3 0 0	59 10 0	0 8 1 1/2						
New Glasgow	18	Pictou	1						57	6 4 0 1/2	5 10 0	72 0 9	0 6 2						
Hebron	16	New Glasgow	19						29	7 2 0	2 10 0	24 7 1	0 7 1						
Goldstream	3	Yarmouth	3						67	9 17 6	1 0 0	37 13 9 1/2	0 9 10 1/2						
Walton	23	Windsor	24						24	3 12 1		23 0 0	0 3 7						
Columbia	21	Weymouth	15						15	1 7 0		12 13 8 1/2	0 1 4						
Roseway	25	Shelburne	62						62	6 4 10 1/2		8 4 2 1/2	0 6 2						
Howard	26	Halifax	80						27	15 13 7	6 0 0	91 10 10	0 15 8				15		
Cape Breton	7	Halifax	26						26	4 18 1 1/2	1 10 0	18 10 10 1/2	0 4 10				7		
Wilberforce	28	N. Sydney	29						29	2 14 11		20 0 0	0 2 9						
*Prince William	29	Nictau	29						29										
*Sandy Cove	29	Windsor	29						29										
*Mill Village	30	Sandy Cove	30						30										
Chester	32	Mill Village	32						21	3 9 8	1 17 6	11 6 7	0 3 6						
Mechanics	31	Chester	31						32	5 10 6	1 17 6	69 1 10 1/2	0 5 6 1/2						
Gumberland	33	Dartmouth	5	4	5	1			55	12 8 7	7 10 0	24 12 0							
*Pugwash	35	Amherst	36						36										
Royal	6	Pugwash	2	1	2	4			54	7 2 11 1/2	2 0 0	23 4 3 1/2	0 7 1 1/2				8		
Morning Star	37	Hillsborough	37						19	7 18 8 1/2	1 10 0	23 5 0	0 7 10						
Union	39	Cheverence	41						49	1 12 6	0 10 0	14 11 5 1/2	0 1 7 1/2						
Archangel	8	Newport	1	1	1	1			47	12 10 9	1 1 4	107 0 0	0 12 6				13		
Truro	7	Sydney Mines	7						130	18 4 7 1/2	9 10 0	120 0 0	0 18 3						
Minas	42	Truro	42						30	4 15 0	3 0 0	18 16 0	0 5 0						
Oak	43	Wolville	43						32	6 0 0	5 5 0	20 10 10	0 3 9						
Paradise	44	Kentville	44						25	3 14 10 1/2	2 0 0	20 0 0	0 9 1 1/2						
Port Royal	46	Bridgetown	1	1	1	2			33	9 2 6	2 0 0	20 0 0							
*Grand Prc	47	Annapolis	47						56	10 5 10	3 0 0	89 6 10	0 10 3				10		
Star	49	Lower Horton	56						105	26 1 2 1/2	3 0 0	93 14 2 1/2	1 6 0 1/2						
Canard	51	Rugged Islands	23						39	11 4 4	3 15 0	31 15 11	0 11 3						
Sirling	52	Cornwallis	10						35	4 19 11 1/2	0 10 0	11 5 4 1/2	0 5 0						
Rising Sun	53	Musquodoboit	2						47	6 14 1 1/2	6 0 0	28 0 0	0 6 8						
*Smitten Rock	54	Durham Village	54						47										
Queen's Own	57	Liverpool	57						118	12 5 8	11 0 0	107 8 1	0 12 4						
*Mainmast	58	Riv. John, Pictou	58						10	2 1 4	4 19 0	10 2 1	0 2 3 1/2				14		
North Star	59	Halifax	1	2	1	2			31	7 0 0	7 0 0	25 19 7	0 7 1 1/2						
Morning Star	60	St. Margaret's Bay	4	4	1	1			56	10 17 10 1/2	16 8 10 1/2	30 1 8	0 10 7						
Lunenburg	61	Lunenburg	61						45	11 2 6 1/2		48 11 7 1/2	0 11 1 1/2						
Star in the East	62	Sydney, C. B.	8	3	2	2			41	4 12 0	1 0 0	31 6 2 1/2	0 4 7						
Hantsport	63	Hantsport	63						39	10 6 3	1 5 0	53 13 10	0 12 6						
*Rock	65	Meitland	65						84	12 12 6	1 5 0	26 3 2 1/2							
*Caledonia	67	Pictou	67						25	3 7 3									
Harmony	68	Harmony	68						49	7 15 0	13 8 9	30 19 1	0 7 9						
Aurora	70	Cornwallis	70						44	9 18 9		11 10 0	0 10 0						
Lake	71	Antigonish	71						25	7 16 0	0 10 0	37 13 0 1/2	0 2 1 1/2						
Agricola	72	Cornwallis	72						14	2 3 1 1/2		23 1 7 1/2	0 7 1 1/2						
*Columbia	73	Stewiacke	73						15	7 0 6		4 0 0	0 7 1						
*Wallace	75	Pugwash	75						40	5 14 4 1/2		13 4 0	0 5 9						
*Elysium	77	Wallace	77						26	3 0 0	2 5 0	13 6 3	0 3 0						
Albion Mines	79	Minidie	79						48	3 13 1 1/2		20 0 0	0 2 7 1/2						
Margaretville	80	Albion Mines	80						15	2 12 3		6 11 7 1/2	0 3 1 1/2						
*Iron Age	82	Winnit	82						32	3 2 6		7 8 0	0 3 1 1/2						
Lalla Konkik	83	Londonderry	83						14	2 1 0		2 15 0	0 2 1						
Herald	84	Kempt	84						14	2 3 1 1/2		2 15 0	0 2 1						
*Father Matthew	86	Stewiacke	86						40	5 14 4 1/2		13 4 0	0 5 9						
Clements Arch	87	Clements Port	87						26	3 0 0	2 5 0	13 6 3	0 3 0						
Port George	88	Winnit	88						27	3 13 1 1/2		20 0 0	0 2 7 1/2						
Winnit	89	Stewiacke	89						15	2 12 3		6 11 7 1/2	0 3 1 1/2						
Bethlehem	91	N. W. A., Sydney	91						32	3 2 6		7 8 0	0 3 1 1/2						
Britannia	92	Windsor	92						14	2 1 0		2 15 0	0 2 1						
Kellogg	93	Douglas	93						90	17 13 8 1/2	3 7 6	86 10 11	0 2 4						
Chedabucto	96	Guy'sborough	96						65	2 0 0		1 7 6	0 13 0						
Nelson	98	Lawrencetown	98						48	13 6 4	6 8 6	13 18 11	0 7 0						
Athenum	99	Halifax	99						32	7 0 0		4 7 1	0 2 4						
Evening Star	100	Lunenburg	100						61	6 9 2	7 10 0	30 0 0	0 7 0						
*North	101	Winnit Mount	101						28	2 8 0		2 14 8	0 2 4 1/2						
Invincible	102	Aylesford	102						34	2 0 0	2 2 6	8 5 2 1/2	0 2 4 1/2						
Young Men's	103	Yarmouth	103						29	9 1 9		6 2 2 1/2	0 9 1						
Kingson	104	Lawrencetown	104						23	2 12 2		2 15 0	0 2 7						
*Winnit	105	Causc	105						53	4 12 6		2 13 5 1/2	0 1 10 1/2						
Gavland	106	Conwallis	106						17	1 16 6		7 3 0	0 13 0						
Friendship	107	Nappan	107						20	13 0 0		3 13 7	0 18 2 1/2						
Compeer	108	Nictaux Mines	108						34	18 4 1 1/2		10 0 0	1 11 4						
Victoria Mines	109	Amherst	109						57	31 7 0		10 0 0							
Wellington	110	St. Mary's	110																
Parrsboro'	111	Parrsboro'	111																
Railway	68	Shubenacadie	68																

\* No Returns.

408 32 210 16 127 36 120 135 48 £663 9 1/2 £260 16 4 1/2 £2619 18 8 1/2 £30 1 5 £2 18 6 5 1/2 169

# JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

OF

## THE GRAND DIVISION OF NOVA SCOTIA.

GRAND DIVISION ROOM, }  
Lunenburg, April 27th 1853. }

The Grand Division opened in due form, the G.W.P. Rev. George Christie in the Chair. Roll of Officers called.

*Present*—G.W.P., G.W.A., G. Scribe, G. Sentinel.

*Absent*—G.T., G. Chap., G. Con. P.G.W.P. Their places were filled respectively by Brother Vaux, G. T. Howe, G. Chap. Zwicker, G. Con. Rudolf, P.G.W.P. *pro tem.*

Prayer by G.W.P.

The G.W.P. appointed Brothers Zwicker, Thompson and Uhlman, Committee on Credentials, who reported those of the following Brethren correct :

W.P. R. McMillan, Micmac Division, No 8.

Joseph F. Dewolf, Queen's Own, No. 54.

P.W.P. Alfred Marshall, Paradise, No. 45.

P.W.P. Richard Selfer, senr.,

Melton Douglass,

John Middlemas,

Simeon Freeman,

John James,

John Douglass,

Jonas B. Parker,

W.P. Rev. Jas. Parker,

P.W.P. J. Jos. Rudolf,

Wm. Dauphine.

Robert Lindsay,

Henry King,

Henry Kaulback,

Edward Brown,

John Cronin,

Benj. Zwicker,

W.P. Francis Morash,

} Harmony Division, No. 67.

} Lunenburg Division, No. 30.

P.W.P. Charles Aitken, Alex. Zwicker, jr. John W. Watson, George Anderson, Wm. Cronin, Charles Morash, W.P. Benj. Dauphine.	}	Evening Star Division, No. 97.
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Which report was adopted.

The G. Con. retired and introduced the following Brethren who were duly initiated : R. McMillan, J. F. Dewolf, J. Cronin, Alfred Marshall, Charles Morash, J. W. Watson, Alex. Zwicker, F. Morash, E. Brown, Benj. Dauphine.

On motion it was Resolved, that the Evening session be devoted to the subject of Legislation in reference to the liquor trafic.

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

*Committee on Communications*—Bros. Zwicker, Howe, and Cobb.

*Committee on Appeals*—Bros. Naylor, Lindsay and Watson.

*Committee on the State of the Order*—Bros. Thompson, Uhlman and Blewitt.

*Auditing Committee*—Bros. Vaux, Rudolph and Milward.

The G.W.P submitted his report as follows :

*Officers and Brethren*,—Again through the favor of a kind Providence, we enjoy the privilege of meeting in Grand Division.

As the Representatives of the several Subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance in this Province, we should feel the responsibility of our situation; and our best energies should be devoted to the discharge of such duties as may now claim our attention. Activity and efficiency in the Grand Division cannot fail to give an impulse to the Order in general.

I now feel warranted to speak more favorably of our state and prospects than I ventured to do at our last meeting. The Sons of Temperance in many parts of the Province, have been working with greater energy, and the results show that their labours have not been in vain. Generally their numbers have been increased to some extent—while, among those who have not yet united with us, there is reason to believe that the subject of Temperance has gained no small amount of influence. Mankind begin to feel that the Sons of Temperance are in earnest; and I would venture to express my belief, that religious men both lay and clerical are beginning to entertain a doubt, whether either the tribunal of conscience, or public opinion will much longer justify them in standing aloof from what is so plainly a 'labour of love.

The enemies of the Temperance movement, and many pretended, yet hollow hearted friends comforted themselves with the hope and perhaps belief that we would, ere this time have ceased to agitate this important subject. But now they begin to feel that their prophecies were but dreams—and that the “Band of Brothers” are in earnest, while they plead the cause of the human family. Still more are they convinced of this, finding that we in language respectful, yet firm, deny the right of a christian Legislature to set at nought the authority of the Supreme Lawgiver, by licensing a part of the members of a community to sell intoxicating liquors as a beverage. In other words, for the paltry consideration of money to give them a legal permission to do what the Word of God teaches us, it is not lawful or safe for man to do. “Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, &c. “Woe to him that coveteth an evil covetousness to his house that he may set his nest on high, that he may be delivered from the power of evil!” “Thou hast consulted shame to thy house by cutting off many people and hast sinned against thy soul.” “For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the beam out of the timber shall answer it.”

The Petitions of the Sons of Temperance and others for the abolition of the liquor traffic, have not been responded to by our Legislature as we had reason to expect. I shall not trouble this Grand Division with my opinion relative to the way they have been disposed of, but content myself with noticing the subject as one which will, on the present occasion demand our attention.

It is much to be desired that the friends of Temperance should rightly comprehend their present position, as well as the duties it involves. Too many seem to have relaxed their exertions, as if they thought their work was done. Nor is it difficult to account for this opinion. Both friends and foes feel that the argument is on our side. Morality and Religion can give no utterance but that of unmingled approbation. For what is past in the history of this detestable traffic humanity puts in the plea, “they did it ignorantly.” But against those who still persist in upholding the evils of the past, her sentence is one of stern condemnation. Added to all, and perhaps above all in force, appeal has been made to the countless victims of this inhuman traffic. But while under the accumulated weight of these arguments, the drunkard and the drunkard maker has slunk away in silence, it has often been to practice the evil of which they could offer no justification. And while Temperance men have held the field and claimed the victory, the runseller has been providing for a more vigorous defence, by pledging anew his misguided friends, to stand by him in opposition to those who seek their good.

There is good reason to believe that the hardest struggle of the friends of Temperance is yet to come. But let us be animated by the consideration that our object is good; and moreover, that involving, as our principles do, the cause of truth and righteousness, they must and will prevail.

The Committee appointed to secure the services of a person who might visit the different Divisions throughout the Province (the need of which has been so much felt) have succeeded in securing the services of a gentleman, who they believe will well discharge that

duty. In accordance with the terms of their acceptance of his offer it was expected that his mission would by this time have been begun.

During the past quarter three new Divisions have been opened. All of them, I rejoice to say, affording much encouragement to believe that they will prove themselves valuable auxiliaries in the cause of Temperance. Within the same time, two that have been for a considerable period in a declining state, have surrendered their charters, or are about doing so.

Respecting the financial affairs of the Grand Division I can speak more favourably, but I regret to say that we are not yet out of difficulties. The Grand Scribe and Treasurer will give the particulars.

Thankful for past success, let us go forward with increased zeal and energy. And while we labour, let us not forget that success in this as well as in every other good work can only come from God. "Except the Lord build the house they labour in vain that build it."

Submitted in Love, Purity, and Fidelity,

GEORGE CHRISTIE, *G. W. P.*

The G. S. submitted Communications and Reports which had been handed to him.

The Finance Committee submitted their Report as follows:

The Committee appointed to consider and report on the financial affairs of the Grand Division, have attended to that duty.

They believe that due care is now observed by the officer more immediately in charge, concerning the accounts and monies of the Grand Division, and that much improvement as regards accuracy and punctuality has been experienced.

The Committee have the pleasure of reporting that the debt so long due to the National Division, and which was a subject of such painful solicitude, is discharged. The per centage, however, of the January quarter, have been anticipated and absorbed, in replacing money taken from the Debt Fund in October, and used for contingent expenses.

All the economy which is consistent with the proper working of the Order is still desirable, as the following statement will exhibit. The Grand Division owes:

To Athenæum Printing Office,	-	-	-	£	8	18	5	
“ James Bowes & Son,	-	-	-	-	14	15	0	
“ A. Grant,	-	-	-	-	0	16	6	
					£	24	9	11
Stock on hand (say),	-	-	-	-	5	0	0	
Balance.	-	-	-	-	£	19	9	11

The Committee would again express gratification at the present mode of keeping the books and money correspondence of the Grand Division, and would recommend undeviating abidance by punctuality and system, in this respect.

Signed, C. B. NAYLOR, Chairman.  
W. L. BELL,  
J. S. THOMPSON.

On motion—Bros. Milward, Zwicker, Blewitt, Howe and Uhlman, were appointed a Special Committee to whom be referred the Correspondence and Report of the Committee appointed at the Annual Session to obtain the services of a Lecturer and Agent.

The G. S. submitted his Report and Account, also the Treasurer's Account.

OFFICE OF GRAND SCRIBE OF S. OF T. }  
Lunenburg, N. S., 27th April, 1853. }

*Grand Worthy Patriarch, Officers, and Brothers,*—The time having arrived when I must again appear before you to give an account of my stewardship, and afford such information as I possess relative to the working of our Order, I have much pleasure in testifying to its increase, notwithstanding the many and severe trials it has to contend with from foes without and within, for if all who joined our ranks remained faithful and true (which is the great secret) ere long we would become sufficiently powerful to compel the passing of a law to prohibit the manufacture and sale of intoxicating drinks, which has and is still carrying destruction into the bosom of thousands of families. It is to be regretted that the petitions to the Legislature upon this subject have hitherto met with so little success, and steps should be taken by the friends of the cause in each County to hold Conventions at an early day, that measures may be adopted for the successful canvass of each County, and a full expression of the people be had, and then send their petitions to their Representatives at the next session of the Legislature, demanding their support upon the floors of the House. Responsibility rests upon the friends of the cause in the Legislature; they should not wait for the petitions, but submit a Bill at an early period of the session for discussion, and their hands could be strengthened upon the petitions being presented.

It still becomes my duty to recommend the greatest economy being pursued by the Grand Division, for a large portion of this quarter's per centage has been absorbed in paying the balance of the debt due to the National Division, and the per centage to that body for the year ending 31st December last, and unless some of the more wealthy Divisions aid us in that balance still farther, it will cripple our finances for the year. The greater part of last year's bills remain unpaid, and it is quite evident that until they are liquidated, the utmost prudence should govern us, otherwise we shall increase our difficulties.



The returns from a large number of Divisions were promptly forwarded to this office, others that might, have not been sent. Many of the returns are apparently not correct, inasmuch as the number of contributing members are greater than the previous quarter, without anything to show why such is the case; others are less, and no expulsions or suspensions. From this it is quite evident that in many instances the returns are filled up hurriedly on the night of installation, and from memory, without proper information: this should not be the case, but how the W. P. and R. S. can certify that they have examined and find them correct, is beyond my comprehension; the whole is treated as mere form, and much carelessness has been manifested hitherto, but I trust that for the future more pains will be taken. Everything depends upon the R. S. of a Division doing his duty, and instructing his successor, that nothing may be left undone when he retires from office. If strict correctness was complied with, our affairs would soon exhibit a much healthier aspect.

The following is a report of the operations of the 73 Subordinate Divisions which have made returns to this G. D. for the quarter ending 31st March:

Number of Divisions now working,	- - -	84
“ Initiated,	- - - - -	374
“ Admitted by Card,	- - - - -	20
“ Do. by Dispensation,	- - - - -	14
“ Withdrawn,	- - - - -	65
“ Rejected,	- - - - -	6
“ Suspended,	- - - - -	32
“ Reinstated,	- - - - -	36
“ Expelled for violation of Art. 2d,	- - - - -	121*
“ Do. for non-payment of dues,	- - - - -	89
“ Violated pledge 1st time,	- - - - -	127
“ Signed over,	- - - - -	30
“ Violated pledge 2d time,	- - - - -	20
“ Deaths,	- - - - -	16
“ Contributing members,	- - - - -	3548
Total amount of receipts for quarter,	- - -	£663 9 4½
“ “ Paid for benefits,	- - -	260 16 4½
“ “ Cash on hand,	- - -	2619 18 8½
“ “ Per centage on fees and dues,	- - -	33 2 11

The following Divisions have not sent in their returns:—Prince of Wales, No. 30; Pugwash, 36; Grand Pre, 47; Wallace, 75; Iron Age, 82; North, 99; Wilmot, 103; Aurora, 70; Oriental, 16; Caledonia, 65; Mainmast, 57; the three latter in Pictou, where the cause seems rather to be retrograding, but from the number of staunch men in that Town and County it is hoped that the cause will receive fresh impetus when the quarterly session of G. D. will be held there in July next. It would be a great satisfaction to have

\* 56 out of this number were expelled from one Division, being mostly Military men attracted by the novelty of the Order, but who did not remain steadfast.

all the returns in previous to the meeting of G. D. at its session: the Divisions themselves would be better satisfied, and a very little effort on their part would accomplish this desirable object.

Thirty-six of the quarterly returns have no seal attached; this should not be the case.

The following Divisions are not working:—Smitten Rock, 53; Rock, 63; Prince William, 29; although I have been given to understand that there is every probability of the latter Division shortly resuming work.

Rising Star Division, 94, has surrendered and the Charter is in my possession. There are other Charters of surrendered Divisions in possession of several Deputies, which are requested to be forwarded to this office. Father Matthew Division has been resuscitated since last report, with, I am happy to say, every prospect of increasing. This is encouraging, and leads to the belief that by a little judicious management much of our difficulties may be overcome.

Three new Divisions have been opened under favourable circumstances, viz:—The Wellington, 109; Parrsboro', 110, and Railway, 111; especially the latter, which has swept all before it, even to the converting a Tavern Keeper. May these new sisters be bright and shining stars in our Order.

I regret to have to report that North Division is working illegally, at least I have every reason to believe that such is the fact. When their return for quarter ending 31st December last was handed to me, with *five pence* per centage and 49 contributing members, it led me to make enquiries which resulted in my writing officially to the W. P. of that Division on 11th February, and subsequently to the D. G. W. P., neither of which communications have been replied to. I therefore recommend that immediate action be taken in the matter, for our Order must be preserved in its integrity. The return from Compeer Division shows eleven initiated during the quarter, the receipts being only £4 12s. 6d. with 53 contributing members. These returns appear to me incorrect, and need explanation. Other Divisions are similarly situated; because the N. D. has given Subordinate Divisions the privilege of disposing of their funds in such way as they may deem best, many imagine that they can reduce their fees and dues as they please. This is not the fact, the Constitution is quite clear upon the subject, and fixes the lowest rate of admission and monthly dues—hence the necessity of a good agent. While upon this subject I would merely state that the Committee appointed at the Annual Session for that purpose have engaged with Brother W. C. McKinnon, but he has not yet commenced his labours.

I am anxious that the Order should be placed upon a firm basis, and for this purpose would urge upon the Subordinate Divisions the necessity of a strict supervision over their affairs, for once the system is adopted all things will flow smoothly on.

It affords me much pleasure to find our beloved Order prospering in the neighbouring Provinces, and so far from being jealous it ought to incite us to renewed action, that we might outstrip our brethren in this labour of love. It is evident that the time has

arrived when we must buckle on our armour for fresh action, and renew the warfare with fresh vigor until the final triumph of our cause, trusting that the Great Patriarch above will aid and bless our endeavours in this great and good work.

I submit this report in L., P. and F.

WM. SCOTT, G. S.

On motion the G.W.P. and G.S. reports were handed to the Committee on State of the Order, and the other Papers referred to the several Committees.

On motion—It was decided that the hours of meeting be as follows: 10 a.m., 2 and 7 p.m.

The G.D. then adjourned until 2 o'clock.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The G.D. opened in due form, G. W. P. in the chair. Roll of Officers called.

*Present*—G.W.P., G.W.A., G. Scribe, G. Sentinel.

*Absent*—G.T., G. Chap., G. Con., P.G.W.P. Their vacancies were filled same as in the Morning Session.

Prayer by G.W.P.

The G. Conductor retired and introduced the following Brethren who were duly initiated: George Anderson, Henry King and Henry Kaulback.

Minutes of Morning Session read and approved.

The following accounts were passed and ordered to be paid: J. Bowes & Son, £2; Wm. Annand, 5s.; E. G. Fuller, 14s. 4d.

Moved by Brother Howe, seconded by Brother Blewitt, and passed unanimously:—

*Whereas*, the G. Scribe having presented an account from D.G. W.P. Bro. E. Page, for travelling and other expenses incurred by him in opening Parrsboro' Division—amounting to £4 15s.

*Resolved*,—That the G. D. are of opinion *that* these expences should, as a general rule, fall upon the Division whose formation caused the outlay. *Therefore Resolved*, that the Grand Scribe be authorized to write to Parrsboro' Division, and press upon them the propriety of reimbursing Brother Page any actual expenses incurred by him, in their service, and also to inform Brother Page of his having done so, and of the reasons for so doing.

The Grand Scribe moved the following Resolution, which was seconded by Brother Howe, and unanimously passed:

Whereas, it is highly desirable that the G.W.P. be sent as a Representative from this G.D. to the N.D. at its session in June next, and it is expected that important results to the order will arise therefrom—and whereas the Divisions in Yarmouth have generously offered to contribute the sum of Five pounds towards that object.

Therefore Resolved,—That the Subordinate Divisions be requested to contribute according to their means, and remit their respective amounts to the G.S. at the earliest convenience, that this important object may be carried into effect.

On motion a dispensation was granted to Chebucto Division, No. 7, to elect their W.P. as a representative to this G. Division, they having neglected to do so at the constitutional period.

Brother Alfred Marshall submitted the following

#### QUESTIONS:

1st. Is it Constitutional to admit persons to a Division as non-benefit members for 2s. 6d. and monthly dues 4d ?

2nd. Must all members be returned as Contributing Members to a Division, or only those who pay during the quarter ?

3rd. Is it necessary to retain those as members who are more than one year in arrears ?

#### ANSWERS.

1st. No person can be admitted into the Order for a less sum than ten shillings, Article 5, Section 1st. The regular dues cannot be less than three pence per week. Article 6, Section 1st.

2nd. All Members on the Books should be returned, until expelled or suspended.

3rd. A Division may retain Members in arrears or expel or suspend for non-payment of dues.

The Auditing Committee reported as follows :

The Auditing Committee having investigated the various documents referred to them, beg leave to submit the following report :

Your Committee have examined the Books and accounts of the G.Scribe, and the G. Treasurer's account for the quarter ending 31st March, and find them correct.

The Committee have much pleasure in expressing their approval of the manner in which the accounts, &c., of the G. Scribe and Treasurer are kept.

C. C. VAUX, *Chairman.*  
J. JOS. RUDOLF,  
JAS. P. MILWARD.

Which was adopted.

Brother Zwicker reported from the Committee on Communications :

Your Committee beg leave to report that they have had under consideration the Communication from Brother C. H. Harrington on Article 10, section 11, of the Constitution, and are of opinion that the Constitution is plain upon the subject—that any Brother violating Article 2nd whether voluntarily acknowledging the offence or not, is bound to pay the fine and submit to all other penalties for the same.

BENJ. ZWICKER *Chairman,*  
WILLIAM HOWE,  
J. W. COBB.

Which was adopted.

The Committee on State of the Order reported as follows :

The Committee appointed to consider and report on the State of the Order, submit the following remarks :

The Committee have much pleasure in observing the expressions of encouragement and congratulation, which the G. W. Patriarch and the G. Scribe have felt authorised in using in reference to the present condition of the Order. Fidelity and zeal, in the discharge of duties devolving on the members of our fraternity, have resulted in better organization, more signs of wholesome vitality, and some increase of numbers. That these results may be greatly augmented it is only requisite to employ, consistently, the means which Temperance, Morality, and Religion dictate.

The Committee gladly recognize the extension of Temperance influence among many who have not given their formal adherence to the cause, and particularly among those from whom we should expect the first and best aid—the clerical profession. The belief of avowed opponents and pretended friends, that the Temperance agitation would decline and cease, has indeed been found vain; it should, whenever expressed, be promptly met by renewed endeavours towards the complete success of this auxiliary to morals and religion.

The Committee concur in the view, that legislation should be for the discouragement or abolition of the traffic in intoxicating drinks; also, in the regrets intimated, concerning the degree of attention given to the subject, during the last legislative session, and in the advice that renewed energy should be promptly exhibited in reference to the preparation and presentation of petitions for the year 1853.

The Committee recognize the important facts, that much has been accomplished in the Temperance cause, and that very much remains to be accomplished; also, that with the blessing which attends fidelity in the Agents, "Truth and Righteousness shall yet prevail."

The Committee regret that the efforts towards the employment of a Travelling Agent and Lecturer, have not been successful. The proposed office would be one of great consequence and responsi-

bility, requiring ability, integrity, industry, and good acquaintance with the laws and organization of the Order. They hope that the Brethren who shall have the subject in charge, will exercise the care and promptitude which are so desirable.

The commencement of new Subordinate Divisions, the extinction of the debt so long due to the National Division, and the punctuality reported respecting the accounts and correspondence of the Grand Division, are subjects of congratulation; and the Committee express an earnest hope, that the painful experiences of apathy, improperly accumulated debt, and incorrectness of accounts, will never again be renewed in the history of this branch of the Order.

The possession of more liberty by Subordinate Divisions, in reference to benefits and charges, might be, as stated by some brothers, productive of advantage in parts of the Province; and the Grand Division might wisely take steps accordingly, by appeal to the National Division.

Concerning these and other questions, a representation of the Province at the National Division, might be variously pleasing and beneficial. The Committee express gratification, that the initiative in this service has been taken, by resolution and grant of money by Subordinate Divisions of Yarmouth; they hope that the example will be speedily followed by Subordinate Divisions generally throughout the Province.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the suggestions contained in the G. Scribe's report, concerning the holding of County Conventions, the timely and effective canvass of each County in reference to legislation on Temperance, and the timely action of friends of Temperance in the Legislative Branches, instead of that postponement to the hurried periods of sessions which tends to prevent consideration of the subject.

They would also echo the suggestion concerning the importance of the strict performance of duty by R. Scribes of Subordinate Divisions, and the benefits which would result therefrom. As a consequence of some degree of remissness, they notice with regret that eleven Divisions have not made any returns to this Session of the Grand Division. They hope that similar defects will not mark any other similar occasion. The observance of punctuality is a duty essential to the prosperity of the Order.

The Committee rejoice respecting the good reports of the Order from Canada, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, and P. E. Island. These reports should excite to generous and friendly rivalry; to the resolution that while we endeavour not to be last in the race of communities, we will ever hope that the faithful exertions of others will result in abundant success, and in their maintaining an appropriately honourable place as supporters of a noble cause.

Soliciting the Divine blessing on our fraternity and the principles for which it has been organized, we recommend renewed zeal, and look cheerfully forward for happier experience and better times in the history of Temperance.

Signed

J. S. THOMPSON.  
JOHN UHLMAN,  
W. A. S. BLEWITT.

Which was adopted.

The G. Scribe handed in the following Report :

The Committee appointed at the Annual Session of the G. D. to make enquiry of the late G.S. Brother Greenwood, relative to an error in his account for the July Session of last year, beg leave to Report, that they have received from him the sum of Five Pounds on account of the same—and your Committee beg to be discharged.

Signed W. M. BROWN,  
W. L. BELL.

On motion the Committee were relieved from further duty, with thanks for the attention given to the matter.

The G.D. adjourned until 7 o'clock.

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EVENING SESSION.

The G.D. opened in due form, the G.W.P. in the chair.  
Roll of Officers called.

*Present*—G.W.P., G.W.A., G. Scribe, G. Sentinel.  
*Absent*—G.T., G.Chap., G.Con., P.G.W.P. The vacancies were filled same as previous sessions.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

Minutes of Afternoon Session read and approved.

The order of Business for the Evening was taken up and on motion Brothers Howe, Thompson and Blewitt, were appointed a committee to prepare Resolutions to be submitted to the G. D. in the morning session of to-morrow.

On motion of Brother Zwicker, it was Resolved, that the G.D. walk in procession to-morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, in connection with Lunenburg and Evening Star Divisions.

*Resolved*,—That after the procession a Public Meeting be held in the Court House, where addresses on Temperance will be delivered.

On motion Brother Henry Kaulback was appointed Grand Marshall to manage procession, &c.

The G.D. adjourned until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

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MORNING SESSION.

GRAND DIVISION ROOM,  
Thursday, April 28th, 1853. }

The G.D. opened in due form, G.W.P. in the Chair.  
Roll of Officers called.

*Present*—G.W.P., G.W.A., G. Scribe, G. Sentinel.  
*Absent*—G.T., G.Chap., G.Con., P.G.W.P. The vacancies were filled same as yesterday.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

Minutes of last Evening's Session read and approved.

Brother Howe from the Committee appointed at last Evening's Session, reported the following Resolutions :

The Committee appointed to draft Resolutions on the subject of the Liquor Traffic, beg leave to report the following :

*Whereas*, the subject of prohibitory enactments relative to the Liquor Traffic having been taken up and freely discussed, and it appearing from information elicited in the course of conversation that the petitions presented to the Provincial Legislature during the last session, signed by 30,000 persons, were not unfavourably received. That the same had been considered by a Joint Committee composed of Members of both branches of the Legislature. That several leading men belonging to the Temperance body had been invited to attend this Joint Committee in the Council Chamber, where they were courteously received, and their opinions asked and frankly delivered. That the Committee of the House of Assembly had so far advanced beyond previous concessions as to report in favour of a prohibitory law. And that possibly nothing but a great press of other important business prevented the attainment of this so much desired object.

*Therefore Resolved*,—1. That although it is to be regretted that nothing decided was done by the Legislature during its last session, with relation to the Liquor Traffic, yet the present aspect of the question is such as to encourage the belief that the efforts of the friends of Total Abstinence in this matter will be speedily crowned with complete success, if they do but cheerfully and earnestly persevere.

2. That this G. D. therefore strongly recommend to all Subordinate Divisions in this Province, and to the friends of Temperance generally, to continue the agitation of the question, and to renew their petitions to the Legislature, and if possible, to increase the number of signatures fourfold.

3. That it is due to the Legislature, in order to facilitate action, that the Temperance body themselves should be prepared with the draft of a Bill embodying their views, and therefore that a Committee be appointed to prepare the draft of such a Bill, founded upon the Maine Law, with suitable modifications; and also to collect information as to the practical working of such laws in the places where they have been adopted.

Respectfully submitted in L., P. and F.

WILLIAM HOWE, Chairman.  
 J. S. THOMPSON,  
 W. A. S. BLEWITT.

Which was adopted.



The following Brethren were appointed a committee to carry them into effect. P.G.W.P. Hon. J. W. Johnston, G.W.A. Naylor, P.W.P.'s Howe, Robson, and Thompson.

On motion the above committee were requested to draft a form of Petition to the Legislature to be submitted to the G.D. at the July Session.

On motion of Brother Thompson,

*Resolved*, That this G. D. strongly recommend to Subordinate Divisions and the friends of Temperance, to hold County Temperance Conventions.

The special Committee on the affairs of the Agency, reported as follows :

The Committee to whom the subject of a Temperance Agency in this Province has been referred, beg leave to report as follows :

They have had before them certain correspondence on this subject, conducted by the Committee entrusted at the last Annual Session with the duty of providing a suitable Agent, whereby it appears that an engagement had been concluded with Brother W. C. McKinnon, of Athenæum Division, who had agreed to accept the Agency; but that from a subsequent letter from him addressed to the G. S., dated 18th April instant, your Committee infer that this engagement is virtually at an end, and the matter again open for further inquiry and negotiation.

This Committee therefore recommend that the previous Committee on this subject be discharged, with thanks for the trouble they have taken in the matter, and that a new Committee be now appointed who shall renew efforts in this direction, and report their doings to the G. W. P. from time to time as they find necessary.

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

JAS. P. MILWARD, Chairman.  
B. ZWICKER,  
WILLIAM HOWE,  
JOHN UHLMAN,  
W. A. S. BLEWITT.

Which was adopted. And Brothers Howe, Robson and Quinau, were appointed a Committee to open fresh negotiations with parties applying for the Office.

On motion of Brother Zwicker,

*Resolved*, That the expenses of the Grand Officers attending this Session, be paid.

The G.S. handed in the following Report intended for the Quarterly session at Shelburne, but which did not come into his possession until 25th March.

TO THE GRAND DIVISION, S. OF T., OF NOVA SCOTIA, CONVENE  
AT SHELBURNE IN JANUARY, 1853.

The Committee appointed at the last Annual Meeting to consider the subject of Funeral Benefits and Monthly Dues, beg leave to report as follows :

1. Your Committee observe that the circumstances of Subordinate Divisions are exceedingly diversified, owing to the different states, habits, manners, and feelings of the various communities where they are located ; whence it arises that five dollars, given as a funeral benefit, is as sufficient in some places as twenty would be in others. That each Subordinate Division is better qualified to judge of its own particular circumstances in this respect, than others possibly can be. That the N. D. has already given power to each Subordinate Division to suspend the payment of benefits of all kinds ; thereby giving it an authority over its own funds that is indeed *full*, but not always considered as either *gracious* or *equitable*.

2. With regard to Monthly Dues, your Committee are persuaded that there are many persons, in some parts of this Province, who would unite with our Order, only that they consider those dues as too great a tax, having no great regard for the benefits expected in return, which some are disposed to dispense with. If it be objected that a reduction of Monthly Dues would diminish the per centage of the G. D., it may be answered that an increase of members would meet that objection, at the same time that it would greatly advance our interest and our influence.

Your Committee therefore, with all humility, recommend the adoption of a resolution to the following effect :

That the National Division be respectfully, but earnestly, requested to permit each Subordinate Division to make such arrangements relative to Funeral Benefits as may be, by them, judged most suitable for their own locality ; and also to reduce their Monthly Dues according to their own judgment of expediency : provided they be never less than 12½ cents per month.

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

NATHAN TUPPER.  
A. S. HUNT,  
JAS. E. DEWOLFE.

The G. Scribe brought to the notice of the G. D. the working of North Division.

On motion, Brothers Silas L. Morse, Gilbert Willet and John Grieves were appointed a committee to visit Nelson, North and Paradise Divisions, enquire into their working and report to the G. S. prior to the next quarterly session of G. D.

The G. D. adjourned until 2 o'clock.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

The G.D. opened in due form, G.W.P. in the Chair. Roll of Officers called.

*Present*—G.W.P., G.W.A., G. Scribe, G. Sentinel.  
*Absent*—G.T., G.Chap., G.Con., P.G.W.P. The vacancies were filled same as the morning session.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

Minutes of morning session read and approved.

The G.Scribe moved and Brother Vaux seconded the following Resolution :

*Resolved*,—That the thanks of this G.D. be given to Lunenburg and Evening Star Divisions for the use of their Room, and the handsome manner in which the G.D. had been received among them.

On motion of Brother Vaux, seconded by Brother Uhlman :

*Resolved*,—That 250 copies of the Journal of this Session of G.D. be printed, for the use of Subordinate Divisions.

On motion, The Financial Committee for the last quarter was reappointed for the present one.

The G. Scribe moved that this G. D. now close to meet at Pictou, on Wednesday, 27th July next, at 10 a.m.

Minutes of Session were read and approved, and the G. D. closed.

WILLIAM SCOTT,  
Grand Scribe.

*The Grand Scribe in account with the Grand Division.*

		Dr.	
1353.	To balance per account of last quarter,		£0 2 6
January 28.—	For per centage from Roseway Division, for quarter ending 31st Decr.	£0 10 2½	
February 2.—	For per centage from Avon Division, 15s. 7d.; Hantsport, 1s. 6d.,	0 17 1½	
	Do. Coldstream, 6s.; Britannia, 4s. 4½d.,	0 10 4½	
	Do. Grand Pre, 1s. 0½d.; North, 5d.	0 1 5½	
	Do. Nelson, 2s. 6d.; Agricola, 3s. 11d.; Wilmot, 6s. 5d.,	0 12 10	
21.	Do. Aurora Division for 3 quarters,	0 19 10	
24.	Do. Cape Breton, 8s. 6d.; Archangel, 7s. 0½d.; Bethlehem, 7½d.,	0 16 2	
	Do. Stirling, 4s. 10½d.; Concord, (for June quarter) 4s. 11½d.	0 9 10	
	Do. Hantsport for Sept. quarter,	0 6 6	
			5 4 4
	To stock for cards sold this quarter,	1 13 6	
	Do. Blank returns,	0 16 3	
	Books of Odes, &c.,	0 3 9	
February 2.—	For Blue Book, Charter, &c., Wellington Division, 109,	2 0 0	
17.	Do. Parrshoro' Division,	1 12 6	
	Do. Railway Division,	1 16 0	
			8 2 0
January 29.	For cash from Evening Star Division, on account Agency,	2 0 0	
April 15.	Do. Port Royal, on account of do.,	1 0 0	
20.	Do. Avondale, on account of do.,	2 0 0	
			5 0 0
February 26.	Do. Chebucto Division, on account of N. D. in addition to former grant,	2 10 0	
March 9.	Do. Roseway Division. do., do.,	1 0 0	
17.	Do. Micmac Division, do., do.,	1 0 0	
April 5.	Do. Howard Division, do., do.,	1 0 0	
18.	Do. Truro Division, do., do.,	1 0 0	
			6 10 0
12.	Do. D.G.W.P. Page, on account,	1 0 0	
13.	Do. Henry Stewart, over remitted,	0 0 9	
25.	Do. per centage of present quarter, as per return,	30 4 5	
	Do. Committee on account of E. G. W. G.	5 0 0	
			£61 4 0

		Cr.	
February 21.	By postage this quarter,	£0 15 1½	
	“ cash paid G. T. on account of Agency,	2 0 0	
	Do. general account,	8 0 0	
March 22.	Do. on account of debt to N. D.,	4 10 0	
April 18.	Do. on account of do.,	2 0 0	
	Do. general account,	10 0 0	
20.	Do. do.,	11 10 0	
25.	Do. Agency fund,	3 0 0	
	Do. E. G. W. G.,	5 2 0	
			46 15 1½
			£14 8 11
	Grand Scribe's salary this quarter,		7 10 0
	Balance,		£6 18 11

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*The Grand Division of Nova Scotia in account with M. G. Black,  
 Junr., Grand Treasurer.*

1853.		Dr.
Jan'y 27.	To paid G. W. P. expenses to Shelburne,	£1 15 0
Feb. 21.	" " G. S. do. do.	5 5 0
	" " G. Treas., half do.,	2 12 6
Mar. 16.	" " R. Nugent,	0 6 0
29.	" " for draft on Snow & Rich, 3 days, \$193.75 at 3 per cent.	49 19 10
April 19.	" " J. H. Crosskill,	0 5 0
25.	" " Balance on hand,	10 17 6½
		<hr/> £70 18 10½ <hr/>
Cr.		
Jan'y 27.	By balance from last quarter,	£29 18 10½
Feb. 21.	By cash from G. Scribe,	8 0 0
Mar. 22.	" " on account of debt,	4 10 0
April 18.	" " Do.	2 0 0
	" " from G. S.,	10 0 0
20.	" " Do.	11 10 0
25.	" " Do.	5 0 0
		<hr/> £70 18 10½ <hr/>
April 25.	By balance in hand,	10 17 6½
Jan'y 27.	By cash from Aurora Div., on account of Agency fund,	1 0 0
	" " Coldstream,	5 0 0
	" " Star in East.	2 0 0
Feb. 21.	" " Evening Star,	2 0 0
April 25.	" " Port Royal.	1 0 0
	" " Avondale,	2 0 0
		<hr/> £93 17 6½ <hr/>

Errors Excepted,

M. G. BLACK, Jr., *G. Treasurer.*

Halifax, 25th April 1853.