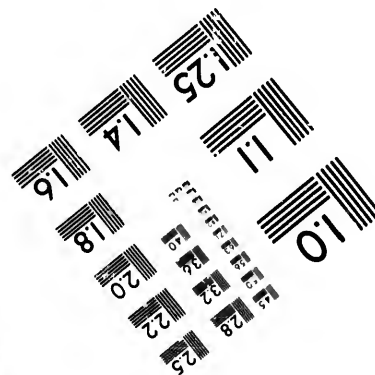
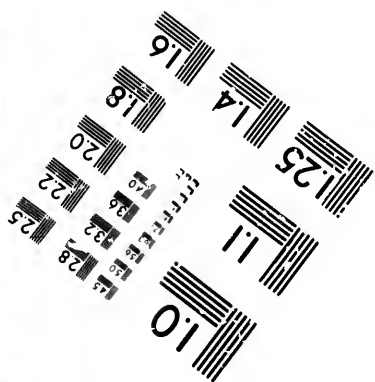
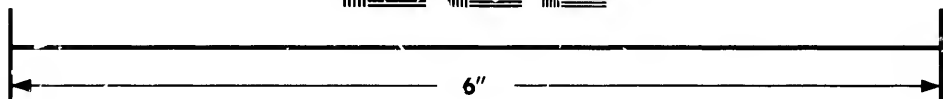
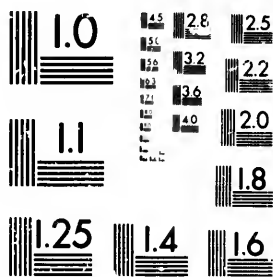


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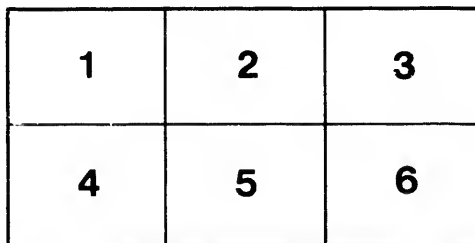
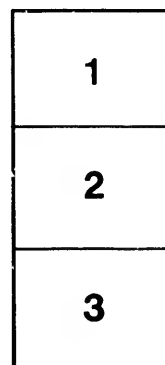
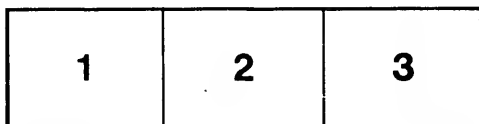
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AND GRAND DIVISIONS, FORM FOR TRIAL AND
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*To the Members of the Order of the Sons of Temperance of the
Province of Ontario.*

BROTHERS AND SISTERS,

The edition of the Constitutions of the National, Grand, and Subordinate Divisions, published in 1863, having become exhausted, it was resolved at the late Semi-Annual Session of this Grand Division, held in Orillia, May, 1874 :—

“ That the Grand Scribe be instructed to prepare
“ and publish a new edition of the Constitutions,
“ Code of Laws, By-Laws, etc., of this Grand Division;
“ together with all the important Decisions
“ of the National and Grand Divisions.”

In accordance with the above Resolution, this “ Book of Laws ” has been prepared by the undersigned, and is now presented with the hope that members of the Order will make themselves acquainted with the laws and ceremonies which govern the institution.

Respectfully submitted in L. P. and F.

THOS. WEBSTER,
Grand Scribe.

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ORIGIN, OBJECTS, AND PRINCIPLES
OF THE ORDER OF
SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

THE Order of the Sons of Temperance, whose Constitutions and Laws are presented in the following pages, was organized in the city of New York, September 29, 1842, by sixteen persons, and has enrolled nearly two millions of persons in the United States and British Provinces, and is steadily and surely advancing with increasing force and swelling ranks. It is composed of a National, forty Grand, and about 2,000 Subordinate Divisions. Its fundamental principle is total abstinence from all that can intoxicate, and it presents a social and fraternal combination to meet and overcome the social allurements of intemperance and the combined influence of the liquor traffic. Its plain and simple constitution, practical code of laws, sound financial basis, freedom from machinery, and increasing co-operation, sympathy, and union with the moral and Christian elements of the country, are making it one of the most powerful

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agencies against intemperance and the liquor traffic in the world. We submit a few reasons showing the utility of the Order :

1. The Order is a *combination* of great moral, numerical, and pecuniary strength. Much of the power of liquor dealers lies in their combinations, and in the large capital they have invested. They can command the votes of relations and of such of their customers as have the right of franchise ; and, when their trade is seriously threatened, the aid of all other classes of criminals. It is easy to see that a union with such forces must wield great power for mischief. Organized bodies of this kind, composed of all the depraved elements in the land, exist throughout the country ; and where the dealers are not systematically organized, they have a good understanding, and act in concert. Now, the advocates of temperance *singly* can do nothing towards defeating an enemy so entrenched, and supplied so plentifully with munitions. They must organize themselves into *counter* combinations, armed with all the strength of moral reform, and possessing sufficient numbers and money to overwhelm their antagonists. We claim that the Order of the Sons of Temperance is a combination able to do this, if properly supported. Were the Order

established, as it is designed to be, throughout the country, it would be powerful enough to break down every combination of rumsellers.

2. The Divisions are temperance *schools*.

No one can doubt that this reform will fail unless we resort to *education*. It will be only temporary, unless the principles of total abstinence are instilled into the minds of the young, so that they will grow up temperate from conviction and habit. All experience shows that a widespread public sentiment can be created in no other manner. Where such a sentiment is wanting, laws, however desirable or well drawn, can never be executed. Let the public voice demand a prohibitory statute, let that voice be so peremptory that legal functionaries will be in danger of removal if they fail to execute the law, and we shall hear no more of the inefficiency of prohibition. Education is the true way to produce that public opinion. And when it has once been created, there is an equal necessity for its *continuance*. Education is the expedient for that too. The Sons of Temperance work this mine thoroughly. The Divisions are so many schools in which the community is taught temperance. Admitting lads and misses at the age of fourteen, they begin their efforts in early life. Planted in every village and

town, how can they help, if at all active, leavening the community with temperance ideas? They are not spasmodic; they do not excite a temperance panic now and then, and thereupon lie torpid until the people settle down into indifference. Their efforts are uniform and persevering. From week to week, and from year to year, they pour a steady stream of temperance agitation into the public mind. What common schools do by systematic discipline for the intellect, the Order does for the public conscience on this subject.

3. The Order wisely avails itself of the co-operation of *woman*.

In many forms of temperance effort, there is no opening for that sex which has suffered the most keenly from the destroyer. As a wife, mother and daughter, woman has been made wretched by the vice, degradation and brutality of intemperate connections, and she is entitled to an opportunity of manifesting her interest in a cause so grateful to her feelings. In the Sons of Temperance, she gives more than silent sympathy and prayer; she is an *active participator*. She not only throws around the meetings the graces that naturally belong to her sex, but her intuitive perception of what is right and fitting is of great practical benefit to the

mission in which we are engaged. Women are not mere *ornaments* of the Division room ; they do not merely aid by their presence in preserving the purity, the dignity and decorum of the assembly ; but they have an equal share in the responsibility and the work.

4. The Division room possesses the charm of a temperance *home*.

Here, father, mother and children sit side by side, just as they sit around the fireside. They taste the pleasure and the benefits of temperance instruction and recreation. Intemperance breaks up the home ; our Order endeavours to cement the natural ties of life more firmly. Indeed, the whole Division is a family group, composed of brothers and sisters bound to each other in Love, Purity and Fidelity. When the unhappy victim of appetite enters this group, he comes into no cold, formal assembly, but into a circle of warm, sympathizing friends. He is not persuaded to sign the pledge, and then left to stand or fall by his own strength. He is received into the cordial fellowship of those who will assist him in retrieving his errors, who will take a kindly interest in his prosperity, who will minister to his wants if he is sick, and who will feel that their own happiness and reputation are largely linked with

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his. The pledge taken under such circumstances will be doubly strong. Persons who would otherwise relapse find in the warm, personal ties of the Division a powerful support.

5. The Order aims to render temperance attractive. The bar-room has its social fascinations, the convivial board wears an air of genuine enjoyment to those who have not dipped deeply enough into the Circean bowl to know its bitterness. The Sons learn wisdom from their foes, and seek to entertain the young so far as they can consistently with temperance principles. With this end in view partly, they employ beautiful and impressive ceremonies. The ritual machinery of the Order is probably the simplest possible to an organization of the kind ; but, simple as they are, the forms attract those whom a bald statement of the truth would not reach.

For the same reason, the Order makes use of regalia, of a parliamentary routine of business, and of a variety of offices, the election to which is quarterly. To add to the effect, *music* holds a prominent place in every ceremony. Resort is also had to recitations, debates, and interludes of familiar conversation. The proceedings are an agreeable blending of form, business, and social

recreation. All this, conducted, as it is, with propriety, harmony, and at seasonable hours, is an attractive offset to the carousals of the tavern and the liquor saloon.

6. The Order aims not only to save the drunkard but the *temperate* likewise.

A part of our mission is to raise the victim of alcohol from the pit, and to restore to him his manhood. How many of this unfortunate class have been reclaimed, and kept from sinking back by the instrumentality of our fraternity, it is impossible to say, but the number must be large. Many Divisions can point to some worthy members who are reformed inebriates. The number of moderate drinkers who have signed the pledge of the Order, and have thus been arrested in their downward career, is, of course, much greater.

But this is only a small part of our work. We believe, with the old adage, that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. They that have never touched, tasted, nor handled the vile potion should be confirmed in their abstinence. The pure should be kept pure if possible. We have found it far easier and far more effectual to throw safeguards around the innocent than to extricate men who have once fallen into the pitfalls of intemperance,

or to preserve them afterwards from a relapse. Any one who drinks is never perfectly safe. We, therefore, labour strenuously to secure the temperate from evil associates, and from the haunts and the wiles of the tempter. If there were not a single drinker in the community, we should still feel that we had a great work to accomplish.

We do not pretend that this Order is a *perfect* institution. So long as men are corrupt, it will be liable like all other human institutions to be abused by the unworthy. We only contend that, in spite of occasional defections, it has accomplished, and still is accomplishing, an immense amount of good.

The Order of the Sons of Temperance is identified with Christian philanthropy. Its grand purpose is indisputably an offspring of the Gospel. Its principles, laws, and practices are in accordance with its motto, "Love, Purity, and Fidelity." We come before the public as no weak, needy, or selfish body. We do not solicit alms. We ask no one to join us who considers our mode of working in the temperance cause unwise. We do not assert that we have accomplished all we aim at, or that there are no defects in our system. But we do desire to have our principles, our intentions, and our fruits fairly judged. We do claim a place among the

great humane institutions of the age which are founded upon the precepts of Christianity. We do crave the esteem, sympathy, and support of all who, in the spirit of Jesus of Nazareth, are labouring to save their fellow-men from vice, shame, and ruin.

SUMMARY.

THE Order of the Sons of Temperance was instituted in the City of New York, Sept. 29th, 1842, and is divided into three classes, viz:—Subordinate Divisions, Grand Divisions, and a National Division.

Subordinate Divisions consist of individual members; Grand Divisions, of representatives from the Subordinates; and the National Division, of representatives from Grand Divisions.

The first Grand Division organized was that of New York. Its first annual session was held October 10th, 1843.

The National Division was organized June 17th, 1844. The Order at that time numbered six Grand Divisions and seventy-one Subordinate Divisions, embracing six thousand members.

The Grand Division of Canada West (now Ontario) was instituted in the town of Brockville, the

12th day of April, A.D. 1849, and consisted of representatives from Brockville Division No. 1, Frontenac Division No. 2, North Augusta Division No. 3, Farmersville Division No. 4, Coleman's Corners Division No. 5, and Gananoque Division No. 6.

The National Division of Great Britain and Ireland was organized on the 6th of April, 1855, at Manchester, England. The passwords are issued by the N. D. of North America, and the Travelling Cards are acknowledged by both National Divisions.

CONSTITUTION
OF
THE NATIONAL DIVISION
OF NORTH AMERICA.

PART I.

Title of the Supreme Power.

THE NATIONAL DIVISION OF THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE OF NORTH AMERICA is the Supreme Power of the Order.

PART II.

Of Whom Composed.

It shall be composed of such Grand and Past Grand Worthy Patriarchs, and Grand and Past Grand Worthy Associates, and such Past and Acting Grand Scribes as have served two consecutive years as Grand Scribes, as shall be elected their Representatives by a majority of the members present at each Annual Session of the Grand Divisions,

Digest, Sec. 26.

PART III.

Titles of Officers, and their Election.

The Officers shall be a Most Worthy Patriarch, Most Worthy Associate, Most Worthy Scribe, Most

Worthy Treasurer, Most Worthy Chaplain, Most Worthy Conductor, and Most Worthy Sentinel, all of whom shall be elected at a regular Annual Session, and serve two years.

PART IV.

Duties and Powers of Officers.

SEC. 1.—The M. W. Patriarch shall preside in the National Division. He shall decide all questions of Usage, as well as Constitutional questions, subject to an appeal to the National Division. He shall have power to visit Grand Divisions, personally or by Deputy, and require a compliance to the rules and usages of the Order—or he may require from any G. W. Patriarch information relative to the Grand Division over which he presides. He shall appoint all Officers and Committees required by the National Division, not otherwise provided for. He shall adopt and promulgate to the proper Officers all the general Passwords of the Order. During the recess of the National Division, he shall have power to grant Charters for Subordinate Divisions in a State, Territory, or Province where no Grand Division exists—as well as Charters for Grand Divisions, when proper application shall be made by Past and Acting W. Patriarchs from at least four Subordinate Divisions located in the same State, Territory or Province; all Charters so granted, however, shall be subject to confirmation by the National Division at its first regular session following. He shall make such arrangements for the proper opening of Divisions authorized by him as, in his judgment, circumstances may require.

SEC. 2.—It shall be the duty of the M. W.

Associate to assist the M. W. Patriarch, by counsel or otherwise, and in the absence or disability of the M. W. Patriarch, the M. W. Associate shall perform the duties of his office. In the absence of both at any Session, the Senior P. M. W. Patriarch present shall preside.

SEC. 3.—The M. W. Patriarch shall have power to appoint a Deputy M. W. Patriarch for a State, Territory, or Province having no Grand Division; and such Deputy shall exercise a general supervision of the Order in the District for which he may be appointed, if not removed, until the organization of a Grand Division in said District, when his authority shall cease.

SEC. 4.—The M. W. Scribe shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the National Division; conduct its correspondence under the direction of the M. W. Patriarch; keep true accounts between the National Division and all Divisions acting under its jurisdiction. He shall receive all moneys due the National Division, and pay the same over to the M. W. Treasurer without delay. He shall perform such other duties connected with his office as may be enjoined upon him from time to time by the National Division, and make a written report at each Annual Session. He shall give such security for the faithful performance of his duty as shall be approved by the M. W. Patriarch, M. W. Associate, and Junior P. M. W. Patriarch, and he shall receive as a compensation for such services such sums as the National Division may from time to time determine.

SEC. 5.—The M. W. Treasurer shall have charge of the funds, securities, and vouchers of the National Division, and pay all orders drawn on him by the

M. W. Scribe, attested by the M. W. Patriarch. He shall give such security for the faithful performance of his duty as shall be approved by the M. W. Patriarch, M. W. Associate, and Junior P. M. W. Patriarch. When going out of office, he shall deliver to his successor all moneys and other property in his possession belonging to the National Division. He shall make a written report of the state of the finances at each Annual Session, or whenever called upon by the M. W. Patriarch.

SEC. 6.—The M. W. Chaplain shall attend the meetings of the National Division, and perform the opening and closing solemnities.

SEC. 7.—The M. W. Conductor shall introduce members of the National Division, and conduct its processions.

SEC. 8.—The M. W. Sentinel shall guard the door, and allow none to enter or retire but those duly authorized.

PART V.

Annual Meeting.

The meetings shall be held annually, at such place as may be agreed upon by a majority of votes at a regular Annual Session.

PART VI.

Application for Subordinate Division Charter.

Applications for Charters for Subordinate Divisions from any State, Territory, or Province where no Grand Division exists, shall be made to the National Division; and such Subordinate Divisions shall remain under its jurisdiction until a Grand Division is instituted in such State, Territory, or

Province—making their regular quarterly returns to this Body.

PART VII.

Strict Obedience Enjoined.

All Grand and Subordinate Divisions shall be governed strictly by the rules laid down in the Red and Blue Books, as well as the established Constitutions, from which they shall in no instance depart, unless by direction of the National Division.

Digest, Secs. 21, 35, 42, 43, 44.

PART VIII.

Revenue.

Each Grand Division shall pay twenty dollars for its Charter, and also five cents for each member in its jurisdiction, to support the National Division, not counting suspended members. The *per capita* tax must be forwarded to the M. W. Scribe with the annual returns; two fifths of the amount received for *per capita* tax shall be placed in the hands of the Most Worthy Patriarch as a fund to be used by a Committee of *five*, of which the Most Worthy Patriarch shall be the Chairman, for the purpose of propagating and extending the Order.

PART IX.

Form of Application for Grand Charter.

The form of application for a Grand Charter shall be as follows :*

* For form of application for Subordinate Divisions, see Constitution of Grand Division. The Charter Fee is \$5 when granted by the National Division.

[Date]

BROTHER M. W. SCRIBE.

The undersigned inhabitants of _____, and Past and Acting W. Patriarchs of _____ Division No. 1, _____ Division No. 2, _____ Division No. 3, _____ Division No. 4, of the Sons of Temperance, of said _____, respectfully petition the National Division to grant them a Charter to open a Grand Division, to be called the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of the _____ of _____, to be located _____.

We pledge ourselves individually and collectively to be governed by the rules and usages of the National Division.

Enclosed is the Charter Fee, \$20. [Signed by at least seven.]

PART X.

Annual Returns.

SEC. 1.—Each Grand Division shall pay the *per capita* tax, and make returns to this body annually, on or before the 31st day of March, after the form established and furnished by the National Division, stating the number of Divisions under its jurisdiction, the number of members admitted, reinstated, withdrawn, members of Divisions whose Charters have been surrendered, &c., suspended, expelled for violation of the pledge, expelled for other causes, and the number of deaths during the year, the number that have violated the pledge of total abstinence, the whole number of members, number of lady visitors admitted, whole number of lady visitors; the whole amount of money received, how much expended for relief or benefits, and the whole amount on hand; total *per capita* tax to Grand

Division, total *per capita* tax to National Division ; also the number of members in each Grand Division, and its number of representatives in the National Division ; number of public temperance meetings held, and number of temperance tracts distributed.

SEC. 2.—All Passwords shall be changed at the first meeting in October, annually.

SEC. 3.—No Grand Division, shall be entitled to receive the Passwords, or be allowed to have a voice or vote in the National Division, whose returns and *per capita* tax for the preceding year have not been sent to the M. W. Scribe, except by a vote of this Body.

PART XI.

Forfeiture of Grand Division Charter.

Any Grand Division refusing or neglecting to enforce or comply with the rules, usages, or laws of the National Division shall forfeit its Charter and all its properties, if two thirds of the members present at any regular meeting of this Body vote therefor. In such case, the Representatives of the Division under trial shall not be allowed to vote.

PART XII.

Voting.

SEC. 1.—In voting for Officers, each member shall have one vote.

SEC. 2.—On ordinary questions the vote may be taken as per usage, but when demanded by at least three members from different Grand Divisions, it shall be taken by Grand Divisions.

SEC. 3.—When a vote is demanded by Grand

Divisions, the M. W. Scribe shall call the Grand Divisions according to date of organization, and a majority of the Representatives present shall govern the vote. If the Representatives of a Grand Division are equally divided, the vote shall be lost.

SEC. 4.—In voting by Grand Divisions, each Grand Division shall have one vote for one thousand members or less, and one additional vote for every additional thousand up to four thousand, and one additional vote for every five thousand above that number.

PART XIII.

Alteration of Constitution.

This Body shall have power to alter, amend, abolish, or explain any of the existing usages or laws, as well as to establish new ones; but no alteration shall be made to this Constitution without a two-third vote of the National Division.

PART XIV.

The NATIONAL DIVISION OF NORTH AMERICA ordains and establishes the following as the Constitution of the Grand Divisions.

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION OF ONTARIO.

RULE I.

Title of the Grand Division.

This Body shall be called the GRAND DIVISION
OF THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE OF ONTARIO.

RULE II.

Of Whom Composed.

SEC. 1.—It shall be composed of such W. Patriarchs and P. W. Patriarchs, whose honours are not forfeited, as the several Subordinate Divisions may elect. The Grand Division, however, shall have power to expel, or otherwise punish, any member for a violation of its rules.

Cons. Sub. Divisions, Art. IV., Sec. 3; Code, Art. IV., Sec. 7.
Digest, Secs. 23, 24, 27, 29, 32.

SEC. 2.—Each Subordinate Division shall, at the first regular meeting in October, annually, ballot separately, and with ball ballots, for Representatives to the Grand Division. All W. Patriarchs and P. W. Patriarchs shall be eligible, but such only shall be entitled to seats in the Grand Division (except those holding office in the Grand or National Divisions) as shall receive a majority of the votes cast

—the same being set forth in the credentials, as follows :

Digest, Sec. 4.

Form of Credentials.

— DIVISION, No. —, S. OF T.
—, October —, 18—.

TO THE GRAND DIVISION OF ONTARIO.

This is to certify that W. Patriarch (or P. W. Patriarch, and if more than one, the credentials may be made out together or separately) ———, has been duly elected to represent this Division in the Grand Division, until October next.

In witness whereof, we have caused this to
[SEAL] be signed by our R. Scribe, and the seal
of the Division to be attached.

—————, R. Scribe.

SEC. 3.—Subordinate Divisions shall also have power to elevate those brothers to the Grand Division, who reach the W. Patriarch's chair during the terms occurring between the annual elections for Representatives, to serve until October following. Such brothers to be balloted for as prescribed in the preceding Section.

Cons. Sub. Divisions, Art. IV., Sec. 3.

RULE III.

Time of Meeting, and Election of Officers.

Annual, Semi-Annual or Quarterly Sessions shall be held at such times as may have been fixed at a previous Annual Session, and Officers shall be elected at the Annual Session.

Digest, Sec. 39.

RULE IV.

Titles of Officers.

The Officers shall be a G. W. Patriarch, G. W. Associate, G. Scribe, G. Treasurer, G. Chaplain, G. Conductor, and G. Sentinel.

RULE V.

Manner of Electing Officers.

The Grand Officers shall be elected by ballot. A majority of all the votes present shall be necessary to constitute a choice. In case of a tie, the balloting shall continue until a choice is made; the name of the brother receiving the lowest number of votes at each balloting shall be withdrawn.

Digest, Secs. 31, 34.

RULE VI.

Duties of Grand Worthy Patriarch.

The G. W. Patriarch shall preside in the Grand Division. He shall have power to visit any Subordinate Division under his jurisdiction, and require a compliance to the rules and usages of the Order. He may summon any one of the Grand Officers, and require from him information respecting his office. He shall appoint all officers which may be required in this Grand Division, unless otherwise ordered. He shall have power to call Special Sessions when requested in writing by at least five members, representing not less than two Subordinate Divisions—but no alteration affecting the general interest of the Order throughout the jurisdiction shall be made except at the Annual Session. He shall, personally or by Deputy, visit each Divi-

sion under his jurisdiction at least once a quarter, and make a report at each Session. He shall also see that the Annual Returns are made out and forwarded to the National Division.

RULE VII.

Duties of Grand Worthy Associate.

In the absence of the G. W. Patriarch from his jurisdiction or the Grand Division, or in case of his inability or death, the G. W. Associate shall perform the duties belonging to his office. In the absence of both, the senior P. G. W. Patriarch present shall preside.

RULE VIII.

Duties of Grand Scribe.

The G. Scribe shall keep a correct record of the proceedings of the Grand Division. He shall keep a correct roll of the members, and notify meetings. He shall, as soon as possible, furnish the chairman (he who is first appointed) of every committee with a copy of so much of the minutes as relates to the business of such committee. He shall receive, file, and record all appeals, petitions, and applications, and certify all documents from the Grand Division. He shall receive and properly record all moneys of the Grand Division, and pay the same over to the G. Treasurer without delay, taking his receipt therefor. He shall conduct the correspondence of the Grand Division under its general rules, the direction of the G. W. Patriarch, and the established usages of the Sons of Temperance. He shall attend all meetings of the Grand Division, with the neces-

sary writings under his control, and at each session present a report of the important transactions during the term, with the amount of money received, and from what sources. He shall also prepare the Annual Returns, in accordance with Part X. of the Constitution of the National Division, and shall send to the National Divisions all documents referred to it.

RULE IX.

Duties of Grand Treasurer.

The G. Treasurer shall have charge of all the funds, property, security, and vouchers of the Grand Division; and pay all orders drawn on him by the G. Scribe, and countersigned by the G. W. Patriarch. He shall attend on the Grand Division, or its presiding officer, when required, with all necessary books and instruments relating to his office; he shall also meet with any Grand Committee whose duty it may be to act in relation to the finances of the Grand Division. When going out of office, he shall immediately deliver to his successor in office, or to whomsoever shall be appointed to receive the same, all moneys, securities, evidences of debt, books, writings, and property of the Grand Division which may be in his possession or under his control, with all proper assignments. He shall render a full report at each Session.

RULE X.

Duties of Grand Chaplain.

The G. Chaplain shall attend the meetings of the Grand Division, and perform the duties of his office.

RULE XI.

Duties of Grand Conductor.

The G. Conductor shall introduce the Grand Officers at their installation, new members for initiation, and conduct the processions of the Grand Division. He shall have charge of all property not properly under the control of either of the other Officers. At the opening of the meeting he shall see the Officers' badges in their proper places, and at the close, see them safely put away.

RULE XII.

Duties of Grand Sentinel.

The G. Sentinel shall guard the door, and see that none enter or retire but those duly authorized.

RULE XIII.

Manner of Voting.

SEC. 1.—On all questions the vote may be taken as per usage, but when demanded by at least three Representatives from different Divisions, it shall be taken by Divisions.

Digest, Secs. 30, 34.

SEC. 2.—When a vote by Divisions is demanded, the G. Scribe shall call the roll by Divisions, beginning with No. 1, and a majority of the Representatives present from each Division shall govern its vote. If the Representatives of a Division are equally divided, its vote shall be lost.

SEC. 3.—In voting by Divisions, each Division shall be entitled to one vote for fifty contributing members or less—and every additional fifty con-

tributing members shall entitle to an additional vote.

RULE XIV.

Quorum.

Seven Brothers shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

RULE XV.

Revenue.

The revenue of the Grand Division shall be derived as follows :

For every Charter to open a new Division, not less than \$5 00 (five dollars).

The *per capita* tax from Subordinate Divisions shall be regulated by the Grand Division, and shall be sent with the Returns to the Grand Division at the close of each quarterly term.

Digest, Sec. 46.

RULE XVI.

Right of Appeal.

All members of Divisions under this jurisdiction shall have the right of appeal to this Body, and through it, to the National Division. Members of this Body shall also have the right of appeal to the National Division. All decisions of the acting Body are to be, and remain in force, until reversed by the superior Body in the case.

Digest, Sec. 14.

RULE XVII.

Divisions not Making Quarterly Returns.

Any Division neglecting to make Quarterly Re-

turns and payment of dues, shall be disqualified from voting in the Grand Division ; nor shall they be entitled to receive the Passwords until said Returns and payments are made.

RULE XVIII.

Forfeiture of Subordinate Division Charter.

Any Division neglecting to comply with the rules and regulations of the Grand Division, shall forfeit its Charter and other property, if two-thirds of the members present at any regular meeting of the Grand Division concur therein ; provided, however, Subordinate Divisions in all cases shall have the right of appeal to the National Division.

RULE XIX.

Concerts, Festivals, etc.

No concert, festival, or other public assemblage of any description shall be allowed without permission from the Grand Division, except funerals. Neither shall any Brother appear in the regalia of the Order at any concert, festival, public assemblage or procession, unless permission has been duly granted by the G. W. P., or his Deputy.

RULE XX.

Visitors in Grand Division.

Members of the Order, and Lady Visitors duly vouched for, may be admitted to visit Grand Divisions, on being duly obligated.

Digest, Sec. 21.

RULE XXI.

Representation.

Brothers shall be allowed only to represent Subordinate Divisions of which they are members—nor can any person be a member of two Subordinate Divisions at the same time. In case of the transfer of a member, he shall not be disqualified on that account, but may be elected to represent the Division to which he may become attached.

Digest, Sec. 26.

RULE XXII.

Application for Charter.

Applications to open new Divisions must be signed by at least eight persons, who must be men of good standing in the community—and the Grand Division shall have power to send such delegate or delegates as may be deemed proper to superintend the organization, and train them into the usages of the Order, said delegates always to be subject to the instructions of the Grand Division. If any members are received on Cards, the instituting Officer shall return their Cards to the G. Scribe to be cancelled.

Form of Application for Charter.

[Date.]

The undersigned, inhabitants of _____, believing the ORDER OF THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE to be well calculated to extend the blessings of Total Abstinence and promote the general welfare of mankind, respectfully petition the Grand Division of Ontario to grant them a Charter to open a new Division, to be called the _____ Division, No. _____,

Sons of Temperance of Ontario, to be located in _____, and under your jurisdiction.

We pledge ourselves, individually and collectively, to be governed by the rules and usages of said Grand Division, and also by those of the National Division; and in case this Division shall at any time suspend work, forfeit or surrender its Charter, all its properties, real or personal, shall revert to and vest in the Grand Division having jurisdiction.

Enclosed is the charter fee, \$5. Books, \$3 50.

It must also be stated whether the applicants are members of the Order or not; if they are, of what Division. To be directed to the Grand Scribe, free of postage.

Digest, Sec. 18.

RULE XXIII.

Representatives must wear Regalia.

Members of Grand Divisions shall be deprived of the privilege of speaking or voting unless clothed in appropriate regalia, as specified in the printed proceedings of the National Division of 1845, except under the provisions of the Red Book of Grand Divisions, which guarantee all the privileges of membership to Brothers during the Session at which they were initiated, without being clothed in the regalia of the Grand Division.

RULE XXIV.

Alteration of Constitution.

No alteration or addition shall be made to this Constitution, unless by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at a regular Annual Session of the National Division.

RULE XXV.

To maintain uniformity, the NATIONAL DIVISION OF NORTH AMERICA ordains the following Constitution and Code of Laws for the government of Subordinate Divisions, at the same time empowering them to make such By-Laws as do not contravene them or the rules of the Order.

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CONSTITUTION
FOR
SUBORDINATE DIVISIONS.

ADOPTED JUNE, 1868.

PREAMBLE.

We, whose names are annexed, desirous of forming an association to enable us more effectually to protect ourselves and others from the evils of Intemperance, afford mutual assistance, and elevate our characters, do pledge ourselves to be governed by the following Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE I.

Title of Division.

This Association shall be known as _____
DIVISION, No. —, of the SONS OF TEMPERANCE OF
ONTARIO.

THE CODE.

The name, number, or location of a Division shall be designated, and may be changed, by the Grand Division.

ARTICLE II.

Pledge of the Order.

No member shall make, buy, sell, or use, as a beverage, any Spirituous or Malt Liquors, Wine or Cider.

THE CODE.

SEC. 1.—The manufacture, sale, and use of cider or wine, fermented or unfermented, or of any kind of spirituous or malt liquors, or any kind of intoxicating drinks as a beverage, whether enumerated in the Pledge or not, is a violation of the same; and the simple fact of the manufacture, sale, or use of such drinks by a member, shall be *prima facie* evidence against such member on a trial for a violation of the Pledge, so as to devolve on the accused the necessity of proving that they were not manufactured, sold, or used as a beverage.

SEC. 2.—A physician's certificate or prescription shall not necessarily relieve a member from a *charge* for violation of the Pledge, as the internal use of the liquors prohibited by the Pledge is in no way provided for by our laws; but the Subordinate Division in the case shall be the judge of any wantonness or collusion which may appear in relation to the matter.

SEC. 3.—Any member who makes, buys, or sells any of the liquors prohibited by the Pledge, to be used as a beverage for the accommodation of a customer or friend, although he may not design to make any profit thereon, or any member acting as salesman in such liquors as a beverage, or any member buying or selling such liquors in any manner as a beverage, or letting buildings for making, buying, or selling such liquors as a beverage, except an agent, or officer of the law acting officially, or an auctioneer required to sell by the terms of his license, violates the Pledge.

SEC. 4.—In a trial for violation of the Pledge, or any other offence, it is the duty of the *Committee* to notify the accused of the time and place of meeting for the trial, and a notice by mail, after a reasonable time, is a legal and sufficient notice.

SEC. 5.—A Division shall have no right to require its members to take any pledge other than that adopted by the National Division; neither shall it inflict any penalty for a violation of the Pledge, except that laid down in the Constitution or Code.

SEC. 6.—An acknowledgment, personally or in writing, by a member, of a violation of the Pledge, is in accordance with the spirit of the Constitution.

Digest, Secs. 1-7.

ARTICLE III.

Eligibility for Membership.

SEC. 1.—Persons fourteen years of age, and upwards, possessing a character for integrity, and who have not been rejected by, or expelled from, any other Division within six months, shall be eligible to membership; but no member shall be allowed to vote

in the Division, who is under eighteen years of age. *Provided*, That females shall not be admitted to membership, within the jurisdiction of any Grand Division, unless permission be first granted by a two-thirds vote of the Grand Division; nor in any Subordinate Division, unless the Division shall so decide by a two-thirds vote, after two weeks' notice.*

And provided further, That members between the ages of 14 and 18, may be allowed to vote by the By-Law of their Subordinate Division, permission having first been obtained from the Grand Division for the enactment of such By-Law.

THE CODE.

SEC. 1.—The Constitution provides the terms of eligibility to membership, and no Division shall have the right to enlarge or prescribe those terms, except that Divisions paying benefits may require a *health* qualification to defend them from imposition and loss.

SEC. 2.—The name of a candidate for admission must be proposed by a member in writing, stating age, residence and business, which must be entered on the record, and the subject referred to three members for investigation, who shall report in writing at the next succeeding regular meeting, unless granted further time by the Division, when the candidate shall be balloted for with ball ballots, and if a majority of white balls, and not more than *four* black balls appear, shall be declared elected; but if *five* or more black balls appear, shall be rejected, and so declared. In cases where there is not a majority of white balls, and less than five black balls, the Division, on motion, may proceed to another ballot.

SEC. 3.—A proposition for membership shall not be withdrawn,

* At the Annual Session of the G. D. of Ontario, held at Kingston, October, 1868, the following Resolutions were adopted:—

“That hereafter females be admitted into full membership in the Subordinate Divisions of this jurisdiction, as provided for by the action of the National Division.”

“That the Subordinate Divisions under the jurisdiction of this Grand Division, be allowed to pass By-Laws permitting members between the ages of 14 and 18 years, to vote in their respective Divisions.”

after it has been referred to a Committee for investigation, without the consent of a majority of the members present.

SEC. 4.—The name of a person constitutionally rejected, suspended, or expelled, shall not be published in any other manner than the usual notice to Divisions.

SEC. 5.—The character of a candidate for membership may be discussed in the Division any time after the report of a committee of investigation, and previous to the ballot being taken; but the *ballot* is a secret vote, and it is improper to call on any member for the reasons of his vote. The name to be balloted for should always be read openly to the Division.

SEC. 6.—Any action of a Division in reference to an individual proposed for membership therein, without his consent, is invalid and void; but any person having been proposed, after giving such consent, can not, previous to election or rejection, be proposed in any other Division.

SEC. 7.—The name of any person applying for membership by deposit of Card, shall be subject to the same proposition, investigation, and ballot as a new applicant.

SEC. 8.—On the admission of any member to the Division by Card, the Recording Scribe shall immediately notify the Division granting the Card of the fact.

SEC. 9.—A candidate may be proposed, balloted for, and initiated at any regular meeting by the unanimous consent of the members present.

SEC. 10.—A suspended member is under the control and jurisdiction of the Subordinate Division, and subject to their judgment during such suspension.

Digest, Sec. 19.

Lady Visitors.

SEC. 2.—Divisions having decided so to do, by a two-thirds vote, after two weeks' notice, may admit females, fourteen years of age and upward, as Visitors, at such times, and under such regulations, as may be prescribed by law, subject to the same forms of proposition, investigation and ballot, as in the case of members.

THE CODE.

SEC. 11.—Visitors shall not be entitled to participate in the special business deliberations of the Order, or vote, except to ballot on the admission of Visitors.

SEC. 12.—Visitors may propose persons for Visitors, assist in the ceremonies of introduction and initiation of Visitors, and take part

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in exercises and discussions under the head of the good of the Order.

SEC. 13.—The privileges of any or all Visitors may be withdrawn or suspended for the time, or permanently, by a two-thirds vote of the Division.

SEC. 14.—No formal trial of a Visitor shall be had unless demanded by herself, and the demand sustained by a majority vote of the members present, and in case of trial, the mode for the trial of members shall be conformed to as near as may be.

Digest, Secs. 20, 21.

ARTICLE IV.

Officers, and their Honors.

SEC. 1.—The officers shall consist of a Worthy Patriarch, Worthy Associate, Recording Scribe, Assistant Recording Scribe, Financial Scribe, Treasurer, Chaplain, Conductor, Assistant Conductor, Inside Sentinel, and Outside Sentinel, all of whom shall be elected by ballot every three months, viz. : last regular meetings in September, December, March and June, and installed the first regular meetings in October, January, April, and July.

SEC. 2.—Subordinate Divisions admitting Lady Visitors, may elect quarterly, by ballot, at the time prescribed for election of other officers, a Lady Sentinel, Lady Conductor, and three Lady Assistants. Lady Visitors shall be entitled to participate in the balloting.

SEC. 3.—No member shall be eligible to the offices of W. Patriarch, W. Associate, Treasurer and Chaplain, who is under 21 years of age, except by Dispensation from the Grand Division: *Provided*, that no such person elevated to the office of W. P., by such Dispensation, shall be elected a representative to a Grand Division, until 21 years of age.

SEC. 4.—Each officer shall perform the duties laid down in his obligation and charge at installa-

tion, and such other duties as his Grand or Subordinate Division may require of him.

THE CODE.

SEC. 1.—If a Division fail to elect or install its Officers at the time named in Article IV., Section 1, of the Constitution, such election or installation may be had subsequently, by leave of the G. W. Patriarch or his Deputy.

SEC. 2.—If a Division has no member constitutionally qualified or willing to accept the office of W. Patriarch, it shall be taken charge of by the G. W. Patriarch or his Deputy, who shall preside over the same until the disability is removed.

SEC. 3.—In case of the absence of the W. Patriarch and W. Associate of a Division, the senior P. W. Patriarch present shall preside, which seniority shall be governed by the date of service as W. Patriarch.

SEC. 4.—A vacancy occurring during the term may be filled at any time by election and installation.

SEC. 5.—The seat of any officer may be declared vacant for neglect of duty three successive meetings, by a majority vote, provided one week's notice is given in the Division, and three days' notice given him personally, or by mail, by the R. Scribe.

SEC. 6.—A member joining a Division by Card carries with him, and is entitled to, all his unforfeited honors.

SEC. 7.—A member losing his connection with the Order by suspension, expulsion, or voluntary resignation, can not claim any honors when he *again* connects himself with the Order; and any member acknowledging or convicted of a violation of the Pledge, shall forfeit all honors previously earned.

Digest, Secs. 19, 22, 24, 27, 28, 29, 31.

ARTICLE V.

Finances.

SEC. 1.—The minimum amount to be paid for initiation fees, and dues or assessments, *may* be regulated by each Grand Division.

SEC. 2.—The question of payment of weekly benefits in cases of sickness, or funeral benefits, and the amount to be paid, *shall* be regulated by each Division.

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THE CODE.

SEC. 1.—The initiation fee, quarterly dues, assessments, or fines of any member may be remitted by a vote of the Division.

SEC. 2.—When a member is six months in arrears for dues, and the F. Scribe shall have duly notified the delinquent, and he fails to pay his dues for one month thereafter, the Division may, without charge or trial, suspend or expel him. Any member who has been suspended for more than six months may be admitted as a new member.

Digest, Secs. 11, 12.

ARTICLE VI.

Offences.

Any member offending against the Constitution, Code, or By-Laws, or who shall be convicted of crime by a judicial tribunal, or be guilty of any conduct unbecoming a Son of Temperance, shall be fined, reprimanded, suspended or expelled, as the law may prescribe, and the nature of the case require.

THE CODE.

SEC. 1.—Any member convicted of a crime by any judicial tribunal *or* be suspended or expelled by a vote of the Division, without any formal charge, notice, or trial.

SEC. 2.—If a member acknowledge a violation of the Pledge, the W. Patriarch shall declare forfeited all honors previously earned by such member, and then proceed immediately to call for a ballot on the question of expulsion. If a majority ballot in favor, the W. Patriarch shall declare the member expelled, and order the F. Scribe to erase the name from the books. If a majority do not ballot in favor of expulsion, the membership of the offender shall be retained, and no further action shall be taken, except that the Division may, by vote, require the offender to be re-obligated.

SEC. 3.—Any member who has good reason to believe that a member has violated the Pledge, proved false to any of the obligations of a Son of Temperance, or been guilty of conduct unbecoming a member of the Order, shall prefer a charge in writing, stating the nature of the offence, the time, place, and circumstances, as near as may be, of its commission.

SEC. 4.—When such charge shall have been preferred, the W. Patriarch shall appoint a committee of five members, who shall, as

soon as practicable, summon the accused and witnesses, *pro* and *con*, and investigate the matter.

SEC. 5.—The Committee shall organize by appointing a Chairman and Secretary, and they may receive the testimony of those who are not members. The Secretary shall keep a correct record of the proceedings, with such testimony as may be presented; which record shall be produced to the Division, on the call of any member, after the Committee have reported.

SEC. 6.—The Committee shall report the charge "*sustained*" or "*not sustained*," as is warranted by the evidence before them.

SEC. 7.—If the Committee report the charge "*not sustained*," and the Division adopt the report, all further proceedings shall be stayed. If they report the charge "*sustained*," or if there is a majority and a minority report, the subject shall be laid upon the table until the next meeting, and the accused notified to be present.

SEC. 8.—Upon a final hearing of the case by the Division, a ballot shall be had, when, if a majority vote against sustaining the charge, the case shall be dismissed; if a majority vote in favor of sustaining the charge, the penalty shall be fixed by a vote of the Division, unless the law prescribes the penalty, in which case it shall be enforced by the W. P.

SEC. 9.—If the accused is found guilty of violating the Pledge, the W. Patriarch, after declaring forfeited all honors previously earned by such member, shall proceed to ballot as in section 2d of this chapter.

SEC. 10.—In cases of expulsion, the vote shall always be taken by ballot; and in no case shall a member be present when a vote or ballot is taken on his case, under this chapter, either by the Committee or the Division.

Digest, Secs. 1-10, 12, 13, 41.

ARTICLE VII.

Cards, Passwords, Ceremonies, and Regalia.

The Cards, Passwords, Ceremonies, and Regalia, prescribed and established by the National Division, shall be the only ones recognized, or used by the Division.

THE CODE.

SEC. 2.—Before a member shall be entitled to a Travelling Card, he must pay all dues in advance for the full time such Card is desired, not exceeding one year, and the fee for the Card.

SEC. 3.—A member with a Travelling Card shall be allowed to visit on his giving the Travelling Password which was in use at the date of its issue.

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SEC. 4.—A member shall not be entitled to a Withdrawal Card until the Division has voted the same, after payment of all dues and the fee for the Card; *but after a vote has been passed granting a Card*, the membership of the applicant shall be severed, and the Division shall have no right to reconsider such a vote, or to withhold the card from such member. The Division shall have jurisdiction over the conduct of a member to whom such Card is granted until he shall have become a member of another Division, and for sufficient cause may revoke the Card.

SEC. 5.—If a Subordinate Division surrender or forfeit its Charter, or is suspended, the Grand Division having jurisdiction shall have the right to grant a Clearance Card to each of the members of said Division making written application for the same, who may be deemed worthy by said Grand Division, and said Card shall be of the same value as a Withdrawal Card.

SEC. 6.—If a member in possession of a Clearance Card shall be guilty of an offence, a charge shall be made to the G. W. Patriarch or his Deputy, who shall transfer the same to a Subordinate Division in the vicinity of the accused, for trial in the usual form; and in case of a conviction, the Grand Division granting such Card shall be notified of the action.

SEC. 7.—A member who has taken a Withdrawal or Clearance Card is not entitled to the Password, nor can he claim a right to enter a Division.

SEC. 8.—Visiting members not being able to give the Quarterly Password may be admitted, if vouched for, as prescribed in the Blue Book; but a Division shall have the right to refuse admission to a visiting member who can work his way, upon being satisfied that he has lost his membership, or been irregularly admitted, or has previously deported himself improperly in the Division.

SEC. 9.—The Password may be withheld from a member against whom a charge has been preferred.

SEC. 10.—A W. Patriarch may communicate the Quarterly or Travelling Password to a travelling Brother, when requested so to do by the W. Patriarch of his Division, in writing, under the seal of the Division.

SEC. 11.—Every member, during the session of the Division, shall be clothed in appropriate regalia, unless excused by a vote of the Division. The Representatives of the Grand Division and National Division present may wear the regalia of their respective bodies, unless they are serving in some office, in which case they must be clothed in the proper official regalia.

SEC. 12.—The mourning badge shall be black crape, and worn on the left arm. The official badges, and emblems, and staffs of office may be draped in mourning.

SEC. 13.—Portions of the ceremonies of initiation may be omitted by a two-thirds vote of the Division; provided that in no case shall the obligations be dispensed with.

Digest, Secs. 16, 17, 18, 19, 25, 42, 43, 44.

ARTICLE VIII.

Resignations and Withdrawals.

Members can dissolve their connection with the Division or the Order, only in such manner as may be prescribed by law.

THE CODE.

SEC. 1.—A member may dissolve his connection with the Order by paying all demands against him on the books of the Division, and tendering his written resignation ; such resignation shall lie on the table one week, when, if not withdrawn, the request shall be granted, unless there be a charge preferred against him ; provided that it shall not take effect until the expiration of the current quarter.

SEC. 2.—A member who has resigned may be restored to membership by the usual ballot, without initiation, within three months, by re-signing the Constitution and paying the initiation fee.

ARTICLE IX.

Surrender of Charter and Charter Members.

A proposition to surrender the charter of a Division shall lie on the table at least four weeks, the members being duly notified, and the charter shall not be surrendered, as long as seven members will sustain the Division.

THE CODE.

SEC. 1.—If applicants for a Charter fail to present themselves for initiation within three months after the organization of the Division, their names shall be erased from the Charter, and the first names signed to the Constitution after the Charter members shall be inserted in place thereof, in case the constitutional number is deficient.

SEC. 2.—The name of a regularly admitted member shall in no event be erased from the Charter.

SEC. 3.—At the opening of a new Division, the officiating Brother shall be authorized to add to the number of the Charter members, at the request of the applicants, returning the names so added in his report.

Digest, Sec. 18.

ARTICLE X.

Protests and Appeal.

Every member shall have the right to respectfully protest against the action of the Division, or appeal from its decision to the Grand Division, and through the Grand Division to the National Division. All decisions of the acting body shall, however, be and remain in force, until reversed by the superior body in the case.

Digest, Secs. 14, 15.

ARTICLE XI.

Terms.

Regular Quarterly Terms shall commence on the first of October, January, April, and July. Members holding office at the close of the term, shall be entitled to the full honors of the term.

ARTICLE XII.

Amendments of Constitution and Code.

This Constitution may be altered and amended by a two-thirds vote of the National Division, to be taken by Grand Divisions, in regular Annual Session; but By-Laws which do not conflict with this Constitution and this Code, or the established rules and usages of the Order, may be enacted by each Division.

THE CODE.

This Code of Laws shall not be repealed or amended, nor any part thereof, except by a two-thirds vote of the National Division.

BY-LAWS
OF
THE GRAND DIVISION
OF
THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE
OF THE
PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

ARTICLE I.

Meetings.

SEC. 1.—The Annual and Semi-Annual Sessions of the Grand Division shall be held at such time and place as shall be fixed by the Grand Division, at the previous annual Session. Should the business of the Sessions not be completed at one meeting, the Grand Division may adjourn from time to time, at its discretion, until the business shall be completed.

SEC. 2.—Special Sessions may be called by the G. W. P. when requested, in writing, by at least five members, representing not less than two Subordinate Divisions ; but no business shall be transacted at a Special Session except such as is specified in the request, nor shall any business be transacted at a Special Session involving the expenditure of

money, or altering the By-Laws of the Grand Division.

SEC. 3.—At the time appointed for any meeting of the Grand Division, the G. W. P., or, in his absence, the G. W. A., on the appearance of a quorum, shall take the chair, and cause the Grand Division to be opened in due form. In their absence, the members present may appoint a chairman, and proceed to business.

SEC. 4.—Any Grand Officer being absent from any meeting, the G. W. P., or other presiding officer, shall appoint, in open meeting, some one to occupy the place of that absent officer, *pro tempore*.

SEC. 5.—The presiding officer in any meeting of the Grand Division shall have no vote while in the chair, except in the case of a tie, of an election by ballot, or when the yeas and nays are called.

ARTICLE II.

Officers.

SEC. 1.—At an election for officers of this Grand Division, every member shall be equally eligible to office.

SEC. 2.—Candidates for office may be nominated at any time previous to the election taking place; and no vote shall be valid, or recorded as a part of the poll, unless it be for a previously nominated candidate.

SEC. 3.—At the annual Session the nomination and election of officers shall take place immediately after the reading of the G. W. P.'s and G. S.'s report.

SEC. 4.—In balloting for officers, each officer shall be balloted for separately.

SEC. 5.—Should there be no choice for one or more officers on the first ballot, a second election shall be held immediately after the canvass on the first election is completed, and the balloting shall continue until a choice shall be made, observing Rule 5th of the Constitution, as to withdrawing the candidate receiving the lowest number of votes.

SEC. 6.—Representatives of Divisions which have neglected to make quarterly returns and payment of dues, shall be disqualified from voting for Grand Officers.

SEC. 7.—The Grand Officers shall be installed on the meeting of the election, or the next meeting. The present G. W. P., or any P. G. W. P., or the senior member present, shall install the G. W. P., who shall install the other Grand Officers.

SEC. 8.—All Grand Officers shall be installed to serve until the next Annual Session, and the installation of their successors.

SEC. 9.—Any Grand Officer may be removed from his office for conduct unworthy of his standing in the Order, or for inattention to the duties of his office; but he shall be entitled to a fair trial, and two-thirds of the votes given shall be necessary for removal.

SEC. 10.—Any Grand Officer ceasing to be a member in good standing in a Subordinate Division under this jurisdiction, his office shall be deemed vacant, and so declared, but this shall not apply to officers who withdraw from one Division to join another, who shall be allowed sixty days after such withdrawal for that purpose.

SEC. 11.—All vacancies shall be filled in the same manner, and for the residue of the term of the former incumbent.

ARTICLE III.

The Rights and Duties of Officers.

SEC. 1.—The G. W. P., when making official visits to Subordinate Divisions, shall cause his intention to be announced, and shall enter clothed in his proper regalia, and shall be received in accordance with the established rules and usages of the Order. He shall attest all orders for money voted by the Grand Division at a Regular Session and none other. He shall divide the Province of Canada West into as many Districts as he may deem expedient. He shall nominate, and by and with the consent of the Grand Division, appoint a D. G. W. P. for each district in the Province. He shall nominate, and by and with the consent of the Grand Division, appoint all Standing Committees of not more than three members. And, generally, shall perform such other duties appertaining to his office as are specified in the Constitution, or may be required of him by the Grand Division.

SEC. 2.—In the absence of the G. W. P. or his special Deputy, each D. G. W. P. shall be the delegate required by Rule 22nd of the Constitution to superintend the organization of new Divisions in his District, and instruct them in the usages of the Order, and may grant any Subordinate Division in the District power to hold public meetings, or to appear in procession, if, in his judgment, the Order will be benefited thereby.

SEC. 3.—D. G. W. P.'s, when officially visiting Districts under their charge, shall cause their intention to be announced, and shall enter clothed in their proper regalia, and shall be received in accordance with the established rules and usages of the

Order. They shall visit officially every Subordinate Division in their Districts at least once in each quarterly term, to examine the work and exact compliance with the established Constitution, Laws and Ceremonies of the National and of the Grand Divisions, and report any irregularity fairly, fully and promptly, to the G. W. P., under whose direction they shall act, and through whom they shall present all official communications to the Grand Division. They shall visit each Division in the District at the first regular meeting in each quarterly term, and install the officers, provided in all cases the Returns have been made out, and the *per capita* tax due the Grand Division has been appropriated, and instruct the W. P. in the Q. and T. P. W. In case of sickness or other unavoidable occurrence, they may appoint a P. or acting W. P. to officiate in their place, for a period not exceeding a quarterly term. They shall submit a written quarterly report of the state of the Order in the District, together with any decisions they have made of doubt or difficulty, and any privilege they may have granted, to the G. W. P., prior to the first days of January, April, July, and October, to enable him to prepare his general report to the Grand Division.

SEC. 4.—The G. Scribe shall attest all orders voted for money by the Grand Division, at a regular quarterly session, and none other; he shall notify all Deputies and Subordinate Divisions in all cases where they make default in sending in Returns, copies of By-Laws, impressions of Seals, Credentials, or moneys due to the Grand Division, and, generally, shall perform such duties appertaining to his office, as are provided in the Constitution, or may be required by the Grand Division, for

which he shall receive an annual salary, of such sum as the Grand Division may vote, from time to time, payable quarterly.

SEC. 5.—All Grand Officers shall, in addition to the duties specified in their Constitution, perform such others appertaining to their offices, as the Grand Division may require.

ARTICLE IV.

Standing Committees.

SEC. 1.—There shall be appointed at each Annual Session, the following Standing Committees, viz :

1st. A Committee on Elections and Returns.

2d. A Committee on Finance.

3d. A Committee on Charters.

4th. A Committee on Petitions from Subordinate Divisions.

5th. A Committee on Constitution and By-Laws of Subordinates.

6th. A Committee on Appeals.

7th. A Committee on Publication.

SEC. 2.—The Committee on Elections and Returns shall consist of three members, who shall examine and report to the Grand Division, without delay, on the regularity and sufficiency of the returns of the Subordinate Divisions, and on the election and eligibility of members of the Grand Division.

SEC. 3.—The Committee on Finance shall consist of three members, who shall examine and report on all accounts and claims against the Grand Division, previous to their being passed for payment by the Grand Division ; to examine the accounts of the G. Scribe and G. T., quarterly ; and in general,

to have charge of all the financial interests of the Grand Division.

SEC. 4.—The Committee on Charters shall consist of three members, who shall examine and report on all petitions for Charters for Subordinate Divisions, having in view the question how far new Divisions, in places where Divisions are already located, will affect the latter : and said Committee shall have power to grant Charters to Divisions, in places where none are already located, and in places where Divisions are already located, with the concurrence of such established Divisions.

SEC. 5.—The Committee on Petitions from Subordinate Divisions shall consist of three members, who shall examine and report on all petitions from Subordinate Divisions, and the legality and expediency of granting the prayers thereof.

SEC. 6.—The Committee on Constitutions and By-Laws of Subordinates shall consist of three members, to whom shall be referred, when deemed needful, all matters of doubt concerning Constitutional questions, for their report thereon. They shall examine the Constitution and By-laws of the Subordinate Divisions, referred to them previous to the same being printed, and shall suggest any alterations or improvements they may deem necessary, to make such laws harmonize with the Constitutions, Laws, and Usages of the Order : which suggestions must be observed, unless an appeal be taken to the Grand Division by the Subordinate.

SEC. 7.—The Committee on Appeals shall consist of five members to whom shall be referred all Appeals and all complaints of grievances, misdemeanors or violations of order in any of the Subordinate Divisions.

Any appeal originating in a Subordinate Division, in special cases, shall be made to a Committee, consisting of P. W. P.'s and acting W. P.'s, of the three Divisions nearest the one in which such appeal originates. Five of such officers to constitute a quorum. On the occurrence of an appeal in any Division, the W. P. of such Division shall convene the above named Committee as soon as convenient. At the first meeting of any such Committee, the members shall elect from their number a Chairman and Secretary, who shall act as such until the matter under consideration shall be disposed of. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of any Committee on Appeals, constituted as above provided, to acquaint the appellant or appellants immediately with the decision of the Committee, and also, if such decision be appealed from, to report in detail to the G. D. at its next regular meeting. The Committee shall have power to require from a Subordinate Division, parties to an appeal, the production of all books and papers of the Division, or certified copies thereof, which are necessary to be used on the appeal, and shall acquaint officially all parties to such appeal with the time and place of the investigation of the case, when and where such parties shall attend personally, or by Counsel, produce their evidence, and argue or submit their cause. The meetings of all Committees on Appeals shall be open to members of the Order, during the hearing of appeals. After hearing the testimony and argument of an appeal, the Committee shall sit with closed doors, deliberate upon, and decide the case.

SEC. 8.—The Committee on Publication shall consist of three members, who shall be charged with considering the expediency of any proposed

publication, and who shall superintend and contract for all such publications by the press as the Grand Division may order, and revise and publish the proceedings of all regular Sessions of the Grand Division.

SEC. 9.—All vacancies in any of the Standing Committees shall be filled at any Regular Meeting of the Grand Division after the same shall occur; and the Grand Division may declare the seat of any member of a Standing Committee vacant, for misconduct, or inattention to the duties of the Committee.

SEC. 10.—All expences necessarily incurred by any Standing Committee shall be paid by the Grand Division.

ARTICLE V.

Subordinate Divisions.

SEC. 1.—All general regulations adopted by the Grand Division, for the government of Subordinate Divisions, shall be in the form of an amendment to the By-Laws of the Grand Division, and not otherwise.

SEC. 2.—No Charter shall hereafter be granted to open new Divisions, without a vote of the Grand Division in favor thereof, at a regular or special Session, except as provided in Art. IV., Sec. 4, of these By-Laws.

SEC. 3.—When members of the Order petition for a new Division, their cards shall accompany their application, or be deposited with the D. G. W. P. of the District in which the Division is proposed to be located, in which case he shall give a certificate of such deposit to accompany the petition.

SEC. 4.—Upon the granting of a Charter for a

Division to be located in a County where there is no D. G. W. P., the G. W. P., or such P. W. P. or special Deputy as he may depute for that purpose, shall be the Delegate of this Grand Division, in accordance with Rule 6 of the Constitution.

SEC. 5.—No two Divisions in this Province shall hereafter bear the same name, nor shall any Division under this jurisdiction be named after any living person.

SEC. 6.—Not less than five members shall be required to constitute a quorum in a Subordinate Division for the transaction of any business, except that of adjourning; any less number may adjourn from time to time, until a quorum shall be obtained. A Subordinate Division may, by a By-Law, require a larger number than five to constitute a quorum.

SEC. 7.—By-Laws of Subordinates must be submitted to the Grand Division for examination and correction: and after being printed, an attested copy thereof must be deposited with the Grand Scribe.

SEC. 8.—The Constitutions, Charter, and B. B.'s, and all Cards of Office belonging to a Subordinate, are in the care and control of the W. P., during his official term, who is responsible for the safe keeping of the same, and they are to be produced by him, when required, to the G. W. P. or D. G. W. P. of the District, for inspection, or to be surrendered to the Grand Division, if required at a regular Session.

SEC. 9.—No Subordinate Division can be suspended, reprimanded, or its Charter declared forfeited, unless a fair trial first be had before a Committee of five members, appointed by the Grand Division, after charges, duly specifying the offences,

have been submitted in writing, at a regular Session; nor shall any proceedings be taken against a Division, except at a regular Session.

SEC. 10.—Whenever a Subordinate Division is suspended, or its Charter is declared forfeited, it shall be the duty of the last installed officers, on demand, to surrender to the G. W. P., D. G. W. P., or a special Deputy of the G. W. P., all books, papers, property, and funds belonging to the Division; and any officer refusing to make such surrender shall thereafter be perpetually excluded from membership, even though the Division to which he belonged shall be restored to good standing in the Order.

SEC. 11.—The presiding officer, at an election for new members shall simply state the fact whether a candidate is elected or rejected, without announcing whether there are any or what number of black balls.

SEC. 12.—All communications or documents from a Subordinate to the Grand Division, or another Subordinate, to be regularly attested, must be Subscribed by the R. Scribe with the seal of the Division attached, or a statement of the fact that it has no seal.

SEC. 13.—None but a regularly attested communication can be received by the Grand Division or a Subordinate; nor can any communication be received by a Subordinate, from other than Sons of Temperance, in their individual or associated capacities; nevertheless a member of a Subordinate may be the organ of communication to his Division, of subjects not improper, from those who are not Sons of Temperance.

SEC. 14.—The mode of voting in the Subordin-

ates, except when by ballot, or when the yeas and nays are called, shall be by raising the right hand.

SEC. 15.—Each Subordinate shall have a Black Book, in which shall be recorded the names of members of its own or other Divisions, of which it has received notice, who have been suspended, rejected, or expelled, with the dates and cause of such suspension or expulsion.

SEC. 16.—No officer shall omit, add to, or in any manner alter, his respective part, or the phraseology of the same as laid down in the B.B., except as permitted to abridge by the N. D., and on his card of office relative to any ceremony, except so as to adapt the words to a plurality of candidates or Sons of Temperance, instead of a single person, when several are addressed at the same time.

SEC. 17.—The Q. P. W. can only be given to members who are less than thirteen weeks in arrears for dues, by the W. P. of the Division to which they belong. Such members can be admitted into their own Division without the same, if vouched for as correct by any of the brothers present, or into any Division other than that to which they belong, if vouched for to the W. P. by the G. W. P. or his Deputy for the district.

SEC. 18.—The quarterly returns of Subordinates shall be rendered and subscribed to by the W. P. and R. S. occupying such offices during the said term, and on the night of their vacating such offices.

SEC. 19.—No Subordinate Division shall appear in public with any emblems other than those adopted by the Order and used in Divisions, or as worn on the regalia.

SEC. 20.—The revenue of this Grand Division shall be as follows :—

For every Charter to open a new Division, \$5.00

For Rituals and Cards.....\$3.50

A quarterly charge of seven cents for each member of the Subordinate Division whose name appears upon the Financial Scribe's Books.

SEC. 21.—Any member of a Subordinate Division knowingly joining or visiting a suspended, expelled, or illegal Division, shall be suspended or expelled.

SEC. 22.—No suspended member can be restored to the Order except by being reinstated in the Division which suspended him; nor can a member of an expelled or suspended Division be re-instated in the Order except by consent of this Grand Division, on the application of a Subordinate Division in good standing.

SEC. 23.—A brother presenting a card for admission into a Subordinate Division, his case shall be disposed of as provided by Chapter 3, Section 7, of the Code of Laws of Subordinates, and if elected, he shall sign the Constitution and By-Laws.

SEC. 24.—A ballot for new members being a secret vote, no member can be required to state how he voted, or why he so voted, nor can any proceedings be had by or in the Division in reference to a member for voting a black or white ball.

SEC. 25.—Any person rejected in any Division under this Grand Division, and who may be proposed in any other Division within the Constitutional period of six months, shall, if elected and admitted, upon the fact of rejection being ascertained, be expelled.

SEC. 26.—No member can be suspended for non-payment of dues but by due form, as laid down in

Chapters 5 and 6 of the Code of Laws ; and a member, when so suspended, can only be reinstated by the payment of all legal demands against him. Rule 16th of the Constitution of the Grand Division cannot be construed as applying to members who appeal upon the ground of having been illegally suspended without form of trial, or an opportunity of defence.

SEC. 27.—When a suspended or expelled member has been reinstated, the R. S. shall give notice thereof to all Divisions notified of such suspension or expulsion.

SEC. 28.—The P. W. P., during the quarter after the one in which he has occupied the W. P.'s chair, is not a Constitutional officer, but occupies in his Division the Post of Honor, and it is his duty, should he be present in his Division during such quarter, to occupy that post only, and he shall not wear the regalia of the Grand Division in his own Division until after he shall have passed the P. W. P.'s chair.

SEC. 29.—Funeral notices and advertised invitations to the Order to attend such, are only proper in case of the death of a brother or a brother's wife. In case of the funeral of a brother's wife, it will not be proper for members to wear the regalia of the Order.

SEC. 30.—Every Subordinate Division shall have a suitable seal (a proof impression of which shall be deposited with the G. Scribe), and all its official communications shall be sealed therewith.

ARTICLE VI.

The Members of the Grand Divisions.

SEC. 1.—Any member of the Grand Division

violating the Constitution, Laws, Rules and Usages of the Order, shall be liable to reprimand, suspension or expulsion, at the pleasure of the Grand Division, after charges duly specifying the offence shall be preferred by a member, and the same referred to a Committee of five members for trial, but no suspension or expulsion shall extend beyond the period for which the member shall have been elected.

SEC. 2.—Whenever the Committee appointed to try a member of the Grand Division shall be of the opinion that such member ought to be punished as provided in the preceding section, they shall submit a resolution to that effect, which, upon being presented (if the brother is not present), shall be set down for consideration for some future meeting, at which the accused shall be summoned to attend.

SEC. 3.—A member of the Grand Division having forfeited his membership in his Division for violating Article 2nd of the Constitution, or other offences, shall forfeit his membership in this Grand Division; and if re-instated in his own Division, he shall not be eligible to a seat in this Grand Division until the election to be held in pursuance of Rule 2nd, Sec. 2nd, of the Constitution for Grand Divisions, next succeeding such re-instatement.

SEC. 4.—A W. P. resigning office shall forfeit his seat in this Grand Division.

SEC. 5.—Any member of this Grand Division who shall be suspended in his own Division, shall forfeit his seat in the Grand Division, and cannot resume the same if re-instated, except by new election.

SEC. 6.—Rule 21st of the Constitution for Grand Divisions cannot be construed as applying to other than members of Grand Divisions.

ARTICLE VII.

Amendments of these By-laws and Rules of Order.

SEC. 1.—No part of these By-laws shall be amended or repealed, nor shall any addition be made thereto, unless a proposition therefor shall be submitted in writing at one Regular Session, by Representatives of at least five different Divisions, and entered in full on the Journal, when it shall be referred to the next Regular Session; at which Session, after thirty days have expired from the first submission of the proposition, the Grand Division may consider the same; and if, upon a vote being taken by the Division, it shall appear that two-thirds of the votes given are in favor thereof, it shall be adopted.

SEC. 2.—No rule of order shall be amended or repealed, nor shall any additions be made thereto, unless a proposition for that purpose be presented in writing, at least one meeting previous to the consideration thereof; when, if two-thirds of the Representatives voting agree thereto, it shall be adopted; but a rule of order may be suspended at, and for any meeting, by a two-thirds vote.

ORDER OF BUSINESS AND RULES OF
ORDER.

I. The following shall be the order of business at each Session:

- 1st. Opening the Grand Division in due form.
- 2nd. Reading, correction and adoption of the minutes of the last preceding Regular Meeting.
- 3rd. Same as to the minutes of Special Sessions.

4th. Reports on credentials of new members, and initiation of the same.

5th. Transactions of such business as by the By-laws, or by special vote of a preceding meeting, is ordered to be transacted after the initiation of new members.

6th. Hearing and disposing of reports of officers, commencing with the G. W. P.

7th. Reception and reference of returns, petitions and communications.

8th. Reports of Standing Committees in the order in which they stand in Art. 4th, Sec. 1st of the By-laws, and disposition of the same.

9th. Reports of Special Committees by seniority, and disposition of the same.

10th. Disposition of deferred or unfinished business.

11th. New business.

II. Should the foregoing order of business not be completed at one meeting of a Session, the order shall be resumed at the next meeting where it stopped at the previous meeting, except that the first five branches of the foregoing order shall be called at each meeting.

III. All petitions, bills, credentials, returns and appeals, belonging to Standing Committees, shall be referred to the same by the G. Scribe as soon as received, without reading, and a brief note of such references shall be made on the minutes, or in his Semi-Annual Report.

IV. Every member desiring to address the Grand Division shall arise, announce his name and the Division to which he belongs, and address the G. W. P.

V. The name of a member shall not be used in

debate, but he shall be designated by the office he holds, or as the Representative of his Division.

VI. No member shall speak or vote unless clothed in the established regalia of the Grand Division.

VII. The G. W. P., while presiding, shall state every question coming before the Grand Division, before suffering debate thereon; and immediately before putting it to vote, shall ask, "Is the Grand Division ready for the question?" Should no member rise to speak, and the Grand Division indicate their readiness, he shall rise to take the question; and after he has risen, no member shall be permitted to speak upon it.

VIII. When the decision of the G. W. P. on points of order is appealed from, he shall state his decision, and the reasons therefor, from the chair. The party appealing shall then briefly state the reasons for his appeal. After which, without further debate, the question shall be put thus, "Will the Grand Division stand by the chair in its decision?"

IX. Every member, while speaking, shall confine himself to the question under debate, avoid all personality and indecorous language, as well as any reflection on the Grand Division or its members.

X. Should two or more members rise to speak at the same time, the chair shall decide who shall have the floor.

XI. No member shall disturb another in his speech, except to call him to order for words spoken.

XII. If a member, while speaking, shall be called to order, at the request of the chair he shall cease speaking, and take his seat until the question of order is determined, when, if permitted, he may again proceed.

XIII. No member shall speak more than once on the same question until all the members wishing to speak shall have had an opportunity so to do ; nor more than twice without permission of the chair. A Representative shall not speak more than ten minutes on any question at one time, without the special permission of the G. D.

XIV. All resolutions and motions, other than the first six in Rule 17th, shall be reduced to writing, before the G. W. P. shall state the same to the Grand Division.

XV. When a blank is to be filled, the question shall be taken first upon the highest sum or number, and the longest or latest time proposed.

XVI. Any member may call for a division of a question when the sense will admit of it.

XVII. When a question is before the Grand Division, no motion shall be received, unless to adjourn, to close debate, to take the previous question, to lie on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a definite time, to refer, or to amend. And they shall have precedence in the order herein arranged, the first four of which shall be decided without debate.

XVIII. If a motion to adjourn be adopted, and the Grand Division has not previously resolved on the adjournment, to close the session, or to meet at a particular period, the effect of the motion shall be to adjourn to the next day.

XIX. The motion to close debate may be made by any two members, and shall be put in this form, "Shall the debate now close?" and if adopted, the effect shall be to proceed to take the question on the resolution and amendments thereto, according to priority, without further debate.

XX. The motion to take the previous question may be made by any two members, and shall be put in this form, "Shall the main question be now taken?" and if adopted, the effect shall be to take the question on the original resolution, to the exclusion of all debate, and all amendments which have not been adopted.

XXI. The effect of the motion to lay upon the table, if adopted, shall be to prevent the question being taken up again at the same Session without a two-thirds vote.

XXII. No resolution which has been rejected or indefinitely postponed at a Regular Session, shall be renewed at the same Session, unless reconsidered, as provided in the next rule.

XXIII. All votes, other than on amendments to the By-laws or Rules, may be re-considered at the same or next succeeding Regular Meeting, upon a motion made and seconded by members who voted in the majority, provided the Grand Division agree thereto ; but after a motion to reconsider has once been lost, it shall not be renewed.

XXIV. Every member present shall vote on all questions before the Grand Division, unless he, personally, or his Division, is interested in the result, or he has been excused, or is otherwise incapacitated.

XXV. A motion to excuse a member from voting shall be put without debate.

XXVI. No member shall enter or leave the Grand Division during initiation, or the taking of a question by yeas and nays ; nor shall members be permitted to enter during the reading of the minutes, unless they have the password.

XXVII. When a motion has been declared car-

ried or lost by a show of hands, any member, before the Grand Division proceeds to other business, may call for a count, but the yeas and nays cannot be called unless demanded before the G. W. P. rises to take the question.

XXVIII. All reports of Committees shall be in writing, and when read to the Grand Division, shall be considered as accepted without a vote, unless objection be made thereto.

XXIX. On a final report of a Special Committee being accepted, the Committee shall be considered discharged without a vote, unless otherwise ordered.

DIGEST OF DECISIONS

OF THE

NATIONAL DIVISION.

Violation of the Pledge.

SEC. 1.—It is the imperative duty of a Son of Temperance to discountenance the sale and use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, in suitable ways, throughout the community; and he who by his vote contributes to promote the sale, brings discredit upon himself and reproach upon the Order.—N. D., 1849, p. 542.

SEC. 2.—The sale of spirituous liquors by an unlicensed auctioneer, or one *not required* to sell by the terms of his license, is a violation of the Pledge.—N. D., 1857, p. 1102.

SEC. 3.—For a member to partake of a supper at which spirituous liquors are provided, and bear his portion of the expense, is deemed to be a violation of the spirit, but is not deemed to be a violation of the letter, of the Pledge.—N. D., 1857, p. 1116.

SEC. 4.—A member of the Order not a physician has not the right to prescribe alcohol for himself.—N. D., 1848, p. 323.

SEC. 5.—A public advertisement for the sale of intoxicating liquor by a brother, is a public avowal of his traffic in liquor, and, in its influence, directly opposed to the spirit and object of the Pledge, and therefore a violation of it.—N. D., 1854, p. 911.

SEC. 6.—A member who drinks any spirituous or malt liquors, wine, or cider, in a public company or in a house where liquors are sold by retail, shall be considered as violating Article II. of Constitution, although he may have used the same for medicinal purposes.—N. D., 1852, p. 780.

SEC. 7.—It is the duty of a member to give information of the violation of Article II. of Constitution, the knowledge of which came to him before his initiation.—N. D., 1848, p. 322.

Trials.

SEC. 8.—A brother put upon trial for any offence is entitled to a written notice of the time and place of meeting of the Committee of Investigation, and be permitted to confront the witnesses face to face.—N. D., 1850, pp. 606, 607.

SEC. 10.—A brother against whom charges are preferred is entitled to all his rights and privileges, with the exception of voting on any question connected with his case.—N. D., 1862, p. 1377.

Penalties.

SEC. 11.—The Password may be withheld from a member who is three months in arrears.—N. D., 1853, p. 858.

SEC. 12.—Brothers conspiring to black-ball worthy candidates may be expelled.—N. D., 1860, p. 1303.

SEC. 13.—Brothers black-balling candidates from unworthy motives are liable to charges, and may be expelled.—N. D., 1847, pp. 130, 182.

Right of Appeal.

SEC. 14.—The right which all members of Divi-

sions possess to appeal can not be abridged, whether the appellant is personally interested or not.—N. D., 1847, p. 172.

SEC. 15.—The reconsideration of the expulsion of a member is improper and illegal, the remedy being by appeal.—N. D., 1854, p. 911.

Withdrawal, Travelling, and Clearance Cards.

SEC. 16.—A Travelling Card is evidence of payment of dues to the time said Card expires.—N. D., 1850, p. 590.

SEC. 17.—A member of a Division can obtain a Withdrawal Card without avowing his intention to join another Division.—N. D., 1851, p. 702.

SEC. 18.—A brother joining a Division by Card at its organization should deposit the Card in the hands of the Deputy who organizes the Division; but should he retain the Card, it is of no value to him, and no other Division has a right to receive him on that Card.—N. D., 1859, p. 1238.

SEC. 19.—Cards granted by or under the authority of the National Division of Great Britain and Ireland shall be fully recognized by the Order in North America, and shall entitle the holder to all the privileges to which the same grade of Card, issued under the authority of this National Division, would entitle the possessor.—N. D., 1860, p. 1302.

Lady Visitors.

SEC. 20.—Divisions have the right to permit their Lady Visitors to be present during the working of the Degrees upon being properly obligated.—N. D. 1856, p. 1053.

SEC. 21.—Grand Divisions may admit Lady Visi-

tors to their sessions without their being re-obligated, the obligation already taken by them being sufficient.—N. D., 1862, p. 1389.

Financial.

SEC. 22.—A Division may by a By-law disqualify a member from holding office for non-payment of dues.—N. D., 1854, p. 911.

Honors.

SEC. 23.—A constitutional officer of the Grand Division is entitled to a seat in that body, whether a representative of any Division or not.—N. D., 1856, p. 1046.

SEC. 24.—A brother appointed to fill the chair of P. W. Patriarch during the first term of a Division is not a constitutional P. W. Patriarch, and is not eligible to a seat in the Grand Division.—N. D., 1860, p. 1307.

SEC. 25.—Members elect to the Grand and National Divisions, and before initiation, are entitled to wear the regalia of the body to which they may have been elected.—N. D., 1848, p. 330.

SEC. 26.—A brother initiated in the Grand Division of one State may represent a Division with which he may afterward become connected in another State, without being re-initiated in the Grand Division.—N. D., 1849, p. 513.

SEC. 27.—When a Division surrenders its Charter during a quarterly term, officers lose the honors they would have gained by a full term of service.—N. D., 1850, p. 592.

SEC. 28.—Officers re-elected must be re-installed.—N. D., 1863, p. 1455.

SEC. 29.—A brother having gained honors in a Division which subsequently surrenders its Charter, and he remains out of the Order for a time, and joins another Division by initiation, becomes a member without honors.—N. D., 1863, p. 1456.

Miscellaneous.

SEC. 30.—On taking a vote by *yays* and *nays*, the W. Patriarch is entitled to vote.—N. D., 1852, p. 772 ; 1853, p. 848.

SEC. 31.—After the election of an Officer legally and fairly conducted, the votes canvassed, and the result announced, the election cannot be reconsidered.—N. D., 1854, p. 912.

SEC. 32.—When a Representative elect to the Grand Division presents himself, and his credentials are correct, he should be permitted to take his seat. If objections are presented, they should be referred to a committee ; upon it being decided that the objections are valid, he may be deprived of his seat by a vote of the Grand Division.—N. D., 1862, p. 1377.

SEC. 33.—If the By-laws provide that an Officer of the Division shall, *ex-officio*, be a member of a committee, a Brother acting *pro tem.* in said office is not thereby a member of such committee.—N. D., 1857, p. 1107.

SEC. 34.—No Brother is entitled to vote in the Grand Division unless he is returned as a Representative from a Subordinate Division, or is holding an elective office in the Grand Division.—N. D., 1860, p. 1308.

SEC. 35.—By a two-thirds vote any Grand Division may dispense with all the ceremonies of initiation into Grand Divisions, except the obligation

and the section in the G. W. Patriarch's charge immediately preceding the obligation.—N. D., 1852, p. 795.

SEC. 36.—No communication can be received by the National Division from a Subordinate Division unless it comes officially through the Grand Division.—N. D., 1846, p. 52.

SEC. 37.—A D. G. W. Patriarch can not vote in any other Division than that to which he belongs.—N. D., 1851, p. 722.

SEC. 38.—Divisions have no right to refuse to accept a D. G. W. Patriarch who has been duly commissioned.—N. D. 1847, p. 158; 1851, p. 725.

SEC. 39.—Grand Divisions have the right to fill vacancies in office by election at any regular meeting.—N. D., 1858, p. 1160.

SEC. 40.—When Divisions fail to elect Representatives to the Grand Division at the proper time, the Grand Division may, at its option, admit Representatives elected subsequently, provided their credentials are in other respects regular.—N. D., 1856, p. 1039; 1860, p. 1302.

SEC. 41.—Members can not be expelled for non-attendance at Division meetings.—N. D., 1857, p. 1107.

SEC. 42.—A Division can not be legally opened without using the Opening Ceremony.—N. D., 1863, p. 1457.

SEC. 43.—Divisions may omit such portions of the Ritual as they think proper, except the Examination of Candidates, Opening Ceremony, and administering the obligation.—N. D., 1863, p. 1458.

SEC. 44.—The Ceremony of Initiation commences when the W. Patriarch directs every Brother to

“keep his place, and observe the utmost decorum.”
—N. D., 1862, p. 1387.

SEC. 45.—Deputy G. W. Patriarchs are responsible only to the G. W. Patriarch, and said Officer is responsible to the Grand Division for the acts of his Deputies.—N. D., 1862, p. 1378.

SEC. 46.—Grand Divisions have no right to establish any fund not recognized by the Constitution.

SEC. 47.—Ballot boxes cannot be used in the election of officers of a Division.—N. D., 1866, p. 1658.

SEC. 48.—A Grand Division has no original jurisdiction in case of offences by their own members, unless the acts upon which the charges are based have been committed by the offenders in their capacity as members of such Grand Division. Otherwise the charge and trial must be in the Subordinate Division, and the Grand Division can only act upon the case when it comes up on appeal.—N. D., 1866, p. 1659.

SEC. 49.—A voluntary assessment of the members of an excursion committee for the deficiency of expenses incurred for the excursion, is not of the character of the “demands on the books” contemplated by the Order; and, if there be no charge preferred against a brother, and he being square on the books, otherwise than by reason of such voluntary assessment, his resignation as a member should be accepted.—N. D., 1867, p. 1726.

SEC. 50.—The dispensation required by Section 3, Art. IV. Constitution of Subordinate Divisions, shall not be required previous to the election of the person for whose benefit it is desired.—N. D., 1867, p. 1729.

SEC. 51.—Females may be among the applicants for a Charter for a Subordinate Division in those

jurisdictions whose Grand Divisions have granted permission to admit females to membership. If objection be made to the admission of any of the applicants, the Instituting Officer must require the candidates to decide the question by the same form of ballot as would be taken in a Division on a proposition for membership.—N. D., 1867, p. 1718.

SEC. 52.—Lady Visitors whose relationship is changed to that of members, must be duly initiated, or obligated, in the same manner and by the same ceremony as male candidates. Any portion of the ceremony may be omitted if desired, with the exception of the examination by the W. A., and the obligation, in accordance with the provision of the Blue Book, as contained on the title-page.—N. D., 1867, p. 1718.

SEC. 53.—Lady members receive the same password, and must enter and retire from the Division in the same manner as the brothers. The Visitors' password should be used exclusively for Lady Visitors.—N. D., 1867, p. 1719.

SEC. 54.—Lady members have the same rights and privileges as brothers, in all respects; and therefore no division can legally refuse admission as visitor to a lady member except on the same ground as it would be justified in refusing admission to a brother. Because a Division has decided not to receive lady members, does not debar females who may be members of other Divisions from visiting and being recognized as members of the Order, subject only to such rules and usages as apply to brothers. This rule will also apply to Divisions located within the jurisdiction of a Grand Division which has refused permission to its Subordinates to receive lady members.—N. D., 1867, p. 1719.

SEC. 55.—Female members are equally eligible to all the offices of a Division as male members, and may be elected to the Grand Division in the same manner.—N. D., 1867, p. 1719.

SEC. 56.—Lady Visitors of a Division are entitled to visit *any* Division of the Order which may choose to permit them to do so ; but they cannot claim a right to enter any Division other than that to which they are attached.—N. D., 1867, p. 1719.

SEC. 57.—Grand Officers may resign and their resignations be accepted at a Special Session.—Pp. 1767, 1797.

Elections to fill vacancies in office can only take place at regular sessions.—Pp. 1767, 1797.

SEC. 58.—There is only one style of regalia for Subordinate Division members. Those for female members may be made shorter and smaller than those for male members.—Pp. 1767, 1811.

There is but one style of regalia in the Order for members, male or female. The length may be regulated for convenience.—Pp. 2025, 2052.

SEC. 59.—It is not proper to expunge a record of actual proceedings, as the record would no longer be a correct record.—Pp. 1799, 1800.

SEC. 60.—The bounds of the jurisdiction of each Grand Division shall be the same as the State, District, Territory or Province in which it is located, except in such cases as where the jurisdiction has been or may be divided by this body.—P. 1800.

SEC. 61.—Subordinate Divisions should take the oversight of the interests of the cause in their respective localities, hold public meetings, circulate the Pledge, organize the children into juvenile societies, and scatter a temperance literature.—Page 1802.

Experience has shown that the success of the temperance cause depends largely on the success of our Order. What the Order does in the Division room is but the instruction and discipline of the school preparatory to its real work. There is no branch of temperance effort that does not share its aid. Our first object should be to extend its numbers and efficiency. To do this, we must depend first and mainly on earnest personal effort. Without personal devotion to the work of the Order, we can have neither wise counsels nor efficient action.—P. 2157.

Our Order will be, and ought to be judged by our work. Many things are to be done. "The inebriate is to be reclaimed. The pledge is to be circulated. The press is to be sustained. The lecture field is to be supplied. The young are to be trained to temperance, in the Cadet section and the Sunday-school. The ballot is to be invoked. Prohibitory legislation is to be secured and sustained, not only within our States and Provinces, but by National action where that is requisite. To do all this, that agency will be used that does the work best. The future of our Order is therefore in our own hands and dependent on ourselves."—P. 2157.

We recognize with pleasure the institution of Bands of Hope, Cadets of Temperance, and other societies propagating the cause of Temperance amongst the youth of our land, and earnestly request all Grand Divisions in the jurisdiction to foster and aid the same to the extent of their means.—P. 2220.

SEC. 62.—A Division may make a By-law depriving members in arrears for dues of the privilege of voting in the Division.—P. 782, 1803.

SEC. 63.—A Past Worthy Patriarch, holding a commission as Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarch, is not entitled to a seat in the Grand Division by virtue of the commission, but must be elected a Representative by the Subordinate Division of which he is a member.—P. 1803.

SEC. 64.—A ballot retaining a member who has violated the Pledge cannot be reconsidered, as the member thereby acquires rights of which there is no law to divest him.—P. 1802. Modified. See p. 1888, as below.

If a candidate fails to appear for re-obligation within *thirty* days after notification, the vote may be rescinded, and the ballot again taken on the question of expulsion.—P. 1888.

SEC. 65.—It is not advisable so far to remove the ceremonies of our Order from the secrecy under which they are now observed, as to allow of INITIATION in the presence of persons who are not members or Visitors of the Order.—P. 1804.

SEC. 66.—The copy-right of the Degree Work belongs to the National Division, and Grand Scribes should procure their copies of the Degree Work from the Most Worthy Scribe, *who alone* is authorized to furnish the same or any of the private work of the Order to Grand Divisions.—P. 1812.

SEC. 67.—No Grand Division has a right to require any additional qualification for office in a Subordinate Division than as named in the Constitution and Code as furnished by the National Division.—P. 1815.

No Representative to the National Division can appoint a substitute ; proxy representation is not allowed.—P. 1878.

SEC. 68.—The M. W. Patriarch is empowered to

grant certificates, having the same effect and carrying the same rights, privileges and honors as Withdrawal Cards, in States where no Grand Divisions now exist, to all persons who have been Sons of Temperance, who may desire to resume their places in the Order, and of whose constant fidelity to the pledge he is satisfactorily assured.—P. 1880.

SEC. 69.—The Most Worthy Scribe is charged with the duty of providing, at each session of the National Division, a suitable table or desk for each delegation, and also to see that, as far as practicable, the respective delegations be conveniently arranged in order, according to the date of the organization of Grand Divisions.—P. 1881.

SEC. 70.—The Most Worthy Scribe is authorized to publish an edition of the Ritual in the German language, but at the expense of those Grand Divisions desiring the same.—P. 1882.

SEC. 71.—It is not expedient to grant charters to organize separate National Divisions over small jurisdictions in the same country.—P. 1882.

SEC. 72.—When the Constitution provides that all amendments to itself shall be taken by a certain form of vote, it does not require the same vote on all propositions to amend the proposed amendment, but only on that final vote.—P. 1886.

SEC. 73.—Withdrawal Cards hold good, retaining honors to the holder, so long as he maintains the pledge inviolate.—P. 1887. Law limiting Cards to one year, repealed.

SEC. 74.—Grand Divisions are constituted Trustees, to hold in trust the property of defunct Divisions, to be used for the benefit of the Order in the several localities where such Divisions may have existed.—P. 1887.

SEC. 75.—A Division cannot legally postpone the time for the election of officers, from the last regular meeting in the term to a future date, except by leave of the Grand Worthy Patriarch or his deputy.—P. 1892.

SEC. 76.—A Division has no right to instruct its R. S. *not* to record a resolution actually adopted.—P. 1893.

SEC. 77.—Any member of a Grand or Subordinate Division, or Lady Visitor, may be admitted to the sessions of the National Division as a visitor, on giving to the M. W. Sentinel the Current Quarterly Password and Explanation for Subordinate Divisions, or being vouched for.—P. 1894.

SEC. 78.—The Rule in the Code of Laws, chapter VII, section 10, authorizing Divisions to excuse members from wearing regalia during the session, cannot be made a standing Rule, but can only be applied to special cases and emergencies.—P. 1964.

All members must be clothed in suitable regalia, and a member refusing to put on a regalia, when requested by a Worthy Patriarch so to do, may be expelled.—P. 2146.

SEC. 79.—The Grand Worthy Patriarch or his Deputy may grant dispensations to Divisions for Public Demonstrations, and the appearance of members on such occasions in Regalia. Amendment of the Constitution of Grand Divisions.—P. 1965.

SEC. 80.—The Most Worthy Patriarch is authorized to institute separate Grand Divisions for colored members, when requested by them, and approved by the Grand Division having jurisdiction in the State.—Pp. 1966, 1967.

SEC. 81.—Grand Scribes are directed to procure

and forward to the National Division, from year to year, the means of preparing suitable memorials of deceased representatives to this body, from their respective Grand Divisions.—P. 1969.

SEC. 82.—Granting a Charter to a Subordinate Division is not a matter vitally affecting the general interests of the Order, so as to require that it should be done at an Annual Session of a Grand Division.—Pp. 2022, 2051.

SEC. 83.—No person can belong to two Divisions at the same time. No one can legally join a second Division until connection with the first has been severed in one of the modes prescribed by the Constitution; and initiation into a second Division, except the former connection is legally severed, is null and void, and gives no right as a member.—Pp. 2023, 2041, 2148.

SEC. 84.—Any member *becoming intoxicated* on whiskey, drank under the advice of a physician, violates the pledge.—Pp. 2023, 2051.

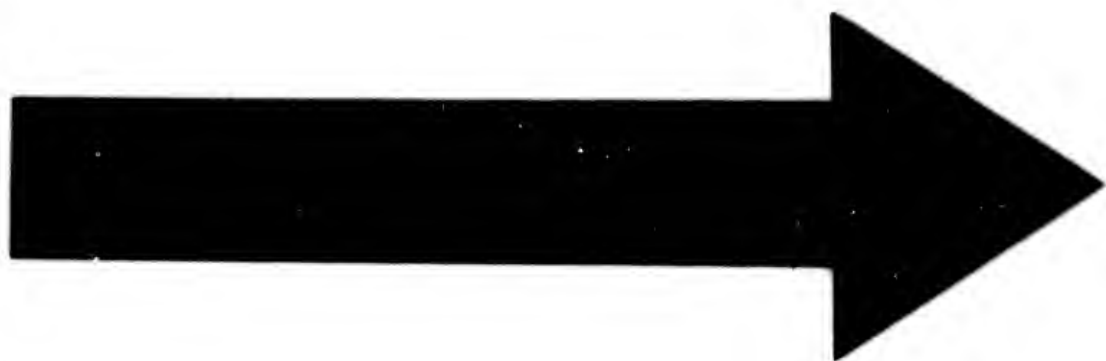
A member acting as cashier in a refreshment-saloon where cider is sold as beverage, and receives money for the same, violates the pledge.—Pp. 2023, 2051.

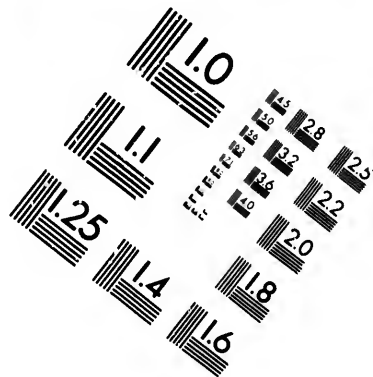
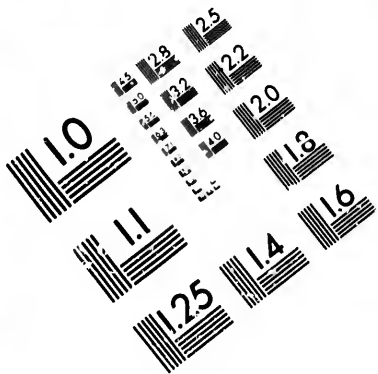
Voting, either directly or indirectly, for the sale of any of the beverages named in the pledge, shall be deemed a violation of the pledge.—P. 2159.

SEC. 85.—A G. W. Patriarch may fill a vacancy on the Board of Grand Officers, by appointment, until the next regular session of the Grand Division.—Pp. 2023, 2051.

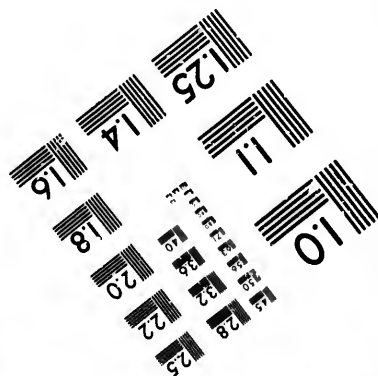
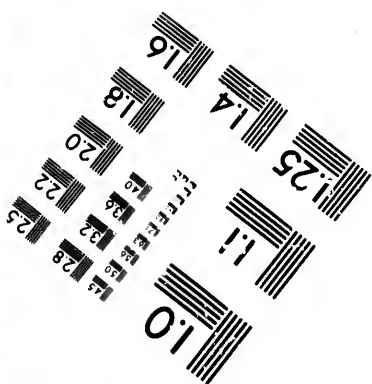
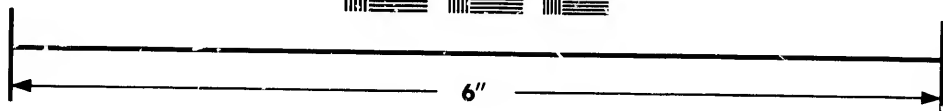
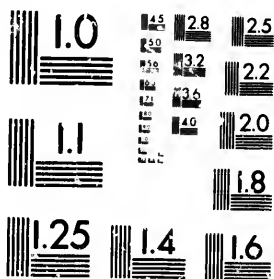
SEC. 86.—The only penalty for violation of the pledge is expulsion, and no Division has a right to inflict any other penalty.—P. 2051.

SEC. 87.—All Grand Divisions bear the same re-





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lation to the National Division, and receive the same passwords in the same way, through the Most Worthy Scribe.—Pp. 2018, 2051.

SEC. 88.—When a Charter for a Grand Division to be composed of colored Divisions, is applied for, in a jurisdiction where there is already a Grand Division, the G. D. there existing may approve or disapprove the application ; they may retain control or relinquish control of the colored Divisions, but can make no conditions in the matter. If they approve the application, they relinquish control of the colored Divisions, and that control rests in the National Division, the same as if no Grand Division existed in the Jurisdiction.—Pp. 2019, 2051.

SEC. 89.—It is not necessary on a motion to surrender a charter of a Grand Division, that *four* Divisions should vote against the surrender, if the majority of the total vote is against surrender.—Pp. 2026, 2052, 2069.

SEC. 90.—All bodies have an *inherent right* to protect their own members, and preserve their own purity, whether so defined by law or not ; and in all such cases they are a law unto themselves.—P. 2060.

SEC. 91.—A Dispensation to install as W. A. a person already elected, who is under 18, is legal, although the name of the person so elected is not inserted in the Dispensation.—P. 2067.

SEC. 92.—A member holding a Withdrawal Card from a Division, is under the jurisdiction of the Division granting a card, until he shall become a member of another Division ; and while a member is in possession of the card, the Division granting the same has full power to expel such member.—P. 2148.

SEC. 93.—An election of officers properly held, the roll of members being called by the F. S., and no objection being raised against the voting of any member,—such election is legal, and when the votes have been counted and the result announced by the W. P. without objection, that declaration is final. If the F. S. called the names of members who were not entitled to vote, the remedy is to proceed against the F. S. for malfeasance in office.—P. 2155.

SEC. 94.—When a Grand Division, on an appeal, orders a Subordinate Division to re-instate a suspended member at a certain time, that order is an imperative one and must be obeyed.—P. 2156.

SEC. 95.—While it would be unwise for the National Division to make any restriction or express any disapproval of dancing, it has no hesitation in saying that it would be impolitic and injurious to have dancing parties held under the auspices of a Division.—P. 2157.

SEC. 96.—The necessity and duty of political action should be impressed on every member of our Order. We are bound to VOTE Temperance, as strongly as we are bound to practice it, but of the mode of doing it, every member must be left free to decide for himself.—P. 2157.

The experience of over thirty years, as Sons of Temperance, has convinced us that moral suasion alone is inadequate to stay the evils of intemperance.—Pp. 2216, 2225, 2227.

The liquor traffic is not only a moral but a political evil, requiring moral and political action to subdue it.—Pp. 2216, 2225, 2227.

Without wishing to interfere with political opinions, this National Division recommends all members of our Order to combine, and express their wishes at the ballot-box, for the purpose of sup-

pressing the traffic in intoxicating liquors.—Pp. 2216, 2225, 2227.

SEC. 97.—There is nothing in the articles of the Constitution prescribing the duties and privileges of Grand Worthy Patriarchs, requiring them to appoint Deputies; and, unless the By-laws of any Grand Division provide for such appointment, the G. W. P., in such jurisdiction, has the right to dispense with the services of Deputies, and to omit to appoint any, in his discretion.—P. 2159.

SEC. 98.—After the resignation of a member has been fully accepted, his connection with his Division is terminated, and the action of the Division cannot at any time be reconsidered; he can only be restored to his membership in the manner provided by Section 2, Chapter VIII. of Code of Laws, within three months after the acceptance of his resignation; and after the expiration of three months, by being proposed anew. He is required to pay his dues only to the time of the acceptance of his resignation, and if he is re-admitted at any time, either as provided in Section 2 of Chapter VIII. of Code of Laws, or by re-proposition, he must pay his Initiation Fee, and his dues from the date of his re-admission only.—Pp. 2190, 2227, 2228.

SEC. 99.—A Subordinate Division has a right to enact a By-law depriving a member who has violated article second, and been retained, of benefits.—Pp. 2190, 2220.

SEC. 100.—The password cannot be withheld from a member in unquestioned standing under our laws.—Pp. 2191, 2220.

SEC. 101.—A Division having voted upon proper notice to admit females to full membership, cannot repeal such action and declare that they will not

receive females, except in constitutionally rejecting them through the ballot-box.—Pp. 2191, 2228.

SEC. 102.—Only one *per capita* tax can be imposed in a year, and that at the annual session of the Grand Division.—Pp. 2191, 2220.

SEC. 103.—When a Withdrawal Card has been granted, the holder thereof must rejoin by card, in order to regain his connection with the Order.—Pp. 2191, 2220.

SEC. 104.—The National Division of North America, the Supreme Head of the Order throughout the world, reserves to itself the right and power to charter National Divisions in all parts of the globe.—P. 2219.

SEC. 105.—National Divisions, chartered by this Supreme Body, have not the right of themselves to charter other National Divisions, their jurisdiction being confined to Grand Divisions in their own territory.—P. 2219.

SEC. 106.—The ritual of 1872 gives us no right to interfere with any member's political or religious opinions; but political action for Prohibition may be discussed; and religion is not to be discarded.—P. 2229.

SEC. 107.—Chapter IV., Section 1, of the Code of Laws, does not apply to the election of Trustees, but only to the constitutional officers of a Division.—P. 2222.

The following Decisions were given by the National Division at its Session in the City of Ottawa, Canada, June, 1874 :—

That a Subordinate Division has the right of petition and appeal to this body, against the action of the Grand Division.

That the appeal should be made through the Grand Division.

That if the Grand Division refuse, the communication may be made *direct*, as the right of petition and appeal to the superior body cannot be abridged.

That the meaning of Art. 10, Constitution of Subordinate Divisions, is that the Subordinate Division is the *acting* body.

That its decision stands until reversed by the superior body in the case.

That if no appeal be taken to the National Division, the Grand Division is the superior body in the case.

A member is in unquestioned standing when three months in arrears, and until in arrears six months, in the absence of any By-law on the subject.

The question of payment of weekly benefits is subject to the regulations of each Division.

A member cannot be disfranchised because of being in arrears for dues three months or over, and less than six months, in the absence of any By-law on the subject.

Where decisions conflict, the decision last made is the governing decision.

The password may be withheld from a member against whom a charge has been preferred.

A separate vote is necessary in each case of suspension.

The vote on suspension should be by ballot.

The period of suspension is fixed by the Division.

The control of the Division continues during suspension, unless the party is admitted into the Order as a new member, after the expiration of six months.

The election of Officers in a Subordinate Division may be postponed by the consent of the D. G. W. P., and consent is given if the Deputy G. W. P. is present, and no demur or objection thereto being made by him.

That the Grand Division is to be the judge of the circumstances (if any) to warrant a dispensation as to eligibility to office. Sect. 3, Art. 4, Constitution Subordinate Division.

That names cannot be erased from a charter for any cause, except as provided in Art. IX., Sec. 1, Code of Laws.

That a Grand Division cannot claim jurisdiction if it withholds the password from the Subordinate Divisions, unless for refusal, first given, to comply with the law as to *per capita* tax.

That an acknowledgment, when made subsequent to the charge, and the committee's report thereon, is simply additional evidence; should be tabled and both considered together.

That a member in possession of a card, and being disciplined for violation of Art. 2, and re-instated, does not forfeit his card, and continues under the jurisdiction of the Order.

That at the inception of a Division the installing officer appoints a P. W. P., who, however, is not eligible for election to the Grand Division, except where joining by card with such honours.

That the action of the Grand Division of Delaware in changing the number of Aurora Division, No. 8, to No. 4, could only be considered on appeal, or through the Grand Division.

That an unauthorized acknowledgment of another's violation of Art. 2, is not an acknowledgment by that member, but rather a charge against him.

That in the case reviewed, an opinion can only be given, as no appeal had been taken to the Grand Division, and failing which, the decision of the Division must stand.

That Subordinate Divisions have power to interchange opinions and resolutions by letter or otherwise upon any subject affecting the general interests of the Order.

That the action of the Grand Division in dealing with the conduct of a Subordinate Division is final; subject to the decision of the National Division on appeal.

That the *per capita* tax is to be paid quarterly, but imposed but once a year, and then at the Annual Session of the Grand Division.

The following decisions were confirmed on appeal cases:—

No written charge can be entertained against a Lady Visitor, unless said Visitor expresses a desire to be tried on such charge.

The vote on withdrawal of invitation to a Lady Visitor may be taken by ballot.

Lady Visitors may ballot in the election of Lady Officers (so called), as provided in Constitution Subordinate Divisions, Chap. IV., Sec. 2.

Subordinate Divisions have no right to make a By-law providing that "no person shall become a member of this Division who is under seventeen years of age," as the Constitution, Art. III., Sec. 1, provides the term of eligibility for membership.

DECISIONS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION OF ONTARIO.

The following decisions of Bro. GEO. MACLEAN ROSE, Grand Worthy Patriarch, submitted at the Semi-Annual Session of the Grand Division, held in Orillia, May 26th, 27th, and 28th, 1874, were confirmed by the Grand Division:—

1. That unless the total number of members (except those suspended) on the Financial Scribe's book are mentioned in the Quarterly Returns to the Grand Division, such returns are incorrect.

2. Worthy Patriarchs and Recording Scribes certifying to the correctness of the Quarterly Returns, when they are aware that the number of members on the roll is really more than those shown in the returns, render themselves liable to be suspended or expelled for such conduct, upon the charge being proven.

3. A resolution has not the force of a by-law. A by-law can only be made on a proposition in writing having been presented to the Division at least two regular meetings previous to the discussion, when, if two-thirds of the members present vote in favor of it, it becomes law.

4. Cider, fermented or unfermented, sweet or boiled, when used as a beverage or drink, is a violation of Article II. of the Constitution.

5. A Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarch who, having heard the Grand Conductor's question, "Have your officers been constitutionally elected?" answered by the "Yes" of the W. P., installs the officers, cannot be held responsible should it turn out afterwards that some of the officers were not eligible for installation. The W. P. is amenable for the mistake, should such occur.

6. A charge cannot be brought against a D. G. W. P. in a Subordinate Division for any wrong act he may commit in his capacity of Deputy, but his conduct should at once be reported to the Grand Worthy Patriarch.

7. Divisions have not the right to appoint Deputies. Neither have they the right to demand the cancelling of a Deputy's commission, without first proving to the G. W. P. that such Deputy is unworthy the position he holds.

8. A member who, after having applied for a Clearance Card, but before it has been granted violates Article II., may be charged for such violation, and proceeded against in the usual form.

DUTIES OF DEPUTY GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCHS.

Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarchs are appointed by the Grand Worthy Patriarch, by and with the consent of the Grand Division. The G. W. P. being the executive head of the Grand Division, and also its judicial head during its recess, his decisions are binding until reversed by that body. He delegates to his Deputies, within the bounds covered by their commissions, any or all the powers with which he himself is clothed, reserving the right to supervise all their actions.

Deputies should be clothed in their Official Regalia when acting in that capacity.

In Ontario there are three grades of Deputies, namely: the Provincial Deputy, the County Deputy, the Division Deputy. These take precedence in the order named.

The *Provincial Deputy's* commission is co-extensive with the jurisdiction, and he is authorized to receive applications, grant Charters, and institute new Divisions, and re-organize suspended ones. His decisions overrule those of lesser grade, but he is not expected to interfere with their action, unless officially called upon to do so.

The *County Deputy* has a general supervision over all Divisions within the bounds of his commission, and it is his duty to make quarterly reports to the G. W. P. or G. S. of the condition of the

Divisions under his charge: he is expected to seek out and report destitute localities, and to endeavor to plant the Order in such places.

The *Division Deputy* having charge of a single Division is usually appointed on the recommendation of the Division, and it is advisable that he be a member of the same. The duties required of him are as follow:

1st. To attend the Division under his charge, and see that the laws, usages, and ceremonies of the Order are properly observed.

2nd. To see that the Quarterly Returns to the Grand Division are promptly and correctly made out, and forwarded to the Grand Scribe without delay, together with the *per capita* tax.

3rd. Communicate the Passwords *after the per capita tax has been appropriated*, and lay before the Division all other documents sent him for that purpose by the G. W. P. or G. S.

4th. To give permission to the Division to appear in public with regalia, on proper occasions.

5th. To give decisions on all doubtful or disputed questions that may arise in the Division, involving the laws, rules, and usages of the Order.

6th. To install the officers elect, and to see that they perform all their duties according to law, as laid down in the B. B., the Constitution, and the By-laws.

7th. To promptly report to the G. W. P. or G. S. all irregularities or violations of law or usage, when the Division or its officers neglect or refuse to correct the same.

8th. To make a full report quarterly, or oftener if necessary, of the condition of the Division.

9th. In case a Division, from any cause, ceases

to work, he should at once report the fact to the G. S., giving the cause of the same, and in the event of their failing to resume their meetings within three months from the date of their suspension, he should take charge of their Charter, Rituals, and other property, and notify the G. S. of his action, and hold the same subject to the order of the Grand Division.

The position of D. G. W. P. is one of great importance. He is the head of the Order in his jurisdiction, and his decisions are binding upon the Division until reversed by a higher power; hence, there is a necessity that he be firm and impartial, and thoroughly posted in the laws and work of the Order.

REGALIA OF THE ORDER.

National Division Regalia.

SEC. 1.—The Regalia for a member of the National Division shall be a blue velvet collar, with a rosette of red, blue, and white; gold button in the centre of rosette; two gold tassels suspended from rosette; and gold lace, half inch wide, around the inside and outside edges—the whole made in accordance with the pattern adopted by the National Division, Second Session, page 44, printed Journal.

SEC. 2.—To distinguish the Officers, the following Emblems shall be added to their respective Regalia:

M. W. PATRIARCH—Cross Mallets.

M. W. ASSOCIATE—An Eye above a bundle of Rods, bound together by three cords.

M. W. SCRIBE—Cross Pens and Scroll.

M. W. TREASURER—Cross Keys.

M. W. CHAPLAIN—An open Book.

M. W. CONDUCTOR—Cross Wands.

M. W. SENTINEL—Cross Swords.

ACTING P. M. W. PATRIARCH—A Fountain.

The Emblems shall be made of gold, and placed upon a silver ground of rays, slightly convex, five inches from point to point. To be worn on the left side of the Regalia.

D. M. W. PATRIARCH—Gold star in a silver triangle, to be suspended from the left side of the Regalia by a red ribbon.

Grand Division Regalia.

SEC. 3.—The Regalia for a member of a Grand Division shall be a red silk velvet collar, with a rosette of blue, white, and red; silver button in the centre of rosette; two silvered tassels suspended from rosette; and silvered lace, half inch wide, around the inside and outside edges—the whole made in accordance with the pattern adopted by the National Division.

SEC. 4.—To distinguish the Officers, Emblems corresponding in size and style with those enumerated in Section 2 of this Article—with the exception that the Emblems shall be made of silver, and the ground of rays of gold—shall also be worn on the left breast. The emblem for a D. G. W. Patriarch shall be a silver star in a gold triangle, to be suspended from the left side of the Regalia by a blue ribbon.

SEC. 5.—A member of the National Division shall be entitled to wear the blue or red Regalia in a Grand Division, at his option, except he be in office or acting as P. G. W. Patriarch. The Officers, as well as the acting P. G. W. Patriarch, shall wear red, that being the distinctive colour for Grand Divisions.

Subordinate Division Regalia.

SEC. 6.—The Regalia for a Subordinate Division shall be a white linen collar, with a rosette of red, white, and blue, with two white tassels suspended from rosette—the whole made in accordance with the pattern approved by the National Division.

SEC. 7.—To distinguish the Officers, the following Emblems shall be added to the left side of the Regalia :

WORTHY PATRIARCH—Cross Mallets.

WORTHY ASSOCIATE—Miniature Regalia.

RECORDING SCRIBE—Cross Pens and Scroll.

ASSISTANT RECORDING SCRIBE—Single Pen.

FINANCIAL SCRIBE—Cross Pens.

TREASURER—Cross Keys.

CHAPLAIN—Open Book.

CONDUCTOR—Cross Wand^s.

ASSISTANT CONDUCTOR—Goblet.

INSIDE SENTINEL—Cross Swords.

OUTSIDE SENTINEL—An Eye.

ACTING P. W. PATRIARCH—Six-pointed Star,
three inches from point to point.

These Emblems shall be made of silver, and placed upon a ground of red velvet, surrounded with silver cord and blue ribbon. In addition, the Conductor, Assistant Conductor, Inside Sentinel, and Outside Sentinel, shall each be provided with a suitable wand.

SEC. 8.—A member of the National Division shall be entitled to wear the blue, red, or white, and a member of a Grand Division shall be entitled to wear the red or white Regalia in a Subordinate Division, at his option, except he be in office or acting as Past Worthy Patriarch. The Officers and the acting Past Worthy Patriarch shall wear the white, that being the distinctive colour for Subordinate Divisions.

Funeral Regalia.

SEC. 9.—At funerals it shall be optional with Divisions to wear the Regalia or not. Each member shall wear crape on the left arm.

Regalia for Marshals.

SEC. 10.—A Most Worthy Marshal and Aids and a Grand Marshal and Aids shall wear scarfs over the right shoulder in addition to the regular Regalia, the colour of which shall correspond with the positions they have respectively attained in the Order—that is to say, a National Division member shall wear blue, a Grand Division member red, and a Subordinate Division member white. A Marshal of a Subordinate Division shall be designated by an additional rosette worn on the left side of the Regalia.

Parade Badge.

At the Annual Session of this Grand Division, held at Bowmanville, December, 1860, the following resolution was adopted :

“That the Parade Badge, as described on page 70 of the late National Division Journal of Proceedings, is hereby approved by this Grand Division; and Subordinate Divisions within this Grand Division jurisdiction are authorized to use the badge when in Procession, and that it be optional with Divisions whether they wear regalia or said badges.”

The National Division Resolution, on page 70, N. D. Journal, of 1860, reads as follows :

“Resolved, that any Grand Division may authorize the Subordinates within its jurisdiction, to use, when in procession, the badge recommended by the Committee on Ceremonies and Regalia, a verbal description of which is as follows : A rosette of red, white, and blue, made full, and raised, with a five-pointed gold star in the centre. The rosette is

attached to a lappet about two inches wide and four inches long, made of blue satin, trimmed with gold lace around its edge, as well as the button-hole, by which it is to be attached to the coat on the left side by a button."

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PROCESSIONS AND FUNERALS.

SEC. 1.—In case of a general celebration under the direction of the National Division, that body shall appoint a Most Worthy Marshal, who shall have power to appoint a suitable number of Aids—and it shall be his duty to form the line and direct the procession.

SEC. 2.—The Grand Division of each State which appears in line shall appoint a Grand Marshal, who shall have power to appoint a suitable number of Aids. It shall be the duty of said Grand Marshal to see that the Grand and Subordinate Divisions under his charge are properly formed, and to co-operate with the Most Worthy Marshal.

SEC. 3.—Each Subordinate Division shall appoint two Marshals, and it shall be their duty to see the Division properly formed, and to co-operate with the Grand Marshal in carrying out the arrangements laid down.

SEC. 4.—The National Division shall take the right of the line. States shall take position according to date of organization of Grand Division, the oldest taking precedence. A Grand Division shall take position on the right of its Subordinates. Subordinates shall take position according to number, No. 1 taking precedence.

SEC. 5.—A Grand Division shall form as follows :

Grand Conductor, with staff of office.

Banner.

Supporter } —G. W. Patriarch— { Supporter
with Wand. } with Wand.

Grand Scribe—Grand Treasurer.

P. G. W. Patriarchs, two or four abreast.

Members, two or four abreast.

Grand Sentinel, with staff of office.

SEC. 6.—Subordinate Divisions shall form as follows :

Inside Sentinel, with staff.

Banner.

Conductor } —W. Patriarch— { Conductor
with staff. } with staff.

W. Associate—Chaplain—Acting P. W. Patriarch.

Recording Scribe—Assistant Recording Scribe.

Financial Scribe—Treasurer.

Trustees.

Past Worthy Patriarchs, two or four abreast.

Members, two or four abreast.

Outside Sentinel, with staff.

SEC. 7.—At Provincial or County Celebrations, the Grand Marshal of the Province or County in which the celebration takes place, shall direct the arrangements.

SEC. 8.—At funerals, the Divisions shall march in reversed order, with the exception of the banner, which shall always go in front. The Division shall march in advance of the corpse, and on arriving at the ground, open right and left, and remain uncovered while the body and friends pass through.

TRIALS AND APPEALS.

The first step to be taken toward a trial is, of course, to prefer a charge, which should be brief, and yet comprehensive, clearly defining the nature of the offence charged, and containing one or more specifications, according to the nature of the case, stating the time, place, and circumstances of its commission. The charge for a violation of the Pledge may be in this form :

Charge.

*To the W. P., Officers, and Brothers of Brockville
Division No. 1, S. of T.:*

I hereby charge Brother *A. B.* with violating Article II. of the Constitution.

FIRST SPECIFICATION.—That the said *A. B.* did, on the *1st day of January, 1874*, drink spirituous or intoxicating liquor in the store of *Samuel Jones, Main Street, Brockville.*

SECOND SPECIFICATION.—That the said *A. B.* was, on the *1st day of January, 1874*, at the city of *Toronto*, under the influence of intoxicating liquor.

I therefore demand that the said *A. P.* be dealt with according to law and usage.

(*Date.*)

(*Signature*) _____.

The charge should be entered in full on the minutes.

After the reading of the charge by the Rec. Scribe, it is the duty of the W. P., without motion,

to appoint the Committee, unless objection be made to the charge being received on the ground of informality or other reasonable cause, in which case it is within the province of the Division to refuse to receive it.

The brother first appointed should call the Committee together as soon as practicable. The Committee organize by selecting a Chairman and Secretary, and appoint the time and place for holding the trial.

It is the duty of the Secretary of the Committee to immediately notify the accuser and accused of the time and place for holding the trial, and to serve the accused with substantially the following notice :

Notice of Charge.

BROTHER A. B.

Take notice, that the within is a copy of the charge preferred against you by Brother *H. J.*, at a regular meeting of *Brockville* Division, No. 1, on the evening of *January 8, 1874*, and that Brothers *C., D., E., F., and G.* were appointed a Committee to hear and try the same, and that they will meet for that purpose, on the *12th inst.*, at *7 o'clock p.m.*, in the Division room. G——, *Sec. of Committee.*

(*Date.*)

The parties should have not less than seven days allowed them to prepare themselves and their witnesses.

Should either party desire the attendance of witnesses who are unwilling to appear, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to serve the following summons. This, however, can only be done in case they are Sons of Temperance ; otherwise the attend-

ance must be voluntary. It is the duty of all members of the Order to obey a summons.

Summons for Witness.

BROTHER L. M.

You are hereby summoned and required to attend on the 12th day of January, 1874, at 7 o'clock p.m., at the Division room, to testify as a witness before the Com.itt appointed for the trial of Brother A. B., on a charge preferred against him.

(Date.) G—, Sec. of Committee.

Meeting of the Committee.

In case the accused fail to attend personally or by counsel at the appointed time without assigning a reason therefor, the Committee may either adjourn or proceed with the examination of the case.

In case either party ask for an adjournment, assigning good reasons therefor, the Committee should grant a reasonable extension of time.

When the Committee meet to try the case, the charge should be read to the accused, and the inquiry made as to whether he pleads *guilty* or *not guilty*.

It is important that every member of the Committee should be present at the trial, but a majority are sufficient to go on with the case. The Committee have no power to fill any vacancies in their number, nor is it proper for a member of the Committee who was absent to sign the Report.

The parties have the right to employ counsel, who must, however, be members of the Order. When counsel are employed, the parties themselves shall take no part in the proceedings of the trial, excepting to testify.

Either party may be a witness for himself or his adversary. The witnesses need not be confined to members of the Order, neither is it necessary that those who are not members should make oath to their testimony; the Committee in all cases being the judges of the weight to be given to the evidence.

The accused has the right to object to any portion of the charge or specifications, on the ground of indefiniteness, want of jurisdiction, or other cause, and to call for a decision from the Committee on the question raised, which shall be given previous to proceeding with the trial.

Should the plea be *guilty*, the Committee may receive such statements and evidence as they deem necessary to enable them to judge correctly of the case, and, in addition to reporting the charge "*sustained*," to recommend to the Division the propriety of extending pardon.

Should the plea be *not guilty*, the Chairman will call upon the accuser to present his evidence. All evidence must be written down by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses at the close of the examination.

Both parties have the right to cross-examine each other's witnesses.

At the close of the examination each party shall be allowed to review the evidence, and make such remarks as they deem necessary, subject to such restrictions as the Committee may prescribe.

Should questions arise during the trial calling for a decision from the Committee, both parties shall remain silent while the points are under consideration, and the Committee may, if deemed necessary, require the room to be cleared.

No person shall be allowed to question a witness, except the Chairman of the Committee, and the plaintiff and defendant, or counsel.

At the conclusion of the trial, the Committee may either retire and make up their report, or adjourn to a more convenient time.

Report of Committee.

To the W. P., Officers, and Brothers of Brockville Division, No. 1, S. of T.

The Committee appointed for the trial of Brother A. B., charged with violating Article II. of the Constitution, respectfully report:

That they met on the evenings of *January 12th and 13th*, and heard and tried the matter referred to them.

That they are fully satisfied from the evidence produced that Brother A. B. is guilty of the offence alleged against him, and they therefore report the charge *sustained*.

The Committee also report that the Brother regrets having violated his solemn vow, and judging by the spirit manifested by him, and his earnest desire to retain his membership in the Order, would earnestly recommend that the Division remember mercy and extend pardon to the Brother.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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In case the Committee feel that justice requires it, they should vary the Report, and recommend expulsion.

Should the Committee be divided in opinion as to the guilt of the accused, or the propriety of expelling or pardoning, the minority Report must be presented to the Division at the same session as the Report of the majority, unless an extension of time be granted by the Division.

Immediately upon the reading of the Report of the Committee, the W. P. should order it laid on the table until next regular meeting, and direct the R. S. to notify the accused to be present.

The Committee should not be discharged until after final action has been had by the Division, as it may be necessary to call upon them for information.

Final Action by the Division.

At the appointed time, it is the duty of the W. P. to direct the R. S. to read the Report, after which remarks are in order.

In case either party feels aggrieved by any act of the Committee, they should make their complaint known to the Division at this time, otherwise such complaint would not be of any avail in an appeal from the decision of the Subordinate to the Grand Division.

When the Division is ready for the question, the W. P. shall direct the accused to retire to the ante-room, and then immediately order the ballot to be taken.

All *balloting* shall be done under the supervision of two tellers, appointed by the W. P., who shall examine the ballots cast, and announce the result to the Division.

The ballots should contain the words *sustained* or *not sustained*. If the majority vote *against sus-*

taining the charge, the W. P. shall declare the case dismissed, and direct the Conductor to invite the Brother to re-enter. Should the majority declare the charge *sustained*, the W. P. will declare forfeited all honors previously earned by the Brother, and then *immediately* proceed to take the ballot on the question of expulsion. The ballot should contain the words, "*For expulsion,*" or "*Against expulsion.*"

If the majority ballot in favor of expulsion, the W. P. shall declare the Brother expelled, and order the F. S. to erase his name from the roll of members. The offender is not allowed to re-enter the room, but should be immediately notified by the Conductor of the decision of the Division.

The attention of members is particularly called to the fact, that the penalty for violating Article II. of the Constitution is **EXPULSION**, and that a Division must either inflict the penalty, or pardon the offence entirely, according to the circumstances of the case, always remembering that it is our duty to be merciful, and to endeavor to reclaim and keep within our circle an erring Brother, not hesitating, however, to maintain the dignity of the Order and the purity of our Institution, when satisfied that forbearance would not be appreciated.

Acknowledgment of a Violation of the Pledge.

A member is entitled to make acknowledgment before the Division of having violated the Pledge, either personally, by letter, or through the medium of another Brother.

Upon such confession being made, it is the duty of the W. P. to declare forfeited all honours previously earned by the Brother, after which he shall

request him to retire to the ante-room; and then proceed to take the *ballot* on the question of expulsion.

Re-obligation.

A Division *may* provide in its By-laws that Brothers pardoned for a Violation of the Pledge shall, in all cases, be re-obligated; but unless such provision is made by law, it will be necessary, in case the Division desire to re-obligate, to pass a vote to that effect immediately after announcing that the Division has decided not to expel the Brother. After the case has been concluded, and the Brother discharged, the Division can not again take it up and decide at a subsequent time to re-obligate.

The ceremony of re-obligation should in all cases be performed in the most serious and impressive manner, and after the form in the Blue Book.

In case a member should neglect or refuse to come forward for re-obligation within thirty days after notification that the Division has required him so to do, the *vote* to re-obligate *may* be rescinded, and the *ballot* again taken on the question of expulsion.

Conduct unbecoming a Son of Temperance.

When a member is tried for an offence other than a violation of the Pledge, the Committee should, in case they find the charge sustained, add to their report a resolution as to the kind of punishment to be inflicted.

After the ballot has been taken on the question of *sustaining the charge*, and it has been adopted, the consideration of the resolution recommended

by the Committee will be in order. During the pendency of this latter question, the accused is entitled to be present and take part in the debate. The resolution may be amended in any manner by the Division.

In case the question to be decided involves expulsion, the vote *must* be by *ballot*; in all other cases it may be taken in the usual manner. As often, however, as a *vote* or *ballot* is taken, the accused must retire.

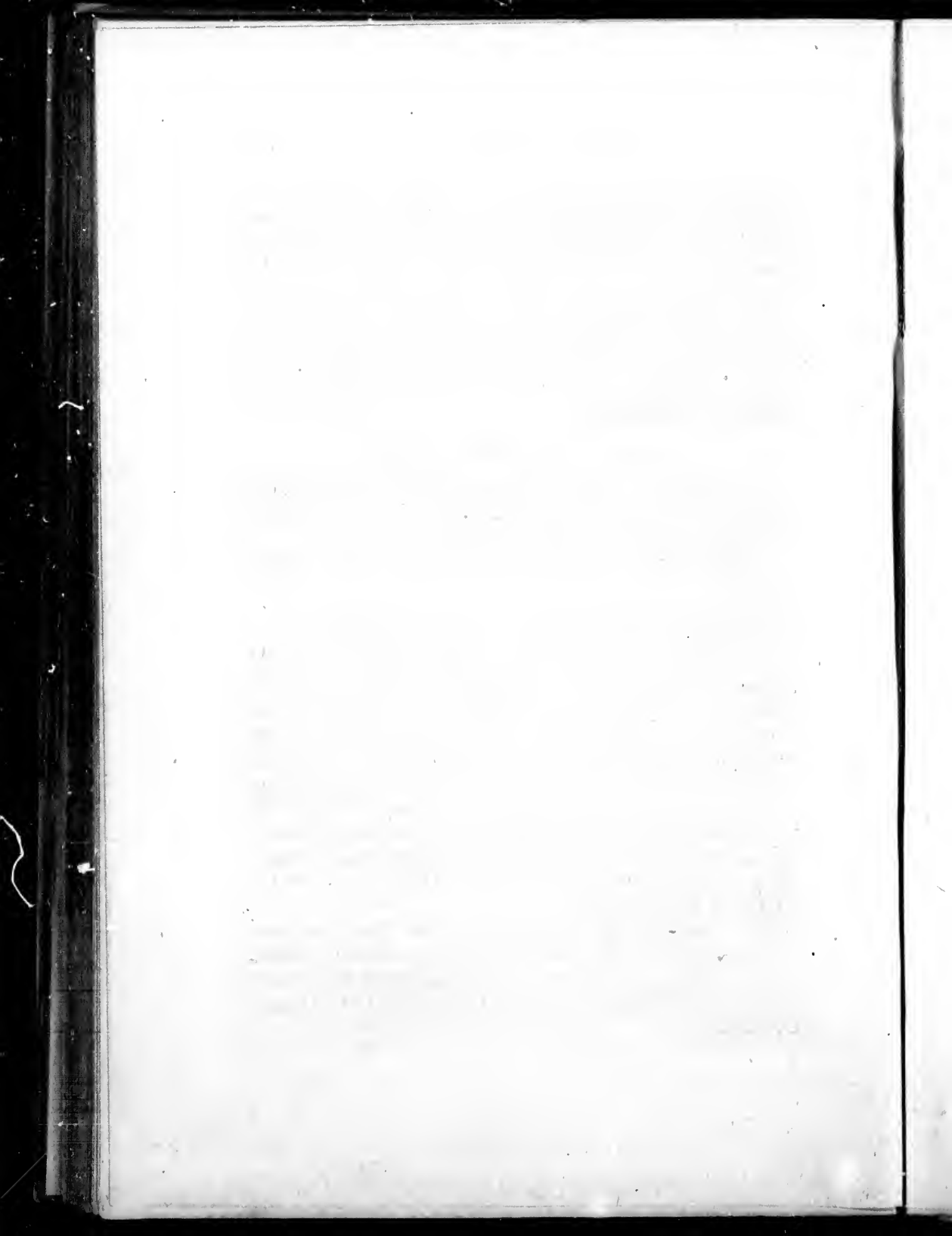
Appeal to the Grand Division.

In making an appeal to the Grand Division from the final action of the Subordinate, the appellant should observe the following rules :

1. The appeal must be addressed to the Grand Division.
2. It should contain a copy of the charge and specifications under which the trial was had.
3. It should specify the particular act or acts against which the Brother appeals, and in case the alleged errors were committed originally by the Committee, a statement of the fact that they were objected to at the proper time before the Division, together with the action of the Division on the same.

On receipt of the appeal the Grand Scribe will immediately notify the Division of the same having been filed in his office, also furnishing them with a copy of the appeal, and desiring their answer to it within a given time.

On receiving the answer of the Division, the entire papers in the case will be immediately placed in the hands of the Appeal Committee, who will report on the same at the next session of the Grand Division.



APPENDIX.

RULES

FOR

THE GOVERNMENT OF COUNTY CONVENTIONS

OF THE

SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

*Adopted by the Grand Division S. of T. of Ontario, June 8, 1870
at Orono Session, and amended Dec. 8, 1870, at Ottawa Session.*

The following rules have been adopted by the Grand Division for the Government of these organizations. County Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarchs are requested to organize conventions in their respective counties in accordance therewith. In counties where there is no County Deputy, the G. W. P. will appoint one, on the name of a suitable brother being recommended by one or more Divisions, such recommendations to be sent to the Grand Scribe, post paid. The Executive of the Grand Division earnestly urge upon all Deputies and Divisions to see that conventions are forthwith organized in their respective counties, and that the County Deputy report the same to the Grand Scribe within one month after their organization, and also to report one month previous to the annual and semi-annual sessions, the working of the convention in each county.

RULES.

1.—Our County Temperance organizations shall be known by the name of Temperance County Conventions of the Sons of Temperance.

2.—The object of these conventions shall be to concentrate the efforts of the Brotherhood, with a view to organize new Divisions, and keep up the interest in Divisions already organized.

3.—They shall consist of all the Worthy Patriarchs and Past Worthy Patriarchs, or any member in good standing who may be elected for the purpose by the Divisions within the respective Ridings of the different counties, or union of Ridings.

4.—The officers shall consist of President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall constitute the Executive of the Convention; the County Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarch being *ex officio* President (until a President is elected by the Convention).

5.—These conventions shall meet quarterly; the first meeting to be held where the County Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarch shall decide. Subsequent meetings to be determined from time to time by the Convention.

6.—No person shall be eligible to take part in the business Convention, unless he first present credentials attested by the R. S. of the Division which he represents.

7. The County Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarch shall call the first meeting within one month after receiving notice from the Grand Division.

8.—Each convention may adopt such by-laws and Rules of Order as they may see fit, provided they do not conflict with this Constitution adopted by this Grand Division.

9.—The revenue of each convention shall be provided in such a way as may be determined at any of its regular meetings.

10.—It shall be a standing rule that every meeting of each convention shall be signalized by a public meeting, for which speakers and arrangements shall be made by a committee of the convention.

11.—The Secretary of this convention shall inform the Grand Division quarterly of every place where new Divisions can be organized, or give any information that may be considered necessary for the prosperity of the Order.

12.—This Constitution may be altered or amended at any regular session of this Grand Division.

13.—The following order of business shall be observed :—1st, opening ; 2nd, reading minutes of previous meeting ; 3rd, reports of committees ; 4th, unfinished business ; 5th, new business ; 6th, election of officers ; 7th, miscellaneous.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

An Act to Incorporate the Grand Division and Subordinate Divisions of the Order of the Sons of Temperance in Canada West, passed 30th August, 1851 (14 and 15 Victoria).

Whereas certain persons have associated themselves in this Province under the names of the "Grand Division and Subordinate Divisions of the Sons of Temperance in Upper Canada;" and whereas, in addition to the moral objects which that Association has in view, they are associated for the purpose of establishing a fund for the mutual assistance and benefit of the members thereof, and their families, in case of sickness, disability or death; and whereas for the purpose of managing the pecuniary affairs of the said association, it is desirable that the said Order of the Sons of Temperance should be protected by an Act of Incorporation:

I. Be it therefore enacted, &c., that the Hon. M. Cameron, William S. Burnham, John M. Ross, William Rowland, Gavin Russell, Robert Bell, Aaron Pardee, William Harrison Ellerbeck, Christopher Leggo, William Clarke, James Patterson, J. P. Sutton, Thomas Nixon, John Lewis Macdonald, and Edward Stacey, members of the Grand Division of the Order of the Sons of Temperance of Canada West, and their successors, and such and so many other persons and parties as have become

or shall become members thereof, shall be and are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the "Grand Division of the Order of the Sons of Temperance of Canada West," and by that name shall and may sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, in all Courts of Law or Equity whatsoever; and shall have uninterrupted succession and a common seal, which may by them be changed or varied at their pleasure.

II. And be it enacted, that it shall be lawful for the said Corporation to acquire and hold land, and immovable or real and personal property: Provided that the real estate to be held by the said Grand Division, shall at no time exceed in value the sum of *Ten thousand pounds*; and it shall be lawful for the said Corporation to sell, lease, or otherwise dispose of, the said property and estate as they may see fit.

III. And be it enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for the said Corporation to appoint such members thereof as they may think proper, in such manner as they may by their by-laws provide, for the purpose of managing the funds and property of the said Corporation, and to revoke such appointments and substitute others in their places as they may think expedient, and to demand and accept such security as they may from time to time deem proper, from such parties, or from any other officers appointed by the said Corporation for the performance of their respective duties, and to make, ordain and put in execution, all such by-laws and rules as they may think necessary for the purposes aforesaid, not inconsistent with the laws of this Province.

IV. And be it enacted, that each Subordinate Division of the Order of the Sons of Temperance now instituted or which hereafter may become instituted within Upper Canada, may, in the manner hereinafter specified, be and become a body politic and incorporate by the name, number and place of location, by which it is or may be designated in the said Order; and that each Subordinate Division, upon so becoming incorporated, shall have all the powers and privileges conferred upon the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance by the first section of this Act, for the sole purpose of managing their real and personal estate; provided that the real estate to be held by such Subordinate Division shall in no case exceed the value of *Five thousand pounds*.

V. And be it enacted, that each Subordinate Division which may be desirous of becoming incorporated, shall and may by a vote of two-thirds of its members present at any regular meeting (of the intention to propose which vote, two weeks' notice at least shall be given in regular meeting of such Subordinate Division by some member thereof in writing), decide to become so incorporated; and that upon a copy of the vote of such decision, specifying the name, number, and place of location of such Division, and the names of not less than *ten* of the members of such Subordinate Division, under the seal of the said Subordinate Division, and its Recording Scribe and presiding Officer, together with a Certificate of the Grand Division, under its corporate seal, and the signature of its presiding Officer and Scribe, that such Subordinate Division is in full standing in the Order,—being filed in the Office of the Registrar of the County

in which such Division is situated,—the members of such Subordinate Division, whose names may be included in such vote as aforesaid, and their associates and successors, members of such Subordinate Division, shall be and become from the time of filing such Certificate as aforesaid with such Registrar, a body politic and corporate as aforesaid, by the style or name, number and place of location of such Subordinate Division.*

VI. And be it enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for the Treasurer of each Subordinate Division so incorporated, and he is hereby empowered from time to time by and with the consent of such Subordinate Division, to be testified in such manner as may be directed by their by-laws, to lay out and invest all such sum and sums of money as shall from time to time be collected and not required for the immediate exigencies of such Subordinate Division, in real estate, or on mortgage, or in public or other stock or funds, or in such other manner as such Subordinate Division may deem best, and from time to time with the like consent, to alter, sell and transfer such securities, real estate, or funds respectively, and otherwise to re-invest or dispose of the same; and that the Certificate, Bill of Sale, Deed or other Instruments of transfer, sale, or discharge of such estate or funds of security, shall be made under the seal of such Subordinate Division, and signed by the Treasurer and presiding Officer of such Subordinate Division; and that all such investments shall be made and securities taken, and sales and transfers made in the corporate name and capacity of such Subordinate Division.

*Forms for the purposes of this section of the Act may be had on application to the Grand Scribe.

VII. And be it enacted, that it shall and may be lawful for such Subordinate Division, when so incorporated, to receive from the Treasurer thereof, from time to time, in their corporate name, sufficient security by bond, with one or more surety or sureties, or otherwise as such Subordinate Division may deem expedient, for the faithful performance of his duty as such, and that he will well and truly account for and pay and invest from time to time, all such sums of money, funds, or other property as may come to his hands or under his control, belonging to said Subordinate Division, as directed by said Subordinate Division.

VIII. And be it enacted, that no member of any Subordinate Division so incorporated shall have any power to assign or transfer to any person or persons whomsoever, any interest which he may have to or in the funds or property of such Subordinate Division; but the same shall at all times be and remain under the control of such Subordinate Division; and that no property or stock of any kind belonging to such incorporated Subordinate Division shall be subject to the payment of the private debts of any of its members, nor to be liable to be taken in execution by any judgment creditor against any individual members of such Subordinate Division.

IX. And be it enacted, that the property of each of the Subordinate Divisions, when incorporated, shall alone be held responsible for the debts and engagements of the Subordinate Division owning such property.

X. And be it enacted, that upon the dissolution of any Subordinate Division so incorporated, the property held by it at the time of such dissolution, after the payment of the debts and engagements

of such Subordinate Division, shall be disposed of, sold or conveyed in such manner as the members present at any regular meeting, when such dissolution shall have been determined upon by a two-third vote, may direct; and in case no disposition of the funds and property of such Subordinate Division shall be made, then all such funds and property as such Subordinate Division may be possessed of at the time of such dissolution shall be *ipso facto* vested in the Grand Division aforesaid, to be by such Grand Division applied, first to the debts or liabilities of such dissolved Subordinate Division, and the balance (if any) in such manner as the said Grand Division may deem best for the general interests of the Order in Upper Canada.

XI. And be it enacted, that if at any time hereafter any one or more of the Subordinate Divisions shall become so far involved as to be unable to meet its engagements, then and in such case it shall and may be lawful for the said Grand Division to enter into and upon and take possession of the said property, both real and personal, of which the said Subordinate Division so becoming bankrupt shall be possessed, and the same and all debts owing to the said Subordinate Division, and all liens and securities therefor, and all the said rights of action of the said Corporation, for any goods or estate, real or personal, shall thenceforth and thereafter be and become vested in the members, trustees or officers appointed for the purpose of managing the real and personal estates and effects of the said Grand Division, and their successors and assigns; and upon so entering and taking possession of the said estates and effects of the said Subordinate Division, the said Grand Division, so far as the said property shall extend, shall be and

become liable for, and subject to, all debts and liabilities contracted by such Subordinate Division in its corporate capacity, and shall and may thenceforth substitute the names or name of such trustees or officers as aforesaid, for the time being, and of their successors, in all actions then pending, and in their own names or name bring and prosecute all such actions or action, suits or suit, as the said Subordinate Division might otherwise have done, and may give such releases and such discharges as might have been given by the said Subordinate Division, and may sell and convey all such property, both real and personal, as the said Subordinate Division was possessed of or was entitled to at the time of such bankruptcy, and may give all such deeds as may be necessary for the proper conveyance of the same.

CLAUSE A. And be it enacted, that the said Grand Division hereby incorporated shall, when required by either of the three branches of the Legislature, present a return showing the amount of the real or other property held by the said Grand Division, and by each of the Subordinate Divisions incorporated under the provisions of this Act, together with lists of the names of the managers, officers and members of the said Grand Division and Subordinate Divisions respectively.

[12th section repealed; see 27 Vic., sec. 5.]

XIII. And be it enacted, that this Act shall be a Public Act.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Order of the Sons of Temperance in Canada West. Assented to 1st July, 1856, 19 and 20 Victoria.

Whereas the Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's Reign, "to incorporate the Grand Division and

Subordinate Divisions of the Order of the Sons of Temperance in Canada West," does not contain any provision whereby the members of the Corporations thereby created are rendered competent as witnesses in cases to which such Corporations may be parties, and it is desirable to supply the omission of such provision : Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows :

I. Each and every member of the Corporation of "the Grand Division of the Order of the Sons of Temperance in Canada West," created by the Act referred to in the preamble of this Act, or of any Subordinate Division of the said Order, incorporated under the provisions of the said Act, shall be competent to be examined as a witness for or on behalf of or against any party in any suit, or proceeding either at law or in equity, to which the Corporation of which he is a member may be a party ; any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

II. This Act shall be a Public Act.

An Act to revive and amend the Acts relative to the Grand Division and Subordinate Divisions of the Order of the Sons of Temperance in Canada West, 27 Victoria.

Whereas the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance in Canada West have presented a Petition praying for the renewal and amendment of the Statutes relating to the said body, and praying for a revival and continuance thereof, and it is expedient to grant the prayer of the said Petition ; Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows :

1. The Act passed in the Session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty's

reign, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Grand Division and Subordinate Divisions of the Order of the Sons of Temperance in Canada West," and the Act passed in the nineteenth and twentieth years of Her Majesty's reign intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Order of the Sons of Temperance in Canada West," shall be and are hereby declared to have been in force until the passing of this Act, and shall be and are hereby revived, continued and made permanent Acts and Laws, subject always, from the passing of this Act, to the amendments hereinafter made.

2. Subordinate Divisions incorporated and to be incorporated under the said Acts or this Act, and the members thereof, shall henceforward be and become subject and amenable to the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Grand Division of the Order of the Sons of Temperance in Canada West, and shall have and exercise all their powers and privileges under the said Acts and this Act, subject to the said By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, and not otherwise.

3. When any member is expelled or suspended by any Subordinate Division or by the Grand Division, or in case any member retires from such Subordinate Division, the said member shall cease to have any interest or claim whatever upon the funds or property of such Subordinate Division.

4. In case the Grand Division declares the Charter of a Subordinate Division forfeited pursuant to the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the said Grand Division, such Subordinate Division shall stand dissolved.

5. The twelfth section of the Act first above cited is hereby repealed.

6. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.

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