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JOURNAL  
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OF THE  
GRAND DIVISION OF NEW-SOUTH-WALES



At the Quarterly Session,  
Held at Pictou, 27th, 28th, and 29th July, 1853.

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**Quarterly Report of G. S. to G. Division for Quarter beginning 1st April and ending 30th June, 1853.**

Names of Divisions	No. of Divisions.	Location.	Number admitted.	Number expelled.	Members.	Violated Pledges.	Rebaptized.	Violated Pledge 2d time.	Contributing Members.	Cash received	Paid for Benefits.	Cash on hand, including money invested.	Per Centage to G. Division.	Per centage not received.	Rejected.	Withdrawn.	Representatives to G.D.
Acadia	1	Yarmouth	1		55				£3 13 9	£1 10 0	£62 7 11	£0 3 3 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Central	2	Yarmouth	43		43				3 0 7		12 0 0	0 3 0					
Milton	4	Yarmouth	23		23				3 11 6 $\frac{1}{2}$		3 1 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 3 7					
Concord	5	Barrington	65		65				6 2 3		29 2 5	0 4 3					
Union	6	Digby	62		62				4 5 9		65 0 0	0 4 3					
Chelucto	7	Halifax	188		188				40 3 7		285 10 1	0 4 3					
Miacae	8	Halifax	75		75				13 2 4		77 11 2	0 13 2					
Mayflower	3	Halifax	10		10				7 17 4 $\frac{1}{2}$		8 8 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 7 10 $\frac{1}{2}$					17
Victoria	2	Halifax	4		4				5 14 5 $\frac{1}{2}$		16 11 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 3 9					15
Avon	9	Liverpool	74		74				5 14 5 $\frac{1}{2}$		111 19 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 11 11					12
Avondale	12	Windsor	91		91				11 18 9		73 14 0	0 12 6					
New Caledonia	14	Newport	111		111				12 10 0		53 11 8	0 6 3					
New Westport	15	Westport	51		51				6 6 8		77 9 4	0 9 10 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Oriental	16	Pictou	70		70				9 17 7		74 1 1	0 8 8 $\frac{1}{2}$					
New Glasgow	3	New Glasgow	56		56				8 13 0		27 14 0	0 3 6 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Hebron	18	Yarmouth	25		25				3 11 0		88 6 9	0 5 6					
Coldstream	1	Windsor	50		50				5 10 0		11 10 0	0 1 6					
Walton	23	Walton	16		16				1 10 6		3 6 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 3 11					
Columbia	24	Weymouth	50		50				3 18 9		71 18 3	0 9 0					
Roseway	26	Sheburne	90		90				9 0 6 $\frac{1}{2}$		15 12 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 6 6					
Howard	4	Halifax	1		1				6 6 5		20 0 0	0 1 1 $\frac{1}{2}$					16
Cape Breton	2	Halifax	35		35				9 0 6 $\frac{1}{2}$		7 10 0	0 7 9					6
Wilberforce	1	Halifax	29		29				6 9 6 $\frac{1}{2}$		2 10 0	0 2 6 $\frac{1}{2}$					
*Prince William	1	Sandy Cove	29		29				1 2 3 $\frac{1}{2}$		20 0 0	0 1 1 $\frac{1}{2}$					
*Prince of Wales	30	Mill Village	40		40				1 2 3 $\frac{1}{2}$		20 0 0	0 1 1 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Chester	32	Chester	29		29				1 2 3 $\frac{1}{2}$		20 0 0	0 1 1 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Mechanics	34	Dartmouth	29		29				1 12 9 $\frac{1}{2}$		10 16 0	0 1 7 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Cumberland	35	Amherst	27		27				6 12 0		72 0 0	0 6 7					
Pugwash	36	Pugwash	56		56				5 13 1 $\frac{1}{2}$		22 1 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 4 7 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Royal	2	Hillsborough	49		49				4 11 6		195 10 0	0 8 6					
Morning Star	3	Cheveree	52		52				8 10 9 $\frac{1}{2}$		26 19 7	0 8 6					
Union	3	Newport	73		73				10 12 6		23 10 2	0 10 7 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Archange	8	Sydney Mines	55		55				11 10 4		105 0 0	0 11 6					
Triton	1	Triton	127		127				13 15 2		109 10 0	0 7 9					
Oak	2	Kentville	31		31				7 15 3		25 0 0	0 5 10					
Olive Branch	4	Bridgetown	29		29				5 16 10 $\frac{1}{2}$		27 19 5	0 2 6 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Paradise	4	Wilnot	20		20				2 13 6 $\frac{1}{2}$		20 0 0	0 2 6 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Port Royal	6	Annapolis	40		40				7 11 9		20 0 0	0 7 6					
Grand Pre	49	Lower Horton	55		55				13 14 1 $\frac{1}{2}$		7 4 9	0 13 8					
Star	3	Ragged Islands	97		97				12 9 8		87 0 0	0 12 6					
Canard	2	Cornwallis	34		34				4 3 0		20 3 8	0 4 1 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Stirling	2	Tatamagouche	35		35				3 14 0 $\frac{1}{2}$		9 13 5	0 4 1 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Rising Sun	2	Musquodabuit	47		47				2 1 3		31 14 5	0 3 9					
Queen's Own	2	Liverpool	26		26				3 14 0 $\frac{1}{2}$		20 0 2	0 2 9					
Mainmast	57	Riv. John, Pictou	113		113				16 18 1 $\frac{1}{2}$		98 1 0 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 17 0					
North Star	15	Halifax	27		27				2 14 2		15 2 10	0 2 8					
Morning Star	2	St. Margaret's Bay	53		53				5 12 3		30 1 8	0 5 8					
Launceburg	2	Launceburg	42		42				15 8 9		58 15 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 15 8					
Star in the East	1	Sydney, C. B.	60		60				2 10 0		32 8 9	0 9 2					
Hantsport	4	Pictou	36		36				2 10 0		13 10 0	0 5 8 $\frac{1}{2}$					
*Caledonia	69	Halifax	84		84				4 6 9		42 17 7	0 2 6					
Harmony	1	Harmony	40		40				3 5 0		26 15 3	0 3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Aurora	1	Cornwallis	31		31				3 5 0		9 7 2	0 3 4					
Lake	1	Cornwallis	82		82				5 3 0		3 10 0	0 0 4					
Aurora	1	Antigonish	85		85				5 3 0		5 16 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 3 7 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Agricola	2	Stawacke	42		42				3 4 1 3 $\frac{1}{2}$		2 10 8	0 4 9					
Wallace	2	Wallace	27		27				1 4 1 3 $\frac{1}{2}$		70 0 0	0 10 2					
*Elystrum.	77	Minudie	60		60				3 5 9		3 2 6 9	0 3 3					
Albion Mines	4	Albion Mines	43		43				4 19 7		1 2 11	0 7 0					
Margareville	1	Wilnot	32		32				4 3 11		11 3 11	0 4 4 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Iron Age	82	Londonderry	64		64				3 10 0		6 5 3	0 3 6					
Lalla Roohk	83	Do.	28		28				10 3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$		35 9 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 10 2					
Herald	84	Kempt	34		34				1 9 11		1 13 0	0 1 6					
*Father Matthew	85	Stewacke	24		24				3 2 6		11 8 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 3 3					
Clements Arch	1	Clements Arch	39		39				3 2 4		26 15 3	0 3 1 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Port George	10	Wilnot	21		21				0 13 1 $\frac{1}{2}$		9 7 2	0 0 8					
Wilnot	2	Stewacke	29		29				3 7 11		22 1 0	0 3 4					
Bethlehem	89	N.W.A., Sydney	15		15				0 6 6		3 10 0	0 0 4					
Britannia	2	Windsor	35		35				3 11 3		5 16 10 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 3 7 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Kellogg	92	Douglas	18		18				7 14 0		2 10 8	0 4 9					
Chedabucto	4	St. John's	53		53				13 4 3 $\frac{1}{2}$		70 0 0	0 10 2					
Nelson	4	St. John's	23		23				3 5 9		3 2 6 9	0 3 3					
Athenium	96	Halifax	41		41				6 19 7		1 2 11	0 7 0					
Evening Star	1	Lunenburg	32		32				4 3 11		11 3 11	0 4 4 $\frac{1}{2}$					
North	99	Wilnot Mount	12		12				3 10 0		6 5 3	0 3 6					
Invincible	100	Aylesford	64		64				10 3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$		35 9 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 10 2					
Young Men's	101	Yarmouth	28		28				1 9 11		1 13 0	0 1 6					
Kingston	102	Lawrencetown	34		34				3 2 6		11 8 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 3 3					
Wilmot	1	Wilmot	24		24				3 7 10 $\frac{1}{2}$		9 3 11	0 1 10					
Garland	108	Cornwallis	30		30				1 17 1 $\frac{1}{2}$		9 3 11	0 1 10					
Friendship	109	Nappan	16		16				1 17 0		2 13 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 1 10 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Compeer	107	Amherst	26		26				5 16 11		10 3 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	0 5 9 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Victoria Mines	6	Nictaux Falls	29		29				6 17 11		10 0 0	0 6 10 $\frac{1}{2}$					
Wellington	7	St. Mary's	83		83				2 11 0		10 0 0	1 1 6 $\frac{1}{2}$					
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OF  
THE GRAND DIVISION OF NOVA SCOTIA.

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GRAND DIVISION ROOM,  
Pictou, July 27th, 1853. }

The Grand Division met pursuant to appointment, and was called to order by the G. Scribe, who stated that the G.W.P. was unavoidably detained from attending this session of G. D., and that the G.W.A. was taken so unwell as to be unable to attend this morning's session of G. D., it was therefore necessary for the G. D. to appoint a Chairman to conduct the business of the G. D.; whereupon,—

Brother Monaghan moved and Brother Blanchard seconded, that Brother Jas. D. B. Fraser be Chairman, which passed unanimously, and Brother Fraser took the chair.

The Roll of Officers was then called.

*Present*—Wm. Scott, G. Scribe; Rev. Dr. Cramp, G. Chap.; Charles Blanchard, G. Con.

*Absent*—Rev. Geo. Christie, G.W.P.; C. B. Naylor, G.W.A.; M. G. Black, Jr., G. Trea.; Wm. M. Brown, P.G.W.P.

The Chairman filled the vacancies as follows:—Bro. Brackett, G. W. A., Seldon, G. Treasurer, Jas. McDonald, G. Sentinel, Thompson, P.G.W.P.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

The G. D. was declared open for the transaction of business.

Brothers Monaghan, Bowes, and Gallagher, were appointed a Committee on Credentials, who reported those of the following Brethren correct:

P.W.P. Jas. D. B. Fraser, Luther Brackett, Jas. Fogo, James Murdoch, Jas. P. McLellan, Roderick Fraser, Jas. Webster, Alex. McKimmie, Wm. Brownrigg, Adam McKean, Peter Brown, Alex. McPhail, W. B. Henderson, James Allan, James Skinner, Richard Tanner,	} Oriental Division, No. 16.
P.W.P. W. H. Neal, W.P. R. Motton,	} Howard Division, No. 26.
P.W.P. Elisha B. Cutten, Jas. M. Layton,	} Cumberland Division, No. 35.
W.P. Alex. Robb, P.W.P. Wm. Murray, Wm. Fox,	} North Star Division, No. 58.
W.P. Neil McKay, P.W.P. John Gammell, John K. McCurdy,	} Agricola Division, No. 72.
P.W.P. Cyprian Davison, E. D. W. Ratchford, W.P. John Lockhart,	} Parrsboro' Division, No. 110.

On motion, Bros. Monaghan, Brackett and Thompson, were appointed a Committee to confer with Bro. Martin as to his eligibility for initiation into this G. D. who reported verbally.

The G. Con. retired and introduced the following representatives: James Skinner, Wm. Brownrigg, Jas. Webster, Alex. McKimmie, James Allan, Adam McKean, John Rettie, Robert Motton, Neil McKay, John McCurdy, Elisha B. Cutten, who were duly initiated and took their seats.

The Chairman appointed the following Committees:

*Auditing Committee*—Bros. Bowes, Ross and Motton.

*Committee on Appeals*—Bros. Heenan, Lippencott and Skinner.

*Committee on Communications*—Blanchard, Cutten and A. C. McDonald.

*Committee on State of the Order*—Cramp, Brackett and Thompson.

The Grand Scribe read the following report from the Grand Worthy Patriarch :

TO THE OFFICERS AND BRETHERN OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE IN NOVA SCOTIA, ASSEMBLED IN PICTOU.

*Worthy Brethren*,—I find it impossible to attend this quarterly session of the Grand Division. Other duties which cannot be overlooked demand my attention. I regret much that I am obliged to be absent. My heart is with you in earnest desire that your meeting may be profitable to the Order generally, and an occasion of mutual enjoyment to the Brethren assembled.

The Quarter just elapsed has not been distinguished by any very striking change in our situation. As usual, we have from some quarters reports of success and increase of numbers; in other localities the cause does not appear to prosper. This is as we should expect in a work of reform, such as that in which we are engaged. But while in this I am not disappointed, I confess that I am much at a loss when I attempt to lay down a general rule explanatory of the different states in which I find Subordinate Divisions.

I notice that in some cases where the difficulties are very formidable, our army still advances and makes new breaches in the ranks of the enemy; in other cases, where the outward circumstances are very similar, the enemy seems to be victorious. And yet I am not willing to charge this difference to the supineness of Brethren in the locality where the cause is not prospering.

There is another circumstance connected with the Temperance reform, which begins to strike attentive observers. A few years ago our opponents only *muttered* their opposition: while their execrations were equally harsh and their tongues equally venomous, respect for the moral sentiment of mankind forced upon them as a matter of prudence, caution both with respect to the place and the manner of expressing their feelings. At the present time, however, we find no such caution either in the speech or actions of our opponents.

The subject presents itself to my mind in some such way as the following: There are in a city a band of riotous and wicked men, who in the prosecution of their evil purposes do frequently disturb the quiet and peace-loving citizen, occasioning considerable bloodshed. At last the authorities call for a regiment of soldiers to protect them. The call is responded to, and the citizens are delivered from the men who had been the occasion of so much trouble and confusion. For a time they are delighted with the change, and feel grateful to those by whom it has been effected; but by and by it is forgotten, and they begin to listen to the murmers of those who had been kept in check by their presence and vigilance. The application is easy. Sons of Temperance are the defenders of their country—their own country. They are also volunteers; they have enlisted from love to their fellow men along with a desire for self protection; they ask and expect no pecuniary reward for their acts of self-denial and labours of love, but they feel discouraged when their fellow countrymen, prizing not less than themselves the bless-

ings of Temperance, are found indifferent with respect to their success, and are even sometimes expressing sympathy with the class who are following courses ruinous to families and to society in general.

Brethren, this is hard to be borne, but it will not warrant us to desist from our labours. Let us seek, by faithfully presenting the subject to the minds of our fellow men, again to awaken a general interest among those who are reposing in false security, "crying peace, when there is no peace."

I have unwavering faith in the ultimate triumph of our principles. We uphold no principle which does not harmonize with the Bible—none therefore of which the Christian need be ashamed. And rather would I chose to be a Son of Temperance—a sharer in their labours—and a partaker of their reproach, than take the responsibility incurred by such as refuse "to deliver those that are drawn unto death, and such as are ready to be slain."

In accordance with the expressed desire of the Grand Division at its last quarterly session, I attended the meeting of the National Division in June last. With the visit I was much gratified. My intercourse with the members of the National Division was very pleasant, an exemplification of the principles of "benevolence" and "brotherly love," upon which our Order is founded. I was also gratified to learn that neither in the United States; the Canadas, nor in New Brunswick is there any evidence of the Order declining. The members generally, spoke favourably of our Order. They also expressed very strong assurances that in a few years at most a law would be obtained prohibiting the traffic in intoxicating liquors as a beverage. The United States are fast coming to this, and I trust the subjects of Her Gracious Majesty, Queen Victoria, will not be far behind, if they should not have the honour of leading in this true reform.

I am sorry to inform the Grand Division that some of the Divisions both in the East and in the West of the Province are in a very feeble state. Some talk of surrendering their charters. It might be well for the Grand Division to express an opinion on this subject. My own opinion is that as a general rule this should not be done if it can be avoided even in cases where there would be an opportunity of uniting with other Divisions.

Every year and every quarter is bringing before us still more strongly the necessity of a Temperance Agent capable of exciting a fresh interest in the cause. From my intercourse with Divisions in different parts of the Province I have had experience of the beneficial effect of such visits.

The National Division at its last meeting made some changes in the Constitution of the Order which will require in some respects an alteration of our present practises. But as the Journals are not yet come to hand, I deem it unsuitable to refer to these matters in my Report. It may however be proper for the G. D to determine whether it would be advisable so soon as we are furnished with the Journals to adopt the alterations, or allow things to remain as they are till we meet in October. My own opinion is, that more harmony

would be secured were our Subordinate Divisions advised to wait till after the Annual Meeting, when the whole of the changes can be laid before them, with such suggestions as may seem necessary to secure harmony among the Divisions. The only point on which I hesitate to give this advice is with reference to the Initiation fee, which may now be put at five shillings or \$1 00.

I trust your present meeting will be both interesting and profitable and that the immediate result in the County of Pictou may be a revival of interest among the Sons of Temperance, and the community in general. "Let us not be weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

Submitted in Love, Purity and Fidelity,

GEORGE CHRISTIE, G. W. P.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

The G. S. read the report of the Committee appointed at Lunenburg to obtain an Agent and Lecturer.

The Committee appointed at the Q. S. of the G. D. at Lunenburg in April last for the purpose of renewing efforts on the subject of the Temperance Agency, report—

That they have been in correspondence with Bro. N. H. Martin, P. W. P. of "Star in the East Division," No 61, who seems desirous of being employed by the G. D. as a Temperance Agent and Lecturer. From testimonials received and from other sources of information, your Committee have every reason to believe that Bro. Martin would prove in every way competent for the business contemplated.

Your Committee made an offer to Bro. Martin of £50 for a six months engagement, besides his travelling expenses. These terms were acceded to by him. But certain objections having been started by Bro. Martin, which will be found in his letter of the 22nd ult. and your Committee feeling that these could not be so easily dealt with by letter, as through friendly personal intercourse, your Committee wrote to request him to attend the G. D. at the Q. S. in Pictou—offering at the same time to pay his expenses thither and home again provided an engagement should not be concluded with him.

Your Committee trust that the difficulties urged by Brother M. may be removed by free intercourse with the Members of the G. D. and that this important Mission may be commenced at once, and in good earnest.

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

WILLIAM HOWE, Chairman.  
JOSEPH W. QUINAN,  
CHARLES ROBSON.

July 27th, 1853.

Which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Communications.



The G. S. read the report of the Committee appointed at Lunenburg to draft Petitions for the Legislature. as follows :

The Committee appointed at the Q. S. of the G. D. held in Lunenburg in April last, to draft petitions to the Legislature on the subject of the Liquor traffic, and other objects connected with the Temperance movement, beg leave to report that they have prepared drafts of petitions as follows, viz. :

- 1st. For the total suppression of the traffic.
- 2nd. For a grant of money to aid in procuring the services of Lecturers on Temperance.
- 3rd. For the destruction of Liquors seized for violation of Excise Laws.

It will be perceived that these drafts, (which are annexed) are merely copies of the Petitions formerly presented to the Legislature. with suitable alterations and omissions. Your Committee did not deem it of much consequence to vary from the language of the petitions previously used. They would however recommend variety, where the inhabitants of different localities shall be willing to incur the trouble and expense of framing and circulating new petitions for the general subject of legal prohibition. But above all they would urge the most vigorous efforts to procure the utmost possible increase of signatures.

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

J. W. JOHNSTON, Chairman.  
WILLIAM HOWE,  
CHARLES ROBSON.

To the Honorable the Representatives of the Province of Nova Scotia, in General Assembly now convened :

The Petition of the Undersigned, Inhabitants of Halifax.

Humbly Sheweth,—

That your Petitioners would respectfully submit to your Honourable House, that by the present system of selling at auction intoxicating liquors which have been seized by the Officers of the Excise, large quantities of these mischievous articles—often of an extremely deleterious kind, are thrown into the market, and very generally purchased by the parties implicated, at very low prices, from the absence of competition. Your Petitioners would therefore pray your Honourable House to enact that in future all liquors thus seized shall be destroyed.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, shall ever pray, &c.

To the Honorable the Representatives of the Province of Nova Scotia, in General Assembly now convened :

The Petition of the Undersigned, Inhabitants of the aforesaid Province.

Humbly Sheweth,—

That in the opinion of your Petitioners the universal disuse of Intoxicating Drinks is of paramount importance in promoting the prosperity of a State : and they are therefore extremely anxious to advance the progress of Total Abstinence principles. So powerfully do these principles commend themselves to every serious and reflecting mind, that whenever, by means of able Lecturers, they have been brought fully before the public, they have been very generally adopted ; and their adherents, in the Province, now amount to many thousands. Your Petitioners believe that the expenditure of a small sum of money from the Public Chest, in promoting the diffu-

sion of these sentiments, would secure a rich return, not only of happiness to the community, but also of money to the Treasury; and believing that your Honourable House is not disposed to neglect either of these important considerations, they humbly solicit a grant of money for procuring the services of competent Lecturers in support of those principles.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, shall ever pray, &c.

To the Honorable the Representatives of the Province of Nova Scotia,  
now convened:

The Petition of the Undersigned Females residing in various parts of the  
aforesaid Province,

Humbly Sheweth,—

That during the last Session of the Assembly your Petitioners ventured to approach your Honourable House with a prayer that you would be pleased to enact such a law as might tend to annihilate the Traffic in Intoxicating Drinks. Firmly convinced that such a measure would incalculably promote the happiness of their sex, notwithstanding their want of success, they are determined to persevere in their solicitations. The abuse which has perverted Alcohol from its proper purposes, into a heverage for human beings, has rendered it the most deadly of all the enemies of female comfort. They desire therefore, again to entreat your Honourable House to interpose your authority, for the protection of hundreds of the Wives and Daughters of Nova Scotia, between the selfish traffic and wiles of the Rum Seller, and his miserable victims, who would often themselves rejoice if the Intoxicating Cup were placed beyond their reach.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, shall ever pray, &c.

To the Honourable the Representatives of the Province of Nova Scotia,  
now convened:

The Petition of the Undersigned, Inhabitants of the aforesaid Province,

Humbly Sheweth,—

That your Petitioners would again respectfully solicit your Honourable House to adopt such measures as in your wisdom you may see fit, to effect the Total Abolition of the Traffic in Intoxicating Drinks.

They do not desire to weary your Honourable House by reiterating the unanswerable arguments by which at various times your favourable attention has been solicited to this most important question.

Your Petitioners would respectfully remind your Honourable House that the possibility of overthrowing the Traffic in Intoxicating Drinks by Legislative enactment, is no longer a matter of conjecture. They do not assert that, as yet, it has any where been completely destroyed; for no human power could at once eradicate an evil so vast and so deeply rooted; but they do assert that though it may for a time prolong a sickly existence, it has received at various places a wound from which it must eventually perish.

They would therefore pray your Honourable House to enact a law for prohibiting the traffic in Intoxicating Liquors, for any other than Chemical, Medicinal, and Mechanical purposes.

And your Petitioners, as in duty bound, shall ever pray.

The Petitions for the Council to be a copy of the above.

On motion, Bro. Seldon was added to the Committee on Communications.

The Grand Scribe read his report, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

OFFICE OF GRAND SCRIBE OF S. OF T.

Halifax, N. S., 26th July, 1853. }

G. W. P., Officers, and Brothers,—It is matter of regret that the returns of many of the Subordinate Divisions are delayed so long before being sent into this office, as to preclude the possibility of a correct report being laid before the G. D. at its quarterly sessions.

and no matter how zealous and persevering the G. S. may be, he cannot perform his duties with pleasure to himself or satisfaction to the Order, unless his suggestions and wishes in this respect are more generally complied with. Ever since I have had the honor of holding this office, I have endeavoured on all occasions to impress upon the Subordinate Divisions the necessity of punctuality in sending in their returns, otherwise my report must contain but little real information as to the progress of the Order, and I unhesitatingly state that much of our apparent want of success is owing to the apathy and indifference manifested by many who take office, and merely occupy the place assigned them, without entering heartily into its duties, and endeavouring by their example to induce the regular attendance of the other members. I have paid particular attention to all the details connected with our beloved Order, and am constantly making inquiries respecting its working in all parts of the Province, and am fully convinced that much injury arises from officers not attending regularly at the stated meetings of their respective Divisions, and also from those who have passed through the chair, and then out of the door, ever afterwards absenting themselves, unless by occasional visits to pay up dues, &c. ; and many others whose influence would be great and powerful if at their post once a week, or even once a fortnight, to impress upon the brethren the necessity of individual exertion in promoting our prosperity and adding to our numbers, and above all of being united in the bonds of Love, Purity, and Fidelity, have but little weight because of their limited attendance on the Division night of meeting. Too many instances of the evil effects thus described have come under my own notice, and I am fully satisfied that if we have a sincere desire to promote the harmony of Divisions, and advance the cause in which we are engaged, a sacrifice must be made occasionally to attend to our duties, for each one has a solemn duty to perform in reference to the Temperance cause, and if we expect to succeed we must use exertion corresponding to our desire, and I would again as I did at last quarterly session of G. D. impress upon the Order, and the friends of the cause throughout the Province, the desirableness of holding County Conventions, that the Petitions may be more numerously signed than on any previous occasion, for the necessity of a prohibitory law is becoming every day more apparent. Amherst, the border Town, has had a deluge of rum selling and drinking since the liquor law of New Brunswick went into operation, and the evils arising from it has disheartened our friends there. This should not be the case, they should think of ancient times, and not rest satisfied until the enemy has been driven back over the border again, or totally annihilated. Much complaint is made from various parts of the Province, in respect to the present inefficient license laws, and in several places the Divisions have spent large sums in endeavoring to have offenders convicted, but they have eventually slipped through their fingers by appealing to the Supreme Court, where the decision previously given has been reversed ; therefore no exertion should be spared in endeavouring to obtain a Maine Law, such a law as will have the desired effect of destroying the monster evil by which our country is suffering, and I feel convinced that never did Temperance

men need to rise in their strength more than at the present crisis of affairs, and unless we intend to let the enemy occupy the land, and our efforts hitherto be rendered abortive, we must arouse and in our might roll back the tide that is coming onward seeking our destruction. And much might be done towards the accomplishing this object by each one individually, but more especially by Subordinate Divisions acting harmoniously together, and they may rest assured that the more they persevere in their efforts, and the more attractive they render the Divisional meetings, and the more strict officers and members are in doing their duty and in carrying out the Constitution and By-Laws, the more they will find the cause to prosper and the Divisions increase. Let us but reflect upon the misery, degradation and ruin, which exists in every part of the Province, especially in Halifax, from this evil traffic in intoxicating liquor, the many families that are suffering from penury in consequence of the head of it being a slave to the morbid appetite which has gained the ascendancy over him; and we must feel that much depends upon our fidelity to our obligation, and of striving to win these deluded ones into our ranks. It is not merely a question of time, it looks to eternity, and millions have made shipwreck of their hopes for the future by indulgence in the wine cup; for a drop of ardent spirits will kindle into rage the fire that burns in the veins of a man given over to intemperance, but all the vats of a distillery will not satisfy nor quench it; it grows continually stronger, and demands more and more. Let us then as Christians and brethren do our utmost to alleviate the miseries of those who are bound hand and foot to the chariot wheel of Alcohol, and verily we shall not lose our reward.

The following is a report of the seventy-two Subordinate Divisions which have made returns to this G. D. for quarter ending 30th June:

Number of Divisions now working, - - - -	84
Initiated during the quarter, - - - -	159
Admitted by Card, - - - -	5
Do. by Dispensation, - - - -	5
Withdrawn, - - - -	38
Rejected, - - - -	2
Reinstated, - - - -	20
Suspended, (mostly for non-payment of dues) - . -	63
Expelled for violation of Article 2d, - - - -	41
" Non-payment of dues, - - - -	80
" Immoral conduct, - - - -	1
" Bad conduct, - - - -	1
" Charge of grievance, - - - -	1
" Slandering the Order, - - - -	1
Violated pledge 1st time, - - - -	49
Signed over, - - - -	24
Violated pledge 2d time, - - - -	16
Deaths, - - - -	10
Contributing Members, - - - -	3519
Total amount of receipts for quarter, - - -	£481 15 0½
" paid for Benefits, - - - -	221 15 9
" Cash on hand, - - - -	2730 1 3½
" Per centage on fees and dues, - - - -	24 1 1½

By the above it will appear that as many have not been admitted into the Order during the past quarter as the previous one, neither has the expulsions, suspensions, and withdrawals been so great; therefore although we have not gained much, neither have we receded. We should endeavour to show at each succeeding quarter, a steady onward progress, and strive to prevent any leaving us for non-payment of dues, if any plan can be devised for the preventing it. At the last quarterly session the G. D. decided to send the G. W. P. as a representative to the N. D., and requested the Subordinate Divisions to contribute the amount required for that purpose, which call has been responded to generously by several Divisions, who felt that the Order would be benefitted by it. The G. W. P. on his return paid a visit to the Divisions in the City, and gave a detailed account of his mission, which pleased and gratified every one who heard him, and has resulted in much good, and has increased the veneration of the brethren for our chief, who is deservedly popular with the Order throughout the Province.

Returns have been received for the quarter ending 31st March, since last report, from Prince of Wales, No. 30, Pugwash, 36, Wallace, 75, Iron Age, 82, North, 99, Wilmot, 103, Aurora, 70, Oriental, 16, Mainmast, 57.

The following Divisions have not sent in their returns for the quarter ending 30th June:—Avondale, 12, Walton, 23, Prince of Wales, 30, Union, 39, Grand Pre, 47, Morning Star, 59, Caledonia, 65, Lalla Rookh, 83, Herald, 84, Father Matthew, 85, Friendship, 106, Compeer, 107—about the same number that the previous quarter exhibited. This should not be the case; as ample time has elapsed for all the returns to have been sent in, and it has an appearance of carelessness on the part of those entrusted with the duty. Twenty-seven of those sent in have no seal attached to them, some certify that they have not yet obtained a seal, others take no notice of it; many of the returns are difficult to understand, and on comparing them with the previous quarter, have the appearance of being incorrect. Much depends upon the two principal officers in the Divisions, and if they neglect their duty in this respect, in not really and in fact examining into them without signing as a mere matter of form, we cannot wonder at the repeated inaccuracies where the returns will vary some twenty members in each quarter. It is my intention to keep this matter constantly before the Divisions, until a sense of duty will cause more correctness and greater punctuality in the performance of these important duties. Many of our Divisions are working well and constitutionally correct, others are not doing quite so well, and several have been taking large license in respect of their working, but upon being appealed to, have cheerfully resumed the safer and more correct course. My heart and soul is in the cause, and I fear sometimes that my anxiety for the well being of the Order, may appear to some as being rather overstrict in my official capacity, but it is conviction that causes me to act promptly in rectifying errors, for it must be quite evident to all, that it was the carelessness and indifference manifested by some of my predecessors in office, which caused a corresponding carelessness

and indifference among the subordinate branches of the Order. Nothing would afford me greater pleasure than to have the returns from all the Subordinate Divisions in, at a proper season, (and I can see nothing to prevent it) to enable me to give a correct and true statement of the condition of the Order, and it appears to me that it would be a satisfaction to themselves to have it exhibited to them quarterly, as well as affording correct grounds for the G. D. to work upon. It is a satisfaction to see such a large and influential gathering of the brethren at this session. and praying that a blessing may rest upon the important labours in which we are engaged, I submit this is L., P., and F.

WM. SCOTT, G. S.

Bro. Thompson, from the Finance Committee, handed in the following report :

The Finance Committee have to report, for the term ending July 27th, 1853, as follows:

That the accounts of the Grand Division, your Committee have reason to believe, continue to be kept accurately and satisfactorily, as commended in recent reports.

The liabilities of the Grand Division, up to the present date, including all charges, amount to about £15 10s.

The expenses of the term included a sum of £6 1s. 3d., the balance required to make up £29 1s. 3d. for travelling expenses of the G. W. P., incurred by his recent attendance on the session of the National Division. Towards this worthy object the Subordinate Divisions subscribed £23, leaving £6 1s. 3d. to be provided by the Grand Division.

Your Committee hope, that, as was expected, this balance at least will be met by additional receipts on account of Subordinate Divisions. If the G. D. had means at their disposal, they might be expected to meet the total expenditure, on this subject cheerfully; but as this is not so, and as the Subordinate Divisions praiseworthy undertook the charge, the balance may be supposed pledged, independent of the G. D.

The improvement on financial affairs, visible at the present period, as compared with recent occasions, is cause of congratulation.

The Committee have to regret some diminution in receipts of per centages, and the absence of 11 returns out of 85. Punctuality concerning returns has again to be urged on the attention of Subordinate Divisions.

Perseverance in the present careful course of conducting business, with increase of punctuality, and such revival of the interests of the Order as may be expected, would soon place the finances of the G. D. in the state of respectable solvency so much desired, although for due competence some readjustment of per centages, or other means of additional income, might be requisite.

(Signed)

C. B. NAYLOR,  
WILL. L. BELL,  
J. S. THOMPSON.

Which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order..

The G. S. read a communication from Brother A. J. Babington, which was referred to the Committee on Communications.

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

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

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

*Present*—G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Chap., G. Con.

*Absent*—G. W. P., G. Treasurer, G. Sen., P.G.W.P.

The vacancies were filled as follows:—Bro. Bowes G. W. A., Seldon, G. Trea., Heenan, G. Sen., Fraser, P. G. W. P.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

The G. D. was declared open for business.

Minutes of Morning Session read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials reported those of the following Brethren correct:

P.W.P. Prescott P. Archibald, Agricola Division, No. 72.

P.W.P. Isaac Matheson,

N. McKay,

James Donnelly,

} Albion Mines Division, No. 79.

The G. Con. retired and introduced Representative Prescott P. Archibald, who was duly initiated and took his seat.

The G. Scribe read a communication received from Bro. S. L. Morse, respecting the working of Divisions in Wilmot. Referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

The G. Scribe submitted his accounts, also that of the G. Treasurer, which were handed to the Auditing Committee.

On motion, Bro. N. H. Martin was invited to enter the G. D. room for the purpose of holding a conference on the proposed agency.

On motion, the G. D. adjourned until 7 o'clock.

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EVENING SESSION.

The G. D. was called to order, and on motion of Bro. Monaghan, Bro. J. D. B. Fraser was appointed Chairman.

The Roll of Officers was called.

*Present*—G. Scribe, G. Chap. G. Con.

*Absent*—G. W. P., G. W. A., G. Trea., G. Sen., P. G. W. P.

The vacancies were filled as follows:—Bro. Bowes, G. W. A., Seldon, G. Trea., Heenan, G. Sen., Thompson. P. G. W. P.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

The G. D. was declared open for transaction of business.

Minutes of Afternoon Session read and approved.

On motion of Brother James McDonald, the report of the Committee on Petitions to the Legislature was taken up and discussed.

Bro. Bowes moved the following Resolution, which was seconded by Bro. Motton :

*Resolved*, That the Petitions to the House of Assembly on the subject of Temperance, recommended by the Committee appointed by this Division at the quarterly session held in Lunenburg, as also those forwarded to this Division by the Subordinate Divisions in Halifax, be printed as an Appendix to the Journals of this Session, and that Subordinate Divisions generally be advised to adopt one or the other of them, or one similar thereto, and obtain signatures to it for presentation at the next session of the Legislature of the Province.

Bro. Jas. McDonald moved the following amendment, which was seconded by Bro. Alex. Ross :

*Resolved*, That this G. D. recommend to Subordinate Divisions the adoption of the Petitions prepared and reported by the Committee of this G. D. on Petitions.

Which, on being put, was carried.

Bro. Bowes submitted the following report :

The Auditing Committee beg to report that they have examined the accounts of the Grand Treasurer and Grand Scribe, and find them correct.

G. W. BOWES,	}	Committee.
ALEX. ROSS,		
ROBERT MOTTON, JR.		

Which was adopted.

The G. S. submitted the following accounts :

J. Bowes & Son,	- - - - -	£2 10 0
Wm. Grant, Jr.,	- - - - -	0 11 4

Which was passed and ordered to be paid.

The G. D. then adjourned to meet at a quarter past 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.



## MORNING SESSION.

Pictou, July 28th, 1853.

The G. D. was called to order by the G. Scribe, and requested to appoint a Chairman.

On motion of Bro. Heenan, Bro. J. D. B. Fraser was appointed Chairman, and took his seat.

The Roll of Officers was called.

*Present*—G. Scribe, G. Chap. G. Con., G. Sen.

*Absent*—G. W. P., G. W. A., G. Trea., P. G. W. P.

The Chairman appointed the following Brethren respectively:—Bowes, G. W. A., Seldon, G. T., Thompson, P. G. W. P.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

The G. D. was declared open for business.

Minutes of last Evening's Session read and approved.

Bro. Bowes moved the following resolution, which passed unanimously:

*Resolved*, That a Public Meeting be held this evening at 8 o'clock, and that a Committee of three be appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the same.

On motion, Brothers J. D. B. Fraser, Blanchard, and Skinner, were appointed that Committee.

Part of this Morning's Session was occupied in discussing matters in connection with the general State of the Order.

Bro. Blanchard reported from the Committee on Communications, the consideration of which was deferred until the evening.

Bro. Cutten moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Bro. Heenan, and passed unanimously:

*Resolved*, That this G. D. regrets that G. W. A. C. B. Naylor was taken so unwell after his arrival in Pictou, as to prevent his attending regularly at its meetings.

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

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

The G. D. was called to order, and Bro. J. D. B. Fraser appointed Chairman.

The Roll of Officers was called.

*Present*—G. Scribe, G. Chap., G. Con., G. Sen.

*Absent*—G. W. P., G. W. A., G. Trea., P. G. W. P.

The vacancies were filled respectively by Brothers Bowes, G. W. A., Seldon, G. Trea., and Thompson, P. G. W. P.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

The G. D. was declared open for the transaction of business.

The G. Con. retired and introduced Representatives Richard Craig and J. D. McDonald, who were duly initiated, and took their seats.

Rev. Dr. Cramp, from the Committee on the State of the Order, reported as follows :

The Committee on the State of the Order beg to report as follows:

They have read with much satisfaction the able reports furnished by the G. W. P. and G. S., and congratulate the members of the G. D. on its improved state and prospects, as compared with some preceding years. It is peculiarly gratifying to learn that the debt is now reduced to about £15, and that the claims of the National Division have been fully discharged, thereby placing this G. D. in a highly encouraging and honourable position.

The Committee concur in the opinions expressed by the G. W. P. and the G. S. respecting the general prosperity of the Order. They rejoice to hear that on the whole it may be regarded as in a healthy condition, since the accessions outnumber the losses. Still, they are fully convinced that much more might be done in this Province, and that much more would be done if the Subordinate Divisions evinced that enterprising, persevering spirit which is essential to the success of every good cause. The charm of novelty, it is true, has ceased to operate; but intemperance continues its destructive work, and it is a paramount duty to labour for the extension of our principles throughout the length and breadth of the land. Nor will our mission be fulfilled till the evil with which we are contending is utterly swept away. Till then, we must toil on, assiduously and patiently, cheered by the assurance that ultimately success will be achieved.

Granting, however, that generally the State of the Order may be contemplated with satisfaction, the Committee are aware that in some localities there are manifestations of sloth and declining energy. They sympathise with those brethren whose efforts are obstructed by want of co-operation or actual desertion from the ranks. But they would urge on the consideration of those brethren the advice of the Grand Worthy Patriarch, and earnestly entreat them not to consent to the surrender of Charters. There are seasons of advancement and declension in the history of every good enterprise; but the Son of Temperance should not allow himself to be so affected by occasional declension as to become accessory to failure. A few warm hearted men, sustaining each other, determined to carry on the object at all risks, will always succeed to a happy extent, and by determined perseverance may eventually resuscitate decaying institutions.

The revival and enlargement which we desire will be powerfully

aided, in the opinion of the Committee, by the appointment of a suitable Lecturer and General Agent. They attach great importance to that appointment; believing that if an individual can be found, well informed on Temperance matters, of popular address, versed in the policy and practice of our Order, energetic, prudent, and skilled in the transaction of business, his influence on the public mind will be very beneficial to the cause which is so dear to us all.

With reference to the question of a prohibitory law, which has now become *the* question of the age, your Committee are glad to learn that good progress has been made in various States of the Union. They feel persuaded that the members of this Grand Division are of one mind on this subject; and they beg to recommend, in the event of the appointment of an Agent or Lecturer, that he may be provided with a supply of Tracts or other publications, for general distribution, in order that information may be diffused, and united action more easily secured. They also strongly recommend to Subordinate Divisions to concur with other friends of Temperance in holding County Conventions, such gatherings being adapted to render essential service, by exciting public attention to the object we have in view.

The Committee regard the action of the Grand Division in requesting the Grand Worthy Patriarch to attend the Annual meeting of the National Division as eminently judicious, and doubt not that much good will result. It appears from the communications of the Grand Worthy Patriarch that several important alterations in the working of the Order (including a new ritual); have been made by the National Division, which alterations will duly appear in the Journal, when published. They agree with the Grand Worthy Patriarch in suggesting the desirableness of recommending to the Subordinate Divisions that it will be advisable to abstain from taking action on the changes made by the National Division, till after the Annual Meeting of this Grand Division.

In concluding this Report, the Committee beg to refer to the remarks offered by the Grand Worthy Patriarch and the Grand Scribe respecting some of the Subordinate Divisions. It appears that in many instances the Quarterly returns have been unnecessarily delayed, thereby subjecting the Grand Scribe to great inconvenience; some that have been sent are in various respects imperfect; and fifteen are altogether wanting. It also appears that several of the Subordinate Divisions are very scantily attended, and are scarcely in good working order. The Committee affectionately entreat the members composing such Divisions to bear in mind the obligations which they voluntarily assumed when they entered the Order; to consider that attention to its laws and rules is absolutely necessary to healthy action; and to reflect on the consequences which must flow from apathy, or indifference, or neglect. A great work is yet to be accomplished. Every one must be at his post. Let no man's heart fail: let no man's hands be slack.

Respectfully submitted, in Love, Purity and Fidelity.

J. M. CRAMP,  
LUTHER BRACKETT,  
J. S. THOMPSON.

Which was adopted.

On motion of Brother Monaghan, seconded by Bro. Blanchard,—

*Resolved*, that the Finance Committee of last quarter be reappointed.  
Passed.

On motion of the G. Scribe, Brothers Monaghan, Bowes and A. J. Ritchie, were appointed a Standing Committee on Credentials.

Brother Heenan moved and Brother McKay seconded the following :

*Resolved*, that 250 copies of the Journals of this Quarterly Session be printed.

Brother Monaghan moved that the expenses of those Officers recommended by the G. D. at Shelburne Session to be paid, be paid, in attending this Session.

Brother Bowes moved the following amendment, seconded by Brother Motton :

*Resolved*, That the expenses of the G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Chaplain, and G. Conductor, in attending this session be paid.

Passed.

On motion of the G. Chaplain, seconded by Brother Monaghan :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this G. D. be given to the Lessees of Assembly Hall, for the use of it during this Session.

On motion of Brother Blanchard, seconded by Bro. Cutten :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this G. D. be given to Bro. J. D. R. Fraser, for the able manner in which the business of the Session has been conducted by him while in the Chair.

The G. D. then adjourned until 10, P. M.

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EVENING SESSION.

The G. D. was called to order, and Brother Fraser appointed Chairman.

The Roll of officers was called.

*Present*—G. Scribe, G. Chaplain, G. Sentinel.

*Absent*—G. W. P., G. W. A., G. Treasurer, G. Con., P. G. W. P.

The vacancies were filled respectively by Brothers Bowes, G. W. A., Seldon, G. Trea., Heenan, G. Con., Thompson, P. G. W. P.

Prayer by G. Chaplain.

The G. D. was declared open for business.

Minutes of Afternoon Session read and approved.

That part of the report of the Committee on Communications referring to the Agency, was taken up, discussed, and then deferred until to-morrow.

The G. D. then adjourned to meet at New Glasgow, to-morrow, Friday, at half-past ten o'clock, for the purpose of initiating representatives into this branch of the Order.

MORNING SESSION.

NEW GLASGOW, July 29th, 1853.

The G. D. was called to order by the G. S., and Brother J. D. B. Fraser appointed Chairman.

The Roll of officers was called.

*Present*—G. Scribe, G. Chaplain, G. Conductor.

*Absent*—G. W. P., G. W. A., G. T., G. Sen., P. G. W. P.

The vacancies were filled respectively by Brothers Matheson, G. W. A., Seldon, G. Trea., Heenan, G. Sen. Thompson, P. G. W. P.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

The G. D. was declared open for the purpose of initiating representatives.

The G. Con. retired and announced the following representatives in waiting:—D. McLean, D. Marshall, W. Turnbull—who were introduced and initiated.

On motion, it was resolved, that the G. D. walk in procession, in conjunction with the Subordinate Divisions and Cadets.

The G. D. then adjourned to meet in Pictou at 8, P.M.

EVENING SESSION.

PICTOU, July 29th, 1853.

The G. D. opened in due form, the G. W. A. in the Chair. Roll of officers called.

*Present*—G. W. A., G. Scribe, G. Chaplain, G. Con., G. Sentinel.

*Absent*—G. W. P., G. Treasurer, P. G. W. P.

The vacancies were filled as follows:—Bro. Bowes, G. W. A., Seldon, G. Trea., Fraser, P. G. W. P.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

The G. D. was declared open for transaction of business.

Minutes of the two previous sessions read and approved.

Brother Monaghan moved and Brother G. Chaplain seconded the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That so much of the report of Committee on Communications as refers to Bro. Babington be received and adopted.

Passed.

#### REPORT.

The Committee on Communications beg leave to submit the following report :

Your Committee have had under consideration a communication from A. J. Babington, of Sydney, which they have read with much care not unmixed with interest.

Brother Babington complains that a report has been put in circulation to the effect that he was superseded in the commission of D. G. W. P. in consequence of alleged overcharges in his official capacity. Your Committee, after a careful examination of the facts, cannot find the slightest grounds for such a report—on the contrary the change in the appointment was made at the express desire of Brother Babington, and they feel it due to him to state that so far as they have the means of correct information, his services in the good cause have been highly appreciated, and are gratefully remembered by this Grand Division.

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

CHARLES BLANCHARD.  
S. SELDON,  
E. B. CUTTEN.

Bro. Grand Chaplain moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Brother Bowes :

*Resolved*, That this G. D. is not at present prepared to proceed to the appointment of a Lecturer and Travelling Agent ; that a Committee be appointed to make further enquiry on that subject with power to enter into provisional arrangements as soon as practicable, and report at the Annual Meeting of this Division their proceedings.

Passed.

Brothers Richard McLearn, John S. Thompson and W. L. Bell, were appointed a Committee in accordance with the above resolution.

Brother Thompson moved and Brother Blanchard seconded the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this G. D. be given to the Ladies, the Sons of Temperance, and the Cadets of New Glasgow, for courtesies experienced during a visit of the G. D. to New Glasgow, on the occasion of holding a Pic-Nic there on Friday, July 29th.

Pass

Brother Blanchard moved the following resolution, which was seconded by Brother Monaghan :

*Whereas* at a Public Meeting held at New Glasgow this day, a resolution was passed to the effect that it is expedient to hold a Provincial Convention in order to consider the whole of the Temperance question, and that a Committee be appointed to carry the said resolution into effect, and that the said appointment be referred to the Grand Division.

*Therefore resolved*, That Brothers Fogo, R. McGrigor, and W. M. Brown, be a Committee to carry into effect the objects of the Public Meeting, as by them expressed.

Brother Monaghan moved the following resolution, seconded by the G. S. :

*Resolved*, That Ten Pounds be given to N. H. Martin, to defray his travelling expenses from Sydney, C. B., to Pictou and back.

Minutes of this Evening's Session were read and approved.

The G. D. was then adjourned by proclamation to meet in Annual Session in Halifax, on Wednesday, 26th October next, at 10, A. M.

WM. SCOTT,  
*Grand Scribe.*

HALIFAX, 25th July, 1853.

*The Grand Scribe*

To Grand Division Dr.

1853.			
April 28.	—For balance per account rendered,		£6 18 11
20.	" cash from Truro Division, on account of Agency,	£5 0 0	
	Do. Central Division, do.	1 0 0	
July 16.	—Do. Herald Division, do.	1 0 0	
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May 5.	Do. Clements Arch Division, on account of debt to National Division,	0 10 0	
	Do. Lalla Rookh, on account of do.	1 0 0	
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	Do. Prince of Wales per centage, March quarter,	0 1 10½	
	Do. North, do.	0 4 2½	
	Do. Lalla Rookh 7s. 9½d. Aurora (72), 3s. 4½d.	0 11 2	
	Do. Wilmot (88) 3s. 8½d., Oriental, 9s. 9d.,	0 13 5½	
	Do. Mainmast, 3s., Invincible, 6s. 6d.,	0 9 6	
	Do. Pugwash, 4s. 6d., Wallace, 4s. 3d.	0 8 9	
	Do. Iron Age, 4s. 3½d.,	0 4 3½	
	Do. Caledonia, 31st Decr., 1852,	0 9 8½	
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	Dispensation Fees,		0 2 6
On account of Representation to National Division:			
	Acadia, Milton, Hebron, Young Men's (guarantee)	4 0 0	
	Queen's Own, 20s., Victoria, 20s., Howard, 20s.,	3 0 0	
	Chebucto, 40s., Micmac, 20s., Athenæum, 20s.,	4 0 0	
	Rising Sun,	0 10 0	
	Mechanics, 20s., Truro, 20s., Coldstream, 20s.,	3 0 0	
	North Star, 20s. 6d., Lunenburg, 20s., Concord, 20s.,	3 0 6	
	Evening Star, 20s., Chedabucto, 20s., Railway, 10s.	2 10 0	
	Oriental, 20s., Roseway, 20s., Central, 20s.,	3 0 0	
	Star in the East, 10s., Mayflower, 10s.,	1 0 0	
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	Dr. B. E. Page, on account,		1 5 0
	Henry Stewart, overpaid (percentage),		0 1 0
	Cards sold 18s. 6d., Blank Returns 9s. 0½.		1 7 6½
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			45 8 5
	Per Centage of quarter received as per return.		20 19 9½
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			£66 8 2½

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April 30.	—By Cash paid G. T. on account Agency,	£6 0 0	
July 14.	" Do. Do. Do. Do.	14 15 0	
25.	" Do. Do. Do. Do.	36 0 0	
	" Do. Do. Do. Do.	1 0 0	
	Postage paid this Quarter,	0 16 11	
	Grand Scribe's Salary,	7 10 0	
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			65 1 11
	Balance,		<hr/>
			1 6 3½



*The Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance in Nova Scotia, in account with M. G. Black, Jun., Grand Treasurer.*

1853.			DR.
May 2.	To Cash paid J. Bowes & Son,		£5 10 0
	Do. Do. Do.		1 10 0
	Do. W. Annand,		0 5 0
5.	Do. W. Grant, Jr.		0 16 6
June 18.	Do. G. W. A. Expenses to Lunenburg.		2 10 0
June 25.	Do. A. Grant,		0 4 0
July 14.	Do. G. W. P. Expenses to Lunenburg.		5 10 0
	Do. G. Scribe's, Do. Do.		2 10 0
	Do. G. Sentinels, Do. Do.		2 10 0
25.	Do. G. W. P. Do. to National Division,		29 1 3
	Do. Athenæum Office account 1852,		4 19 9
	Do. Balance in hand		5 6 0½
			£60 12 6½
		CR.	
May 2.	By Balance from last Quarter,		10 17 6½
July 14.	" Cash from Grand Scribe,		14 15 0
25.	" Do. Do. Do.		35 0 0
			£60 12 6½
July 25.	By Cash in hand.		£5 6 0½

Halifax, N. S.

M. G. BLACK, JR., *G. Treasurer.*

*Account of Monies received from the Grand Scribe on account of the Agency and Lecture Fund.*

1853.			
Jan'y 27.	Contribution from Aurora Division,		£1 0 0
	Do. Do. Coldstream "		5 0 0
	Do. Do. Star in the East "		2 0 0
Feb'y 21.	Do. Do. Evening Star "		2 0 0
April 25.	Do. Do. Port Royal "		1 0 0
	Do. Do. Avondale "		2 0 0
30.	Do. Do. Truro "		5 0 0
July 25.	Do. Do. Central "		1 0 0
	Do. Do. Herald "		1 0 0
			£20 0 0

Halifax, 25th July, 1853.

M. G. BLACK, JR., *G. T.*