
SEMI-ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
SONS OF TEMPERANCE,
HELD AT
ADAMSVILLE, JULY 6, 1864.

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The attention of Subordinate Divisions is particularly directed to the Report of the Finance Committee, on pages 7 & 8 of Proceedings.

Adamsville, 6th July, 1864.
10 o'clock a.m.

The Grand Division Sons of Temperance of Canada East, met this day at 10 o'clock a.m., at Adamsville, E. T.

Officers Present:—A. P. Hulburt, G. W. A; John S. Hall, G. S; G. E. McIndoe, G. T; J. W. Manning, G. Chap; B. S. Barrett, G. Con; Wm. Bates, G. Scribe.

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

The G. W. P. then named the following Reps. to fill vacancies. Rep. H. Rose of No. 44, G. W. A.; Rep. Hutchings, of No. 1, P. G. W. P.

Grand Division opened in due form, after Prayer by Grand Chap.

The G. W. P. named as a Committee on Credentials, W. Stevenson, of No. 58; Newell, of No. 62, and C. H. Mansfield, of No. 59, who reported the following Credentials correct, viz:—

HOWARD DIVISION, No. 1, John Campbell, W. P.; John Jackson, P. W. P.

EAST FARNHAM, No. 59, Thomas Dagleish, W.P.

The Grand Conductor reported Rep. Dagleish in waiting, and he was introduced and initiated.

Moved by Rep. J. F. Thompson, and seconded; Resolved, that

the hours of meeting and adjournment of the Grand Division during the present Session be as follows:—adjourn at 12 o'clock noon, meet at 2 o'clock; adjourn at 5 o'clock, and meet again at half-past 6 o'clock p. m.

Moved by G. Chap. and seconded:—

That the services of G. Chap. be dispensed with at closing Grand Division until final adjournment,—Carried.

Grand Division adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock p. m.

Two o'clock p. m.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment.

Officers present same as morning session.

Prayer by G. Chap.

Grand Division opened in due form.

Moved by G. W. A. and seconded, that all representatives hereafter presenting themselves for admission to the Grand Division during the present session be merely obligated.—*Carried.*

The Committee on Credentials reported the credentials of William Josleyn; J. P. Horskin; Anson Bordin; G. P. Rixford and M. Buck, P.W.P's, of Bedford Division, No. 55, and Robert Allen, W.P., of Adamsville Division, No. 50, correct.

The G. Con. announced Reps. Josleyn, Horskin, Allan, and E. Lawrence to be in waiting, and they were introduced and obligated.

Read Report of G.W.P.:—

FORESTON, Ogle Co., Illinois,

June 27, 1864.

Officers and Brothers of Grand Division S. of T. of C. E.

I regret to inform you that I shall be unable to be present at the Semi-Annual Session of the Grand Division at Adamsville on the 6th proximo; especially do I regret my absence, when I take into consideration the generous welcome and warm reception I feel assured you will receive at the hands of the ladies and gentlemen—Brothers and Sisters of Adamsville and vicinity.

I am obliged to leave the Report of the "state of the Order," and general business to come before the G. D. in the able hands of your Worthy Grand Scribe, feeling satisfied that the interests of the Order in Canada East will not suffer thereby.

From my present knowledge of the condition of the "Sons" throughout our widely extended jurisdiction, I believe, as a whole, we are prosperous and doing well. The G. S. will inform you of the meeting of the National Division held at the city of Cleveland, on the 16th, 17th, 18th 20th and 21st instant, which National Convention of the Order I was obliged to leave before its proceedings terminated.

I have visited but a limited number of Subordinate Divisions since our last meeting, owing to the constant pressure of private business, but hope to be able to give a better account of my Stewardship at our Annual Meeting, in January next.

Those Divisions I have visited are doing well, and Adamsville Division in particular—outstrips her sister Divisions in numbers, and the efficiency and zeal of its members. I met, there, with a very cordial reception, and found the Ladies there, (as everywhere else in fact,) active co-labourers in the good work—may they persevere until “our purposes are accomplished.”

I am obliged to call upon the Deputies, as did my immediate predecessor, for more prompt returns. The necessity and importance of this being done, may be better understood by a knowledge of the fact, that upon such sources of information *only*, can a correct estimate be based, and account given by the Grand Officers, of the actual state and condition of the Order. Some few Deputies are prompt in this respect, yet they are the exceptions. I trust that in the future, remiss Deputies will promptly attend to this important part of their duty. I again refer you to Bro. Hall or Rev. Bro. Duff for information, relative to the action of the N.D., upon the subject of admitting Lady Visitor's to full membership. Either of those worthy Brothers, I doubt not, can give you full information upon this important matter. Since my arrival in this place, I learn that Mr. Dunkin's Temperance Bill has become law; if such is the case, I deem it but just for G.D. to give expression of its approbation of the conduct of Mr. Dunkin in the premises, by resolution or otherwise. In my opinion, Mr. Dunkin is entitled to the gratitude of the nation, for his manly and almost superhuman exertions in pushing this Bill through the House.

In closing this letter of apology, (not report) allow me to express the hope, that your deliberations may be harmonious, productive of much good, and tend greatly to advance the interests of our noble Order, and may the Great Patriarch above smile upon your labours.

I remain, as ever,

In Love, Purity and Fidelity,

J. B. LAY, G.W.P.

On motion referred to Good and Welfare Committee.

G.S. read his Report:—

Adamsville, 6th July, 1864.

Grand Worthy Patriarch, Officers and Brothers.

Through the kind providence of a most gracious God we have been spared to meet together in Semi-Annual Session, to take counsel together and deliberate on matters touching the best interests of the human family, and to adopt such measures as may be deemed best adapted to strengthen and extend our beloved Order, and for the promotion of Temperance within the bounds of our jurisdiction.

In taking a review of the state of our Order during the period that has elapsed since our Annual Session, I must be allowed again to advert to the very dilatory and unsatisfactory manner in which our Subordinate Divisions, generally, make their returns. The meeting of the Semi-Annual Session is fixed at so early a period of the quarter as to render it impossible to have the returns for the immediately preceding quarter sent in so as to allow your Grand Scribe to lay before you a state of the Order for that quarter. There certainly was nothing, however, to have prevented all the Divisions in working order having the returns for the previous or March quarter, sent in so as to have allowed a full statement of the condition of the Order at that period, to be laid before this meeting. Yet the fact is, that out of 32 Divisions supposed in working order, only 22 have made returns.

The following is a copy of the Returns of this Grand Division to the National Division for the year 1864 :—

Number of Divisions in operation,	32
Number Admitted,	417
Number Suspended,	98
Number Reinstated,	83
Number Expelled for Violation of the Pledge,	84
Number Expelled for other causes,	144
Number of Deaths,	11
Number of Violations of the Pledge,	132
Whole number of Members,	1077
Number of Lady Visitors admitted,	55
Whole number of Lady Visitors,	969
Whole amount of Receipts,	\$967.22
Paid for Benefits,	\$36.50
Cash on hand and invested,	\$268.29
Per-Capita Tax to Grand Division,	\$206.75
Per-Capita Tax to National Division—two cts. each Member,	\$21.54
Number of Members in Grand Division,	149
Number of Representatives in National Division,	11
Number of Public Temperance Meetings held,	72
Number of Tracts distributed,	150
Number of Boys and Girls enrolled in Temperance Organizations,	250

The following is an abstract of the Returns from 22 Divisions for Quarter ending 31st March, 1863 :—

Initiated,	148
Withdrawn,	17
Suspended,	66
Violation of Pledge, 1st time,	33
“ “ 2nd time,	4
Nonpayment of Dues,	26
Reinstated,	18
Expelled,	46
Dead,	5
Contributing Members,	823
Lady Visitors,	771
Receipts,	\$231.03½
Paid for Benefits,	\$44.00
Incidental Expenses,	\$181.14½
Cash on hand,	\$159.52½
Per-Capita Tax to Grand Division,	\$43.15
Public Meetings held,	19
Tracts distributed,	150

One new Division has been organised during the past six months, viz : North Star, No. 72, located at Shefford Ridge, Co. of Shefford.

Two Divisions have notified their intention of surrendering their Charters, viz : Richmond, No. 38, and Knowlton, No. 60. I trust, however, some measure may be devised at this meeting]to prevent such a consummation.

I herewith submit a list of Divisions, many of which have long since ceased to be, and others have not been heard from for over four quarters. None of them so far as I am aware, have surrendered their charter, and consequently the books and papers have not been delivered up. I recommend that action be now taken in regard to these Divisions either to get the charters surrendered, and the books and papers delivered up, or what would be still better to get them once more into working order.

It has been my privilege in company with our G. W. P. and P. G. W. P., the Rev. A. Duff, to attend the Session of the National Division which has just been held in the city of Cleveland in the State of Ohio. The Repre-

sentation was large. There were delegates from all the British Provinces with the exception of Newfoundland.

The only changes made were: 1st.—Chap. VII. Sec. 5, of Code of Laws was altered by striking out the words "within one year" thus rendering the period within which clearance cards may be applied for indefinite. And 2nd.—It was resolved that one B.B. and 1 set of Officers cards be considered a set of the ritual, and no G. S. shall furnish another set until the other be either returned or satisfactorily accounted for. Grand Divisions are, however, allowed to publish the installation dedication, and other services, with the exception of the initiation service, for the use of the Deputies. I herewith lay before the Grand Division a copy published by the Grand Division of Ohio.

The questions regarding the admission of females to membership submitted by the M. W. S. to the Subordinate Division through their respective Grand Divisions were answered adversely by a large majority, and consequently no action was taken by the National Division.

A Resolution was introduced into the National Division by Rep. Gant, of Maryland to the effect that Cadets of Temperance who have passed the chair of W. A. be allowed to become visitors of Subordinate Divisions on being obligated, and that those who may be in the same position in their Grand Sections be allowed the same privilege in the Grand Divisions. It was not adopted.

Since our last Session the Temperance Bill introduced into the Legislature by Mr. Dunkin, has become Law. Our responsibility on this matter is now great. It rests with us and the other Temperance Organizations to see that the Law, which has been granted to us by the pressure of our Petitions, is made operative and not remain a dead letter on the Statue Book. Let us be up and doing.

Our Act of Incorporation has been renewed and amended. The thanks of this Grand Division are eminently due to P.G.W.P. G.M. Rose, for his exertions in getting this Act passed through the Legislature, and that at so trifling an expense to this Grand Division. The expenses incurred being only for the requisite notices in the *Canada Gazette* and in local papers, and amount to \$12 only.

The Resolution passed at the last Annual Session, relative to the raising a fund for the support of a Lecturer, was laid, by your Grand Scribe, before the several Subordinate Divisions. Many Divisions have returned no answer; only two of those who have answered are favorable. This seems, to me, to be unfortunate, as, in my opinion, the very long list of defunct Divisions, herewith submitted, shows the absolute necessity of some such measure being adopted.

There is herewith laid before you, a communication from the G.S. of the B.A. Order of G.T., on the subject of the amalgamation of the two orders.

Also from the same, relative to the holding of a Mass meeting sometime in September, in the Eastern Townships.

I was in hopes of being enabled to report an improvement in our Financial affairs. They remain much as before. Our liabilities are to Grand Scribe one year's salary \$100., J. C. Becket, balance of account \$31.53, against which there is due by Divisions about \$60.

All which is respectfully submitted,

In Love, Purity and Fidelity,

JOHN S. HALL,

Grand Scribe.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Grand Division S. of T. of C. E. in account with Grand Scribe.

Dr.	
By Amount received for per Capita Tax, from 1st	
January to 1st July, 1864, - - - - -	\$59 80
" Amount for Charters, Books, &c., - - - - -	16 51
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	76.31
Cr.	
To Cash paid expenses to and from West Shefford,	
attending Annual Session, -	\$ 4 00
" Cash paid postages for past 6 monhts,	13 45
" Cash paid Treasurer	57 97
" Cash on hand,	89
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	\$76 31

Adamsville, 6th July, 1864.

JOHN S. HALL,
Grand Scribe.

On motion referred to Finance and Good and Welfare Committee.

The G.W.P. named the following to fill vacancies in Committees, viz.:—G. Chap. Manning in G. and W. Committee, and Reps. Hutchings and Hoy in Finance Committee.

Treasurer's Report read:—

Grand Division S. of T. of C. E. in account with Grand Treasurer.

Cr.	
By Cash from Grand Scribe, - - - - -	\$57 97
Dr.	
To Cash paid M. W. S. per Capita Tax, for 1863	\$21 54
" Cash paid Canada "Gazette" Advertising	5 00
notice of Act of Incorporation,	4 00
" Cash paid Montreal "Witness" for do	3 08
" do "LePays" do	2 35
" do P. G. W. P. Duff, account postages	22 00
paid by him,	
" Cash paid J .C. Becket, on account	
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	57 97

Adamsville 6th July, 1864.

GREENVILLE E. McINDOE,
Grand Treasurer.

On motion referred to Finance Committee.

Read Report of Committee on Act of Incorporation:—

To Grand Worthy Patriarch, Officers and Members of Grand Division Sons of Temperance of Canada East.

In behalf of the Committee appointed at last Annual Meeting of this Grand Division to have our Act of Incorporation, which was about to expire

through efflux of time, renewed and amended, I beg to report:—

That according to your instructions we had the then existing Act carefully revised, and after adding several important amendments, introduced into the Legislature, and carried through, and it was assented to by His Excellency the Governor General the 30th June, 1864.

The Act is now greatly improved, the old Act having been so much mixed up with the Canada West Act, that it was hard to perceive what part of it referred to Canada East, and what did not. The thanks of the Grand Division is due to the honorable member for Kent, C. W., Mr. Archibald McKellar, and the Hon. Mr. Aikins, representing the Home Division, the first named having taken charge of it in the Assembly, and the latter in the Legislative Council. To other honorable members we are also indebted for their assistance in carrying it through, and I hope the Grand Division will not omit thanking them in a proper manner.

With regard to the amount voted for expenses by referring to your Grand Scribe, you will learn that the sum has not been exceeded the only expenses incurred being that required for the customary notice in the Canada "Gazette" and local papers. The other expenses I got remitted.

Yours in Love, Purity and Fidelity,

GEO. MACLEAN ROSE, P.G.W.P.

Quebec, June 30th, 1864.

On motion referred to Good and Welfare Committee.

Moved by G.S., and seconded:—"That a Special Committee be named to revise the By-Laws of this Grand Division."—*Carried.*

The G.W.P. named on said Committee, G.S., G.Chap., and Rep. Hutchings, of No. 1.

Moved by G. Con. and seconded:—"That the resolution appointing 5 o'clock as the hour of adjournment be reconsidered."—*Carried.*

Moved by G. T. McIndoe and seconded:—"That the resolution be amended so that we do now adjourn."—*Carried.*

Grand Division adjourned, to meet at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 6 o'clock.

$\frac{1}{2}$ past 6 o'clock, p.m.

The Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment.

Officers present same as former Sessions.

Prayer by Grand Chaplain.

Grand Division opened in due form.

The Finance Committee presented the following Report:—

Adamsville, July 6th, 1864

The Finance Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Grand Treasurer, together with the Financial Report and Statement of the Grand Scribe, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration and present the following for the action of this Grand Division, (viz.) The Finance Committee have to report the account of the Grand Treasurer correct. They have also examined the accounts of the Grand Scribe, together with the necessary vouchers, and find the same correct, with the exception of one item of \$4 for printing, to the "Montreal Witness." This item has however been vouched for by our Brother the Grand Scribe.

In reference to the present financial position of the Grand Division, the Finance Committee have taken this subject into their serious consideration, and upon examination find that for the 6 months ending January 16th, 1864, the sum of \$136.49 was received for Per Capita Tax, and \$19.02 for Books; and that for the 6 months ending July 4th, 1864, the sum of \$59.80 was received for Per Capita Tax, and \$16.50 for Books, being a deficiency of \$79.20 as compared with the 6 months previous.

They also find on referring to the Grand Scribe's Report for corresponding period of last year, ending July, 1863, there has been a falling off during the past six months of \$13.00. Notwithstanding this deficiency, we find the Grand Division in a better position at this time, when we take into account that during the past six months about \$20.00 has been paid out, that does not, properly speaking, belong to the necessary expenses.

In view of the present liability of \$131.53, your Committee suggest that a Special Tax of 2 cents (for each contributing member,) be levied on each Subordinate Division. Said Per-Capita Tax, together with Special Tax, to be paid (or guaranteed on Installation night) in all cases previous to the Installation of Officers by the Deputy, who should be instructed to see that the amount is then paid, or guaranteed for and on behalf of the Grand Division.

And that in order to have this faithfully carried out, the Grand Scribe shall notify all Deputies to the effect, that no Officers are to be installed until the returns are made out and the Taxes above stated appropriated.

Respectfully submitted in Love, Purity and Fidelity,

THOMAS HUTCHINGS,
GEORGE B. HOY,
D. L. ALLEN, } Committee.

P.S.—In reference to the Special Tax, the Finance Committee would recommend its adoption for one year from date.

On motion, it was resolved: "That the Report be taken up and discussed clause by clause." The first part of the Report, finding the Treasurer's Report and Grand Scribe's Financial Statement correct, was on motion adopted. After some discussion had taken place on the second part of this Report, it was moved by Rep. Henry Rose, and seconded: "That the clause of the Report of the Finance Committee, relating to Special Tax, be laid over to the Annual Meeting, and that the attention of Subordinate Divisions be specially directed to this question, by a note on first page of proceedings.—*Carried.*

Good and Welfare Committee present their Report, as follows:—

Adamsville, July 6th, 1864

To the G. W. P. Officers and Brethren of the G. D. S. T. of C. E. in Semi-Annual Session.

The Good and Welfare Committee beg respectfully to submit that they have taken into consideration the G. W. Patriarch's "apology for a report" and join with him in expressions of regret at his unavoidable absence from this session.

Your Committee are exceedingly pleased to find that our G. W. P. expresses the hope, that in the coming six months he will be able to visit a larger number of the Subordinate Divisions than during the past six months, and they desire to express their earnest wish that he may find all the Divisions he may now visit in such an efficient state as shall enable him to speak as highly of them as he has done of the Adamsville

Division, and they urge upon the brethren of the Adamsville Division the necessity of unceasing exertion to maintain their present proud position.

Your Committee regret to find that our present G. W. P. has to re-echo the complaint of the P. G. W. P., of remissness on the part of the deputies in forwarding their returns, and they recommend that the G. W. P. be advised to remove all defaulting deputies and request the Divisions more immediately concerned to nominate brethren who will be likely efficiently to discharge the duties of their office, this recommendation being based upon the supposition that such change would be constitutional.

Your Committee join with the G. W. P. in expressing approbation of the course pursued by C. Dunkin, Esq., M.P.P., in so manfully pressing forward "The Temperance Act of 1863" and they recommend that the thanks of this Grand Division be officially communicated to that gentleman for his efforts in connection with the said bill, and at the same time they would remind the Subordinate Divisions that the most practical way of thanking Mr. Dunkin is by enforcing the provisions of the act and thus pave the way for a more comprehensive enactment.

ON GRAND SCRIBE'S REPORT.

In considering the report of the Grand Scribe, your Committee regret to find that the Subordinate Divisions are as neglectful of their duties in the matter of returns, as the Deputies, and they recommend to the Grand Division the taking of such action with reference to the time appointed for the holding of the Semi-Annual meeting as shall afford ample time for the reports being sent in; and they suggest that the Grand Scribe be instructed to bring the matter before the Grand Division at its Annual Session, when the time and place of holding its Semi-Annual Meeting is before it in the order of business.

It is with deep regret that we notice the long list of Divisions, 34 in all, that have neither surrendered their Charters, nor reported themselves for the long period of more than four quarters. We suggest that the Grand Scribe be instructed to offer, to each and all of these Divisions, a remission of arrears due this Grand Division, provided they report themselves within three months of the reception of the letter, in good working order; failing this, that they be required to surrender their Charters and other property. Whilst on this subject, your Committee would express their opinion, that one leading cause of the decline of Divisions, may be found in the fact reported by the Grand Scribe, as gathered from the returns, that during the time reported upon, twenty-two Divisions had only held nineteen Public meetings, and they strongly urge upon Subordinate Divisions the necessity of constant aggressive action on their part.

Your Committee are pleased to find that the meeting of the National Division was so numerous and harmonious, and they hope the time is not far distant, when, by a restoration of peace in the States, we may look for largely increased numbers, and the exertion by the National Division of a more widely extended influence.

Believing, as your Committee do, that it is highly necessary that Divisions should be systematically visited and encouraged, and seeing no other mode of accomplishing this than by a paid Agency, they regret the almost entire absence of responses from the Divisions upon the subject of a Lecturer, and they suggest that a brief statement of our present condition as an Order be sent to each Division, and that they be again urged to give this important matter their serious consideration, and report thereon to the Grand Scribe previous to the Annual meeting, and your Committee have no doubt, that, in many of the Divisions reported upon by the Grand Scribe, new life may be restored by the visit of a good Lecturer to their locality.

The Act of Incorporation having been amended and renewed at a small

cost to the Grand Division, your Committee suggest that the hearty thanks of this Grand Division be presented to P.G.W.P., G.M. Rose, and the Committee, for their effectual labours in connection therewith, and also, that the Grand Scribe be instructed to forward the thanks of the G.D. to A. McKellar, Esq., M.P.P. and to the Hon. Mr. Aikins, M.L.C., the gentlemen who so kindly took charge of the Bill in the Assembly and Legislative Council respectively, and we recommend that the 8th Clause of the said Act of Incorporation be appended to the report of the proceedings of this Session of the Grand Division.

With reference to the subjects embraced in the communications of the Grand Secretary of the B. A. O. of G. Templars, viz: amalgamation and a mass meeting under the auspices of that Order and the Sons of Temperance; your Committee feel that the subjects are too important for them to deal with in the short time at their disposal, and they recommend that the Grand Division give to each letter a careful consideration, with a view to taking such action upon them as may appear advisable.

Submitted in Love, Purity and Fidelity,

J. W. MANNING. }
B. S. BARRETT. } Committee.
W. STEVENSON. }

Moved by G. T. McIndoe and seconded: "That the Report be taken up and discussed section by section." The Report having been considered and approved of section by section it was thereafter moved by G. Chap. Manning and seconded: "That the Report, as a whole, be adopted."—*Carried.*

Moved by Rep. J. F. Thompson and seconded: "That all orders for books or cards be accompanied with cash, and that the G.S. furnish a list of prices printed on the back of proceedings."—*Carried.*

The following communication from the G.W.S. of B.A.O. of G.T., having been read:—

To the Grand Scribe, Sons of Temperance of C. E.

Dear Sir, and Brother,

At a regular Session of the Grand Lodge of the British American Order of Good Templars, of Canada East, held at Sherbrooke on the 19th January, last.

The following Resolution was adopted, and a copy ordered to be sent to the Constitutional head of each Organization in Canada, viz:—

Resolved.—That a Committee of three be appointed to confer with Committees from the Independent Order of Good Templars, and Sons of Temperance, with a view of arranging and proposing a basis upon which their Orders (and our own) may be united, and report at next Session of Grand Lodge.

Bros. J. G. Robertson, C. H. Baker, and Thomas Hutchings were appointed upon said Committee on behalf of this Order.

Hoping that this all important subject may receive at your hands the cordial support, (to which it is entitled) of every friend of this great cause in which we are engaged. (Let Union be our watchword, and the victory will be ours.)

I remain dear sir, and Brother, yours in the bonds of
Faith, Hope, and Charity,

THOMAS HUTCHINGS, G. W. S.

It was moved by Rep. H. Rose and seconded: "That a Committee of three be appointed to confer with Committee of B.A.O. of G.T. and other organizations, with a view of arranging a basis upon which the Orders may be united, to report at Annual Session of Grand Division." After some discussion had on this resolution, it was moved and seconded: "That the Grand Division adjourn," which was *Carried*.

The Grand Division then adjourned, to meet a 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

7th July, 1864, 8 o'clock a.m.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment.

Officers present same as former Sessions, except G.W.A.

G.W.P. named Rep. J. F. Thompson to act as G.W.A.

Prayer by G. Chap.

The consideration of the communication from G.S. of B.A.O. of G.T. and resolution offered by Rep. Rose having been resumed; after considerable discussion, the resolution was carried.

The G.W.P. named the following as the Committee:—Rep. Hall, G.S.; Barrett, G. Con.; and Martin, of No. 1.

The communication of the G.S. of B.A.O. of G.T., relative to the holding of a Mass Meeting in the Townships; having been taken up and read, it was moved by G. Con. Barrett and seconded:—"That a Committee of three be named to co-operate with Committee, to be named by B.A.O. of G.T., with full power to act as they deem best." *Carried*.

The G.W.P. named as said Committee:—Rep. Noyes, of No. 47; H. Rose, of No. 44; and L. H. Lawrence, of No. 64.

Moved by G. Scribe Hall and seconded:—"That the thanks of this Grand Division are due, and are hereby tendered to the members of Adamsville and East Farnham Divisions and their Lady friends, for the exceedingly kind and handsome manner they have contributed to our entertainment during this Session."

Moved by Rep. Hutchings and seconded:—"That 150 copies of the proceedings be printed and distributed to the Subordinate Divisions, in the proportion of 2 copies for the first 50 members, and 1 copy for each additional 50 members."—*Carried*.

Minutes read and approved. Prayer by G. Chap.

Grand Division then adjourned, to meet in the City of Montreal, on the 4th Wednesday in July, 1865.

JOHN S. HALL,

Grand Scribe.

OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES

In attendance at the Semi-annual Session of the Grand Division, held at Adamsville, on the 6th and 7th days of July, 1864 :—

A. P. Hulburt, G.W.A. ; John S. Hall, G. Scribe ; G. E. McIndoe, G. Treas. ; J. W. Manning, G. Chap. ; B. S. Barrett, G. Con. ; William Bates, G. Sent.

HOWARD DIVISION, No. 1.—John S. Hall, Wm. Bates, Thomas Hutchings, B. S. Barrett and J. W. Manning.

GRANBY DIVISION, No. 44.—Henry Rose and G. E. McIndoe.

SHEFFORD DIVISION, No. 47.—J. P. Noyes and D. L. Allen.

EASTERN STAR DIVISION, No. 49.—Thomas Robinson.

ADAMSVILLE DIVISION.—J. F. Thompson, E. A. Fordice, R. Goddard, A. Knight, P. A. Martin, R. Allen, F. B. Sanborn and G. Knight.

BEDFORD DIVISION, No. 55.—Wm. Josleyn and J. P. Horskin.

COWANVILLE DIVISION, No. 58.—Wm. Stevenson.

EAST FARNHAM DIVISION, No. 59.—A. P. Hulburt, C. H. Mansfield, J. McRea, R. W. Sanborn, E. A. Woodbury and T. Dalgleish.

FARNHAM CENTRE DIVISION, No. 62.—Newell.

WEST SHEFFORD DIVISION, No. 64.—H. A. Lawrence, L. H. Lawrence and E. Lawrence.

MECHANICS' DIVISION, No. 65.—G. B. Hoy.

Lady Visitors present during the Session :—

HOWARD DIVISION, No. 1.—Mrs. B. S. Barrett and Miss Young.

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