

GRAND LODGE GOOD TEMPLARS

Annual Session Held on Wednesday, July 5th.

GRAND CHIEF TEMPLAR'S REPORT

Reports of the Various Committees—The Next Session To Be Held in Pownal.

The Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars of Prince Edward Island met in annual session at 11 a. m. on Wednesday the 5th, of July, in the Hall of Dawn of Day Lodge, Murray River.

The pro tem appointments were as follows:—

- G. Vice, Annie M. Smith.
- G. Chap., D. D. Dingwall.
- G. Mar., Ed. Bulpitt.
- G. Guard., Eva Bulpitt.
- G. D. Mrs., Amy Carver.
- G. Messenger, Peter VanDerstine.
- P. G. T., S. M. Martin.

OFFICERS PRESENT.

- G. Com., A. D. McLeod.
- G. S. J. T., Adelia E. Horton.
- G. Secy., A. D. Fraser.
- G. A. Secy., Wm. C. McMillan.
- A. D. Fraser, Wm. C. McMillan and Maggie Smith were appointed Committee on Credentials, and submitted their report as follows:—

REPRESENTATION TO G. L. MEETING.

- Dawn of Day Lodge.—Alex. Richards, Peter VanDerstine, Roddie Keenan, Rev. Henry Carter.
- Excelsior.—Amy Carver, Maggie Smith, Cedrick Bullum, Albert Gay.
- Rosebush.—Eva Bulpitt, Edward Bulpitt, Fannie Stewart, Archibald Hamilton.
- Martinvale.—George Docherty.
- Albion.—Neil S. Ross, D. D. Dingwall.
- Murray Star.—Christy McLeod.
- Forward Templar.—Adelia E. Horton.
- Rosebud.—Geo. J. Creed, Maria Creed, Mark Connors, S. W. Johnson.
- Upton.—Bessie Matheson.
- Prince Albert.—A. D. McDonald, H. H. McDonald.
- Bailey.—Wm. S. Hughs, Mrs. Archibald.
- Gough.—Alex. Irving, A. D. Fraser.
- Ark of Safety.—Rich. Squarebriggs.
- Victoria District.—W. H. Beers.
- Pownal.—Wm. Acra.
- Star of East.—Gus. A. Clay.

The following were initiated into the Grand Lodge Degree:—Rodrick Keenan, George Docherty, Alex. Richards, Neil S. Ross, S. W. Johnson, Mark Connors, Alex. Irving, Cedrick Bullum and Rev. Henry Carter.

The G. C. T. appointed the following Committee on Distribution: A. D. McLeod, William Acorn and Neil Ross.

The G. C. T. read his report which is as follows:—

CHIEF TEMPLAR'S REPORT.

Brothers and Sisters: Another year of our history is about to be numbered with the past and we are now met in Annual Session to review the work in connection with our order and to consider the continuance of the same with a view to a still further advancement of temperance sentiment, not only within our own lodges but wherever we can sway any influence.

At our last Annual Session a year ago, we anticipated the taking of a plebiscite for and against prohibition within the year, and in conjunction with other temperance bodies made

ample preparations for the event. The result at the polls on the 29th of September last was such as to convince every temperance worker that no effort was spent in vain, the only cause for disappointment being that the government did not see fit to carry out the wishes of the people as expressed on that occasion though their leaders several times implied, if not emphatically expressed, that the wishes of the people would be carried into effect.

Circumstances certainly made it a difficult matter to deal with the question of prohibition, and while the government must be held responsible for refusing to carry out the wishes of the people in this connection, yet we can rest assured that if the Government or each member of parliament felt that the support of the temperance people would be withdrawn, a prohibitory bill would receive not only the support of the Government but of each member of parliament representing a riding in which a majority was polled in favour of prohibition.

The campaign which was conducted by temperance people previous to the plebiscite vote should be renewed during each election campaign and none but a temperance man receive a nomination or election at the hands of temperance people.

Some Grand Lodges during the past year have been discussing the advisability of uniting the I. O. G. T. and the Sons of Temperance; both these organizations having the same object in view might by united effort do more effective work for the great common cause of temperance.

Owing to the fact that several Subordinate Lodges owned valuable property it was deemed advisable to renew the Act Incorporating our order and a bill was therefore prepared and received the sanction of parliament, so that we are now constituted a legal body.

It is worthy of mention that the same session of parliament that incorporated the I. O. G. T. for the sole purpose of promoting the cause of temperance in the province also legalised the sale of intoxicating liquors in Charlottetown, and to-day about 40 persons in that city hold Government certificates authorizing them to sell, and giving them the protection of the law—while engaged in the traffic which our order condemns, and is using every lawful means to exterminate.

While the free or slightly restricted sale of liquors is carried on in Charlottetown, it will remain a difficult matter to enforce the Canada Temperance Act in the country. We should therefore use our influence as soon as the opportunity presents itself to again have the Scott Act become law in the city. The success of our order mainly depends on the work we do and the part we play in solving the questions of temperance and prohibition, that now so largely engage public attention.

Though our order seemed to decline during the first part of the year, yet of late a number of lodges are making considerable progress; and new lodges

as well as a revival in some of our old ones seem to augur advance which will place our order in as good a position as it has occupied for some time.

I very much regret that owing to circumstances I was unable to devote the time to the work of the order which the position I occupy demanded, but I have sincerely to thank those who so faithfully performed the part of the work entrusted to them, and hope that they may be further advanced in positions of honour and responsibility.

I remain yours in Faith, Hope and Charity.
MARTIN MCKENZIE.

The report of the Grand Treasurer was in his absence read by the Grand Secretary.

The G. S. J. T. read a very exhaustive report on the work of her department. Morning session adjourned at 12 to re-assemble at 2.30 p. m.

AFTERNOON.

The report of the Grand Electoral Superintendent was then submitted.

The G. C. T. was pleased to appoint the following Sessional Committees:

State of Order.—S. M. Martin, Edward Bulpitt, Christy McLeod.

Finance.—Albert Gay, W. S. Hugh, George Docherty.

By-Laws.—A. D. Fraser, A. E. Horton, W. H. Beers.

Recommendations.—Will Robin, L. U. Fowler, Gus. A. Clay.

Juvenile Work.—Bessie Matheson, Amy Carver, Eva Bulpitt.

Public Meeting.—D. A. Horton, Peter VanDerstine, Irene McLeod.

Verbal reports were received from the delegates of the various Lodges, Juvenile Templars and District Lodges; all of whom reported a decided increase of interest in the work. Gough Lodge was reported as being the only lodge in the Dominion of Canada as having one of their members an officer in the International Supreme Lodge, which has just completed its session at Toronto.

The report of the Com. on State of the Orders was read by S. M. Martin, as follows:—

We your Committee on State of Order beg leave to state that after having examined the various reports submitted to us we find: That there are at present 22 Lodges on the roll with a membership of 930. During the year there was one Lodge and three juvenile temples organized.

Although some old Lodges ceased working and a reduction of membership in several others, we are assured by the Grand Chief Templar's report, that the decline in the order is more apparent than real, and that today the order is in as good a position as it has been for some time. It is also interesting to know that the I. O. G. T. is now an incorporated body affording us a protection not heretofore enjoyed.

Submitted in Faith, Hope and Charity.

S. M. MARTIN
CHRISTY McLEOD
EDWARD BULPITT.

The Finance Committee's report was read by Cedrick Bullum as follows.

We your Committee on Finance beg to report that we have examined the Grand Secy's, Grand Treas', and G. S. J. T.'s report, and everything in connection therewith appears to be in order.

Total receipts for year	\$223 08
“ expenditure “	221 71
“ cash on hand “	1 37
Value of G. L. property	40 00
Total value	41 37
Indebtedness of G. L.	90 15
Net do	\$48 78
Receipts from Juvenile dept.	\$4 26
Expenditure of “	7 16
Indebtedness of “	2 20
Grand total indebtedness G. S.	\$50 98

Respectfully submitted in Faith, Hope and Charity.

W. S. HUGH
GEORGE F. DOHERTY
JOHN C. BALLUM.

Grand Lodge then adjourned to meet Thursday morning at 9 a. m.

THURSDAY MORNING.

Grand Lodge re-assembled and opened by the G. C. T.

A. D. Fraser read the report of the Committee on By-Laws:

Report of Committee on By-Laws to the Grand Lodge of P. E. Island:

We, your Committee, on By-Laws beg to report that we have considered the action of Grand Secy's Report bearing upon By-Law No. IX, sec. 2, and in accordance with a notice giving in reference to this By-Law at our last semi-annual session we recommend that in said section of By-Law No. IX the words from “are” to “and” be struck out, and the words “not more than six months in arrears for dues” be inserted in lieu thereof.

Submitted in Faith, Hope, and Charity.

A. D. FRASER
W. M. BEERS
A. E. NORTON.

It was taken up for discussion and adopted without amendments.

Bessie Matheson read the report of the Committee on Juvenile Work,

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July 5th, 1899.

We your committee on Juvenile work, having examined the report of our G. S. J. T. beg leave to report as follows:

We are grieved that the progress in this department does not excel that of previous years, for this we principally blame the subordinate lodges for their coldness and indifference. Would they only put forth an earnest effort to train and educate the children in temperance principles, the present as well as the future subordinate lodges would reap a rich harvest. Those lodges taking the most active interest in their temples seem to blossom forth stronger and purer in their own temperance line.

We would again bring to the remembrance of this Grand Lodge the importance of the appointment of committees from the subordinate lodges to visit the Juvenile Temple. And we sincerely hope that those lodges that have no temple in connection with them will no longer delay to take advantage of this privilege of organizing and then visiting their temples at least three or four times a year. Were all as zealous as our worthy G. S. J. T. there would be fewer reports of temples organized only to be allowed to decay for want of timely help.

We would recommend that every Subordinate Lodge would devote one regular lodge session each quarter to juvenile work and if there be a temple in connection with the lodge that it be invited to be present.

Although Juvenile Templary has sustained some serious drawbacks during the past year, we hope that in the ensuing one all our Good Templars will put forth that earnest effort that never fails to receive reward.

Submitted in Truth, Love and Purity.

B. A. MATHESON
A. M. CARVER
H. E. BULLPITT.

The report was taken up clause by clause and discussed by the Grand Lodge after which it was adopted.

The report of the Committee on recommendations was read by L. U. Fowler, discussed clause by clause and adopted. After the adoption of the report, a recess was declared for the reception of the local Juvenile Temple. The exercises given were grand lessons in Juvenile Templary.

Grand Lodge then adjourned to meet at 1.30 p. m.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Lodge resumed work at 2 p. m. W. H. Beers moved that a vote of thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered

L. U. Fowler for his efficient, and painstaking services rendered in connection with the Act of incorporation, to which Mr. Fowler briefly and appropriately replied.

The salaries of the Grand officers for the coming year were fixed at: G. Secy. \$35 00 G. S. J. T. \$15 00.

Pownal was chosen as the next place of meeting.

The election of officers resulted as follows—Cedrick Bullum and A. D. McDonald acting as tellers.

G. C. T.—S. M. Martin, Heatherdale.

G. Com.—Albert Gay, Pownal.

G. V. T.—Bessie Matheson, Upton.

G. E. S.—Louis U. Fowler, North Bedford.

G. S. J. T.—Adelia E. Horton, Murray River.

G. Secy.—A. D. Fraser, Mill View.

G. Treas.—Wm. McMillan, Lower Montagu.

G. Chap.—R. V. Henry Carter, Murray River.

G. Marshall.—Richd. Squarebriggs, S. Paris.

The following were the appointments made by the executive:

G. Guard Mark Connors, Stergeon.

G. Sent. Neil Ross, Dundas.

G. D. M.—Amy Carver, Pownal.

G. A. S.—A. D. McDonald, Murray River South.

G. Mess.—Wm. L. Acorn, Pownal.

Officers were installed by L. U. Fowler, P. G. C. T. assisted by F. B. McRae and Alex. Irving.

A. E. Horton, Wm. McMillan, L. U. Fowler and Edward Bulpitt were appointed a standing committee on Course of Study.

W. H. Beers was appointed delegate to the Dominion Alliance at Toronto July 12th inst.

The matter of a union with other temperance bodies was left in the hands of the executive to be reported at our next meeting.

A vote of thanks was tendered the members of Dawn of Day Lodge in behalf of the Grand Lodge, for their kindness, hospitality, etc. to the members of other lodges.

G. L. then closed with the usual sermons of the Grand degree.

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THE GOOD TEMPLARS

Pass Resolutions in Grand Lodge.

CONDEMNING LICENSE

Scrimgeour Warehouse—The Refusal of Prohibition—Guardian Commended.

Your Committee on Recommendation beg to submit the following report:—1st.—We would recommend that a committee consisting of P. G. C. Templars John Goldsmith, L. U. Fowler and Bro Alex Lockhart of Oronhyoketish lodge with power to add to the number, be appointed to co-operate with the G. Lodge of New Brunswick in holding a public meeting in Summerside.

2d. That this Grand Lodge through its G. C. T. and G. Secy. petition the Legislative Committee of the Dominion Alliance that when they propose to submit to parliament any amendments to the C. T. Act they would urge the suggestion of Bro. Beers, G. E. S. as to making fines and penalties greater, one of the amendments.

3rd. We do not approve of the proposed change suggested by those whom we believe to be enemies of law enforcement, to have two prosecutors for each county, as the work can be done better by one good man, such as we have in King's Co. than any two men such as we imagine would be appointed.

4th. As to the action we should take in future elections for members of parliament, we urge Good Templars not

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