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THE TEMPERANCE BANNER.

MARIA BATTERHAM LINDESAY.

Fling out the Temperance Banner,
And let it float on high;
See that its sunny pinions
Flutter towards the sky.
Where'er poor humanity,
Earth's darkest paths have trod;
Where'er freedom veils her face
Beneath the oppressor's rod.

Fling out the Temperance Banner,
The world has need to-day,
Of truest heart and steadiest nerve,
To roll this rock away.
Fair liberty is 'ut a name,
And freedom's cause a sham,
Whil'st licensed men can walk abroad
The souls of men to damn.

Fling out the Temperance Banner
We'll rally round it now,
Let sect and creed and politics
To men's lost interest bow.
Fling out the Temperance Banner
The standard in our fight,
The router of oppression
The champion for the right.

North Asheville, N. C., Aug. 22nd, 1889.

OUT OF DARKNESS INTO LIGHT

Out of darkness into light,
Kneeling at the Saviour's feet,
Guide and help us in the right
As o'er past sins now we weep.
For above our short lived trials
Trusting in God's grace and love,
Faith builds us a paradise
In our home in heaven above.

Out of darkness into light,
Cheering sad hearts as we go,
Working for a crown so bright
Triumphing o'er every foe.
Out of darkness into light,
Sorrows notes are turned to joy,
As in grateful blithesome songs,
Heart and hand find blest employ.

Out of darkness into light,
Gentle Saviour lead thy child,
Through the wrong and not the right,
Doth by Satan's charm beguile.
Bid this sad dependant heart,
From its unknown depths arise,
Till no more the tear shall start,
Where is bliss beyond the skies.

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 22nd, 1889.

Total Abstinence.

A LITTLE SPEECH FOR A LITTLE BOY.
Perhaps you think a little boy
Can hardly understand
The message that the temperance folks
Would send through all the land.

But this I know—that want and woe
In drunkard's homes are found;
And places where they buy their drinks
Are open all around.

For liquor and tobacco, too,
More money goes, they say,
Than all the people in the land
For bread and meat now pay.

Some think a little does no harm,
It makes them feel so nice;
But, ah! it is more dangerous
Than skating on thin ice.

A little makes you soon want more;
And more and more you crave.
At last, to alcoholic drinks,
You find yourself a slave.

The chains begin to bind your soul,
When first you take a drop.
Before you take a single drink,
That is the time to stop.

At the Last.

The stream is calmest when it nears the
tide,
The flowers are sweetest at the even-tide,
The birds most musical at the close of day,
The saints divinest when they pass away

Morning is holy, but a holier charm
Lies folded in evening's robe of balm;
And weary men must ever love her best,
For morning calls to toil, but night to rest.

She comes from heaven, and on her wings
doth bear
A holy fragrance, like the breath of prayer
Footsteps of angels follow in her trace,
To shut the weary eyes of Day in peace.

All things are hushed before her, as she
throws
O'er earth and sky her mantle of repose;
There is a calmer beauty and a power
That Morning knows not in the Evening's
hour.

Until the evening we must weep and toil—
Plow life's stera furrow and dig the woody
soil—
Tread with sad feet the rough and thorny
way,
And bear the heat and burden of the day.

O! when the sun is setting, may we glide
Like summer evening down the golden tide,
And leave behind us, as we pass away,
Sweet starry twilight round our sleeping
day.

Forty-Fifth Annual Session

OF THE

National Division

S. OF T.

Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONS.

The Committee on Constitutions presented the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 1.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y.,
June 27, 1889.

M W P and Representatives:

Your Committee on Constitutions beg to report,—

First, That we have had referred to us a communication from the G W P, of Conn, enclosing a resolution in these words:

Resolved, That the Representatives of this Grand Division to the National Division be requested to recommend an amendment to the Constitution of Subordinate Division, which will permit a division to put a member convicted of violation of Article II, of said Constitution, under suspension for thirty or sixty days before final action, and after that time to expel or retain the member, as they may judge best.

Second, That we see no reason for making the change, as Section 2nd of Chapter VI of the Code of Laws permits members who have violated their pledge, and by ballot are retained, being re obligated within thirty days after the vote. But if the member fails to present himself for re-obligation within the thirty days, a new vote may be taken on the question of expulsion, and the plan of keeping such members in a state of suspense is not desirable.

Thomas Caswell,
Edward Crummev, } Committee.
J S Rawlings,

The same Committee presented the following which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 2.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y.
June 27, 1889.

M W P and Representatives:

Your Committee on Constitutions present the following:

First, We have considered the petition from the Grand Division of Vt, asking the National Division to amend the Constitution and By-laws so as to admit Past Grand Scribes to membership in National Division after serving one full calendar year as Grand Scribe.

Second, We do not favor the change, and see no necessity for it, as now at least two new Representatives can be sent from each Grand Division each year.

Thomas Caswell,
Edward Crummev, } Committee.
J S Rawlings,

The same Committee presented the following, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 3.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y.,
June 27, 1889.

M W P and Representatives:

Your Committee on Constitutions present the following report:

First, We have considered the petition from the Grand Division of Vt., to amend Section 1 of Article III, of the Constitution of Subordinate Divisions, so as to read: "That all members in good standing shall be allowed to vote in Subordinate Divisions."

Second, We disapprove of the proposed change.

Thomas Caswell,
Edward Crummev, } Committee.
J S Rawlings,

The same Committee presented the following:

REPORT NO. 4.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y.,
June 27, 1889.

M W P and Representatives:

Your Committee on Constitutions beg to present the following report: *First*, We have considered the resolution of Rep H H Pitts, of the Grand Division of N B, in these words:

Resolved, That the fiscal year of the National Division be changed from the 31st of December to the 31st of March, and that Grand Scribes be instructed to forward returns of their several Grand Divisions not later than the 15th of May next following.

Second, As this National Division have almost agreed upon holding its meetings in June or July, we favor such a change as the motion contemplates.

Third, We therefore recommend that Section 1, Part X, of this National Division, be amended by striking out the words "31st of March," in the third line thereof, and by inserting in lieu thereof the words, "15th day of May," and also by inserting the words, "ending the 31st day of March immediately preceding" after the word "year," in the ninth line of said section.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Caswell,
J S Rawlings,
Edward Crummev,

After a full discussion the previous question was ordered, and the motion to adopt was lost.

The same Committee presented the following, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 5.

SARATOGA SPRINGS,
June 27, 1889.

M W P and Representatives:

Your Committee on Constitutions present the following:

We have considered the proposition from the Representatives of the Grand Division of N J, in these words: "Amend Chapter III, in Section 2 of the Code of Laws, relating to the proposition and election of candidates for membership in Subordinate Divisions, by striking out "four" in the ninth line, and insert "two", and strike out "five" in the tenth line, and insert "three"; also in the twelfth line strike out the "five" and insert "three." The object of the proposed amendment is to reduce the number of black balls necessary to reject candidates for membership, from five to three.

Second, We have fully considered the matter, and report adversely to the change. The report of the Investigating Committee on a candidate is open to discussion before the ballot is circulated, and if any member states a sufficient reason why the candidate should not be admitted it will be easy to have more than the legal number of black balls. To permit two persons to keep out members, even if all the other members wish to receive, is giving this small number a power which we think they should not possess.

Thomas Caswell,
Edward Crummev, } Committee.
J S Rawlings,

The same Committee presented the following, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 6.

SARATOGA SPRINGS,
June 27, 1889.

M W P and Representatives:

Your Committee on Constitutions present the following:

First, Brother John R Hargin, of the Grand Division of New Jersey proposes as follows:

Resolved, That State Grand Division Constitution be so amended that sentence of expulsion against a Past Worthy Patriarch be not carried into effect pending an appeal, if made inside six months, to the Grand Division, except for violation of Article II, of the Constitution, non-payment of dues, or conviction of crime in a court of law.

Second, We disapprove of the proposed change.

Thomas Caswell,
Edward Crummev, } Committee.
J S Rawlings,

ELECTION OF SUPERINTENDENT.

The hour having arrived, the National Division took up the special assignment, viz: The election of Superintendent of Young People's Work.

Rev R Alder Temple, M W P, Rev Geo H Hicks, and F M Bradley, P M W P, were put in nomination.

Reps Temple and Hicks withdrew their names, and F M Bradley, P M W P was declared elected.

Rep M M Eavenson, of Penn, for the Committee on Ceremonies and Regalia, presented the following report, which was referred to the next session, and the Committee on Ceremonies and Regalia was instructed to present a form of certificate:

REPORT ON CEREMONIES AND REGALIA.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y.,
June 27, 1889.

To the National Division, S of T:

Your Committee on Ceremonies and Regalia, would beg leave to report in favor of the adoption of the resolution proposed by H H Pitts, of N B, as follows:

Resolved, "That a Committee be appointed to procure a design and have published as one of the National Division supplies, forms of membership certificates, and that the same be brought before Grand Divisions with the idea of having these certificates generally adopted by the Order."

Respectfully submitted,

M M Eavenson, } Committee.
Patrick Hayes,

OBITUARY REPORT.

Rep Rev A W Cummings, for the Committee on Obituaries, presented the following report, which was adopted:

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y.,
June 27, 1889.

Most Worthy Patriarch and Representatives of the National Division of North America:

The Committee charged with the mournful duty of making a suitable report upon the deaths of our brothers who have been called to pass the river since our last session, have been able to give the subject but a few brief minutes, and with very little aid from prearranged material to prepare a report. The report must consequently be brief and imperfect, and perhaps will be unsatisfactory to friends of our departed brethren.

Thomas W Wood, P G W P, of Rhode Island, was one of the most active and devoted of the Sons of Temperance in his State. He frequently represented the Order in the Grand and National Divisions, and his high character as a Christian gentleman made his services in our Order very valuable. He graduated from Brown University in 1840. He was for many years Clerk of the Supreme Court, and also of the Court of Common Pleas of Newport County, Rhode Island.

He was a charter member of Atlantic Division, No 5, instituted in 1851, and remained in its active service until removed by death, Aug 9th 1888, loved and honored by all who knew him.

P G W A, George M Cooper, of the Grand Division of Pa, was among the first to enlist under the banner of the Sons of Temperance. He had rendered the required service to give him a seat in the Grand Division in 1834, when he was elected G W A. After being absent from the jurisdiction of Pennsylvania for several years, he severed his connection with the Order. Upon his return to Pennsylvania he reconnected himself with the Order, and was again elevated to the position of G W A, in 1875. Bro Cooper was very frequently in attendance at the sessions of the National Division. He was initiated into this body at its second Annual Session and again in 1875.

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