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Grand Worthy Patriarch, William Wallace, of Pa, was initiated into the Order, and spent his life in advancing its principles, and in winning others to its ranks. He was an earnest and able advocate of temperance, and confidently believed that the right would triumph. He was zealous in every good work, a true friend and devout Christian. The richest legacy left his sorrowing widow and bereaved family is his high character and exalted worth. He served in the National Division at its session in 1883, and at the sessions for 1886 and 1888.

P G W Associate, William F Johnson, of the Grand Division of Mass, was a man of integrity and great worth, highly respected by the people among whom he resided. His temperance principles were fearlessly proclaimed, and when Mayor of the city of Lynn, he took a bold stand for the cause of temperance. He was elected G W Associate in April, 1878; and at the session of the National Division for that year, he was initiated into this branch of the Order. By his death, Nov 24, 1888, we sustain the loss of an honored and useful member. Let us immitate his virtues.

P G W Associate, Richard Britain, died December 14th, 1888. He was initiated into our Order at Plough-keepsie, on the 30th of October, 1845, and remained a faithful Son of Temperance until dismissed from labor here to receive the rewards of a noble life in the land where there are no sorrows. In 1864 he became G W Associate, and at the next session of the N D he appeared for initiation into this body; and after that time he was present at nearly every session. His last appearance among his brethren was at Toronto, in 1888. He did good work, and rests well.

Thomas W Bliss, P G W P, of New Brunswick, died in January last, aged 76 years. He joined the Sons in early life, filled with great credit to himself and usefulness to the Order all the subordinate offices, until he reached the highest in his Grand Division., Grand Worthy Patriarch, and was elected to represent his brethren in the National body.

P G W Associate, Wm M Horn, of Delaware, died at the age of 84 years, March 20th, 1889. He was a charter member in Wilmington Division, No 1. He was very useful and influential during his forty-four years of labor for the Order, and in possession of all his well earned honors.

P G W A, Charles D Everett' of New Brunswick, is another who gave a long life to the building up of the Sons of Temperance. He died in April last, aged 87 years. He served with fidelity in every branch of the Order, and passed away greatly loved and respected by all who knew him.

P G W Patriarch, Charles R Ayre, died April 12th, 1889. Brother Ayre joined the Sons of Temperance in 1859. From the first he evinced great interest, and labored with great zeal to advance the Order. Being blessed with considerable means, he contributed generously to advance the cause of temperance and religion in his Province, Newfoundland, and died at the age of 69 years, universally honored and lamented. The record of him is, that he had an open hand and sympathetic heart for every good cause.

Benj Williams, P G W Associate, of Prince Edward Island, died April, 1889. He was a charter member of Prince Edward Division, No 1, in July, 1853. He was a faithful Son of Temperance, a man of sterling qualities of head and heart, and died greatly loved and honored.

George Crosby, P G W P, of Ohio G D, died of paralysis, in March, 1889. The information concerning him is very brief, but your Committee are happy to believe that he was a good man and true, and a faithful Son of Temperance. He joined the Order in Pennsylvania, was transferred by card to Ohio, where he did good services as a Son and an official in the Presbyterian church.

P G W P, John Lyth, has died since the spring session of the G D of Western New York, of which he was an honored member. Your Committee learn that Brother Lyth was an old and faithful Son of Temperance. Members who attended the session of the National Division at Buffalo will remember him as one of the

most active and useful members of the Committee of Arrangements from the G D of Western New York.

Your Committee regret to report that of Bro James M Fairlie, G S, of Florida, and George E Pritchett, P G W P, of Virginia Junior, the only information in the possession of your Committee is that they have departed this life.

All of which is respectfully submitted, A W Cummings, B H Lane, W J Gates, } Committee.

REPORT ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

P M W A, G M Rose, for the Committee on the State of the Order, presented the following report, which was adopted:

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

To the National Division, S. of T.:

Your Committee on State of the Order, having presented a report on the miscellaneous matter referred to them, now report on the annual reports of the M W Patriarch and M W Scribe. The report of the M W Scribe shows that the Grand Divisions of Missouri and Delaware have reported less than seven Divisions for four successive years. The M W P reports the Order as very weak in these jurisdictions. It will be far better, we think, to have the few Subordinate Divisions in these jurisdictions placed under the immediate control of the National Division; and we recommend that in accordance with the provisions of Section 4, Part X, Constitution of National Division, the Most Worthy Patriarch take immediate charge of the charters of the Grand Divisions of Delaware, Missouri, and the Bahama Islands.

The report of the Most Worthy Patriarch contains no recommendations requiring the action of this Committee, but it is full of beautiful thoughts and earnest exhortations,—and we recommend that three thousand copies of the report be printed and sent by Grand Scribes to each Subordinate Division, with the recommendation that it be read in open Division.

Since our last annual session, Constitutional Amendments have been defeated at the polls in several of the States of the American Union, and the permissive or Scott Act in some portions of the Dominion of Canada: Although it has been thus fully demonstrated that a majority of voters in many localities are not yet convinced of the wisdom of prohibitory enactments, we, however, deem it our duty and privilege to reassert our faith in the principle of prohibition, and to place on record our determination to labor earnestly, zealously and continuously until on the statute books, or in the Constitution of every State and Province in America, this principle of the prohibition of the liquor traffic shall be recognized.

We recommend that the M W P, appoint a Committee of three members, to prepare a pamphlet giving facts, statistics and arguments relative to prohibition and high license, and that this Committee cause the said pamphlet to be printed and furnished to Grand and Subordinate Divisions at actual cost, so that we may thus educate the people to vote righteously on this most important question.

G M Rose, F M Bradley, J N Stearns, P B Stiness, } Committee.

The Most Worthy Patriarch announced as the Committee to collate and publish the statistics in reference to prohibition and high license, as directed in the preceding report, the Most Worthy Scribe, P M W P, F M Bradley, and Rep G H Hick.

RESOLUTIONS.

P M W P, J N Stearns, presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That we reiterate our unyielding opposition to the system of licensing the sale of intoxicating beverages at either a high or low fee, and we hereby declare that experience and observation confirm the wisdom and judgment of the fundamental principles of our Order, that absolute prohibition is the only right and permanent solution of the liquor problem.

Resolved, That we respectfully petition the Congress of the United

States to pass a bill for a National Commission of inquiry into the results of the liquor traffic.

Rep J Parsons, of Nova Scotia, presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the sympathy of this National Division be hereby expressed for and tendered to our esteemed brother, R T Smith, Grand Scribe of Maryland and D C, in the loss by death of his beloved son, Rev R T Smith, and that our Most Worthy Scribe communicate the same to our bereaved brother.

Rep Charles A Baldwin, of Connecticut, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

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

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this National Division is due and hereby extended to the Grand Division of Eastern New York, and its Reception Committee, for the hearty welcome extended to us; for the liberal provisions made for our comfort and pleasure while here, and also for the beautiful souvenirs presented us, which will keep fresh in memory all these attentions for years after this session shall have closed.

Rep C H Mead, of Western New York, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a special Committee of three be appointed by the Most Worthy Patriarch, to co-operate with the Committee from the Grand Division of New Jersey, having charge of the arrangements for the session of the National Division, at Ocean Grove, N J, in 1890, to prepare the programme and select the speakers and music for the public meetings that may be held at that time.

REPORT ON CONSTITUTIONS.

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

REPORT NO. 7.

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

M W P and Representatives:

Your Committee on Constitutions present the following report;

First P G W P, A W Cummings, of W N Y, presented the following resolutions:

Past Worthy Patriarchs in good standing who have filled four offices in Subordinate Divisions for at least one term, on attaining the age of sixty years, shall be enrolled as honorary members in their Divisions; they shall be relieved from the payment of dues, and from serving on Committees, but shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of other members. In the quarterly returns, each Division in separate column shall state the number of honorary members, but shall on such members pay no per capita tax to the Grand Division.

Second. The Code of Laws now provide for associate members, and at present we do not deem it wise to extend a non-paying membership.

Respectfully submitted,

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

The same Committee presented the following report, which was referred back to the Committee, with instructions to prepare the necessary amendments to the Constitution:

REPORT NO. 8.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, June 27, 1889.

Most Worthy Patriarch and Representatives:

The Committee on Constitutions present the following report:

First. Rep Parsons, of Nova Scotia, submitted an order, as follows:

Whereas, The propagation work of our Order is of prime importance for our own progress and the benefit of our fellow-men, and it is highly desirable that every member should have the opportunity of knowing what missionary work this National Division does every year, and as far as possible the results of the same; and

Whereas, The Grand Division can strengthen each other by recording and reporting their own methods and successes; therefore,

Resolved, That each Grand Division be required to furnish the Most Worthy Scribe not later than the thirtieth day of April, of each year, a brief report of work and results for

the year ending the thirty-first of March, and that the Most Worthy Scribe shall present to this National body in annual session, these reports or extracts therefrom, together with tabulated summary of National Division propagation work.

Resolved, Further, that the form of such reports, for the sake of uniformity and brevity, be as follows:

- 1. Public meetings held week-day and Sabbath.
2. Attendance at meetings.
3. Public and Sabbath-schools visited and addressed.
4. Scholars present.
5. Visits (official) to Divisions.
6. Members present.
7. Total meetings, etc., addressed.
8. Total attendance at meetings.
9. Number of Divisions organized.
10. Number of charter members in Division.
11. Number of Divisions resuscitated.
12. Number of Members in Divisions.
13. Number of Bands of Hope, etc., organized.
14. Number of members in Bands of Hope, etc.
15. Total number of Societies formed.
16. Total number of members in Societies.
17. Number of Temperance tracts and papers distributed.
18. Number of miles traveled by Agents.
19. Amount collected by Agents.
20. Total cost of the work.

Second. We heartily approve of the proposition, and suggest that the Most Worthy Scribe be authorized to prepare blank reports and forward them to the several Grand Scribes; and also direct the Grand Scribes to report to the Most Worthy Scribe in accordance with the plan proposed. This is a matter, however, more for the Committee on State of the Order than for this Committee. But having conferred with that Committee, we report at their request. At the next session the result of these returns should be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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

The same Committee presented the following, which was adopted.

REPORT NO. 9.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, June 27, 1889.

M W P and Representatives:

Your Committee on Constitutions present the following report:

First. Rep H H Pitts, of N B, moved that Part VIII of the Constitution of the National Division, be amended by adding after the words, "National Division," the words "such per capita tax to be based on the average membership as returned for the four quarters."

Second. We disapprove of the proposed change.

Respectfully submitted,

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

The same Committee presented the following report which was adopted,—yeas 31; nays 20.

REPORT 10.

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

Most Worthy Patriarch and Representatives:

Your Committee on Constitutions present the following report:

First. We have considered the decision of the M W P, as found on page nine of this report. The decision commends itself to our own judgment, but is apparently opposed to decisions 71 and 73, Digest of Decisions. On looking up the full report of the cases to which the Digest refers, we think the cases, as reported in the Journal, are not properly codified. We agree with the M W P, that a Grand Division should have power to reject an unfit person to the Grand Division, even if his name regularly appears in the credentials. We therefore think the M W P's decision should be confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Caswell, J S Rawlings, } Committee.

The same Committee presented the following report, which was adopted.

REPORT NO. 11.

SARATOGA SPRINGS, June 27, 1889.

M W P and Representatives:

Your Committee on Constitutions present their final report.

First. Rep Parsons, of Nova Scotia, moved that in addition to the other Standing Committees of this National Division, there be a Committee on Literature.

Second. We would favor the appointment of such a Committee, only that the rules of order provide for a Committee on Publications, which has all the powers which such new Committee could possess.

Respectfully submitted,

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

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMMUNICATIONS FROM ABSENT MEMBERS.

Rep H H Pitts, for the Committee on Communications from absent members, reported the following, which was unanimously adopted:

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

To the National Division, S. of T.:

Your Committee on Communications from absent members, beg leave to state that the work assigned it was neither onerous nor unpleasant. Reading over the various communications sent to the executive officers of our Order by men who have been prominent in the Order, and breathing as these letters do a heartfelt sympathy with us in our work, and a deep and abiding interest in the Order, has shown the Committee what a high place the grand old Order holds in the estimation and hearts of these busy workers in the cause of lifting humanity to a higher plane. Only the most pressing business and cases of illness to themselves and families have prevented the brothers whose communications are to-day before us from attending the session.

Letters expressing their deep regret at not being able to be present have been received from P M W P's General S F Carry, the old veteran in the work; S L Carleton, E J Morris, and B F Dennison, P M W A, C A Everett, Rev E R Young, M W Chaplain; Rev Alfred Noon, of Mass; Wm Smith, G S, Quebec; W B Wadman, G W P, California; N G Smith, G S, Virginia Junior; Fred S Dibble, S C, J S Bliss, of Wisconsin; and Timothy Parsons, of Illinois.

Respectfully submitted,

Herman H Pitts, Committee.

REPORT ON FINANCE NO 2.

Rep F H Henshaw, for Finance Committee, presented the following report which was adopted:

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

Most Worthy Patriarch:

The Finance Committee recommend the payment of the following bills:

Table with 2 columns: Description of bill and Amount. Includes items like 'The Saratogian, printing 500 copies name and addresses of members, \$5.70', 'Most Worthy Patriarch, expenses attending this session, 62.00', etc.

We recommend that all the surplus funds of the National Division be placed at the disposal of the Propagation Committee during the year.

Fraternally submitted,

Fred H Henshaw, W J Robinson, S C Barker, } Committee.

On motion of Rep F H Henshaw: Voted. That the thanks of this body be presented to Masters Clapp, Crummey, Eavenson and Stoddard, for their services as Pages during the session.

The Past Most Worthy Patriarch Ransom, for the Trustees, offered a resolution which was adopted and ordered to be entered on the written Journal.

On motion- Voted. That the disposition of worthless supplies be referred to the Committee on Publications and the Most Worthy Scribe with full powers.

RESOLUTIONS.

P M W P, F M Bradley offered the following resolution, which was adopted, viz;