

Communications.

QUESTIONS.

1. How do you think the temperance work can most successfully be carried on, by non-partizan methods or by the lines adopted by the third party?

Reply from the Grand Scribe of Ontario.

1. By non-partizan methods in my opinion. A third candidate will in most cases ensure the election of the bitterest opponent of our cause.

2. Temperance people should agitate and work for Prohibition. Nothing would please our enemies more than for us to waste our time in agitating for enforcement of present license laws.

3. No, except in so far as better machinery might be provided. The Scott Act has been well enforced lately where the officers of the law are in sympathy with the Act.

W. Bewell.

Reply from B. D. Branscombe.

DEAR EDITOR.—Replying to your circular let me say.

1. That I do not think it wise, for temperance people to commit themselves to the third party principle, for I doubt the possibility of forming a temperance party platform that would be adopted, by a sufficient number, to insure its success.

2. I think we should continually agitate for more stringent laws, and in the meantime use every just means of enforcing the existing laws, and by doing so educate the people to respect temperance principles and their advocates.

3. I believe a prohibitory law would be as well enforced as our present local option laws are.

Fraternally yours, B. D. Branscombe. Tracadie, April 11th 1889.

Reply from P. G. S. of Maine.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—In regard to Temperance Work I will say that I think individual and non-partizan work will do more good, than the lines adopted by the Third Party, for I believe that the Temperance sentiment is strong in all party's when the line is not drawn in Party questions.

It seems to me that if the Temperance people would do everything in their power to enforce the present laws in regard to the selling of intoxicating liquor that are on the statute books of the several States, that the liquor traffic could be put down with the laws which we now have, without wasting their time to enact more laws and not have them enforced.

In regard to local option laws. I think that general prohibition laws could be more easily and successfully enforced, than the former, for the reason that every year there would be a fight between those in favor of local option and those opposed, besides general Prohibition would keep it out of Party wrangles.

Yours in L P & F, P. Hayes, P G S. Chelsea, Me April 16th 89.

Reply from Grand Scribe Of Massachusetts.

DEAR BROTHER.—In answer to your question.

1. I believe in any method that will lead to the ultimate triumph of our cause, and in voting for known temperance men without regard to party lives.

2. I think there is no danger of two stringent Prohibitory laws, and then educate the people up to them. My experience has been if we aim to attain a certain point we must set our mark far enough ahead to lead the public to it.

3. I think Prohibition will be more effectually enforced, when local option laws are only partially enforced, for various reason the principal one being that many times the next town is a license town and works harm to its neighbor.

Yours in L. P. and F. C. E. Dennett.

Havelock Division.

Havelock Division, No. 251, S. of T., elected the following officers:—George Pierson, W P; C Peterson, W A; C M Sharpe, R S; Miss Maud Caotes, A R S; Rev B N Hughes, Chap; C F Alward, F S; Lee Corey, T; T V Freeze, C; Rainsforth Keith, A C; Ed Keith, I S; Fred Sharpe, O S. Luke Keith, P. W. P. O. C.

Sunbeam Division.

The following officers were duly elected for the ensuing quarter viz: C E Marven, W P; Edith Kierstead, W A; Wm Scott, R S; Bessie Jones, A R S; John Colgan, F S; Mrs. J A S Kierstead, Treas; Fannie Marven, Chap; C S Kierstead, Con; Maggie Gow, A C; Dorcas Pound, I S; A Carlross, O S; A Reed, P W P. Some of the officers being absent on account of illness were not installed until Tuesday evening April 9th. At the last night of meeting Division elected four delegates to attend District Division. O. C. —

Caraquet Division.

The following officers, of Caraquet Division, No. 344, were elected and installed, for present quarter:—J R Young, W P; R H L Young, W A; L C Blackhall, R S; Percy Hamon, A R S; J W Nixon, F S; E M Young, Treas; E Renyard, Chap; J A Young, Con; M Nixon; A C; F E T Blackhall, O S; F Templer, I S; M Young, Organist; J W Young, P W P.

Our Division is still moving on; although at one time it was reduced to a very low state. The worst is over however, and with the beginning of this quarter, a determination has sprung up in each and all, to use their best efforts, for the advancement of the cause of all mankind.

The District Scribe shall probably send you an account of District meetings proceedings last Saturday afternoon. O. C.

Safe Refuge Division, No. 354.

MR. EDITOR,—Permit me to say a few words in connection with our Division. We are steadily adding to our numbers. We had a very pleasant time installing our officers. The officers for the ensuing quarter are as follows:—

A O Harper, W P; E S Graves, W S; B M McCully, R S; B Chittick, A R S; W Lombart, F S; Ada Harper, T; W H Nickerson, Chap; Sopha M Graves, Con; S S Graves, A C; T B Graves, I S; J Nickerson O S; N Graves, S W.

We are getting along nicely with our hall, we have got all the outside lumber on the spot and the frame is being sawed now.

Yours truly, Nehemiah Graves D G W P. Anagance Ridge, April 9th 1889.

Lewisville Division, No. 285.

MR. ED.—With much pleasure I send the following report of our Division. Tuesday evening, 2nd inst. the following officers for the present quarter, were duly installed:—

I Cummins, W P; J McAleese, W A; A Blackeney, R S; I S Killiam, A R S; A M N Russell, F S; C H Lochart, Treas; Jerusha Mellish, Chap; May A Roberts, Con; Annie B McDonald, A C; John Mellish, I S; Albert Cummins, O S.

On Tuesday evening last we initiated three members, and received a fraternal visit from Moncton, Intercolonial, Fair View and Bulmer Divisions.

They were heartily welcomed by Lewisville Division members. After the routine of business, the following Brothers and Sisters were called on and responded.

Bros. E McCarthy, a speech; McKinon, speech; E Hicks, speech; I McKinon, speech; D McAleese, reading; William Mellish, music; J McAleese, recitation; Sisters F Killiam, recitation; J Mellish, recitation; Wm Mellish, music; Letitia Suelgrove, reading; Dialogue, by Sisters O Cummins, J Mellish, M A Roberts, Annie B McDonald and Bros J McAleese. I Lutes; Bros.—Burham, speech; A. Piten, speech; A M N Russell, reading after which the Division furnished refreshments to the visiting Bros. and Sister's, when a few moments were spent in congratulations and the Division closed with the best of feelings in Love, Purity and Fidelity.

Silver Stream Division, No. 330.

As the new quarter has come around again perhaps our Brothers would like to know how No. 330. is getting along. Well, we are jogging along with about the same number of members, and lately they all seem to take more interest in Division work.

One new member last evening joined the army of Tetotalers. Hope there will be more before the quarter is ended. We have had some debates in Division. The first one was: "which is best for the public High License or the Canada Temperance Act as it is." It was discussed very hotly for a while when the vote was taken it stood one vote in majority for high license. The next was: "which is most useful for man the cow or the horse." This lasted two nights but the poor horse had to leave when all the good qualities of the cow were presented to the members by Bro. Forrest who gave some good reasons that the cow was the best. The present debate is: "which is best for man a married or single life." It has not been voted on yet, but we hope the married ones will get it.

The following officers were installed into office by the D G W P Wm Tait and Bro. Wm Dealy acting as D G C.

Stephen Dealy, W P; John Walls, W A; Alexis Loggie, R S; Alexander Loggie, A R S; Mrs. John Walls, F S; J W S Babbirk, Treas; James Forrest, Chap; Sussie Johnston, Con; Tina Robertson, A C; Wm G Loggie, I S; Joseph Forrest, O S; Peter L Manderson, P W P.

Yours in L P & F, O. C. Black Brook, N. B. April 11th 1889.

Golden Rule Division.

The officers of Golden Rule Division No. 51 S. of T. for quarter commencing first of April, were installed by D. G. W. P., L. R. Moore, on the evening of the 3rd inst., and are as follows:—

Lizzie C. Russell, W P. Allen Robinson, W A. Achsah G. Gallagher, R S. Herman Robinson, A R S. Albert Peck, F S. W Temple Wright, T. John M. Lingley, Chap. Jennie E. Moore, Cond. Allison Peck, A C. Agnes Hamilton, I S. John Russell, O S. G. M. Peck, P W P.

The Division celebrated its thirtieth anniversary on the evening of the 26th March last, by speeches, readings, recitations, music and refreshments, and after spending a very pleasant time all went home with good wishes for the old Division that has lived so long.

L. R. MOORE. Hopewell Hill, A. Co., 5th April, 1889.

SNOWFLAKES.

The snowflakes have disappeared. I feared, too, that Snowflake Division, No. 307, S. of T., Case Settlement had about succumbed to the influence of some sun's rays. What it was, I could not divine, save it were the removal of various members to other places. The Division was virtually dead for two months—Since 13th Feb. to 15th April last. I wrought hard to get the members won back to their first love, and, after several fruitless efforts, I succeeded in getting eight members together, on the 15th April. On that evening I gave leave to elect and install officers for this quarter.

They were elected as follows:—C E Black, W P; Miss Nelvina Mercer, W A; Wilfred Mercer, R S; Miss Aggie Huggard, A R S; Jas L Howe, F S; Mrs C E Black, Treas; Mrs Jas L Howe, Chap; Jas Huggard, Con; Miss Janie Huggard, A C; Wm Watson, I S; Benjamin Mercer, O S.

A considerable other business was performed, as the voting of paying per capita tax, electing representatives for the formation of a District Division, for Kings, etc. The following were elected as delegates, viz., James Huggard, Beverly Huggard and James L Howe.

I hope that matters will again be satisfactorily arranged and that the work will prosper in this place. I think a number will soon join us. I trust we will soon have a visit from some of the Grand Officers.

I hope I will be enabled to correspond more often in the future. Wishing the Order, and you, MR. EDITOR, every success, I remain, Yours in L P & F. O. C.

Case Settlement, N. B., April 17th.

The temperance movement is going forward encouragingly in Switzerland.

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