

# GRAND DIVISION OF MICHIGAN.

ANNUAL SESSION OF THE GRAND DIVISION OF THE SONS OF TEMPERANCE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN.

YPSILANTI, Oct. 10th, 1888.  
(Continued.)

The Com. on G. S.s recommendations reported as follows, which was adopted as read:

YPSILANTI, Oct., 1888.

Officers and members of the G. D. Sons of Temperance of Michigan.—Your com. on recommendations of the Grand Scribe, 1 2 3 would report as follows:

We deem it wise, that commission of the D. G. W. P. remain in force until an other is appointed. We believe the bye laws should be revised up to and that Deputies should be appointed by the G. W. P., he being responsible for the action of his Deputies. While it may be wise for the G. W. P. to appoint Deputies from delegates present, many times as good or better may be appointed from those not present and the G. W. P. should be free to appoint according to his best judgment though he may quite properly ask any Division to recommend the person they would like appointed.

We endorse the recommendation that the G. W. P. remove promptly all deputies not prompt and faithful in their duties. We heartily endorse the G. S.s recommendation that great care be taken in election of officers of the various divisions, and that they be chosen in view of their qualification and ability to fill the offices, particularly the offices of the W. P., R. S. and F. S.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Wm. A. Taylor,  
Mrs. Ada Falk,  
Mrs. Amanda Gunnison.

The Finance Com. made the following report which was adopted:

YPSILANTI, Oct. 11th, 1888.

To the G. W. P., officers and members of the G. D. of Michigan.—Your Com. beg leave to submit the following:

Whole amount received	\$138.49
Amount due from Sub. Divisions	3.46
Total receipts	141.95
Total disbursement	121.96

Total receipts in sight	19.99
Amount due not paid	3.46

Amount on hand 16.53

All of which the Com. respectfully submit,

A. D. Maxfield,  
George J. Butcher,  
B. W. Cade.

On motion the Grand Division was declared in recess until 10 o'clock, p. m.

### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Division reassembled at 10 o'clock p. m. Officers present same as at morning session. The nomination and election of officers being the special business, the G. W. P. appointed Mrs. Ada Falk and Miss Lottie Mitchel as tellers.

Nomination for G. W. P.: Mrs. Amanda Gunnison of North Lansing and Mrs. M. C. Fisher of Detroit; Mrs. Amanda Gunnison having received the majority vote was declared elected.

There being only one nomination for each office, the Grand Conductor was instructed to cast the ballot of the Grand Division for each candidate and the following were then declared duly elected and installed in their various positions for the coming year:

Mrs. Amanda Gunnison, North Lake, G. W. P.

Mrs. M. C. Fisher, Detroit, Grand W. A.

- Joseph Falk, Ypsilanti, G. S.
- H. W. Randolph, Vernon, G. T.
- R. W. Cade, Pine Lake, G. Chap.
- A. D. Maxfield, Pentwater, G. Con.
- J. E. Pulver, Ypsilanti, G. Sent.

The following was elected as representatives to the National Division:

Past Grand Worthy Patriarchs, Czar Jones, M. S. Bancroft, Wm. A. Taylor, Dr. A. K. Hicks.

Past Grand Worthy Associates, Rev. E. E. Castor, Jos. Falk, Robert Deming, G. W. P. Mrs. Amanda Gunnison, G. W. A. Mrs. M. C. Fisher, Past G. S. George W. Butcher.

Com. on G. W. P.s report made the following report which was adopted:

G. W. P., officers and members of the Grand Division.—With the facts laid before us in the address of our G. W. P. in regard to the neglect of this young mass of humanity, who in the future are to fill places either for the weal or woe of our nation, we as a committee believe that something should be done, yet feel incompetent to decide. But recommend, that where there is no Band of Hope, the Sons of Temperance make an effort to organize Cadets, and reach them if possible, but

think it not advisable to bind divisions to this, for some divisions are in debt for their hall, and some are small in numbers. We furthermore recommend that each division should have a committee to see that the compulsory education law be strictly enforced. We are aware of the fact that ignorance breeds vice and vice breeds poverty, and unless we are persevering in our efforts, we can look for no improvement. Often times by so doing we might awaken and brighten talents in these neglected waifs, that may occupy positions of trust. Then let us brothers and sisters awaken to this fact and put forth every effort to reach these little hearts and restore them from a life of degradation to purity and virtue.

All of which the Com. respectfully submit for your consideration.

Mrs. A. Gunnison,  
Mrs. Ada Falk,  
Mrs. L. E. Pulver.

Com. on G. W. P.s address referring to quarterly sessions etc., made the following report, which was adopted:

YPSILANTI, Oct. 11, 1888.

Officers and members of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance of Michigan.—Your Com. to whom was referred that portion of the acting G. W. P.s report, referring to quarterly sessions of the executive and resuscitating old divisions would report as follows:

The Bye-Laws provide for a quarterly session and we advise always obeying the Bye-Laws. Yet we believe that the provision in the Bye-Laws may have been wise and desirable at the time it was made, but we are convinced that it is not so at present time. There are but few members, if there are any, that would be able to spare the time and expend money for travelling expenses every three months. The Grand Division cannot pay such expenses as the money thus expended can and should be used to a better advantage.

We believe every effort should be made to resuscitate Divisions which have ceased to work and would respectfully call the attention to the Ex. Com. the desirability of making such efforts.

Submitted in L. P. and F.

J. Falk,  
G. J. Butcher,  
C. M. Holmes.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of this Grand Division are cordially tender to the members of Ypsilanti Division No. 106, and the Citizens of Ypsilanti for hospitalities and courtesies extended to us at this session.

The Com. on Resolution being compelled to meet the train due in 20 minutes in order to reach home in reasonable time, asked to be excused. The excuse granted.

The Grand Division then closed in due form, to meet again on the second Wednesday in October, 1889. Place to be selected by the Executive.

JOSEPH FALK,  
Grand Scribe.

### REPORT OF THE ACTING GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCH.

YPSILANTI, MICH., Oct. 10th, 1888.

WORTHY REPRESENTATIVES.—We are gathered together from our Union Divisions to celebrate the fifteenth annual session of the Grand Division of Michigan. We are assured that all have come with an earnest purpose to assist in this noble work. We believe that you will look upon the success and the failures of the past year with a charitable spirit. We ask you to listen to the reports of the workers, then, together if it bein our power, let us plan more effectually for the future.

In the spirit of devotion to our cause, and in the earnest hope and expectation that our coming sessions will be for the building up of the Order, I welcome you to this beautiful city.

As our continual object is the bringing within the circle of our influence those men and women who need the assistance which association with such organizations give, let us remember that from the careful seed time of to-day, comes the noble harvest of to-morrow.

When at the meeting of the last session, held at Fenton, you did me the honor to elect me Worthy Association, I then resolved to give up everything that would hinder my work in that direction. As my home in Detroit is located centrally between Fenton and Ypsilanti, the homes of the other officers of the Executive Committee, I cordially invited them to meet with me. Unfortunately, circumstances prevented this meeting, and, consequently, the social which I had planned for our mutual pleasure and profit never materialized. I had hoped that such a meeting would be the first of a series, as, if we really have the good of our Order at heart, it should have been. I learned at the National Division that meetings, at least quarterly, are considered vital. The experience of the officers from the various states and provinces seems to prove that where such meetings are promptly held success attends the work. Where negligence

or indifference permits their omission, apathy if not actual death, is the natural inevitable result. In my opinion frequent meetings of an active, interested Executive Committee are as necessary to the growth of our beloved Order as God's great love to the saving of our souls.

To-day we leave a year's work behind and enter upon one untried. Changes may take place in the official board, but, worthy officers of 1889, whoever you may be, the old invitation stands good. My home is central; come, and let us counsel together in love, purity and fidelity for the cause.

EDUCATE, PETITION, LEGISLATE,—these are important Watchwords in all Temperance work. Faithful ones at home expect us to stand by them, not in talk only, but to take vigorous action against the destroying power of Rum Traffic.

About the first of July brother Falk wrote me that circumstances made it necessary for our esteemed brother Deming to resign the office of Grand Worthy Patriarch. Our Grand Scribe requested me to assume his duties. I was very ill at the time, yet I replied that I was willing and able. Willing to do anything in my power because of Faith in and Love for the work; able—in God's strength—to counsel, plan, and execute for the encouragement and assistance of our Worthy Scribe.

Six months of the year had passed, and, apparently, nothing had been accomplished. At my request brother Falk and his faithful wife came to Detroit. After a careful, candid review of the situation, we decided to engage an organizer to work for the interest of the Order, if it could be done without incurring heavy debt. Different organizers were written to. We found that every step meant money, with no certainty of prosperous returns at the end. The hot weather and the approaching political campaign were hindrances that for at least three months, the Committee could not overcome. If, at the expiration of that time, expensive or lengthy engagements were made, it might conflict with the judgment and trespass upon the rights of the officers of 1889. Perhaps one reason for delay at the beginning of the year was the fact of duties being new to both the Grand Worthy Patriarch and Scribe. Some things in the past are to be regretted, at others we should rejoice,

God has preserved a remnant, although small, who are disposed to meet the difficulties, and unite in the work of building up and perpetuating the Order. We are here to-day to take advantage of past experience, and to assume such burdens and enter upon such engagements as will tend to future influence and prosperity.

### THE NATIONAL DIVISION.

I attended a meeting of the National Division at Toronto in July. I assure you Worthy Representatives it was a great pleasure to look into their faces and receive their cordial greetings as Michigan's delegates.

Many of them actively working for the Master in other organizations have never forsaken an Order that has so successfully educated many of our prominent men and women of to-day. Their knowledge and experience of parliamentary drill in the division room prepared them for the Vantage Ground in all laudible work. The system, promptness and energy with which the work is carried on is worthy of imitation.

I shall not attempt to describe the wonderful interest of the sessions and the large place that the Sons occupy in public esteem. I have taken particular pains to secure several copies of the papers containing lengthy reports which you are welcome to read. I have also a picture of the National Division officers and other things of interest.

After my return I called a meeting of the Executive officers to submit a plan of work that will be presented at this session, also to consider the feasibility of inviting one of the National officers to visit Michigan. We hope at this session you will elect officers who have the Good of the Order at heart, and hold it as a sacred trust. We return it into your hands carefully guarded from debt. We have done the best we could and hope that those present will renew their vows to this Order, firmly determined to continue in harness until the power of the rum traffic is destroyed, and they can no longer rob us of our fathers, husbands and brothers, and worse than all else our growing boys.

I received a telegram from brother Falk requesting me to visit Lansing Division. His wife accompanied me. We were pleasantly entertained by a good sister, and cordially received by brother Taylor, P. W. P. We found the Division comprised of entirely young intelligent people. The political campaign had somewhat affected their Division. They were seriously considering about taking a smaller hall as the one then occupied was too expensive. We hope at this session to hear that they have done so.

I have also tried to start a correspondence with many of the old Divisions that had ceased to report but still held their charters

I believe that there is a remnant in every town where there has ever been a Division, of one or two faithful ones, that would be willing to assist in holding the charters. Let us be unceasing in our efforts till we find them. I have visited Pontiac, Wayne, Wyandotte, Northville and Plymouth.—I hope with some success. I also visited Ypsilanti Division. I consider it one of the finest in the State. It is composed of a very intelligent class of people, some middle aged and some young. They open their doors to the public at their weekly meetings, and the good of the Order shows that great care is taken in its preparation. May other Divisions catch the inspiration. From the 1st of July I have kept up a correspondence with the Division, It has been my aim to reach all of them, Some have replied promptly, but others have failed to do so.

### CADETS OF TEMPERANCE.

Although I have not been able to organize sections of cadets, I am unceasing in my efforts to benefit the young, and, I hope, by the statistics that are given to awaken the Sons, to the danger to which the little ones are exposed. If we cannot form sections of cadets in our Division rooms, we can discuss these questions, and try, in some other manner, to protect the children.

I take great pleasure in presenting a summary of the law regulating the sale of liquor to minors. I hope you will secure a copy. I have received a communication from the Most Worthy Patriarch and Scribe inviting me to prepare a plan work of which I hope to do, and thereby perhaps accomplish good results in the near future.

Acts of the legislature have been passed looking to the compulsory education of all children in the State. But from lack of proper enforcement they fail in their purpose to a large extent. The employment of children from eight to fourteen years of age in shops, factories, mills and cellars has been a great hindrance to active work among them. Indeed, the question of child labor and education is the most important that can come before us who are working with and for the young. Who can count the number and the cost of these little homeless waifs who stroll the streets until the hours of midnight, having drifted from drunken homes, poorly fed and scantily clothed, their little feet protruding from shoes which for them were never new, these little waifs, eager to catch a glimpse of joy and happiness, step too often behind the screened door of the saloon. Here they are educated without apparent expense to either parent or State. Is it strange that some of them soon become criminals? They are sent to Reform Schools where they find food, and clothing, and shelter, and education, all denied them hitherto. Some graduate from these schools into a useful manhood; but, alas, many, from association with more hardened criminals, go out into the world to become a terror to every community that affords them permanent or even temporary homes.

### ATTENDING SCHOOL.

The statistics of Michigan show that the total number of children who attend school in Michigan is three hundred and sixty-eight thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.

They also show that two hundred and twenty-eight thousand do not attend school any time in the year.

### ARRESTS.

Quoting from the statistics, we find that in Detroit alone, during the year 1887, there were one thousand four hundred and seventy arrests of youths under age.

According to the reports of 1884, eight thousand and forty boys and four thousand three hundred and twenty girls were employed in mills, factories and cellars, in Michigan, and were entirely deprived of any school privileges any time of the year.

In conclusion, I desire most heartily to thank the Grand Scribe and all officers of our own and other Divisions, not only for prompt replies to correspondence, and all assistance kindly rendered to me in my own personal work, but for what has been done in each department of labor. May we go from this convention stimulated to greater zeal in the service of Him who left his home in glory to rescue the perishing children of men.



## PUBLIC NOTICE. MAILS CLOSING CITY TIME.

ON and after Monday, 26th inst., mails will close as follows:—For St. John, St. Stephen, St. Andrews, Woodstock, Grand Falls, the United States and all points West, at 6 30 A. M.  
For St. John, Newcastle, Chatham, Nova Scotia, P. E. Island, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, &c., at 12.00 A. M.  
For St. John, St. Stephen, Woodstock, and the United States, at 3.00 P. M.  
English mail will close every Monday night via New York at 8.30 and every Friday via Halifax at 11.30 A. M.  
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Postmaster.  
Post Office, Fredericton,  
Nov. 24th, 1888.

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Accommodation	11.20 a. m.
Express for Sussex	16.35 p. m.
Express for Halifax and Quebec	18.00 p. m.

A sleeping car runs daily on the 18.10 train to Halifax.

On Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday a Sleeping Car for Montreal will be attached to the Quebec Express, and on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, a Sleeping Car will be attached at Moncton.

#### TRAINS WILL ARRIVE AT ST. JOHN.

Express from Halifax and Quebec	7.00 a. m.
Express from Sussex	7.35 a. m.
Accommodation	13.30 p. m.
Day Express	19.20 p. m.

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D. POTTINGER,  
Chief Superintendent

Railway Office  
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