

Harmony Division 2, Sons of Temperance, (Trinity) 1876 - circa. 1885. - 2.5 cm textual records

Administrative history

The Sons of Temperance was one of a number of like-minded fraternal and social organizations given to curbing the consumption of alcoholic liquors especially by the breadwinners of families.

There existed a Grand Division, perhaps headquartered in St. John's.

The Sons of Temperance was active in St. John's in the latter part of the eighteenth century. During a celebration of the Total Abstinence and Benefit Society at St John's (1880 -1), the officers of the Sons of Temperance were on the stage and the Sons of Temperance was listed as being "the oldest temperance organization in the city".

The Sons of Temperance flag was white with a red, white, and blue triangle in the middle of which was a red star.

Custodial history

This material came to us as a part of the Loyal Orange Association (Royal Albert Lodge) Collection.

Scope and content

The fond consists of Finance Book (with incomplete index) for the years 1876 - circa 1885. The listing tells of hire, donations, dues & fines, balances of members, initiations, resignations, suspensions, and expulsions as well as a roll of membership.

Notes

Supplied title based on provenance.

It appears that the Sons of Temperance (Harmony Division 2), Trinity used to hire the Orange Lodge for their meetings and this item got left behind and became a part of the Lodge's books.

Over-all information was provided by the Centre for Newfoundland Studies, Memorial University of Newfoundland and its collection of the Temperance Journal.

Location: Box on Shelf