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# DEPUTY GRAND W. P.'S COMMISSION.

## SONS OF TEMPERANCE.

LOVE, PURITY AND FIDELITY.

Grand Division of the State of Rhode Island :  
*To the Worthy Patriarch, Officers and Brethren*  
*of Washington Division # 14 S. of I.*

### GREETING:

Know Ye, That *Cromwell Whipple* Grand Worthy Patriarch,  
OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, by and with the consent of the GRAND DIVISION, does hereby appoint and constitute  
*P. M. P. Harvey S. Spencer* Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarch,  
And you are hereby directed to receive and respect him, in his official capacity, as the REPRESENTATIVE OF THE GRAND DIVISION, and head of the Order in said Division, in the absence of the GRAND WORTHY PATRIARCH.

IT IS HIS DUTY—To visit officially every Subordinate Division under his jurisdiction, at least once in each Quarterly Term, to examine the work, and exact a compliance to the established Constitutions, Laws and Ceremonies, of the National and of the Grand Division—and report any irregularity fairly, fully and promptly, to the Grand Worthy Patriarch, under whose direction he shall act, and through whom he shall present all official communications to the Grand Division.

In addition to the above, the Deputy Grand Worthy Patriarch shall visit each Division under his jurisdiction at the first regular meeting in each Quarterly Term, and install the officers—provided, in all cases, that the Returns have been made out, and per cent. on the full amount of receipts for Initiation Fees and Weekly Dues, has been appropriated for the Grand Division, in accordance with Rule 15, Constitution of the Grand Division, and Article IV., Section 3, Constitution of Subordinate Divisions. He is empowered to appoint a Past or Acting W. P. as Deputy Grand Conductor, to assist him in the installation. After the installation, he shall instruct the W. P. in the Quarterly and Traveling Passwords—provided always, the Returns are prepared and per centage appropriated for the Grand Division, otherwise the Passwords shall be withheld. He shall also direct the Returns to be forwarded immediately to the Grand Scribe.

In case of sickness or other unavoidable occurrence, he is authorized to appoint a Past or acting W. P. to officiate in his place, but this authority shall not extend to more than one Quarterly Term, without the written consent of the Grand Worthy Patriarch.

He is directed to submit a written Quarterly Report of the state of the Order under his jurisdiction, together with any decision he may have made, not clearly explained in our Constitution and Laws, and any privilege he may have granted—which Report shall be forwarded to the Grand Worthy Patriarch prior to the first day of October, January, April and July, to enable him to prepare his General Report for the Grand Division.

☞ A neglect of promptly performing any or all of the duties above enumerated, shall incur a forfeiture of this COMMISSION.



*Cromwell Whipple* G. W. P.

*Philip B. Jarvis* G. Scribe.

*Pawtucket, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> 1857.*

*This Commission shall continue in force until the second Tuesday in October next, unless revoked.*

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