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### **Finding Aid - Sons of Temperance, Chester Division No. 32 fonds (MS-2-424, SF Box 83, Folders 1-5)**

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## Summary information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Dalhousie University Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Sons of Temperance, Chester Division No. 32 fonds
<b>Reference code:</b>	MS-2-424, SF Box 83, Folders 1-5
<b>Date:</b>	1848-1893 (date of creation)
<b>Language:</b>	English
<b>Physical description:</b>	10 cm of textual records
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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

The Sons of Temperance was founded in 1842 by New York printers John and Isaac Oliver, who wanted to distance their order from some of the less respectable fraternal organizations that grew up around abstinence and prohibition movements. The organization expanded rapidly, remaining strongest in urban centres in the northeastern United States. In 1847 the Acadia Division was chartered in Nova Scotia by the Reverend William Ashley, who also served as the “deputy most worthy patriarch” for the National Division. Within five months Nova Scotia boasted ten divisions and 600 members, as well as a Grand Division. The Chester Division No 32 was instituted on 12 September 1848.

### Custodial history

Records were accessioned by the Archives in 1982; custodial history is unknown.

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## Scope and content

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Fonds comprises materials related to the administration of the Sons of Temperance, Chester Division No. 32 from 1848-1893, including minute books, financial information, correspondence and registers.

## Notes

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### Title notes

### Restrictions on access

There are no access restrictions on these materials. All materials are open for research.

### Conditions governing use

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### Related material

See the records of other Nova Scotian divisions: Sons of Temperance, Columbia Division No. 24 (MS-2-14); Sons of Temperance, Noel Division No. 221 (MS-2-537); Sons of Temperance, Rock Division, Maitland (MS-2-451); Sons of Temperance, Lorne Division (MS-2-450); Sons of Temperance, Wallace Bridge Division No. 792 (MS-2-395); and Sons of Temperance, Victoria Lodge No. 13, Bass River (MS-2-475).

### Accruals

Further accruals are not expected.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published

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## Access points

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- Sons of Temperance of North America.
- Textual record (documentary form)
- Correspondence (subject)
- Executors and administrators (subject)
- Minutes and proceedings (subject)
- Nova Scotia--Social life and customs--19th century (subject)
- Personal archives (subject)
- Temperance societies (subject)
- Temperance--Canada (subject)

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## Collection holdings

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