



Certificate Acknowledging Francis C. Sessions for
Completing the Requirements for Membership into the
Columbus, Ohio Chapter of the Sons of Temperance,
6/28/1846-10/21/1846

[Certificate is pre-printed with spaces to be written in for each new member; Handwritten information is in script]

*Certificate has decorative border with an image of an illuminated grail in each corner. In the center of the top border there is a signature handwritten that is illegible. Beside it, the name M. W. Leribe N. D. is pre-printed. On the bottom border there is another handwritten signature, H. V. Horton. Beside it, the name G. Leribe G.D. is pre-printed. On the right side of the border, directly in the middle, is the handwritten signature of F. C. Sessions.

Inside the border running left to right:

“SONS OF” [running upward diagonally beside the left side of the seal]

Temperance Seal [centered] (Series of circles with the words: one ring has words: “National Division of T. U.S. *Organized June 17 1844*”, inner circle contains a triangle with a six-point star inside it with light rays bursting outward all around). Beneath the seal is a banner that says, “Love Purity and Fidelity”

“TEMPERANCE” [running downward diagonally beside the right side of the seal]

To whom it may concern.

This certifies that Brother Frank C. Sessions [Handwritten]

whose signature appears in the margin in his own hand writing was on the

twenty fifth [Handwritten] day of June 1846 [Handwritten] regularly admitted a member

of Good Samaritan [Handwritten] Division No 23 [Handwritten] located in Columbus [Handwritten] and

working under a legal and unforfeited [sic] Charter granted by the Grand

Division of the State [Handwritten] of Ohio [Handwritten] on the fourth [Handwritten]



day of December 1845 [Handwritten]

Having paid all demands against him up to the twenty first [Handwritten] day of
October 1846 [Handwritten] and being under no charge whatever we have granted him this Travelling
[Handwritten] Card and recommend him to the due regard of all true. Sons of Temperance _____

In Witness whereof We have caused this to
be signed by our W.P. and R.L. and the Seal of our Division to be
attached in the City [Handwritten] of Columbus [Handwritten] the seventh [handwritten]
day September [Handwritten] one thousand eight hundred forty six [handwritten]

Wm A. Tracker [Handwritten] W.P.

Sam (illegible middle initial) Fay A. [Handwritten] R. L.

Embossed seal on each side of the officer's signatures

T. Pollock. [pre-printed in very small script in the center just above bottom border]