

General Fund.....	\$28,445 55
Benevolent Fund, Investment account	16,486 21
" " Current "	1,056 09
Masonic Asylum Fund.....	6,828 99
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	\$52,816 84

The Board recommend payment of the following accounts. viz :

Lawson, McCulloch & Co., for Reprint	\$574 19
" " " " Printing.....	102 56
Murton & Reid, for Coal	19 25
Copp, Clark & Co., for Certificates.....	236 24
Richard Haigh, for Registers and Binding.....	124 35
Ennis & Sturton, for Printing	41 50
Northern Assurance, for Premium.....	14 00
James Wishart, for Box for Regalia	13 45
Hamilton Masonic Hall, for Rent to 1st July, 1875—9 months	131 25
Grand Secretary, Expenses attending Board at St. Catharines	8 25
" " Incidentals	175 12
W. T. Ecclestone, Sundries for Grand Master's Funeral.....	7 00
Buntin, Gillies & Co., Stationery	9 35
F. Mudge, Balance of expenses at Board, 1874	2 00
Grand Secretary, advance for incidentals.....	150 00
Chairman of Foreign Correspondence, preparing report for 1875.....	50 00
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	\$1,658 45

In regard to the letter from M. W. Bro. Rob. Morris, P. M. of Royal Solomon Mother Lodge, No. 293, Jerusalem, Syria, the Board recommend that the request that all fees and dues to 1st July, 1875, be remitted, be granted.

In regard to the application from Chaudiere Lodge, No. 264, Ottawa, for a remission of dues for 6 months ending 30th June, 1875—\$21.50, and fee for duplicate Warrant, \$10.00, the Board recommend that the amounts be remitted, that lodge having lately lost much of its property by fire.

The Board recommend that the application of M. W. Bro. White for interest on the amount granted to the retiring lodges in Quebec, on their withdrawal from the Grand Lodge of Canada, be granted, and that the sum of \$133.33, for interest, be paid to him as the Trustee of the fund.

In regard to the petition of King Hiram Lodge, No. 89, Lindsay, requesting the return of the jewels surrendered by them to Grand Lodge in 1866, there being direct evidence to prove that they were duly received, the Board recommend that they be returned, and in the event of their not being found, that the value of the same be paid over to King Hiram Lodge.

In regard to the correspondence between the Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, relative to the change made in the method of depositing the monies received by the Grand Secretary, the Board regret that the Grand Treasurer should have taken umbrage at the action of the Grand Secretary, who only followed the instructions of the Board, and desire to express to him their continued appreciation of the valuable services rendered by him, during the past seventeen years, and in order to prevent any future misunderstanding as to the system of keeping the accounts, recommend :

1st. That all monies received by Grand Lodge for fees, dues and interest, and from all other sources, be paid over to the Grand Secretary, and by him entered on the cash book of Grand Lodge.

2nd. That all sums so received by the Grand Secretary shall be deposited by him in the bank with which Grand Lodge keeps its account, receiving therefor a deposit voucher in duplicate, one of which to be forwarded to Grand Treasurer, and the other to be retained by him.

3rd. That all orders upon the Grand Treasurer shall require to be endorsed by the party to whose order they are drawn, and in case of grants for benevolent purposes, they shall, in addition, require the endorsement of the brother through whom the grant is made payable.

In reference to the renewed application of R. W. Bro. Groff, Grand Treasurer, for the transfer of the account of Grand Lodge from the Canadian Bank of Commerce, at Simcoe, to the Federal Bank in the same place, the Board are of opinion that it is not desirable to make any change.

ON ACTING-GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS.

The Board on entering upon the consideration of the address of the Right Worshipful