

Section No.	Location.	Members.	Amount.
	Brought forward.....	98.....	\$160,000
825.....	London.....	20.....	33,000
975.....	Chatham.....	5.....	10,000
1405.....	Petrolia.....	3.....	5,000
2423.....	Bruce Mines.....	6.....	6,000
	Total.....	122.....	\$214,000
	Increase during year, 1 Section.....	29.....	44,000

The total death claims paid has amounted to \$9,153,790, of which \$20,000, has been paid in this domain.

I trust that every one will see the advantage of this rank both to himself and the order, and endeavour to materially increase its membership during the coming year.

SUPREME CONSTITUTION AND STATUTES.

In the adoption of a new code of laws the Supreme Lodge made very few changes and of these there are some that do not seem to be understood by the lodges. Acting upon a suggestion made to me I will draw your attention to a few which it is important should be understood.

Transfer Cards.—By means of these a member desiring to change from one lodge to another retains his membership in his old lodge until he is actually accepted in the new one and if from some cause he should be rejected his standing in his own lodge is not impaired.

Good Standing.—The definition given by the Statutes fully cover the case. Payment of dues does not now enter into it; a member may owe twelve months dues and yet be in good standing.

S. A. P. W.—Every member of a lodge in good standing who can personally and orally receive it from his C.C. is entitled to have it communicated to him irrespective of the amount of dues he may be indebted to the lodge.

The S. A. P. W. is now sent to Deputy Grand Chancellors by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and before sending he must receive from the lodge of which the Deputy is a member a certificate that he is in good standing. A Deputy may depute a Past Chancellor to install officers of a lodge for him but said Past Chancellor must conform to the same rule before he can obtain the word if not already in possession of it. The Deputy Grand Chancellor cannot communicate said word to him.

Order for S. A. P. W.—These must not be issued to members who can personally and orally receive the word from their Chancellor Commander and must