

and referred to the Board of General Purposes to report upon.

FINANCIAL.

The Grand Secretary's statement of the distribution of the moneys received from June, 1881, to June, 1882, is as follows:—

Certificates	\$ 2,531 00
Dues	8,979 5
Fees	1,535 50
Dispensations	192 00
Warrants	110 00
Constitutions	431 92
Past Masters' certificates	15 00
Interest on General Fund	2,754 40
Interest on Asylum Fund	300 00
Sundries	6 40
Total	\$16,913 47

The Grand Treasurer's general abstract of receipts and disbursements for the same period is as follows:—

Receipts.

Cash in bank 1st June, 1881	\$ 8,001 90
Received by the Grand Secretary and paid over to the Grand Treasurer	16,913 47
Total	\$24,915 37

Disbursements.

General Purposes	\$ 5 173 86
Benevolence	9,536 82
Asylum Fund	94 80
Testimonial to M. W. Bro. Henderson	310 62
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce, 31st May, 1882	9,799 27
Total	\$24,915 37

The Benevolent Fund expenditures for the same term aggregated \$11,238 70, and there was left at the credit of the fund on May 31st, 1882, the sum of \$2,526 88.

The balance sheet of the Grand Treasurer, at 31st May, 1882, was as follows:—

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Stocks, Balance 31st May, 1881	
General Fund and Benevolence Investment Fund	\$18,201 00
Asylum Fund	7,200 00
Cash in Canadian Bank of Commerce	9,799 27
Total	\$35,199 27

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General Fund	\$25,853 80
Asylum Fund: Balance 31st May, 1881	9,215 65
Add interest collected	360 00
Total	\$25,853 80
Deduct paid Shawanegan Lodge, Three Rivers	94 80
Benevolence Investment Account, Balance at 31st May, 1881	25,952 64
Add 10 per cent. gross receipts from 1st June, 1881	1,380 30
Benevolence, Current Account	2,526 88
Total	\$35,199 27

The Funds of Grand Lodge have increased during the year \$1,797 31.

AUDIT AND FINANCE.

The Board of General Purposes in the course of their report, state:—

At the last session of Grand Lodge the contract for printing was awarded to G. C.

Patterson & Co., the Grand Lodge reserving the right to cancel the agreement at any time that the work should be considered unsatisfactory by the Grand Master. Complaint is made that the work has been unsatisfactory. The Board, after enquiry, recommend that, owing to the unsatisfactory manner in which the work has been performed, the Grand Lodge cancel the agreement and award the contract to J. A. Traves, Port Hope, his being the next lowest tender.

Lodges in arrears for more than two years have in most cases paid their indebtedness.

The Board recommend that Thorne Lodge, No. 281, Holland Landing, and Hiram Lodge, No. 342, Wolfe Island, be notified by the Grand Secretary to appear by their proper representatives at the next annual communication of Grand Lodge, to show cause why said lodges should not be suspended.

The Grand Master issued an order for \$122.91 on the Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge, to cover a draft of £25 in favor of Humanitas Lodge, Vienna, Austria, to assist Masons who had suffered by the great fire in Vienna. Also, an order in favor of the Worshipful Master of Central Lodge, No. 110, Prescott, to cover the expenses connected with the funeral of our late M. W. Bro. T. D. Harington. The Board approve of these exceptional grants, which are included in the amount reported as being expended in benevolence.

The Board have had under consideration the notification of the Finance Minister of the Dominion, that the Dominion stock held by Grand Lodge would be redeemed on the 30th September, 1882, and that there was no probability of the issue of any other Government stock, and recommend that the funds of the Grand Lodge be deposited in the Savings Branch of such Loan or Building Societies as may be approved of by a committee composed of the Chairman of the Board of General Purposes, the Chairman of the Committee on Finance, and R. W. Bros. Saunders and Hungerford, until some permanent investment in City, County, or Township Debentures, or other investment can be made, said committee to have power in such case to withdraw deposits and complete investments.

BENEVOLENCE.

The Board have had under consideration the several applications for relief, and, after due consideration, recommend that appropriations be paid during the ensuing year from the funds of Benevolence amounting to \$8,690.00.

The following is an abstract of the returns from the London Board of Relief as at 31st May, 1882:—