

REPORT OF THE AUDITORS OF THE ORANGE MUTUAL BENEFIT SOCIETY.

W. Bro. James L. Hughes, C.M., presented and read the Report of the Auditors of the Orange Mutual Benefit Society.

Moved by M.W. Bro. W. J. Parkhill, G.M.B.A., seconded by W. Bro. Jas. L. Hughes, C.M., and

Resolved,—That the Report of the Auditors of the Orange Mutual Insurance Society be received and adopted.

(See Appendix B for Report.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

W. Bro. Thomas Webster, P.C.M., Brant, presented and read the Report of the Committee on Correspondence :

To the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ontario West :

Your Committee on Correspondence, in submitting their Report, desire to join the Grand Secretary in congratulating the Grand Lodge on the fact of being permitted to assemble in this beautiful hall, dedicated to the principles of our beloved Order, standing, as it does, as a monument to the zeal, enterprise and loyalty of the brethren of this loyal and Protestant City.

In the death of the Imperial Grand Master, the Earl of Enniskillen, is a loss which, while we recognize as of Divine interposition, and are called upon to submit to, we, nevertheless, mourn his loss as one who shed lustre on our Order as a true Orangeman, and who by his experience and ability done much to advance the interests of Orangeism and the cause of Protestantism throughout the Empire.

MEMBERSHIP.

We are pleased to learn that the reports from the several counties show such a gratifying increase in membership and lodges, and also in the fact that but one warrant has been surrendered during the year, and we congratulate the Grand Lodge on the present progressive state of the Order in this jurisdiction.

ANNIVERSARIES.

It is highly gratifying to know that the time-honored custom of celebrating the anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne continues to prevail, not only in our own Province and Dominion, but throughout the Empire of which we form a part, as well as in the United States. The glorious 12th is recognized as a day long to be remembered wherever a loyal Protestant is to be found.

HISTORY OF ORANGEISM.

Your Committee believe with the Grand Secretary that the time has arrived when the history of our Order should be compiled, with a view of being printed for circulation, tending, as no doubt it will, to educate our members in our principles, and especially the younger members, who have not as yet had the opportunity of becoming acquainted with the early history of our organization.