

that if he shall be expelled from the Independent Order of Oddfellows his membership immediately ceases in this Association," is in the interest of the Association for many reasons, one of the chief being that this Association not having the authorization of the Grand Lodge, we have no means of knowing when members of our Association are cut off for non-payment of dues, or otherwise, and these brethren may keep on paying our calls, in which case, we are assured, we could not legally refuse to pay the Benefits of such at death.

The retiring Resident Directors are Bros. Robert Gage, W. H. Henderson, M.D., and W. J. Livingston; of Non-Resident Directors, Bro. L. Ferguson, St. Thomas, whose three years have expired; also the following elected for one year: Bros. L. Silverman, Montreal, Que.; John Richards, Fredericton, N. B.; B. Bremner, Charlottetown, P.E. I.; and J. D. Conklin, Winnipeg. Man.

The membership on 31st December, 1886, is as follows :

CLASS A.

Number of Members by last report	2,165
Number of Applications accepted.....	251
Total	2,416
Less number died	10
" Forfeited and withdrawn.....	20
	30
Present membership.....	2,386

Divided as follows :

First Class	922
Second Class	992
Third Class.....	393
Fourth Class	79
	2,386