

"Your Executive Committee having been duly instructed by Grand Lodge to report upon an adequate, equitable and permanent adjustment of the assessment rates, to sustain the Beneficiary and Reserve Funds, desire to submit their findings and recommendations, which are as follows:

Re Assessment Rates.—Your Committee find that our present rates, which were adopted May 1st, 1905, are practically the same as the rates adopted as a standard by the Ontario Legislature in 1897, which are recognized by authorities as being correct in principle and adequate in practice. Your Committee, therefore, recommend to Grand Lodge to adhere to this standard, and to apply and extend the same to all members of our Order at their present attained ages, provided, however, that the proposed change shall not affect the members admitted since May 1st, 1905. Your Committee further recommend that a competent actuary be selected by the Executive Committee to advise as to the application of the above mentioned rates, so as to attain the desired result set forth above and that this Grand Lodge be adjourned and reconvened at the call of the Grand Master Workman immediately upon the receipt by him of the actuary's report."

This report was it would appear adopted and afterwards the following resolution:

"Resolved: That this Grand Lodge do now adjourn, and that it shall stand adjourned until called together again on the order of the Grand Master Workman." and ultimately,

"The business of Grand Lodge being completed, the Grand Master Workman declared the session adjourned to convene again immediately after he receives the report as to rates from the Actuary."

The adjourned meeting was called for June 21st, 1912, this meeting was, in a manner, attacked by the plaintiffs, but I find that sec. 12 authorizes the G. M. W. to call special meetings whenever he may deem it necessary: so that this meeting in any view is well enough.

The Executive Committee reported as follows:

"Your Executive Committee, having taken into careful consideration the report submitted by Actuary Sanderson, and having also carefully considered the opinion of counsel employed, desire to submit the following report for the consideration of Grand Lodge.