

hands the responsible charge and sacred trust that you committed to me a year ago, I thank you for the honor conferred, and I would also thank the officers and members that I have come in contact with during the year, for their kindness to me. I may have erred and made mistakes, but if I have they have been of the head and not of the heart, and may the blessing of Divine Providence rest upon our labors here, and upon our beloved order throughout the world.

Fraternally submitted in F. H. and C.,

D. MCGILLIVRAY G. C. Templar.

On motion the report of the G. C. Templar was received and referred to the Committee on Distribution.

On motion of Bro. Rev. C. M. Tate, seconded by Bro. J. H. Ashwell, it was resolved that Bros. Rev. C. Bryant and S. Gough be a committee to prepare an obituary of our late Bro. Rev. R. B. Hemlaw for insertion in the minutes, also to draft and forward a letter of sympathy to Sister Hemlaw.

Motion moved by Bro. Badcock, seconded by Bro. Rowling, Whereas the sessions of this Grand Lodge are held in the fall, be it Resolved, that a special session be held during the summer months in a central position of the province for business or a Picnic, as may be deemed advisable by the Grand Lodge.

On motion the matter was referred to the committee on State of the Order.

C. S. Keith, G. Secretary, next presented his Annual Report as follows:—

Office of the Grand Secretary,
New Westminster, 21st Sept., 1889.

To the Grand Chief Templar and the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia:—

Brothers and Sisters.—Your Secretary begs leave to submit the following report of the transactions of his office for the year ending 31st July, 1889:

MEMBERSHIP.

Number of members last annual report.....	756
Number initiated during the year.....	733
Number admitted by Card.....	33
Number reinstated.....	32
Total Accessions.....	798
First Total.....	1,554
Suspended during year.....	361
Retired by Card.....	71
Resigned.....	93
Died.....	5
Expelled.....	58
surrendered Charters.....	38
Total Deductions.....	626
Membership on the 31st July, 1889.....	928