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R. W. GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO, I. O. O. F.

ODD-FELLOWS' HALL,

Belleville, July, 31st, 1877.

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario, assembled in annual session at the Odd-Fellows' Hall, Belleville, at 9, a.m. Present:—

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| W. H. COLE..... | M. W. Grand Patriarch. |
| JOHN P. YOUNG..... | M. E. Grand High Priest. |
| E. R. ROBINSON..... | R. W. Grand Senior Warden. |
| M. D. DAWSON..... | R. W. Grand Scribe and Treasurer. |
| JOHN HAM PERRY..... | R. W. Grand Representative. |
| JOHN GIBSON..... | do do do do |
| THOS. WOODYATT..... | R. W. Grand Senior Warden. |
| JOHN G. MOORE..... | R. W. Grand Marshal. |
| HENRY NEAL..... | Grand Sentinel. |

Also Past Grand Patriarchs, JAMES WOODYATT, HENRY McAFEE, JAMES SMITH and a constitutional quorum of Representatives :

The R. W. Grand Encampment was then opened with usual ceremonies, and declared ready for the dispatch of such business as might constitutionally be brought forward.

The M. W. Grand Patriarch announced the following as Committee on Credentials:—M. D. Dawson, Grand Scribe, and John G. Moore, Grand Marshal.

M. D. Dawson, R. W. Grand Scribe, from the Committee on Credentials, submitted the following:

BELLEVILLE, July 31st, 1877.

To the Officers and Members of the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F.

Your Committee on Credentials respectfully report that from an examination of the Returns of Subordinates, and of the

Certificates of Representatives elect, we find the following named P. C. Patriarchs are entitled to seats in this R. W. Grand Body as Representatives :

Union Encampment	No. 1.	—Walter Chatfield, Harper Wilson.
Frontier	do No. 2.	—Thos. Reid.
Harmony	do No. 3.	—Thos. G. Lowe, Robt. Kirkpatrick.
Brant	do No. 4.	—J. J. Dickson.
Charity	do No. 5.	—T. H. Cowley, A. M. Campbell.
Beaver	do No. 6.	—Wm. Box.
Burlington	do No. 7.	—J. C. White.
Toronto	do No. 8.	—Hugh Blain, Geo. H. Carey.
Brook	do No. 9.	—G. F. Fulford.
Chatham	do No. 10.	—John Turner.
Ontario	do No. 11.	—B. Gott.
Albert	do No. 12.	—F. Mason.
Whithy	do No. 13.	—G. A. Carson.
Fidelity	do No. 14.	—Chas. Greenaway.
Kingston	do No. 15.	—S. Oberndorffer.
Mt. Ararat	do No. 16.	—John Graham.
Hebron	do No. 17.	—W. C. Noble.
Northern Star	do No. 18.	—Daniel Ledingham.
Quinte	do No. 19.	—W. H. Scholes.
Elgin	do No. 20.	—Leonard Ferguson.
Unity	do No. 21.	—James R. Harris.
Guiding Star	do No. 22.	—A. J. McLean.
Niagara Falls	do No. 23.	—Reuben Law.
Friendship	do No. 24.	—Elisha Burnham.
Alpha	do No. 25.	—Chas. A. Frink.
Seaforth	do No. 27.	—Chris. Armstrong.
Huron	do No. 28.	—Neil Campbell.
Livingstone	do No. 29.	—C. J. G. Munro.
Wentworth	do No. 30.	—George Lee.
Wellington	do No. 31.	—Wm. Sunley.
Newmarket	do No. 32.	—L. Atkinson.
Peel	do No. 34.	—E. Stonehouse.
Cannington	do No. 35.	—John Twohey.
Royal	do No. 36.	—Robt. Evans.
Dresden	do No. 37.	—Wm. Rudd.

The Return for the past term from Hebron Encampment No. 17, Parkhill, was by mistake sent to the address of the Grand Scribe, Belleville, instead of London, and in answer to a telegraph from Bro. Reid, the D. D. G. P. of that Encampment, re-mailed to London, but it had not arrived when the Grand Scribe had left there to attend this Session. It has therefore not yet been received. P. C. P., Wm. C. Noble, is the accredited representative, and we would recommend that he be allowed to take his seat.

Rep. Chris. Armstrong from Seaforth Encampment is here without credentials, but his name appears on the return of his encampment, and we would recommend that he be allowed to take his seat.

Victoria Encampment No. 25, Port Hope has not sent in a return for this term and is not represented.

Notwithstanding the earnest efforts made by your Committee to make their report on credentials promptly, so as not to delay the work of this Grand Encampment, the negligence of the Scribes of Subordinates in sending in the Certificates of P. C. P. with their Returns, accounts for the loss of time in making this Report.

We also find the following Representatives and P. C. Patriarchs are in waiting, and we would recommend that they be admitted and instructed in the Grand Encampment Degree, viz.:

Harmony Enc., No. 3,.....	T. G. Lowe.
Brant Enc., No. 4,.....	John J. Dickson.
Charity Enc., No. 5,.....	F. H. Cowley.
Burlington Enc., No. 7,.....	J. C. White.
Brook Enc., No. 9,.....	B. E. Woods and G. T. Fulford.
Chatham Enc., No. 10,.....	S. J. Sommersville and John Ogle.
Albert Enc., No. 12,.....	F. Mason.
Whitby Enc., No. 13,.....	G. A. Carson.
Fidelity Enc., No. 14,.....	Chas. Greenaway and J. H. Johnson.
Kingston Enc., No. 15,.....	J. B. McIver and J. H. Werns.
Hebron Enc., No. 17,.....	Wm. C. Noble.
Northern Star Enc., No. 18, ..	David Ledingham.
Quinte Enc., No. 19,.....	Sam'l Robinson.
Elgin Enc., No. 20,.....	W. L. Burdick.
Niagara Falls Enc., No. 23,...	R. Law.
Friendship Enc., No. 24,.....	John Mearns, John Sinclair.
Alpha Enc., No. 26,.....	Charles A. Frink.
Huron Enc., No. 28,.....	Neil Campbell.
Livingstone Enc., No. 29,.....	C. J. G. Munro.
Livingstone Enc., No. 29,.....	Geo. Less.
Wentworth Enc., No. 30,.....	Wm. Sanley.
Wellington Enc., No. 31,.....	L. Atkinson.
Newmarket Enc., No. 32,.....	E. Stonehouse.
Peel Enc., No. 34,.....	William Rudd.
Dresden Enc., No. 37,.....	

Respectfully Submitted,

M. D. DAWSON,
JOHN G. MOORE,

On motion the foregoing Report was adopted and the aforementioned Representatives and Past Chief Patriarchs being in waiting were received and instructed in the Grand Encampment Degree.

Moved by Jas. Woodyatt, Past Grand Patriarch, seconded by Rep. Harper Wilson, that the proceedings of last session as printed be adopted without being read—Carried.

The M. W. Grand Patriarch then appointed the following:

COMMITTEES :

- On Finance.*—Rep. Geo. H. Carey, W. Chatfield and John Ham Perry.
- On Correspondence.*—Reps. Harper Wilson, T. G. Lowe and T. H. Cowley.
- On By-Laws.*—Reps. B. Kirkpatrick, J. C. White, John Turner, Wm. Sanley and S. Oberdorfer.
- On Returns.*—Reps. G. A. Carson, J. J. Dickson, G. T. Fulford, Robt. Gott and Thos. Reid.
- On Mileage and per Diem.*—Reps. A. M. Campbell, Wm. Box, Chas. Greenaway, Wm. Budd and L. Atkinson.
- On Distribution.*—Reps. Hugh Blain, J. A. McLean, E. Burnham, Robert Evans and John Gibson.

On Appeals.—Reps. E. Stonehouse, Chas. A. Frink, Neil Campbell, Geo. Lees and W. H. Scholes.

State of the Order.—Grand Rep. John Gibson, Reps. J. Graham, D. Ledingham, Leonard Ferguson and R. Law.

The M. W. Grand Patriarch, Grand Scribe and Treasurer and the Grand Representatives submitted their reports in printed form.

Moved by John Ham Perry, Grand Rep., seconded by Rep. H. Blain, that the Reports of the Grand Patriarch, Grand Scribe and R. W. Grand Representatives to the G. L. U. S. be received and distributed—Carried.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND PATRIARCH OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

My Dear Brethren,—

At the close of another official year, it gives me great pleasure to meet so many of you in this beautiful young City, meeting so many old friends shows that an all wise Providence has dealt kindly with us, and seeing so many new faces, indicates that our beloved order is steadily advancing in numbers and influence, I now beg to submit for your kind consideration a report of my work for the past year.

(1)

DISPENSATIONS.

Since the last session of this Grand Encampment, dispensations have been granted for the following Encampments:

Cannington Encampment, No. 35, Cannington. Instituted, January 12th, 1877.

Royal Encampment, No. 36, Hamilton. Instituted February 5th, 1877.

Dresden Encampment, No. 37, Dresden. Instituted March 29th, 1877.

I had much pleasure in being present, and assisting in the institution of the first two, and D. D. G. P. Turner, instituted the other. I would respectfully request that my action will meet with your approval, and that charters be granted to those Encampments.

I likewise have had numerous applications to grant dispensations and to confer the R. P. degree on the same night that the G. B. degree was conferred, and in these cases I had to be guided solely by the recommendations of the D. D. G. P. It

would save a large amount of correspondence if power was given to the D. D. G. P. to grant such dispensations.

(2)

INSTRUCTIONS.

The question was asked viz.:—Whose duty is it to instruct the Encampment in secret work of the order?

Answer—The duty of the Grand Representatives is to instruct the members present at the Grand Encampment, and the Grand Patriarch, or in his absence, his D. D. G. P., to instruct the Subordinate Encampments; but, as the correctness of the work which the subordinates thus receive is very uncertain, I would beg to suggest that this Grand Encampment try and effect some arrangement with the Grand Lodge, whereby some brother properly qualified to instruct in the secret work of both branches of the order, may be employed to visit each Lodge and Encampment, and instruct its members in the secret work and thus ensure a uniform manner of working.

(3)

COMMUNICATIONS.

I received a communication from the Grand Sire, recommending our suffering brethren in Savannah, Georgia, to our kindness and consideration, and I caused a circular to be issued in their behalf, also one from the same source, calling our attention to the fact that a large number of subordinates were using Odes, other than those published by the G. L. U. S., and to prohibit such use, I also caused a circular to issue in that case, carrying out the instruction of the Grand Sire.

A communication was received from Peel Encampment wishing to know in what manner the decision of the Grand Encampment in their case should be carried out. Said decision has been carried out as I directed, and they are now working in peace and harmony.

A Communication from Victoria Encampment, Port Hope, requesting to be permitted to resume work, as Durham Lodge, to which they all belong, had resumed work in the manner prescribed by the Grand Lodge. I complied with their request.

(4)

QUESTIONS AND DECISIONS.

QUESTION.—From Livingstone and Niagara Falls Encampment, which Encampment should brothers residing in Welland join?

ANSWER.—Article 2, sec. 3 Constitution says: A brother must join the Encampment nearest his place of residence, at the time of his application.

QUESTION.—Can a C. P. Vote at the Election for Officers ?

ANSWER.—Yes.

QUESTION.—By, D. D. G. P., J. H. Post, Belleville. The C. P. being present, can the P. C. P. confer the degrees, he being requested to do so by the C. P. ?

ANSWER.—Yes.

QUESTION.—Can the D. D. G. P., confer the degrees by the request of the Encampment or the C. P. ?

ANSWER.—He can by request of the C. P.

QUESTION.—When is a patriarch liable to be dropped or suspended for non-payment of dues ?

ANSWER.—Subject to local law—As this question is one which sometimes causes a great deal of discussion in subordinates, it would be wise if the Grand Encampment would record some definite decision in the matter.

(5)

CASUALTIES.

I regret to announce the death since last session, of D.D.G.P. Grigg, of Wellington Encampment.

I also regret to have to report to you the destruction by fire, of the Odd Fellows' Hall, at Clifton, by which Niagara Falls Encampment lost all their property. No Insurance. I would recommend that another Warrant and set of Books be issued to them, without charge.

In conclusion, brethren, I beg to record my thanks to the D. D. G. Patriarchs, for the valuable assistance given me, and also to all the Grand Officers, and may our deliberation during this session, be conducted with that kindly feeling toward each other, and nothing be said or done to disturb that harmony which should always characterize a Patriarchial Encampment.

WILMOT H. COLE.

BELLEVILLE, JULY 31st, 1877.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE R. W. GRAND SCRIBE
AND TREASURER.

*To the Officers and Representatives of the R. W. Grand
Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F.*

PATRIARCHS :—

(1)

In accordance with annual custom, I have much pleasure in giving a detailed statement of the work and progress of this sublime branch of our beloved brotherhood. Another year has passed into eternity, leaving its impress behind, and although notable for continued financial embarrassment upon all classes of our people, yet, we have occasion for thankfulness, that we are yet an unbroken band, and prosperous beyond measure. This certainly is an evidence, that the principles of Odd-Fellowship are deeply rooted in the hearts of our people, and no matter how poor he may be in basket and store, he cannot afford to forego the social hours spent in our Patriarchal tents. The older we become, the more convinced we are of the healthful influences of our Lodges and Encampments, especially over our young men. Victoria Encampment, No. 25, Port Hope, appears yet to be in trouble, and even suggesting the giving up of their effects, as they find it difficult to sustain themselves creditably, or keep up sufficient interest in their membership to warrant their holding on. The field is certainly a good one, and I am greatly mistaken, if a united effort was made by the Odd-Fellows of that stirring town, that it would result in one of the best Encampments in the jurisdiction. I sincerely trust that some of our leading members in that vicinity will give them a helping hand; and that Patriarchs from adjacent Encampments will occasionally pay them a visit.

The several resolutions passed by this Grand Body, last session, instructing your Grand Scribe to carry out special duties, have been fully obeyed, and the greatest harmony and good feeling at present pervades every part of the jurisdiction.

(2)

In accordance with your resolution, I corresponded with the different subordinate Encampments by circular, enquiring how many copies of the New Constitution they would require; at

the same time enclosing each a copy, offering them at the nominal price of \$4.50 per 100 copies, but up to the present time have only received some three or four orders. I also instructed the D. D. G. P.'s to have each of their Encampments send in their By-Laws for confirmation by this Grand Encampment, but this has also resulted in absolute failure, as only four Encampments have responded to the request.

I also had 350 copies of the Journal of Proceedings printed and distributed in the usual way, as well as sent to our sister jurisdictions throughout the country, receiving in return Journals from the various State Grand Encampments; and many of the Grand Lodges.

Our membership now amounts to 1905, being an increase of 167 over our report of last year, and although no returns for the last term have been received from Victoria Encampment, No. 25, Port Hope, I have reckoned their membership in, as given in their previous report.

(3)

STATE OF THE ORDER.—Three new Encampments have received dispensations during recess, and are progressing favorably, viz.:—Cannington, No. 35, Cannington, 12th January 1877; Royal Encampment, No. 36, Hamilton, 5th February 1877; and Dresden Encampment, No. 37, Dresden, 22nd March 1877. I was present and assisted at the institution of the two latter; and their prospects for future usefulness, and good membership, I consider second to none. No doubt two or three other Encampments would have been organized, only for the severe pressure in the money market, and consequent severe strain upon every description of business. The splendid crops and present appearance of revival in trade will have its effect upon the Order the coming year. I have just received a petition from Montreal, Encampment No. 1, Province of Quebec, asking this Grand Encampment to admit them into this jurisdiction as a subordinate Encampment, which is herewith submitted for your action.

(4)

STATISTICS.—Nothing has given me more trouble than the difficulty experienced in getting the Scribes of the different Subordinates, to make out their returns correctly. It is a moral

impossibility to make my Annual Report to the G.L.U.S., tally from year to year, or to give reliable statistical information, when a number of the subordinates make out their returns in a slap-dash style, paying no attention whatever to the printed instructions. If this Grand body would inflict a fine, or some penalty on every Encampment sending in a bungling return, it would have a beneficial effect. They would then be referred to some efficient Committee for examination, before sending out, or some means would be adopted that would lead to efficiency and correctness. Another cause for complaint, is the dilatory manner in which they are sent in. Every Encampment has its officers installed not later than the second week in January and July, and the returns should be mailed at once, so that they could be in the Grand Scribe's hands by the 20th at the farthest. But instead, last term, some of them did not come in till February and March, and one Encampment not at all, and the present term some of them not until the latter end of the 4th week in July, giving me only a few hours before the Grand Encampment meets, to balance the books, write, and get my report printed. The Return from Hebron, No. 17, for this term was by mistake sent to Belleville, and was not received when the books were closed. The certificates from Representatives have come in a little better this year, but a marked improvement could still be made.

(5)

The total revenue reported (one or two Encampments didn't have any) amounts to \$6,542.54, an increase of \$105.80 over last year. 226 have been initiated, 36 admitted by card, 2 rejected, 5 re-instated, 59 suspended, 1 has been expelled, and 23 have died. The dues to this Right Worthy Grand Body, amounts to \$905.00, an increase of \$80.00 over last year. The following is the abstract of semi-annual Returns :—

Abstract of Semi-Annual Returns of Subordinate Encampments to Grand Encampment of Ont., I. O. O. F., for the term ending Dec. 31, 76

NAME.	NO.	WHERE HELD.	Initiations.	Adm'd by Cr.	Refections.	Withdrawn.	Re-instated.	Sus. or Drop'd.	Expelled.	Deaths.	Degrees Conferred.	Members on the Books.	Dues to Grand Encampment.	Revenue.	DATE OF MEETING.
Union	1	St. Catharines	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	104	\$8.00	\$01.28	1st and 3d Wednesday.
Frontier	2	Windsor	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	66	4.00	2nd and 4th Friday.	
Harmony	3	London	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	66	4.00	2nd and 4th Thursday.	
Braant	4	Brantford	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	87	16.72	1st and 3d Friday.	
Charity	5	Stratford	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	86	24.54	2nd and 4th Friday.	
Beaver	6	St. Marys	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	47	11.75	1st and 3d Thursday.	
Burlington	7	Hamilton	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	57	39.25	2nd and 4th Monday.	
Toronto	8	Toronto	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	62	15.50	1st and 3d Friday.	
Brookville	9	Brookville	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	62	15.50	2nd and 4th Thursday.	
Chatham	10	Chatham	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Friday.	
Ontario	11	Coburn	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	2nd and 4th Monday.	
Albert	12	Bowmanville	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Thursday.	
Whitby	13	Whitby	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	2nd and 4th Friday.	
Fidelity	14	Strathroy	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Monday.	
Kingston	15	Kingston	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	2nd and 4th Friday.	
Mt. Ararat	16	Napanee	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Tuesday.	
Hebron	17	Park Hill	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	2nd and 4th Monday.	
Northern Star	18	Bellefleur	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Wednesday.	
Quinte	19	Port Perry	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	2nd and 4th Thursday.	
Ugah	20	St. Thomas	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Friday.	
Ugah	21	Ugah	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	2nd and 4th Monday.	
Guiding Star	22	Ugah	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Tuesday.	
Niagara Falls	23	Niagara Falls	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	2nd and 4th Wednesday.	
Friendship	24	Petrolia	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Thursday.	
Victoria	25	Port Hope	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	2nd and 4th Friday.	
Alpha	26	Sarnia	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Monday.	
Seaforth	27	Seaforth	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	2nd and 4th Tuesday.	
Huron	28	Goderich	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Wednesday.	
Livingstone	29	Thorold	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	2nd and 4th Thursday.	
Wentworth	30	Dundas	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Friday.	
Wellington	31	Guelph	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	2nd and 4th Monday.	
Newmarket	32	Newmarket	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Tuesday.	
Xcelor	33	Xcelor	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	2nd and 4th Wednesday.	
Peel	34	Brampton	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	54	13.50	1st and 3d Thursday.	
	100		4	2	8	256	117	387	1786	\$448.50	\$2439.08				1st and 3d Friday.

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Abstract of Semi-Annual Returns of Subordinate Encampments to Grand Encampment of Ont. I. O. O. F.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO

(6)

A Abstract of Semi-Annual Returns of Subordinate Encampments to Grand Encampment of Ont., I. O. O. F., for the term ending June 30, 77.

NAME.	No.	WHERE HELD.	DATE OF MEETING.													
			Initiations	Admitted by Card.	Rejected	Widwr. in	Reinstated	Suspended or Expelled	Deaths	Degrees Conferred	Members on Books	Dues to Grand Encampment	Revenue.			
Union Frontiers	1	St. Catharines	1	1												\$120 90
Harmony	2	Windsor	1	1												97 55
Brant	3	London	1	1												143 40
Charity	4	Braintree	1	1												124 53
Beaver	5	St. Catharines	1	1												150 80
Burlington	6	St. Catharines	1	1												128 55
Toronto	7	St. Catharines	1	1												168 50
Brook	8	Toronto	1	1												191 80
Chatham	9	Brookville	1	1												33 25
Oshawa	10	Chatham	1	1												186 87
Albion	11	Oshawa	1	1												102 00
White	12	Bowmanville	1	1												33 30
Fidelity	13	Whitby	1	1												72 00
Kingston	14	Strathroy	1	1												64 25
Kingston	15	Strathroy	1	1												131 16
Mt. Ararat	16	Kingston	1	1												41 00
Kingston	17	Kingston	1	1												12 50
Northern Star	18	Port Hill	1	1												12 50
Quinte	19	Port Hill	1	1												131 16
Legion	20	Port Hill	1	1												41 00
Unity	21	St. Thomas	1	1												12 50
Sniding Star	22	Ingersoll	1	1												37 60
Vigars Falls	23	Manilla	1	1												37 60
Friendship	24	Clifton	1	1												84 75
Victoria	25	Petrolia	1	1												83 60
Alphonia	26	Port Hope	1	1												30 80
Seaforth	27	Sarnia	1	1												33 25
Furon	28	Seaforth	1	1												46 25
Livingstone	29	Goderich	1	1												45 00
Wellington	30	Dunrold	1	1												45 00
Newmarket	31	Dundas	1	1												68 00
Exeter	32	Georgetown	1	1												81 35
Peel	33	Newmarket	1	1												40 18
Cannington	34	Exeter	1	1												150 40
Royal	35	Peel	1	1												150 40
Dresden	36	Cannington	1	1												22 15
	37	Dresden	1	1												22 15
			120	31	19	3	23	7	385	1834	\$478 75	\$4102 88				

1st and 3rd Monday of each month.
2nd and 4th Thursday of each month.

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FINANCE.—The financial standing of our Grand Encampment is good, our expenses having been considerably reduced by the decrease in representation, and our business steadily increasing. There will be no difficulty in the way of our procuring at once, a suitable Charter for Subordinates. All outstanding accounts have been paid, including Representative tax to G. L. U. S., for 1877; also, the salary of the Grand Scribe to the 30th of June, 1877. The only liability at present standing against us, is the loan of \$200.00, kindly granted by the R. W. Grand Lodge, in 1869, the first year of our existence, and for which the Grand Secretary only holds my individual note. We have a balance of cash in Treasury, and supplies, as annexed statement:—

ASSETS.

Cash on hand, August 1st, 1877.....		\$880 05
Amounts due by Subordinates.....	\$17 02	✓
36 Visiting and Withdrawal Cards, @ 25c.....	9 00	
4 Encampment Charge Books, @ \$2.....	8 00	
1 Digest.....	2 50	
1 Black Book @ \$2.....	2 00	
2 Register Books, @ \$3.50.....	7 00	
2 Proposition Books, @ \$3.25.....	6 50	
6 Order Books, @ \$2.....	12 00	
6 Receipt Books, @ \$2.....	12 00	
1000 Rep. & P. C. P. Certificates, @ 2c.....	20 00	
25 Treasurer's Books, @ \$1 each.....	25 00	
1 Return Book, @ 60.....	0 60	
400 Notices to attend Meetings, @ \$1. per 100.....	4 00	
1800 Notices of Arrears, @ \$1 per 100.....	18 00	
300 Notices of Rejections, at \$1 per 100.....	3 00	146 62
Total.....		\$1026 67

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STATEMENT OF MONEYS RECEIVED

DURING THE YEAR,
Ending June 26th, 1877.

NAME AND NUMBER OF ENCAMPMENT.	Dues	Charters	Supplies	Total
Union No 1.....				
Frontier No 2.....	\$52 75			\$58 00
Harmony No 3.....	34 75		\$ 5 25	34 75
Brant No 4.....	81 50			81 50
Charity No 5.....	33 00			41 25
Beaver No 6.....	49 75		8 25	50 25
Burlington No 7.....	23 50		50	24 35
Toronto No 8.....	39 00		85	39 60
Brock No 9.....	79 00		60	79 00
Chatham No 10.....	25 50			35 50
Ontario No 11.....	30 50		10 00	36 35
Albert No 12.....	26 00		5 85	34 60
Whitby No 13.....	26 00		8 60	28 00
Fidelity No 14.....	36 00			36 00
Kingston No 15.....	28 50			28 75
Mt. Ararat No 16.....	25 25		25	28 25
Hebron No 17.....	16 50		3 00	16 50
Northern Star No 18.....	10 50			12 60
Quinte No 19.....	10 50		2 10	11 22
Elgin No 20.....	29 75		72	29 75
Unity No 21.....	26 00			26 00
Guiding Star No 22.....	35 75			39 35
Niagara Falls No 23.....	9 75		3 60	12 00
Friendship No 24.....	20 25		2 25	46 20
Victoria No 25.....	17 75		25 95	17 75
Alpha No 26.....	7 25			7 25
Seaforth No 27.....	16 50			16 50
Huron No 28.....	16 00			16 00
Livingstone No 29.....	12 50			13 00
Wentworth No 30.....	22 75		50	28 35
Wellington No 31.....	8 25		5 60	8 81
Newmarket No 32.....	16 25		56	35 09
Exeter No 33.....	9 25		18 84	9 25
Peel No 34.....	8 50			8 06
Cannington No 35.....	7 50		56	53 60
Royal No 36.....	3 50	30 00	20 10	55 85
Dresden No 37.....	5 75	30 00	20 10	52 85
	4 00	30 00	18 85	
Total.....	\$905 75	\$90 00	\$162 88	\$1158 63

DISBURSEMENTS.

1876.

Aug. 1 By Cash as per Pay Roll	\$ 433 36
“ Grant to G. Scribe for year ending 30th June, '76	\$ 75 00
“ Blank Book and Stationery, at St. Catharine's....	1 50
“ Bingham Special Committee.....	22 16
“ Brant Union, 200 Fare Certificates	3 00
“ Postage Account.....	8 00
“ Drafts to Grand Lodge U. S.....	191 33
“ Printing Journal and Supplies	115 75
“ Express charges, duty, freight, &c.....	8 36
“ Telegraphing, Stationery, &c.....	6 00
“ Salary to G. Scribe for year ending 30th June, '77	150 00
“ Brant Union, 150 Fare Certificates.....	4 00
Balance.....	585 10
	890 05
Total.....	\$1898 51

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CORRESPONDENCE.—With the increase of Subordinates, and the efficiency of our D. D. G. P.'s and Scribes, the correspondence has increased somewhat, and has been marked by fraternal courtesy and intelligence. No appeals have arisen to create labor, or produce ill-feeling, but brotherly love at present binds and cements the whole structure; and we can meet each other at this session, determined to legislate for the advancement of our beloved Order.

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One Encampment, Niagara Falls, No. 23, Clifton, I am sorry to report, lost all their effects by fire; but they have arisen, Phoenix like, from the ashes, and are again in good working order, and evidently determined to prosper.

In conclusion I have to offer my thanks to the M. W. Grand Patriarch, Grand Officers, and D. D. G. P. generally, for valuable assistance in the details of my office. We were united in carrying out the instructions devolving upon us, not a jarring or discordant note having been sounded in our borders; and we resign our trust to your hands, trusting that the same Patriarchal feeling may exist during the coming year, and that all our legislative acts the present session, may be productive of permanent good to this branch of our order.

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

M. D. DAWSON,
Grand Scribe and Treasurer.

Belleville, Ont., July 31st, 1877.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE R. W. GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

To the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F.:

Your Representatives to the Right Worthy Grand Lodge, of the United States, I. O. O. F., beg leave to submit the following Report:

The R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States met in its fifty-second annual communication, in the City of Philadelphia, on the 18th day of September, 1876, with a large attendance of Representatives and nearly all the Past Grand Sires. The only bodies not represented were the Grand Lodges of Montana, Switzerland, and British Columbia. Of the 146 representatives present, 58 were from Grand Encampments.

The reports of the Grand Officers, presented on the first day of the session, showed prosperity, activity and harmony throughout the entire fraternity.

The following statistics will show the operations of the Patriarchal branch of the Order for 1875, and its condition at the end of the year:—

No. of Grand Encampments	39
No. of subordinate Encampments	1,756
Initiated	9,955
Admitted by card	2,032
Reinstated	744
Withdrawn by card	12,741
Suspended and dropped	2,204
Expelled	6,744
Deceased	140
	831
Membership, 31st December, 1875	8,916
Receipts of Encampments	67,436
No. of Patriarchs relieved	\$468,421.56
No. of widowed families relieved	6,641
No. of Patriarchs buried	221
Paid for relief of Patriarchs	831
Paid for relief of widowed families	\$147,539.54
Paid for educating orphans	6,927.56
Paid for burying the dead	409.79
Paid for special relief	24,794.13
	1,268.45
Total amount of relief	\$180,967.45
Paid by Grand Encampments to G. L. U. S., from 1st Sept., 1875, to Aug. 31st, 1876	\$7,146.72

The following bodies were instituted during the year by direct authority of the Grand Sire, viz.:

GRAND ENCAMPMENTS.

ARKANSAS.—Instituted at Little Rock, Oct. 14th, 1875.

SUBORDINATE ENCAMPMENTS.

GREAT BRITAIN.—Anglo-American, No. 4, instituted at London, England, November 17th, 1875.

OHIO.—Southern Watch, No. 1, instituted at Valparaiso, Nov. 18th, 1875.

LOWER PROVINCES.—Halifax, No. 12, instituted at Halifax, N. S., April 18th, 1876.

NEW MEXICO.—Centennial, No. 3, instituted at Santa Fe, May 31st, 1876.

FLORIDA.—Florida, No. 1, charter restored to eleven petitioners. Reinstated at Jacksonville, June 29th, 1876.

IDAHO.—Idaho, No. 1, instituted at Boise City, July 10th, 1876.

MONTANA.—Golden Star, No. 2, instituted at Deer Lodge, July 27th, 1876.

DECISIONS.

The Grand Sire Reported the following decisions during the year :—

First.—It is improper for a Lodge to donate to an initiate a part of his initiation fee upon the ground that he had made a bargain with certain members of the Lodge before sending in his petition, that he should have part of his initiation fee back.

Second.—That the law of 1870, in regard to suspension of members for non-payment of dues and also for their reinstatement, repeals all former laws on that subject.

Third.—That an Indian presenting a regular card, having the pass-word, passes an examination, should be permitted to visit a Lodge; the fault is in the Lodge which initiated him.

Fourth.—That the several jurisdictions of the several States have the right to determine whether the dead can be buried by a committee of the Lodge or by the whole Lodge.

Fifth.—That the Lodge cannot, in a body as a Lodge, attend the funeral of a deceased "Ancient Odd Fellow," and conduct the services according to the ritual of the Order.

Sixth.—It is not illegal that members of a Lodge, by appointment of the N. G., shall, when the Lodge is opened under the head of "the good of the Order," deliver addresses or read essays on Odd Fellowship.

Seventh.—That the seal of a Lodge should only be used in transacting the legitimate business of the Lodge.

The first was not approved, being left to subordinate jurisdictions.

The third was reversed, and is worthy of notice, as the question arose in Ontario.

The remaining decisions were approved.

LEGISLATION.

The following decisions were made by the Grand Lodge in questions of appeal coming from Encampments:

- First.*—A vote amending a By-law cannot be reconsidered: p. p. 6966, 6974.
- Second.*—Acceptance by an Encampment from one of its members, through the Scribe, of dues for a certain period, and the issuance of a receipt therefor, by the Scribe, does not constitute a contract that the rate of dues for such member shall remain unchanged during the time for which he paid in advance. p. p. 7020 and 7077.
- Third.*—A Patriarch sick twelve working days is not entitled to two weeks' benefits. p. p. 7057 and 7083.

Other important decisions were to the following effect:—

A member is not subject to charges for stigmatizing another as guilty of falsification, if the assertion is not wilfully and maliciously made. p. p. 7022 and 7071.

A member is nominated for an office without possessing the proper qualifications, his election will be valid, provided he becomes qualified before the election takes place. p. p. 7089.

A brother cannot resign membership while charges are pending against him. p. p. 7089.

Non-affiliated Odd-Fellows over fifty years of age, who had previously been in membership for five consecutive years, may be re-admitted as non-beneficial members in a Lodge or Encampment, on such terms as the local law may prescribe. p. p. 6984 and 7054.

Funds of Lodges may be legitimately appropriated for the support of libraries. p. p. 6985 and 7054.

Grand Lodges or Encampments may permit the use of names or members of extinct subordinates in their jurisdiction, that have been extinct over twenty years. p. p. 7008 and 7064.

RETURNS.

The returns from our Grand Encampment were reported correct.

FINANCE.

From the report of the Grand Treasurer, it would appear that the actual receipts of the G. L. U. S. for the last fiscal year were \$38,129 89, while the expenses proper were \$43,009 74. The fact that not only for the last year, but the several years past, the expenses of the Grand Lodge have been in excess of its receipts, would seem to call for a decided change in the fiscal concerns of that body. It is difficult to see how the revenue can be materially increased, as the dues and fees from subordinate jurisdictions are now sufficiently high, while the charges for supplies would be considered exorbitant, but for the fact that they are necessary as a source of revenue. The only remedy seems to be in the direction of a wiser economy in the expenditures of the Supreme Body. A glance at the following items of expense will show that it is just within the bounds of probability that a slight curtailment might be exercised if it were absolutely necessary.—

Mileage and per diem.....	\$18,323
Expense of G. Sec'y office, including salaries and incidentals..	6,207
Printing reports and journals.....	7,860
Services and travelling expenses of sundry persons.....	1,805
Postage, freight, etc.....	715

The Grand Sire was instructed to appoint a committee of five to prepare a plan of representation and taxation to meet the growing wants of the Grand Lodge in the matter of money, and it was decided strictly to enforce the laws against delinquent subordinates.

APPEALS.

The rules of order were amended so as to provide for a new committee on appeals as follows:—

The Committee on Appeals to be designated as Appeal Committee No. 1, and Appeal Committee No. 2. That all appeals from the New England and Middle States and the Dominion of Canada, shall be referred to Appeal Committee No. 1, and appeals from all other jurisdictions shall be referred to Appeal Committee No. 2 unless otherwise ordered. Committee on Correspondence, Committee on Constitutions, Committee on Petitions, Committee on Returns, and Committee on Grand Bodies not Represented, each to consist of seven members. Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, and Committee on Printing, each to consist of five members.

HISTORY.

The history of the Order is still progressing in the hands of Grand Sec. Ridgley.

CHANGE OF NAME.

The Representatives from Ontario have made another effort to secure a change of the name of the Grand Lodge to one more suitable than its present local title, and placed on the Journal a notice of motion to amend the Constitution to the following effect:—

First.—Repeal Article I, Section I.

Second.—Substitute for Article I, Section I, the following:—

“Article I, Section I.—This Lodge shall be known by the name, style and title of the ‘Supreme Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows.’”

Third.—That the word “Supreme” shall be substituted for the word “Grand,” in each and every subsequent article and section of the Constitution, where the same refers to the name of this Grand Lodge.

This was signed by one hundred of the representatives, and we have confident hopes that at the coming session it will be adopted.

CENTENNIAL.

The year 1876 being the Centennial of American Independence, and the Grand Lodge meeting in the city of Philadelphia, a locality rich in reminiscences of the early days of the

American people, it was no more than natural that the Session should be largely tinged with a flavor of Americanism, and that the true cosmopolitan character of Odd-fellowship should be rather overshadowed by the jubilant patriotism of our brethren south of the border. Parades, speeches and celebrations formed a marked feature of our last Session. Full reports of these were published at the time, and do not call for further reference here.

In conclusion, your Representatives again return you thanks for the honor conferred on them, and trust that their labors have met with your approbation.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. GIBSON,
J. HAM PERRY.

BELLEVILLE, July 31st, 1877.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

The Committee on Distribution presented the following Report:—

COMMITTEE ROOMS, BELLEVILLE, July 31st, 1877.

To the M. W. Grand Patriarch, Officers and Representatives
of the Grand Encampment of Ontario:—

PATRIARCHS:

Your Committee on Distribution beg to present the following Report:—

They would recommend that No. 1 of the Grand Patriarch's Report and No. 3 of the Grand Scribe's Report be referred to Committee on Petitions, to be appointed by the Grand Encampment.

That Nos. 2, 4 and 6 of the Grand Patriarch's Report, and Nos. 1, 2, 4 and 10 of the Grand Scribe's Report be referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

That No. 3 of the Grand Patriarch's Report and No. 9 of the Grand Scribe's Report be referred to Committee on Correspondence.

That No. 5 of the Grand Patriarch's Report be referred to a Special Committee.

That Nos. 5, 7 and 8 of the Grand Scribe's Report be referred to the Committee on Finance.

That No. 6 of the Grand Scribe's Report be referred to the Committee on Returns.

Your Committee would suggest that the Grand Officers in future number the several clauses of their reports for each subject, and that the numbers be retained in the Journal of Proceedings.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. BLAIN,
E. BURNHAM,
ROBERT EVANS,
JOHN GIBSON,
J. A. McLEAN.

Resolved, That the above report be adopted. Carried.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on Distribution, the M. W. Grand Patriarch appointed the following Committees:—

On Petitions.—J. Young, M. E. Grand High Priest; E. R. Robinson, Grand Sen. Warden; and J. Moore, Grand Marshal.

Special Committee.—Rep. Ford, Jas. Woodyatt, P. G. P., and H. McAfee, P. G. P.

On motion of the R. W. Grand Scribe, duly seconded, the Grand Encampment adjourned at 11 o'clock, to assemble again at 2 p. m.

SECOND SESSION.

Grand Encampment assembled pursuant to adjournment, at 2 o'clock, p. m.

Present: All the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following supplementary Report:

To the Officers and Members of the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario:

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg leave to present this as supplementary to our previous Report, viz:

That we have examined the credentials of the following P. C. Patriarchs, and recommend that they receive the Grand Encampment degree:

Whitby Encampment No. 13.....Geo. J. Hoyle
 Quinte " " No. 19.....A. McFee
 " " " ".....W. H. Scholes

Respectfully submitted.

M. D. DAWSON,
 JOHN G. MOORE.

ENCAMPMENT ROOMS, 31st July, 1877.

Resolved, That the foregoing Report be adopted. Carried.

On motion, it was carried that the election of Grand Officers for the ensuing year take place this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

The Committee on Mileage and Per Diem presented the following Report:

ENCAMPMENT ROOMS, BELLEVILLE, July 31st, 1877.

To the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario:

We, your Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, beg leave to report that the following Patriarchs be paid four cents per mile, and two dollars per diem for their attendance at the present session of the R. W. Grand Encampment:

NAME	No.	PLACE	REPRESENTATIVE	MILEAGE AND PER DIEM			Total
				Miles.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	
Union	1	St. Catharines..	W. Chastfield...	185	\$14 80	\$2 00	\$ 16 80
"	1	do	Harper Wilson...	185	14 80	2 00	16 80
Frontier	2	Windsor	Thos. Reid	339	27 12	2 00	29 12
Harmony	3	London	Thos. Geo. Lowe	234	18 72	2 00	20 72
Harmony	3	do	R. Kirkpatrick..	234	18 72	2 00	20 72
Brant	4	Brantford	J. J. Dickson...	180	14 40	2 00	16 40
Charity	5	Stratford	A. M. Campbell..	201	16 08	2 00	18 08
"	5	do	F. H. Cowley...	201	16 08	2 00	18 08
Beaver	6	St. Mary's	Wm. Box	213	17 04	2 00	19 04
Burlington.....	7	Hamilton	J. C. White	153	12 24	2 00	14 24
Toronto	8	Toronto	H. Blain	113	9 12	2 00	11 12

NAME	No.	PLACE	REPRESENTATIVE	Miles.	Mileage.	Per Diem.	Total.
Toronto.....	8	Toronto.....	Geo. H. Carey..	113	\$ 9 04	\$2 00	\$ 11 04
Brock.....	9	Brockville.....	G. S. Fulford..	95	7 60	2 00	9 60
Chatham.....	10	Chatham.....	John Turner....	293	23 44	2 00	25 44
Ontario.....	11	Oshawa.....	R. Gott.....	79	6 32	2 00	8 32
Albert.....	12	Bowmanville....	F. Mason.....	70	5 60	2 00	7 60
Whitby.....	13	Whitby.....	G. A. Carson....	83	6 64	2 00	8 64
Fidelity.....	14	Strathroy.....	Chas Greenaway	254	20 32	2 00	22 32
Kingston.....	15	Kingston.....	S. Oberndorffer	48	3 84	2 00	5 84
Mt. Ararat....	16	Napanee.....	Jno Graham....	22	1 72	2 00	3 72
Hebron.....	17	Parkhill.....	W. C. Noble....	241	19 28	2 00	21 28
Northern Star.	18	Port Peiry.....	D. Leedingham..	102	.....	2 00	2 00
Quinte.....	19	Belleville.....	W. H. Schules..	.....	.....	2 00	2 00
Elgin.....	20	St. Thomas....	L. Ferguson....	249	19 92	2 00	21 92
Unity.....	21	Ingersoll.....	Jas. R. Harris..	215	17 20	2 00	19 20
Guiding Star..	22	Manilla.....	J. A. McLean..	177	14 16	2 00	16 16
Niagara Falls.	23	Clifton.....	Reuben Law....	196	15 68	2 00	17 68
Friendship....	24	Petrolia.....	E. Barnham....	280	22 40	2 00	24 40
Victoria.....	25	Port Hope....	absent	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alpha.....	26	Sarnia.....	Chas. A. Frink..	296	23 68	2 00	25 68
Seaforth.....	27	Seaforth.....	C. Armstrong..	225	18 00	2 00	20 00
Huron.....	28	Goderich.....	Neil Campbell..	246	19 68	2 00	21 68
Livingstone..	29	Thorold.....	absent	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wentworth....	30	Dundas.....	Geo. Lees.....	159	12 72	2 00	14 72
Wellington....	31	Guelph.....	Wm Sunley....	161	12 88	2 00	14 88
Newmarket....	32	Newmarket....	L. Atkinson....	147	.....	2 00	2 00
Exeter.....	33	Exeter.....	S. D. Stanley..	265	absent	.....	.....
Peel.....	34	Brampton.....	E. Stonehouse..	134	10 72	2 00	12 72
Cannington....	35	Cannington....	John Twohey...	172	13 76	2 00	15 76
Royal.....	36	Hamilton.....	Robert Evans..	153	12 24	2 00	14 24
Dresden.....	37	Dresden.....	Wm. Ru'd.....	313	25 04	2 00	27 04
GRAND OFFICERS							
			W. H. Cole....	95	7 60	2 00	9 60
			J. P. Young....	293	23 44	2 00	25 44
			E. B. Robinson	234	.....	2 00	2 00
			M. D. Dawson..	234	18 72	2 00	20 72
			John H. Perry..	83	.....	2 00	2 00
			John Gibson...	204	.....	2 00	2 00
			Thos. Woodyatt	180	.....	2 00	2 00
			Jno. G. Moore..	.....	.....	2 00	2 00
			Henry Neal ..	296	23 68	2 00	25 68
			W. N. Hosey...	22	1 76	2 00	3 76
			Sam. Robinson..	.....	janitor	.....	2 00
							\$683 32

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. M. CAMPBELL,
WILLIAM BOX,
CHAS. GREENAWAY,
WILLIAM RUDD.

Resolved, That the above report be received and adopted. Carried.

The following petition was read and referred to Committee on Petitions:

MONTREAL ENCAMPMENT No. 1, I. O. O. F.

MONTREAL, July 19th, 1877.

To the R. W. Grand Recording Scribe, Grand Encampment of Ontario:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:

I am instructed to forward to your Right Worthy Grand Body the following resolution, which was unanimously carried at a regular meeting of this Encampment, held on the 27th ultimo.

Moved by John Ferguson, P. C. P., and seconded by Junior Warden Church—

That, in accordance with previous notice of motion, this Encampment resolve to petition the Grand Encampment of Ontario to be admitted as a subordinate Encampment under the jurisdiction of the aforesaid Grand Encampment; and further, that this Encampment petition, under seal, to the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of the United States, asking their consent and concurrence in the projected movement, and to authorize our transfer from the Grand Lodge jurisdiction to that of Ontario, believing as we do that the projected change would, if accomplished, be for the interest and advantage of this Encampment and the Order generally in the Province of Quebec.

L. D. SIMS, Scribe.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The Committee on Correspondence presented the following Report:

BELLEVILLE, July 31st, 1877.

To the M. W. G. Patriarch, Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

We, your Committee on Correspondence, beg leave to submit the following Report:

That we have carefully examined the correspondence of the M. W. Grand Patriarch for the past year.

And with reference to the action of the M. W. Grand Patriarch for aid to our suffering brethren in Savannah, as also from the same in regard to unauthorized Odes in use by subordinate Encampments, we cordially indorse the same, and recommend the action he has taken be approved.

We also recommend that his instructions to A. W. Grand Scribe with regard to the resumption of Victoria Encampment be approved.

We also report that we have carefully examined the correspondence of the R. W. Grand Scribe, and find the same carefully and correctly attended to. We also find that his duties have greatly increased, and would recommend that his salary be increased fifty (\$50) dollars per year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HARPER WILSON,
T. G. LOWE,
T. H. COWLEY.

On motion, the report was taken up *seriatim*.

Clauses 1 and 2 were declared carried.

Clause 3 was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion, the report, as amended was then declared carried.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The Special Committee appointed to draw up a resolution of condolence on account of the death of our lately deceased Bro. E. Grigg, D. D. G. P., of Wellington Encampment No. 31, Guelph, presented the following Report:

BELLEVILLE, July 31st, 1877.

To the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Special Committee to whom was referred Clause 5 of the Grand Patriarch's Report on the death of Bro. E. Grigg, D. D. G. P., of Wellington Encampment, beg to report:

That we record on the minutes of this Grand Encampment our deep regret at the death of Bro. E. Grigg—a zealous, true and active member of this branch of our Order, whose loss is grievously felt by all, but especially by Wellington Encampment. Our sincere sympathy is due to the relatives and friends of the deceased Patriarch, and also to the Order in Guelph, in the bereavement they have suffered.

Resolved, That a copy of this report be transmitted to Wellington Encampment, and to the relatives of the deceased.

E. R. ROBINSON,
J. P. YOUNG,
JNO. G. MOORE.

Resolved, That the above report be received and adopted.
Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS.

The Committee on Petitions presented the following Report:

BELLEVILLE, July 31st, 1877.

To the M. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario:

We, your Committee to whom was referred the Petition of Montreal Encampment No. 1, of Montreal, Province of Quebec, asking to be admitted to membership in, and be made subordinate to the Grand Encampment of Ontario, beg leave to report:—

We find that there is no provision in the Law to permit this Grand Encampment to exercise jurisdiction in the Province of Quebec, without the consent and authority of the Grand Lodge of the United States.

Article 13, By-Laws U. S., provides that a subordinate Encampment working under the immediate jurisdiction of the G. L. U. S., may, on its own request, become and be made subordinate to any contiguous State or Territorial Grand Encampment.

Therefore, your Committee, believing it would greatly advance the interest of the Order both in Ontario and Quebec if the prayer of the Petition were granted, willingly extend a hearty welcome to our brothers in Quebec, and recommend that in the event of the Grand Lodge U. S. acceding to the request of the Patriarchs in Montreal, this Grand Encampment also grant the prayer of their Petition, and instruct their Representatives to give all aid practicable to enable Montreal Encampment to become attached to this jurisdiction.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. N. FORD,
JAS. WOODYATT,
HENRY MCAFEE.

On motion, the above report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER

The Committee on State of the Order presented the following Report:

COMMITTEE ROOMS, BELLEVILLE, July 31st, 1877.

To the M. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Committee on the State of the Order beg to submit the following Report:

First.—With reference to Clause 2 of the Grand Patriarch's Report, headed "Instruction," your Committee are of opinion that the funds of the Grand Encampment will not justify us in recommending any action.

Second.—With reference to Clause 4, we recommend that the Grand Patriarch's decision be confirmed.

Third—Clause 6. Your Committee beg to express their deep regret for the great loss Niagara Falls Encampment has sustained, and heartily endorse the recommendation of the Grand Patriarch, and would strongly recommend Encampments to look well to their insurance.

Fourth—Clause 1 of Grand Scribe's Report.—Your Committee regret to learn of the possibility of Victoria Encampment No. 25, Port Hope, ceasing to work, and would urge the Grand Officers to use every legitimate means to avoid such an unpleasant termination of this once prosperous Encampment.

Fifth—Clause 2.—Your Committee regret that the Encampments have not embraced the opportunity of supplying themselves with the new Constitution.

Sixth—Your Committee congratulate the Grand Encampment upon the prosperous condition of the Patriarchial branch of the Order.

Seventh—Clause 4.—It is to be deplored that the Scribes of the subordinate Encampments do not make out their returns more correctly.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN GIBSON,
JNO. GRAHAM,
R. LAW,
DANIEL LEDINGHAM,
L. FERGUSON.

Resolved, That the foregoing be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

The Committee on Appeals presented the following Report :

BELLEVILLE, July 31st, 1877.

To the M. W. Grand Patriarch, Officers and Representatives of the Grand Encampment of Ontario :

We, the Committee appointed on Appeals, beg to report as follows :

That we find there were no appeals made from the decision of any of the subordinate Encampments, or from any ruling of the Officers of the Grand Encampment. Therefore our duties were very light.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. STONEHOUSE,
CHAS. A. FRINK,
NEIL CAMPBELL,
GEORGE LEES.

Resolved, That the foregoing Report be adopted. Carried.

The Roll of Encampment was here called, so as to give Representatives an opportunity to ask any questions.

Rep. T. G. Lowe, on behalf of Harmony Enc. No. 3, presented the following question, which was referred to Committee on State of the Order:

By-Law No. 27, Harmony No. 3, reads: Any Patriarch of this Encampment who has been a contributing member of the R. P. Degree for one year shall be, etc.

Does sickness during this probation deprive the brother of benefits, the continuing sick after the expiration of such term, and otherwise good upon the books.

Rep. Wm. Sunley, on behalf of Wellington Enc. No. 31, Guelph, offered the following Resolution, seconded by Rep. Stonehouse, Peel Enc. No. 34:

Resolved, That Sec. 6 of Article II of the Constitution of Subordinates, be referred to the Committee on the State of the Order, with instructions to report on amended section providing that notices of rejections, suspensions or expulsions be sent only to Encampments in the same city or town in which such events occur.

Rep. Thos. Reid, on behalf of Frontier Enc. No. 2, presented the following question:

Under the laws governing the Encampment, it is necessary that the election of Representatives to the Grand Encampment should take place at the first regular meeting of the Encampment in July. In pursuance thereof, two P. C. Patriarchs were at such first regular meeting of the above Encampment so nominated to represent the Encampment in Grand Encampment, and at the election balloting took place for hours, in each instance resulting in a tie vote, and it became certain that neither candidate could then be elected, even though balloting continued till morning.

Question.—Under above circumstances, is it not competent for Encampment to adjourn the election of Representative to next regular meeting, or a special meeting; or can meeting itself be adjourned; and if not, how can the above difficulty be avoided.

The following communication was read by Rep. Blain and referred to a Special Committee of three Representatives, viz.: Reps. Blain, Graham and Stonehouse:

TORONTO ENCAMPMENT, No. 8, I. O. O. F.

Toronto, July 26th, 1877.

DEAR SIRS AND BROTHERS:

At a regular meeting of this Encampment held this evening, the following motion was carried:

Resolved, That the Representatives of this Encampment be instructed to agitate at the meeting of the Grand Encampment the changing of the name of the Grand Lodge United States.

Yours in Faith, Hope and Charity,

ROBERT DODD, *Scribe*

To P. C. P's., H. BLAIN AND G. H. CAREY.

Moved by Representative Blain and seconded by H. McAfee, P. G. P., that a committee of five be appointed by this Encampment to revise the Constitution and By-Laws for this Grand Encampment, and a Constitution for subordinate Encampments in this jurisdiction, and that the Committee have the same printed and distributed among the subordinate Encampments, as required, and that the Committee report to this Grand Body at its next session. Carried.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The proper hour having arrived, the Grand Patriarch appointed Bros. Campbell, Stonehouse and Gordon Scrutineers.

On motion, it was ordered that the ballot for this election be taken in the same.

The nomination and election of officers was then proceeded with, with the following result:

THOS. WOODYATT.....	M. W. Grand Patriarch.
E. R. ROBLINSON.....	M. E. Grand High Priest.
ROBT. EVANS.....	R. W. Grand Senior Warden.
M. D. DAWSON.....	R. W. Grand Scribe and Treasurer.
JOHN G. MOORE.....	R. W. Grand Junior Warden.
JOHN GIBSON.....	R. W. Grand Representative G.L.U.S.

REPORT ON LAWS OF SUBORDINATES.

The Committee on By-Laws of Subordinates presented the following Report:

ODD-FELLOWS' HALL, BELLEVILLE, July 31st, 1877.

To the Officers and Representatives of the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F.:

Your Committee on the Revision of By-Laws, have examined those submitted to us, and beg to submit the following Report for your consideration:

On By-Laws of Wellington Encampment No. 31. Strike out the words "in advance" in Clause 13.

Strike out the words "or expelled" in Clause 18.

Strike out all after the word "semi-annually" up to the word "record" in Clause 26.

On By-Laws of Toronto Encampment No. 8, strike out the words "in advance" in Clause 8.

In By-Laws of Royal Encampment No. 36. Strike out all after the word "Substitute," up to the word "Provided," in Clause 29.

On By-Laws of Alpha Encampment No. 26. Strike out the words "in advance," in Clause 7.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROBT. KIRKPATRICK,
J. C. WHITE,
JOHN TURNER,
WM. SUNLEY,
S. OBERNDORFFER.

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

On motion, the Grand Encampment adjourned till 7.30.

EVENING SESSION.

Grand Encampment met pursuant to adjournment.

Present: All the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

Moved by Rep. Harper Wilson, seconded by T. G. Lowe, that the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws recommended by this R. W. Grand Encampment and Constitution for subordinate Encampments, be instructed to draw up a model code of By-Laws for adoption by the several Encampments. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.

The Committee on Returns presented the following as their Report:

BELLEVILLE, July 31st, 1877.

To the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Committee on Returns beg to report that they have examined the following Returns, viz :

	DEC. 31st, 1876.	JUNE 30th, 1877.					
Union No. 1.....	Correct.....	Correct.....					
Frontier No. 2.....	<table border="0" style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td rowspan="2" style="font-size: 2em; vertical-align: middle;">}</td> <td>No. of members from last report should be 58 instead of 61. Percentage to Gr'd Enc. should be \$16.50 instead of \$17.25.</td> <td>No. of members from last report should be 66 instead of 69. Percentage to Gr'd Enc. should be \$16.75 instead of \$17.50.</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		}	No. of members from last report should be 58 instead of 61. Percentage to Gr'd Enc. should be \$16.50 instead of \$17.25.	No. of members from last report should be 66 instead of 69. Percentage to Gr'd Enc. should be \$16.75 instead of \$17.50.		
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Harmony No. 3.....	Correct.....	Correct.....					
Brant No. 4.....	Correct.....	Correct.....					

Dec. 31st, 1876.

JUNE 30th, 1877.

Charity No. 5.....	{ Correct.....	} No. of Degrees conferred should be 7 instead of 2.
Beaver No. 6.....	{ Error in not giving name of reinstated member.	} Correct.
Burlington No. 7.....	{ Correct.....	} Correct.
Toronto No. 8.....	{ Error of 11 in carrying membership from last report.	} Error in stating number of Degrees conferred; should be 12 instead of 15.
Brock No. 9.....	{ Correct.....	} No. of membership per last report should be 51 instead of 52. Money correct.
Chatham No. 10.....	{ Correct.....	} No. per last report should be 62 instead of 60. 50 cents short.
Ontario No. 11.....	{ Correct.....	} Membership carried over should be 52 instead of 53. 25 cents over-paid.
Albert No. 12.....	{ Not signed by C. P.	} 4 members entered as expelled, should be suspended and omit giving cause.
Whitby No. 13.....	{ Correct.....	} Correct.
Fidelity No. 14.....	{ Correct.....	} Correct.
Kingston No. 15.....	{ No. of Degrees conferred should be 17 inst'd of 14	} Correct.
Mt. Ararat No. 16.....	{ Correct.....	} Degrees conferred should read 12; also 4 members received during the term instead of 3. Total membership should be 35 inst'd of 34. 25 cents short.
Hebron No. 17.....	{ Correct.....	} No returns.
Northern Star No. 18..	{ Correct.....	} Names of officers not signed to report.
Quinte No. 19.....	{ No. of Degrees conferred omitted.	} Correct.
Elgin No. 20.....	{ Not signed by Scribe.	} Correct.
Unity No. 21.....	{ No. of Degrees conferred should be 5 instead of 6.	} Correct.
Guiding Star No. 22...	{ Correct.....	} Correct.
Niagara Falls No. 23..	{ Correct.....	} Correct.
Friendship No. 24.....	{ Correct.....	} Correct.
Victoria No. 25.....	{ Correct.....	} No returns.
Alpha No. 26.....	{ Correct.....	} Correct.
Seaforth No. 27.....	{ Correct.....	} No. of Degrees conferred should read 6.
Huron No. 28.....	{ Correct.....	} Correct.
Livingstone No. 29....	{ Correct.....	} Correct.
Wentworth No. 30....	{ Correct.....	} Correct.
Wellington No. 31....	{ Correct.....	} Correct.

	DEC. 31st, 1876.	JUNE 30th, 1877.
Newmarket No. 32.....	Correct.....	Correct.
Exeter No. 33.....	Correct.....	Correct.
Peel No. 34.....	Correct.....	Correct.
Cannington No. 35.....	.....	Correct.
Royal No. 36.....	.....	Correct.
Dresden No. 37.....	.....	Correct.

Your Committee would call attention to the loose and careless way that some Scribes have of making out their Semi-annual Returns, and would recommend that the Grand Scribe be required to check them over as soon as received, and return to Encampments, such as may be found incomplete, for immediate correction.

Your Committee would also recommend that the Grand Scribe do have on hand, for use of future Committees, returns for the term previous to that which the Committee have to report upon.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

G. A. CARSON,
JOHN J. DICKSON,
ROBERT GOTT,
C. T. FULFORD,
THOS. REID.

Resolved, That the above Report be adopted. Carried.

Moved by H. McAfee, P. G. P., seconded by Harper Wilson, that,

Whereas, The R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, at its last session, did declare that a By-Law making the payment of dues quarterly in advance was, under existing laws, illegal: see pp. 6978, 7051, Journal 1876; and

Whereas, This R. W. Grand Encampment considers that the payment of dues quarterly in advance is a matter that should be left entirely to the members of the subordinate Encampments, they being the best judges of their requirements in the premises, therefore be it

Resolved, That this R. W. Grand Encampment instruct its Representatives to the R. W. G. L. U. S. to offer the following, viz:

Resolved, That from and after this date it shall be competent for Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments to permit their subordinates to make By-Laws requiring the payment of dues quarterly in advance.

Carried.

The following accounts were read, and having been passed by the Finance Committee, were ordered paid:

John L. Bird, Toronto, for Installing Officers of Newmarket Enc. No. 2, and Peel Enc. No. 34.....	\$6.00
W. H. Cole, express charges and postage.....	5.50
Smith & Southworth, printing 300 Reports for Grand Patriarch.....	3.50

Several aged P. C. Patriarchs from Watertown, New York, visiting the Grand Encampment, addressed the Officers and Patriarchs of this jurisdiction very acceptably.

Moved by J. H. Perry, Grand Representative, seconded by H. McAfee, P. G. Patriarch:

Resolved, That the fraternal regards of this Grand Encampment are hereby extended to our American visiting brethren, and we offer them a Patriarch's hospitality, with rest and refreshment, under our wide-spreading tent. Carried.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

ON COMMUNICATION FROM TORONTO ENC. NO. 8.

The Committee to whom was referred the said communication, presented the following report:

Your Committee to whom was referred the communication from Toronto Encampment No. 8, with reference to the change of name of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, beg to report:

It is the opinion of your Committee that the name, style and title of the "Grand Lodge of the United States," for the Supreme Body of the I. O. O. F., is a misnomer, and misleading as to the cosmopolitan latitude of its jurisdiction, and that a body assuming such jurisdiction should have a name, style and title more in accordance with the character and sphere of its operations.

Your Committee view with unmixed pleasure the amendment proposed at the last session of the Grand Lodge of the United States, supported by so many distinguished members of that R. W. Grand Body, and earnestly hope that the change proposed will commend itself to the unanimous adoption of the Supreme Tribunal of our Order.

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Representatives from this Grand Encampment be instructed to present this Report to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States at its next session, and use their best endeavors to secure the adoption of the proposed amendment.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. BLAIN,
JOHN GRAHAM,
E. STONEHOUSE.

Resolved, That the above Report be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER

The Committee on State of the Order presented the following Supplementary Report:

BELLEVILLE, July 31st, 1877.

To the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Committee beg to report:

First.—With reference to resolution of Rep. Sunley, as to striking out of Section 6, Article II, of Constitution, see Proceedings of last session, page 234.

Second.—With reference to question asked by Harmony Encampment No. 3. Answer: yes. See Digest G. L. U. S., 290.

Third.—With reference to question from Frontier Encampment No. 2, we answer, keep on balloting until the difficulty is overcome.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN GIBSON,
JOHN GRAHAM,
R. LAW,
D. LEDINGHAM,
L. FERGUSON.

Resolved, That the foregoing Report be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee presented the following report:

To the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario:

First.—We have examined the books and vouchers of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer, and find them correct.

Second.—We are pleased to notice that, notwithstanding the great depression existing at present, the revenue of subordinate Encampments has exceeded last year; also, from increase in membership, that the dues to this R. W. Grand Encampment has been increased.

Third.—It is also a subject of congratulation that the finances of this Grand Encampment are in a satisfactory condition, the revenue of the past year having considerably increased and the expenses reduced. After paying the expenses of the present session, there will be funds to the extent of about \$180 in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, and the only liability is a note of two hundred dollars for loan from R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario. We recommend that the Grand Lodge be requested to extend the time for payment one year more.

Fourth.—We are of opinion that after paying the expenses of the present session there will be sufficient funds in the hands of the Grand Treasurer to procure Charter Plates, and would recommend that the necessary steps be taken to procure the same.

Fifth.—We would recommend that the Grand Patriarch, at least one month before the meeting of the Grand Encampment, appoint two auditors residing in the vicinity of the residence of the Grand Scribe, who shall audit the books and vouchers of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer and certify to the same.

Sixth.—We recommend that the Grand Scribe has his Cash Book ruled in the same manner as statement of receipts on page 7 of his report.

Seventh.—After considering the recommendation referred to this Committee by Committee on Correspondence, we are of opinion that, in view of the largely increased work of the duties and responsibilities of your Grand Scribe and Treasurer, your Committee recommend that the salary of that officer be \$200, commencing on the 1st day of August, 1877.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. H. CAREY,
J. HAM PERRY,
W. CHATFIELD.

Resolved that the foregoing be adopted. Carried.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The M. W. Grand Patriarch then proceeded to install the Grand Officers elect for the ensuing year, in the following order, viz.:

THOS. WOODYATT.....	M. W. Grand Patriarch.
E. R. ROBINSON.....	M. E. Grand High Priest.
ROBT. EVANS.....	R. W. Grand Senior Warden.
M. D. DAWSON.....	R. W. Grand Scribe and Treasurer.
JOHN G. MOORE.....	R. W. Grand Junior Warden.

The M. W. Grand Patriarch then appointed the following Subordinate Officers, all of whom were approved and duly installed into their respective offices:

WM. BOX.....	Grand Sentinel.
J. T. WHITE.....	O. Sentinel.
W. CHATFIELD.....	Grand Marshal.

The M. W. Grand Patriarch appointed the following D. D. Grand Patriarchs for the ensuing year:

W. H. Deacon.....	Union No. 1.
Thos. Reid (Walkerville).....	Frontier No. 2.
T. G. Lowe.....	Harmony No. 3.
J. J. Dickson.....	Brant No. 4.
John Welsh.....	Charity No. 5.
George Wilson.....	Beaver No. 6.
J. C. White.....	Burlington No. 7.
Thos. Colby.....	Toronto No. 8.
B. R. Woods.....	Brock No. 9.
O. B. Hulin.....	Chatham No. 10.
Mathew Weston.....	Ontario No. 11.
Samuel Burden.....	Albert No. 12.
Geo. A. Carson.....	Whitby No. 13.
P. H. Johnston.....	Fidelity No. 14.
S. Orberndorffer.....	Kingston No. 15.
R. McDonald.....	Mt. Ararat No. 16.
W. C. Noble.....	Hebron No. 17.
D. Ledingham.....	Northern Star No. 18.
W. H. Scholes.....	Quinte No. 19.
Leonard Ferguson.....	Elgin No. 20.
W. W. Griffey.....	Unity No. 21.
A. Edwards.....	Guiding Star No. 22.
R. Law.....	Niagara Falls No. 23.
John Sinclair.....	Friendship No. 24.
John Ham Perry.....	Victoria No. 25.
Chas. A. Frink.....	Alpha No. 26.
C. Armstrong.....	Seaforth No. 27.
Neil Campbell.....	Huron No. 28.
Samuel Cleveland.....	Livingstone No. 29.
Geo. Lees.....	Wentworth No. 30.
Wm. Sunley.....	Wellington No. 31.
L. Atkinson.....	Newmarket No. 32.
Geo. Thexton.....	Exeter No. 33.
Edward Stonehouse.....	Peel No. 34.
Wm. Thompson.....	Cannington No. 35.
J. C. White.....	Royal No. 36.
Wm. Radd.....	Dresden No. 37.

Moved by H. McAfee, P. G. P., seconded by Rep. Harper Wilson, that our Grand Representatives be now requested to illustrate the Secret Work. Carried.

The following was moved by Rep. W. Chatfield, seconded by Rep. E. Burnham:

Resolved, That the thanks of this R. W. Grand Encampment be tendered to Quinte Encampment No. 19, and the Subordinate Lodges of Belleville, for the use of this beautiful hall during the present session. Carried.

The following was moved by Rep. George Lees, seconded by Rep. A. M. Campbell:

Resolved, That the Grand Scribe be authorized to have 350 copies of the Journal of Proceedings printed and distributed in the usual way. Carried.

The R. W. Grand Encampment was then closed with the usual formalities.

ATTEST.

M. D. DAWSON,

Grand Scribe.



NAMES AND ADDRESS OF THE OFFICERS

—OF THE—

Right Worthy Grand Encampment, I. O. O. F.

—OF THE—

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, FOR 1877 AND 1878.

THOS. WOODYATT, M. W. Grand Patriarch.....Brantford
E. R. ROBINSON, M. E. Grand High Priest.....London
ROBT. EVANS, R. W. Grand Senior Warden.....Hamilton
JOHN HAM PERRY, R. W. Grand Rep. Grand Lodge U. S.....Whitby
JOHN GIBSON, R. W. Grand Rep. Grand Lodge U. S.....Stratford
M. D. DAWSON, R. W. Grand Scribe and Treasurer.....London
JOHN G. MOORE, Grand Junior Warden.....Belleville
W. CHATFIELD, Grand Marshal.....St. Catharines
WM. BOX, Grand Sentinel.....St. Marys
J. T. WHITE, Grand O. Sentinel.....Brookville

PAST GRAND PATRIARCHS.

JAMES WOODYATT, Brantford, - - - - - 1869-1870

S. G. DOLSON, St. Catharines, - - - - - 1870-1871

HENRY MCAFEE, Walkerville, - - - - - 1871-1872

ADAM PURVES, St. Catharines, - - - - - 1872-1873

JOHN HAM PERRY, Whitby, - - - - - 1873-1874

JOHN GIBSON, Stratford, - - - - - 1874-1875

HARPER WILSON, St. Catharines, - - - - - 1875-1876

W. H. COLE, Brockville, - - - - - 1876-1877

In Memoriam.

- HARMONY ENC. No. 3, LONDON:—H. E. Buttrey, Thomas
Lister, John Dart, E. S. Bilton, G. Symmington.
- CHARITY ENC. No. 5, STRATFORD:—P. Chidley and J. A.
Bills.
- BURLINGTON ENC. No. 7, HAMILTON:—J. H. Hales and
Joseph Gentle.
- TORONTO ENC. No. 8, TORONTO:—F. T. Barker.
- CHATHAM ENC. No. 10, CHATEAM:—Oliver White and G.
W. Kuson.
- ONTARIO ENC. No. 11, OSHAWA:—P. James.
- ALBERT ENC. No. 12, BOWMANVILLE:—Robert Vodden.
- WHITBY ENC. No. 13, WHITBY:—John Parker, P. C. P.
- QUINTE ENC. No. 19, BELLEVILLE:—John Templeton.
- ELGIN ENC. No. 20, ST. THOMAS:—C. Mitchell.
- UNITY ENC. No. 21, INGERSOLL:—W. B. Sawdon and
William Hewen.
- ALPHA ENC. No. 26, SARNIA:—A. Kolar and L. J. Cruick-
shank.
- LIVINGSTON ENC. No. 29, THOBOLD:—James Tyler.
- WELLINGTON ENC. No. 31, GUELPH:—E. Grigg, P. C. P.

SUSPENSIONS.

The following Patriarchs have been suspended during the year:—

HARMONY ENC. No. 3, LONDON.—John Strathdee, E. S. Bilton, J. B. Cox, John Hislop, L. E. Bache, Jas. Flynn, W. Turner, Wm. Wilson, J. M. Bryce; cause not stated. R. Gammack, L. C. Jarvis, W. Phillips and Jas. Burridge; N. P. D.

FRONTIER ENC. No. 2, WINDSOR.—Chas. Case, J. O'Hara, Chas. Williams, for N. P. D.

BRANT ENC. No. 4, BRANTFORD.—Jas. Gardner, for N. P. D.

CHARITY ENC. No. 5, STRATFORD.—Henry Gibson, John Dutton, Henry Morrow, John Ross, W. W. Fortune and N. W. Sugden, for N. P. D.

BEAVER ENC. No. 6, ST. MARYS.—C. Aldridge, A. F. Harrington, C. Allen, R. Davey and P. Goodbow; cause not stated. W. C. Chapman, action of St. Mary's Lodge No. 36.

BURLINGTON E C No. 7, HAMILTON.—A. McKay, A. McKenzie, W. Watt, T. Lawless, J. Dayfoot and W. Bryant, for N. P. D. Daniel Carr and George Ross, suspended in subordinate Lodge for N. P. D.

ONTARIO ENC. No. 11, ONHAWA.—J. Hickson, W. Allen, J. H. McClellan, W. Musgrove, C. Smith and C. E. Henry, for N. P. D.

ALBERT ENC. No. 12, BOWMANVILLE.—W. G. Perry and P. Trebilcock, for N. P. D.

FIDELITY ENC. No. 14, STRATHROY.—C. S. Bateman and C. S. Tomlinson; cause not given.

MT. ARARAT ENC. No. 16, NAPANEE.—A. S. Hart, W. M. Miner and A. F. McKay, for N. P. D. R. P. Sutherland, suspended from subordinate Lodge.

GUIDING STAR ENC. No. 22, MANILLA.—C. D. Eck and J. B. Frankish, for N. P. D.

HURON ENC. No. 28, GODERICH.—Geo. F. Stewart, suspended from Huron Lodge No. 62, for six months.

EXPULSIONS.

The following Patriarchs have been expelled during the past year:—

CHATHAM ENC. No. 10, CHATHAM.—Chris. Kramer, for conduct unbecoming an Odd-Fellow.

ALBERT ENC. No. 12, BOWMANVILLE.—W. H. Williams, F. Stuart, E. O'Brien and D. Kilgour; cause not given.

NORTHERN STAR ENC. No. 18, PORT PERRY.—T. J. Davis, expelled from Warriner Lodge No. 75, for conduct unbecoming an Odd-Fellow.

REINSTATEMENTS.

The following Patriarchs have been reinstated during the past year:—

HARMONY ENC. No. 3, LONDON.—James Flynn.

HURON ENC. No. 28, GODERICH.—George F. Stewart.

Names of Officers Elected and Installed for the Term

Names of Officers Elected and Installed for the Term Commencing July 1st, 1877.

No.	Chief Patriarch.	High Priest.	Senior Warden.	Scribe.	Treasurer.	Junior Warden.	Financial Scribe.
1	C. W. Stahr	Theo. Parnall	son Kinaman	A. E. Swayze	Jas. A. Swinson	Chas. Young	
2	Fred. Holdhauser	J. K. Donnelly	St. G. Caulfield	Thos. Peters	H. McFee	John Thomas	
3	Wm. Baynes	H. A. Adams	Thos. Bilzon	D. L. Hardy	John Chapman	Geo. Till	
4	Wm. Cowherd	J. H. Adams	R. Tomlinson	J. K. Narraway	Jas. Wood	John McKay	W. H. Warren
5	Geo. Murray	J. Hamilton	G. Ellis	J. T. Mungay	John Gibson	Ym. McGee	
6	Alex. Anderson	John R. Faulkner	J. Watson	Geo. Wright	D. S. Murray	Y. Oddy	
7	Geo. Shofield	A. G. Allison	Thos. Austin	Robt. Lewis	Geo. Midway	Richard Alles	Herman Klingler
8	H. F. Fitz-Inniss	Turner Hoyle	Thos. McCormick	R. M. Fitzsimmons	W. H. Cole	Jas. Oliver	Thomas Colby
9	Jas. Richardson	John M. Parsons	R. Butler	H. Neilson	W. H. 'ole	G. F. Wilkinon	J. T. White
10	S. Gliddan	O. Manuel	D. Sterritt	Jas. Pillow	R. Gott	G. F. Holmes	
11	Names not entered	I. Hall	H. R. Taylor	F. N. Wallace	Geo. Hoyle	R. Dickie	H. Madell
12	W. G. Harper	Robt. Duross	Wm. Duross	Rd. Wallace	W. V. Shell	D. Vickers	J. R. R. an
13	E. J. Fagan	Wm. Blawett	Wm. Blawett	J. H. Melver	G. W. Robinson	John Lynam	Geo. Braud
14	S. A. Parsons	Wm. Blawett	J. V. Thompson	John Graham	J. E. Charate	G. E. Baker	
15	Edw. Crawford	J. G. Morgan	G. R. Brown	W. W. Marsh	D. Ledingham	James Jewitt	
16	H. T. Mason	Thos. Meier	Joe Gibbons	John G. Moore	Robt. Virtue	Thos. Wilson	
17	Wm. Wray	Wm. Sutberland	Mar. Hislop	H. T. Williger	A. C. F. Chesley	Gen. S. McDonald	
18	Saml. Kivell	Gerahom Ball	F. Anderson	D. M. Sutherland	F. G. Lewis	J. G. McDonald	
19	Chas. Levey	T. Skinner	F. Anderson	Asaph Edwards	F. McFadyen	Joseph Shaw	
20	Geo. Trummer	John Measus	C. H. Chapman	Wm. McKay	F. M. Roos	E. Burnham	
21	No Report			Max Gray	J. E. Durham		
22	J. J. Clement	Saml. Clark	Geo. Leese	Wm. Armstrong	Wm. Isaacson	B. G. Wm.	
23	John Wilson	John Williams	Wm. Grant	C. Armstrong	John Campbell	Chas. A. Nara	
24	John Adams	Joseph Beck	J. Robinson	Isaac F. Tomis	H. Holmes	Chas. A. Nara	
25	Mathew Brown	Wm. McPherson	Wm. Cowrie	Jas. Stuart	David Brown	Wm. Martin	
26	Names not entered	H. H. Hester	Jas. R. Clyne	John Day	W. Cunley	W. Brown	
27	Chas. Cottis	Chas. Hodger	J. E. Hodger	John Mortimore	G. W. Tronides	L. Atkinson	
28	Edw. McCormack	T. L. Bryant	Geo. Heame	John Brown	Robt. Pickard	Thos. Hamlin	
29	J. E. 287	W. C. Bryan	W. D. Hunter	M. Thagold	E. Stonehouse	Wm. H. Pickering	
30	Wm. Anderson	R. H. Fickay	Saml. Thorne	J. S. W. Hunter	David Lind ay	Chas. H. Jewel	
31	Wm. Thompson	Saml. Thorne	Geo. B. Rush	Fred. Stewart	John Stewart	John T. Cooper	
32	Rich. Davis	Robt. F. Kauld		Wm. Rudd	W. T. Prangley	James Wallace	
33	Geo. A. Scott						
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REPORT OF THE R. W. GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

To the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F.:

Your Representatives to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States respectfully Report:

That they attended the Annual Session of the G. L. U. S., at the City of Baltimore, commencing September 17th, 1877.

The reports, decisions, and proceedings, more especially interesting to the Order in Ontario, and the Encampment Branch in particular, we now beg to submit:

The Reports of the M. W. Grand Sire and the R. W. Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary show the Order in a healthy condition.

The progress of the Order during the past year, also its relief work since 1830, as compiled from the reports by the Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary, is herewith submitted:

GENERAL RETURNS.

	Year 1875.	Year 1876.	Increase.	Decrease.
Grand Lodges.....	48	48	.....	.....
Subordinate Lodges.....	6,395	6,678	283	.....
Rebekah Degree Lodges.....	879	770	.....	109
Grand Encampments.....	39	39	.....	.....
Subordinate Encampments..	1,756	1,806	50	.....
Lodge Initiations.....	50,043	40,646	.....	9,397
Lodge Members.....	454,689	456,125	1,436	.....
Encampment Members.....	87,450	87,785	335	.....
Relief by Lodges.....	\$1,510,854 21	\$1,507,649 12	.....	\$ 3,205 09
Relief by Encampments.....	180,969 43	177,151 45	.....	3,817 98
Relief by Rebekah Lodges...	7,045 28	4,685 05	.....	2,360 23
Total Relief.....	1,698,868 92	1,689,485 62	.....	9,383 30
Revenue of Lodges.....	4,193,665 45	4,008,984 69	.....	184,680 76
Revenue of Encampments..	488,421 55	453,034 72	.....	35,386 83
Revenue of Rebekah Lodges.	32,154 70	27,853 05	.....	4,301 65
Total Revenue.....	4,714,241 70	4,489,872 46	.....	224,369 24

FROM 1830 TO DECEMBER 31, 1876.

Initiations.....	1,022,800
Members relieved.....	773,191
Widowed families relieved.....	102,754
Members deceased.....	69,867
Total relief.....	\$23,982,887 62
Total receipts.....	\$64,633,783 90
Present membership.....	461,888

DECISIONS OF THE M. W. GRAND SIRE.

The following decisions, made during the past year by the M. W. Grand Sire, were duly approved:

Question. Is it right for the Grand Representative to give the A. T. P. W. to the Grand Lodge or Encampment, the same as he would the permanent P. W. during the exemplification of the unwritten work?

No. 1. *Answer.* No; the A. T. P. W. should be communicated by the Grand Representative to the M. W. Grand Master or Grand Patriarch of the jurisdiction, who will communicate it to the Grand Secretary or Grand Scribe, and cause it to be communicated to the D. D. Grand Masters and such other installing officers as he may find it necessary to appoint to assist him in the discharge of his official duties.

Question. Is it compulsory on the N. G. of a Degree of Rebekah Lodge to communicate the A. P. W. to one of its members who is divorced from her husband, whether he is still in good standing or has been expelled from the Order?

No. 2. *Answer.* If a member (Daughter of Rebekah), upon her own libel (or complaint) against the husband, has obtained a divorce, she would be entitled, under Section 509 "D," White's Digest, to the A. P. W.; and the N. G. of Degree of Rebekah Lodge would be the proper officer to communicate the same. But if the decree of divorce was made upon the husband's libel (or complaint) against the wife, the A. P. W. should be withheld until the Lodge should be satisfied that she had not been guilty of any immoral conduct. The husband's standing in his Lodge does not affect her standing in the Rebekah Degree Lodge, either one way or the other. See Section 509 "D," White's Digest.

Question. Are Lodges in this (New Jersey) jurisdiction required to submit their By-Laws, or amendments thereto, to our R. W. Grand Lodge and have them approved before they can have force and effect?

No. 3. *Answer.* The above question is entirely within the control of State Grand Lodges, and with which the Grand Lodge of the United States should not interfere, unless upon appeal in the usual manner. Vol. 8, page 6618, Journal G. L. U. S.

Question. Can an Indian with a withdrawal card be a petitioner for and become a charter member of a new Lodge?

No. 4. *Answer.* No, he cannot be either; the action of the Grand Lodge of the United States, session 1876, page 6977, decided "That no Lodge can lawfully permit an Indian to visit it under any circumstances whatever," which renders him also incompetent as a petitioner for a new Lodge.

No. 5. A brother of an extinct Subordinate Lodge, holding a certificate or card such as are described and provided for in Section 225 and 228, White's Digest, is entitled to visit upon such certificate or card for one year from the date of its issue; and the N. G.'s of Subordinate Lodges, when officially requested by the Grand Secretary of the jurisdiction issuing such certificate or card, upon being satisfied of the identity of the individual, should communicate the A. T. P. W. to the brother holding such certificate or card. Section 1518 and 1519, White's Digest.

No. 6. The status of a brother holding a dismissal certificate is specifically defined in the third resolution as reported under Section 316, White's Digest, and if he wants to renew his membership, he must pursue the same course as

that prescribed for Ancient Odd-Fellows in Section 64, or as an applicant or petitioner for a charter for a new Lodge, as provided for in Section 316 "B," White's Digest.

NEW LEGISLATION.

Legislation was had on various subjects, among which were the following:

The Judiciary Committee, to whom the following inquiry, emanating from the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts, was referred, namely:

"Can a Patriarch wear the prescribed street uniform at a funeral?" beg leave to report that this Grand Lodge has prescribed the regalia to be worn by brothers of the Order when attending the funeral of a deceased brother. (See Section 1638, Digest.) But the regularly-prescribed regalia of the Order may be worn instead of or in connection with the funeral regalia, as Subordinate Grand Jurisdictions may determine. (See Sections 666, 667, 1640, Digest.) The street uniform is one to be worn on public occasions (see Section 1670, Suppl Digest), and a funeral, we infer from what we think is a fair construction of Section 1656, Digest, is such a public occasion as is contemplated by Section 1670.

We therefore answer that the question of whether the prescribed street uniform can be worn at a funeral is a matter of local regulation: It can be worn if the State Grand Jurisdiction shall so determine.

Where a Visiting Card has been granted, the dues being paid in advance, if By-Laws are amended or changed and the dues are increased thereby, the holder of Card must be governed by such By-Law and pay the increased dues.

An Encampment may not impose a tax upon its members to support Odd-Fellows' libraries.

The following report was made by the Special Committee appointed at the Session of 1876 to prepare and present a Code of Forms for Processions, Dedicatory and Funeral Exercises, which were considered *seriatim*, and, together with the resolutions accompanying, were adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Special Committee appointed in conformity with the resolutions of Rep. Given, of the District of Columbia, page 7005 of the Journal, Session 1876, of this R. W. Grand Body, would respectfully report:

That they have carefully considered the subject referred to them, and believing it to be highly necessary, and indeed very essential, to produce uniformity, and also to correct the singular anomaly and evident inconsistency at present existing and operated by our "Book of Forms" for processions, and

relating to recognition of title and assignment of position according to rank, etc., beg leave to submit herewith an amended form for processions, etc., and would ask for the same, together with the following resolutions, the favorable consideration of this R. W. Grand Body.

Resolved, That the Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary be and he is hereby requested to compile and publish (under the supervision of the Committee on Supplies), in one volume, 18mo, with proper title, the Amended Forms for Public and Funeral Processions, Dedicating Halls, and Laying Corner Stones, and the Funeral Services, as hereby approved and adopted, together with such other forms or parts of forms not inconsistent therewith, as may have been prescribed by this R. W. Grand Lodge, and in such number and style as in the judgment of the R. W. Grand Secretary may be deemed requisite and expedient, and he is hereby authorized to draw on the Grand Treasurer for the sum necessary to defray the cost of the same.

Resolved, That the volume shall be disposed of by the Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary at the rate of 75 cents per copy to Jurisdictions, and \$1 per copy to Encampments and Lodges, in the usual form, after previous notice by the Grand Secretary of his readiness to furnish them.

JOHN T. GIVEN,
CHARLES N. HICKOK,
JOHN B. HARMON,
J. P. SANDERS.

FORM I.

In all processions of the Order, the following form shall be observed. If by a Subordinate Lodge, members of the Patriarchal branch not participating, the procession shall form as follows:

- MUSIC.
- MARSHAL.
- OUTSIDE GUARDIAN,
With drawn sword.
- ESCORT—BANNER—ESCORT.
- SCENE SUPPORTERS,
Bearing white wands.
- INITIATORY MEMBERS,
Two or four a-breast.
- MEMBERS OF THE WHITE, PINK, ROYAL BLUE, GREEN AND
SCARLET DEGREES,
According to Rank.
- PAST GRANDS, in the order of Juniority,
The Highest Grade in the Rear.
- INSIDE GUARDIAN,
With Drawn Sword.
- CONDUCTOR,
Bearing his Wand.
- SECRETARY—TREASURER—SECRETARY.
- SUPPORTER,
Bearing his Wand of Office.
- SUPPORTER,
Bearing his Wand of Office.
- WARDEN,
Bearing the Axe.
- SUPPORTER,
Bearing his Wand of Office.
- SUPPORTER,
Bearing his Wand of Office.
- CHAPLAIN,
White Scarf.
- VICE GRAND,
With Gavel.
- NOBLE GRAND,
With Gavel.

FORM 2.

If by a Subordinate Lodge, members of the Patriarchal branch participating, the procession shall form as follows:

MUSIC.
MARSHAL.
OUTSIDE GUARDIAN,
With drawn Sword.
ESCORT—BANNER—ESCORT.
SCENE SUPPORTERS,
Bearing White Wands.
INITIATORY MEMBERS,
Two or four a-breast.
MEMBERS OF THE WHITE, PINK, ROYAL BLUE, GREEN AND
SCARLET DEGREES,
According to Rank.
MEMBERS OF THE SCARLET DEGREE WHO HAVE TAKEN THE
PATRIARCHAL DEGREES,
In order of Juniority,
PAST GRANDS,
Not possessing the Patriarchal Degree.
PAST GRANDS WHO ARE MEMBERS OF THE PATRIARCHAL
BRANCH—According to Rank and Seniority.
INSIDE GUARDIAN,
With drawn Sword.
CONDUCTOR, CHAPLAIN, WARDEN,
Bearing his Wand. White Scarf. Bearing the Axe.
SECRETARY. TREASURER. SECRETARY.
SUPPORTER, VICE GRAND, SUPPORTER,
Bearing his Wand of Office. With Gavel. Bearing his Wand of Office.
SUPPORTER, NOBLE GRAND, SUPPORTER,
Bearing his Wand of Office. With Gavel. Bearing his Wand of Office.

FORM 3.

If an Encampment turns out as an Encampment, it shall form in the following order:

MUSIC.
MARSHAL.
OUTSIDE SENTINEL,
With drawn Sword
MEMBERS, IN ORDER OF JUNIORITY,
Two or four a-breast
PAST OFFICERS, IN ORDER OF SENIORITY,
Unless the Grand Encampment is out.
INSIDE SENTINEL,
With drawn Sword.
JUNIOR WARDEN AND GUIDE.
SCRIBE AND TREASURER.
FOURTH WATCH. SENIOR WARDEN. THIRD WATCH.
GUARD OF TENT, HIGH PRIEST. GUARD OF TENT.
With Spear. With Spear.
SECOND WATCH. CHIEF PATRIARCH. FIRST WATCH.

FORM 4.

When a Grand Lodge is in procession it shall form in the following order, and take position in the rear of the Subordinate branch:

ESCORT. MUSIC. GRAND MARSHAL. ESCORT.
 BANNER,
 Carried by the Grand Herald.
 GRAND GUARDIAN,
 With drawn Sword.
 MEMBERS, IN ORDER OF JUNIORITY.
 GRAND SECRETARY—GRAND TREASURER.
 G. CONDUCTOR, GRAND CHAPLAIN. GRAND WARDEN.
 Supported by a P.G.M. DEPUTY G. M. Supported by a P.G.M.
 Supported by a G. Rep.—GRAND MASTER—Supported by a G. Rep.

FORM 5.

When a Grand Encampment is in procession it shall take precedence, and the Grand Marshal thereof shall control the procession, in which case he will be in front of the procession.

GRAND MARSHAL.
 OUTSIDE SENTINEL,
 With drawn Sword.
 ESCORT—BANNER—ESCORT.
 GRAND SENTINEL,
 With drawn Sword.
 MEMBERS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT AND PAST OFFICERS,
 In order of Seniority.
 GRAND JUNIOR WARDEN—GRAND SENIOR WARDEN.
 GRAND SCRIBE—GRAND TREASURER.
 PAST H. PRIEST, M. E. GRAND H. PRIEST. PAST H. PRIEST,
 Bearing Crook. Bearing Crook.
 G. Representative—M. W. GRAND PATRIARCH—G. Representative.

FORM 6.

In case the Grand Encampment, Grand Lodge and Subordinates of both branches are in procession, the following shall be the order:

SUBORDINATE LODGE.
 SUBORDINATE ENCAMPMENT.
 GRAND LODGE.
 GRAND ENCAMPMENT.

If there is no Grand Encampment, but a Subordinate Encampment, as in Form 1, the procession shall form as follows:

SUBORDINATE LODGE.
 SUBORDINATE ENCAMPMENT.
 GRAND LODGE.

If a Subordinate Lodge turns out, as in Forms 1 and 2, with a Grand Lodge, they will form:

SUBORDINATE LODGE.
 GRAND LODGE.

FORM 7.

PRESENT CEREMONY OF LAYING THE CORNER-STONE OF AN
ODD-FELLOWS' HALL.

If a Grand Encampment participates, the ceremony shall be performed by the Grand Patriarch or a Past Grand Patriarch.

If a Grand Encampment does not participate, and a Grand Lodge does, the Grand Master or a Past Grand Master shall perform the ceremony.

If a Subordinate Encampment participates, with or without a Subordinate Lodge, the Chief Patriarch or a Past Chief Patriarch shall perform the ceremony.

If a Subordinate Lodge, accompanied by members of the Patriarchal branch, as in Forms 1 and 2, the Noble Grand or a Past Noble Grand shall officiate.

Should the ceremony be performed by the Grand Sire, or his deputy, the title of that officer should be substituted for Grand Patriarch, or Grand Master, as the case may be.

An officer, duly commissioned, and officiating for a Grand Patriarch, or a Grand Master, or as Chief Patriarch, or Noble Grand, shall be addressed by the title of the officer he represents.

The above regulations apply to the dedication of Odd-Fellows' Halls or Lodge Rooms.

LAYING CORNER-STONES OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

The present form, etc., shall be observed so far as relates to the duties of the officers of the Lodge, but when the Patriarchal or Grand Bodies participate, the form as prescribed shall be adhered to.

FORM 8.

Funeral processions shall form in the manner prescribed (forms 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) as the case may be, and precedence shall be observed as set forth in each case.

REGALIA.

That the regalia to be worn by all brothers of the Order, when attending the funeral of a deceased brother, shall be as follows:

First. A black crape rosette, having a center of the color of the highest degree to which the bearer may have attained, to be worn on the left breast; above it a sprig of evergreen, and below it (if the wearer be an Elective or Past Officer), the jewel or jewels which, as such, he may be entitled to wear.

Second. That the ordinary mourning badge to be worn by brothers in memory of a deceased brother be a strip of black crape passed through one button-hole only of the left lapel of the coat, and tied with a narrow ribbon of the color of the highest degree to which the bearer may have attained.

[NOTE.—The several State Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments may, at their discretion, permit the usual regalia of the Order to be worn at funerals, either in connection with or as a substitute for the simple regalia above described.]

On such occasions, the Marshal shall wear a black scarf and bear a baton bound with black crape.

The Outside Guardian shall bear a red wand bound with black crape.

The Scene Supporters shall bear white wands, bound with black crape.

The Inside Guardian shall bear the regalia and insignia indicating the rank in the Order of the deceased brother.

The Supporters of the Vice Grand shall bear their wands of office, bound with black crape.

The Chaplain shall wear a white scarf.

The Warden shall bear the axe, bound with black crape.

The Conductor shall bear his wand of office, bound with black crape, and the Supporters of the Noble Grand shall each bear their wands of office, bound with black crape.

If laying a corner-stone, and the ceremony is conducted by a Grand Encampment or a subordinate Encampment, the Grand Scribe or Scribe, as the case may be, shall carry the documents, etc., for deposit in the box, and the Grand Treasurer or Treasurer, as the case may be, shall carry the box to be deposited in the corner-stone.

The Grand High Priest or High Priest, as the case may be, shall carry the open Bible, on which is laid a wreath of flowers, and the Grand Senior Warden or Senior Warden, as the case may be, shall carry a silver vessel containing water, and the Grand Junior Warden or Junior Warden, as the case may be, shall carry a silver vessel containing wheat. The Grand Patriarch or Chief Patriarch, as the case may be, shall bear a crook.

If the ceremony is conducted by a Grand Lodge or a Subordinate Lodge, the Grand Secretary or the Secretary, as the case may be, shall carry the documents, etc., for deposit in the box. The Grand Treasurer or Treasurer, as the case may be, shall carry the box to be deposited in the corner-stone.

The Grand Chaplain or Chaplain, as the case may be, shall carry the open Bible, on which is laid a wreath of flowers. The Grand Warden or Warden, as the case may be, shall carry a silver vessel containing water, and the Grand Conductor or Conductor, as the case may be, shall carry a silver vessel containing wheat. The Grand Master or Noble Grand, as the case may be, shall bear a gavel.

Invited brethren will take places with the members of the Lodge according to their rank. The Lodges, when more than one attend, shall be arranged in order of juniority, preceding the Lodge conducting the ceremonies.

On arriving at the place appointed for the starting of the funeral, the brethren shall take position in the above order, immediately before the corpse, and shall precede it to the place of interment.

On arriving at the place of interment, the brothers shall open right and left, and allow the corpse, mourners, etc., to pass through, the brothers on either side standing uncovered; the hat held in the left hand of each, and joining hands with each other; and after the passing of the corpse, mourners, etc., between the two lines, the brothers shall re-form in procession after them in reversed order; and close the procession into and within the place of interment. After the performance of such religious services as the friends of the deceased may cause to be there performed, and before the final closing of the grave, the brothers shall form silently, and as nearly as may be according to the order above set forth, uncovered, the hat in the left hand of each, and joining hands with each other in one or more circles, as regular as the nature of the ground may admit, around the grave, when the Chaplain, or in default of a Chaplain the Noble Grand may address the brothers and offer up a prayer, or may address the brethren without the offering of a prayer; and after such address or prayer, or both, or if there be no address or prayer, then, after a pause suited to the solemnity of the occasion, the Noble Grand shall advance singly to the head of the grave; and cast into it with the right hand, the sprig of evergreen from his regalia, and shall return to his place; whereupon, the brothers, from left to right, in regular succession, and in such numbers at a time as not to cause confusion, shall advance to the grave, and cast into it (each with the right hand) the sprig of evergreen from their regalia, and shall return to their place.

And after all have done this, the brothers shall silently re-form into procession according to the order observed in coming to the place of interment, and shall return in such order to the Lodge room, where the N. G., or other proper officer, shall declare the funeral ceremonies to be closed.

That, if at the time of his death, the deceased brother was a member of an Encampment, the Encampment may attend the funeral in a body, in order similar to that prescribed for Lodges, and shall take the position in line designated; but in all cases the funeral ceremonies shall be conducted by the Subordinate Lodge, except that if the brother was a past or present elective officer of a Grand Lodge or Encampment, then the ceremonies may be conducted by such Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment.

FUNERAL SERVICE.

We are assembled, my brethren, to render the last office which the living may minister to the dead.

Man is born to die. The coffin, the grave, the sepulchre, speak to us in language that cannot be misunderstood, however unheeded it may be, of "man's latter end."

Youth, in its harmlessness and comparative innocency, and manhood, with its wonted vigor and pride of strength, are not more exempt than decrepid and tottering age from the fixed law of being, which dedicated all that is mortal to decay and death. This truth is inscribed in the great volume of nature upon its every page.

The beautiful and the sublime which the handiwork of the Creator displays on our every side, fearfully associate the unerring certainty of the end of all things, amid the vividness of the moral which they are ever suggesting to the contemplative mind. Day after day we are called upon to follow our fellow-creatures to that bourne from whence no traveller returns, but from the house of mourning we go forth again to mingle in the crowded world, heedless perhaps of the precarious tenure of life and the certainty of that end to which all flesh is rapidly tending. He who gives the vigor of body, without warning paralyzes the stout heart and strikes down the athletic frame. The living of to-day become the dead of the morrow. Men appear upon and disappear from the stage of life as wave meets wave and parts upon the troubled waters. "In the midst of life we are in death." He whose lips now echo these tones of solemn warning, in turn will be stilled in the cold and cheerless house of the dead, and in the Providence of God none may escape. Let us then so far improve the lesson as to be prepared for that change which leads to life eternal.

PRAYER.

Our Father and our God, who art the resurrection and the life, in whom whosoever believeth, shall live though he die, and whosoever liveth and believeth in Thee shall not die, hear, we beseech Thee, the voice of Thy creatures here assembled, and turn not away from our supplication.

We humbly beseech Thee so to imbue us with a conviction of our entire helplessness and dependence upon Thee, that we may be brought to meditate upon the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death. In the dispensation of Thy Providence, Thou has summoned from amongst us our brother, and we, the surviving monuments of Thy mercy, are gathered together to commit his remains to the earth.

Give, O God, we beseech Thee, Thy Holy Spirit to us, whom Thou hast spared; increase our knowledge, and confirm our faith in Thee forever.

[Bless and comfort, we pray Thee, those whom it hath pleased Thee to add to the number of the disconsolate; buoy them up under this heavy stroke, sustain them against despondency.]

O, wilt Thou be their Father and their God, and pour down from on high Thy blessings upon their heads.] Bless, O Heavenly Father, the brethren here assembled; imbue them with the wisdom of Thy laws, and draw them unto Thee by the cords of Thy inestimable love; impress them with their duty to each other as brethren, and their obligations in the various relations of human life; and finally, bless our beloved Order throughout the globe. Preserve its principles and its purposes from innovations; sustain it from the shafts of enmity—protect it from self-immolation, and shield it from all evil, and unto Thee we shall render the praise forever. Amen.

[NOTE.—That both funeral ceremonies be printed, and either used at the option of Subordinate Lodge or Encampment, and if any form of prayer is used, it must be one or other of those in the forms.]

The Legislative Committee reported the following resolutions, which were adopted, to take effect January 1, 1878:

Resolved, That a member of a Subordinate Lodge or Encampment, who is in arrears for weekly or funeral dues more than thirteen weeks, is not entitled to the term password or to vote in the Lodge or Encampment, but is a contributing member until suspended, dropped or expelled in accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, and as such is entitled to visit his own Lodge or Encampment. He cannot, however, become entitled to benefits until he shall have paid up in full all dues and fines (weekly and funeral) that have accrued against him up to the date of payment, if the By-laws of the Lodge or Encampment shall so provide; nor then until the expiration of such time thereafter as may also by the laws be provided as a penalty.

Resolved, That a Lodge or Encampment cannot refuse to receive in full or in part the dues of a member prior to his suspension, and no member can be suspended or dropped from membership in the Order for non-payment of dues unless at the time of his suspension he shall be indebted to the Lodge or Encampment for one year's dues.

Resolved, That when any member of a Lodge or Encampment shall neglect or refuse to pay the dues fixed by the laws, for the space of one year, the Secretary or Scribe shall report the same to the Noble Grand or Chief Patriarch, and, unless the Lodge or Encampment otherwise direct, such member shall thereupon be suspended, he having been first notified of the action that would be taken, a record of which shall be made upon the minutes. The mere fact of a member being over twelve months in arrears does not constitute him a suspended or dropped member. To render him such the Lodge or Encampment must formally declare him to be suspended.

Resolved, That all previous legislation inconsistent with the foregoing resolutions, be, and is hereby, repealed.

Article XVIII of the By-Laws of the G.L.U.S. was amended to read as follows:

ARTICLE XVIII.—Each State, District and Territorial Grand Lodge shall annually be furnished with as many copies of the printed proceedings of this Grand Lodge as it has Subordinate Lodges working under its jurisdiction, "to be distributed among its Subordinates, and one-half of such number for its own use." Each Grand Encampment shall be furnished in the same manner; and each Lodge and Encampment working under the warrant of this Grand Lodge shall be furnished with a copy of the proceedings. The Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary shall see that this law is carried into effect at as early a date as possible after the close of the annual sessions of this Grand Lodge.

The following resolution, having for its object the incorporation of a Funeral Benefit system for the Patriarchal Order, was adopted, and Rep. Robbe, of Georgia, Brother Sanders, P. G. Sire of New York, and Rep. Cleaver, of New Jersey, appointed as the committee :—

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to take into consideration the propriety of adding to the Encampment branch of the Order, a funeral benefit feature, not to exceed *two thousand dollars*, to be provided for by stipulated assessments, from time to time, upon such members as would avail themselves of such provisions, and that the Grand Recording and Corresponding Secretary issue notices of deaths, and calls for assessments when needed in the treasury, and pay the same to the Grand Treasurer, who shall pay all death benefits, upon an order from the Grand Sire, attested by the Grand Recording and Corresponding Secretary, or to report some other appropriate plan for the purpose of carrying out the above suggestions, at the session of 1878.

The subject of a "Uniform Street Dress" for the Patriarchal Order, other than the "Encampment Uniform" heretofore prescribed, also the following :—

Resolved, That the regalia of a member of the Patriarchal Order may, in lieu of that heretofore prescribed, be a pointed Baldric of purple velvet, of the style and dimensions as prescribed in the street uniform of the Patriarchal Order—

were referred to a special committee, consisting of Reps. Shaffner, of Kentucky, Ticknor, of Illinois, Given, of the District of Columbia, Kidder, of New Hampshire, and Johnson, of Rhode Island, to report upon at the next session.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the M. W. Grand Sire, or (in case of his inability) the R. W. Deputy Grand Sire, to visit Australia for the purpose of instructing the Order in that distant jurisdiction and performing such other duties in connection therewith as the interests of the Fraternity may require, and the sum of one thousand dollars was appropriated to defray the expenses of said officer.

PAYMENT OF DUES IN ADVANCE.

The following Report was adopted :

Your Committee on Legislation, to whom was referred the preamble and resolutions of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, asking for such legislation as shall enable Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments to permit subordinates to make by-laws requiring the payment of dues in advance, respectively report,

That while dues accrue weekly the time and manner of paying them are subjects of and should be left to local legislation.

This Grand Lodge has decided that "the subject of dues is one peculiarly for the legislation of State Grand Bodies, and any interference therewith by this Grand Body is objectionable."

Believing that the entire subject of the time and manner of the payment of dues should be left to the control of local Grand Bodies, so that a member is not deprived of his right to pay at any time, your Committee would submit the following:—

Resolved, That it is competent for a Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment to permit its subordinates to make by-laws requiring payment of dues in advance, provided such requirement shall not work a forfeiture of any rights now guaranteed to members by the laws of this Grand Body.

MONTREAL ENCAMPMENT No. 1.

The Committee on Petitions, to whom was referred the petition of Montreal Encampment, No. 1, of Montreal, in the Province of Quebec, Canada, asking the Grand Lodge of the United States to transfer said Encampment to the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the petition of Montreal Encampment, No. 1, be granted, and that said Encampment is hereby transferred to the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment of Ontario.

The above report was adopted.

VISITING CARDS.

Visiting Cards cannot be granted by officers of Encampments during recess. See Section 234, White's Digest.

DEPOSIT OF CARDS.

Holders of Cards cannot be admitted upon the favorable vote of a majority. See Sections 306 and 1201, White's Digest.

EXTENSION OF CARDS.

Resolved, That it is illegal for any Lodge to extend the time for which a Visiting Card was granted by endorsement on the back thereof, but that in all cases of renewal or extension a new Card must be issued.

FEE FOR RE-INSTATEMENT OF DROPPED PATRIARCHS.

The following Report was adopted:—

The Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the resolution of the Grand Encampment of Kentucky, presented by Grand Representative Dowden, of that jurisdiction, requesting this Grand Lodge to "define the fee for the re-instatement of a dropped Patriarch," beg leave to report:—

That the subject is fully provided for in Section 1687 A, of White's Digest, and that the fee provided for therein for the re-instatement of a Patriarch dropped or suspended for non-payment of dues, after one year from the date of suspension, is the total amount fixed in the By-Laws of the Encampment of which he was a member for the Patriarchal, Golden Rule and Royal Purple degrees, for a brother of his age, or such lesser sum as may be fixed by the By-Laws of the Encampment, not less than the amount of one year's dues charged members thereof.

TACTICS OF UNIFORMED PATRIARCHS.

WHEREAS, This R. W. Grand Lodge has authorized the organization of Uniformed Patriarchs, and enacted certain laws for the government of such organizations,

AND WHEREAS, It appears to be evident that the number thus uniformed will largely increase throughout the general jurisdiction—swelling in some localities to brigades; AND WHEREAS, the prominent feature of all ceremonies of the Order is uniformity, which is manifestly right and proper, therefore,

Resolved, That the subject of tactics be referred to a special committee of three, who shall prepare and submit to this R. W. Body, at its next session, a system of tactics and drill for the Uniformed Patriarchs of the Order.

The Chair appointed Reps. Hotchkiss, of Wisconsin, Munson, of Connecticut, and Crane, of New Jersey, as the Committee.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF THE CONSTITUTION.

The following proposed amendments to the Constitution were disposed of as follows:—

1st. The proposal to constitute Past Grand Sires full members of the G. L. U. S. was lost on a vote of 34 yeas to 98 nays.

2nd. The proposal to make Past Grand Sires Grand Representatives from the Order at large was indefinitely postponed.

3rd. The consideration of the proposal "That this Grand Lodge shall meet biennially on the third Monday of September" was postponed.

4th. The next amendment, as follows, was considered and adopted on a vote of 129 yeas:

Amend Article XVII. as follows:

The Officers and Grand Representatives (except such officers as receive stated salaries) shall receive a compensation for their services to be fixed by law, and paid out of the Treasury of the Grand Lodge of the United States, provided that this Grand Lodge shall not allow a compensation (except such per diem as it may think proper) to any Grand Representative coming from a jurisdiction beyond the limits of the North American Continent.—Page 7057.

5th. The proposed amendment to change the name of the G. L. U. S. was lost, on a vote of 73 yeas, 61 nays, being 28 short of the required three-fourths vote of the whole.

NOTICES OF AMENDMENTS.

At the ensuing session of the Grand Lodge, action will be taken on the following notices of amendments to the Constitution:—

1st. Rep. Porter, of California, laid on the table the following amendments to the Constitution:—

The undersigned proposes the following amendments to the Constitution of this Grand Lodge:—

Amend Article IX., Section 1, so as to read as follows:—

Article IX, Section 1. Grand Representatives shall be chosen by the several State, District and Territorial Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments for the term of two years; and if vacancies occur by death, resignation or otherwise, during the recess of the Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment of any State, District or Territory, such vacancy shall be filled in the manner pointed out by the Constitution of such State, District or Territorial Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment.

Amend Article XIII, Section 4, so as to read as follows:—

Article XIII, Section 4. A journal of its proceedings shall be kept, and published biennially, except such proceedings as are had in secret sessions.

Amend Article XIV, Sections 2 and 3, so as to read as follows:—

Article XIV, Section 2. Dues from State, District or Territorial Grand Lodges and Encampments, fifty dollars per annum for each vote they shall be entitled to in this Grand Lodge.

Section 3. Dues from Subordinate Lodges and Encampments working under the immediate jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, five per cent. on their receipts.

Amend Article XXI, so as to read as follows:—

Article XXI. This Constitution shall not be altered or amended, except by a proposition therefor, made in writing at a regular communication, by one or more Representatives from three different States, which shall be entered on the Journal, and lie over until the next regular session, when it may be considered; and if agreed to by a vote of three-fourths of the members present, on a call of the yeas and nays, such proposed alterations or amendments shall become part of this Constitution.

2nd. Rep. Gwinner, of Pennsylvania, laid on the table the following amendment to the Constitution:—

The undersigned proposes the following amendment to the Constitution of this Grand Lodge.

Amend Article XVII so as to read as follows :

ARTICLE XVII.—The officers and Grand Representatives (except such officers as receive stated salaries) attending any session of this Grand Lodge, shall be entitled to receive a compensation for their services as may be voted by this Grand Lodge, not exceeding five dollars per day for each day of the session at which they may be present, and mileage not exceeding eight cents per mile for each mile of actual and necessary travel by the shortest traveled route from their residences to the place of meeting of this Grand Lodge, provided that no compensation shall be allowed (except per diem to any officer or Grand Representative who comes from a jurisdiction beyond the limits of the North American continent.

3rd. Rep. Spear, of Maryland, laid on the table the following amendment to the Constitution :—

Amend the second section of the ninth article of the constitution so that it shall read as follows :

SECTION 2.—Every State, District or Territorial Grand Lodge, or Grand Encampment, having under its jurisdiction one thousand or less members, in good standing, shall be entitled to one vote in the Grand Lodge; every State, District, or Territorial Grand Lodge, or Grand Encampment, having under its jurisdiction over one thousand members in good standing, shall be entitled to two votes. But no State, District or Territorial Grand Lodge, or Grand Encampment, shall have more than one Grand Representative; provided, however, that every Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment shall be entitled to as many Grand Representatives as it may have votes, on assuming the payment of the mileage and per diem of the additional Grand Representative.

4th. Rep. Thompson, of Missouri, laid on the table the following amendments to the constitution :

Amend Article I by striking out Section 1 and insert as follows :

"Section 1. This Lodge shall be known by the name, style and title of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows.

Amend Section 4 of Article XVI by striking out all after the words "Grand Lodge" in the seventh line of said section and insert as follows : "That the necessities of a State, District or Territorial Grand Jurisdiction require it, a resolution may be passed by a vote of three-fourths of the representatives present at any meeting, granting to the particular State, District or Territorial Grand Jurisdiction applying therefor the right to re-admit to membership within its jurisdiction, upon such conditions as this Grand Lodge may prescribe, suspended members of the Order residing in the same, who may have been suspended for non-payment of dues, and who have not been under suspension for less than three years; and also the right to admit members of defunct Lodges not able to get a card, it being distinctly understood that so soon as the necessity requiring it shall have passed away this privilege shall be yielded up by the jurisdiction receiving it."

Amend Article XVII, by striking out all after the words "Grand Lodge."

The R. W. Grand Lodge accepted the invitation of the Grand Jurisdiction of Texas, to hold its next meeting in Austin, September, 1878.

The undersigned highly value the honor of representing the Grand Encampment of Ontario, in the Supreme G. L. U. S., and sincerely thank the members of this R. W. Grand Body for their confidence, and ask approval of this, their report.

All of which is respectfully and fraternally submitted.

J. HAM PERRY, Whitby.
JOHN GIBSON, Stratford.

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SPECIAL NOTICE TO SCRIBES.

The certificates of the Past Chief Patriarchs and Representatives to Grand Encampment should be forwarded to the Grand Scribe immediately after the Installation of Officers.

Past Chief Patriarchs and Representatives shall be furnished with a duplicate Certificate by the Scribe, in order to avoid any possible inconvenience arising out of the miscarriage of the original. Especially should this be the case when Past Chief Patriarchs present themselves for admission to the Grand Encampment some time after they have passed the chairs.

The per Capita Tax is twenty-five cents for each member upon the roll at the last stated meeting in the term.

Charge Books cannot be delivered except upon the special order of an Encampment, signed by the Chief Patriarch and Scribe, and attested by the Seal, and the old Charge Books must in all cases be returned to the Grand Scribe.

When old Charge Books cannot be returned by the hands of a Patriarch, they should be sealed up and sent by express.

The MONEY must accompany all orders for supplies of all kinds, and all orders must be signed by the Scribe and attested by the seal of the Encampment.

Post Office money orders are recommended as a safe mode of transmitting money.

Supplies are furnished to Encampments in this Jurisdiction at the following rates, viz:—

Charge Books.....	\$2 50
Visiting Cards, each.....	25
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Register Books, each.....	3 50
Proposition Books, each.....	3 25
Black Books, each.....	2 00
Draft Books, each.....	2 00
Treasurer Books, each.....	1 00
Receipt Books, each.....	1 75
Return Books, each.....	60
Notices of Meetings, per 100.....	1 00
Notices of Arrears, per 100.....	1 00
Notices of Rejections, per 100.....	1 00
Rep's and P. C. P. Certificates.....	2

M. D. DAWSON,

R. W. Grand Scribe.