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SMITH'S FALLS, June 10th, 1890.

The Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Ontario, assembled in the Castle Hall of Dufferin Lodge, No. 28, and was called to order by Grand Vice-Chancellor Jarvis at 9.30 o'clock, a.m.

Present the following Grand Officers :-

R. H. Jarvis......Grand Vice-Chancellor James Smith......Grand Master of Exchequer. GEO. H. MITCHELLGrand Keeper of Records and Seal. Grand Inner Guard.

The acting Grand Chancellor made the following announcements regarding absent officers :-

Grand Chancellor McKellar, on account of the serious illness of his wife.

Grand Prelate Macleod, on account of pressing business engagements.

Grand Master-at-Arms Duck would arrive later on. Grand Outer Guard Mercer, on account of the meeting of his County Council; he being Governor of the County Jail. The vacant offices were filled as follows:

Past Grand Chancellor by	Representative	Leubsdorf, of No. 23.
Grand Vice-Chancellor	"	Blackwood of No. 16.
Grand Prelate	"	Morrison, of No. 1.
Grand Master-at-Arms	"	Fitzgerald, of No. 22.
Grand Outer Guard	"	Stewart, of No. 4.

• A quorum of lodges being present by their representatives the Grand Lodge was opened in regular form.

The Grand Chancellor appointed Representatives King, of No. 25, Carrothers, of No. 2, and Murdoch, of No. 16, as the Committee on Credentials and Returns.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the credentials of Past Chancellors and Representatives and the semi-annual returns of lodges, which were referred to Committee on Credentials and Returns.

Representative King, of No. 25, from the Committee on Credentials and Returns, made the following Report, which was adopted:—

REPORT NO. 1 OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND RETURNS.

Your Committee on Credentials and Returns beg leave to report that they have examined the Credentials of the following Past Chancellors, and find that they are entitled to receive the Grand Lodge Rank:

	No. of	Lodge
	Thos. Shortiss	1
	Samuel Bloomgarden	. 2
	Robert Irwin, J. B. Blair	3
	W. F. Morphy, H. R. Tilley	4
	E. H. Fowler, Geo. Hodder	5
	T. B. Gillard, S. Stewart, M.D., D. Dobie, E. Stephens	9
	Thos. J. Boyd	10
	John Jenkins, J. A. Reid, John Taylor	11
	James A. Bell, T. L. Broderick, J. B. Davidson, and J. S.	
	Robertson	12
ø	Frederick Neal, Wm. Bushell, Thos. G. Lowe, G. A. Luther	16
	S. A. Webb	22
	B. Juffs	23
		27
	J. A. Lindsay, R. C. Smith	28
	Wm. H. Stutchbury	30
	Adam Belz	31
	Respectfully submitted,	

John S, King, of No. 25. R. A. Carrothers, of No. 2. J. C. Murdoch, of No. 16. Also, from the same Committee, the following Report:—
REPORT NO. 2 OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND
RETURNS.

Your Committee on Credentials and Returns beg leave to report that from the Journal of last session they find the Past Chancellors in the first column are entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge as Grand Representatives for the term ending Dec. 31st, 1890; and from the certificates submitted by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, the Past Chancellors in the second column are entitled to seats as Grand Representatives for the term ending Dec. 31st, 1891.

Name and No. of.	Lodge. Year ending Dec. 31, 1890. Year ending Dec. 31, 1890
Mystic Lodge,	No. 1 Wm. Morrison J. H. Bronsdon.
Myrtle "	" 2John WilliamsR. A. Carrothers.
Red Cross "	" 3J. P. MacleodR. Irwin.
Ivanhoe "	" 4 Geo. ThomsonT. P. Stewart.
Crusader "	" 5 R. G. Spofford W. P. Cooke.
Prospect "	" 10Geo. TaylorW. S. Rhycard.
-Marmion "	" 15 W. E. Rispen W. H. Taylor.
Friendship	" 16 J. C. Murdoch John Blackwood.
Mizpah "	" 22Jas. FitzgeraldF. J. Fitzgerald.
Perseverance	" 23B. J. Leubsdorf
Rienzi "	" 24H. F. DuckJ. A. MacKellar.
Ontario "	" 25R. H. JarvisJ. S. King.
Oshawa "	" 26R. O. Law
Native Valley	" 27 W. J. Roe, M.D.
Dufferin ".	" 28R. A. BennettR. C. Smith.
Inglewood	" 29 Geo. InglesL. E. Tate.
Toronto "	" 30F. W. FlettGeo. Bedingfield.
Bismarck "	" 31Albert H. OttoL. E. Hatzfeld.
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Your Committee find the following Past Chancellors entitled to seats as Grand Representatives for the term and reasons stated:

R. J. Villiers, Mystic Lodge, No. 1, for term ending Dec. 31st, 1891, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of J. H. Bronsdon.

W. F. Morphy, Ivanhoe Lodge, No. 4, for term ending Dec. 31st, 1890, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Geo. Thomson.

J. A. Dart, Rienzi Lodge, No. 24, for term ending Dec. 31st, 1890, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of H. F. Duck.

W. H. Stuchbury, Toronto Lodge, No. 30, for term ending Dec. 31st-1890, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of F. W. Flett.

D. J. Peace, Red Cross Lodge, No. 3, for term ending Dec. 31st, 1890, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of J. P. Macleod.

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R. Daft, Perseverance Lodge, No. 23, is reported for one year term, and B. J. Leubsdorf for two years term, which does not harmonize with previous report.

Respectfully submitted.

John S. King, M.D., of No. 25. R. A. Carrothers, of No. 2. J. C. Murdoch, of No. 16.

Representative Leubsdorf stated that the certificates of last year must have been made out wrong, as those of this year were correct, and that he had been re-elected last December for two years, Representative Daft standing over for this year.

The Report of the Committee was then adopted.

The Grand Master-at-Arms retired and introduced the following who were obligated and instructed in the Grand Lodge Rank,

Robert Irwin	of No
W. F. Morphy	
J. A. Lindsay and R. C. Smith	" 28
W. H. Stutchbury	" "

The Roll of Representatives was then called and the following found to be present:—Blackwood, of No. 16; Bennett, of No. 28; Carrothers, of No. 2; Fitzgerald, of No. 22; Irwin, of No. 3, Jarvis, of No. 25; King, of No. 25; Leubsdorf, of No. 23; Morrison, of No. 1; Morphy, of No. 4; Murdoch, of No. 16; Peace, of No. 3; Rispen, of No. 15; Stewart of No. 4; Smith, of No. 28; Stutchbury, of No. 30.

The Grand Chancellor then announced the following Standing Committees, the names appearing in italics being appointed to fill vacancies.

STANDING COMMITTEES

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LAW AND SUPERVISION:		
D. J. Peace	NT-	
W. F. Morphy	No.	3
J. C. Murdoch	"	16
Appeals and Grievances:		
B. J. Leubsdorfof		
J. Fitzgerald	No.	
R. A. Law	44	22
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FINANCE:	- 1	
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J. Blackwood		
R. Irwin	I No.	
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R. A. Bennett	"	28
Also, A Special Committee on Distribution:		
J. S. King		
B. I. Lenhadouf	I No.	25
B. J. Leubsdorf	"	23
Wm. Morrison		1

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal proceeded to read the minutes of last session, when, on motion of Representative Peace of No. 3, the further reading of the same was dispensed with, and the Journal as printed was approved.

The reports of the Grand Chancellor, Grand Master of Exchequer, and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal were presented in printed form, and referred to Committee on Distribution.

REPORT OF THE GRAND CHANCELLOR.

To the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of the Jurisdiction of Ontario:

Another year has passed away and brought us one step nearer the end of our journey of life; and we are again called upon to assemble together to legislate for the benefit of our belowed Order and the welfare of humanity. May God grant that all our deliberations may be guided and governed by wisdom, a liberal toleration for the opinions of each other, and a zealous desire to promote the best interests of an Order that in its short history has accomplished so much good work in the cause of weak, suffering and destitute humanity.

I may remind you that in accepting the position of G. C. it was with the utmost reluctance, feeling at the time the impossibility of devoting to the interest of the Order the time it demanded and deserved. I then promised to conduct all correspondence with promptness, to visit all lodges so far as time and pressure of business would permit. These pledges I claim to have redeemed.

OBITUARY

During the past year we have been called upon to mourn the removal of a great Pythian P. ince. Justus H. Rathbone, the founder of our Order, was stricken down in the fulness of his manhood and while equipped in the

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habiliments of a Knight, engaged in active warfare in conquering new fields upon which to plant the standard of Pythianism, and while educating his fellowman in the sublime teachings and principles of our Order. It has been given to few men to see so complete and successful an issue to their efforts in the cause of humanity as was granted P. S. C. Rathbone. As your representative head I conveyed by telegram to the bereaved daughters of our late chief the profound sorrow pervading this jurisdiction, and assured them of the warm sympathy felt by every member of our Order in Ontario for them in their hour of intense sorrow.

NEW LODGES.

Through correspondence, and by the aid of my active Deputies, I have been enabled to have three good lodges instituted, one at St. Thomas, which is fortunate in having a most zealous, intelligent and enthusiastic set of officers, who I understand have memorized the work, and are even now able to dispense with the use of Rituals. Another at Fort William, and as this is the Lake Superior terminus of the C. P. R., and destined to become a great city, I have every reason to hope with confidence that the band of Pythian soldiers garrisoned there will bring the whole district under subjection. I anticipate the pleasure of paying this lodge a visit during the summer. The third lodge is at Bruce Mines, and as this point is again showing a business revival, I expect to see a strong lodge there.

I may mention that a lodge is ready at Learnington, but its institution has been postponed owing to the burning of the only available hall. As another hall is being built, Learnington can soon be hailed as one of the strongholds of Pythianism.

I am convinced that a team trained to work the Amplified Rank, in a manner made most impressive by every aid of the art of elecution and costume, would be of inestimable advantage in aiding at the institution of new lodges, and by visiting older ones stimulating them to a renewed interest. The advantage of this adjunct was most deeply impressed on my mind while seeing a team from Rienzi confer the Ranks at St. Thomas. The work done by that team was not inferior to the best I have ever had the opportunity of witnessing. Should any other lodge in the jurisdiction think they can turn out a better and more effective working team it would be advantageous to the Order to enter upon a friendly contest to take place at some central point readily accessible to members of the Order wishing to attend as spectators.

I am also convinced that our Order will never spread its Castle Halls over every town and village in Ontario until we secure the services of an organizer who can devote the greater portion of the year to visiting eligible points and preaching the doctrines inculcated by the Pythian Order. A continuance of the extra per cap. tax for two years longer would enable the Grand Lodge to secure the services of a man of oratorical ability and thorough knowledge of the Order.

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DEFUNCT LODGES.

I regret to say that upon accepting office I found several lodges in a semi-defunct condition, and notwithstanding all my efforts, aided by others, I have failed to revive some of them. Almont and Maple Lodges have both surrendered their charters; but the hope is held out that there is a sufficient remnant left in each of these places having an earnest love for the principles and teaching of our Order to resurrect them ere long.

DISPENSATIONS.

During the year I have granted the following dispensations:-

To Mystic, No. 1, Ivanhoe, No. 4, and Ontario, No. 25, to change place of meeting to their new hall, corner of Queen and Victoria Streets.

To Mizpah, No. 22, to change meeting night from Friday to Thursday, from 1st July to the 22nd November, 1889, and also to change place of meeting from London East to the hall occupied by Myrtle, No. 2.

To Bismarck, No. 31, to change to fortnigntly meetings, and the place of meeting to No. 26 John Street North.

To Toronto, No. 30, to wear Jewels at Anniversary Celebration.

To Dufferin, No. 28, to change night of meeting from Thursday to Tuesday during the summer months.

ANNIVERSARY.

I am pleased to notice that the Anniversary of our Order was generally celebrated by the lodges in this jurisdiction in a suitable manner. I had the pleasure of being present at a concert given on that date by Rienzi, No. 24, in aid of their brass band. It was quite as successful as the most ardent friend of the Order could desire. I was called upon to speak on behalf of the Order, and explain its aims, objects and advantages. The result of this demonstration has been a large addition to the membership of this lodge.

PYTHIAN LITERATURE.

I desire to call the attention of all Knights in this jurisdiction, through the Grand Lodge, to a most valuable addition to Pythian literature, a contribution from the pen of Hon. John VanValkenburg, P.S.C. It is a most thorough exposition of the teachings of the Pythagorean School of Philosophers, and pictures in glowing words the doctrines taught by those wise men of old, and which furnish the foundation stones of the Pythian Temple erected by the master hand of Hon. Justus Rathbone, P.S.C. The volume of "Jewels of Pythian Knighthood" sparkles throughout with the rarest and richest gems of human thought, charming, instructive and elevating in their moral effect, and cannot fail to give members of our Order a most exalted conception of their responsibilities and duties as Knights of Pythias.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

I desire to record my appreciation of the earnest, active and prompt assistance and ready obedience accorded me by my Deputies and members of the Order generally, and I am sure the same loyal, hearty service will be accorded to my successor in office, for whom I propose to work as heartily and steadily as for myself.

At the present time of writing it is doubtful if my duties as Returning Officer for East Kent will permit me to leave home in time to join in your deliberations. I hope, however, to be able to present myself on the morning of the 11th. Should I not be present with you in body, my heart and best wishes will be there. With fraternal greetings to the officers, members and visitors of the Grand Lodge.

I am yours fraternally in F. C. and B.,

PETER D. McKELLAR,

Grand Chancellor.

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CHATHAM, June 10th, 1890.

REPORT OF GRAND VICE-CHANCELLOR.

To the Grand Chancellor, Officers and Members, Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Ontario.

Although the Constitution does not require that your Vice-Chancellor should render a report of his efforts in the interest of the Order, nevertheless it has been customary that that Officer should have done some small share towards advancing Pythianism during his term of office. Therefore, at the solicitation of the Grand Chancellor, I concluded to render an account of my stewardship, during the period which I have had the honor of representing the Grand Lodge as Grand Vice-Chancellor.

At the Session of the Grand Lodge, held in Chatham last year, I advocated the advisability of holding our 1890 Session of the Grand Lodge at Smith's Falls, believing that the interest of Pythianism would benefit thereby.

The investigation I have made during the past twelve months in Central and Eastern portions of Ontario confirms the opinion, that was then taken by the majority of the delegates present, as a correct one.

Smith's Falls is the home of one of the most active and energetic lodges in the Province to-day. The members of Dufferin Lodge, No. 28, have been fighting the battle of Pythianism, single-handed, against many difficulties. Their success thus far proves them true Knights and justly entitled to every assistance the Grand Lodge can give them.

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At Peterborough there is every reason to suppose that the seed sown will bear fruit, and the Grand Officers will ere long be called upon to institute a Lodge in that prosperous northern town. Mr. A. V. R. Young, American Consul there, is making efforts to secure the required number that would be sufficient to warrant us in supposing, that when once started, it would be successfully established on a solid basis.

At Kingston the matter is being taken up by a competent person, who, although not a member of the Order, has conceived a favorable opinion of Pythianism, and I shall be much disappointed if, at an early date, the Pythian banner is not unfurled in that city also.

At Brockville, Belleville, Port Hope, Cobourg and other places I have made efforts to interest friends in the beauties and benefits, of our Order and which is second to none of the great Brotherhoods that are attracting the attention of all thoughtful and worthy men of the period.

The commercial depression that has, prevailed during the past three or four years is, without doubt, the great drawback to our present development. I have every reason to suppose that, ere this, lodges would have been established at Peterborough and Kingston had not the successive hard times prevented, in a large measure, the consummation of our desires and efforts.

There is one other difficulty which our Order has to contend with in forming new lodges, and will largely account for the apparently more rapid progress of other societies than our own. By the public those societies are generally supposed to be similar to Pythianism, while it is a fact they are quite dissimilar, and are organized almost, if not entirely for the purpose of effecting so-called life insurance. These institutions employ organizers and pay from fifty to one hundred dollars for each lodge instituted. The inducements offered are so great that there are many people who devote nearly all their time in working up the societies that engage them. You will observe that we have not only the hard times to contend with, but this system against which we have to contend adds to the difficulties which we have to overcome, and when fully considered we must admit that the progress we have achieved is as great as we could expect and probably equal to that of societies similar to our own.

I am informed that many of the Grand Jurisdictions in the United States have an officer known as Grand Lecturer, whose special duty it is to assist the Grand Chancellor in disseminating the great principles of our Order, either by public addresses, when deemed advisable, or by personal effort.

The members of the Grand Lodge at this Session may deem it advisable to discuss the desirability of appointing such an officer for the Grand Jurisdiction of Ontario. I am of the opinion that beneficial results would follow such action on the part of the Grand Lodge.

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tic lodges have been ifficulties. d to every Beyond the fact of the commercial depression, which unfortunately still prevails, and is casting its dark shadows over our fair Province, injuriously effecting every department of life, I cannot discern any cause why the next Pythian year should be less prosperous than during the past. We need a strong united effort on the part of all true Knights—let each brother realize his individual responsibility, remembering that great victories have not been won by the efforts of a commander alone; it can only be by the united and combined efforts of those who selected him as chief. Without that assistance the results cannot be productive of that prosperity which should surround our beloved Order. Let us remember, as chosen delegates of our respective lodges, that we could not be such if we did not possess the love and confidence of our brothers, who by their votes conferred the honor attached to the position of membership in this Grand Lodge.

By our example, by our words of encouragement and influence in our individual lodges prove worthy of that honor and confidence, and the coming Pythian year will prove successful and show a record of pros, crity unparalleled in the history of Pythianism, in this the Grand Jurisdiction of

Ontario.

Yours in F. C. and B.,

TORONTO, June 1st; 1890.

R. H. JARVIS,

P. P. XXVII.

G. V. C.

REPORTS OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS.

P. D. McKellar, Esq., Grand Chancellor of the Grand Jurisdiction of Ontario, Knights of Pythias.

Dear Sir and Bro.—I now beg to submit my final report of the State of the Order in my District. I am glad to inform you that there seems to be a general revival of interest in the membership of all the lodges, and all during the current term have been making substantial gains and adding to

The Chancellor of Toronto Lodge, No. 30, has just handed me the following memorandum: Propositions since instalation 9, Page Rank conferred on 7, Esquire Rank on 6, Knight Rank on 2, and prospects very bright.

Mystic Lodge has conferred the Knight Rank on six candidates so far

Ivanhoe Lodge is doing well but I have not received a statement of their work.

Ontario has conferred the Knight Rank on 1, and the Esquire Rank on 3, and have several applicants who have not yet come up for initiation.

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During the year some important changes have occurred such as the acquirement of a new Pythian Hall at the beginning of the year, and now occupied by three of the lodges, viz., Mystic, Ivanhoe and Ontario. This was a move in the right direction, as evidenced by the improved interest and average nightly attendance. I may mention that since moving into the new hall Mystic Lodge has purchased the interest of Ivanhoe, and is now sole owner of the properties of the only Pythian Hall in Toronto which, by the way, has not been dedicated yet, and which ceremony I had hoped to have seen performed by yourself.

On the whole, during the last term of your office, you can congratulate yourself, that at least in Toronto, and I trust all over the jurisdiction, Pythianism has made substantial gains.

There is, I think, another great cause for congratulation, and that is the fact that the deficit of the S. L. Reception Committee has been definitely ascertained after a most exhaustive audit, and here let me say that the Order is under great obligation to Messrs. Wallis and Morphy, the auditors, who have devoted so much valuable time in searching out and tracing home some most extortionate charges, thereby saving the Order some hundreds of dollars. In fact, the audit, in place of being an examination of regularly entered accounts with vouchers accessible, was a detective hunt, and the creditable manner in which they have discharged their duties, in my humble opinion, should have some, or at least merits some, substantial recognition at the hands of Grand Lodge. Now that the extent of our obligations are definitely known Ltrust the Order will loyally and cheerfully contribute to its final liquidation.

There are some facts in this matter to which I deem it my duty to specially call your attention. The membership outside the City of Toronto can have no adequate conception of the labor, anxiety and vexation that has been thrown on the members of the Supreme Lodge Reception Committee, and it is a matter of extreme regret that I have reason to believe that much of this vexation and annoyance has been caused by a member of that Committee who tried to take advantage of his position as legal adviser to make excessive charges. To protect themselves the Committee, in self-defence, was forced to ask the interference of the courts which reduced illegal and extortionate charges (by some hundreds of dollars) to less than one half of the amount this member would evidently have mercilessly inflicted on his Bro. Knights and the Order generally, and this in the face of the fact that his brother members on the Committee were externally worried with difficulties of a trying nature with the outside public. It is past my comprehension how any honest person, let alone one who had taken the obligation of a Knight of Pythias and a former officer of this Grand Lodge, could so far forget himself. In this connection I might say that possibly you may think it proper to call the attention of Grand Lodge to the conduct of one of its members.

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At a meeting of Past Chancellors, Bro. W. H. Stutchbury of Toronto Lodge, No. 30, was nominated for the position of District Deputy for the ensuing term, and I have much pleasure in recommending his appointment. All of which is respectfully submitted in F. C. & B.

Yours fraternally.

TORONTO, 20th May, 1890.

W. MORRISON.

PYTHIAN XXVII.

D.D.G.C. of No. 1 District.

P. D. McKellar Esq., Grand Chancellor.

Dear Sir and Bro.—As per your request, I send a statement of the condition of our Order in my District. We have not organized any lodges during the past year, but the three we have in London are in a fairly prosperous condition at the present time, each of them adding fresh material to their membership as the meetings come, but not increasing so rapidly as the over-sanguine expectation of some of our "bustlers" had caused us to anticipate. I may say that the second lodge organized in the city, Mizpah, No. 22, is gathering in some young life in the persons of well drilled young men, in the hope that at no distant date there may be formed a very respectable Division of the Uniform Rank. Our section of the Endowment Rank is in a healthy condition.

At present all three lodges hold their meetings in Myrtle Lodge Castle Hall, and a very harmonious, amicable relationship exists between the lodges in the District.

Yours fraternally,

C. E. JARVIS.

D.D.G.C., 3rd District of Ontario.

Geo. H. Mitchell, Esq., G.K.R.S., K. of P., Toronto:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER, —In compliance with the instructions received from the Grand Chancellor of this jurisdiction, I herewith submit my report.

Rienza Lodge, No. 24, Ridgetown, has made rapid progress during the last year, and is now in a healthy, flourishing condition; which position it will no doubt sustain in the future.

For a great length of time since this lodge was instituted, it has been constantly fighting to keep afloat. This tendency to sink, was principally caused from the fact, that so many of our members removed to other places, many of whom did not take withdrawal cards, and have since become suspended.

It seemed to be an established custom, that as soon as one new member was made, one if not more would be compelled to remove to some other

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member me other place. Thus, although we were continually making new members, our membership did not increase in numbers. Now, however, the end of the chain has appeared in sight, and the removals are not so frequent.

Since June the 30th, 1889, we have conferred the rank of Knight on nineteen Esquires, and have awaiting ranks, two Esquires, one Page and three accepted candidates, and we have also two applications for membership to be read at our next convention. Thus you will see that this lodge has not been idle, and is still continuing in the "good work."

The entire work of all three ranks has for some length of time been done without the aid of the rituals, which has proven so exceedingly satisfactory, that a by-law is being framed, and I have no doubt will be passed, whereby each officer is compelled to comit his portion of the ritualistic work to memory, and be able to correctly deliver it, within one month of the date of his election to office. I would advise other lodges to do the same.

The manner in which the work of the several ranks is put on, and exemplified, is of such a high character and grade, that the G. C. and many other visiting brethren have said, that they have never seen it done in a better manner, and seldom equalled.

A brass band of sixteen has been organized in connection with the lodge,—the bandsmen of course being members—and the rapid progress they are making is exceedingly satisfactory to all. This feature has done much for the lodge, and has introduced much life and feeling. I believe this is the first K. of P. Band in Ontario.

In conclusion, I will say, that ere this term expires, the membership is expected to be increased at least to forty, and that next term will be equally as prosperous.

I am yours fraternally, in F. C. and B.,

HENRY F. DUCK,

RIDGETOWN, May 29th, 1890

D. D. G. C. No. 4 District.

P. D. McKellar, Esq., G.C., Chatham.

Dear Sir and Brother,—It gives me much pleasure to be able to say that Algoma Lodge, No. 11, has something worth reporting this year. We have so long been kept waiting for "the good time coming," that waiting began to be monotonous. But at last the Sault has burst away from its mother's apron strings, and bounded upward to a stalwart manhood among Pythian strongholds. During the fourteen years of existence of Algoma Lodge, I have never, seen it enjoy anything like the prosperity which has attended it this year. Formerly we were content to be able to hold our own and live peaceably together, but this year has not only brought us an abundance of peace, but a small "boom" of new members.

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In the term ending 30th of June, 1889, under Brother Chancellor Commander A. J. Reid, M.D., we began to perceive indications of a going among the "mulberry trees," and seven (Rory O'More's lucky number) new members were added to our numbers. And the commencement of the new term, under Bro. Chancellor Commander A. L. Friedman opened with a list of acceptable applications, which have at this date reached thirty one already initiated, and a firm conviction among the members that there are "more to follow."

Not only have we enjoyed a marked degree of success numerically, but the initiations have given us "new blood" for officers, and I am gratified beyond measure, in being able to testify to the very excellent character of the work, and the disappearance of the ritual from the hands of C. C., V. C., P., and M. at A. during all the ceremonies of the lodge. Our present V. C., Bro. H. Dubois, reached the pinnacle of Pythian perfection in this particular, while performing the duties of Prelate, and also in his present position.

One Brother has been reinstated, and one has removed to Washington Territory during the term.

Providence has been exceedingly kind to our lodge in sparing our members from death and grevious sickness. Our ranks remain unbroken by the scythe of the great Reaper, but two of our number have been called upon to suffer bereavement through the loss of their wives.

I cannot close this report without expressing my appreciation and gratitude to the new members added to our Order for the considerate kindness and courtesy with which they treat the old members of the lodge; some of whom—myself among the number—are not altogether free from charges of being "cranks" with regard to our ideas of strict propriety, etc.

I beg to report, with no small degree of pleasure, the successful organization of Olive Lodge, No. 14, at Bruce Mines, on the 20th inst. Acting upon a suggestion by Bro. Mitchell, G. K. of R. and S., a full supply of necessary rituals, etc., were taken from the Sault Lodge, together with jewels, etc., which we afterwards discovered saved us a serious disappointment, as none of the supplies usually sent by the Grand Lodge with dispensation had reached Bruce Mines; and they are yet waiting for them.

I am very much indebted to C. C., A. L. Friedman, V.C., H. Dubois, and M. at A. E. R. Bailey, of Algoma Lodge, No. 11, for excellent assistance, and most hearty co-operation. P.C.'s W. Turner and John Jenkins, and thirteen Knights accompanied us as a deputation, and added very much to the success of the ceremony.

I initiated 17 of the applicants in three Ranks, and installed all the officers; and if the requisite G. L. supplies have been forwarded, you will shortly hear of work done by the members of Olive Lodge that will encourage you to look them up.

I enclose the list of names of Charter Members, all of whom were

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accepted in a general ballot, there being no exception taken to any one of them. I will make it a point to visit them before the meeting of Grand Lodge, provided the supplies arrive in time, and correct any errors that may be detected in their work.

I trust that this vast territory, Algoma District, has now entered upon a state of development and progress, as will ensure a steady increase of population, and that Pythianism, which has hitherto been confined principally to the eastern section of Ontario, will reach the centre of the Province at Manitoulin Island and bear rich fruit, to delight the ears and hearts of all those who take pleasure in increasing the happiness of their fellow men. I have the honor to be.

Yours, etc.,

E. BIGGINGS.

D. D. G. C.,

SAULT STE. MARIE, May 27th, 1890.

No. 6 District.

REPORT OF THE GRAND KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL,
GRAND LODGE, K. OF P., OF ONTARIO,

Toronto, June 10th, 1890.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge :

I beg to submit for your consideration the eighteenth annual report of this office for the year ending May 31st, 1890.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

The order in this jurisdiction during the past year, or more correctly speaking, during the year 1899, made a retrograde movement, which was due to a great extent, no doubt, to the general business depression, and the returns show a slight decrease in membership. The financial statements, however, show an increase which is encouraging; and from the reports I have received this year, I believe the loss in numbers has been more than recovered.

I have received a communication from Native Valley Lodge, asking to have their per capita of last year remitted on account of a very heavy demand on their treasury through sickness and death. They think if such is done, that they will be able to pull through all right.

NEW LODGES.

Since our last session three new lodges have been instituted as follows:
Rathbone, No. 12, at St. Thomas, Feb. 20th.
Aurora, No. 13, at Fort William, April 24th.
Olive, No. 14, at Bruce Mines, May 20th.

No. 12 is named after our deceased Founder, and was instituted by the Grand Chancellor in person, full particulars of which will no doubt be given

No. 13 is a reorganization of Aurora Lodge, formerly of Silver Islet.

The application contained the names of seven of the old members and twenty-two new applicants, and the work was performed by District Deputy Campbell, of Algoma West District, assisted by Past Chancellor Cooke and members of Crusader Lodge.

No. 14 was instituted by District Deputy Biggings, of Algoma East District, assisted by members of Algoma Lodge, full particulars of which

will be found in his report.

I experienced considerable difficulty in dealing with the two latter, and no doubt unavoidable delay, or at least inconvenience was caused thereby, on account of the great distance and lack of information as to when the institution of each was to take place. Arrangements were evidently made by the Deputies but they failed to notify me until the last moment, thus giving no time to have matters carried out in a systematic manner.

No definite time should be fixed by the organizer of a lodge until the Grand Chancellor and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal has been notified and the application approved in proper form. In each of the above cases the correspondence was primarily by telegraph.

DEFUNCT LODGES.

I regret to have to report that Maple Lodge, No. 8, of Carlton Place, and Almont Lodge No. 32, of Almonte, have surrendered. The effects of these are in charge of District Deputy Fowlie, at Smith's Falls, at least those of No. 32 are, and I understand he also has those of No. 8, although I have had

no report in regard to its surrender.

Minerva Lodge, of Orillia, is still in the same dormant condition as reported last year, and I think some steps should be taken either to reorganize

it or close it up entirely.

In this connection I desire to draw the attention of Grand Lodge to the fact that it has no place in which to store paraphernalia, and it is not right that it should be all over the country. The time has come when some place must be secured where our work can be kept secure and compact. The same applies to the ordinary work of this office. Up to last session it had not been much inconvenience as I was centrally located, but now living much further away, and occupying a different business position, the facilities for properly carrying on the work are not so good. The main object, however, is to have some place where paraphernalia could be conveniently kept and it could also be used as an office if so desired.

OBITUARY.

Under this head, it is my mournful duty to record the death of the Founder of our Order, Justus Henry Rathbone, who died at Lims, Ohio,

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December 9th, 1889. It is unnecessary for me to tell you the old, old story of the institution of our Order and his connection with it, as it is well known to each and every one who is at all acquainted with Pythian history, but a brief synopsis of the life of our departed brother will not be out of place here.

Bro. Rathbone was born at Deerfield, Oneida County, New York, October 29th, 1839, and received his education in the leading schools of his native State. In 1857, he went to the Lake Superior District, and while engaged in teaching school at Eagle Harbor, Michigan, he wrote the first ritual of our Order. In 1861, on account of the death of his father, he returned home, and shortly after he was offered, and accepted, a government position in Pennsylvania, which he held until he entered the army in 1863. He was then ordered to Washington, and while there, in 1864, he laid the foundation of an Order which was destined to grow beyond his most sanguine expectations, and has reached a magnitude which he told me himself he never could have believed to be possible. Started in the first place for the purpose of furnishing entertainment for a few friends, he saw it gradually but surely extending its circle of usefulness until hundreds of thousands had come into the fold and joined hands with him in his work of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence. In 1877, at the Cleveland Session, the Supreme Lodge appointed Bro. Rathbone Supreme Lecturer, which position he held up to the day of his death, and it was while attending to the duties of his office that he was called home. To know Bro. Rathbone was to love him; no one could help it, and the simple reason was because he loved his fellow-men. He fully carried out the tenets of the Order he established, and practically illustrated them in his everyday life and character. Let us all cherish his memory and each one do his share by carrying on the work which he began.

In our own jurisdiction the Silent Messenger has issued a summons to two Past Chancellors since last we met, viz., Past Chancellor M. Driscoll, of Myrtle Lodge, who was accidently drowned, and Past Chancellor A. C. McKinlay, of Native Valley Lodge, who died on board ship when returning

from a trip to England.

I would recommend that memorial pages be inserted in the Journal to the memory of our departed brethren and also that an engraving of Bro. Rathbone be procured.

SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS.

The following statement shows the dates on which I received the semiannual returns from lodges;

Name of Lodge.	Term ending June 30th, '89.	Term ending Dec. 31st. '89.
Mystic, No. 1.	October 1st	January 20th
Myrtle, No. 2	July 18th	January 24th
Red Cross, No.	3June 29th	January 2nd

Name of Lodge.	Term ending June 30th, '89. Term ending Dec. 31st, '89.
Ivanhoe, No. 4	September 1st February 8th
Crusader, No. 5	September 12thFebruary 4th
Maple, No. 8	January 9th, 1890 No report
Rokeby, No. 9	Per capita tax paid, but reports not received
Prospect, No. 1	0February 8th
Algoma, No. 11	September 1stJanuary 18th
Marmion, No. 1	5July 31stJanuary 25th
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As will be seen from the above, Red Cross Lodge had their report for both terms in first, although for the July term they were closely followed on the same day by Inglewood. I hope a much better record will be made by some of the lodges with their returns for the ensuing year.

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My vouchers for these will show the transactions.

For statements showing the totals of the debit and credit sides of all accounts in the ledger, and the balances, May 31st, 1890; the profit and loss thereon, and also our assets and liabilities, together with detailed and tabulated statements of the membership and finances of the subordinate lodges, see appendix.

Fraternally submitted,

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Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER OF EXCHEQUER.

SMITH'S FALLS, June 10th, 1890.

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, K. of P.

Sins and Brothers,—Another Pythian fiscal year has past and gone, and in accordance to duty, I have very much pleasure to render you an account of my stewardship for and during the said year. It is gratifying to me to be able to show that the finances of this Grand Lodge have very materially increased. It is furthermore gratifying to be able to announce that prospects in this Jurisdiction are very bright for a continued and prosperous future.

Herewith you will find statement of receipts and disbursements, accompanying which are all documents and vouchers appertaining to the same.

Once more permit me to return my most sincere and humble thanks to the officers and members of this Grand Lodge for their choice of me as one of its Executive, and believe me, my every effort shall be to still endeavour to merit and retain the confidence and esteem of my co-workers in the good cause of F. C. B.

With much respect; I remain, yours fraternally,

JAMES SMITH.

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Representative Leubsdorf, of No. 23, from the special Committee on Distribution, presented the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

Your Special Committee on Distribution, to whom was referred the Reports of the Grand Lodge Officers, would report and recommend:

- 1. That so much of the Report of the Grand Chancellor as refers to "New Longes," "Defunct Lodges," "Anniversary," "Pythian Literature," and "District Deputy Grand Chancellors," be referred to Committee on State of the Order.
- That that portion referring to the death of our beloved founder, Past Supreme Chancellor Justus H. Rathbone, be referred to a special committee.
- 3. That so much as refers to "Dispensations" be referred to Committee on Law and Supervision.
- 4. That the Report of the Grand Vice-Chancellor, and those of the District Deputy Grand Chancellors be referred to Committee on State of the Order.
- 5. That so much of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal as refers to "Condition of the Order," "New Lodges," "Defunct Lodges," "Membership of Subordinate Lodges," "Finances of Subordinate Lodges," "and "Numerical and Financial Statements," be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.
- That so much as refers to "Obituary," be referred to same Special Committee as on clause 2 of this Report.
- 7. That so much as refers to "Semi-Annual Returns" be referred to Committee on Credentials and Returns.
- 8. That so much as refers to "Finances of Grand Lodge," "Statement of all Accounts in the Ledger" "Details of Profit and Loss Account" and "Detailed Financial Statement" be referred to Committee on Finance.
- 9. That the Report of the Grand Master of Exchequer be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted,

John S. King, M.D., of No. 25. B. J. Leubsderf, of No. 23. Wm. Morrison, of No. 1.

The Grand Chancellor appointed Representatives King, of No. 25, Carrothers, of No. 2, and Leubsdorf, of No. 23, as the Special Committee on Obituary.

Representative Morrison, of No. 1, presented the following, which was referred to the Committee on Law and Supervision:

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MYSTIC LODGE, No. 1.

Toronto, June 9th, 1890.

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario:

The following amendments to by-laws have been adopted by this lodge, and are now submitted to the Grand Lodge for approval:

Section 11 amended by striking out the word "for," in the fifth line, and inserting the word "within" in lieu thereof.

Present Section 56 to be numbered 58.

The two new sections to be added as 56 and 57 as follows:

56. All moneys received by the Master of Exchequer on behalf of the lodge, shall be deposited weekly by him to the credit of the lodge, in such a bank as the lodge from time to time may direct.

57. All cheques required to be drawn on such a bank, shall be signed by the Chancellor Commander and Master of Exchequer, and the latter officer shall report at each meeting the amount he has to the credit of the lodge, verifying it by the production of the bank book.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. SHORTISS, C.C. W. E. STARR, K.R.S.

[Seal]

Representative Carrothers, of No. 2, presented the following letters from Myrtle, Mizpah and Prospect Lodges, which were referred to Committee on Finance.

> MYRTLE LODGE, No. 2, LONDON, ONT., June 3, 1890.

R. A. CARROTHERS, Grand Lodge Representative. DEAR SIR AND BROTHER, -At our last regular meeting it was moved and seconded and carried unanimously that this lodge, in conjunction with Mizpah and Prospect Lodges of this city, extend a hearty invitation to the Grand Lodge to hold their next annual meeting for 1891 in this city. You will kindly extend a hearty invitation.

Yours in F. C. & B.,

[Seal]

E. B. GALPIN, K.R.S.

Pythian Period, xxvii.

MIZPAH LODGE, No. 22.

LONDON, ONT., May 30th, 1890. Pythian Period xxvii.

To Bro. Jas. FITZGERALD, Grand Lodge Representative.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER, -I am instructed to inform you that at our last regular meeting it was decided that you be notified that it was the unanimons wish of this lodge that you do all in your power to have the next annual

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meeting of Grand Lodge held in London, and request you to vote accordingly.

Yours in F. C. & B.,

ROBERT IRONSIDE, K.R.S.

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PROSPECT LODGE, No. 10.
(LONDON, June 2nd, 1890.
Pythian Period xxvii.

GEO. TAYLOR, Grand Lodge Representative.

Dear Sir and Brother,—At our last regular meeting it was moved and seconded and carried unanimously that this lodge, in conjunction with Mizpah and Mytle Lodges of this city, extend a hearty invitation to the Grand Lodge to hold their next annual meeting for 1891 in this city. You will kindly extend a hearty invitation.

Yours in F. C. & B.,

A. D. McIntosh, K.R.S.

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Representative Irwin, of No. 3, presented the following resolutions from Red Cross Lodge:

RED CROSS LODGE, No. 3.
HAMILTON, June 3rd, 1890.

P.P. xxvii.

At the regular meeting of this lodge, held on Monday evening, June 2nd, 1890, the representatives of this lodge were instructed to convey to the Grand Lodge of Ontario at its coming session the following resolution:

That before the payments of the next semi-annual per capita tax, this lodge would respectfully ask Grand Lodge to furnish all subordinate lodges in this jurisdiction with as full and complete a financial statement of the affairs of the Supreme Lodge Reception Committee as can be obtained, and while asking for this, desire to express their regrets that the lodges were not put in possession of any definite official information on this point up to the present time.

P. E. FITZPATRICK, C.C. THOS. PEDLER, K.R.S.

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which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

RED CROSS LODGE, No. 3.

Hamilton, June 3, 1890.

P.P. xxvii.

At the regular meeting of Red Cross Lodge, No. 3, K. of P., held on Monday evening, June 2, 1890, it was moved by Bro. P. C. Ford, seconded te accord-

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P., held on

by Bro. Geo. H. Sanger, that our representatives to Grand Lodge be instructed to protest against meetings of the Grand Body being held in remote parts of this jurisdiction, thereby incurring extra loss by the lodges in payment of heavy bills for the expenses of its representatives; and that this lodge favours central location for the annual sessions of the Grand Lodge.

P. E. FITZPATRICK, C.C. THOS. PEDLER, K.R.S.

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which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

RED CROSS LODGE, No. 3.

HAMILTON, June 3rd, 1890.

P.P. xxvii.

At the regular meeting of this lodge held on Monday evening, June 2, 1890, it was moved by Bro. G. H. Sanger, seconded by Bro. Ford, that our Grand Lodge representatives be instructed to protest against the delay which occurs between the time of holding the Grand Lodge sessions and that in which subordinate lodges are put in possession of the printed proceedings of the same; and that if no great increase in cost is necessary this lodge would favour the publishing and delivery of said reports within two months from the meeting of the Grand Lodge.

P. E. FITZPATRICK, C.C. THOS. PEDLER, K.R.S.

[Seal]

which was referred to the Committee on Finance, as none of the Committee on Printing were present.

RED CROSS LODGE, No. 3.

HAMILTON, June 3rd, 1890.

P.P. xxvii.

At the regular meeting of this lodge held on Monday, June 3rd, 1890, it was moved by Bro. Thos. Pedler, seconded by Bro. C. Curtis, that our representatives be instructed to vote for an amendment to strike out section 79 in Subordinate Lodge Constitutions, and substitute the following:—

That applications for membership by initiation shall be accompanied by the sum of one dollar.

P. E. FITZPATRICK, C.C. THOS. PEDLER, K.R.S.

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which was referred to the Committee on Law and Supervision.

Representative Leubsdorf, of No. 23, presented the following, which was referred to the Committee on Finance:—

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SMITH'S FALLS, June 10th, 1890. P.P. xxvii.

The undersigned, on behalf of the officers and members of Perseverance Lodge, No. 23, hereby extends a cordial invitation to the Grand Lodge to hold its session of 1891 in the City of St. Catherines.

Fraternally,

B. J. LEUBSDORF,

Representative, No. 23.

Representative Bennett, of No. 28, extended an invitation to Grand Lodge to attend a Reception to be given at the Town Hall this evening at eight o'clock, which was accepted.

Representative King, of No. 25, then read a very lengthy and exhaustive Report of the Supreme Lodge Reception Committee, which was referred to a special committee consisting of Representatives Peace, of No. 3, Leubsdorf, of No. 23, Morphy, of No. 4, the Grand Master of Exchequer and the Finance Committee, to decide how much of said Report should be printed, and to prepare the same and have it printed during the session.

The Grand Chancellor then declared the Grand Lodge adjourned until 3 o'clock, p.m.

FIRST DAY.—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 3 o'clock, p.m. the following being present:

R. H. Jarvis,Gra	nd Vice-Chancellor.
JAMES SMITH,Gra	nd Master of Exchequer.
GEO. H. MITCHELL,Gra	nd Keeper of Records and Seal
G. C. FOWLIE,Gra	nd Inner Guard.

And Grand Representatives Blackwood, Carrothers, Fitzgerald, Irwin, King, Leubsdorf, Morrison, Morphy, Murdoch, Peace, Rispen, Smith and Stutchbury.

Grand Master of Exchequer Smith offered the following, which was adopted :-

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Resolved, That the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal send a message of fraternal greeting, on behalf of this Grand Lodge, to the High Court, Canadian Order of Foresters, who are now holding their annual meeting at Kingston; and to the Grand Lodge, Canadian Order of Oddfellows, at Trenton.

Representative Peace, of No. 3, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 1 OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred that portion of the Report of the Grand Chancellor relating to "Dispensations," beg leave to report that the one granted to Bismarck Lodge, No. 31, to meet fortnightly, is in conflict with Sec. 6, Art. xvi., Grand Lodge Constitution, and would recommend that the lodge be instructed to conform thereto.

Your Committee find the remainder of the dispensations granted are in conformity with the Constitution.

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. PEACE, of No. 3.

W. FRANKLIN MORPHY, of No. 4.

J. C. MURDOCH, of No. 16.

Also, from the same Committee, the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 2 OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred the amendments to the by-laws of Mystic Lodge, No. 1, beg leave to report that they are not in conflict with constitutional law, and would recommend their approval.

Your Committee have also had before them the communication from Red Cross Lodge, No. 3, in regard to initiation fee, and would report that Section 79, Subordinate Lodge Constitution, is a constitutional enactment of Supreme Lodge (Art. viii., Sec. 2, par. 8), and all lodges must conform thereto.

Respectfully submitted.

D. J. PEACE, of No. 3.

W. FRANKLIN MORPHY, of No. 4.

J. C. MURDOCH, of No. 16.

Representative Blackwood, of No. 16, from the Committee on State of the Örder, presented the following Report:—

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REPORT NO. 1 OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee on State of the Order to whom were referred certain portions of the Report of the Grand Chancellor, beg leave to report:

 With pleasure we note the addition of three new lodges to our roll, and trust that the good work done by the Deputies will be continued during the ensuing term.

2. The surrender of the charters of Maple and Almont Lodges, under the circumstances as explained by Grand Inner Guard Fowlie, is not to be wondered at, and may possibly be a blessing in disguise. It is to be hoped that he will before long be enabled to reorganize them so that the good material which was in them may not be lost to the Order.

3. Your committee are in accord with the views of the Grand Chancellor respecting the advisability of having an "Organizer," but not with the mode which is proposed to raise the funds by which to remunerate him for his services, as we believe it is an universal desire that the per capita tax should be reduced at the earliest practicable opportunity. Should the appointment of an organizer meet with the approbation of Grand Lodge, we would suggest that the charter fee be made one hundred dollars, of which amount sixty dollars be paid to the organizer as his fee.

4. We are in full accord with the views of the Grand Chancellor regarding the "Amplified Rank," being convinced that where it is worked in a proper manner much more interest is taken by the members, and a larger attendance at the meetings is secured. We would strongly advocate the adoption of this work by the lodges, more especially where two or more are located in one place, as there is a greater opportunity of securing a better and more effective working team.

Your committee are pleased to learn that the anniversary of our Order was so generally observed throughout the jurisdiction and would recommend a celebration by all lodges on each recurring period.

6. We heartily coincide with the remarks of the Grand Chancellor in reference to the aid and assistance rendered by his Deputies; and have examined with much interest the reports submitted. Especially are we pleased with the Report of the Grand Vice-Chancellor, as it is a new departure, and evidences the fact that he was not an officer in name only. We trust that his successors will emulate the good example set. We regret to see that so few of the Deputies have complied with the law concerning Reports. It is important that the chief executive officer should be fully informed of the condition of affairs in each locality where a lodge is working, and this can only be done through the active co-operation of the Deputy. We would recommend that a blank form be prepared to be sent at stated periods, in order that the reports may be of an uniform character.

7. Your committee regret that their duty requires them to take cognizance of a serious matter referred to in the Report of the Depuşy for No. 1

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District. The statement is made that a member of the Supreme Lodge Reception Committee, who had been appointed legal adviser, and who was also a former officer of this Grand Lodge, had tried to take advantage of his position as legal adviser to make excessive charges, and that to protect themselves they had to ask the interference of the courts, by which means illegal and extortionate charges were reduced, by some hundreds of dollars, to less than one-half the amount this member desired to obtain. In view of the fact that the Grand Lodge is an interested party, we think this is a proper subject for consideration; and, as the Auditors' Report, which has been read to-day, appears to fully substantiate the report made by the Deputy, we would recommend the appointment of a special committee to fully inquire into the matter, or that Toronto Lodge, No. 30, of which he is a member, be requested to prefer charges against him for conduct unbecoming a Knight.

8. Your committee desire to place on record their regret, which they feel sure is felt by all present, at the absence of the Grand Chancellor, and to extend the sincere sympathy of the Grand Lodge, as his absence, we are informed, is occasioned through the serious illness of his wife, who we earnestly hope and trust may be speedily restored to health.

Respectfully submitted,

J. BLACKWOOD, of No. 16. R. A. CARROTHERS, of No. 2. ROBERT IRWIN, of No. 3.

Also, from the same Committee, the following Report:

REPORT NO. 2 OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom were referred certain portions of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, beg leave to report:

 We regret to notice a slight decrease in membership, which is due, no doubt, as stated, to the general business depression which has prevailed for some time past throughout the country, but we believe a great percentage of the suspensions for nonpayment of dues could be avoided if the members were more closely looked after by the Masters of Finance.

Your Committee would recommend that the request of Native Valley Lodge be left in the hands of the incoming Grand Chancellor and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal with full power to act as they may deem best.

3. The Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal in reference to new lodges speaks for itself, and was fully considered by this Committee when dealing with the Grand Chancellor's Report on the same subject; but his remarks regarding the institution of new lodges are fully endorsed by us. To avoid any mistakes or delay no arrangements for institution should be made until authorized by the proper Grand Lodge officers. The Grand Chancellor is the instituting officer in all cases, unless he specially deputizes someone to act for him, and no District or Special Deputy, under their ordinary commission, has any right to presume that he will institute a lodge. The Grand Chancellor has the right to issue a commission to any Past Chancellor in good standing to perform this duty for him. The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal has certain papers to prepare and have signed by the Grand Chancellor, and also the necessary supplies to forward, for which ample time should be given. While fully alive to the necessity of meeting the desire of those interested in forming a new lodge as far as possible, yet your Committee believe the constitutional requirements should be observed, and would so recommend.

4. In the matter of having a suitable room in which to store Grand Lodge property, your Committee would recommend that the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal be authorized to secure such accommodation as he may deem requisite, having due regard as to the expense to be entailed.

5. We have examined the financial standing of the lodges, as contained in the statements submitted, and are much pleased with the exhibit made. The receipts of lodges for the year show an increase of ten per cent. as compared with the previous year, and the amount on hand and invested is also nearly ten per cent. greater.

Respectfully submitted.

J. BLACKWOOD, of No. 16. R. A. CARROTHERS, of No. 2. ROBERT IRWIN, of No. 3.

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Also, from the same Committee, the following Report:

REPORT NO. 3 OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee on State of the Order to whom were referred communications from Red Cross Lodge, No. 3, relating to "S. L. Reception Committee," and "Meetings of Grand Lodge," beg leave to report:

In regard to a report from the S. L. Reception Committee, we ask to be relieved from any further consideration of the subject, as it has already been dealt with by the Grand Lodge.

As to the protest against holding sessions of the Grand Lodge in remote sections of the Province, we can only say that we are in hearty accord with it, but it is a matter which must receive consideration at each session, when the place of meeting for the following year is being determined.

Respectfully submitted,

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Report No. 1 was ordered to be considered seriatin. Sections 1 and 2 were approved.

Section 3 was disapproved and referred back to the committee to report against having a paid organizer.

Sections 4, 5 and 6 were approved.

Section 7 being under consideration, was, on motion of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, laid on the table, as the member referred to was in attendance at this meeting of the Grand Lodge, but absent from the present session.

Section 8 was approved.

Reports Nos. 2 and 3 of the Committee were adopted.

The following telegram was received:

TORONTO, June 10th, 1890.

Regret that I cannot possibly be present. Trust that the session may be both pleasant and profitable. Kind regards to all.

A. J. RATTRAY, Supreme Representative.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the following Report from the Committee on Printing, which was adopted :

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

Your Committee on Printing beg leave to report that tenders were obtained for the printing of the Journal of this session, and Messrs. Timms & Co. being the lowest, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal was instructed to send the advance reports of the Grand Officers to that firm. Copies of the tenders are herewith submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. THOMSON, of No. 4. R. J. VILLIERS, of No. 1. F. W. FLETT, of No. 30.

Representative King, of No. 25, from the Committee on Obituary, presented the following Report, which was adopted: REPORT NO. 1 OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY.

Your Committee on Obituary, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Chancellor's Report, in which allusion is made to the removal by death of the beloved Founder and Past Supreme Chancellor of our Order, Justus H. Rathbone; and to the prompt conveyance to the deceased Founder's daughters, by our Grand Chancellor, as official head in this Jurisdiction, of the expression of profound sorrow and warm sympathy felt by every member of our Order in Ontario—beg leave to submit the following resolution for adoption, viz.:

Resolved, That the action of the Grand Chancellor is hereby heartily approved.

With reference to so much of the obituary notices in the report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal as refers to our deceased Founder, we recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That in the historical sketch of Founder Rathbone, as well as in the estimate of his noble qualities of head and heart, and in the admonitions contained in the closing words of Brother Mitchell's report he has voiced the sentiments of this Grand Lodge:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge, on the first opportunity presenting, desires to convey to the deceased Founder's daughters, through the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and instruct our Supreme Representatives to convey to the Supreme Chancellor, officers and members of Supreme Lodge at the Milwaukee Session, an expression of our profound sorrow in common with our brethren everywhere, at the death of our beloved Founder; our appreciation of the noble and chivalric service done humanity, from the inception of the Order down to the time of his death; our grief at his demise in the midst of his faithful and earnest service in his capacity as expounder of Pythian principles; our gratitude to those brothers who kept faithful watch and ward in his dying hours, administring to his comfort, and extending consolation to his daughters, when so much needed, and to those who bestowed the last courtesies, and participated in the last sad rites over the remains of him whose name and deeds shall ever live green in the memories of every Knight who prizes honor and principle, as taught in the Ritual of the Order which owes it birth and much of its prosperity to the efforts of the lamented dead Founder.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. KING, M.D., of No. 25. B. J. LEUBSDORF, of No. 23. R. A. CARROTHERS, of No. 2.

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Also, from the same Committee, the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 2 OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON OBITUARY.

Your Committee on Obituary submit the following Resolution for adoption and transmission to the families of our deceased brothers, whose demise occurred since last session of this body.

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge desire to place on record and transmit to the families of our late Past Chancellors, M. Driscoll, of Myrtle Lodge, No. 2, and A. C. McKinley, of Native Valley Lodge, No. 27, our expression of sorrow at the loss sustained by the Order in their death; and our warmest sympathy with the bereaved families in their irreparable loss.

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Further Resolved, That memorial pages be inserted in the Journal in memory of our deceased brothers.

Respectfully submitted.

John S. King, M.D., of No. 25. B. J. Leubsdorf, of No. 23. R. A. Carrothers, of No. 2.

Grand Master-at-Arms Duck arrived at 4.30 o'clock.
Representative Morrison, of No. 1, from the Committee on
Finance, presented the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 1, OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, to whom were referred the Financial Statements of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and the Report of the Grand Master of Exchequer, beg leave to report:

We have carefully examined the books and vouchers of said officers, and have much pleasure in stating that they are correct in every particular and well kept.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. Morrison, of No. 1. B. J. Leubsdorf, of No. 23. W. H. Stutchbury, of No. 30.

Also, from the same Committee, the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 2 OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the communication from Red Cross Lodge, No. 3, relative to printing the Journal of Proceedings within two months after the meeting of Grand Lodge, beg leave to report:

That we are of the opinion that the Journal should be printed and distributed to the subordinate lodges, within sixty days after the meeting of Grand Lodge, and that no extra expense would be entailed by so doing.

Your Committee are also of the opinion that it would be a great saving of expense to the Grand Lodge if the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was not inserted in the Journal, and would recommend that for the future it be not printed.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. Morrison, of No. 1. B. J. LEUBSDORF, of No. 23. W. H. STUTCHBURY, of No. 30.

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Also, from the same Committee, the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 3 OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, to whom were referred the invitations extended for the next session of Grand Lodge, beg leave to report:

That the expense of holding the session of Grand Lodge for 1891 would be about the same, whether held in London or St. Catharines, and under, the circumstances your Committee prefer not to make any recommendation, but to leave the selection of the place of meeting to Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. Morrison, of No. 1. B. J. Leubsdorf, of No. 23. W. H. Stutchbury, of No. 30.

Grand Inner Guard Fowlie submitted the following Report as Deputy for Nos. 12 and 15 Districts:

To the Grand Chancellor and Members of Grand Lodge:

I beg leave to report that I have in my possession, safely preserved, all the effects of Almont Lodge that I could secure, and reported full particulars at the time to the Grand Chancellor and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

In regard to Maple Lodge, I took over their effects on April 28th, together with \$6.18, which amount I have paid to the Grand Master of Exchequer and hold his receipt therefor.

My expenses in connection therewith were as follows:

Respectfully submitted,

G. C. FOWLIE,

District Deputy, Districts 12 and 14.

A warrant was ordered to be drawn in favour of Bro. Fowlie for the amount of his expenses, and the amount charged to the two lodges.

Representative Blackwood, of No. 16, moved to take from the table Section 7 of the Report of the Committee on State of the Order, which was agreed to.

The member referred to in the Report being present, the Grand Chancellor ordered the section to be read, after which permission which

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Grand mission was given him to make a statement to the Grand Lodge. Representative Morphy, of No. 4, who was one of the auditors of the S. L. Reception Committee, and the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, who was the general Secretary of the Committee, also made statements. Considerable discussion ensued, after which the section was recommitted to the Committee, with instructions to report that the matter be referred to the lodge of which the party is a member, and that it be requested to appoint a Committee of Investigation under Section 119, Subordinate Lodge Constitution.

Representative King, of No. 4, from the Committee on Credentials and Returns, presented the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 3 OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND RETURNS.

Your Committee on Credentials and Returns to whom were referred the semi-annual returns of lodges, for the year 1889, beg leave to report that we have examined the same, and find them correct. It appears that in some instances they have had to be corrected by correspondence, and a few give evidence of anything but care in making them out. We would suggest for the credit of the lodges, if not from personal motives, that Keepers of Records and Seal should take a pride in having their Reports neat and clean. Your Committee note with satisfaction the improvement in regard to time in which the majority of reports are received, but some are still very dilatory in making their appearance. In a great measure the progress of the lodge is in keeping with the appearance and time of the reports.

So far as your Committee can ascertain the system of withholding the S.A.P.W. until the Report and per capita are in the hands of the proper officers is working well, and tends to secure a more prompt forwarding of returns.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. KING, of No. 25. R. A. CABROTHERS, of No. 2. J. C. MURDOCH, of No. 16.

Representative King, of No. 25, offered the following, which was not agreed to:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge do now adjourn, and meet again in evening session after the reception at 10 o'clock.



Grand Master-at-Arms Duck then offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge continue in session until 7 o'clock, and then adjourn to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Representative Blackwood, of No. 16, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 4 OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom was recommitted Sections 3 and 7 of their Report No. 1, beg leave to submit the following:

In compliance with the instructions of Grand Lodge regarding that portion of our former Report relating to an "organizer" for this jurisdiction, as we find that such a proposition is not favourably considered, the following is offered in lieu of Section 3 of Report No. 1:

That the question of a paid organizer is not advisable, and that the further consideration of the subject be indefinitely postponed.

In regard to Section 7, we find on further consideration of the subject that the instructions given to your Committee are in keeping with constitutional law, and that if any member is supposed to have violated any fundamental principle of the Order, and thereby thought to be deemed guilty of a Pythian offence, the proper mode of procedure is for his lodge to investigate the matter. We would, therefore, submit the following:

That the lodge to which the member referred to belongs be requested to appoint a Committee of Investigation, for the purpose of making prepliminary inquiries regarding the matter complained of in the Report of the Deputy of No. 1 District, and to take such subsequent action as is warranted by the finding of the Committee.

Respectfully submitted.

J. Blackwood, of No. 16. R. A. Carrothers, of No. 2. Robert Irwin, of No. 3. To

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Report No. 1 of the Committee on State of the Order, as amended, was then adopted.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal read the following telegram:

TRENTON, June 10, 1890.

Geo. H. Mitchell, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, Knights of Pythias, Smith's Falls, Ont.

The Grand Lodge, Canadian Order of Oddfellows, acknowledge with great pleasure the kindly fraternal greeting of the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, and trust the sister body will have a very prosperous year.

C. H. HARKINSON, Grand Secretary.

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The Grand Keeper Records and Seal read the following communication, which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

WINDSOR, ONT., June 9, 1890.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Ontario. Dear Sirs and Brothers,-At your session about being convened at Smith's Falls, I beg of you to earnestly take into consideration the question of donating financial aid to the Pyihian Record.

Other Jurisdictions have come forward and rendered every assistance possible to other Pythian journals in the United States. The Grand Lodge of Ontario has not, as yet, given one cent towards the encouragement and building up of a paper.

I would suggest that the Grand Lodge subscribe for two hundred copies of paper for one year, \$100; or subscribe a lump sum, say \$50 or \$100, and order that certain official reports be published in the paper to repay the same.

I leave the matter in your hands, knowing you will fairly consider the

Yours in F. C. and B.

FREDERICK NEAL. The following circular, forwarded by Grand Chancellor McKellar,

was read, and the Representatives were requested to bring the subject to the attention of their respective lodges and endeavour to have "Memorial Day." duly observed :

> SUPREME LODGE, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OF THE WORLD. OFFICE OF THE SUPREME CHANCELLOR,

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NEWARK, N.J., May 20, 1890. P.P. xxvii.

To the Order Universal:

At the session of the Supreme Lodge held at Cincinnati, June, 1888

the following was adopted:

"That it be and it is hereby enacted, that the Tuesday following the second Sunday in June of each year be and is hereby set apart as the Memorial Day of the Order of Knights of Pythias; and that the subordinate lodges of the Order are hereby authorized and earnestly requested to meet in their respective localities upon said day in each year, whenever the same is practicable and convenient, for the purpose of decorating the graves of our departed brethren, and for the purpose of engaging in such services and exercises as may be in harmony and appropriate to the day and the

"And be it further enacted, that, whenever a subordinate lodge shall elect to perform such services upon a different day, they may select any day of the second week in June of each year."

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Memorial Day was observed June 11, 1889, with a universality and cordiality that was surprising, thereby giving an additional lustre to the chivalry of knighthood in our Order.

We are again called upon to gather at the graves of our departed brethren, to place upon them the beautiful and fragrant flowers of spring, and thus evidence a faithfulness to our own duty, and appreciation of the worth of true khighthood in those who have departed.

As we realize the fearful inroads of death in the ranks of our leading members during the year, each heart should the more readily respond to the call of duty, and perform that duty fully impressed with the truth of the injunction, "Be ye also ready."

The record shows that the following leaders have, since the last observ-

ance of Memorial Day, answered the summons of death:

Justus H. Rathbone, Founder of the Order; Past Supreme Chancellor
Samuel Read of New Jersey; Supreme Representative Brandt of Georgia;
Supreme Representative Berry of Connecticut; Supreme Representative
Nott of New York; Supreme Representative Barker of Maine; Past
Supreme Representative-Smith of West Virginia; Past Supreme Representative Gelwicks of Missouri.

Let every subordinate lodge in the order consider it a privilege to devote one day in the year to participation in the exercises that "keep green the memory of our beloved brethren."

Fraternally.

WILLIAM WARD,

Supreme Chancellor.

Attest :

R. L. C. WHITE,

S.K.R.S.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the following, proposed amendments to the Supreme Lodge Constitution, which he had received from the Supreme Representatives who desired instructions from the Grand Lodge, as to what action it would desire them to take in the matter:

- 1. By Supreme Representative Richie of Ohio (Jour., p. 4671): Amend art. ii. sec. 1, subsec. 14, by inserting, after the words, "ten thousand members," the words, "or fractional part thereof, not less than five thousand."
- 2. By Supreme Representative Maybury of Missouri (p. 4545): Resolved, To amend sec. 2 of art. viii., paragraph 2, by striking out the word "seven" in the first line of said paragraph, and inserting the word "five."
- 3. By Supreme Representative Spearing of Louisana (p. 4536): Be it resolved, That art. viii., sec. 2, par. 8, of the Supreme Lodge constitution be amended by striking out the words, "No person shall be initiated into a lodge of this order who has not reached the legal age of majority in the

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country where the lodge is located," and instead thereof insert the following: "No person shall be initiated into a lodge of this order under the age of eighteen years."

4. By the Supreme Representatives of Maryland (p. 4554): Amend Art. viii., Sec. 2, par. 8, by striking out the words, "No person shall be initiated into a lodge of this order who has not reached the legal age of majority in the country where the lodge is located," and insert, "All persons nineteen (19) years of age, otherwise qualified under Pythian law to become members of the Knights of Pythias, are eligible to membership in the rank of Page and entitled to the same amount of sick and funeral benefits as provided by the Supreme Lodge, or may hereafter be by the Grand and Subordinate lodges; and at the age of twenty they shall be eligible to the Esquire rank and entitled to the benefits, as aforesaid; provided all business appertaining to the ranks of Page and Esquire shall be conducted in their respective ranks."

5. By the Supreme Representatives of Nebraska (p. 4545): Resolved, That subdivision 8 of Sec. 2 of Art. viii. Supreme Lodge Constitution, be amended by adding after the word "being," in the fourth line, the following: "Provided, that all persons occupied in retailing intoxicating liquors, generally known as saloon-keepers, and their employes, generally known as bar-tenders, etc., are hereby declared to be (not 'of good moral character' while engaged in such occupation."

6. By Supreme Representative Elser of Texas (p. 4569): Amend Art. viii., Sec. 2, par. 8, Supreme Lodge Constitution, so that it will read as follows: "No person shall be initiated into a lodge of this order who has not reached the legal age of majority in the country where the lodge is located, and unless he be a white male of good moral character, sound in health and a believer in a Supreme Being. Every application for membership must be accompanied with the initiation fee, the amount of which shall be fixed by each Grand Lodge; provided, that in no case shall the three ranks of the order be conferred in North America for a less sum than ten dollars."

7. By the Supreme Representatives of Kentucky (p. 4605): Under instructions of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, and in harmony with a sentiment which we heartily endorse, we beg to amend clause 8, Sec. 2, Art. viii, of the Supreme Lodge Constitution, so as to read as follows: "No person shall be initiated into a lodge of this order who has not reached the legal age of majority in the country where the lodge is located, nor unless he be a white male, of good moral character, sound in health, and a believer in a Supreme Being. Every application must be accompanied with the initiation fee, the amount of which shall be fixed by each Grand Lodge; provided, that in no case shall the three ranks be conferred jin North America for a less amount than fifteen dollars; provided, further, that the Supreme Chancellor be, and is hereby, authorized and empowered, upon the application of a

Grand Lodge, through its proper officers, to issue his dispensation authorizing and permitting such jurisdiction to confer the three ranks of the order for a sum not less than ten dollars."

8. By Supreme Representative Glidden of Michigan (4544): Resolved, That Art. xxix. of the Supreme Lodge Constitution be amended so as to read: "Pages shall wear a blue collar, Esquires a yellow collar, and Knights a knight's jewel, and Past Chancellors, Past Grand Chancellors and Past Supreme Chancellors the respective jewels of their rank, at all meetings of Subordinate, Grand or the Supreme Lodge, unless when acting in an official capacity, when the jewels of office shall be worn.

"Provided, That in lodges provided with the red collar, Knights may wear such collars; and nothing herein shall be construed as requiring lodges provided with red collars to replace the same with knight's jewels, except in case of purchase of new regalia, nor to warrant or authorize the

further purchase of such red collars."

The amendments were considered *seriatim* and instructions given as follows:

To vote for Nos. 2, 3, 6 and 8.

To vote against Nos. 1, 4, 5 and 7.

The Grand Lodge was very decided and unanimous in its opposition to the proposed fifth amendment, as it considered the present qualification for membership, together with the ballot, as being ample protection, and that if this particular business was to be a barrier, the manufacturer and wholesale dealer should have been included by the proposers if they were sincere.

The amendments proposed at last session, and laid over under the rules, were taken up as follows:

Amend Section 11, Subordinate Lodge Constitution, by adding the words "or Prelate" after the word "Vice-Chancellor" in the second line.

The proposed amendment was rejected.

To amend the Constitution so that the election of officers of subordinate lodges shall be semi-annually instead of annually.

The proposed amendment was rejected, and shown to be out of order as well, on account of not specifying the particular clause or clauses proposed to be amended.

The hour of 7 o'clock having arrived the Grand Chancellor declared the Grand Lodge adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

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SECOND DAY, JUNE 11TH, 9 O'CLOCK, A.M.

The Grand Lodge was called to order.

On roll call the following answered to their names:

R. H. JarvisGrand Vice-Chancellor.

JAMES SMITH......Grand Master of Exchequer.
GEO. H. MITCHELLGrand Keeper of Records and Seal.

REPRESENTATIVES.—Blackwood, Bennett, Carrothers, Fitzgerald, Irwin, Jarvis, King, Leubsdorf, Morrison, Morphy, Murdoch, Peace, Rispen, Stewart, Smith and Stutchbury.

Grand Master of Exchequer Smith offered the following:

Resolved, That London be the next place of meeting of the Grand Lodge.

Grand Master-at-Arms Duck moved to amend by striking out the word "London" and inserting "Ridgetown" in lieu thereof, and presented, in support of his amendment, the following:

To the Grand Chancellor, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, K. of P. of Ontario, in Convention assembled.

BRETHREN,—At a regular convention of Rienzi Lodge, No. 24, K. of P. of Ridgetown, held on Friday evening, June 6th, 1890, P.P. xxvii., it was moved by Bro. H. L. Wilson, P., seconded by Bro. J. A. Dart, P.C.

Resolved, That this lodge do respectfully request the Grand Lodge to hold its next annual convention in the town of Ridgetown.

That the representatives of this lodge do urge the same upon the members of the Grand Lodge, in a respectful manner.

That Bro. H. F. Duck, G. M. at A., be hereby requested to also urge the same upon the members of the Grand Lodge.

That this lodge pledge itself to make all necessary arrangements of such convention should the Grand Lodge so decide.

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Grand Lodge.

That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of the lodge.

[Carried.]

P. A. CAUGHELL, K.R.S.

[Seal.]

Representative Leubsdorf, of No. 23, moved to amend the amendment by striking out the word "Ridgetown" and inserting the words "St. Catharines" in lieu thereof.

On a vote being taken both of the amendments were lost, and London was decided upon as the place of meeting for the next Grand Lodge.

Representative Morrison, of No. 1, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following Report which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 4 OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the communication of Frederick Neal, the publisher of the Canadian Pythian Record, beg leave to report that it is fully aware of the benefits accruing to the order from the publication of said paper, and that it is of the opinion that Grand Lodge should extend some aid to its publisher. Considering, however, the financial obligations we are under, we feel that such aid can only be very limited, and under the circumstances we recommend that Grand Lodge subscribe for fifty copies of said Canadian Pythian Record (twenty-five dollars), said subscription to be paid in half-yearly instalments. One copy to be sent to each lodge and the balance to the Grand Chancellor for distribution in the interests of the Order.

Fraternally submitted,

WM. MORRISON, of No. 1. W. H. STUTCHBURY, of No. 30. B. J. LEUBSDORF, of No. 23.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the following:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

Your Committee on Foreign Correspondence beg leave to report that they have examined the Journals of forty-one sister Grand Lodges and extracted therefrom the numerical and financial standing of each, together with such rulings and other matters as we deemed would be of interest to you. The labour this work entails is considerable and takes up a great deal of time, but the favourable comments which have been bestowed upon the efforts of our predecessors has served to encourage us, and if a portion of such as they have received is given to the result of our exertions we will feel that we have not laboured in vain.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. H. MITCHELL, of No. 1. A. J. RATTRAY, of No. 4. lost, and

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The Report of the Committee on State of the Order, recommending that the work of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence be not printed, having been adopted, no further action was taken.

Representative King, of No. 25, offered the following, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the officers and members of Grand Lodge desire to place on record their appreciation of the generous and hospitable manner in which the brethren of Dufferin Lodge have received them, and that the reception of last evening, when they had the opportunity of meeting socially with some of the best and fairest citizens of Smith's Falls, was one of great pleasure and profit.

Resolved, That our best thanks are due for the many courtesies received and are hereby tendered to the members of Dufferin Lodge through their representatives.

Grand Inner Guard Fowlie acknowledged the vote of thanks in a few words, and hoped that the members of Grand Lodge would be able to remain at least a day after the close, so as to see more of the town than they had so far been able to do.

Representative Morrison, of No. 1, offered the following, which was not adopted:

Resolved, That our Supreme Representatives be and are hereby instructed to endeavour to secure legislation at the next session of the Supreme Lodge, whereby honorary or social members, who shall not be entitled to benefits or to vote on financial questions, and whose dues shall not exceed \$5.00 per annum, may be admitted to the Order.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal read the following telegram:

KINGSTON, June 10th, 1890.

To Geo. H. Mitchell, Grand Secretary, Knights of Pythias, Smith's Falls, Ont.

The Canadian Order of Foresters, in High Court assembled, accept with thanks your kind greeting, and hope that the Knights of Pythias may continue to occupy the proud position it does at present.

H. GUMMER, R. ELLIOTT. Committee.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of Officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with. The Grand Chancellor appointed Representatives Fitzgerald of No. 22, Stewart, of No. 4, and Smith, of No. 28, as Scrutineers.

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For the office of Grand Chancellor, Grand Vice Chancellor Jarvis, of No. 25, and Grand Master-at-Arms Duck, of No. 24, were nominated.

The ballot resulted as follows:	
Whole number of votes cast	16
Necessary for a choice	9
Of which—	
Grand Vice Chancellor Jarvis, of No. 25, received	13

Grand Master-at-Arms Duck, of No. 24, received...... 8

And Grand Vice Chancellor Jarvis, of No. 25, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Grand Chancellor for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Vice Chancellor, Grand Master-at-Arms Duck, of No. 24, and Representatives Blackwood, of No. 16, and Stutchbury, of No. 30, were nominated.

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	Whole number of votes cast	16	
	Necessary for a choice	9	
Of wh	ich—		
	Grand Master-at-Arms Duck, of No. 24, received	5	
	Representative Blackwood, of No. 16, received	9	

The ballot resulted as follows :

Representative Stutchbury, of No. 30, received........ 2

And Representative Blackwood, of No. 16, having received a majority of all votes cast, was declared duly elected Grand Vice Chancellor for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Prelate, Representatives Leubsdorf, of No. 23, Morrison, of No. 1, Morphy, of No. 4, and Grand Masterat-Arms Duck, of No. 24, were nominated. The latter declined the nomination.

The ballot resulted as follows:	
Whole number of votes cast	16
Necessary for a choice	9
Of which—	
Representative Leubsdorf, of No. 23, received	3
Representative Morrison, of No. 1, received	7
Representative Morphy, of No. 4, received	6
No choice.	

The name of Representative Leubsdorf was withdrawn.

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Whole number of votes cast	16
Necessary for a choice	9
Of which—	
Representative Morrison, of No. 1, received	9 a majority
the ensuing year.	
For the office of Grand Master of Exchequer, the pres of E., James Smith, was nominated.	sent G. M.

There being but one candidate for the office, the Grand Masterat-Arms was instructed to cast the vote of the Grand Representatives in favour of G. M. of E. Smith.

The Grand Chancellor announced that G. M. of E. Smith having received all the votes cast, was unanimously re-elected Grand Master of Exchequer for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, the present G.K.R.S., Geo. H. Mitchell, was nominated.

There being but one candidate for the office, the Grand Masterat-Arms was instructed to cast the vote of the Grand Representatives in favour of G.K.R.S. Mitchell,

The Grand Chancellor announced that G. K. R. S. Mitchell, having received all the votes cast, was unanimously re-elected Grand Keeper of Records and Seal for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Master-at-Arms, Grand Inner Guard Fowlie, of No. 28, and Representatives Rispen, of No. 15, and Irwin of No.

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The ballot resulted as follows:		
Whole number of votes cast	15	
Necessary for a choice	8	
or which—		
Grand Inner Guard Fowlie, of No. 28, received	9	
Representative Rispen, of No. 15, received	9	
Representative Irwin, of No. 3, received	4	

And Grand Inner Guard Fowlie, of No. 28, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Grand Master-at-Arms for the ensuing year.

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For the office of Grand Inner Guard, Representatives Rispen of No. 15, Irwin, of No. 3, and Fitzgerald, of No. 22, were nominated.

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The ballot resulted as follows:
Whole number of votes cast
Necessary for a choice 8
Of which—
Representative Rispen, of No. 15, received 3
Representative Irwin, of No. 3, received 6
Representative Fitzgerald, of No. 22, received 6
No choice.
The name of Representative Rispen was withdrawn.
SECOND BALLOT.
Whole number of votes cast 16
Necessary for a choice 9
Of which—
Representative Irwin, of No. 3, received 6
Representative Fitzgerald, of No. 22, received 10
And Representative Fitzgerald, of No. 22, having received a
majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Grand
Inner Guard for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Outer Guard, Representatives Irwin, of No. 3, and Rispen, of No. 16, were nominated. Representative Rispen declined the nomination.

There being but one candidate for the office, the Grand Masterat-Arms was instructed to cast the vote of the Grand Representatives in favour of Representative Irwin.

The Grand Chancellor announced that Representative Irwin, of No. 3, having received all the votes cast, was unanimously elected Grand Outer Guard for the ensuing year.

A vote of thanks was then tendered to the scrutineers.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The Grand Lodge being ready for the installation of its officers, Past Grand Chancellor King, assisted by Representative Leubsdorf, of No. 23, as Grand Prelate, and Representative Peace, of No. 3, as Grand Master-at-Arms, proceeded to perform that duty.

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The following were reported as having been elected, and who were present:

R. H. Janvis, of No. 25 Grand Chancellor. J. Blackwood, of No. 16..... Grand Vice Chancellor. W. F. Morphy, of No. 4, Grand Prelate.

JAMES SHIPH, of No. 2 Grand Master of Exchequer. Geo. H. MITCHELL, of No. 1 .. Grand Keeper of Records and Seal. G. C. Fowlie, of No. 28..... Grand Master-at-Arms.

J. FITZGERALD, of No. 22 Grand Inner Guard. R. IRWIN, of No. 3 Grand Outer Guard.

They were then duly and regularly installed as the Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge of Ontario for the ensuing year.

The Grand Chancellor announced that he would appoint the standing committees and furnish the names to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal for publication in the Journal.

Representative Morrison, of No. 1, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following Report on expenses of Officers and Representatives :

REPORT NO. 5 OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following Report on expenses of Officers and Representatives:

NAMES.	OFFICE OR LODGE.	NO. OF DAYS.	HOTEL.	RAILWAY	TOTAL.
James Smith Geo. H. Mitchell	G.M.E. G.K.R.S.	2 2	\$3 00	\$22 98	
G. C. Fowlie	G.M.A.	2	3 00	14 65 23 00	
R. A. Carrothers	1 2	2 2 2	3 00	10 70 22 98	18 70
R. Irwin	3	2 2	3 00	14 80 14 80	25 98 17 80 17 80
T. P. Stewart	4	2 2	3 00 3 00	12 70 12 70	15 70 15 70
W. E. Rispen J. C. Murdoch J. Blackwood	15 16	2 2	3 00 3 00	24 75 38 25	27 75 36 25
J. Fitzgerald	16 22	2 2	3 00 3 00	33 25 22 98	36 25 25 98
R. H. Jarvis J. S. King	23 25	2 2	3 00 3 00	14 96	3 00 17 96
R. C. Smith	25 28	2 2 2	3 00	14 96	17 96
W. H. Stutchbury	28 30	2 2	3 00	14 70	17 70
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Respectfully submitted,

WM. MORRISON, of No. 1. W. E. RISPEN, of No. 15.

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The Report was adopted, and a warrant ordered for the expenses of officers and Certificates ordered to be furnished to Representatives.

'The Grand Lodge was then closed in regular form at 11.45 o'clock a.m. to meet in the city of London on the second Tuesday in June, 1891.

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Grand Keeper of Records and Seal,



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APPENDIX.

Roster of the Grand Lodge, 1890-1891.

GRAND OFFICERS.

SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

A. J. Rattray, of No. 4, TorontoTerm ending December 31st, 1891.
J. S. King, of No. 25, TorontoTerm ending December 31st, 1898.

PAST GRAND CHANCELLORS.

Geo. H. Mitchell, of No. 1.
A. Gardner, of No. 22.
W. C. Morrison, of No. 1.
D. J. Peace, of No. 8.
James Smith, of No. 2.
Rt. Rev. B. B. Ussher, of No. 1.

John S. King, M.D., of No. 25.
A. J. Rattray, of No. 4.
Jesse Chapman, of No. 3.
P. D. McKellar, of No. 15.
W. J. Vale, of No. 3.
P. H. Drayton, of No. 25.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS.

		Constitution Constitution	
No.	1	District,	County of York W. H. Stutchbury, Toronto.
No.		"	County of WentworthJ. P. Macleod, Hamilton.
No.		"	County of Middlesex S. A. Webb, London.
No.		"	County of Kent
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No.			Algoma East
No.			Algoma West
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No.	8	"	County of LincolnB. J. Leubsdorf, St. Catharines
No.	19	44	County of Elgin M. J. Baker, St. Thomas.
No.	10	"	County of Ontario Francis Rae, M.D., Osnawa.
No.		**	County of Halton W. J. Roe, M.D., Georgetown.
No.		"	Counties of Leeds, Gren-
No.	12		ville, Stormont, Glen-
			garry and South half of
			Lanark CountyGeo. C. Fowlie, Smith's Falls.
No	19	District	, County of GreyGeo. Inglis, Owen Sound.
No.	10	District	, Counties of Renfrew, Carl-
No.	14	District	ton, Russell, Prescott,
			and North half of
			Lanark County Geo, C. Fowlie, Smith's Falls.

GRAND LODGE COMMITTEES, 1890-1891.

LAW AND SUPERVISION:

D. J. Peace, of No. 3; W. S. Rhycard, of No. 10; W. H. Taylor, of No. 15.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES:

B. J. Leubsdorf, of No. 23; F. J. Fitzgerald, of No. 22; R. C. Smith, of No. 28.

FINANCE :

W. H. Stutchbury, of No. 30; J. A. Mackellar, of No. 24; J. C. Murdoch, of No. 16.

STATE OF THE ORDER:

Jno. S. King, of No. 25; R. Irwin, of No. 3; R. A. Carrothers, of No. 2

PRINTING:

T. P. Stewart, of No. 4; Geo. Bedingfield, of No. 30; R. J. Villiers, of No. 1.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE:

Geo. H. Mitchell, of No. 1; A. J. Rattray, of No. 4.

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ROSTER OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

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TO THE MEMORY OF

Justus Henry Rathbone,

FOUNDER AND PAST SUPREME CHANCELLOR.

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Born at Deerfield, N.Y.; Oct. 29th, 1839. Died at Lima, Ohio.; Dec. 9th, 1889.

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"Though dead, he yet speaketh, for his brain gave us the Order we love so dearly; his devotion and efforts have aided in causing its wonderful growth; his voice and word have been factors in placing it on the exalted plane it now occupies.

"As memory retains so vividly his usefulness, devotion and selfsacrifice, and we offer our tributes of affection at his silent tomb, let it be to us an inspiration towards a higher and better life. Let us pause a moment to realize our incomparable loss, and then, by his example, become truer men and more faithful Knights, that it may be said of us, as will be ever said of him for whom we mourn:

"These are the souls whose redeeming grace
Has stamped divinity upon the human race;
And o'er their graves, when higher life began,
The world has written, "This was a man."

-Supreme Chancellor Ward.

M. Priscoll,

WINDSOR.

PAST CHANCELLOR OF MYRTLE LODGE, No. 2.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE, 1887.

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A. C. McKinlay,

GEORGETOWN.

PAST CHANCELLOR OF NATIVE VALLEY LODGE, No. 27.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE, 1888 AND 1889.

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STATEMENT.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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129	Native Valley "	47	80				
	Dufferin "	1	45	Bearing .			
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MEMBERSHIP OF SUBORDINATE LODGES. Taken from the Numerical Statements attached to this Report. Number of Members, January 1st, 1889 973 128 Initiated during the year 17 7 Total..... 1125 From which deduct : Withdrawn during the year..... 32 183 Total mber of Members, December 31st, 1889..... 942 RANK. 175 Knights. Esquires Pages. 728 18 Total.... 942 FINANCES OF SUBORDINATE LODGES. Taken from the Financial Statements attached to this Report. RECEIPTS. \$9,475 61 Received from all sources during the year..... EXPENDITURE.

 Amount on hand and invested December 31st, 1889.
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 Increase of Receipts over last year.
 1,508 60

 Increase of Expenditure over last year.
 1,103 25

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NUMERICAL STATEMENT. FOR THE TERM ENDING JUNE 30TH, 1889.

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SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

To the Grand Chancellor, Officers and Members of Grand Lodge, K. of P. of Ontario:

Dear Sir and Brethren.—We hasten to acquaint you of the principal matters of interest which engaged the attention of Supreme Lodge, at the Milwaukee Session in July; and at the same time we may premise, for the information of new members, that the legislative acts of the session only become law when promulgated through the Journal of Proceedings, which will issue from the office of the S.K.R.S. a few weeks hence.

Preliminary to our Report proper we may be excused for saying that the meeting itself, while the largest and longest yet held, was one of the most harmonious. The hall in which the body met was the best suited for the purpose of any occupied for years.

Co-existing with the presence of the Supreme Body was the grandest conclave of Uniformed Knights ever gathered together; the number in camp being variously estimated at 12,000 to 15,000.

While your Representatives were gratified to meet among the Supreme Representatives from four new Grand Jurisdictions those from British Columbia, our most western Canadian jurisdiction, they were grieved at not being able to see among the Pythian cohorts of Major-General Carnahan's army, any Canadian Divisions; and would exhort every Canadian Knight who loves the Order for the order's sake. as well as loves his country and jurisdiction, to do his duty and lend his aid in forming at least a battalion of Ontario Knights to accompany the Representatives to Kansas City in 1892; and present as contestant at least one division, which may strive for the highest honours in tactics and drill. Pythianism is cosmopolitan in character, and its principles are extensive enough to encompass all civilized nations within the area of their operation. Be prepared, then, to gather from every lodge and division in this jurisdiction for the trip to Kansas City in 1892, where the brethren from every part of this continent will assemble, and vie with them in courtesy, knightly bearing and chivalric

The session opened on the morning of Tuesday, 8th July, after a formal reception and welcome, by Mayor Peck on behalf of the City of Milwaukee, Governor Hoard on behalf of the State of Wisconsin, and by Grand Chancellor Hoskins on behalf of the Grand Jurisdiction. Judge Linton, Past Supreme Chancellor, on behalf of Supreme Lodge, made reply.

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Supreme Chancellor Ward was incapacitated by his injuries from being present at the session, and his duties were admirably discharged by Supreme Vice-Chancellor Shaw. The morning session was chiefly devoted to the admission of new Representatives and the conferring the Rank of Past Grand Chancellor on those entitled to that honour. Of the latter fifty received the Rank at one time, and others at intervals during the session.

There were present all the living Past Supreme Chancellors; all the officers, save Supreme Chancellor Ward; and Representatives from fifty-one Grand Jurisdictions.

The Reports of the Officers were satisfactory. The Supreme Chancellor reported universal harmony prevailing; also a wonderful increase in membership. Since last session death had removed Justus H. Rathbone, the Founder of our Order; Samuel Read, the first Supreme Chancellor; Adolph Brandt, Supreme Representative of Georgia; Wm. Berry, Supreme Representative of Connecticut, and John C. Nott, Supreme Representative of New York.

Two universal appeals for aid were made to the Order: one on account of the yellow fever in Florida, and the other on account of the Johnstown, Penn., flood. Response was prompt and generous in both instances. The yellow fever fund amounted to \$13,697.04, and the Johnstown calamity fund reached no less a sum than \$32,534.69. The Grand Lodges organized during the term were in Vermont, British Columbia, Indian Territory and North Dakota. Dispensations to confer the three ranks for a sum not less than six dollars were granted to Pennsylvania, Delaware, New Jersey, South Carolina, Connecticut, Maryland and Virginia.

By the Report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, it appears that on December 31st, 1889, there were 3,724 subordinate lodges, and 263,847 members, a gain of 33,522 in one year, an average increase of 107 daily, for each week day. On the same date the aggregate amount in the treasuries of the Grand Lodges was \$115,952.03, and in those of the subordinate lodges \$1,755,203. The amount paid for relief during the year reached the magnificent total of \$789,455.53, while the investments made aggregated \$139,117.05. The subordinate lodge assets amount to about \$3,500,000. The cash assets of Supreme Lodge amount to nearly \$40,000.

A matter of deep regret to your Supreme Representatives, but one they feel it their duty to call attention to, is that in 1889, for the first time in years. Ontario's membership is reported as diminished. Of forty-seven Grand Jurisdictions all but three made gains, ranging from Ohio with 5,532 to Arizona with eleven. Of three which lost membership, Ontario is at the end of the list with a net loss of 28, and last but one in percentage of loss combined with actual loss. Her percentage of loss is placed at 2.88, while the highest percentage of gain is South Carolina with 47.97 per cent. Men and brethren shall this occur again? Don't blame Grand Officers or any-

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The exhibit of the Board of Control of the Endowment Rank gives 952 sections and 21,255 members. No less a sum than \$1,667,000 was paid in endowment since last report. To show the small cost of conducting the business of the Endowment Rank, the per cent. of expense of the gross receipts for the past two years was 2.7. The management of this department under the efficient Board of Control, and at such a trifling expense with such gratifying success, should have, as it certainly merits, a more extended support from the membership of the Order, not alone in the Order's interest, but to the advantage of every Knight who shall avail himself of the profitable opportunity presenting.

The Report from the Major-General of the Uniform Rank is very voluminous and contains everything of interest to the rank. To show that this rank is making rapid strides, it need only be mentioned that 286 new divisions were organized from March 31st, 1888, to June 1st, 1890. The membership of the rank has attained about 30,000, or about one-ninth of the present membership of the Order.

We give hereinafter the chief matters of interest disposed of in the various sittings which covered a period of eleven days.

At the earliest opportunity after opening, Supreme Lodge telegraphed resolutions to Supreme Chancellor Ward, expressing regret at his absence, sympathy with him in his affliction, and hopes for his recovery and a continued life of usefulness.

Early in the session Henry Clay Berry, of Chicago, the oldest living Past Supreme Chancellor, was escorted to the platform, and addressed Supreme Lodge.

Supreme Lodge adopted a memorial day service prepared and presented by Iowa.

An invitation was accepted to meet the Pythian sisters and witness their ceremonies and drill.

Supreme Lodge declined to bestow and confer the rank of Past Grand Chancellor on Bro. Hill, author of the Ritual of Pythian Sisters.

The following officers were elected on the third day of the session, and installed on the last day by Past Supreme Chancellor Berry, viz.:

GEO. B. SHAWS.C Wisconsin,
W. W. BLACKWELLS.V.C Kentucky.
E. T. BLACKMERS.P California.
S. J. WILLEY S.M. of E Delaware.
R. L. C. WhiteS.K.R.S Tennessee.
G. H. MorrisonS.M. at A Nevada.
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M. C. BARKWELLS.I.G Wyoming.
JOHN THOMPSONS.O.G District of Columbia.

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No change was made in the personnel of the Endowment Board of

The secret work of the Uniform Rank was exemplified on the floor of

Supreme Lodge by two divisions of that rank.

Upon the following question submitted to the Supreme Chancellor for his decision, viz : "Upon an application for initiation being received must one week elapse between the appointing of the investigating committee and the acceptance of the report of said committee by the lodge?" Supreme Lodge decided that it is a matter for local legislation.

Supreme Lodge decided that it is legal to wear the jewel of the Order

on Pythian occasions only.

It also decided that fines and assessments aggregating a sum equal to one year's dues and not paid to a lodge by a brother make him liable to suspension the same as for the nonpayment of dues for the period of twelve

months. An important appeal case, Wilson and White vs. the Grand Lodge of Tennessee, gave rise to a majority and minority report. The majority said "every lodge has the legal right to refuse to receive as a visitor any Knight who is personally obnoxious to a membership wherever a majority of those present object," and recommend that the appeal be sustained. The minority took issue with the majority on this proposition, and one of the longest debates of the session ensued, resulting in the adoption of the minority committee's report. (See Doc. 99 in the Journal).

The Supreme Chancellor was authorized to appoint a special committee of three who shall revise the rules of order and submit such revision at next

session.

All Past Supreme Chancellors now and hereafter are constituted members of Supreme Lodge, and will be paid mileage and per diem.

No change was made in the name of the Uniform Rank.

Supreme Lodge refused to express preference for either of the existing bodies of Pythian Sisters, or to recognize any body other than those under control of the Supreme Lodge.

Decisive action was had in the direction of prohibiting all organizations from doing the business of insurance under the name of the Order, except

the present Endowment Rank adopted by Supreme Lodge.

All supplies embraced in the price list issued by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, except jewel cases, application cards, and delinquent notices, shall hereafter be legally obtainable only from his office.

A special report and resolutions touching the life and death of the Founder of the Order, were adopted by a standing vote of the Supreme Lodge-

A council of administration was constituted who shall advise the Supreme Chancellor on any subject when requested by him, and shall examine all constitutional amendments and exercise the powers in relation thereto that the Committee on Law and Supervision formerly had.

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The matter of the reinstatement of Pages and Esquires who have been dropped from the roll of a subordinate lodge was decided to be a question for local legislation.

The prohibition of the admission of persons to the Order who are engaged in the sale or traffic of liquor, was decided to be a question for local legislation.

The Supreme Chancellor was instructed to enquire into the pecuniary condition of the daughters of Justus H. Rathbone, and if assistance is needed to relieve their necessities, was authorized to draw upon the treasury for what may be required.

It was decided that the Order outside of the United States may observe Memorial Day at such time as the climate and circumstances make most desirable.

The time of Supreme Lodge was saved by the decision that the special memorial service be not held, but that resolutions, documents and speeches be handed to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, in typewritten documents, to be inserted in the Journal.

A secret session was held, and among other business transacted was the appointment of a special committee to revise the Ritual.

Bro. Rattray was appointed on the Committee on Dispensations and Charters, as well as on a special committee on allotment of seats on the grand stand to view the parade.

Bro. King was appointed a member of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.

The following appropriations for the ensuing term of two years were authorized, viz.:-

For expenses of Supreme Chancellor, including clerica help, \$3,000	Charles College Street Co.
Salary of Supreme Chancellor, \$2,000 per year	\$6,000
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expenses, \$5,600 per year	11,200
Salary of Supreme Master of Exchequer, \$600 per year Salary of Major-General, including clerical aid, according	
to resolution, \$4,500 per year	9,000
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The next session of the Supreme Lodge will be held in Kansas City,
Missouri, on the fourth Tuesday of August, 1892.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. J. RATTRAY.

JOHN S. KING, M.D.,

Supreme Representatives.

Toronto, August 11th, 1890.

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