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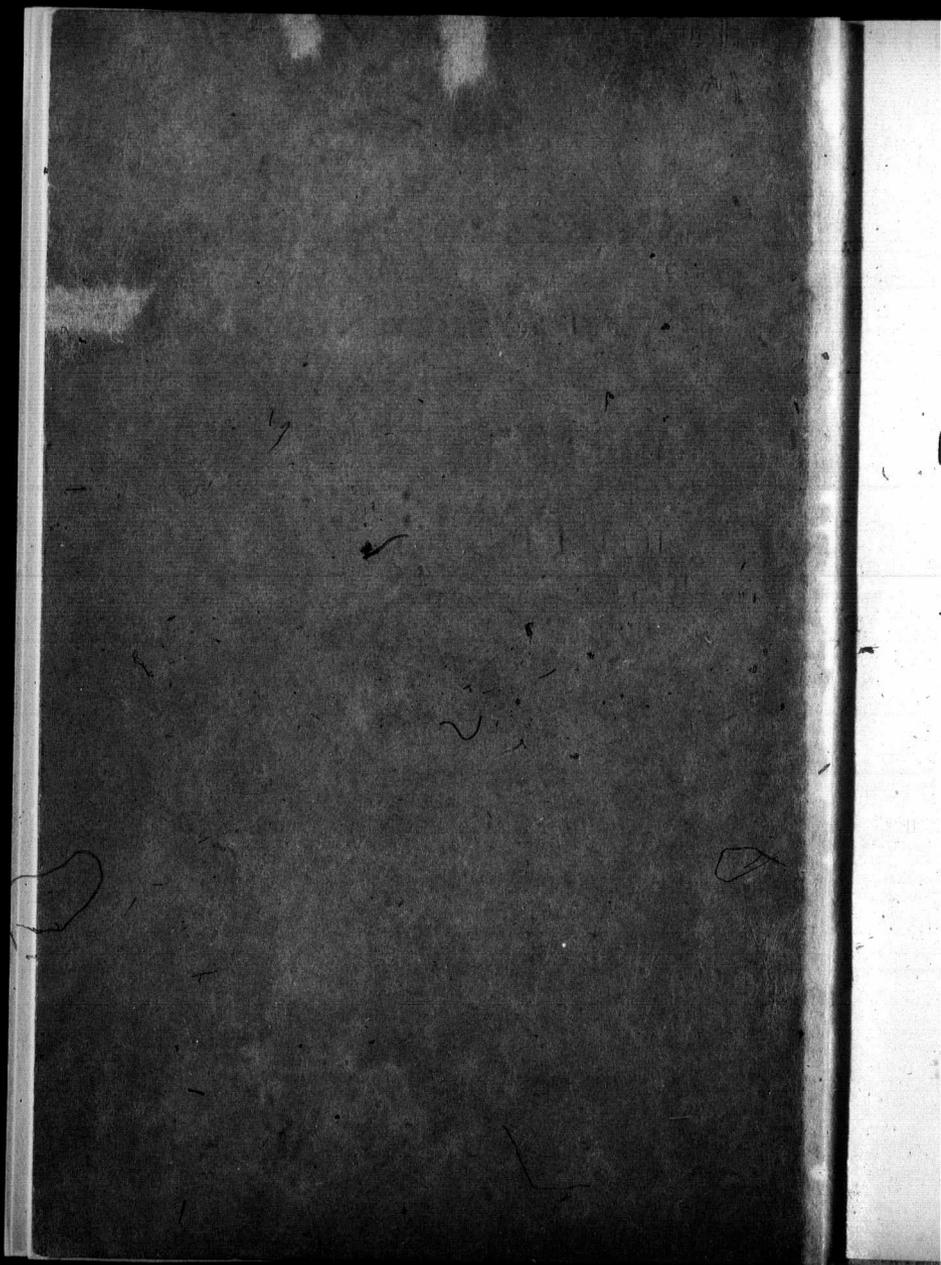
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LONDON, ONTARIO, June 8th, 1880.

The Ninth Annual Convention of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Ontario was called to order by Grand Vice-Chancellor A. J. Rattray at two o'clock p.m. on the eighth day of June, 1880. The Convention was held in the hall of Myrtle and Pythagoras Lodges.

PRESENT, the following Grand Officers :

A. J. Rattray.....Grand Vice Chancellor.
F. Sanagan.....Grand Prelate.
Geo. H. Mitchell.....Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
P. A. Aikman, M.D.....Grand Master at Arms.
J. W. Rombough.....Grand Inner Guard.

The Grand Outer Guard being absent, the Acting Grand Chancellor instructed the Grand Inner Guard to perform the duties of the Grand Outer Guard in conjunction with his own.

The Grand Vice-Chancellor's chair being vacant, on account of said Officer acting as Grand Chancellor, Representative Dodds, of No. 4, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

The sitting Past Grand Chancellor being absent, the Grand Chancellor appointed Representative Campbell, of No. 12, to fill the vacancy.

The appointments were approved by the Grand Lodge.

A quorum of Lodges being in attendance, the Grand Lodge was opened in regular form.

The Acting Grand Chancellor appointed Representative Bemister, of No. 4; Pedlar, of No. 3, and Shelton, of No. 2, as the Committee on Returns and Credentials.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the Reports of Lodges and the Credentials of Representatives and Past Chancellors, which were referred to the Committee on Returns and Credentials.

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

To the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Ontario.

Your Committee on Returns and Credentials beg leave to report that having examined the Credentials and found them correct, the following are entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge as Representatives:

E. McMorran, R. J. Villiers, and J. H. Lumsden	of No. 1.
W. H. Rooks, Jas. Smith, and Thos. Shelton	2.
Thos. Pedlar, D. J. Peace, and G. W. Plastow	3.
J. McDonald, Robt. Dodds, and W. L. Bemister	4.
T. Fowler, W. H. Hill, and A. B. Taylor	10.
T. E. Lawson, C. Kidner, and F. Campbell	12.
J. F. Tyler, J. H. Harris, and P. A. Aikman	16.
Geo. Schofield, J. B. Graham, and Robt. Oliver	17.
J. Francis and George Hynds	18.

Your Committee also find that the Credentials of the following brothers being correct, they are entitled to the rank of Past Chancellor:

R. J. Villiers and James H. Sutherland	of No. 1.
W. H. Childs and D. J. Peace	3.
J. B. Davis, A. F. Robb, and J. McDonald	4.
T. Fowler and W. H. Hill	10.
T. E. Lawson	12.
Robert Oliver	17.
G. Hynds	18.

Respectfully submitted.

W. L. BEMISTER, of No. 4.
 THOS. PEDLAR, ... 3.
 THOS. SHELTON, ... 2.

The Acting Grand Chancellor instructed the Grand Master of Arms to retire and introduce the following named Representatives and Past Chancellors, who were admitted, obligated, and instructed in the Grand Lodge Rank :

R. J. Villiers.....	of No. 1
D. J. Peace and G. W. Plastow	3
J. McDonald.....	4
T. E. Lawson.....	12
J. H. Harris.....	16

The Roll of Lodges was then called, and the following found to be represented:—Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 12 and 16.

The Minutes of the last Session were read and confirmed.

The Acting Grand Chancellor appointed the following Standing Committees :

LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Representative Smith.....	of No. 2
... Dodds.....	4
... Villiers.....	1

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Representative Lumsden.....	of No. 1
... Plastow	3
... Harris.....	12

STATE OF THE ORDER.

Representative Rooks.....	of No. 2
... Peace	3
G. I. G. Rombough.....	12

FINANCE.

Representative Lumsden.....	of No. 1
... Harris.....	16
... Lawson	12

PRINTING.

G.K.R.S. Mitchell.....	of No. 1
Representative McDonald.....	4
... Bemister.....	4

ALSO A SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

Representative Aikman.....	of No. 16
... Peace.....	3
... Shelton	2

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The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal read the following telegram received from Grand Chancellor Taylor, which was ordered to be filed:

SARNIA, June 8th, 1880.

To Geo. H. Mitchell, G. K. R. S., London.

Am sorry I will not be able to be down. I ship all by express at eleven a.m. to day.

W. F. TAYLOR, G. C.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented his Report, which was referred to Committee on Distribution.

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 8th, 1880.

To the Officers and Representatives of the Grand Lodge.

I submit for your consideration my Report for the year ending May 31st, 1880.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

Last year, in submitting my Report, I was unable to give a very flattering statement of the condition of the Order in this jurisdiction; and, I am sorry to say, that this year I am compelled to acknowledge that it is even worse. A reference to the Numerical and Financial Statements herewith will show a great decrease in the number of our members and the funds of the Lodges. This is, no doubt, due, in a great measure, to the severe business depression under which the country has been labouring; and, as we are now being informed that the good times are beginning to return, I trust that, having gone backward as far as it is almost possible to go, we shall from this session begin to advance. One thing is certain, however: We cannot afford to stand still. Measures must be taken at this session to strengthen the Order here and increase the number of our Lodges. For that purpose I would suggest that the supplies be furnished at a small margin above cost to Lodges at organization. At the present time we supply Lodges with charter, rituals, installation books, odes and jewels, which cost about \$63. If we furnished them at say 10 p.c. above cost, the amount would be only about \$32.00, just about half, and it is needless for me to say how valuable such an amount to a young Lodge would be. A Lodge starting with fifteen members, after paying for its supplies, is left without a cent in its treasury, if not in actual debt; and, in order to pay its way, the members have to be continually putting their hands

in their pockets—and we all can understand how pleasant and agreeable it is to do that. We like it so well that in a short time one after another drops out, and finally the Lodge, after a brief existence, surrenders its charter. It should be our endeavour to make the expenses of starting Lodges as small as possible. Some might say that the revenue of the Grand Lodge will be decreased thereby, and that the Lodges would have to be taxed more heavily. To such I would point out that for the last two years no new Lodges have been instituted, and that Grand Lodge has been supported entirely by the present assessments; and therefore the greater number of Lodges, the larger the revenue would be. I trust you will give this subject the consideration it deserves, and that some method may be adopted to strengthen our position.

During the past year advantage has been taken of the Act of Amalgamation, which was adopted at our last session. Two Lodges, Enterprise, No. 14, of Yorkville, and Olympic, No. 19, of Toronto, who otherwise would have had to have suspended, and thereby many members lost to the Order, have amalgamated with other Lodges, the former with Mystic, No. 1, and the latter with Ivanhoe, No. 4.

In connection with this matter I would draw your attention to the fact that the compelling of members to sign the Roster of the Lodge, as required by your law, cannot be enforced without a great deal of trouble to Lodges and members; and, in some cases, injustice to the latter. For instance, what is to be done in the case of a member who is in good standing in his Lodge, and, by amalgamation, is transferred to another; but at the time of such being done he is in the States, and, upon deciding to remain, he wishes a withdrawal card? Under your law he would, before he could be granted one, have to travel several hundred miles simply to sign the Roster. Such a case has come to my personal knowledge, and I hope a remedy will be found.

Damon Lodge, No. 8, of Chatham, has ceased to exist, and its effects have been forwarded to me by D.D.G.C. McKellar.

I am unable to obtain any word regarding either Algoma Lodge, No. 11, at Sault Ste. Marie, or Crusader Lodge, No. 5, of Prince Arthur's Landing. Last fall Bro. Clarke, the Deputy of No. 5, wrote me that he was unable to work the Lodge up, and desired to know whether he should send its effects to me. I replied, telling him to do so; but I have heard nothing from him since. Something should be done towards getting the effects from both Lodges or having them started again, as our books and work should not be lying scattered all over.

From information received since the beginning of this year, I am pleased to be able to say that all our other Lodges, with one exception,

are doing well; and in two or three they have been receiving propositions and conferring the ranks at almost every meeting.

FINANCIAL.

The receipts of the Lodges during the year show an increase over the previous year, but the expenses have likewise increased. The amount spent in relief has almost doubled. The amount on hand and invested has considerably decreased. I notice by the Reports that only one or two Lodges make any pretence of having a Widow and Orphans' Fund. This is a great mistake, as all Lodges should have such a Fund; and not only have it, but see that it is increased at regular stated periods. Such a provision is a great source of strength, as Lodges with such a Fund have always an amount on hand that cannot be touched for any purpose other than the one specified.

The receipts of Grand Lodge are a little under those of last year, but the expenditure is also less, making a slight increase in the amount on hand.

At the last session of Supreme Lodge, the price of supplies, memorial charts, jewels, etc., were reduced, upon which no profit was made by Grand Lodge. Several of these we had a stock of on hand, and if we sell them at the reduced prices it will entail quite a loss to us. I think an effort should be made to have a rebate made to those Grand Lodges who had a stock on hand at the time of the reduction. I wrote the Supreme Chancellor in regard to this matter, but he stated he had no power to construe the law so as to be retroactive.

Some years ago a call of 20 cents per capita was made by the Supreme Lodge on all Grand Lodges to cover a deficit caused by malfeasance on the part of the then S.K.R.S., Clarence M. Barton. Most of the jurisdictions paid their share in full, but several only paid part. As it is now extremely unlikely that they will ever pay their full share, I would suggest that our Representatives be instructed to bring the matter before the Supreme Lodge in the shape of a resolution to the effect that all Grand Lodges who paid their full share shall have a rebate sufficient to bring them down equal to those jurisdictions who have not paid their full share, so that all will have only paid their just proportion.

FINANCES OF THE GRAND LODGE.

The following are the Receipts and Expenditures for the year ending May 31st, 1880 :

Balance in hands of G. M. of E. June 1st, 1879	\$274 43
Receipts from all sources during the year	248 84
Total	\$523 27
Expenditures for all purposes	237 97
Balance in hands of G. M. of E. May 31st, 1880	\$285 30

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE.

Expenses of Officers attending last Session.....	\$ 63 25
Salary of G. K. R. S. for 1878-79	100 00
Printing, Stationery, etc.....	20 00
Postage and P. O. Box Rent	12 28
Supreme Lodge.....	25 20
Expressage	4 50
Insurance	6 00
Expenses of D.D.G.C.....	6 74
Total	\$237 97

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, 1880; 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 and respectfully submitted.

Geo. H. Mitchell

Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the Report of the Grand Master of Exchequer, which was also referred to the Committee on Distribution.

REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER OF EXCHEQUER.

TORONTO, June 4th, 1880.

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

I, herewith, present my Annual Statement, ending May 31st, 1880, and, in doing so, beg to express my regret at not being with you this year. Circumstances are such that I am compelled very reluctantly to sever my connection, for a time at least, with the Grand Lodge:

RECEIPTS.

1880.	Balance from last term.....	\$274 43
.....	Jany. 20. Geo. H. Mitchell, G. K. of R. and S.....	\$ 60 70
.....	March 18.	53 25
.....	May 31.	101 93
.....	.....	12 61
.....	Total.....	\$228 49
.....	Total.....	\$502 92

DISBURSEMENTS.

1879.		
Sept. 18.	J. P. Secord (93).....	\$ 4 05
...	John H. Lumsden (94).....	13 00
...	John H. Lumsden (95).....	9 15
...	Geo. H. Mitchell (96).....	116 75
...	Jno. S. King (97).....	16 50
...	Geo. H. Mitchell (98).....	7 20
...	R. H. Butt (99).....	6 00
...	Geo. H. Mitchell (100).....	25 20
1880.		
Jan'y. 20.	J. B. How (101).....	17 00
...	Geo. H. Mitchell (102).....	9 65
May 31.	Geo. H. Mitchell (103).....	13 47
	Balance.....	254 95
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		\$ 502 92

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

JAS. B. HOW, G. M. of E.

P.S.—The balance, \$264.95, I will pay over to my successor on presentation of order signed by the Grand Chancellor and G. K. of R. and S.—J. B. H.

Representative Smith, of No. 2, on behalf of the members of Myrtle Lodge No. 2 and Pythagoras Lodge No. 12, extended an invitation to the Grand Lodge to an excursion on the river on Wednesday afternoon. On motion of Representative Lumsden, of No. 1, the invitation was accepted.

Representative Aikman, of No. 16, from the Special Committee on the Distribution of the Subjects in the Reports of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and Grand Master of Exchequer, made the following Report, which was adopted :

Your Committee on Distribution, to whom was referred the Reports of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and Grand Master of Exchequer, would respectfully report and recommend :

1. That so much of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal as refers to the "Condition of the Order," "Amalgamation of Lodges," "Damon, Algoma and Crusader Lodges," "Membership of Subordinate Lodges," "Finances of Subordinate Lodges," and

"Numerical and Financial Statements," be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

2. That so much of the Report as refers to "Signing Lodge Roster," be referred to Committee on Law and Supervision.

3. That so much of the Report under the headings "Financial," "Finances of the Grand Lodge," "Statement of all Accounts on the Ledger," "Details of Profit and Loss Account," and "Detailed Financial Statement," be referred to the Committee on Finance.

As to the Report of the Grand Master of Exchequer we would recommend that the whole thereof be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. PEACE, of No. 2.

F. CAMPBELL, " 12.

P. A. AIKMAN, " 16.

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

Your Committee on Returns and Credentials, to whom was referred the Reports of Subordinate Lodges, would report:

That we have examined the Report of Lodges Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 12, 16, 17, 18 and 19 for the term ending June 30th, 1879, and of Lodges Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 12, 16, 17 and 18 for the term ending December 31st, 1879, and find the same correct.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. BEMISTER, of No. 4.

THOS. PEDLAR, " 3.

THOS. SHELTON, " 2.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the Report of the Grand Chancellor, which, with other books and papers, had just been received per express:

GRAND CHANCELLOR'S REPORT.

SARNIA, June 7th, 1880.

P. P. XVII.

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

Your Grand Chancellor respectfully begs to submit the following Report for the past year.

I have, at different times, been honoured with positions in various organizations, but never have I had so much pleasure in occupying any position as the one I now hold in our Knightly Brotherhood.

The year just closing has been very quiet in Pythian circles. Peace and harmony has prevailed through the entire jurisdiction. Not a single appeal has been brought before me, and I have not heard of any unpleasant feeling between any of the members or lodges.

I desire to return to all my sincere thanks for the uniform kindness, esteem and respect with which the Executive head of the Order in this jurisdiction has been treated.

I am especially grateful to the Grand Officers for the courteous and able manner in which they have at all times supported and assisted me in the performance of my duties.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS.

As soon as possible after our last session, acting upon the nominations of the various lodges, I made the following appointments of Deputies:

P. C., Robt. Dodds, of No. 4.....	for Toronto District.
P. C., Geo. W. Plastow, ... 3.....	.. Hamilton ...
P. C., Frank Sanagan, ... 13.....	.. London ...
P. C., Wm. Williams, ... 10.....	.. Sarnia ...
P. C., P. A. Aikman, M.D., of No. 16.....	.. Windsor ...
P. C., J. P. Secord, of No. 18.....	.. Acton ...

During the year I appointed P. C. Geo. Hinds, of No. 18, Deputy for Acton District *vice* Secord, resigned.

Many thanks are due to all the Deputies for the earnest and faithful manner in which they discharged their duties. I am under special obligations to Bro. Past Chancellor Williams, D. D. G. C. for Sarnia District, who, while I was confined to bed with a severe illness, attended to the duties of my office, thereby preventing any confusion or delay in the correspondence during that period. There are others who should also receive special mention, but on account of the length to which it would extend my Report, I am compelled to omit much that I should like to insert.

AMALGAMATION OF LODGES.

During the year advantage has been taken of the law passed at last session in regard to the amalgamation of lodges. Deeming it to be to the best interests of the Order, I granted permission for Enterprise Lodge, No. 14, of Yorkville, to amalgamate with Mystic Lodge, No. 1, of Toronto, and also Olympic Lodge, No. 19, of Toronto, to amalgamate with Ivanhoe Lodge, No. 4, of the same city.

DECISIONS AND APPROVALS.

1st. On June 25th, 1879, the code of laws for amalgamation of lodges was submitted to me for approval, which I confirmed.

2nd. A case was submitted to me by one of my Deputies in regard to the election of Officers and Representatives, in which more ballots had been cast than there were number of members present. I ruled that a new ballot must be taken.

3rd. The By-laws of Equity Lodge, No. 17, being submitted to me for approval, I ordered that a part of section 8, article XI, where for certain causes the expulsion of members was provided for, to be struck out, as I know of no law that provides for expelling members. I would strongly recommend that should it be necessary to ever have such a law, that the power should be only vested in and exercised by the Grand Lodge.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED.

During the year dispensations were granted to Mystic and Enterprise Lodges to confer the Rank of Knight on a Page on the same evening in which he was to receive the Rank of Esquire.

MONIES RECEIVED.

From D. D. G. C. Dodds, for dispensations granted to Mystic and Enterprise Lodges, \$1 each.....	\$2 00
Transfer Credentials of Enterprise and Olympic Lodges for amalgamation, \$2 each.....	4 00

This amount, six dollars, was forwarded by me to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

CONCLUSION.

It would be impossible for me to conclude my Report without making special mention of our Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, Bro. Geo. H. Mitchell, who has proven himself to be a Secretary of unusual ability, and has at all times performed his duty promptly, faithfully and intelligently.

In conclusion, allow me to say that during my term of office I have tried to do my duty to the extent of my ability, and if, in any respect, I have failed, or made a mistake, it has been an error of judgement, and not of desire. Should such have been the case, I trust that I may obtain mercy from a charitable Brotherhood.

Hoping that my successor may be more capable, more earnest, and have greater success than what I have had, and with many thanks for your kind indulgence, I remain,

Fraternally yours in F. C. and B.,

WM. F. TAYLOR,

Grand Chancellor.

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Accompanying the Report of the Grand Chancellor was the following two Reports from Deputies:

WINDSOR, May 10th, 1880.

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

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—As District Deputy G. C. for the District of Windsor, I would beg most respectfully to report as follows:

1st. That my jurisdiction extends over a very small space, having therein only Friendship Lodge, No. 16.

2nd. I am happy to report that Friendship Lodge is now prospering finely; that the officers are working in better form than any time since the institution of this lodge; that the lodge property, etc., is securely kept; that no dispensations have been granted; that the membership is rapidly increasing, and that they are about to start an Endowment Section.

3rd. I am of opinion that Leamington would be a good point for the organization of a lodge, feeling satisfied that there is sufficient material to successfully carry on a good lodge.

I must necessarily make my Report very short, as I have but one lodge to report upon, but trust that at some future date not far distant this district may be more extended.

Hoping that I may have the pleasure of meeting you at the Grand Lodge in London, I am

Fraternally yours,

P. A. AIKMAN, D. D. G. C.

SARNIA, 1st June, 1880.

To W. F. Taylor, Esq., Grand Chancellor Knights of Pythias of Ontario.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—I, herewith, beg to submit my Report as D. D. G. C. of Sarnia District.

The Order here has not grown during the year, but rather shows a decrease in the membership of Huron Lodge, No. 10, which is the only lodge in this district. The hard times and scarcity of money has made havoc amongst our members. There are other influences, however, that have thinned our ranks, viz., large number of members having left for other places have taken withdrawal cards, or, having gone to places where no lodges exist, have lost interest in the Order and had to be suspended. I have issued no dispensations during the year. The properties of Huron Lodge are kept in a secure place.

I remain,

Yours in F. C. & B.,

WM. WILLIAMS, D. D. G. C.

The Acting Grand Chancellor referred the Reports to the Committee on Distribution.

Representative Smith, of No. 2, from the Committee on Law and Supervision presented the following Report on Constitutional amendments :

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred the Constitutional Amendments lying over from last session for consideration, would report :

That we have carefully considered the several amendments, and would recommend their adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. SMITH, of No. 2.

ROBT. DODDS, ... 4.

ROBT. J. VILLIERS, ... 1.

The Amendments were ordered to be considered seriatim.

The first Amendment, being as follows, was adopted :

That Sec. 4 of Art. V. of the Subordinate Lodge Constitution be amended by adding the words "and his right to admission on that application."

The second amendment, being as follows, was not agreed to :

That Sec. 2 of Art. X. of the Subordinate Lodge Constitution be amended by striking out the words "on payment of one years dues and all assessments accruing during the year for which suspended," and inserting the words "on such terms as the Lodge by its By-laws shall provide."

The third Amendment being under consideration, as follows :

That Sec. 12 of Art. III. of the Subordinate Lodge Constitution be amended so as to provide that the election of Representatives to fill vacancies takes place on the night of the receipt of the resignation of the Representatives who had been previously elected.

Representative Lumsden, of No. 1, offered the following Resolution :

That Sec. 12 of Art. III. be amended by adding the words "provided, however, that when Representatives resign within two meeting nights of Grand Lodge, another may be nominated and elected on the same evening to fill the vacancy."

Representative Dodds, of No. 4, asked the ruling of the Chair as to whether an amendment to the Constitution could be further amended.

The Acting Grand Chancellor said he would give his ruling at the Evening Session, and lay the Report on the table until the ruling was given.

The hour of 6 o'clock p.m. having arrived, the Grand Lodge took a recess until 8 o'clock p.m.

FIRST DAY—JUNE 8TH—8 O'CLOCK, P.M.

The Grand Lodge assembled pursuant to recess. Present, the Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the following communication from the Grand Chancellor:

SARNIA, JUNE 8TH, 1880.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

BRETHREN,—It is with deep regret that I have to inform you that it will be quite impossible for me to be with you at this year's Session of Grand Lodge, on account of the illness of one of my children. My wife and I have had to be up with him for the past two nights. I hope and trust that you will have one of the best Sessions of Grand Lodge ever held in Ontario.

I send all papers, etc., in connection with my office by express to-day. I have also to tender you my thanks for your kindness and consideration to me while in office. As I am not an advocate of a Grand Chancellor holding office for two terms, be kind enough not to mention my name as a candidate for another year, as, under no consideration, could I accept it.

I remain, fraternally yours in F., C. & B.,

WM. F. TAYLOR, *Grand Chancellor.*

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal was instructed to convey the sympathy of the Grand Lodge to the Grand Chancellor in his affliction.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the following communication from P. G. C. King, which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

TO THE GRAND LODGE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OF ONTARIO,
TORONTO, June 7th, 1880.

BRETHREN,—I have to express my regret that I am unable this Session to occupy my official station in the meetings of the Grand Lodge, and that I have to deny myself the pleasure of participating in the deliberations and aiding in the important business that must needs engage the attention of the Delegates. I trust that wisdom will characterize the acts of Grand Lodge, and that the best interests of the Order in Ontario may be secured through unity of purpose or action on the part of the members of Grand Lodge.

If I were present with you I should strongly favour action with a view to reducing the cost of instituting new lodges, and the reduction of the fees for the three degrees. I also think it would be prudent for Grand Lodge or the Grand Chancellor to appoint a Provincial Deputy for the purpose of organizing new lodges, the same to be paid by commission. I also think that it would be wise to memorialize Supreme Lodge to make provision for extending Endowment to all Knights in good standing without requiring the formation of sections and the conferring of an additional rank. Unless Supreme Lodge agrees to this course, the Endowment scheme, so far as Ontario is concerned, will be a dead letter.

Unless some special effort be made in the direction indicated in the foregoing suggestions, the Order will make a poor race with other enterprising Orders in Ontario. Wishing you all success in your labours and trusting that the results may be beneficial to the Order,

I remain, yours in F., C. & B.,

JOHN S. KING, *Past Grand Chancellor.*

Representative Aikman, of No. 16, from the Committee on Distribution, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

Your Committee on Distribution, to whom was referred the Report of the Grand Chancellor, beg to report and recommend :

1st. That so much of the Report as refers to "District Deputy Grand Chancellors," "Amalgamation of Lodges," and that portion under the heading "Conclusion," be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

2nd. That so much as refers to "Decisions and Approvals" and "Dispensations Granted" be referred to the Committee on Law and Supervision.

3rd. That so much as refers to "monies received" be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted.

P. A. AIKMAN, of No. 16.

F. CAMPBELL, of No. 12.

Representative Lumsden, of No. 1, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following Report :

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the books, accounts, and accompanying vouchers of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and Grand Master of Exchequer, beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and find a difference between the books of the two officers to the amount of \$20.35, and would recommend, on account of the absence of the Grand Master of Exchequer, that a Special Committee of three be appointed to confer with those Officers in order that the discrepancy may be rectified to the satisfaction of this Grand Lodge, and that a copy of the Report of the Committee be sent to each lodge in this jurisdiction.

Your Committee find that the salary of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal has been paid yearly, and would recommend that in future it be drawn quarterly.

Your Committee concur with that portion of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal suggesting a resolution instructing the Supreme Representatives to ask the Supreme Lodge to allow a rebate to those Grand Lodges who have paid their full share of the assessment levied to cover the deficiency of Clarence M. Barton, so that the assessment shall fall equally on each jurisdiction, and would offer the following:—*Resolved*, That our Supreme Representatives be and are hereby instructed to bring this matter before the Supreme Lodge and to use their best endeavours to have such a rebate allowed as shall cause each Grand Jurisdiction to have paid an equal pro rata share on the assessment levied to cover the deficiency of Clarence M. Barton.

Your Committee have examined the financial statements presented by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and find them correct, and are pleased to report the fact, therein shown, of an increase, though small, of the balance on hand over that of last year.

Your Committee cannot close this Report without calling the attention of the Grand Lodge to the very efficient manner in which

the books of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal are kept, and congratulate the Grand Lodge on having an Officer so deserving of its confidence.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. LUMSDEN, of No. 1.
J. H. HARRIS, ... 16.
T. E. LAWSON, ... 12.

The question being on the adoption of the Report, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal stated that the difference between the Grand Master of Exchequer and himself was simply a difference of opinion as to by which one the amount was due, and that either one would settle it when convinced that he was in error.

The Report was then adopted.

The Acting Grand Chancellor appointed Representatives Dodds and Bemister, of No. 4, and Representative Lumsden, of No. 1, as a Special Committee to settle the difference.

The Report of the Committee on Law and Supervision, on constitutional amendments, which had been laid on the table awaiting the Acting Grand Chancellor's ruling on the point raised by Representative Dodds, was then taken up.

The Acting Grand Chancellor ruled that amendments to the Constitution coming up for action could be further amended so long as the sense of the original amendment was maintained. The amendment offered by Representative Lumsden was then agreed to, and the Report of the Committee as amended was adopted.

Representative Peace, of No. 3, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following Report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred that portion of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal relating to the "Condition of the Order," beg leave to report:

That we endorse the action taken by Enterprise Lodge, No. 14, and Olympic Lodge, No. 19, in amalgamating with other lodges. We believe it will be a source of strength rather than weakness to the Order.

We regret very much to hear that Damon Lodge, of Chatham. has surrendered its charter, but hope the day is not far distant when the lodge may be resuscitated.

In regard to Algoma Lodge, No. 11, and Crusader Lodge, No. 5, we would recommend that the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal correspond with the brothers in that locality and urge them to use their best endeavours to resuscitate the lodges, and, if found impracticable, to forward the effects to him as soon as possible.

Your Committee notice with regret the number of suspensions during the past year, and believe that by a little more interest and energy on the part of the members many suspensions might be avoided, and that most of those suspended might also be restored to membership. We trust that next year the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal may be able to present a more encouraging Report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. ROOKS, of No. 2.
D. J. PRACE, ... 3.
J. W. ROMBOUGH, ... 12.

Representative Villiers, of No. 1, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following Report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred the questions submitted by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal at last year's session, in regard to the Resolution then adopted requiring member's depositing cards to sign the lodge roster before being recognized as members, beg leave to report that we have given the matter careful consideration, and find that after one year's trial such a law, if enforced, would give rise to a multiplicity of questions which would require a great deal of unnecessary legislation. Your Committee would, therefore, offer the following:

Resolved, That the Resolution adopted at last session requiring that a member on depositing a card must sign the lodge roster to complete his membership, be and is hereby repealed.

Respectfully submitted,

R. DODDS, of No. 4.
R. J. VILLIERS, ... 1.
JAS. SMITH, ... 2.

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

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Chancellors Report referring to "Decisions

and Approvals," beg leave to report and recommend that clauses 1 and 2 be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. SMITH, of No. 2.
ROBT. DODDS, ... 4.
R. J. VILLIERS, ... 1.

Representative Lumsden, of No. 1, presented the following, which, being an amendment to the Constitution, was laid over until next session:

To amend Article IV. of the Grand Lodge Constitution by striking out the word "June" and inserting "September" in lieu thereof.

Representative Villiers, of No. 1, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the resolution of last Session, debarring a D.D.G.C. from holding any office in a Subordinate Lodge, be amended so as to prohibit him from holding only the office of C.C. or V.C.

Representative Pedlar of No. 3, from the Committee on Returns and Credentials, presented the following Report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Returns and Credentials, to whom was referred the certificates of Past Chancellors F. T. C. Richardson and Walter Stevens, beg leave to report that upon examination we find the same correct, and recommend that they be admitted.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. PEDLAR, of No. 3.
THOS. SHELTON, ... 2.

The Grand Master at Arms then retired and introduced Past Chancellors Richardson and Stevens, who were then obligated and instructed in the Grand Lodge Rank.

Representative Peace, of No. 3, from the Committee on the State of the Order, presented the following Report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Chancellor's Report relating to "District Deputy Grand Chancellors," "Amalgamation of Lodges," and that portion under the head of "Conclusion," beg leave to report:

That we are pleased to hear of the prosperous condition of Friendship Lodge, as shown by the Report of the D.D.G.C. Aikman, and trust

that he may be the means of having a lodge started in Leamington, and would recommend that the Grand Lodge Officers give him all necessary information and assistance to accomplish the same.

We regret to hear through the Report of D.D.G.C. Williams that Huron Lodge has been losing a number of members through withdrawals, and that the hard times has prevented many additions being made to the membership, but trust that with the approach of better times a more encouraging Report will be made next year.

In regard to the amalgamation of lodges, your Committee have already reported on the same from the Report of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

Your Committee are pleased to hear that the Grand Chancellor has received the hearty support of his Deputies and the Grand Lodge Officers.

Respectfully submitted.

W. H. ROOKS, of No. 2.

D. J. PEACE, of No. 3.

J. W. ROMBOUGH, of No. 12.

Also from the same Committee the following Report :

Your Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred the communication from Past Grand Chancellor King, beg leave to report :

1st. We would strongly recommend the reduction of the cost of instituting lodges, as we believe it to be for the best interests of the Order that the institution should be made as cheap as possible.

2nd. We would report adversely to any reduction being made in the fees for the ranks.

3rd. We would recommend that the suggestion made in regard to a Provincial Deputy, for the purpose of working up and instituting new lodges, be not entertained.

4th. Your Committee endorse the opinion expressed in regard to provision being made to have the Endowment plan extended so as to admit of any member obtaining it without having to take an extra rank ; and would recommend that this Grand Lodge, through its representatives, petition the Supreme Lodge to abolish both the sections and the rank, which your Committee believe to be a useless expense, and a detriment to the Endowment plan.

Respectfully submitted.

W. H. ROOKS, of No. 2.

D. J. PEACE, of No. 3.

J. W. ROMBOUGH, of No. 12.

The Report was considered seriatim and adopted.

Representative Smith, of No. 2, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following Report :

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred that portion of the Report of the Grand Chancellor under the heading "Decisions and Approvals," beg leave to offer the following Report on Clause iii., viz., That your Committee disagree with the Grand Chancellor as regards expulsions, fully believing that on some occasions no word is too strong or too harsh to be used, and consider that the Lodge to whom the party or parties belong is the best judge as to the punishment to be inflicted, whether it be suspension or expulsion, and would offer the following :

Resolved, That the By-law of Equity Lodge, as regards Section 8, Article xi., as submitted to the Grand Chancellor, be approved.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES SMITH, of No. 2.
ROBT. DODDS, of No. 4.
ROBT. J. VILLIERS, of No. 1.

Considerable discussion ensued in regard to the Report, after which the Report was referred back to the Committee.

Representative Smith, of No. 2, from the same Committee, then presented the following Report, which was adopted :

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was re-referred Clause 3 of "Decisions and Approvals" of the Grand Chancellor, beg leave to report :

That your Committee have been instructed by this Grand Lodge to report the Grand Chancellor as correct in his decision in regard to expulsions.

Respectfully submitted.

JAS. SMITH, of No. 2.
ROBT. DODDS, ... 4.
ROBT. J. VILLIERS, ... 1.

The hour of 11 o'clock having arrived, the Grand Lodge adjourned.

SECOND DAY—WEDNESDAY JUNE 9TH, 1880—9 O'CLOCK A.M.

The Grand Lodge assembled with the following Grand Officers present :

F. Campbell Past Grand Chancellor, *Acting*.
 A. J. Rattray Grand Chancellor, *Acting*.
 Robt. Dodds Grand Vice Chancellor, *Acting*.
 Geo. H. Mitchell Grand Keeper of Records & Seal.
 P. A. Aikman Grand Master at Arms.
 J. W. Rombough Grand Inner Guard.

And a majority of Representatives.

Representative Peace, of No. 3, from the Committee on the State of the Order, presented the following Report :

Your Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred that portion of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal under the heading "Condition of the Order," relating to the reduction of Grand Lodge supplies, would report that we have carefully considered the subject, and believing it to be for the best interests of the Order that a reduction should be made, would offer the following amendment :

That Art. XVI. be amended by striking out Sections 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, and inserting "Sec. 2. Set of Lodge supplies, as follows: charter, rituals, installation books, ode cards, odes to music, jewels—\$35.00," and to change the numbers of following sections so as to number consecutively.

And in order to have immediate action taken on the amendment, we would recommend a suspension of the rules.

Respectfully submitted.

W. H. ROOKS, of No. 2.
 D. J. PEACE, ... 3.
 J. W. ROMBOUGH, ... 12.

On motion of Representative Lumsden, of No. 1, the suspension of the rules was unanimously agreed to, and the Report of the Committee was then adopted.

Representative Villiers, of No. 1, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred that portion of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal

relating to the Law on Amalgamation, which requires members to sign the roster of a Lodge before being recognized as members of the Lodge with which they amalgamate, beg leave to report that they have given the subject their careful consideration, and find that in many cases, and especially in the one mentioned in said Report, great injustice would be done to members by the requirement of said law, and would offer the following :

Resolved, That the words " sign the roster and " in the Amalgamation Laws, adopted at last Session, be struck out.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES SMITH, of No. 2.

ROBT. DODDS, ... 4.

R. J. VILLIERS, ... 1.

Grand Master at Arms Aikman, of No. 16, offered the following, which was adopted :

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

Representative Lumsden, of No. 1, wished to know whether the Grand Lodge intended to print the proceedings of this Session. He would like to see the proceedings of past Sessions printed, but knew that the finances would not permit of such being done, but thought it was time that a start should be made. Considerable discussion was had upon the subject, when Representative Dodds, of No. 4, moved, seconded by Representative Smith, of No. 2, That the proceedings of this Session be printed, which, after some further discussion, was adopted.

Representative Smith, of No. 2, offered the following, which was adopted :

That, in regard to the printing of the proceedings of this Grand Lodge from its institution to the present Session, the whole matter be left in the hands of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, to make all and every necessary enquiries as to cost, etc., and report to this Grand Lodge at its next Session.

Representative McMorran, of No. 1, was reported in waiting to receive the Grand Lodge Degree. The Grand Master at Arms retired and introduced the representative, who was then obligated and instructed.

The election of Officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with. The Acting Grand Chancellor appointed Representative Smith, of No. 2, and Harris, of No. 16, and Past Chancellor Townsend, of No. 1, to act as Scrutineers.

Nominations for the office of Grand Chancellor being in order, Representative Lumsden, of No. 1; G. M. at A. Aikman, of No. 16, and Representative Smith, of No. 2, were nominated. Representative Smith declined the nomination.

The ballot resulted as follows :

FIRST BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast	18
Necessary to a choice	10

Of which—

Representative Lumsden, of No. 1, received	9
G. M. at A. Aikman, of No. 16, received	8
Blank	1
No choice.	

SECOND BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast	20
Necessary to a choice	11

Of which—

Representative Lumsden, of No. 1, received	11
G. M. at A. Aikman, of No. 16, received	9

Representative Lumsden, of No. 1, was declared duly elected Grand Chancellor for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Vice Chancellor, Representatives Sanagan, of No. 12, and Dodds, of No. 4, were nominated. Representative Dodds declined the nomination.

There being but one candidate for the office, the G. M. at A. was instructed to cast the vote of the Grand Representatives for Representative Sanagan.

The Acting Grand Chancellor announced that Representative Sanagan, of No. 12, having received all the votes cast, was duly elected Grand Vice Chancellor for the ensuing year.

G. M. at A. Aikman, of No. 16, was nominated for the office of Grand Prelate.

There being but one candidate for the office, Representative Smith, of No. 2, was instructed to cast the vote of the Grand Representatives for G. M. at A. Aikman.

The Acting Grand Chancellor announced that G. M. at A. Aikman having received all the votes cast, was duly elected Grand Prelate for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Master of Exchequer, Representatives Rooks, of No. 2, and Smith of No. 2, were nominated. Representative Rooks declined the nomination.

There being but one candidate for the office, the G. M. at A. was instructed to cast the vote of the Grand Representatives in favour of Representative Smith.

The Acting Grand Chancellor announced that Representative Smith, of No. 2, having received all the votes cast, was duly elected Grand Master of Exchequer for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, Geo. H. Mitchell was nominated.

There being only one candidate for the office, the G.M. at A. was instructed to cast the vote of the Grand Representatives for Geo. H. Mitchell.

The Acting Grand Chancellor announced that George H. Mitchell having received all the votes cast, was duly elected Grand Keeper of Records and Seal for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Master at Arms, the following were nominated : Representatives Peace and Pedlar, of No. 3; Dodds, of No. 4; Villiers, of No. 1, and Past Chancellor Townsend, of No. 1.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast	...	...	...	21
Necessary to a choice	...	...	...	11

Of which—

Representative Peace, of No. 3, received	...	...	16
“ Pedlar, of No. 3, “	...	...	2
“ Dodds, of No. 4, “	...	...	1
“ Villiers, of No. 1, “	...	...	1
Past Chancellor Townsend received	...	...	1

Representative Peace, of No. 3, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Grand Master at Arms for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Inner Guard, Representatives Plastow, of No. 3, McDonald, of No. 4, and Past Chancellor Townsend, of No. 1, were nominated.

The ballot resulted as follows:

Whole number of votes cast	...	...	21
Necessary to a choice	...	...	11

Of which—

Representative Plastow, of No. 3, received	...	...	14
“ McDonald, of No. 4, received	...	...	6
Past Chancellor Townsend, of No. 1, received	...	...	1

Representative Plastow, of No. 3, 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, Representative Harris, of No. 16, was nominated.

There being but one candidate for the office, the G. M. at A. was instructed to cast the vote of the Grand Representatives for Representative Harris.

The Acting Grand Chancellor announced that Representative Harris, of No. 16, having received all the votes cast, was duly elected Grand Outer Guard for the ensuing year.

A vote of thanks was then tendered to the Scrutineers.

The hour of 12 o'clock, noon, having arrived, the Acting Grand Chancellor stated that as the excursion was going to take place at half-past one o'clock, the installation would have to be

deferred until the evening, and he would therefore adjourn the Grand Lodge until 8 o'clock p.m.

SECOND DAY—JUNE 9TH—8 O'CLOCK P.M.

The Grand Lodge assembled pursuant to adjournment. Present—the Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

The Grand Lodge being now ready for the installation of its Officers for the ensuing year, the Acting Grand Chancellor, assisted by Representative Rooks, as Grand Prelate, and Representative Campbell, as Grand Master at Arms, at once proceeded to discharge that duty.

The Installing Officer instructed the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal to call the roll of Grand Officers elected for the ensuing year.

The following were reported as the Grand Officers elect, and who were present :

Grand Chancellor	John H. Lumsden, of No. 1	
Grand Vice Chancellor	Frank Sanagan,	" 12
Grand Prelate	P. A. Aikman,	" 16
Grand Master of Exchequer	James Smith,	" 2
Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.....	Geo. H. Mitchell,	" 1
Grand Master at Arms.....	D. J. Peace,	" 3
Grand Inner Guard.....	Geo. W. Plastow,	" 3
Grand Outer Guard.....	J. H. Harris,	" 16

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

Representative Dodds, of No. 4, offered the following, which was unanimously adopted :

That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be and are hereby tendered to Acting Grand Chancellor Rattray for the very able and impartial manner in which he has presided over this Grand Body during this

Session, and also to the Grand Officers for the very efficient manner in which they have discharged the duties of their various offices during the past year.

Representative Harris, of No. 16, offered the following, which was unanimously adopted :

That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to our London Brethren for the generous and hospitable manner in which they have entertained the members of this Grand Body during our stay in the City of London, and that the Representatives of the two city Lodges be and are hereby requested to convey the same to their respective Lodges.

There being no further business, the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet in Toronto on the second Tuesday in June, 1881.



Geo. H. Mitchell

Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

APPENDIX.

ROSTER OF THE GRAND LODGE 1880-1881.

GRAND OFFICERS.

Wm. F. Taylor, of No. 10, Sarnia.....Past Grand Chancellor.
John H. Lumsden, of No. 1, Toronto...Grand Chancellor.
Frank Sanagan, of No. 12, London.....Grand Vice Chancellor.
P. A. Aikman, of No. 16, Windsor.....Grand Prelate.
Jas. Smith, of No. 2, London.....Grand Master of Exchequer.
Geo. H. Mitchell, of No. 1, Toronto.....Grand Keeper of Records & Seal.
D. J. Peace, of No. 3, Hamilton.....Grand Master at Arms.
Geo. W. Plastow, of No. 3, Hamilton...Grand Inner Guard.
J. H. Harris, of No. 16, Windsor.....Grand Outer Guard.

SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

Geo. H. Mitchell, of No. 1, Toronto.....Four years.
John S. King, of No. 4, Toronto.....Two "

PAST GRAND CHANCELLORS.

Jas. B. How, of No. 1.	Joseph B. Tasker, of No. 4.
Geo. W. Cooley, of No. 1.	W. C. Morrison, of No. 1.
Geo. H. Mitchell, of No. 1.	Rev. B. B. Ussher, of No. 1.
Wm. Bain, of No. 1.	Jno. S. King, of No. 4.
Wm. Hawthorn, of No. 2.	Wm. F. Taylor, of No. 10.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS,
1880-1881.

Toronto District	Robt. Dodds, of No. 4.
London District.....	William H. Rooks, of No. 2.
Hamilton District.....	D. J. Peace, of No. 3.
Prince Arthur's Landing District	A. A. Clarke, of No. 5.
Sarnia District.....	William Williams, of No. 10.
Algoma District.....	William Turner, of No. 11.
Windsor District.....	J. H. Harris, of No. 16.
Acton District.....	Geo. Hynds, of No. 18.

GRAND LODGE COMMITTEES, 1880-1881.

LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Jas. Smith, of No. 2.	Robt. Dodds, of No. 4.
Robt. J. Villiers, of No. 1.	

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Geo. W. Plastow, of No. 5.	J. H. Harris, of No. 16.
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FINANCE.

J. H. Harris, of No. 16.	T. E. Lawson, of No. 12.
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STATE OF THE ORDER.

W. H. Rooks, of No. 2.	D. J. Peace, of No. 3.
J. W. Rombough, of No. 12.	

PRINTING.

Geo. H. Mitchell, G.K.R.S.	James McDonald, of No. 4.
W. L. Bemister, of No. 4.	

STATEMENT,

Showing the Totals of the Debit and Credit Sides of all Accounts in the Ledger, and the Balances May 31st, 1880.

Folio.	ACCOUNTS.	FACE OF LEDGER.		BALANCES MAY 31ST, 1880.	
		DR.	CR.	DR.	CR.
		\$	\$	\$	\$
	1 Stock .....	...	473 93	...	473 93
	2 Rituals	20 00	...	20 00	...
	4 Music Books	3 20	...	3 20	...
	5 Ode Cards	9 60	2 30	7 30	...
	8 Mystic Lodge	33 64	33 64	...	...
	9 Myrtle Lodge	19 60	19 00	60	...
	10 Red Cross Lodge	32 11	30 76	1 35	...
	11 Ivanhoe Lodge	26 30	26 30	...	...
	12 Crusader Lodge	91	...	91	...
	13 Minerva Lodge .....	...	6 32	...	6 32
	14 Damon Lodge	3 66	...	3 66	...
	15 True Knights Lodge .....	...	6 75	...	6 75
	16 Huron Lodge	13 15	13 15	...	...
	17 Algoma Lodge	29 50	29 50	...	...
	18 Pythagoras Lodge	23 18	23 18	...	...
	31 Bills Receivable	33 40	33 40	...	...
	32 Aurora Lodge .....	...	91 05	...	91 05
	33 Relief Shields	1 25	...	1 25	...
	34 Enterprise Lodge	47 33	80	46 53	...
	35 Marmion Lodge .....	...	2 00	...	2 00
	39 Dispensations	10 00	10 00	...	...
	40 Friendship Lodge	12 25	12 25	...	...
	44 Equity Lodge	22 10	22 10	...	...
	45 Calanthe Lodge	25 06	25 06	...	...
	46 Withdrawal Cards	8 75	2 50	6 25	...
	47 Olympic Lodge	42 30	8 00	34 30	...
	49 Jewels	51 72	...	51 72	...
	52 Receipt Books	6 00	6 00	...	...
	54 Mdse. Expenses	212 77	212 77	...	...
	55 Lodge Books	81 18	2 50	78 68	...
	56 Memorial Charts	24 00	...	24 00	...
	57 Profit and Loss	258 25	258 25	...	...
	59 Supreme Lodge	25 20	25 20	...	...
	60 Installation Books	15 00	...	15 00	...
	61 Interest	2 10	2 10	...	...
	63 Cash	523 27	237 97	285 30	...
	65 Grand Lodge Assessment	217 87	217 87	...	...
		1834 65	1834 65	580 05	580 05

Dr.		DETAILS OF PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.		Cr.	
FOLIO.		\$	FOLIO.		\$
5	To Ode Cards.....	2 30	20	By J. P. Dinsmore....	16 58
21	... Thos. Partridge ...	20 91	39	... Dispensations	10 00
31	... Leo. Hamburger.	8 00	46	... Withdrawal Cards.	1 00
39	... D. F. Cordingly ...	14 50	49	... Jewels	10 00
54	... Mdse. Expenses....	210 02	55	... Lodge Books	70
	By Stock	2 52	61	... Interest	2 10
			63	... G.L. Assessment	217 87
		258 25			258 25

DETAILED FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

FOLIO.	ASSETS.	\$	FOLIO.	LIABILITIES.	\$
D.B.	To Stock on hand....	207 40	L	By Minerva Lodge ...	6 32
56			13	... True Knights' L'ge	6 75
L.	... Myrtle Lodge	60	32	... Aurora Lodge	91 05
9	... Red Cross Lodge .	1 35	35	... Marmion Lodge....	2 00
10	... Crusader Lodge	91		To Stock	473 33
12	... Damon Lodge	3 66			
14	... Enterprise Lodge.	46 53			
34	... Olympic Lodge....	34 30			
47	... Cash	285 30			
63					
		580 05			580 05

MEMBERSHIP OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Taken from the Numerical Statements attached to this Report.

Number of Members January 1st, 1879		589
Initiated during the year	38	
Admitted by Card during the year	3	
Admitted by Amalgamation	52	
Re-instated during the year	10	
		<u>103</u>
Total		692

From which Deduct:

Withdrawn during the year (including amalgamation).....	102	
Suspended	75	
Died.....	4	
		<u>181</u>

Total number of Members Dec. 31st, 1879.....	511
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RANK.

Past Grand Chancellors	10
Past Chancellors... ..	109
Knights.....	325
Esquires	13
Pages.....	54
	<u>511</u>
Total	511
Rejected during the year.....	1
Decrease in Membership during the year	78

FINANCES OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Taken from the Financial Statements attached to this Report.

RECEIPTS.

Received from all sources during the year	\$2,830 70
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EXPENDITURE.

For Relief.....	\$ 734 90
For other purposes	2,830 87
	<u>\$3,565 77</u>
Amount on hand and invested Dec. 31st, 1879.....	979 54
Increase of Receipts over last year	251 82
Increase of Expenditure over last year.....	751 45
Decrease of amount on hand and invested under last year...	501 70

Cr.

\$
16 58
10 00
1 00
10 00
70
2 10
217 87

258 25

\$
6 32
6 75
91 05
2 00
473 33

580 05

NUMERICAL STATEMENT.

FOR THE TERM ENDING JUNE 30TH, 1879.

LODGES.	No.	LOCATION.	INCREASE.			DECREASE.			RANK.					Total.	Rejected.				
			Number Last Report.	Initiated.	Re-instated.	Admitted by Card.	Total.	Withdrawn.	Suspended.	Total.	Present Number.	P. G. C.	Knights.			Esquires.	Pages.		
Mystic	1	Toronto	86	...	...	...	86	...	1	1	85	5	14	51	4	11	85	...
Myrtle	2	London	60	1	...	...	61	...	61	1	13	45	10	22	1	2	61	...
Red Cross	3	Hamilton	39	1	3	...	43	...	6	2	8	35	10	22	1	2	35	...	
Ivanhoe	4	Toronto	54	...	...	...	54	...	1	9	10	44	1	12	28	3	44	...
Crusader	5	Prince Arthur's Land'g.	30	...	...	...	30	...	...	30	...	5	24	...	...	...	30	...
Damon	8	Chatham	37	...	...	...	37	...	37	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Huron	10	Sarnia	39	3	...	...	42	...	1	5	6	36	9	23	1	3	36	1
Algoma	11	Sault Ste. Marie	29	...	...	...	29	...	29	...	...	...	5	22	1	1	29	...
Pythagoras	12	London	24	1	...	...	25	...	25	...	...	...	6	17	1	1	25	...
Enterprise	14	Yorkville	41	...	...	...	41	...	41	...	...	...	5	27	1	7	41	...
Friendship	16	Windsor	27	...	...	...	27	...	27	...	...	...	7	18	1	1	27	...
Equity	17	Toronto	55	3	...	...	58	...	1	1	57	8	38	10	57	...	...	...
Calanthe	18	Acton	48	3	51	...	3	3	45	6	36	2	1	45	
Olympic	19	Toronto	23	23	...	2	2	21	1	5	14	1	...	21	...	
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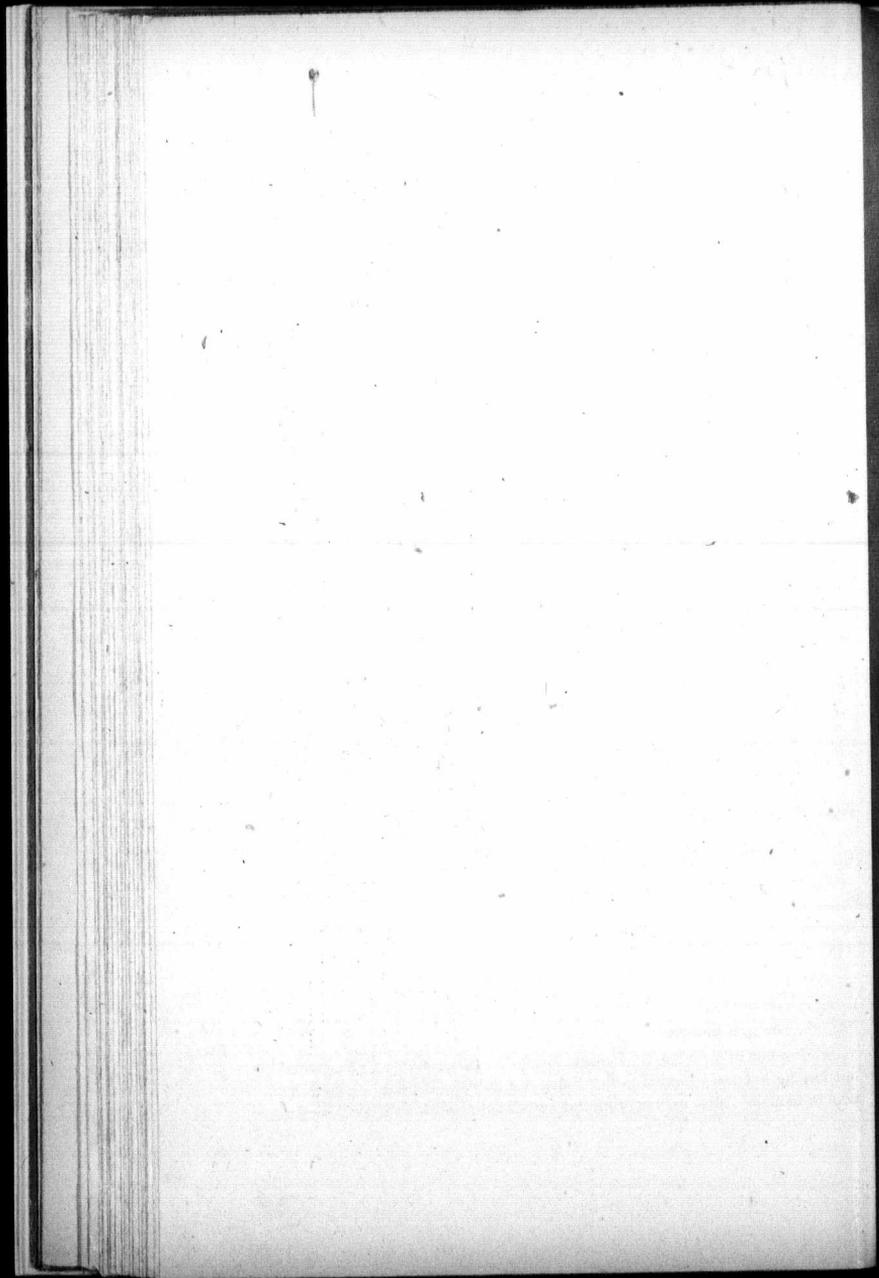
LODGES.	Number.	RECEIPTS.						RELIEF.				Total Expenses.	Amount On Hand and Invested.		
		For Initiation.	Ranks.	Admitted by Card and Re-instated.	Dues and Fines.	Withdrawal Cards.	Sundries.	Total.	Brothers of Lodge Relieved.	Widowed Families Relieved.	Other Relief Expenses.			Total Relief.	Grand Lodge Assessment.
Mytic	1	\$5 00	\$ 8 00		\$137 25		\$27 30	\$164 55	\$200 00	\$21 08	\$ 41 05	\$13 72	\$325 57	\$683 45	
Byrle	2	5 00	8 00		88 45		65 50	161 95	39 00	9 60	59 00	9 60	243 07	181 01	
Red Cross	3	6 00	3 00	\$10 50	95 50		2 90	117 00	164 00	4 15	158 15	11 50	355 19	183 02	
Tranque	4				131 53	\$1 00		134 51	16 00	2 25	18 25	13 43	103 11	233 17	
Granville	5														
Dunn	6														
Huron	10	25 00	10 00		34 50	1 00	2 25	72 75	3 00		3 00	7 27	76 72	62 44	
Algoma	11														
Essex	12	5 00	28 00		65 30			96 30				9 63	131 83	81 32	
Essexburg	13														
Essexburg	14		8 00		44 50			52 50				5 25	57 55	7 91	
Friendship	16				91 39			91 39	12 00		12 00	12 61	93 16	51 56	
Equity	17	3 00	32 00		72 55			105 15	36 75		36 75	10 55	109 49	30 99	
Calanthe	18	12 00	31 00		69 50		7 50	77 00			2 20	7 70	77 00		
Olympic	19														
		\$64 00	\$110 00	\$10 50	\$824 98	\$2 00	\$104 55	\$1108 03	\$280 75	\$40 00	\$29 65	\$6330 40	\$101 26	\$1369 62	\$1310 77

NUMERICAL STATEMENT.

FOR THE TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1879.

LODGES.	No.	LOCATION.	INCREASE.			DECREASE.			RANK.									
			Number Last Report.	Admitted by Crd Re Initiated.	Total.	Withdrawn.	Suspended.	Died.	Total.	Present Number.	P. G. C.	Knights.	Esquires.	Pages.	Rejected.			
Mystic	1	Toronto	85	4	1 ³⁴ 24	1	6	7	117	6	19	70	5	17	117			
Myrde	2	London	61	3	64	17		17	47	1	11	25	10	47				
Red Cross	3	Hamilton	35	8	44				44	1	11	28	3	44				
Ivanhoe	4	Toronto	44	1 ¹⁸	64	1		1	63	2	20	36	1	4	30			
Crusader	5	Prince Arthur's Land'g.	30	1	30			4	34			5	24	2	34			
Huron	10	Sarnia	36	1	38	4			29			5	22	1	29			
Algona	11	Sault Ste. Marie	29		29	1		3	1			5	24	1	24			
Pythagoras	12	London	25	4	29				5	24	6	16	1	24				
Enterprise	14	Yorkville	41	2	3 ³⁴ 46	2		46										
Friendship	16	Windsor	27	3	30				30			8	21	1	30			
Equity	17	Toronto	57		57	6		6	51			8	32	1	51			
Calanche	18	Acton	45	3	48	2		4	42			7	29	2	42			
Olympic	19	Toronto	21		21	18	3	21										
			536	26	3	59	624	63	49	1	113	511	10	109	325	13	54	511

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DIGEST
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LEGISLATION OF THE GRAND LODGE.

ADJOURN—Motion to, not in order.

When a Lodge is in Session a motion to adjourn is not proper, but should be "That the Lodge proceed to close;" and this motion should not be entertained until the regular order of business has been called by the Chancellor Commander. *G. L. Session 1879.*

AMALGAMATION OF LODGES—Members must sign the Lodge Roster.

Members of a Lodge which amalgamates with another Lodge must sign the Roster of the Lodge with which they amalgamate to complete their membership. *G. L. Session 1879.*

Same.

The law in regard to amalgamation of Lodges, requiring Members to sign the Lodge Roster, is repealed. *G. L. Session 1880.*

APPEALS—How taken.

An appeal may be taken by any Member from the action of his Lodge to Grand Lodge under provision of Art. XII. of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges. *G. L. Session 1879.*

Against finding "Not Guilty."

An appeal may be taken to Grand Lodge by any Member against the action of his Lodge in finding a Member "Not Guilty," and Grand Lodge has the power to entertain and adjudicate upon it, or may sustain or reverse the decision of the Lodge, or order a new trial, according to the circumstances of the case. *G. L. Session 1879.*

ARREARS—For dues.

A Member cannot be in arrears for dues until the expiration of three actual months. *G. L. Session 1874.*

For over twelve months.

A Member of a Lodge in arrears for over twelve months' dues, and not having been suspended, upon tendering to the Master of Finance twelve months' dues, cannot demand an official receipt as a Member in

good standing, or as being paid up to the date of so tendering. He must pay the full amount charged against him to be clear on the books.

G. L. Session 1879.

When cannot become in.

A Member holding a Lodge Warrant against the Lodge, and the Master of Exchequer refusing to pay the same, the Member cannot become in arrears for dues, provided the Master of Exchequer holds sufficient funds to pay the Warrant.

G. L. Session 1879.

Cannot enter Lodge.

Any Member of a Lodge not having the semi-annual password, and being in arrears for three months' dues, or more, cannot be permitted to enter his Lodge until he is clear on the books.

G. L. Session 1877.

BALLOT.

When more ballots are cast than there are Members present, the ballot must be renewed.

G. L. Session 1880.

BENEFITS—Must be paid.

The Supreme Lodge law provides that a certain amount must be paid weekly for sick benefits, from the time the Rank of Knight is conferred on a Member, in case of sickness; therefore a probationary period cannot be made by a Lodge as to the length of time he must be a Member, or be sick, before being beneficial. The Lodge may provide for a probationary period whereby a Member shall not receive the full amount of benefits fixed by the Lodge, but the minimum amount, as provided by Supreme Lodge, must be paid weekly.

G. L. Session 1879.

Physicians certificate for.

A Member of a Lodge cannot be compelled to produce a physician's certificate before receiving benefits.

G. L. Session 1879.

When clear on the books, is entitled to.

A Lodge cannot debar a Member who is in arrears from becoming beneficial for a certain length of time after he has paid his arrearages. A Member in arrears becomes beneficial as soon as he is clear on the books of the Master of Finance, unless ill at the time he pays such arrearages.

G. L. Session 1879.

Funeral Benefits, when not entitled to.

Upon the death of a non-qualified Member, his relatives are debarred from receiving funeral benefits.

G. L. Session 1879.

COMMITTEES.

Reports of Committees cannot be signed by proxy.

G. L. Session 1877.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS—Appointment of.

A meeting of the Past Chancellors of each District shall be called by the Deputy Grand Chancellor before the close of his term, and they shall select one of their number as their nominee for the position of Deputy for the ensuing term; the name of said nominee to be forwarded by the Deputy to the newly elected Grand Chancellor.

G. L. Session 1878.

Reports of.

District Deputy Grand Chancellors shall make semi-annual Reports to the Grand Chancellor.

G. L. Session 1876.

Semi-annual Reports of Lodges.

District Deputy Grand Chancellors must satisfy themselves as to the correctness of the semi-annual Reports of Lodges, and transmit the same to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal within one week after installation.

G. L. Session 1876.

Same.

As some District Deputy Grand Chancellors do not forward the Returns of Lodges as promptly as they should, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal is hereby instructed to prepare a blank form, to be sent to Lodges with the semi-annual Reports, said form to be filled up by the Keeper of Records and Seal of the Lodge, and forwarded to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal immediately after installation.

G. L. Session 1879.

Cannot hold office in Lodge.

A District Deputy Grand Chancellor cannot hold any office in a Subordinate Lodge.

G. L. Session 1879.

Same.

The resolution of the Session of 1879, debarring a D. D. G. C. from holding any office in a Lodge, is amended so as to prohibit him from holding the office of C.C. or V.C.

G. L. Session 1880.

Cannot allow Lodge to work without a quorum.

A Lodge cannot work without a quorum of its own members, and it is the duty of the D.D.G.C., if present, to stop them should they attempt to do so.

DIGEST.

Recommended that every Lodge produce a copy of the Official Digest.

G. L. Session 1878.

DUES—Receipt for.

The use of any other form of receipt for dues than the Official Receipt is illegal, and cannot be recognized.

G. L. Session 1879.

EXPULSION.

The By-laws of a Lodge having been submitted to the Grand Chancellor for approval, he ordered a clause which provided for the expelling of members for certain causes to be struck out, as he could find no Law that provided for the expulsion of members. The Committee on Law and Supervision reported adversely to the Grand Chancellor's ruling, and recommended the approval of the clause in the By-laws, but the Grand Lodge sustained the Grand Chancellor's decision.

G. L. Session 1880.

[NOTE.—The decision of the Grand Chancellor will be found to be correct by reference to the Journal of the Supreme Lodge for 1868, page 18: "Laws for the Government of Subordinate Lodges"—"6th, No member can be expelled from the Order, but may be suspended for an indefinite number of years." No record of this Law seems to have been made in the Official Digest.—G.K.(U.S.)]

GRAND LODGE—Regalia.

Representatives and Past Chancellors must wear either the jewel or Past Chancellor's collar when attending the Sessions of Grand Lodge.

G. L. Session 1876.

Officers of, elected as Representatives.

Grand Lodge Officers who may be elected as Representatives from their Lodges will have their expenses paid by the Lodge so electing them.

G. L. Session 1874.

LODGE BOOKS.

The following books are kept in stock by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, viz: Lodge Roster, Black Book, Application Book, Receipts of Evening Book, Receipts of M. of E. to M. of F., Warrant Book, and Officers' Roll Book. Lodges, when requiring any of these, or other supplies, must procure them from the Grand Lodge.

G. L. Session 1876.

LODGE SEAL.

Resolved, That the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal take no notice of any document from Lodges without its bearing the Seal of the Lodge, and that said Officer return any informal documents to the Deputy of the District from which they are received.

G. L. Session 1878.

MEMBERSHIP—Applicants for.

Applicants for membership failing to present themselves for initiation within thirteen weeks, unless prevented by some unavoidable occurrence, forfeit the amount of their proposition fee, and their right to admittance on that application.

G. L. Session 1880.

Dispensation required for.

Any person fifty years of age or over cannot be admitted into a Lodge except by dispensation from the Grand Chancellor.

G. L. Session 1879.

A dispensation may be issued by the Grand Chancellor for a Lodge to initiate a maimed person, provided the deformity does not hinder him from gaining a livelihood for himself and family.

G. L. Session 1873.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION.

Resolved, That under the Constitution for Subordinate Lodges it is illegal to nominate and elect a member for any office on one night without a previous nomination.

G. L. Session 1879.

PAST CHANCELLORS.

Resolved, That the Rank of Past Chancellor be not conferred on any member who has not passed the Chancellor Commander's chair, except as provided in Constitution for institution of Lodges.

G. L. Session 1878.

PASSWORD—Semi-Annual.

After a new semi-annual password has been given to a Lodge, it cannot be opened, or Members admitted, under the old semi-annual password.

G. L. Session 1879.

Of Ranks, cannot instruct in.

A Chancellor Commander cannot instruct a visiting member in the Rank passwords, he being in possession of the S.A.P.W., unless he presents a proper order therefor.

G. L. Session 1879.

QUORUM.

A Lodge cannot work without a quorum of its own members.

G. L. Session 1879.

REPORTS—Semi-Annual.

The semi-annual Reports of Lodges must be sent to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal within one month after the commencement of a term.

G. L. Session 1878.

REPRESENTATIVES—Election of.

The Representatives to Grand Lodge must be elected one at a time, in the same manner as the regular Officers of a Lodge.

G. L. Session 1876.

When may be nominated and elected on same evening.

When a Representative resigns within two meeting nights of Grand Lodge, another may be nominated and elected, on the same evening, to fill the vacancy.

G. L. Session 1880.

RE-INSTATEMENT—May at any time apply for.

It matters not how long a member has been suspended for non-payment of dues, he may at any time, by the payment of one year's dues

and all the assessments accruing during the year for which suspended, make application for re-instatement, and would be entitled to a ballot of his Lodge on such application. *G. L. Session 1878.*

On what terms may apply for.

A Member having been suspended for non-payment of dues, can only be re-instated upon payment of one year's dues and all the assessments accruing during the year for which suspended ; and a Lodge cannot donate to any such Member, or have placed to his credit, any amount as an offset against such payment. *G. L. Session 1879.*

WITHDRAWAL CARDS—To Pages or Esquires.

A withdrawal card cannot be granted to Pages or Esquires. They must advance to the Rank of Knight before a card can be granted.

G. L. Session 1874.

Same.

By the legislation of the Supreme Lodge (Session 1878) Pages and Esquires can obtain withdrawal cards to transfer from one Lodge to another ; or if Members of a suspended or surrendered Lodge, they can obtain a withdrawal card from Grand Lodge, their Rank to be stated on the card in both cases. *G. L. Session 1879.*

On depositing must sign Lodge Roster.

A Member depositing his card in a Lodge must sign the Roster to complete his Membership. *G. L. Session 1879.*

Same.

Resolved, That the resolution adopted at last Session, requiring that a Member on depositing his card must sign the Lodge Roster to complete his membership be and is hereby repealed. *G. L. Session 1880.*

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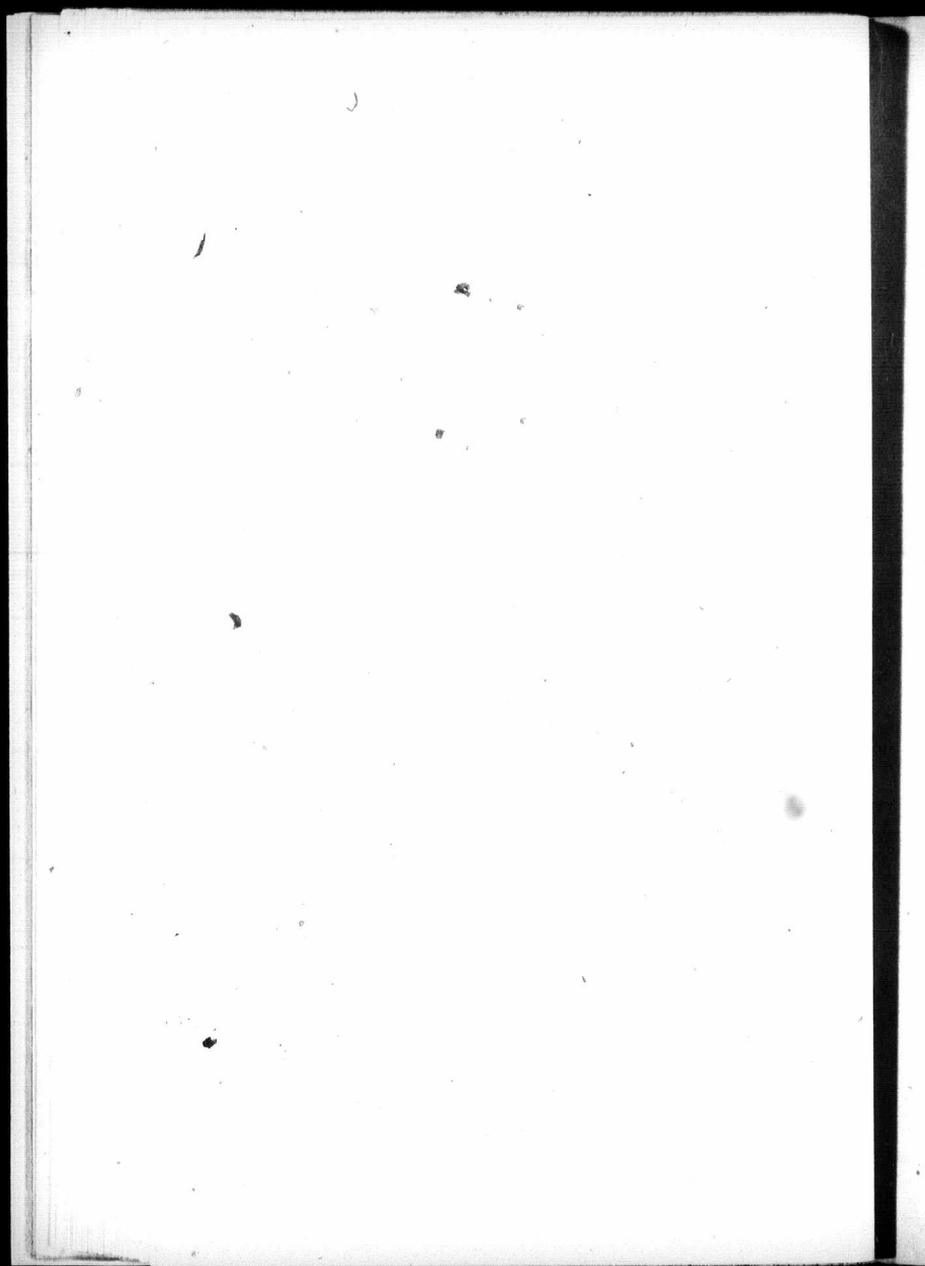
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By the legislation of the Grand Lodge in 1876, all subordinate lodges are required to procure their supplies from the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

Orders for Official Receipt Books should be sent at least *two* weeks before being needed, as they are not kept in stock.

Rituals.....	each, \$4 00
Installation Books.....	“ 80
Ode Cards	“ 10
Odes to Music	“ 40
Officers' Jewels, per set.....	\$12 00, \$18 00, and \$40 00

At institution of Lodges, a set of each of the above, including Charter, is furnished for \$35.00.

Lodge Books, comprising—

Lodge Roster, Application and Black Book.....	each \$1 25
Receipts of Evening Book, printed headings.....	2 25
Officers' Roll Book, “ “	1 50
Warrant Book, containing 200 pages.....	1 25
Ledger and Index, containing 200 pages.....	70
Minute Book, containing 400 pages.....	1 60
M. of F. Receipts from M. of E., 200 in book.....	1 00
Official Receipts for Dues, 100 in book.....	1 00
Official Digest.....	1 00
Past Chancellors' and Knights' Jewels, each, \$1 50, \$2 50, \$4 00	
Past Grand Chancellors' and D.D.G.C.s' Jewels, each \$4 50, \$5 50	
Membership Charts.....	each \$1 00
Withdrawal Cards.....	“ 50
Relief Shields.....	“ 10

The cash *must* in all cases accompany the order for any of the above.

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