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BARRIE, Ont., 7th August, 1888.

The Grand Encampment assembled in annual session in the Court House, Barrie, at 9 o'clock A.M., when E. W. King welcomed them in an appropriate address, which was responded to by the Grand Patriarch, John Sinclair.

The Grand Encampment was called to order.

PRESENT :

JOHN SINCLAIR .....	Grand Patriarch.
ABNER FRASER .....	Grand High Priest.
J. T. HORNIBROOK .....	Grand Senior Warden.
M. D. DAWSON .....	Grand Scribe.
EDMUND BELTZ .....	Grand Treasurer.
JOSEPH OLIVER .....	} Grand Representatives to Sovereign Grand Lodge.
JOHN WELSH .....	
JNO. A. MACDONALD .....	Grand Junior Warden.
H. A. JACKSON .....	Grand Sentinel.
W. D. LAWRIE .....	Grand O. Sentinel.
B. WILLSON .....	Grand Marshal.

Also, Past Grand Patriarchs James Woodyatt, Wm. H. Cole, John Gibson, E. R. Robinson, Francis Rae, Hector Urquhart and Frank Riddell.

The Grand Patriarch announced the following as a Committee on Credentials: M. D. Dawson, T. P. Blackwell, N. S. Young, Wm. Rudd and Wm. Luscombe.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

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BARRIE, Ontario, August 7th, 1888.

The Committee on Credentials, after examining the necessary Certificates presented of Representatives-elect, submitted the following Report, which was received and adopted :

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

Your Committee on Credentials respectfully report that from an examination of the Returns of Subordinates, and of the Certificates of Representatives elect, find the following named P. C. Patriarchs entitled to seats in this Grand Encampment :

Montreal Encampment,	No.	1.....	John J. Reed
Union	"	1.....	E. Poole
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"	"	2.....	R. S. McDonald
Harmony	"	3.....	John Isaacs
"	"	3.....	Thomas Brock
Brant	"	4.....	George Snider
Charity	"	5.....	James L. Armstrong
Beaver	"	6.....	John Reid
Burlington	"	7.....	P. McCandlish
"	"	7.....	Frank P. Hodd
Toronto	"	8.....	Thomas Colby
"	"	8.....	A. McGregor
Brock	"	9.....	C. C. Lyman
Chatham	"	10.....	J. Donovan
Ontario	"	11.....	Francis Rae
Albert	"	12.....	N. S. Young
Whitby	"	13.....	C. Taylor
Fidelity	"	14.....	H. Urquhart
Kingston	"	15.....	Wm. Saunders
Mt. Ararat	"	16.....	E. S. Lapum
Hebron	"	17.....	Wm. Fletcher
Quinte	"	19.....	Geo. P. Brown
Elgin	"	20.....	Fred. Doggett
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Unity	"	21.....	John Birss
Guiding Star	"	22.....	Alex. McDonell
Niagara Falls	"	23.....	J. R. Campbell
Friendship	"	24.....	A. B. Hunt
"	"	24.....	Wm. Stokes
Victoria	"	25.....	A. A. Stevenson
Alpha	"	26.....	Wm. Luscombe
Huron	"	28.....	Wm. Knight
Livingstone	"	29.....	Wm. Williams
Wentworth	"	30.....	W. H. Knowles
Wellington	"	31.....	W. J. Stevenson
Newmarket	"	32.....	W. D. Laurie
Exeter	"	33.....	Wm. C. Howard
Royal	"	36.....	Geo. E. Heming
Dresden	"	37.....	Wm. Rudd
Adelphian	"	38.....	Frank Riddell
"	"	38.....	T. P. Blackwell
Excelsior	"	39.....	D. Leitch
Aylmer	"	42.....	J. E. Scott
Collingwood	"	45.....	Thomas Smalley
Saugeen Valley	"	46.....	W. J. Nickle

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Returns have been received from all Encampments up to the 31st December, 1887, except the following: Peel, No. 34, Brampton; Brussels, No. 40, Brussels; Banner, No. 43, Harriston; Wildey, No. 44, Glencoe; and Owen Sound, No. 48, Owen Sound. Most of those are, we believe, defunct. None of the foregoing have reported for the past term, and, in addition, returns have not been received from Dufferin Encampment, No. 41, Point Edward.

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

	Union	Encampment, No.	
E. Poole	Union	1	St. Catharines
Thomas Brock	} Harmony	3	London
Samuel Friendship		4	Brantford
George Snider	Brant	7	Hamilton
Frank Hodd	Burlington	10	Chatham
J. Donovan	} Chatham	22	Lindsay
John McCorvie		23	Niagara Falls
Alex. McDonell	Guiding Star	24	Petrolia
J. R. Campbell	Niagara Falls	25	Port Hope
Wm. Stokes	} Friendship	28	Goderich
R. J. Morton		31	Guelph
A. A. Stevenson	Victoria	33	Exeter
Wm. Knight	Huron	36	Hamilton
W. J. Stevenson	Wellington	39	Ridgetown
Wm. C. Howard	Exeter	42	Aylmer
Geo. E. Heming	Royal	45	Collingwood
D. Leitch	Excelsior	47	Wingham
J. E. Scott	Aylmer	50	Toronto
Thos. Smalley	Collingwood	54	Barrie
Thos. J. Elliott	Minerva	55	Woodstock
John Morris	Rehoboth	57	Wallaceburg
W. J. Vallean	Mizpah	59	Belleville
John Mitchell	} Maple Leaf	60	Essex Centre
H. M. Bauslaugh		Phcenix	
Geo. A. McCann	Moir		
J. Coon	Central		
D. Welsh			

Name	Encampment, No.	No.	Place
A. H. Blackaby	Galt	62	Galt
R. N. Meade	Simcoe	63	Simcoe
Ed. S. Rorabeck	Ivy	64	Cobourg
S. S. Merrick	Eureka	65	CarletonPlace
Alex. Brodie	Aurora	67	Aurora

Representatives' Certificates have not been received from the following Encampments, viz.: Mt. Ararat Encampment, No. 16, Napanee; Hebron Encampment, No. 17, Parkhill; Livingstone Encampment, No. 29, Thorold; Ivy Encampment, No. 64, Cobourg; and Aurora Encampment, No. 67, Aurora.

We would respectfully recommend that the above-named Patriarchs be admitted and allowed to take their seats as Representatives.

Respectfully submitted,

M. D. DAWSON,  
T. P. BLACKWELL,  
N. S. YOUNG,  
WM. RUDD,  
WM. LUSCOMBE.

The Candidates were then formally introduced by the Grand Junior Warden, and received the Grand Encampment Degree.

The Grand Patriarch then appointed the following

#### COMMITTEES:

ON DISTRIBUTION—Jos. Oliver, Wm. Saunders, E. Poole, Fred. Doggett, and Wm. Fletcher.

ON FINANCE—Francis Rae, R. W. Bell, R. Ronan, A. McGregor, and J. H. Robinson.

ON PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE—John Welsh, Geo. Breen, Wm. Knowles, Thos. Smalley and J. Coon.

ON BY-LAWS—Hector Urquhart, R. S. McDonald, Geo. R. Brown, Alex. McDonald and Thos. Burnside.

ON RETURNS—Frank Riddell, James Armstrong, Thos. Colby, William Knight and Fred. Kress.

ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM—John J. Reed, C. C. Lyman, Thos. Brock, A. B. Hunt and W. J. Nickle.

ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES—James Woodyatt, Geo. E. Heming, Wm. Williams, D. H. Moore and S. S. Merrick.

ON STATE OF THE ORDER—John Donogh, A. H. Blackaby, D. Leitch, Jno. Mitchell and R. W. Meade.

ON JUDICIARY—Jno. Gibson, Thos. J. Elliott, Jno. Morris, Alex. Brodie and D. Campbell.

On motion, the minutes of last session, as printed, were adopted, with the following correction:

Changing the word "now," on the third last line of page 700, to the word "not."

#### REPORTS.

The Grand Patriarch, Grand Scribe, Grand Treasurer and Grand Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows then submitted their Reports in printed form, which were by resolution referred to Committee on Distribution.

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## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND PATRIARCH.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment, I.O.O.F., of Ontario :*

PATRIARCHS :—It affords me much pleasure to greet you all on this occasion, being our Nineteenth Annual Session.

It is our privilege to meet this year in the beautiful town of Barrie, whose picturesque surroundings take high rank in Canadian scenery, and whose history records the visits of such distinguished men as Sir John Franklin and John Gatt.

I greet you to-day with a great record of peace and prosperity.

The curtains of our habitation have been extending, and we are pleased to note a wholesome enthusiasm prevailing throughout our ranks.

I earnestly trust that our deliberations to-day will be conducted as peaceably and harmoniously as they have ever been at our Annual Sessions, and that each officer and member present will derive much profit and pleasure from our proceedings.

I have great pleasure in submitting the following report :

### (1) NEW ENCAMPMENTS.

I am happy to report that during the past year five new Encampments have been added to our numbers.

On January 25th, in company with M. D. Dawson, Grand Scribe ; J. A. McDonald, Grand Junior Warden ; F. J. Daniels, D. D. G. P., and a number of Patriarchs from Ottawa, I instituted Eureka Encampment, No. 65, at Carleton Place. Although this Encampment did not start with as many members as some others, I believe it will render a good account of itself in the near future.

On January 27th, assisted by M. D. Dawson, Grand Scribe, and a large number of the members of Mount Hebron Encampment, No. 56, I instituted Hiawatha Encampment, No. 66, in the town of Peterborough. This Encampment has a membership of 24.

On June 1st, when I was ably assisted by M. D. Dawson, Grand Scribe ; Joseph Oliver, Grand Representative ; J. T. Hornibrook, G.S.W. ; W. D. Lawrie, G. S., and a number of Patriarchs from Newmarket, I instituted Aurora Encampment, No. 67, at the village of Aurora. This Encampment started with 7 chartered members and 17 initiates.

On June 22nd, assisted by Joseph Oliver and John Welsh, Grand Representatives ; B. Willson, Grand Marshal, and a number of Patriarchs from Norwich, I instituted Otter Valley Encampment, No. 68, in the town of Tilsonburg. On this occasion Grand Scribe Dawson was unavoidably absent performing military duties in Stratford. This Encampment starts under very favorable circumstances.

On July 25th, assisted by M. D. Dawson, Grand Scribe ; John Welsh, Grand Representative ; John Gibson, Past Grand Patriarch ; John Welsh, and Cameron from Parkhill, and 8 Patriarchs from Petrolea, I instituted Forest Encampment, No. 69, at the village of Forest. This Encampment has three Lodges to draw from, and I believe it will be a success.

I recommend that Charters be granted to these five Encampments.



## (2) OFFICIAL VISITS.

December 9th I visited Frontier Encampment, No. 2. at Windsor, where I received a royal and fraternal welcome from the Patriarchs. About 125 were present, many of them from Detroit and other parts of Michigan, and from Chatham, Essex Centre, Ridgetown, Woodstock, Petrolea, and other places. On this occasion the Degrees were worked by the Camp Degree team, commanded by Capt. Wm. Bushel. I believe that this is the only organized Camp Degree team in this jurisdiction. I was highly pleased with the way the work was done—every officer did his part so perfectly. Too much praise cannot be given to the Patriarchs of Windsor for the perfect manner in which they do their work.

If the Grand Encampment could see their way clear to pay the expenses of this team and to have them exemplify the work before the Representatives of this Grand Encampment, I am sure it would be a great benefit to this branch of the Order.

December 27th I visited Friendship Encampment, No. 24, and installed their officers, assisted by A. B. Hunt, D.D.G.P.

## (3) STATE OF THE ORDER.

W. Chatfield, D.D.G.P., No. 1, St. Catharines, reports: "Increase, 4 last term; 4 applications in hand. Every Patriarch good on the books."

G. Breen, D.D.G.P., No. 2, Windsor, reports: "Our Camp is in a very prosperous condition. Nine new members added during the year, etc."

T. B. Blackwell, D.D.G.P., Nos. 3 and 38, London, reports: "A slight increase in membership; both Camps in a healthy condition; good attendance at our meetings, and peace and harmony prevails, etc."

G. D. Snider, D.D.G.P., No. 4, Brantford, reports: "No addition to membership; finances first-class; good attendance, etc."

Jas. Bennoch, D.D.G.P., No. 5, Stratford, reports: "Membership same as last report; financially in good standing; a good staff of officers installed; prospects bright, etc."

W. N. Ford, D.D.G.P., No. 6, St. Marys, reports: "We have been able to hold our own the past year. The outlook for the future is encouraging, and expect to show a more favorable record next report, etc."

Jas. Burton, D.D.G.P., Nos. 7 and 36, Hamilton, reports: "I regret to have to report a loss of two members in the Hamilton Encampments for the year. Burlington Encampment has appointed a committee with the object of organizing a Degree team for this branch of the Order, etc."

W. Brace, D.D.G.P., No. 9, Brockville, reports: "No great increase in membership; financially and otherwise good."

J. Donovan, D.D.G.P., No. 10, Chatham, reports: "The term now closed has been a prosperous one with this Encampment; 4 members added."

N. S. Young, D.D.G.P., No. 12, Bowmanville, reports: "You will observe that we have not been idle during the past term. We have added 14 by initiation, 1 by card and reinstated 4; total gain, 19."

Patriarch Young also reports that Canton Bowmanville, instituted in that town January 24th, 1888, is in a flourishing condition with 34 of a membership.

P. H. Johnston, D.D.G.P., No. 14, Strathroy, reports: "The term just ended has been a very prosperous one, and the future is bright, etc."

M. Hyslop, D.D.G.P., No. 21, Ingersoll, reports: "We have held our own during the past term. All our members are good on the books, and prospects for the future are bright, etc."

J. R. Campbell, D.D.G.P., No. 23, Niagara Falls, reports: "A small increase in membership; financially in good standing, and prospects good, etc."

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A. B. Hunt, D. D. G. P., No. 24, Petrolia, reports: "Friendship Encampment is in a very flourishing condition, having just closed the term with a net increase of 22 members, and I think we will be able to report as good an increase at the end of the present term. Financially our standing is good. All the officers can do their work without a Ritual in sight. Average attendance at meetings, 40, and peace and harmony prevails within our tent, etc."

D. Ramsey, D. D. G. P., No. 29, Thorold, reports: "We are holding our own. Everything quiet and hope to have a better report next term, etc."

F. Saxton, D. D. G. P., No. 32, Newmarket, reports: "The prospects of this Encampment were never brighter than at present. Increase in membership for the term, 6. All is peace and harmony beneath the folds of our tent, etc."

E. J. Spackman, D. D. G. P., No. 33, Exeter, reports: "No gain in membership this term. We have good meetings every night, and the Patriarchs are deeply interested in the Order, etc."

Wm. Rudd, D. D. G. P., No. 37, Dresden, reports: "I regret to have to report a decrease—5 members, 2 for N. P. D., and 3 withdrawals, who, if lost to us, will be a gain to other Encampments, as they intend to join when they have located in other parts of the jurisdiction. We have a fair attendance at our meetings; our Camp is healthy and good prospects ahead, etc."

G. F. Clark, D. D. G. P., No. 42, Aylmer, reports: "I regret to say that we find it difficult at some of our meetings to get a quorum, and there is a lack of interest in this branch of the Order here. It seems to me if some of our Grand Officers would pay us a visit it would have a tendency to revive interest in the work. I am in hopes we will be able to give a better account of No. 42 next term."

W. Robertson, D. D. G. P., No. 47, Wingham, reports: "I am pleased to say that Minerva Encampment is working up to the Constitution and By-laws. We have had no question of importance before the Encampment during the year. We have had no sickness or deaths, and a clear gain of two members for the year."

W. R. Hickey, D. D. G. P., No. 51, Bothwell, reports: "Sometimes in the summer months it is difficult to get a fair attendance. We have added none to our members last term; we have lost none, etc."

F. I. Daniels, D. D. G. P., Nos. 53 and 65, Ottawa, reports: "I have great pleasure in reporting an increase in the term just closed of 13, and only one withdrawal. Our finances are in good condition, and our future never appeared brighter. Our officers are not only able but willing to do good work for our advancement. And I see no reason to doubt but that we are now entering a more prosperous term than the one just closed, etc. We have lately received new paraphernalia, and I believe a team will be at once organized, and the degrees conferred in a manner that will add still greater attraction to our tents."

A. Ross, D. D. G. P., No. 55, Woodstock, reports: "Having to leave Woodstock and take a situation in Toronto, I placed the Encampment in charge of P. C. P. Johnston, who promised to look after its interest. When I left it was in a very satisfactory condition. I hope that the Scribe's report will be favorable, etc."

A. McFarlane, D. D. G. P., Nos. 56 and 66, Peterborough, reports: "The Patriarchal branch of the Order has prospered in Peterborough during the last term. Hiawatha Encampment has reached a membership of 24, and peace and harmony prevails beneath their tents, etc."

J. Howard, D. D. G. P., No. 57, Wallaceburg, reports: "Our Encampment is prospering. The term just closed we have added 12 to our membership, and prospects are good, etc."

O. C. Barrie, C.P., Nos. 66, Essex Centre, reports: "In the absence of our D.D.G.P., P.C.P. Welsh installed our officers, and everything is going along nicely."

J. H. Robertson, D.D.G.P., No. 61, Norwich, reports: "I regret to say that there is some difficulty in securing as good attendance at our meetings as I would wish; however, I believe we are not as bad in that respect as some others. And I believe we are doing as well as could be expected, etc."

J. W. Cunningham, D.D.G.P., No. 64, Cobourg, reports: "I regret that I cannot report an increase in membership since last report. We have a membership of 29 in good standing. Our outfit is all paid for, and not a cent in debt, and expect to be able to give a better report next term."

#### COMMITTEE ON LAWS.

I have re-appointed the following Patriarchs to act during recess, a Committee on By-Laws, viz.: Grand Scribe M. D. Dawson, Grand Representative Cl. T. Campbell, London, and P.C. Patriarch M. J. Beam, of St. Marys.

#### (4) CORRESPONDENCE.

I herewith submit all correspondence received in connection with the Grand Patriarch's Office during the year, and copies of my replies thereto.

#### (5) DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

I am happy to state that all the District Deputies who have reported to me have performed their duties during the year in a very satisfactory manner. To one and all of them I return my sincere thanks.

#### (6) QUESTIONS AND DECISIONS.

I am happy to say that during the year no questions of importance have been submitted for my decision. A number of questions have been asked and very easily answered by reference to Digest, or Book of Laws, which was satisfactory.

#### (7) AUDITORS.

I re-appointed as auditors Jas. Smith, P.G.M., and E. R. Robinson, P.G.P., of London. After some time these Patriarchs tendered their resignation, which I accepted. And I then appointed as auditors P.G.P. Frank Riddell, of Adelpian, and Past Chief Patriarch T. G. Lowe, of Harmony Encampments, both of London.

#### (8) ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COURTESIES.

Before closing my report, I cannot allow this opportunity to pass without acknowledging my indebtedness to all the Patriarchs for their kindness and co-operation. More especially to M. D. Dawson, Grand Scribe; Joseph Oliver and J. Welsh, Grand Representatives; J. T. Hornibrook, G.S.W.; J. A. McDonald, G. J.W.; B. Willson, Grand Marshal and W. D. Lawrie, Grand Sentinel, for their courtesy and able assistance on all occasions.

#### (9) CONCLUSION.

And now, Patriarchs, my labors for the past year are before you, for your consideration. I have endeavored to perform the duties of this high and important office to the best of my ability. It is a matter of pride to me that I now surrender my charge to my successor in better condition than when I received it. And my prayer is that each and every one of my successors may be able to report our beloved order in a better and more prosperous condition, each and every year, for all time to come.

Fraternally yours,

JOHN SINCLAIR,  
Grand Patriarch.

Barrie, August 7th, 1888.

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## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND SCRIBE.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment of Ontario:*

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**PATRIARCHS:**—The pleasant associations and memories of the past make our annual gatherings meetings of more than ordinary interest. Two decades have nearly gone and still we meet many old and valued friends that assisted at the organization of this Grand Encampment nineteen years ago, in the City of Hamilton. At that time we had but six subordinate encampments within a circuit of two hundred miles, and with a total membership of less than 200; this year we have reached sixty-nine Encampments, with over 3000 members, extending to the Province of Quebec, and have this boast to make, that we have never yet reported a loss over the preceding year. This year has been an exceptionally prosperous one; only one year of our existence, 15 years ago, when we instituted six new encampments, has it been surpassed. From the far east to the setting sun in the Forest of the west new tents have been spread with the brightest prospects for the future. Strife, discord or contention is unknown in this Branch. The Golden Rule has asserted its power and obtained dominion, and we look for and expect a most harmonious session. I ask that the blessing of Heaven may rest upon our labors, and that the commingling together of our representatives may be productive of the happiest results.

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### STATE OF THE ORDER.

The encampments that last year were reported in a dormant state are now practically without an existence. I have dropped Brussels Encampment, No. 40, Brussels; Peel, No. 34, Brampton; Banner, No. 43, Harriston; and Wildey, No. 44, Newbury, from the abstract of returns. The charters and effects have not yet been sent in.

Five new encampments have been instituted since our last Annual Session, all in good flourishing localities. Eureka Encampment, No. 65, at Carleton Place, on January 25th, 1888. There were eight Charter Members, and five have been initiated since. Hiawatha Encampment, No. 66, at Peterborough, January 27th, 1888, with 10 Charter Members; fourteen new members have been initiated since. Both of these encampments were instituted at a very inclement season of the year, when the thermometer was down about 20° below zero, and under rather trying circumstances. Experience demonstrated the fact that when travelling in such a country, to fill an appointment at the rigorous season of the year, it is wise always to have a day to spare. Aurora, No. 67, at

Aurora, June 1st, 1888, with five Charter Members; eighteen have been received since. Otter Valley Encampment, No. 68, Tilsonburg, June 21st, 1888, with eight Charter Members. And Forest Encampment, No. 69, at Forest, July 25th, 1888, with five Charter Members. At the latter place sixteen applicants were accepted, and received all the degrees. I assisted the Grand Patriarch at the opening of all the encampments, except Otter Valley, No. 68, Tilsonburg, when Grand Representative Bro. Oliver kindly officiated for me.

Several of the old encampments have within the last term exhibited renewed energy, and have contributed large additions to their membership. The following named have made double figures: Albert, No. 12, Bowmanville, 14; Elgin, No. 20, 16; Friendship, No. 24, Petrolea, 22; Outaouais, No. 53, Ottawa, 13, and Phoenix, No. 57, Wallaceburg, 12.

I had 600 copies of the Journal of Proceedings of last year printed and circulated as in previous years. That number will, I think, be sufficient for the coming year.

The Standing Committee on By-laws, consisting of Patriarch Cl. T. Campbell, and the Grand Scribe of London, with Patriarch Beam, of St. Marys, carefully examined all By-laws and Amendments to laws that were submitted to them during the year. No time was lost in approving or amending those submitted, and no expense was incurred. The following encampments have had amendments to their By-laws sanctioned during the year: Montreal Encampment, No. 1, Montreal, and Guiding Star Encampment, No. 22, Lindsay. The following have had their By-Laws complete, approved, viz.: Royal Encampment, No. 36, Hamilton; Bothwell Encampment, No. 51, Bothwell; Outaouais Encampment, No. 53, Ottawa; Phoenix Encampment, No. 57, Wallaceburg; Waba Encampment, No. 58, Arnprior; Amicus Encampment, No. 61, Norwich; Galt Encampment, No. 62, Galt, and Ivy Encampment, No. 64, Cobourg.

The following letter lately received is referred for decision; I am unable at present to give the standing of the brother, as I did not receive the account books.

Trenton, Ont., July 27th, 1888.

M. D. DAWSON, ESQ.

*Grand Scribe of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:*

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—I hereby apply to the Grand Encampment of I. O. O. F. for a Dismissal Certificate from Seaforth Encampment, the said encampment having surrendered its Charter.

Yours truly,

C. ARMSTRONG.

N.B.—It is possible that I may be in Barrie about the time of the session.

Immediately after the close of the last session of the Grand Encampment I notified the two encampments at Belleville of the report of the Committee on Appeals, sending them a copy of the Report. I also officially notified the

special Committee appointed on the adjustment of the difficulty of their appointment. Since that time I have had no notice of the result.

I received a very pressing invitation from Outaouais Encampment, No. 53, Ottawa, to attend the dedication of the new Odd-Fellows' Hall there, on May 3rd last, and to be the guest of that encampment during my stay in that city, but, owing to protracted severe sickness, I was prevented from being present. I desire, however, publicly to return my sincere thanks to the Ottawa Patriarchs.

During the past year I have complied with the resolution of the Finance Committee granting a duplicate Charter to Mount Ararat Encampment, No. 16, to replace the one destroyed, by fire. Charters have also been sent to Amicus Encampment, No. 61, Norwich; Galt Encampment, No. 62, Galt; Simcoe Encampment, No. 63, Simcoe, and Ivy Encampment, No. 64, Cobourg.

The following figures will give the progress of the Encampment during the six months ending June 30th, 1888:

Initiated.....	233
Admitted by card.....	25
Reinstated.....	12
	Total.....270
From which deduct	
Withdrawn by card.....	23
Suspended for non-payment of Dues.....	47
Suspended for cause.....	1
Expelled.....	1
Deceased.....	9
	Total.....81
Increase for the last six months.....	189

The following is the abstract of the semi-annual returns for the year ending December 31st, 1887:



(3) Abstract of the Semi-Annual Returns of the Subordinate Encampments of Ontario, I.O.O.F., for the Term ending June 30th, 1887.

NAME OF ENCAMPMENT.	No.	Initiations.	Admitted by Card.	Rejections.	Withdrawn.	Expelled.	Retained.	Suspended for Non-Payment of Dues.	Suspended for Cause.	Deaths.	Degrees Conferred.	Members on the Books.	No. of Patriarchs Relieved.	Widowed Families which Benefits were Paid.	Amount paid for Relief of Patriarchs.	Amount paid for Relief of Widowed Families.	Burying the Dead.	Special Relief.	Total Amount of Relief.	Dues to Grand Encampment.	Revenue.	Cash on hand and Invested.
Montreal Union.....	1	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	77	0	0	\$ 12 50	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Frontier.....	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	124	37	37	\$ 74 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Money.....	3	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	119	52	52	\$ 106 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Beant.....	4	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	56	14	14	\$ 27 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Charity.....	5	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	56	14	14	\$ 27 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Beaver.....	6	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	100	42	42	\$ 80 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Burlington.....	7	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	101	36	36	\$ 60 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Toronto.....	8	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	100	42	42	\$ 80 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Quebec.....	9	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	100	42	42	\$ 80 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Quebec.....	10	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Ontario.....	11	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Albert.....	12	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Whitby.....	13	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Frederic.....	14	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Manx Ararat.....	15	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Hobson.....	16	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Quance.....	17	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Engin.....	18	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Uxary.....	19	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Windsor.....	20	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Windsor Park.....	21	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Friendship.....	22	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Windsor.....	23	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Windsor.....	24	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Victoria.....	25	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Albion.....	26	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Elton.....	27	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Livingstone.....	28	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0

Wentworth.....	29	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Wellington.....	30	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Newmarket.....	31	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Royal.....	32	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Presiden.....	33	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Adelphi.....	34	12	12	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	34	27	29	29	\$ 36 00	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
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NAME OF ENCAMPMENT.	Initiations.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Withdrawn.	Suspended for Cause.	Suspended for Non-payment of Dues.	Expelled.	Deaths.	Degrees Conferred.	Members on the Books.	No. of Patriarchs Relieved.	Widowed Families Relieved.	No. of Weeks for which Benefits were Paid.	Amount paid for Relief of Patriarchs.	Amount of Relief to Widowed Families.	Burying the Dead.	Special Relief.	Total Amount of Relief.	Dues to Grand Encampment.	Revenue.	Cash on hand and Invested.
Union.....	1									60	4		23	\$ 0 00	0 00			\$ 0 00	\$ 0 00	\$ 0 00	\$ 0 00
Montreal.....	2									60	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Quebec.....	3									126	8		60	28 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Harmony.....	4									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Brant.....	5									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Charity.....	6									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Beaver.....	7									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Burlington.....	8									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Toronto.....	9									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Brook.....	10									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Chatham.....	11									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Ontario.....	12									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Albert.....	13									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Windsor.....	14									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Windsor.....	15									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Kingston.....	16									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Mount Ararat.....	17									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Hebron.....	18									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Quebec.....	19									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Quebec.....	20									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Uglen.....	21									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Guiding Star.....	22									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Niagara Falls.....	23									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Friendship.....	24									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Victoria.....	25									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Alpha.....	26									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87
Livingstone.....	27									110	8		60	32 00	0 00			58 00	11 00	171 70	108 87

Wentworth.....	30									37	1		5	5 00	0 00			5 00	5 00	9 25	35 01
Newmarket.....	31									41	1		3	17 00	0 00			17 00	5 00	9 25	35 01
Exeter.....	32									10	1		8	3 00	0 00			3 00	5 00	9 25	35 01
Royal.....	33									13	1		3	3 00	0 00			3 00	5 00	9 25	35 01
Drummond.....	34									20	1		6	6 00	0 00			6 00	5 00	9 25	35 01
Edinburgh.....	35									6	1		2	2 00	0 00			2 00	5 00	9 25	35 01
Edinburgh.....	36									6	1		2	2 00	0 00			2 00	5 00	9 25	35 01
Edinburgh.....	37									6	1		2	2 00	0 00			2 00	5 00	9 25	35 01
Edinburgh.....	38									6	1		2	2 00	0 00			2 00	5 00	9 25	35 01
Edinburgh.....	39									6	1		2	2 00	0 00			2 00	5 00	9 25	35 01
Edinburgh.....	40									6	1		2	2 00	0 00			2 00	5 00	9 25	35 01



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STATISTICS.

The following summary from the Returns will give our membership and standing on December 31st, 1887. I have left out the membership of Encampments that have not reported :

Number of Members, as per last Report .....		3016
Initiated during the year ending December 31st, 1887.....	289	
Admitted by Card.....	15	
Reinstated.....	9	
		<u>313</u>
Total.....		3329
From which deduct—		
Withdrawn by Card.....	35	
Suspended for non-payment of Dues.....	179	
Suspended for Cause.....	1	
Deceased.....	17	
Expelled.....	1	
		<u>233</u>
In Membership, December 31st, 1887.....		3096
Number of Patriarchs relieved.....	215	
Number of weeks sickness for which Benefits were paid 992	\$ 220 00	
Amount paid for Burying the Dead.....	144 35	
Amount of Special Relief.....	1,354 20	
Amount paid for the Relief of Patriarchs.....		
Total amount of Relief paid .....	\$1,718 55	
Invested Funds of Subordinates.....	\$31,187 00	
Total Amount of Annual Revenue.....	8,202 05	

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## GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

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## FINANCE.

The finances of the Grand Encampment continue to be healthy. The increase over 1886 is not as large as appears in the balance in the Grand Treasurer's hands, as a bill of \$156.10 for printing Journal, &c., due in 1888, was not paid until January, 1888. We have no indebtedness, and quite a balance will be to our credit after the expenses of the present session are met. Our stock is not quite as large, still we have a good supply on hand.

## ASSETS.

The following statement is an exhibit of cash due, and stock on hand, 31st December, 1887:

Amount due by Subordinates.....		\$797 99
18 Charters @ \$1.00 .....	\$18 00	
57 Copies Book of Laws, @ 30c.....	17 00	
11 Emblematical Charts, @ \$3.00.....	33 00	
5 Registration Books, @ \$2.50.....	12 50	
13 Receipt " @ 1.75.....	22 75	
7 Draft " @ 2.00.....	14 00	
12 Proposition " @ 3.25.....	39 00	
8 Black " @ 2.00.....	16 00	
6 Roll " @ 1.00.....	6 00	
7 Treasurer's " @ 1.00.....	7 00	
1 Return " @ 1.00.....	1 00	
6 Charge " @ 2.00.....	12 00	
87 Cards @ 25c.....	21 75	
1050 Notices of arrears, @ \$1.00.....	10 50	
Total.....		<u>230 60</u>

The Cash Receipts for the present term, up to 1st August, amount to \$1,571.61, with an expenditure of \$637.32, leaving a balance to the credit of the Grand Encampment of \$934.29.



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STATEMENT OF MONEYS RECEIVED

From 1st January to the 31st December, 1887.

Name and Number of Encampment.	Dues.	Charters	Supplies	TOTAL.
Montreal Encampment, No. 1	\$ 31 25			\$ 31 25
Union " " 1	37 50			37 50
Frontier " " 2	60 00		\$10 00	70 00
Harmony " " 3	60 00			60 00
Brant " " 4	47 00			47 00
Charity " " 5	32 00		1 82	33 82
Burlington " " 6	8 00			8 00
Beaver " " 7	52 50		5 85	58 35
Toronto " " 8	60 00			60 00
Chatham " " 9	26 00			26 00
Ontario " " 10	27 50			27 50
Albert " " 11	13 50			13 50
Whitby " " 12	15 00			15 00
Fidelity " " 13	6 50			6 50
Kingston " " 14	23 25			23 25
Mount Ararat " " 15	32 00		4 20	36 20
Hebron " " 16	11 50			11 50
Quinte " " 17	12 00			12 00
Eigin " " 18	27 00			27 00
Unity " " 19	64 00			64 00
Guiding Star " " 20	27 00			27 00
Niagara Falls " " 21	16 00		3 00	19 00
Friendship " " 22	21 50			21 50
Victoria " " 23	37 25			37 25
Alpha " " 24	37 50		3 60	41 10
Huron " " 25	11 00			11 00
Livingstone " " 26	30 50			30 50
Wentworth " " 27	8 50			8 50
Wellington " " 28	18 00			18 00
Newmarket " " 29	19 75			19 75
Exeter " " 30	24 75			24 75
Royal " " 31	8 25			8 25
Dresden " " 32	18 75		1 80	20 55
Adelphian " " 33	13 00			13 00
Excelsior " " 34	30 25		90	31 15
Dufferin " " 35	13 50			13 50
Aylmer " " 36	22 50			22 50
Collingwood " " 37	15 00			15 00
Saugen Valley " " 38	10 00			10 00
Minerva " " 39	17 00			17 00
Owen Sound " " 40	17 75			17 75
Samaritan " " 41	5 25			5 25
Rehoboth " " 42	12 00			12 00
Bothwell " " 43	28 00			28 00
Ridgely " " 44	17 50			17 50
Outaouais " " 45	11 25		3 60	14 85
Mispah " " 46	23 75		7 75	31 50
Maple Leaf " " 47	23 50			23 50
Mount Hebron " " 48	20 00		1 75	21 75
Phoenix " " 49	30 75		5 65	36 40
Waba " " 50	18 00			18 00
Moirs " " 51	25 25			25 25
Central " " 52	48 75			48 75
Amicus " " 53	20 00			20 00
Galt " " 54	10 75			10 75
Simcoe " " 55	14 95			14 95
Ivy " " 56	12 25		3 30	15 55
Eureka " " 57	6 50		21 15	27 65
Dec 31—Cash overpaid Grand Treasurer			\$30 00	30 00
Interest on Bank Deposit				50 00
Balance in Grand Treasurer's hands, 1st Jan., 1887				15 90
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## EXPENDITURE.

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Drafts, Sovereign Grand Lodge.....	\$177 00
Expenses of Drafts, R. R. Certificates, Telegrams, Duty, Freight, &c.....	12 37
Cash as per Pay Roll.....	782 90
Salary Grand Scribe, 1 year to Dec. 31st, 1887....	275 00
James Smith } Auditors.....	10 00
E. R. Robinson }	
R. B. Hungerford, Premium on Stock.....	3 00
Postage Account for one year.....	29 25
Reid Bros. & Co., Stationery Account.....	5 95
Grand Patriarch's Account.....	9 52
Printing Account and other supplies.....	86 50
Dec. 31, Cash in Grand Treasurer's hands.....	\$1,391 49
	<u>484 93</u>
Total.....	\$1,876 42

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## CORRESPONDENCE.

Nothing of consequence has transpired during the year calling for especial mention. Courtesy has marked all correspondence. There are no appeals or complaints that I have heard of. Considerable enthusiasm has prevailed in different portions of the jurisdiction with regard to team work in the subordinate branch, and that has affected the Encampments for good. The institution of Cantons has also been productive of good. I have much pleasure in submitting all correspondence received.

A few extracts from letters will be of interest to the Order, showing the harmony and prosperity that exists, and cannot be obtained in any other way than by publication.

N. S. Young, the D.D.C.P. of Albert Encampment, No. 12, Bowmanville, writes under date of July 24 :

"We have had a fairly prosperous term, and indications of a rapidly increasing membership are good, owing in a very great measure to the successful organization of a Canton of Patriarchs Militant in January last."

Jas. Pellow, Scribe of Ontario Encampment, No. 12, Oshawa, under date of March 23rd, writes :

"We are getting some life in our Encampment again. Have had nineteen propositions this term, and we think that Ontario No. 11 will be again a prosperous Encampment."

John E. Richards, Scribe of Aylmer Encampment, No. 42, under date of July 25, writes :

"I am sorry we are unable to make a better showing, but the hard times has kept us from increasing in membership. We have been able to hold ourselves level financially, and hope for better things in the future. We would be much pleased if some of our Grand Officers would pay us a visit, and stir up this branch of our Order. Hoping that the approaching meeting of the Grand Encampment will be pleasant and profitable."

A. B. Hunt, D.D.G.P. of Friendship Encampment, No. 24, Petrolia, under date of July 13, '88, writes :

"Six months ago, when writing, I mentioned to you that I thought that we would have an increase of about twenty-five for the term, and you will see by the report that I was not far wrong. We report an increase of twenty-two, and the

prospects for next term are good, and I anticipate an increase of at least fifteen for the term. Grand Patriarch Sinclair has been very regular in attending the meetings, and he deserves much of the credit of our success. Our officers have mastered the written work, so that they can give any of the degrees without referring to it.

L. Ferguson, Scribe of Elgin Encampment, No. 20, St. Thomas, writes, 17th July, 1888:

"Last year you were pleased to report us the banner Encampment of Ontario, with a membership of 130. Having gained the summit of our ambition, we allowed ourselves to lie on our oars; the consequence was, for the next term, through suspensions and other causes, we dropped down to 124. This last term, feeling that something must be done to hold the position we had attained, the Patriarchs buckled on their armor, and we now report a net gain of twelve for the term, thus expecting to hold the proud position we reached a year ago. I am also pleased to direct your attention to our report under the head of *Assets*, this item having reached the handsome sum of \$2015.89; and in this respect we probably stand second in the jurisdiction. Our sick benefits list is also large, being \$106 for the term, and in this we probably lead all other Encampments in the jurisdiction. St. Thomas now boasts of having both the banner Lodge and Encampment in the Province."

Samuel Wood, Scribe of Collingwood Encampment, No. 45, Collingwood, writes, Jan. 23rd, 1888:

"Our prospects for the present term are good. We have already balloted for four new members, and will initiate them on Friday, the 3rd of February. We are entirely out of debt with a balance in the treasury. This gives us confidence to approach the members of the Lodge and enlist them to become members of the Encampment."

Freeman J. Daniels, the D.D.G.P. of Outaouais Encampment, No. 53, writes, July 13, 1888:

"You will see by the report that we have had a very prosperous term, and, I may add, a very harmonious one."

John A. Macdonald, of Waba Encampment, No. 58, Arnprior, writes, July 14th, 1888:

"We are getting on very well—membership increasing, as you will see by report. Had a visit from Canton Outaouais last month, and nineteen of our members received the P.M. Degree. It is our intention to start a Canton soon."

P. Johnston, Scribe of Maple Leaf Encampment, No. 55, Woodstock, writes, 12th July, 1888:

"You will gather from the report that we are not in a booming condition, but are holding our own and a little better, and are confidently looking forward to a considerable addition to our ranks during the present term. We aim at a Canton at no distant date, and will endeavor to strengthen the Encampment in numbers as much as possible to enable us to attain that object."

#### INVITATION

The following invitation has been received:

St. Catharines, Ont., July 18, 1888.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.,—I have been instructed by resolution passed at the last meeting of Union Encampment, No. 1, I.O.O.F., to invite you, and through you to extend a cordial invitation to the Grand Encampment of Ontario, to hold their next Annual Session for 1889 in the City of St. Catharines, Ont.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Yours fraternally,

C. J. MOORE,

M. D. DAWSON, Grand Scribe,  
London, Ont.

Scribe of Union Encampment, No. 1.

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In conclusion, I desire to thank the Patriarchs everywhere for their many courtesies and acts of kindness. I have done less urging the past year than in any former one, and the returns have come in promptly. The District Deputy Grand Patriarchs have been very efficient, and manifested much promptness and ability. Much of our success is due to the labor of our Grand Patriarch. His whole heart is in his work. Neither the intense cold of our eastern climate or the torrid atmosphere of our western summer sun keeps him from working for the cause. Under the most discouraging circumstances he has maintained the same steadfast energy, and his work of the past year will not be lost to the Patriarchal Branch of this Order.

Trusting that this session may be both pleasant and profitable, I am,

Fraternally yours,

M. D. DAWSON,

Grand Scribe.

London, Ont., August 7th, 1888.

## REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER

### *In Acct. with the Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F.*

PATRIARCHS 1.—The following is my Financial Statement for the Year ending 31st December, 1887.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
1887.		1887.	
Jan. 1—To Balance on hand	\$ 301 09	Jan. 14—By Order No. 8	6 15
“ 15—“ Cash from the Grand Scribe	118 50	“ “ “ “ “ 9	18 00
“ 21—“ “ “ “ “ “	150 00	“ “ “ “ “ 10	15 00
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“ 25—“ “ “ “ “ “	50 00	“ “ “ “ “ 14	15 65
July 28—“ “ “ “ “ “	532 07	“ “ “ “ “ 15	23 00
Aug. 5—“ “ “ “ “ “	300 00	“ “ “ “ “ 16	95 00
“ 6—“ “ “ “ “ “	50 00	“ “ “ “ “ 17	5 00
Dec. 31—“ Interest in Bank	158 86	“ “ “ “ “ 18	1 95
		“ “ “ “ “ 19	28 50
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		Sept. 23—“ Cash paid, Mileage and per Diem	12 10
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		Dec. 21—“ “ “ “ “ “ 28	150 00
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Fraternally yours,  
EDMUND BELTZ, Grand Treas.

London, Ont., August 7th, 1888.

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## GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

*To the Grand Encampment of Ontario :*

BARRIE, Aug. 7, 1888.

Your Committee on Distribution, to whom was referred the reports of the Grand Patriarch, Grand Scribe, Grand Treasurer and Grand Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, beg to recommend :

## GRAND PATRIARCH'S REPORT.

Clauses Nos. 1, 2 and 3 be referred to Committee on State of the Order ; Clause 4 be referred to Committee on Correspondence ; Clause 6 to Committee on Judiciary.

## GRAND SCRIBE'S REPORT.

Clauses 2, 3, 4 and 5 to Committee on State of the Order ; Clauses 6, 7 and 8 to Committee on Finance ; Clause 9 to the end of the Report to Committee on Correspondence.

## GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

BARRIE, Aug. 7, 1888.

The whole of the Report to the Committee on Finance.

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT.

That the whole of the report be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH OLIVER,  
W. SAUNDERS,  
WM. FLETCHER,  
FRED DOGGETT,  
C. POOLE.

## REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE AS TO ANNUAL COST OF HOLDING MEETINGS IN MONTREAL.

BARRIE, Aug. 7, 1888.

*To the Grand Encampment of Ontario :*

Your Committee appointed at the last session to ascertain the cost of holding the next session of this Grand Body in the City of Montreal, beg leave to submit the following report :—

We find the session in Peterborough cost \$785.90, and the cost of holding a session in Montreal, providing for same number of representatives as at Peterborough session, would be about \$1,700 ; or, if the representatives would be willing to take the same mileage and per diem as is now paid by the Grand Lodge, the cost would be about \$1,400, or from \$600 to \$800 more than to meet in some more central locality. We also interviewed, and addressed a communication to, Wm. Edgar, General Passenger Agent of the G. T. R. Copy of letter and his reply are herewith submitted, and in view of the state of the finances of this Grand Encampment, your Committee would not recommend meeting in Montreal at present.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH OLIVER,  
JOHN J. REED,  
M. D. DAWSON.

July 3rd, 1888.

*Wm. Edgar, Esq., G. T. R., Montreal :*

DEAR SIR,—I am requested by the Grand Encampment of Oddfellows to ask you what is the lowest rate you could quote us for a Convention which we pro-



pose holding in the City of Montreal in the month of August, 1889. If you were shown that a large body of military men would be present on that occasion do you think excursion rates would be quoted from Windsor, and all points where there are Lodges, to your city? Your early reply will oblige.

Yours truly,

JOS. OLIVER.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY OF CANADA.  
Office of the General Passenger Agent.  
MONTREAL, July 25th, 1888.

DEAR SIR,—Answering your letter of the 23rd inst.,—It is too far ahead to state definitely what arrangements we will be able to make for your proposed Oddfellows' Convention at Montreal in August, 1889.

I can, however, assure you that if the Convention is held here and sufficient attractions are offered to warrant it, that we will be pleased to make excursion fares from as extended a territory as the Company's interests will justify.

Yours truly,

WM. EDGAR,  
Agent.

J. OLIVER, ESQ.,  
Imperial Bank Building,  
Toronto, Ont.

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

MONTREAL, Aug. 1st, 1888.

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

DEAR SIR AND PATRIARCH:

I beg to hand you herewith a copy of the following resolution, passed at the last meeting of this Encampment:

"Resolved, that a cordial invitation be extended to the Grand Encampment of Ontario, to hold the annual session of 1889 in the City of Montreal on the third Wednesday in August, the day following the annual meeting of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, believing it would be to the best interests of the Order generally, and the Patriarchal Branch in particular."

I remain,

Yours fraternally,

J. R. CONWAY,  
SCRIBE.

The recommendation in the Report of the Committee was adopted.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE, QUINTE RE MOIRA ENCAMPMENTS, BELLEVILLE.

P. G. Patriarch, Wm. H. Cole, Chairman of this Special Committee presented the following report, which was adopted.

To the Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment, I. O. O. F.:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the matter in dispute between Moira and Quinte Encampments and Allen McFee, would beg to report that two of your Committee visited Belleville in September last. We were informed that Moira Encampment had carried out the instructions of the Grand Encampment, then Brother McFee made application to be reinstated by Quinte Encampment, with the intention of applying for a withdrawal card. Brothers Saunders and Cole, of the Committee, were present and urged strongly that the Brother's request be granted, but the Encampment then and since have declined to entertain the application. Your Committee therefore request that they be discharged from further consideration of this subject.

Yours respectfully,

W. H. COLE,  
W. SAUNDERS,  
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Moved by James Woodyatt, P.G.P., seconded by Rep. Oliver: That the Grand Encampment having received the petition of Quinte Encampment, No. 19, would inform them that they have full power to deal with the re-instatement of Pat. A. McFee without any permission from us. They would, however, earnestly recommend that Quinte Encampment deal as favorably with Bro. McFee as possible.

*To the Grand Patriarch, Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F.*

PATRIARCHS:

On motion of Pat. F. M. Clarke, P.C.P., seconded by Pat. J. H. Mills, P.C.P., at the regular meeting of Quinte Encampment, No. 19, I.O.O.F., held on the 25th day of July, 1888, the following was unanimously adopted:

PETITION.

Whereas, Bro. Allan McFee was expelled from this Encampment on the 8th December, 1880, for contempt;  
And, whereas, Bro. McFee has applied for re-instatement into this Encampment, in the following words, to wit.:

BELLEVILLE, Sept. 14th, 1887.

*To the Officers and Members of Quinte Encampment, No. 19.*

I hereby ask to be reinstated into your Encampment.

Respectfully your Brother in F. L. & T.,

(Sgd.) ALLAN MCFEE.

Therefore be it resolved, That this Encampment petition the Grand Encampment at its next regular meeting to give us permission to take into consideration the said application, it being a condition precedent to the consideration of the aforesaid application, that the said Bro. Allan McFee shall apologize to this Encampment for his action, which led to the aforesaid expulsion.

Hoping your Grand Body will favorably consider this petition.  
Witness our hands and the Seal of our Encampment at Belleville, Ont., this 26th day of July, 1888.

JESSE HARRIS,  
Scribe.

A. W. FINKLE,  
Chief Patriarch.

The roll of Encampments was called for the presentation of any new business or questions.

The following questions were submitted and referred to the Committee on Judiciary, viz:

*Document No. 1.*

*To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:* HAMILTON, ONT., July 30, 1888.

P. C. P., P. McCandlish, of Burlington Encampment, No. 9, begs to submit the following question:—

Sec. 23, Constitution of Subordinates, states:

"When any member shall neglect to pay his dues for the space of one year, the Scribe shall report the same to the Encampment, and the defaulting member shall be declared to have ceased membership.

"Provided that two week's notice has been sent him of the action that would be taken, and provided further that the Encampment may, by vote, extend the time of payment for a period not exceeding three months.

"Clause 43, By-laws of Burlington Encampment, No. 7, reads as follows:—  
"Any Patriarch neglecting to pay his dues for three months shall be notified by the Scribe of the amount of his indebtedness to the Encampment and report the same, and if he does not pay the same within nine months from the time of

said notice he shall be suspended from all the rights and privileges of this Encampment, unless some extenuating circumstances are laid before the Encampment on behalf of said Patriarch, and the Encampment, by resolution, grant him further time, but in no case to extend more than three months."

#### QUESTIONS.

Burlington Encampment has two officers, Financial and Recording Scribe.

"Which of these officers should notify the defaulting Patriarch?"

"And should the Seal of the Encampment be placed upon the notification?"

P. McCANDLISH,  
Burlington Encampment No. 7, Hamilton.

#### Document No. 2.

"Can a Brother, suspended for non-payment of dues from his Encampment, wear Encampment Regalia in a Subordinate Lodge?"

JOHN MORRIS,  
Rehoboth Encampment No. 50, Toronto.

#### Document No. 3.

The representative of Quinte Encampment, No. 19, Belleville, would like to have Sec. 722, Digest 1883, explained.

GEO. R. BROWN.

#### Document No. 4.

In making financial reports, should moneys invested in fixtures and regalia etc, be returned as "cash invested."

A. D. CAMPBELL,  
Waba Encampment No. 58, Arnprior.

On motion it was resolved that the nomination and election of officers for this Grand Encampment take place this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

On motion the Grand Encampment took recess at 12 o'clock until 2 o'clock, p.m.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Encampment resumed at 2 o'clock p.m. Grand Patriarch John Sinclair presiding.

Present:—All the Officers, and a quorum of Representatives.

Opened in due form.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS. No. 1.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following Report, which was adopted:

*To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:*

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg to report that we have examined the Credentials of Wm. Walker, P. C. P. of Amicus Encampment No. 61, and Daniel Walsh, P. C. P. of Central Encampment No. 60, Representative of that Encampment, and recommend that the Grand Encampment degree be conferred upon them.

Respectfully submitted,

T. P. BLACKWELL,  
N. S. YOUNG,  
WM. RUDD.

The Grand High Priest conferred the Degree upon them.

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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

James Woodyatt, P. G. P., Chairman of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

BARRIE, Aug. 7, 1888.

*To the Grand Encampment of Ontario :*

Your Committee on Appeals have great gratification in being able to report that such is the very pleasant condition of this Branch of the Order in this jurisdiction : such good feeling and good government has prevailed in our subordinate Camps ; that not one appeal has come down to your Committee for adjudication.

We congratulate the Grand Encampment and the Order on the above fact, and earnestly desire that future Committees on Appeals may have like good fortune.

And we desire to suggest that it would be a graceful act for the Grand Patriarch to present each member of this Committee with a pair of white gloves, to commemorate this happy event.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES WOODYATT,  
G. E. HEMING,  
D. H. MOORE,  
S. S. MERICK.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS,  
No. 2.

T. P. Blackwell, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, presented the following report, which was adopted :

*To the Grand Encampment of Ontario :*

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg leave to report that we have examined the Credentials of R. W. Elliott and Joseph Mills, of Mount Hebron Encampment, No. 56, and find them entitled to Seats in this Grand Encampment.

T. P. BLACKWELL,  
N. S. YOUNG,  
WM. RUDD.

The Grand High Priest conferred the degree upon them.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

F. Rae, Chairman of Committee on Finance, presented the following report, which was adopted :

BARRIE, Aug. 7, 1888.

*To the Grand Encampment of Ontario :*

Your Committee on Finance would most respectfully submit the following report :—

1. We find the Receipts and Expenditures for the financial year, ending 31st December, 1887, to be as follows :

To Cash on hand, Jan. 1st, 1887.....	\$ 301 09
Receipts during the year.....	1,575 33
	Total.....
Expenditures.....	\$ 1,876 42
	1,391 49
Balance on hand at the end of 1887.....	\$484 93

2. We find our Receipts for the present year, 1888, up to August 1st, to be.....	\$1,571 61
Balance on hand, Jan. 1st, 1888.....	484 93
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	\$2,056 54
Less amount expended to date, Aug. 1st.....	637 32
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Balance on hand, Aug. 1st, 1888.....	\$1,419 22

3. Your Committee have had laid before them the Auditors' Report certifying to the correctness of the books of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer.

4. Your Committee have examined the following accounts, viz :

The Grand Patriarch's account for telegrams, postage, etc.	\$10 00
W. H. Cole, P. G. P.....	7 50
Wm. Saunders.....	4 00
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	\$21 50

To for expenses in attending as a Committee at Belleville, and would recommend payment thereof.

5. Your Committee are pleased to be able to congratulate this Grand Encampment on the continued prosperous condition of its finances.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANCIS RAE,  
J. HOLTON ROBINSON,  
R. RONAN,  
R. W. BELL,  
A. MCGREGOR.

#### GRAND ENCAMPMENT.

*I. O. O. F. Province of Ontario :*

To BROTHERS SAUNDERS & COLE, DR.

To expense to Belleville on committee work:—	\$ 4 00
Brother Saunders.....	7 50
“ Cole.....	<hr/>
	\$11 50

#### GRAND PATRIARCH'S ACCOUNT.

For postage, telegrams, &c..... \$10 00

J. SINCLAIR.

LONDON, Aug. 1st, 1888.

*To the Grand Encampment I. O. O. F. of Ontario :*

We, the Auditors appointed by the Grand Patriarch to examine the books of the Grand Scribe and Grand Treasurer of this Grand Encampment, beg to report.

That we have examined all the books and vouchers, in connection therewith, and find them correct.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANK RIDDELL, } Auditors.  
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GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.  
REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.

Frank Riddell, chairman of the Committee on Returns, presented the following report, which was adopted :

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F. :  
BARRIE, Aug. 7, 1888.

Your Committee on Returns beg to submit the following Report :

We have examined the Returns of the Subordinate Encampments submitted to us for the terms ending 31st December, 1887, and 30th June, 1888, and find them as follows :

Your Committee regret to again report the fact of so many of the returns being incorrect.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK RIDDELL,  
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WM. KNIGHT,  
JAS. L. ARMSTRONG.

	Dec. 31st, '87.	June 30th, '88.
Montreal, No. 1	Correct	Correct
Union, No. 1, St. Catharines	"	"
Frontier, No. 2, Windsor	"	"
Harmony, No. 3, London	"	Report 133 members should be 130
Brant, No. 4, Brantford	"	Correct
Charity, No. 5, Stratford	"	"
Beaver, No. 6, St. Mary's	"	"
Burlington, No. 7	"	Error 13 should be 12
Toronto, No. 8	"	Correct
Brock, No. 9, Brockville	"	"
Chatham, No. 10	"	"
Ontario, No. 11, Oshawa	29 should be 27	"
Albert, No. 12, Bowmanville	Correct	44 should be 43
Whitby, No. 13	Correct	45 should be 51
Fidelity, No. 14	"	Correct
Kingston, No. 15	"	"
Mt. Ararat, No. 16, Napanee	"	"
Hebron, No. 17, Parkhill	"	"
Quinte, No. 19, Belleville	53 should be 43	"
Elgin, No. 20, St. Thomas	Correct	54 should be 46
Unity, No. 21, Ingersoll	"	Correct
Guiding Star, No. 22, Lindsay	"	"
Niagara Falls, No. 23	"	"
Friendship, No. 24, Petrolia	"	"
Victoria, No. 25, Port Hope	"	"
Alpha, No. 26, Sarnia	"	"
Huron, No. 28, Goderich	"	"
Livingstone, No. 29, Thorold	"	"
Wentworth, No. 30, Dundas	"	"
Wellington, No. 31, Guelph	"	"
Newmarket, No. 32	"	"
Exeter, No. 33	"	52 should be 51
Royal, No. 36, Hamilton	"	Correct
Dresden, No. 37	"	"
Adelphian, No. 38, London	"	"
Excelsior, No. 39, Ridgetown	"	"
Dufferin, No. 41, Point Edward	"	No Report
Aylmer, No. 42	"	Correct



Collingwood, No. 45	..... No Seal	..... Correct
Saugeen Valley, No. 46	..... Walkerton	..... Correct
Minerva, No. 47	..... Wingham	..... " "
Owen Sound, No. 48	..... No Report	..... No Report
Samaritan, No. 49	..... Berlin	..... Correct
Rehoboth, No. 50	..... Toronto	..... " "
Bothwell, No. 51	..... Encampment has no Seal	..... Correct
Ridgely, No. 52	..... Jarvis	..... Correct
Outaouais, No. 53	..... Ottawa	..... 52 should be 54
Mizpah, No. 54	..... Barrie	..... Correct
Maple Leaf, No. 55	..... Woodstock	..... " "
Mt. Hebron, No. 56	..... Peterboro	..... " "
Phoenix, No. 57	..... Wallaceburg	..... " "
Waba, No. 58	..... Arnprior	..... 56 should be 54
Moira, No. 59	..... Belleville	..... Correct
Central, No. 60	..... Essex Centre	..... " "
Amicus, No. 61	..... Norwich	..... " "
Galt, No. 62	..... Galt	..... " "
Simcoe, No. 63	..... Simcoe	..... " "
Ivy, No. 64	..... Cobourg	..... " "
Eureka, No. 65	..... Carleton Place	..... " "
Hiawatha, No. 66	..... Peterboro	..... No Seal
Aurora, No. 67	..... Aurora	..... " "

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS, No. 3.

T. P. Blackwell, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, presented the following report, which was adopted :

BARRIE, Aug. 7th, 1888.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario :

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg to report that we have examined the certificates of P.C.P.'s, F. Saxton, J. P. Hunter, J. G. Srigley and R. H. Brimson, and find them entitled to seats in this Grand Encampment.

Respectfully submitted.

T. P. BLACKWELL,  
N. S. YOUNG.  
WM. LUSCOMBE,  
WM. RUDD.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The time fixed for the Special Order of Business, Nomination and Election of Officers having arrived, was proceeded with with the following result :—

Past Grand Patriarch, John Donogh, Representative I. Toms and Henry Robertson were appointed scrutineers.

- ABNER FRASER, Hamilton..... Grand Patriarch
- J. T. HORNIBROOK, Toronto..... Grand High Priest
- W. A. MACDONALD, Arnprior..... Grand Senior Warden
- M. D. DAWSON, London..... Grand Scribe
- EDMUND BELTZ, London..... Grand Treasurer
- FRANCIS RAE, Oshawa..... Grand Rep. to the Sov. Grand Lodge
- HENRY A. JACKSON, Montreal..... Grand Junior Warden

Past Grand Patriarch Oliver presented the following resolution, which was adopted :

"That the thanks of this Grand Encampment be presented to the scrutineers for their faithful services during the election of officers."

JOS. OLIVER,  
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## SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Representative Rae, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, presented the following report, which was adopted:

*To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:*

PETERBOROUGH, Aug. 7, 1888.

Your Committee on Finance beg most respectfully to report that:

"They would recommend that 600 copies of the journal of the proceedings of this Grand Encampment, for the present session, be printed for distribution."

● All of which is respectfully submitted.

FRANCIS RAE,  
R. W. BELL,  
R. RONAN,  
J. HOLTON ROBINSON,  
A. MCGREGOR.

## EXEMPLIFICATION OF THE SECRET WORK.

Grand Representatives Oliver and Welsh exemplified the unwritten work of the Order.

### INVITATION.

The following invitation was read, and, upon motion, unanimously accepted by the Grand Encampment:

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

BARRIE, Aug. 7, 1888.

On behalf of Mizpah Encampment, No. 54, I extend a cordial invitation to your Grand Body to attend a Garden Party, to be held this evening in the beautiful lawn of Samuel Lount, Esq., to commence at 7 o'clock. The pass presented to each representative will entitle the holder to admission to the grounds.

On behalf of the Committee, I remain, fraternally, yours,

E. W. KING,  
Chairman Rep. Com.

### NOTICE OF MOTION.

Representative W. J. Nickle, of Saugeen Valley Encampment, No. 46 presented the following Notice of Motion:

"That Section No. 34 of the Constitution of this Grand Encampment, by striking out the words 'in each year' and inserting in lieu thereof the words 'every two years.'"

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE.

Grand Representative Welsh, Chairman of the Committee, presented the following report, which was adopted:

*To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:*

BARRIE, Aug. 7th, 1888.

We, your Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, beg to report:

"We have examined the correspondence of the Grand Patriarch and Grand Scribe and find that they have been carefully attended to and efficiently performed, and find that nothing of special importance needs our attention."

"The invitation of Union Encampment, No. 1, to hold the next session of our Grand Encampment at the City of St. Catharines, we commit to your favorable consideration."

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN WELSH,  
JOHN COON,  
W. H. KNOWLES,  
THOS. SMALLEY.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Representative H. A. Blackaby, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report, which was adopted :

BARRIE, Aug. 7, 1888.

*To the Grand Encampment of Ontario :*

Your Committee on State of the Order beg leave to report that they have examined reports submitted to them. The Order is to be congratulated on the number of new tents erected during the year, and we would recommend that Charters for the same be issued.

We find that only one-half of the D. D. G. P.'s have reported during their term of office and report that nine of these officials have not considered it a part of their duty to make an official report to the Chief Executive Officer of this Grand Encampment.

The increase in membership, 80, during the past year has been satisfactory. We wish to point out that while the returns show a falling off of \$985 in income, as compared with the previous year, there has been an increase of invested funds during the year of \$4,129. To arrive at this result some Encampments must have treated as invested funds the money invested in paraphernalia, &c., and which they had not so treated in previous years. A strictly uniform method of tabulating the finances is desirable if the correct result of the year's work is to be arrived at.

We endorse the action of the Grand Scribe in dropping Nos. 34, 40, 43 and 44, and recommend that steps be at once taken to secure the Charters and effects of these Encampments.

With reference to the application of C. Armstrong for a dismissal certificate we would recommend that the same be granted as soon as it can be ascertained that the applicant is entitled to one.

The very full and concise report of the Grand Representatives merits the thanks of the Grand Encampment.

A. H. BLACKABY,  
J. MITCHELL,  
JOHN DONOGH,  
R. W. MEAD.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

Representative Reed, Chairman of the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, presented the following report, which was adopted :

BARRIE, Aug. 7, 1888.

*To the Grand Encampment, I. O. O. F. :*

Your Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, having carefully examined the distance travelled by the Representatives, recommend that Representatives, Grand Officers and Past Grand Officers, serving on committees, be paid at the rate of five cents per mile one way and three dollars per diem for their attendance at this session of the Grand Encampment, but that those Representatives and Grand Officers, who represent Subordinate Lodges to the Grand Lodges, be paid per diem only.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN J. REED,  
C. C. LYMAN,  
T. BROCK,  
A. B. HUNT,  
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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

Past Grand Patriarch Gibson, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, presented the following report, which was adopted :

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment, I. O. O. F., of Ontario.*  
BARRIE, Aug. 7, 1888.

We, your Committee on Judiciary, beg to report as follows :

1. That we are pleased to know that all questions of decision, referred to the Grand Patriarch, were of such a nature as to be easily settled by simply referring to the Digest or Book of Laws. This must be a source of great satisfaction to this Grand Encampment.

2. Questions submitted by " Burlington Encampment, No. 7," Hamilton :

*To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:*  
HAMILTON, ONT., July 30th, 1888.  
P. C. P., P. McCandish, of Burlington Encampment, No. 7, begs to submit the following question :

Sec. 23, Constitution of Subordinates, states—

"When any member shall neglect to pay his dues for the space of one year shall be declared to have ceased membership. *Provided*, that two weeks' notice the Encampment may, by vote, extend the time of payment for a period not exceeding three months."

Cl. 43, By-laws, of Burlington Encampment, No. 7, reads as follows :—

"Any Patriarch neglecting to pay his dues for three months, shall be notified by the Scribe of the amount of his indebtedness to the Encampment, and report the same, and if he does not pay the same within nine months from the time of said notice he shall be suspended from all the rights and privileges of this Encampment, unless some extenuating circumstances are laid before the Encampment on behalf of said Patriarch, and the Encampment, by resolution, grant him further time, but in no case to extend more than three months."

*Questions.*

Burlington Encampment has two officers, Financial and Recording Scribes :  
Which of these officers should notify the defaulting Patriarch ?  
And should the Seal of the Encampment be placed upon the notification ?

P. MCCANDISH.

REHOBOTH ENCAMPMENT, NO. 50.

*By Rep. John Morris :*

Can a Brother, suspended for N. P. D. from his Encampment, wear Encampment Regalia in a Subordinate Lodge ?

WABA, NO. 58—ARNPRIOR.

In making Financial Reports should moneys invested in Fixtures and Regalia, &c., be returned as "cash invested" ?

REP. A. D. CAMPBELL.

BARRIE, Aug. 3

Rep. G. R. Brown, of Quinte No. 19, asks for the meaning of Sec. 722, Digest 1883.

In answer to the above questions we would recommend that in all cases of arrears, that the Financial Scribe should notify all Patriarchs of his Encampment of such arrears; but in cases like the one in hand, where the matter has been brought before the Encampment, then the Recording Scribe should serve an official notice, properly sealed with Seal of the Encampment, upon such Patriarchs.

3. Rep. G. R. Brown, of Quinte Encampment, No. 19, asks for the meaning of Sec. 722. Digest, 1883.

Answer—See Sec. 722 of Digest 1885.

4. Rep. John Morris, of "Rehoboth Encampment, No. 50 asks: "Can a Brother, suspended from his Encampment for non-payment of dues, wear his regalia in the Subordinate Lodge?"

Ans.—No.

5. Rep. A. D. Campbell, of Waha Encampment, No. 58, asks: "In making Financial Reports should moneys invested in regalia and fixtures be returned as Cash on hand and invested?"

Ans.—No.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Resolved that the above report be adopted.

JOHN GIBSON,  
THOS. J. ELLIOTT,  
JOHN MORRIS,  
ALEX. BRODIE,  
A. D. CAMPBELL.

Representative E. W. King presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

"That a per diem allowance of \$3.00 be granted from the funds of this Grand Encampment to the janitor, Alfred Beardsley, for his attendance at this session."

E. W. KING,  
D. H. MOORE.

Grand Representative Oliver presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

"That the thanks of this Grand Encampment be tendered to the Patriarchs and Brothers of Barrie for the kind manner in which they have received and entertained the Officers and Representatives, besides placing this beautiful Court Room at our disposal for the holding of this session."

JOS. OLIVER,  
JNO. WELSH.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

BARRIE, Aug. 7, 1888.

*To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:*

Your Mileage and Per Diem Committee find that the members of the Grand Encampment are entitled to be paid as per following statement.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. REED,  
T. BROCK,  
CHAS. C. LYMAN,  
A. B. HUNT,  
W. J. NICKLE.



TABLE OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

NAME OF ENCAMPMENT.	No.	PLACE.	MILES.	MILEAGE.	PER DIEM.	TOTAL.	REPRESENTATIVES.
Montreal.....	1	Montreal.....	398	\$19 90	\$3 00	22 90	John J. Reed
Union.....	1	St. Catharines.....	126	6 30	3 00	9 30	E. Poole
Frontier.....	2	Windsor.....	280	14 00	3 00	17 00	Geo. Breen
".....	"	".....	280	14 00	3 00	17 00	R. S. McDonald
Harmony.....	3	London.....	170	8 50	3 00	11 50	John Isaacs
".....	"	".....	170	8 50	3 00	11 50	Thos. Brock
Brant.....	4	Brantford.....	120	6 00	3 00	9 00	Geo. Snider
Charity.....	5	Stratford.....	163	8 15	3 00	11 15	Jas. L. Armstrong
Beaver.....	6	St. Mary's.....	94	4 70	3 00	7 70	John Reid
Burlington.....	7	Hamilton.....	65	3 25	3 00	6 25	P. McCandlish
".....	"	".....	65	3 25	3 00	6 25	Frank R. Hodd
Toronto.....	8	Toronto.....	234	11 70	3 00	14 70	Thos. Colby
".....	"	".....	99	4 95	3 00	7 95	A. McGregor
Brock.....	9	Brockville.....	109	5 45	3 00	8 45	C. C. Lyman
Chatham.....	10	Chatham.....	151	7 55	3 00	10 55	J. Donovan
Ontario.....	11	Oshawa.....	200	10 00	3 00	13 00	Francis Rae
Albert.....	12	Rowmanville.....	175	8 05	3 00	11 05	N. S. Young
Whitby.....	13	Whitby.....	159	7 95	3 00	10 95	A. C. Wilson
Fidelity.....	14	Strathroy.....	226	11 30	3 00	14 30	H. Urquhart
Kingston.....	15	Kingston.....	161	8 05	3 00	11 05	Wm. Saunders
Mt. Ararat.....	16	Napanee.....	159	7 95	3 00	10 95	E. S. Lapum
Hebron.....	17	Parkhill.....	175	8 75	3 00	11 75	Wm. Fletcher
Quine.....	19	Belleville.....	159	7 95	3 00	10 95	Geo. R. Brown
Elgin.....	20	St. Thomas.....	151	7 55	3 00	10 55	Fred. Doggett
".....	"	".....	82	4 10	3 00	7 10	D. J. Boughtner
Unity.....	21	Ingersoll.....	137	6 85	3 00	9 85	John Birs
Guiding Star.....	22	Lindsay.....	237	11 85	3 00	14 85	Alex. McDonell
Niagara Falls.....	23	Niagara Falls.....			3 00		J. R. Campbell
Friendship.....	24	Petrolia.....			3 00		A. B. Hunt

TABLE OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.—Continued.

NAME OF ENCAMPMENT.	No.	PLACE.	MILES.	MILEAGE.	PER DIEM.	TOTAL.	REPRESENTATIVES.
Friendship .....	24	Petrolia.....	237	11 85	3 00	14 85	Wm. Stokes
Victoria .....	25	Port Hope.....	128	6 40	3 00	9 40	A. A. Stevenson
Alpha .....	26	Sarnia.....	233	11 05	3 00	14 65	Wm. Luscombe
Huron.....	28	Goderich.....	166	8 30	3 00	11 30	Wm. Knight
Livingston.....	29	Thorold.....	128	6 40	3 00	9 40	Wm. Williams
Wentworth.....	30	Dundas.....	100	5 00	3 00	8 00	W. H. Knowles
Wellington.....	31	Guelph.....	113	5 65	3 00	8 65	W. J. Stevenson
Newmarket.....	32	Newmarket.....	30	1 50	3 00	4 50	W. D. Lawrie
Exeter.....	33	Exeter.....	146	7 30	3 00	10 30	Wm. C. Howard
Royal.....	36	Hamilton.....	246	12 30	3 00	15 30	Geo. E. Heming
Dresden.....	37	Dresden.....	170	8 50	3 00	11 50	Wm. Riddell
Adelphian.....	38	London.....	170	8 50	3 00	11 50	T. P. Blackwell
Excelsior.....	39	Ridgetown.....	219	10 95	3 00	13 95	D. Leitch
Dufferin.....	41	Pt. Edward.....	171	8 55	3 00	11 55	J. E. Scott
Aylmer.....	42	Aylmer.....	31	1 55	3 00	4 55	Thos. Smalley
Collingwood.....	45	Collingwood.....	137	7 85	3 00	10 85	W. J. Nickle
Saugen Valley.....	46	Walkerton.....	150	7 50	3 00	10 50	Thos. J. Elliott
Minerva.....	47	Wingham.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Owen Sound.....	48	Owen Sound.....	.....	.....	3 00	3 00	Fred. Kress
Sauritan.....	49	Berlin.....	65	3 25	3 00	6 25	John Morris
Rebooth.....	50	Toronto.....	412	10 60	3 00	13 60	Thos. Burnside
Rebwell.....	51	Bothwell.....	126	6 30	3 00	9 30	Jas. Burwash
Ridgely.....	52	Jarvis.....	325	16 25	3 00	19 25	R. Ronan
Outaouais.....	53	Ottawa.....	.....	.....	3 00	3 00	E. W. King
Mirpah.....	54	Barrie.....	140	7 00	3 00	10 00	John Mitchell
Maple Leaf.....	55	Woodstock.....	105	5 25	3 00	8 25	D. H. Moore
Mt. Hebron.....	56	Peterborough.....	249	12 45	3 00	15 45	Geo. A. McCann
Phoenix.....	57	Wallaceburg.....	279	13 95	3 00	16 95	A. D. Campbell
Waba.....	58	Arnprior.....	175	8 75	3 00	11 75	A. Bates
Moira.....	59	Bellefleur.....	175	8 75	3 00	11 75	J. Coon

Central.....	60	Essex Centre.....	207	10 35	3 00	13 35	Daniel Welsh
Amicus.....	61	Norwich.....	143	7 15	3 00	10 15	J. H. Robinson
Galt.....	62	Galt.....	90	4 50	3 00	7 50	A. H. Blackshaw
Simcoe.....	63	Simcoe.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....



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INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

Grand Patriarch Sinclair, then proceeded to install the Grand Officers elect for the ensuing year in the following order, viz:

ABNER FRASER, Hamilton.....	Grand Patriarch
J. T. HORNIBROOK, Toronto.....	Grand High Priest
J. O. A. MACDONALD, Arnprior.....	Grand Senior Warden
M. D. DAWSON, London.....	Grand Scribe
EDMUND BELTZ, London.....	Grand Treasurer
HENRY A. JACKSON, Montreal.....	Grand Junior Warden
E. W. KING, Barrie.....	Grand Sentinel
WM. RUDD, Dresden.....	Grand O. Sentinel
N. S. YOUNG, Bowmanville.....	Grand Marshal

Past Grand Patriarch Woodyatt presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

That our Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge be instructed to submit the following question to that body:—

“Can a suspended member of an Encampment wear the regalia of the Encampment Branch in his Subordinate Lodge during suspension. If not, what steps are proper to take to prevent it.”

JAMES WOODYATT,  
JOHN WELSH.

Past Grand Representative Welsh presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

“That the thanks of this Grand Encampment are due and are hereby tendered to the Retiring Grand Patriarch, Bro. John Sinclair, for the valuable services he has so cheerfully rendered to the Encampment Branch during the past year.”

JOHN WELSH,  
JOHN DONOGH.

The Grand Encampment closed at 6.10 p.m., with the usual formalities.

M. D. DAWSON,  
GRAND SCRIBE.

ATTEST.



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THOS. SMALL  
JAMES A. ROT

## DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND PATRIARCHS.

WM. PRINGLE.....	Montreal Encampment	No. 1
DONALD ROBERTSON.....	Union	" No. 1
GEO. BREEN.....	Frontier	" No. 2
J. J. ISAAC.....	Harmony	" No. 3
WM. GLOVER.....	Brant	" No. 4
J. J. BUNTING.....	Charity	" No. 5
W. N. FORD.....	Beaver	" No. 6
G. E. HEMING.....	Burlington	" No. 7
JAMES ROBERTSON.....	Toronto	" No. 8
A. C. J. KAUFMAN.....	Brock	" No. 9
JAMES MOORE.....	Chatham	" No. 10
J. E. HAWKINS.....	Ontario	" No. 11
CHAS. TODD.....	Albert	" No. 12
WM. WICKS.....	Whitby	" No. 13
ISAAC WILKINSON.....	Fidelity	" No. 14
R. F. ELLIOTT.....	Kingston	" No. 15
DANIEL HENWOOD.....	Mt. Ararat	" No. 16
N. A. MCKINNON.....	Hebron	" No. 17
J. A. DAVIS.....	Quinte	" No. 19
PETER BROWN.....	Elgin	" No. 20
HARRY ROWLAND.....	Unity	" No. 21
J. BRITTON.....	Guiding Star	" No. 22
R. L. BIGGAR.....	Niagara Falls	" No. 23
A. B. HUNT.....	Friendship	" No. 24
J. C. HAYDEN.....	Victoria	" No. 25
WM. LUSCOMBE.....	Alpha	" No. 26
PHILIP HOLT.....	Huron	" No. 28
DAVID RAMSEY.....	Livingstone	" No. 29
ALEX. MCKENZIE.....	Wentworth	" No. 30
W. A. DENNIS, (Galt).....	Wellington	" No. 31
R. H. BRIMSON.....	Newmarket	" No. 32
E. J. SPACKMAN.....	Exeter	" No. 33
G. E. HEMING.....	Royal	" No. 36
G. B. RUSH.....	Dresden	" No. 37
J. J. ISAAC.....	Adelphian	" No. 38
T. W. BROWN.....	Excelsior	" No. 39
G. F. CLARK.....	Aylmer	" No. 42
THOS. SMALLEY.....	Collingwood	" No. 45
JAMES A. ROTHWELL.....	Saugeen Valley	" No. 46



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S. MERRIFIELD.....	Minerva Encampment	No. 47
ALLAN CAMERON.....	Owen Sound	" No. 48
W. A. DENNIS, (Galt).....	Samaritan	" No. 49
JAMES ROBERTSON.....	Rehoboth	" No. 50
W. R. HICKEY.....	Bothwell	" No. 51
D. G. HIND.....	Ridgely	" No. 52
JOHN SMITH.....	Outaouais	" No. 53
E. W. KING.....	Mizpah	" No. 54
H. M. BAUSLAUGH.....	Maple Leaf	" No. 55
R. W. BELL.....	Mt. Hebron	" No. 56
JOHN HOWARD.....	Phoenix	" No. 57
JOSEPH McDougall.....	Waba	" No. 58
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DANIEL WELSH.....	Central	" No. 60
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WM. McKENNEDY.....	Ivy	" No. 64
JOHN SMITH, (Ottawa).....	Eureka	" No. 65
R. W. BELL.....	Hiawatha	" No. 66
R. H. BRIMSON, (Newmarket).....	Aurora	" No. 67
J. H. ROBINSON, (Norwich).....	Otter	" No. 68
N. A. MCKINNON, (Parkhill).....	Forest	" No. 69

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## SUSPENSIONS.

MONTREAL ENCAMPMENT, No. 1, MONTREAL :—D. R. B. Coffin, H. E. Bryson, A. C. Atkinson, Z. Weston, R. H. Brown and G. N. Stevens, for non-payment of dues.

UNION ENCAMPMENT, No. 1, ST. CATHARINES :—D. McCaskill, for non-payment of dues.

FRONTIER ENCAMPMENT, No. 2, WINDSOR :—Wm. Barr, Frank Duval, and James Richards, for non-payment of dues.

HARMONY ENCAMPMENT, No. 3, LONDON :—S. H. Muirhead, Thos. H. Keeler, Wm. H. Warren, Thos. Belton, Geo. Law and W. H. Payne, for non-payment of dues.

BRANT ENCAMPMENT, No. 4, BRANTFORD :—R. Armstrong, W. Earon and T. Bullock, for non-payment of dues.

CHARITY ENCAMPMENT, No. 5, STRATFORD :—David Vipham and Thos. M. Daly, for non-payment of dues.

BEAVER ENCAMPMENT, No. 6, ST. MARY'S :—John McMillan, John Hudson and John Sets, for non-payment of dues.

BURLINGTON ENCAMPMENT, No. 7, HAMILTON :—Thos. Gustin, J. M. Durward, Jos. Dornan, G. H. Havens, A. McKenzie, Alex. Sutherland, M. T. Eyck and Wm. Hawkins, for non-payment of dues.

CHATHAM ENCAMPMENT, No. 10, CHATHAM :—Robert Dunlop, for non-payment of dues.

ONTARIO ENCAMPMENT, No. 11, OSHAWA :—M. Weston, W. Gallentry, C. Scott, A. Edmonds, W. Worn, M. Billings, W. Williamson and T. Kerby, for non-payment of dues.

FIDELITY ENCAMPMENT, No. 14, STRATHROY :—W. Hodgkinson, T. G. LeGalley, Jas. Fullerton, H. Bentley, J. D. Bowley, J. H. Robbs, Isaac Carr and John Lynam, for non-payment of dues. Robt. Diprose left the Order.

MT. ARARAT ENCAMPMENT, No. 16, NAPANEE :—John Hepner, John Ferguson, J. A. Reid and John Walroth, for non-payment of dues.

HEBRON ENCAMPMENT, No. 17, PARKHILL :—James A. Scone and Neil D. Mackinnon, for non-payment of dues.

QUINTE ENCAMPMENT, No. 19, BELLEVILLE :—C. A. Rutledge, W. Hanna, J. Tuite, S. E. Lennox, S. Johnson and Thos. Runciman, for non-payment of dues.

ELGIN ENCAMPMENT, No. 20, ST. THOMAS :—Arch. McDougall, Donald McKay, Chas. Rowley, S. Schreck, J. W. Yearsley, J. E. Abbott and Edwin Ward, for non-payment of dues.

UNITY ENCAMPMENT, No. 21, INGERSOLL :—F. Gammon, for non-payment of dues.

NIAGARA FALLS ENCAMPMENT, No. 23, NIAGARA FALLS :—J. Jackson and G. B. Biggar, for non-payment of dues.

FRIENDSHIP ENCAMPMENT, No. 24, PETROLIA :—Robt. Essley, John McKenzie, Chas. Ebenbeck and Harrison Corey, for non-payment of dues. Wm. Woodley, suspended in subordinate lodge for non-payment of dues.

VICTORIA ENCAMPMENT, No. 25, PORT HOPE :—Henry White, Hugh Walker, Geo. T. Beran, Jos. Brendrett, John Holmes and Thos. Powers, for non-payment of dues.

HURON ENCAMPMENT, No. 28, GODERICH :—W. Mitchell, Jas. Bailey, W. Elliott, J. M. Elliott, W. McKay, W. Smith, Jas. Payne, Thos. McLean, Robt. Gineers, W. Bigley, W. Reed, W. Vanstone and Geo. Hetherington, for non-payment of dues.

WENTWORTH ENCAMPMENT, No. 30, DUNDAS :—John McCormick and T. Fearnally, for non-payment of dues.

WELLINGTON ENCAMPMENT, No. 31, GUELPH :—J. B. Clyne and Jas. Rouse for non-payment of dues.

NEWMARKET ENCAMPMENT, No. 32, NEWMARKET :—Thos. Hunter, for non-payment of dues.

EXETER ENCAMPMENT, No. 33, EXETER :—Ralph McIntyre and Geo. Turnhall, for non-payment of dues.

ROYAL ENCAMPMENT, No. 36, HAMILTON :—W. Terryberry and E. H. Stuker, for non-payment of dues.

DRESDEN ENCAMPMENT, No. 37, DRESDEN :—A. Trenic and J. W. Hicks, for non-payment of dues.

ADELPHIAN ENCAMPMENT, No. 38, LONDON :—Geo. Hayes, J. M. Logan, John Dunn, J. C. McLeod, M. T. Hicks, F. McFarlan and John Fixture, for non-payment of dues.

DUFFERIN ENCAMPMENT, No. 41, PT. EDWARD :—J. B. Beveridge, W. McCleister, C. Beyers, J. McDonald, G. Faucher, T. Callendine, G. McGee, G. Hancock, W. McGorman and H. McBride, for non-payment of dues.

COLLINGWOOD ENCAMPMENT, No. 45, COLLINGWOOD :—O. C. Jarvis, for non-payment of dues.

SAUGEE VALLEY ENCAMPMENT, No. 46, WALKERTON :—D. Fisher, R. B. Ashly, D. Montgomery, H. Monahan, J. B. Brown, R. S. Murray, W. Collins, James Cairbairn and Chas. Witthicher, for non-payment of dues.

MINERVA ENCAMPMENT, No. 47, WINGHAM :—W. J. Blatchford, suspended in subordinate Lodge for over one year.

SAMARITAN ENCAMPMENT, No. 49, BERLIN :—J. M. Stæbler, John Kimphel, H. Allemang and P. Bieth, for non-payment of dues.

REHOBOTH ENCAMPMENT, No. 50, TORONTO :—W. R. Davidson, J. B. Wilkins, R. L. Tyner and Joseph Hawke, for non-payment of dues.

BOTHWELL ENCAMPMENT, No. 51, BOTHWELL :—E. Gurney, H. Richards, H. Scarlett, T. McCraney, John Webster, C. Pike, J. W. Húston, J. Graham and R. A. Tice, for non-payment of dues.

RIDGELY ENCAMPMENT, No. 52, JARVIS :—J. R. Masseur, Jas. Beamer, John Lawson, C. W. Yocom, Fred. Hearman, Jas. Barber, L. Moblo and Chas. Smith, for non-payment of dues.

OUTAOUAIS ENCAMPMENT, No. 53, OTTAWA :—J. L. Foster, John Lyon, E. C. Bennett, F. G. Johnstou, A. H. Cobb and J. P. Chilton, for non-payment of dues.

MIZPAH ENCAMPMENT, No. 54, BARRIE :—W. McRae, for non-payment of dues.

MOUNT HEBRON ENCAMPMENT, No. 56, PETERBOROUGH :—John Irwin, Wm. Bacon, J. J. Hartley, F. W. Robinson and Samuel Jamieson, for non-payment of dues.

IVY ENCAMPMENT, No. 64, COBURG :—John E. Kennedy and W. A. Deering, for non-payment of dues.

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## EXPULSIONS.

MOIRA ENCAMPMENT, No. 59, BELLEVILLE:—Allan McFee. Name ordered to be struck from roll at last session of Grand Encampment.

CENTRAL ENCAMPMENT, No. 60, ESSEX CENTRE:—Frank Balfour, expelled from Enterprise Lodge, No. 218, March 8th, 1888, for defrauding a brother, and declared expelled from Central Encampment No. 60, on the same grounds, March 20th, 1888.

## REINSTATEMENTS.

HARMONY ENCAMPMENT, No. 3, LONDON—Thos. Partridge, Feb. 25th, 1888.

BURLINGTON ENCAMPMENT, No. 7, HAMILTON—J. M. Durward, Jan. 9th, 1888.

ONTARIO ENCAMPMENT, No. 11, OSHAWA—P. Glidden and W. Clarke, Feb. 10th, 1888.

ALBERT ENCAMPMENT, No. 12, BOWMANVILLE—Wm. Glover and F. J. Hoskins, Jan. 18th, 1888; W. H. Williams, May 14th, 1888, and Wm. Jennings, Jan. 18th, 1888.

MT. SARAT ENCAMPMENT, No. 16, NAPANEE—Wm. N. Hosey, August 31st, 1888.

UNION ENCAMPMENT, No. 21, INGERSOLL—Fred Gammon, May 22nd, 1888.

NIAGARA ENCAMPMENT, No. 23, NIAGARA FALLS—R. F. Carter, January 11th, 1888.

FRIENDSHIP ENCAMPMENT, No. 24, PETROLIA—John Mearns, July 12th, 1887; H. Corey, May 8th, 1888, and S. G. Jackson, June 21st, 1888.

ROYAL ENCAMPMENT, No. 36, HAMILTON—Jno. A. Kennedy, Sept. 5th, 1887.

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- No. 1.—THOS. MCGARRAN..... Montreal, May 5th, 1888
- No. 3—E. H. YEALLAND..... London, Dec. 31st, 1887
- No. 6—DAVID GIBB..... St. Marys, April 30th, 1888
- No. 8 { J. G. COLEMAN..... Toronto, Sept. 8th, 1887  
GEO. NURSE..... Toronto, Dec. 3rd, 1887
- No. 10 { CHAS. A. HEYWARD..... Chatham, Sept. 17th, 1887  
W. J. DANBY..... Chatham, Dec. 1887  
JOHN OGLE..... Chatham, April 16th, 1888
- No. 15—W. B. LITTLE..... Kingston, no date given
- No. 20 { HERMON PONSFORD..... St. Thomas, July 16th, 1887  
JOHN MORRISON..... St. Thomas, Sept. 15th, 1887  
EDWIN McROBERTS..... St. Thomas, Feb. 29th, 1888
- No. 23—W. BUCKLEY..... Niagara Falls, July 8th, 1887
- No. 31—JOSEPH SOPER..... Guelph, Aug. 19th, 1887
- No. 32 { GEO. W. IRONSIDE..... Newmarket, Aug. 13th, 1887  
JAS. McBRIDE..... Newmarket, Dec. 20th, 1887
- No. 42—G. W. GOODFELLOW..... Aylmer, June 19th, 1888
- No. 54—W. S. CARSON..... Barrie, Feb. 29th, 1888
- No. 62—JOHN J. SHARPE..... Galt, May 6th, 1888

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APPENDIX.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE OFFICERS

—OF THE—

GRAND ENCAMPMENT, I. O. O. F

—OF THE—

Province of Ontario, for 1887 and 1888.

ABNER FRASER.....	GRAND PATRIARCH.....	Hamilton
JNO. T. HORNIBROOK...	GRAND HIGH PRIEST.....	Toronto
JNO. A. MACDONALD...	GRAND SENIOR WARDEN.....	Arnprior
M. D. DAWSON.....	GRAND SCRIBE.....	London
EDMUND BELTZ.....	GRAND TREASURER.....	London
JOS. OLIVER.....	GRAND REPRESENTATIVE S. G. L.....	Toronto
FRANCIS RAE.....	“ “ “	Oshawa
H. A. JACKSON.....	GRAND JUNIOR WARDEN.....	Montreal
N. S. YOUNG.....	GRAND MARSHAL.....	Bowmanville
E. W. KING.....	GRAND SENTINEL.....	Barrie
WM. RUDD.....	GRAND O. SENTINEL.....	Dresden

PAST GRAND PATRIARCHS.

JAMES WOODYATT.....	Brantford.....	1869-1870
S. G. DOLSON.....	St. Catharines.....	1870-1871
HENRY McAFEE.....	Walkerville.....	1871-1872
ADAM PURVES.....	St. Catharines.....	1872-1873
JOHN HAM PERRY.....	Whitby.....	1873-1874
JOHN GIBSON.....	Stratford.....	1874-1875
HARPER WILSON.....	St. Catharines.....	1875-1876
W. H. COLE.....	Brockville.....	1876-1877
THOS. WOODYATT.....	Brantford.....	1877-1878
E. R. ROBINSON.....	London.....	1878-1879
ROBT. EVANS.....	Hamilton.....	1879-1880
JOHN DONOGH.....	Toronto.....	1880-1881
FRANCIS RAE.....	Oshawa.....	1881-1882
W. D. GORDON.....	Kingston.....	1882-1883
HECTOR URQUHART.....	Strathroy.....	1883-1884
JOS. OLIVER.....	Toronto.....	1884-1885
JOHN WELSH.....	Stratford.....	1885-1886
FRANK RIDDELL.....	London.....	1886-1887
JOHN SINCLAIR.....	Petrolia.....	1887-1888

## Names and P. O. Addresses of the Grand Scribes.

SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE, THEO. A. ROSS, P.O. BOX 280, COLUMBUS,  
OHIO.

Alabama	Lae R. McKee,	Selma.
Arkansas	Peter Brugman,	Little Rock.
California	W. B. Lyon,	P.O. box 2207, San Francisco.
Colorado	I. M. Norman,	Denver.
Connecticut	Frederick Botsford,	P.O. drawer 5, New Haven.
Dakota	Ralph R. Briggs,	Sioux Falls.
Delaware	Edwin Hirst,	903 Orange street, Wilmington.
District of Columbia	Joseph Burroughs,	513 7th street, S. E. Washington.
Florida	B. A. Meginniss,	Tallahassee.
Georgia	John O. Deitz,	Macon.
Illinois	John C. Smith,	65 Sibley street, Chicago.
Indiana	B. F. Foster,	Indianapolis.
Iowa	Wm. Garrett,	Burlington.
Kansas	Samuel F. Burdette,	Leavenworth.
Kentucky	Wm. White,	Louisville.
Louisiana	James Furneaux,	P.O. box 383, New Orleans.
Maine	Benjamin J. Stone,	Portland.
Maryland	John M. Jones,	Baltimore.
Massachusetts	Charles D. Cole,	Boston.
Michigan	E. H. Whitney,	Lansing.
Minnesota	J. Fletcher Williams,	St. Paul.
Mississippi	Isaac D. Blumenhal,	Holly Springs.
Missouri	E. M. Sloan,	P.O. box 497, St. Louis.
Montana	A. J. White,	Butte City.
Nebraska	D. A. Ciene,	Lincoln.
Nevada	H. F. Wallace,	P.O. box 286, Virginia City.
New Hampshire	Joseph Kidder,	Manchester.
New Jersey	Lewis Parker,	Manchester.
New York	James Terwilliger,	853 Broadway, New York City.
North Carolina	T. W. Blake,	Raleigh.
Ohio	James Anderton,	Dayton.
Ontario	M. D. Dawson,	London.
Oregon	J. M. Bacon,	Oregon City.
Pennsylvania	James R. Nicholson,	146 N. 6th street, Philadelphia.
Rhode Island	Wm. H. T. Mosley,	Providence.
South Carolina	Robert C. Starr,	Charleston.
Tennessee	J. R. Harwell,	Nashville.
Texas	L. F. DeLesdernier,	Houston.
Vermont	Joseph K. Egerton,	Northfield. [Melbourne.
Victoria	Wm. C. Judge,	Oddfellows' Hall, Russell street,
Virginia	A. T. Burr,	Danville.
Washington Territory	Lee F. A. Shaw,	Walla Walla.
West Virginia	H. A. Uthman,	Wheeling.
Wisconsin	L. B. Hills,	Madison.
Wyoming	W. H. Amesbury,	P.O. box 575, Laramie City.

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Executive Officers of Subordinate Encampments Elected and Installed for Term commencing July 1st, 1888.

NAME OF ENCAMPMENT	No	LOCATION.	CHIEF-PATRIARCH	SCRIBE.	NIGHT OF MEETING.
Montreal	1	Montreal	C. McGregor	J. R. Courray	2d and 4th Wednesday
Union	1	St. Catharines	Mark Tucker	C. J. Moore	1st and 3d Tuesday
Frontier	2	Windsor	Thos. Jones	Henry Rose	2d and 4th Tuesday
Harmony	3	London	Jas. J. Mason	Alf Davis	2d and 4th Thursday
Brant	4	Brantford	J. H. Hall	F. J. Grenny	1st and 3rd Friday
Charity	5	Stratford	Jas. P. Boothby	Jas. D. Armstrong	2d and 4th Friday
Beaver	6	St. Marys	Wm. N. Ford	John Reid	2d and 4th Thursday
Burlington	7	Hamilton	Hugo Kleinstiber	Hugh Flook	2d and 4th Monday
Toronto	7	Toronto	F. W. Unitt	J. W. Russel	2d Thursday
Brock	9	Brockville	W. W. Wood	Chas. C. Lyman	1st Friday
Chatham	10	Chatham	Abe Savage	W. W. Mitchell	1st and 3rd Thursday
Ontario	11	Oshawa	H. A. Saunders	R. James	2d and 4th Friday
Albert	12	Bowmanville	Geo. Maynard	John K. Orr	1st and 3rd Monday
Whitby	13	Whitby	W. Burns	C. Taylor	1st and 3rd Friday
Fidelity	14	Strathroy	W. F. Snell	C. Greenaway	1st and 3rd Tuesday
Kingston	15	Kingston	Wm. Moore	E. J. Greaves	2d and 4th Monday
Mt. Ararat	16	Napanee	E. S. Lapum	Daniel Henwood	2d and 4th Wednesday
Hebron	17	Parkville	Wm. Fletcher	John Hamilton	2d and 4th Monday
Quinte	19	Bellefleur	A. W. Finkle	Jesse Harris	2d and 4th Wednesday
Elgin	20	St. Thomas	W. J. Keiffer	L. Ferguson	1st and 3rd Monday
Unly	21	Ingersoll	W. A. Langdon	A. C. Size	2d and 4th Tuesday
Guiding Star	22	Lindsay	Samuel Britton	John Short	1st Wednesday
Niagara Falls	23	Niagara Falls	Geo. Clark	J. R. Campbell	2d and 4th Wednesday
Friendship	24	Petrolia	Jacob H. Stinson	A. B. Hunt	2d and 4th Tuesday
Victoria	25	Port Hope	T. O. Monaghan	J. C. Hayden	2d and 4th Friday
Alpha	26	Sarnia	Geo. Lucas	John Ross	1st and 3rd Wednesday
Huron	28	Goderich	T. Gundry	G. A. Nairn	2d and 4th Monday
Livingstone	29	Thorold	Peter Steep	Wm. McLeary	1st and 3rd Friday
Wentworth	30	Dundas	Wm. H. Mos.	Wm. H. Knowles	1st Tuesday
Wellington	31	Guelph	Wm. H. Towle	Samuel Iaw.	4th Friday
Newmarket	32	Newmarket	T. Trivett	R. H. Brimson	1st and 3rd Thursday
Exeter	33	Exeter	Richard Crocker	E. J. Spackman	2d and 4th Thursday
Royal	36	Hamilton	Dunc'n Robertson	Geo. Henderson	1st and 3rd Monday
Dresden	37	Dresden	L. B. Anderson	W. J. Wright	2d and 4th Thursday
Adelphian	38	London	J. M. Shaw	L. W. Crawford	2d and 4th Friday
Excelsior	39	Ridgetown	F. Marr	J. McCollough	2d and 4th Monday
Aylmer	42	Aylmer	R. Young	J. McColough	1st and 3rd Friday
Collingwood	45	Collingwood	Wm. Warnock	John E. Richards	2d and 4th Monday
Saugeen Val'y	46	Walkerton	M. J. Pumphrey	S. Wood	1st Monday in July and every alternate Monday
Minerva	47	Wingham	James Cochrane	W. F. Brockenshire	2d and 4th Monday
Samaritan	48	Berlin	Ben. Graybill	J. K. Master	2d and 4th Tuesday
Rehoboth	50	Toronto	John Blythe	Jas. Munroe	1st Thursday
Bothwell	51	Bothwell	Cl. McRitchie	W. A. Scott	2d and 4th Saturday
Ridgely	53	Jarvis	J. A. Burwash	C. E. Bourne	1st Thursday
Outaouais	54	Ottawa	A. W. Cameron	Fred. May	1st and 3rd Friday
Mirzap	54	Barrie	F. Marr	John Young	2d and 4th Friday
Maple Leaf	55	Woodstock	Thos. Millburn	P. Johnston	2d and 4th Tuesday
Mount Hebron	56	Peterborough	J. D. Tully	W. J. Mein	2d and 4th Tuesday
Phenix	57	Wallaceburg	L. H. Sides	Fred. Harris	2d and 4th Tuesday
Waba	58	Amprior	Sam. W. Drew	John Munn	2d and 4th Tuesday
Moira	59	Belleville	A. Jones	J. Coon	2d and 4th Tuesday
Central	60	Essex Centre	O. C. Barrie	A. S. Scott	1st and 3rd Tuesday
Amicus	61	Norwich	Philip Yates	Geo. E. Walker	2d and 4th Thursday
Galt	62	Galt	Richard Barnes	W. A. Dennis	1st and 3rd Friday
Simcoe	63	Simcoe	Robt. Meade	O. M. Jones	1st Tuesday on or after full moon
Ivy	64	Cobourg	Geo. A. Parsons	A. B. Appleby	1st and 3rd Monday
Eureka	65	Carleton Place	C. A. Stark	N. D. McCallum	1st and 3rd Tuesday
Hiawatha	66	Peterborough	W. E. Matthews	E. E. Henderson	2d and 4th Friday
Aurora	67	Aurora	Alex. Brodie	John W. Nelson	2d and 4th Monday
Oter	68	Tilsonburg	Wm. McDonald	F. H. Eisele	2d and 4th Monday
Forest	69	Forest	F. H. Gammon	Geo. Brock	



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## REPORT

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## Grand Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.

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

Your Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge most respectfully submit the following report of the proceedings of the Sixty-fourth Annual Communication, held in the City of Los Angeles, California, commencing on Monday, September 17th, 1888, at 9 o'clock, a.m.

The following Grand Officers were present on the occasion: John H. White, Grand Sire; John C. Underwood, Deputy Grand Sire; Theo. A. Ross, Grand Secretary; Isaac A. Sheppard, Grand Treasurer; Allen Jencks, Assistant Grand Secretary; Rev. J. W. Venable, Grand Chaplain; John H. Albin, Grand Marshal, pro tem; Walter G. Dye, Grand Guardian; W. H. Frazier, Grand Messenger.

The following Past Grand Sires: James B. Nicholson, Pennsylvania; James P. Sanders, New York; E. D. Farnsworth, California

And a representation from forty-four Grand Lodges and thirty-one Grand Encampments.

## STATE OF THE ORDER.

The Grand Sire, in his Report, says:

The year 1887 stands out as the most prosperous in the history of the Order. Not only has the increase in members been larger than ever before, but the revenue received is larger by hundreds of thousands, and the expenditures for relief are vastly increased over any former period. Not only this, but the Order has increased largely in wealth, power and influence. Large cities and towns, which formerly paid little or no attention to us, now eagerly welcome us to their hospitalities. Judges and Governors vie with each other in doing us honor, and well may we be proud of the position the Order has attained.

## THE CONDITION OF THE ORDER,

As appears from the returns in the Grand Secretary's Office, is as follows:

		INCREASE.	DECREASE.
Grand Lodges .....	54		
Subordinate Lodges .....	8,331	223	
Grand Encampments .....	45	1	
Subordinate Encampments .....	2,048	52	
Lodge Initiations .....	53,331	8,425	
Lodge Members .....	555,722	25,422	
Encampment Initiations .....	10,932	1,295	
Encampment Members .....	101,742	3,969	
Total Relief .....	\$2,353,766 02	\$126,441 52	
Total Revenue .....	6,065,091 42	405,319 05	

It will thus be seen that the net increase in membership is the magnificent number of 25,422, and the current year bids fair to outstrip the preceding one. It will certainly do this, unless the presidential election in the United States shall have the effect of distracting the attention of the members from their duty as Oddfellows.

The subjoined extracts from the Grand Secretary's Report gives the condition of the Order in detail.

RETURNS FOR THE YEARS 1886 AND 1887.

	Dec. 31st, 1886.	Dec. 31st, 1887.	Increase.
Grand Lodges.....	54	54	.....
Grand Encampments.....	44	45	1
Subordinate Lodges.....	8,109	8,331	222
Subordinate Encampments.....	1,996	2,048	52
Rebekah Degree Lodges.....	1,345	1,498	153
Lodge Initiations.....	44,906	53,331	8,425
Encampment Initiations.....	9,637	10,932	1,295
Lodge Members.....	530,300	555,722	25,422
Encampment Members.....	97,773	101,742	3,969
Rebekah D. L. Members.....	67,291	79,565	12,274
Relief by Lodges.....	\$2,002,418 77	\$2,119,457 35	\$117,038 58
Relief by Encampments.....	208,614 92	216,634 76	8,019 84
Relief by Rebekah Lodges.....	16,290 81	17,673 91	1,383 10
Total Relief.....	2,227,324 50	2,353,766 02	126,441 52
Revenue of Lodges.....	5,079,880 00	5,429,458 77	349,278 77
Revenue of Encampments.....	496,268 05	527,190 57	30,922 52
Revenue of Rebekah Lodges.....	83,624 32	108,742 08	25,117 76
Total Revenue.....	5,659,772 37	6,085,091 42	405,319 05

The returns of Grand and Subordinate Lodges show that 58,906 Brothers were relieved, \$1,448,136.97 having been expended on that account; benefits were paid for 370 131 weeks, while 8,698 Patriarchs were paid \$171,804.60 for 65,235 weeks; 5,863 widowed families received \$147,771.73.

The condition of the Order throughout the world (in affiliation with the Sovereign Grand Lodge), so far as information has been transmitted, is presented in the subjoined statement. If the returns from the German Empire, and the jurisdictions that failed to report, had been received, no doubt some of the items would be increased.

THE ORDER IN AUSTRALASIA.

The following returns for the year ending December 31st, 1887, exhibit the state of the Order in this jurisdiction:

JURISDICTION.	Number of Lodges.	Number of Members.	Subordinate Lodge Funds.	Sick pay for the year.
Victoria.....	59	6,739	\$167,452 17	\$24,579 25
New South Wales.....	60	4,964	49,545 60	18,596 06
*South Australia (33 adults, 9 juveniles)..	42	2,881	41,819 17	9,697 45
New Zealand.....	26	1,181	†	†
Tasmania.....	8	742	9,585 87	2,226 19
Totals.....	195	16,507	\$268,402 81	\$55,098 95

Returns to June 30th, 1887. † No returns for 1887.

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JURISDICTION.	Funeral claims.	BURIED		Grand Lodge Funds.
		Members.	Wives.	
Victoria .....				
New South Wales .....	\$7,437 18	57	36	\$103,077 35
South Australia .....	3,900 00	30	18	36,099 00
New Zealand .....	2,537 50	20	12	23,628 60
Tasmania .....	650 00	4	5	21,650 13
Totals .....	\$14,924 68	113	75	\$190,535 91

J. C. SMITH, *Grand Secretary.*

Melbourne, Australia, July 10th, 1888.

STATISTICS OF THE ORDER FROM 1830 TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1887.

Initiations in Subordinate Lodges .....	
Members relieved .....	1,517,420
Widowed families relieved .....	1,328,189
Members deceased .....	169,766
Total relief .....	130,265
Total receipts .....	\$ 46,020,890 79
	121,235,779 18

CONDITION OF THE ORDER, DECEMBER 31ST, 1887.

Sovereign Grand Lodge .....	1
Independent Grand Lodges (German Empire and Australasia) .....	2
Subordinate Grand Encampments .....	48
Subordinate Encampments .....	2,077
Subordinate Grand Lodges .....	65
Subordinate Lodges .....	8,570
Encampment members .....	104,405
Lodge members .....	574,161
Degree Lodges of the Daughters of Rebekah .....	1,498
Brothers members of Rebekah Lodges .....	39,176
Sisters members of Rebekah Lodges .....	40,389
Cantons of Patriarchs Militant (estimated) .....	500
Chevaliers, rank and file (estimated) .....	20,000

CONCLUSION.

No comment is required concerning the array of figures presented, exhibiting an addition of 25,422 to our roll of Subordinate Lodge members, as the work of the year 1887. This is the largest gain in any year since 1873. Then, as the Journal of 1874 shows the membership increased 29,767, (from 385,048 to 414,815). In twelve of the years, from 1873 to 1887 inclusive, the gain aggregated 186,016, while in three years (1878, 1879, 1880) the aggregate loss was 15,342, showing a net gain of 170,674 members, which, added to the 385,048 members, December 31st, 1873, make the number, December 31st 1887, as reported, 555,722. The aggregate paid for relief in 1873 was \$1,490,274.72; in 1887, \$2,353,766.02; total receipts in 1873, \$4,434,001.08; in 1887, \$6,065,091.42. The increase in membership is about 45; in annual revenue, 50; and annual relief, 60 per cent. Concerning the returns for 1873, Grand Secretary Ridgely, in his report to session of 1874, said: "These are grand figures, but do they represent a solid and healthful condition? \* \* \* We should know,

with equal certainty, the disbursements of Subordinates, as their receipts; in fact, the knowledge of the latter, in the absence of the former, is comparatively valueless. \* \* \* It is not at all improbable that out of the four and a half millions of gross annual revenue reported fifty per cent. of the amount is consumed in disbursements, other than for relief. If thirty-three per cent. be added to this for relief, as returned, there remains but seventeen per cent. as actual gain to the capital of the Order. This would present a comparatively unstable system looking to the inevitable increased responsibilities of the Subordinates, as their membership advances in years." At that time, the "current expenses" were not reported; but information is now furnished on this subject, from several jurisdictions, and selecting at random, five of them, it is found that the current expenses in 1887 were, respectively, 38, 43, 48, 30, 60 per cent of receipts; average, 44 per cent.; and the relief amounted to 43, 40, 35, 55, 30 per cent.; average, 41 per cent.; total, 85 per cent.; leaving the amount of increased capital 15 instead of 17 per cent., as estimated by Bro. Ridgely.

#### PATRIARCHS MILITANT.

The following Report of Lieut.-General J. C. Underwood exhibits the condition of the Patriarchs Militant:

Patriarchs Militant, I. O. O. F., Army Headquarters.  
Covington, Ky., September 1, 1888.

*To the Grand Sire, Officers and Grand Representatives of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.:*

GENTLEMEN AND BRETHREN.—I have the honor to submit for your consideration the following report of the general condition of Patriarchs Militant on April 26, 1888, with financial statements to September 1, 1888; to transmit a copy of the enactments of the Military Council, session July 24-25, 1888, and to recommend certain amendments and additions to the laws regulating the Degree.

The Militant movement has continued to advance steadily throughout the great number of Departments in the United States and Canada, and the enthusiasm of the military element in the Order continues unabated; in testimony of the truth whereof I call attention to the fact that the 462 Cantons reported last year have been increased by the addition of 53 new bodies, through growth, or as original organizations, and decreased by the loss of 4 Components, leaving therefore a net gain of 49 component Cantons, and making a grand total of 511 Cantons to date. There is a total membership of 17,482 Chevalliers, estimated on the basis of 495 Cantons under warrant on April 26, 1888 (three-fourths reporting, and one-fourth taken from reports of 1887), added to the warrant membership of 16 Cantons organized since that date, being an increase of 2,223 Chevalliers over the membership reported on September 1, 1887. By making proper allowance for increases not reported at this anniversary muster, and for the growth of the whole since April 26 last, the membership can be safely estimated in round numbers at 20,000 Chevalliers on September 1, 1888, which, with few exceptions, are fully officered and uniformed.

Of such membership there are known to be 2,336 commissioned officers, leaving 17,664 Chevalliers as the estimated file of the army, and making a ratio percentage of over 7½ Chevalliers to one officer.

The United States Army Register reports 12,625 infantry, non-commissioned officers and privates and commissioned officers of the same arm of the service in command 877, and detached on special duty 587, making the total infantry officers 1,464; a ratio of 8 enlisted men to one commissioned officer—about the same relative showing for dismounted men as given above for Patriarchs Militant.

From information received throughout nearly all of the jurisdictions of the Order, Patriarchs Militant Departments in the United States and Canada, it is evident that the Patriarchs Militant Degree has materially assisted the advancement of the Lodges and Encampments in localities where it has been successfully worked; and as evidence thereof, attention is called to the number (2,341) re-

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ported as having joined Lodges and Encampments, and the number (2,531) that have advanced in the Order to obtain the Militant Degree. Such numbers are by far too small, for a majority of the Clerks have failed to furnish information in relation thereto; and in all probability there are from 4,000 to 5,000 Chevaliers who are entitled to be so classified, and the direct revenue of Lodges and Encampments, superinduced thereby, can be safely placed at over one hundred thousand dollars.

The value of the military outfit of the Chevaliers comprising the First Canton of Patriarchs Militant, at the inception of the movement on September 24, 1885, was \$2,500.00; of the 356 Cantons on September 1, 1886, was \$376,324.29; of the 462 Cantons on September 1, 1887, was \$526,871.77; and of the 511 Cantons on September 1, 1888, estimated on an imperfect basis, is \$668 834.12, which amount would, in all probability, be three-quarters of a million dollars had sufficient data been received from every Canton. As it is, the Militant outfit has nearly doubled in value during the past two years, the annual increase of the investment for that period being about \$150,000.00.

From data furnished by the Grand Secretary of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, it is discovered that the membership of both Lodges and Encampments has increased greatly and generally during the past years. The increase in the Lodges in the United States and Canada, except British Columbia, was 637 members, and the loss to Encampments 2 members during the year 1885; in thirty-nine States, Territories and Provinces of the same countries, P. M. Departments, the increase in Lodges was 12,581 members, and in Encampments 3,527 members during the year 1886; and in forty-five Departments of similar construction the increase in Lodges was 25,356 members, and in Encampments 4,044 members during the year 1887. These facts, together with statements from various sources ascribing the growth of the Order largely to Patriarchs Militant influences, induce the belief that a goodly portion of the increase referred to has been brought about by the activity of the Patriarchs Militant branch.

### MONEYS, PROPERTY AND RESOURCES.

*Third Annual Balance Sheet, September 1, 1887, to September 1, 1888.*

The total receipts and expenditures, less twelve hundred and seventy-eight dollars and thirty cents (\$1,278.30), proceeds of note in bank, and entered on both pages of cash account, deducted to obtain actual revenue and expenditures, were as follows:

#### RECEIPTS.

For Engraving.....	\$	67	10
“ Warrants .....		1,020	00
“ Commissions, N.-C. Warrants and Canton Tax .....		7,639	90
“ Seals .....		407	00
“ Tactics .....		688	65
“ Supplies.....		861	82
“ Sundries.....		678	27
Total.....		\$11,362	74

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## EXPENDITURES.

For Visitations .....	\$ 464 61
" Salaries .....	5,748 45
" ½ Warrant Fees paid the Grand Secretary of the Sovereign Grand Lodge .....	510 00
" Printing .....	700 00
" Supplies .....	2,044 00
" Postage .....	340 96
" Sundries, rent, jewels, office stationery, gas, coal, telegrams, tubes, etc. ....	1,526 79
Total .....	<u>\$11,334 81</u>

Thereby showing a cash balance on hand of \$27.93, which amount is on deposit to the credit of the Lieutenant-General in the Farmer's and Trader's National Bank, Covington, Ky.

*Total Moneys, etc., received from September 27, 1885, to September 1, 1888.*

From First Annual Balance Sheet, September 27, 1885, to September 10, 1886, inclusive .....	\$10,488 78
From Sundry sources for Engrossing, etc., November 16, 1885, to December 20, 1886, as detailed in manuscript statement furnished .....	488 27
From Sundry sources for Stationery, Insignia, etc., spring of 1886, to September 1, 1886, inclusive, as detailed in manuscript statement furnished .....	81 30
From Second Annual Balance Sheet, September 10, 1886, to September 1, 1887, less balance brought forward September 10, 1886 .....	10,012 33
From Third Annual Balance Sheet, September 1, 1887, to September 1, 1888, less balance brought forward September 1, 1887 .....	11,013 54
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*Total Expenditures, etc., from September 27, 1885, to September 1, 1888.*

From First Annual Balance Sheet, September 27, 1885, to September 10, 1886, inclusive .....	\$10,261 98
For Engrossing, etc., from November 16, 1885, to December 20, 1886 .....	488 27
For Stationery, Insignia, etc., spring, 1886, to September 6, 1886 .....	80 05
From Second Annual Balance Sheet, September 10, 1886, to September 1, 1887 .....	9,889 93
From Third Annual Balance Sheet, September 1, 1887, to September 1, 1888 .....	11,334 81
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Balance .....	29 18
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## DETAIL OF CASH BALANCES ON HAND.

Cash in bank to credit of the Lieutenant-General, September 1, 1888 .....	\$ 27 93
Amount due to credit of Canton, Paris, Texas, insignia account .....	1 25
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GENERAL INVENTORY OF SUPPLIES.

SUPPLIES FOR SALE.

296 Tactics .....	
29 Rosters and Registers of Cantons .....	\$ 296 00
13 Commandant's Money Order Books .....	58 00
11 Accountant's Receipt Books .....	16 25
102 Roll Calls .....	13 75
2000 Blanks, S-1, Application for Active Membership .....	51 00
2000 Blanks, S-2, Application for Honorary Membership .....	60 00
3000 Blanks, S-3, Certificates of Honorable Discharge .....	60 00
1500 Pamphlets, S-4, Organic Regulation and By-laws .....	300 00
	150 00

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SUPPLIES FOR CONSUMPTION.

1000 Letter Heads .....	
1500 Large Envelopes .....	\$ 5 00
500 Small Envelopes .....	6 75
Various Blanks for Reports .....	1 65
Various Forms .....	70 00
750 Canton Warrants .....	40 00
500 Commissions .....	60 00
500 Officers' Warrants .....	25 00
200 Postal Cards .....	20 00
Postage Stamps .....	2 00
1200 Tubes .....	15 00
1000 Large Linen Envelopes .....	6 90
50 Organizations (blue books) .....	10 00
2000 Manilla Envelopes .....	25 00
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JEWELS.

Awarded as prizes. Statement in revised report.

OFFICE ASSETS.

Items reported in detail, p. 9, L.G. Report, '87 .....	\$ 552 95
1 Cyclostyle .....	15 00
12 Bound Volumes, J. of P. (received from Sovereign Grand Lodge) .....	18 00
1 Bound White's Digest (received from Sovereign Grand Lodge) .....	2 50
Office Folios, nine large, at \$20 .....	180 00
Office Folios, six small, at \$2 .....	12 00

\$ 780 45

RECAPITULATION.

Supplies for sale .....	\$1,005 00
Supplies for consumption .....	289 80
Office Assets .....	780 45

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STATEMENT OF AMOUNTS DUE P. M. FUND BY CHEVALIERS AND ORGANIZATIONS, P. M.

For Canton Tax .....	\$1,172 00
For Commissions and N. C. Warrants, issued and collectable .....	809 75
For Supplies ordered and delivered, Seals, \$81.00; Stationery, \$76.72; Tactics, \$81.80; Books, \$30.00 .....	269 52
Total .....	<u>\$2,251 27</u>

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## ESTIMATED REVENUE, 1888-89.

To be derived from Cantons, and from fees from Field and Staff Commissions, etc. ....	\$12,500 00
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## AVAILABLE RESOURCES AND ASSETS, 1888-89.

Cash balance in bank, August 31, 1888 .....	\$ 27 93
Amounts due and collectable for Commissions and Supplies .....	2,251 27
Estimated amount to be derived from Canton Tax and Commissions to issue, etc. ....	12,500 00
Value of supplies for sale on hand .....	1,005 00
Total .....	<u>\$15,784 20</u>

## UNAVAILABLE ASSETS.

Supplies for consumption .....	\$289 80
Official assets .....	780 45
Total .....	<u>\$1,070 25</u>

## TOTAL RESOURCES AND ASSETS.

Available resources and assets .....	\$15,784 20
Unavailable resources and assets .....	1,070 25
Total .....	<u>\$16,854 45</u>

## LIABILITIES.

## SUNDRY BILLS OUTSTANDING.

An unaudited account of Cohen & Co., for sundries comprising printing supplies, stationery, etc., in which book supplies are estimated, but under contract, carried by the publishers until sold .....	\$2,000 00
An unaudited account of Pettibone Mfg. Co., embracing amounts charged for banners, flags, uniforms and equipments on hand, the largest part of which is collectable only on certain conditions .....	1,300 00
Percentage of receipts due Commanders .....	1,200 00
An unaudited account of Duhme & Co. ....	220 00
An unaudited account of The Strobridge Lithographic Co. ....	55 00
Aggregate .....	<u>\$4,775 00</u>

## ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR 1888-89.

Visitations .....	\$ 500 00
Salaries .....	6,000 00
Half-Warrant Fees to Sovereign Grand Lodge .....	300 00
Printing and Supplies .....	2,000 00
Percentage of receipts of Commanders .....	1,300 00
Postage .....	300 00
Sundries .....	500 00
Aggregate .....	<u>\$10,900 00</u>
Total .....	<u>\$15,675 00</u>

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FINANCIAL COMPARISON FOR 1888-89.

Available resources, estimated revenue and assets.....	\$15,784 20
Liabilities and estimated expenses.....	15,675 00
Excess of estimated receipts, over estimated expenditures on a maximum basis.....	\$109 20

The following detailed balance sheet, received from the Grand Secretary of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, will be understood from inspection :

SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE—PATRIARCHS MILITANT.

*Receivable*

1885-6.	Cash for Half-Warrant Fees.....	\$1,815 00
"	" Rituals exchanged.....	31 50
"	" " sold Officers, etc.....	51 50
"	" P. M. Tactics.....	93 00
"	" Organizations.....	115 30
1886-7.	Half-Warrant Fees.....	1,005 00
"	" Rituals exchanged.....	53 00
"	" " sold Officers, etc.....	98 00
"	" P. M. Tactics.....	33 00
"	" Organizations.....	12 00
1887-8.	Half-Warrant Fees.....	500 00
"	" Rituals exchanged.....	18 50
"	" " sold Officers, etc.....	65 50
"	" P. M. Tactics.....	22 00
"	" Organizations.....	3 00

Cash balance, net profit to S.G.L.....	\$3,916 30
Add costs of Rituals on hand.....	\$1,624 12
" " Tactics.....	16 00
" " Organizations on hand.....	36 80
	156 00
Total.....	\$1,832 92

*Payable*

1885-6.	Cost of Rituals, 1st edition.....	\$ 327 66
"	" " 2nd edition.....	339 85
"	" Organizations.....	255 00
"	" Tactics.....	80 00
"	" Postage, ribbons and tubes.....	259 04
"	" Office incidentals.....	606 38
1886-7.	Tactics.....	40 00
"	" Postage, ribbons and tubes.....	90 25
1887-8.	Tactics.....	40 00
"	" Postage, ribbons and tubes.....	253 60
"	" Office incidentals.....	40
	Balance.....	1,624 12

\* Office Incidentals:

Negatives, Printing and Binding Secret Work.....	\$3,916 30
Proclamations and Warrants.....	\$172 25
Cohen & Co., sundry accounts.....	280 00
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	\$606 38



Which amount (\$1,832.92), to the credit of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, without that Grand Body having incurred any liability whatsoever, is truly gratifying.

The detailed classification of the Patriarchs Militant receipts and expenditures reported by Grand Secretary Ross, shows that during the year 1885-6 he received \$2,106.30, and expended \$1,867.93, leaving a profit for the year of \$238.37; during the year 1886-7 he received \$1,201.00, and expended \$130.25, leaving a profit for the year of \$1,070.75; and during the year 1887-8 he received \$609.00, and expended \$294.00, leaving a profit for the year of \$315.00. The aggregate of the yearly profits, \$238.37, \$1,070.75 and \$315.00 is \$1,624.12, which, with cost of supplies on hand, \$208.80, makes the total \$1,832.92, and is proof of his statement above.

### ACTION OF THE MILITARY COUNCIL. DIRECT RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE COMMANDER.

That appropriate legislation be enacted, reducing the age at which persons can be initiated into the Independent Order of Oddfellows to eighteen years, by and with consent of parent or guardian. Such legislation will place the Oddfellows on a better footing, and by that means secure a greater number of the young men of the country, who will not wait until they are twenty-one to join secret societies.

During the provisional period, and even upon the elective basis, I sanctioned the organization of double battalion regiments in a few Departments. I find that they are out of proportion to the great number of regimental organizations, and I think it will be better to bring all within strict provisions of law, which provides for the formation of three battalion regiments. The few and necessary changes that will have to be made in the re-assignment of battalions, in order to as far as possible equalize the regimental commands, can be made without affecting the rank of officers at present in commission. I therefore recommend that such regiments be reorganized, where thought desirable by the commander P.M.

That in consequence of the delay of Commanders of Departments in assigning Cantons newly mustered to battalions and regiments, the law providing for the assignment of such newly mustered organizations should be modified to the extent that where assignments are not made promptly, the Commander P.M. shall assign the new Cantons to battalions and regiments; and further, that where newly mustered Cantons are assigned to battalions and regiments by Commanders of Departments, that such assignments must be approved by the Commander P.M., who, for satisfactory reasons, shall also have power to re-assign such cantons.

By action of the Sovereign Grand Lodge (session 1887) the Chiefs of the various Staff Corps of the Army were promoted to be Major-Generals. In consequence thereof, it is recommended that the Commander P.M. shall be authorized to appoint assistants to the Chiefs of each of the Staff Corps of the Army with rank of Brigadier.

In the payment of the percentage of the Canton tax to the Commander of a Department, that the tax due from the Cantons within the Department shall be first deducted from the percentage, and the receipts for the same turned over to the Commander of the Department as part of the percentage, and be collectable by that officer.

In the payment of the percentage of the Canton tax to the Commanders of Divisions and Army Corps, fees due for commissions of the General and Staff shall be deducted therefrom, and receipts furnished, which shall be collectable by the respective Commanders.

That percentages due Commanders of Departments, Divisions and Army Corps shall be paid annually on the 26th of October, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

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That the Commander P. M. be authorized to reorganize, grade and commission the higher Officers of the Army in keeping with the foregoing, and as he may determine upon, being governed by the organization of the best armies in the world—the same to be without cost to individuals.

That for sanitary reasons, during summer months, Cantons and Battalions may wear solar India helmets made of cork, covered with white linen, which, if desired, may be ornamented with purple hair pompons for Chevaliers, and scarlet hair pompons for Officers; and white duck trousers.

### PROPOSITION.

From the success of the Patriarchs Militant movement, and from the manner in which the same has been accepted and approved by the people generally, the Commander P. M. believes that a considerable sum of money can, by legitimate means, be obtained for the permanent endowment of the Sovereign Grand Lodge; and entertaining that view, proposes to raise the sum of \$25,000.00, or more, as a nucleus for such purpose; and if the proposition is sanctioned by the Sovereign Body, will proceed within the Order, and through those friendly thereto, to obtain funds for the object mentioned, obligating himself, that the Sovereign Grand Lodge shall be to no expense other than for postage and the services of the secretary, which he guarantees shall not exceed \$1,500.00 per annum, and be paid out of monies raised, the Sovereign Grand Lodge simply advancing the monthly amounts of such postage and clerical assistance, and the Commander P. M. guaranteeing the refunding thereof, even should he have to deduct the same out of his salary.

### DECISIONS.

The only decisions thought necessary to report are as follows:

1. That a member of a Canton, a Patriarch of an Encampment in a jurisdiction foreign to that comprising the Department in which the Canton is located, as to his good standing in an Encampment to satisfy him (the Commandant) exhibit a card from his Encampment, or a certificate from the Scribe thereof, setting forth such fact.

2. A Chevalier visiting a Canton, without the Department wherein is located the Canton in which he holds membership, and consequently not able to communicate the "Department Check," may be admitted on the order of the Commandant on satisfactory evidence of his membership; and the Commandant, for that purpose, may require his Encampment Card to be exhibited as evidence of his good standing in a live Encampment, I. O. O. F.

### NOTE.

The recommendations and decisions contained in this report were approved, except in regard to the above proposition, where the Sovereign Grand Lodge refused to be responsible for any money grant, except legitimate postage.

### COMPETITIVE DRILLS.

There have been two Competitive Drills: The Continental Competitive Drill at Denver, Colorado, September 21-22, 1887, and the Inter-Department Competitive Drill at Cincinnati, Ohio, July 24-27, 1888, and full details of the same will be reported in manuscript, and all appear in the revised report of the Commander P. M.

### DECORATION OF CHIVALRY.

The Grand Decoration of Chivalry was conferred upon P. G. Sire James B. Nicholson, at Denver, and upon the Grand Sire and thirty-five Grand Representa-

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tives and P.M. Officers, and the Decoration of Chivalry upon six Chevaliers and two ladies, Daughters of Rebekah, at Cincinnati

The Grand Decoration and Decoration will be conferred at other places, and at Los Angeles, during the session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and a detailed report of the whole will be embraced in the revised report of the Commander P.M.

## INTRODUCTION OF THE MOVEMENT IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA AND MEXICO.

Upon application, the initial steps for the introduction of the Patriarchs Militant Degree in South Australia and Mexico have been taken, and, with that view, Grand Patriarch Alfred Leane has been obligated in writing, inducted into the Degree and commissioned as Lieutenant-Colonel and Special Aid-de-Camp for South Australia, and the Ritual and Secret Work, organization, etc., forwarded to him; and Past Grand Representative W. J. DeGress, formerly of Chile, has, upon solicitation, with the promise of introducing the Order in Mexico, been tendered appointment as Lieutenant-Colonel and Special Aid-de-Camp for Mexico, and, upon the acceptance of such position, he will be obligated in writing, inducted into the Degree, commissioned and furnished necessary authority for the introduction of the Degree in that country.

## VISITATIONS.

During the year I have made many visitations throughout all sections of the whole country; have received a hearty welcome everywhere; found the Militant Branch generally successful, and being worked to great advantage to Lodges and Encampments.

The Addenda, hereunto annexed, is made part and parcel of this report, which, though to a slight degree imperfect, will be revised and printed in proper form when complete data has been received.

The revised report will contain detailed statistics of Cantons in all Departments.

Respectfully submitted.

Truly and chivalrously your obedient servant,

JNO. C. UNDERWOOD,

Lieutenant-General.

## SPECIAL REPORT.

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE COMMANDER, P.M., TO THE SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE.

ARMY HEADQUARTERS, P.M., I.O.O.F.,

Covington, Ky., September 1st, 1888.

*To the Officers and Grand Representatives of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F.:*  
Brethren and Gentlemen,—I have the honor to submit the following reports giving full information and subjoined financial statements relative to the Continental Competitive Drill and Oddfellows' parade at Denver, Colorado, Sept. 21-22, 1887; and to the Grand Cantonment of Patriarchs Militant, Inter-Department Competitive Drills and general parade of Oddfellows at Cincinnati, Ohio, July 23-28, 1888.

The first grand parade of Oddfellows, comprising the Patriarchs Militant and members of Lodges and Encampments, took place in Boston, Mass., on Sept. 23, 1886, and will be long remembered as one of the largest and most enthusiastically received Oddfellow demonstrations on the continent. It embraced over five thousand Patriarchs Militant and eight thousand members of Subordinate Lodges and Encampments, making an aggregate of over thirteen thousand Oddfellows in column, independent of the bands and drum corps, which were estimated by the press of the day at over twelve hundred musicians, thereby increasing the numbers on parade to between fourteen and fifteen thousand.

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The second annual Oddfellows' parade of similar organization was held at Denver on September 22, 1887, and the column consisted of fifty-seven General, Field and Staff Officers, mounted, fifteen Cantons of Patriarchs Militant, aggregating over five hundred Chevaliers; members of Lodges and Encampments to the number of one thousand; and the Grand Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge in carriages; the total estimated in round numbers at sixteen to eighteen hundred.

The Continental Competitive Drill held at Denver, September 21-22, 1887, was the first under Militant auspices, where three cash prize awards were made, aggregating \$1,100, one jewel award, value \$300, one honorary jewel, value \$150, presented, and the judge's expenses, nearly \$200, defrayed, making in round numbers a total of \$1,750; a good start for the Military movement, when it is considered that Denver is at the base of the Rocky Mountains.

The Oddfellows' parade on July 26, 1888, at Cincinnati, Ohio, was the third demonstration of the kind since the establishment of the Patriarchs Militant, and was a pronounced success in every particular. The column consisted of two Corps: the first, the Military, comprising two thousand two hundred and eighteen of all arms; the second, the civic, numbering four thousand four hundred and thirteen of the various organizations—the whole comprising forces of which were mounted, three hundred and six; dismounted, five thousand seven hundred and seventy-eight; and borne in carriages, five hundred and forty-seven, making a grand total of six thousand six hundred and thirty-one men, as per reports of Subordinate Commanders. The parade, like those at Boston and Denver, was enthusiastically received by the people of Cincinnati and the Central States, the streets being lined for miles by thousands of spectators, and the Mayor of Cincinnati countenancing the occasion by accompanying the Grand Sire in the procession.

The Inter-Department Competitive Drill held at Cincinnati July 23-28, 1888, was the second competition of Patriarchs Militant organizations in drill, and one of the most successful military contests held upon the Continent, where a great number of prizes, consisting of cash, jewels, banners, etc., were awarded to the winning organizations—the whole aggregating together with the expenses of the general occasion \$10,734.85, leaving a surplus of flags and jewels on hand valued at \$1,050, making the total amount of cash and other assets received for the occasion \$11,784, a magnificent showing for the liberality of the citizens of Cincinnati. The remaining jewels owned by the Patriarchs Militant were awarded, giving the mounted Officer's diamond jewel on hand to the Commander of the Battalion, and retaining the Duhme prize jewel.

In the Judge's award, Canton No. 12, Ky., was mentioned conditionally and recommended to receive the ninth prize, which action of the Judges was not sustained by the Commander P. M. on the ground that the said Canton drilled with a less number of Chevaliers than was required by the rules, etc.

Upon the whole, the various demonstrations of the Patriarchs Militant, the success and friendly action with the other Branches of the Order is evidence of its joint and fraternal co-operation.

I, therefore, congratulate your honorable body upon the wisdom of its sovereign act in establishing the Militant Degree, and predict for it a future commensurate with the auspicious beginning.

Respectfully submitted.

I have the honor to remain, truly and chivalrously,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN C. UNDERWOOD,

Lieutenant-General.

## FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The Committee on Finance presented the following Report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Finance present herewith the Report of the Sub-Committee to whom was intrusted the duty of auditing the books and accounts of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer.

The Sub-Committee on Finance respectfully report having carefully examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer for the fiscal year closing August 15, 1888, and submit the following as a condensed statement of the same.

The receipts by the Grand Treasurer from the Grand Secretary amounted to \$53,481.47 during the year.

There was paid out by the Grand Treasurer, upon 301 vouchers, the sum of \$49,484.63. The excess of receipts over the payments during the year amounted to \$3,996.84.

## RECEIPTS.

1887.		
August 20.—Cash balance at this date .....	\$25,819	06
1888.		
August 15.—Interest on United States Bonds .....	2,297	23
Proceeds sale of United States Bonds .....	5,500	00
Premiums received on above .....	877	50
Received from Theo. A. Ross, Grand Secretary, receipts from all sources during the year .....	44,806	74
Balance and Receipts together .....	\$79,300	53

## PAYMENTS.

1888.		
August 15.—On vouchers from No. 3831 to No. 4132 inclusive, being for the current expenses of the fiscal year from August 20, 1887, to August 15, 1888, inclusive .....	\$49,484	63
August 15.—Cash balance in the hands of Isaac A. Sheppard, Grand Treasurer .....	29,815	90
Total .....	\$79,300	53

## AVAILABLE ASSETS.

The available assets, the property of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, in the keeping of your Grand Treasurer, are as follows:

1888.		
August 15.—Cash balance in Treasury .....	\$29,815	90
United States 4½ per cent. registered bonds, par .....	13,300	00
United States 4½ per cent. coupon bonds, par .....	37,000	00
Total .....	\$80,115	90

which is \$1,503.16 less than at last report in 1887.

The accounts, according to the books of the Grand Secretary, Theodore A. Ross, exhibit the entire assets of the Sovereign Grand Lodge on August 15, 1888, to consist of—

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Cash in hands of Grand Treasurer.....	
United States Bonds at par.....	\$29,815 90
Steel and electrotype plates.....	50,300 00
Library, cost of binding books.....	10,807 75
Grand Lodge building in Baltimore, cost.....	1,018 38
Supplies on hand at cost.....	4,781 32
Paintings and Furniture.....	12,089 84
Balances due.....	8,792 16
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Total.....	\$118,612 43

Increase of assets over 1887 ..... \$482 37

In consequence of the session of 1888 being held in Los Angeles, California, the Grand Secretary found it necessary, in order to get the reports printed in time to forward by railroad to the place of meeting, to close the books on the 15th day of August, the accounts thereby lacking a few days short of an entire year.

Your Committee find that the expenses of the Sixty-third Session, held at Denver, were \$37,667.21; exceeding by amount of \$4,842.80 the expenditures for the session of 1886, held at Boston.

Of the aggregate sum appropriated at the annual session of 1887, to defray the expenses of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, there was at the close of the year an unexpended balance of \$1,530.87, which, according to the usual custom, merges.

M. RICHARDS MUCKLE,  
JAMES B. BLANKS,

Sub-Committee on Finance.

Columbus, Sept. 1, 1888.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE W. GOSS,  
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WALTER E. CARLIN,  
W. K. MAKEMSON,

The Finance Committee also submitted the following report on the accounts of the Lieut.-General of the Patriarchs Militant for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1888, which was adopted :

They find that the Military Commission, consisting of General John H. Albin, Judge Advocate-General; General James B. Nicholson, Commanding Second Army Corps; and Brig. Mark Richards Muckle, Assistant Quartermaster-General, have examined and audited the same with the vouchers, which accompany the detailed report as submitted by the Lieutenant-General, from which it appears that the receipts from all sources were as follows :

RECEIPTS.

For Commissions, N. C. Warrants and Canton Tax.....	\$7,639 90
" Warrants.....	1,020 00
" Engrossing.....	67 10
" Seals.....	407 00
" Tactics.....	688 65
" Supplies.....	861 82
" Sundries.....	678 27
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## EXPENDITURES.

" Visitations.....	\$ 464 61
" Salaries.....	5,748 45
" Half Warrant Fees paid to the Grand Secretary of the Sovereign Grand Lodge.....	510 00
" Printing.....	2,044 00
" Supplies.....	340 96
" Postage.....	1,526 79
" Sundries, Rent, Jewels, Stationery, Gas, Coal, Telegrams, etc.....	
	<u>\$11,334 81</u>
Balance cash on hand, Sept. 1, 1888.....	27 93
	<u>\$11,362 74</u>

## ASSETS.

Balance cash on hand.....	\$ 27 93
Supplies on hand for sale.....	1,005 00
Supplies for office use.....	289 80
Office assets.....	780 45
Due for Canton Tax.....	1,172 00
For Commissions and N. C. Warrants issued and collectable.....	809 75
For supplies ordered and delivered, viz., seals, stationery, tactics, books.....	269 52
Total.....	<u>\$4,354 45</u>

## LIABILITIES.

Due Cohen & Co. for supplies in printing, stationery, books, etc., under contracts carried by the publishers until sold.....	2,000 00
Due Pettibone Mfg. Co. for banners, flags, uniform and equipments on hand, largest part collectable only on certain conditions.....	1,300 00
Percentage of receipts due Commanders.....	1,200 00
Due Duhme & Co., unaudited account.....	220 00
Due Strobridge Lithograph Co., account.....	55 00
Total.....	<u>\$4,775 00</u>
Excess of Liabilities above Assets.....	\$420 55

It is gratifying for your Committee to be able to state that the Organization of Patriarchs Militant, from the date of its inception to the present day, has been at no expense to the Sovereign Grand Lodge whatever; on the contrary, according to the accounts of the Grand Secretary, Theo. A. Ross, it appears that the profit accruing to the treasury of the Sovereign Grand Lodge has aggregated to September 1, 1888, the sum of \$1,832.92.

Respectfully submitted,

MARK RICHARDS MUCKLE,  
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DECISIONS.

The Grand Sire made the following decisions during the past year which, with the exception of those noted, were all approved :

REBEKAH DECISIONS.

1. No person not a member of a Rebekah Degree Lodge, except officers expressly authorized by law, can be allowed to be present at the conferring of the new Rebekah Work or the exemplification thereof.
2. A State Grand Lodge may authorize any Rebekah Degree Lodge within its jurisdiction to open a session of such Lodge, presided over by its officers, to meet at any place within its jurisdiction during the session and at the place of meeting of such Grand Lodge, for the purpose of exemplifying, in the presence of the members of the Order entitled to witness the same, the new Rebekah Work.
3. No member of a Grand Lodge is entitled to witness such exemplification by reason of his being such member of or a Representative to a Grand Lodge.
4. Members of a Grand Lodge will not be permitted to be present at the exemplification of the Rebekah Degree, unless members of Rebekah Degree Lodges in good standing. The reason is that the new Ritual is designed for the use of Degree Lodges of the Daughters of Rebekah only, and those who are not in possession of the degree as revised have no right to witness it.
5. The laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge passed at Denver, in September last, authorizing the appointment of lady Past Grands as installing officers of Rebekah Lodges and providing for a burial ceremony for a Daughter of Rebekah, are general laws, and do not take effect until January 1st, 1888.
6. In conferring the Degree of Rebekah, as in all other degrees of the Order, the language of the Ritual must be adhered to. In conferring the beautified Work with tableaux and characters, it is not permissible to use any words or language other than as prescribed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.
7. A Rebekah Convention which has the sanction of the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction has the right to and should take the S. A. Password before admitting to the Convention, and none of those without it should be admitted.
8. In the absence of special legislation on the subject, and in analogy to the law in reference to Subordinate Lodges, I decide that a Brother or Sister who has been suspended from a Rebekah Degree Lodge for non-payment of dues, cannot become a member of another Rebekah Degree Lodge without first being reinstated and receiving a Withdrawal Card from the Lodge in which he or she was suspended; and that they cannot become Charter members of a Lodge without first obtaining such card.
9. Terms of office in Rebekah Lodges are not composed of a number of nights' service, but of stated periods of time, six months or one year, as the local law provides (Digest 324), and to entitle officers to the honors of the term, if there be any, they must serve a majority of the nights of such term, whether the regular meetings be held weekly, semi-monthly or monthly. (1887, Journal, 10,716, Decision 28.) The rules governing Subordinate Lodges as to terms of office are applicable to these Lodges.
10. An unmarried sister of an Oddfellow of another jurisdiction can acquire membership in a Rebekah Lodge in the jurisdiction in which she resides. An application signed by her and indorsed by her brother, the Oddfellow, accompanied by a certificate from his Lodge of the fact of his membership, will authorize a Rebekah Lodge to elect her to membership. Of course, if the laws of the Lodge to which application is made require the recommendation of a member of that Lodge, that must be obtained also. This is a very liberal construction of



make the assignment to any battalion he may see fit in his regiment. This, of course, depends on what, in the light of general military rules, the law-makers intended by the language used. It is a general rule in the construction of statutes that force and effect should, if possible, be given to all the words used. If it had been the intention to empower the Department Commander to assign newly mustered Cantons to all battalions, whether separate or in regiments, then the words 'and regiments' in the law have no force, and are mere useless verbiage, but, being there, force must be given them, and no authorized construction of statutes will permit them to be disregarded. Two bodies of men are specified to which assignments may be made, viz., battalions and regiments, and the assignment is to the body and not to an integral portion of it.

"Again, after assignment, the Department Commander is 'to report to the Colonels of regiments, Generals of brigades and divisions, and to the Lieutenant-General.' In case of a separate battalion, no report can be made to a Colonel, because there is no Colonel holding command over a separate battalion, and in that case the first report would be to the Brigade Commander. If the assignment be to a regiment, the first report would be to the Colonel. The language in reference to reports strengthens the contention that the assignment, when to a regiment, is to be to the regiment generally. The construction of the language used, taken altogether, seems to be clearly in favor of the position that the assignment, when made to a regiment, is to be made to it generally, and that the Colonel is the one to assign to the battalions of his regiment. But it is contended that this could not have been the intention of the law-making power, because, as alleged, the Department Commander is the better qualified to perform that service, for the reason that he musters in the Cantons, and, therefore, will be more apt to understand the wishes of the new Canton in respect to the matter. The force of this position is greatly weakened from the fact that in many instances the Majors and other officers are detailed to muster these Cantons, and besides, it seems to me more probable that the Commandant of a regiment, it being a much smaller body men of and spread over a smaller territory, would be much better acquainted with the men under his immediate command, and better able to make a proper assignment, both as respects the wishes of the new Canton and the best interests of the regiment, than the Department Commander, and both of these things should be taken into account in making the assignment. The Colonel is more immediately responsible for the conduct and proficiency of his regiment than the Commander of the Department, and would certainly take as much pride in keeping it up to the highest possible standard as his superior officer.

"Again, it seems to me on general principles that there should be, as much as possible, a division of powers as well as of duties. It is in accordance with modern ideas of government—American ideas, at least—and of the principles of our institution.

"Home rule as distinguished from centralization of power, except upon great emergencies, seems to be a correct theory of government. In certain matters, the Captain has entire control within his company, being liable only for the abuse of that control. The same is true of the Major, of the Colonel, and so on to the highest officer of the army.

"Such being my convictions, I am constrained to hold that the assignment of a newly-mustered Canton, when made to a regiment, is to be made general, and that the duty of assignment to a regimental battalion devolves upon the Colonel Commandant."

NOTE.—In reference to this occasion the Committee on the Patriarchal Branch of the Order made the following report, which was adopted:

"Your Committee to whom was referred certain decisions of the Grand Sire, found in his report of the present Session, have duly considered decision numbered 17, and arrived at the following conclusion:



"That decision 17, enunciated by the Grand Sire, is not in accordance with this Committee's construction of the law as laid down on page 10,647, Journal of 1886, which reads as follows :

"Resolved, That the Commanders of Departments shall assign newly-mustered Cantons to Battalions and Regiments, and report such acts of assignment to Colonels of Regiments, Generals of Brigades and Divisions, and to the Lieutenant-General."

"Your Committee is constrained to dissent from decision 17, which claims that a newly-mustered Canton shall be assigned to a Regimental Battalion by the Colonel Commandant, when the law as above given clearly shows that such assignment of a newly-mustered Canton shall be made by the Commanders of Departments."

Respectfully submitted.

18. In the matter of the protest of officers of the Second Regiment of the Division of the East, Patriarchs Militant.

In considering the protest of officers of the First Regiment, Division of the East, Patriarchs Militant, supplemented by the protest of officers of the Second Regiment, same Division, against the acts of the Lieutenant-General therein particularly described, the Commander-in-Chief desires to express his regret that any such protest has been made, as it imposes upon him a very unpleasant duty, that of reviewing the acts of an officer high in the estimation of the Order, and one for whom he entertains the highest respect, but the protest having been made, it is the duty of the Commander-in-Chief to decide the matter impartially according to his best judgment, so that no bad precedent be set in reference to the question in issue to plague us in the future.

The duties of the Grand Sire, in reference to this branch of the Order, are understood by him to be *mainly* of an appellate character, the active command of the Army being devolved by law upon the Lieutenant-General; hence, it would seem that in matters of discretion that officer's opinions should prevail. The question here, however, is one of law—one of the construction of a statute.

*First.* The first point of the protest is to the promotion of Brigadier-General Cushman to be Major-General, and the assigning of him to the command of the First Army Corps, thus ignoring an efficient officer of superior rank who is entitled to the position, not only by virtue of his rank, but by his acknowledged service in the interest of this degree."

Within the rule mentioned above, the only question to be decided is as to the *power* of the Lieutenant-General to promote Brigadier-General Cushman over the heads of the officers holding Major-General's Commissions within the limits of the first Army Corps, and not as to the character or qualifications of those Generals.

At the outset, it should be borne in mind that the general law is that all commissioned officers from Captain to Major-General, inclusive, are to be elected (Journal, 10,117), the Major-Generals by the Brigadiers and Colonels.

Now, when the Sovereign Grand Lodge authorized the formation of Army Corps, did it intend to violate this general rule and invest the power of promotion in the Lieutenant-General? The law reads, "The officers to be placed in command of Army Corps shall be *selected* by the Commander of the Patriarchs Militant from the Generals in command of troops, and be commissioned as Corps Commanders, with the rank of Major-Generals." It is claimed that this law confers upon the Lieutenant-General the power to promote.

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cation every particular power necessary to the exercise of the one or the performance of the other. But if the means for the exercise of the power be also granted, no other or different means or power can be implied. Kent's Commentaries, p. 515, note (7th ed.); 2 Scammon Ill. R., p. 79. Such is the general as well as the undisputed rule. The statute may be read as follows: "The Commander shall select from the Generals in command of troops with — that is, having the rank of Major-Generals," etc. Bear in mind the words are "shall be selected," not appointed or promoted. Clearly, there is no express power given by Section 2, page 10,877, the law in question. The power to promote is not at all necessary to the exercise of the power to select, because in the district covered by the Corps there were two officers with the rank of Major-General, and the power of selection is all the power given, except the power to commission them as Corps Commanders. It is claimed that the expression "with the rank of Major-Generals," authorizes their promotion to that rank. On the contrary, it assumes that they hold that rank when selected and assigned. There is a broad distinction between *promotion to a rank* and *assignment of one with the rank*. Nor does the construction contended for derive any additional force from the expression "from the commanders of troops," for the phrase contains no express power to promote. The conclusions seem irresistible that the law does not confer the power to *promote*, but only the power to *select* and *commission* those already holding that rank.

If there had been no such officer as Major-General in the Army, but only Brigadiers, then the phrase "select from Generals in command of troops and commission as Corps Commanders, with the rank of Major-Generals," would confer the power to promote, because the requirement being that they must be Major-Generals, the power to promote would be absolutely essential to the exercise of the power to select and commission, and would be clearly implied under the rule of construction above stated. Under no other ground can the exercise of the implied power to promote be sustained. There being Major-Generals in the case, such implied power does not exist.

But it may be claimed that if the power to promote does not exist, then there may be no Major-General qualified to be selected and assigned, by reason of habitual neglect of duty and proved incompetency. This, however, cannot be so. In such cases the military law provides a remedy. The incompetent officer can be ordered under arrest and charges preferred against him, and then a Brigadier may be assigned to the command of the Corps, though he would be simply acting Major-General, and not one having that rank. While the rigidity and severity of military arrests, in the treatment of officers arrested; cannot be presumed to be applied in their force, in our military degree, in justice to officers, the general features, so far as they relate to the causes of arrest and the information to which the officer thus disgraced is entitled, touching the grounds of complaint against him, must be observed. No *ex parte* condemnation can be final against him. Any other rule would be grossly unjust and contrary to all rules, civil or military, and should not be tolerated for a moment.

The degree of the Patriarchs Militant has for its basis the United States Army. By Act of Congress of June 23rd, 1879, the Secretary of War was directed to codify the army regulations, and in the army regulations thus prepared, on page 87, Article LXI, will be found the rules touching arrests. Paragraph 865 reads as follows: "Officers are not to be put in arrest for light offences. For these the censure of the commanding officer will, in most cases, answer the purpose of discipline."

In other cases provision is made for summoning courts-martial and the trial of charges.

The second ground of protest is the appointment of Brigadier-General Whipple, an officer of his personal staff, by the Lieutenant-General, to the command of the First Brigade, Division of the East, Department of Massachusetts. The

assignment of General Cushman to the command of the First Army Corps, and relieving him of the command of the Brigade, left a vacancy in the command. There were two Colonels in this Brigade, and, in my judgment, one of these, the ranking officer, should have been assigned to the command of the Brigade. It is claimed by the Lieutenant-General that military authorities differed as to which of these two was the ranking officer, and to avoid making a choice in a case where there was a conflict, he appointed General Whipple, temporarily, to the command, and that he occupied that position only about a month, when one of the two Colonels mentioned was elected to the vacancy.

## CONCLUSION.

As to the first part of the contest, I decline to interfere in the matter further, and remit the whole subject to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, for the reason that the Lieutenant-General acted in good faith in his construction of the law, though, in my judgment, such construction was erroneous; that there seems to be a pretty general acquiescence in his act, and peace and harmony seem to prevail in the territory affected; that in case of an adverse decision, it would invalidate the appointment of several Corps Commanders, concerning whose appointment no fault has been found, and lastly, because I believe the best interests of the Army require that the matter should be considered by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, in the first instance, in connection with needed legislation upon the subject matter of the protest.

As to the second point of the protest, I hold that the assignment of General Whipple was not warranted by law, but it is of no avail now to rescind the order assigning him, as the whole force of the Order has been spent, and a Brigadier regularly elected in place of General Cushman.

## NOTE.

In reference to this decision, the Committee on the Patriarchal Branch of the Order made the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee have considered the decision of the Grand Sire, numbered 18, in his report to their Body at the present session, and respectfully submit the following as the result of their deliberation and recommend its adoption:

In regard to the subject matter surrounding the decision 18, your Committee were confronted with some difficulty in reconciling apparent conflicts in the construction given to the wording of the law on the subject as found on page 10, 877, Journal 1887, Sec. 2, in reference to the power to appoint the Corps Commanders claimed by the decision. Your Committee are however of the opinion that authority to appoint a Brigadier General to the position of Corps Commander lies with the Lieutenant-General, under the law, notwithstanding there may be a Major-General within the Department.

Respectfully submitted,

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## MISCELLANEOUS DECISIONS.

19. Section 883 does not decide the question you ask, which is: "Is it fitting that a Brother fill the position of D. D. Grand Master for his Lodge and Recording Secretary at the same time?" I cannot see that the offices are what are denominated incompatible offices. The only necessary conflict is in the installation, but that may be performed by any Past Grand. You class the Noble

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Grand, Vice Grand and Recording Secretary together and call them executive officers. This, it seems to me, is hardly accurate. The Noble Grand is an executive officer, and the Vice-Grand may be, as the Vice-Grand may act in the absence of the Noble Grand. I think the Recording Secretary may more properly be denominated a "ministerial" officer; that is, an officer who acts by direction of another or under another's authority. An executive officer is one who executes or directs. A ministerial officer is the directed. I therefore, as at present advised, must decide that a D. D. Grand Master may act as Recording Secretary, but that a Noble Grand or a Vice-Grand cannot.

20. The form of affirmation prescribed in the proclamation of the Grand Sire, Dec. 23, 1886, is by its terms applicable only to officers elect about to be installed, and members of Grand Lodges when they present themselves for admission, and, of course, the change in the form of the affirmation affects those only. The affirmation is to be administered to all officers elect and all applicants for admission to Grand Lodges, with these words omitted, viz.: "The Patriarchal Circle, or any successor thereof, by whatever name known, or in." The affirmation required by the second and third clauses of the proclamation is not affected at all by the action of the Grand Lodge, and the affirmation therein provided for applicants for membership in either Lodges or Encampments must be administered to all such applicants, and taken by them before they can be received in membership in such Lodges and Encampments.

The second paragraph of the Grand Sire's proclamation warrants and requires the demand, by every Subordinate Lodge and Encampment in every Grand Jurisdiction, that each and every applicant for membership in each Subordinate shall take and subscribe the declaration, upon his honor as an Oddfellow, "that he does not hold membership in the Patriarchal Circle or any successor thereof, by whatever name the same may be known or called."

This law is still in force, and not affected by the action of the Sovereign Grand Lodge at its last session, changing the form of the declaration to be administered to candidates, to officers-elect of Subordinates and applicants for membership in Grand Bodies.

It is the duty of every Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment to require all Lodges and Encampments to conform to this law.

21. Yours of 14th inst., with report of your predecessor to the Grand Encampment of Wisconsin, is received, and I am glad to note that there is an increase in Encampments and in the membership of the Encampment branch in your noble jurisdiction, and that the Grand Encampment has put itself in accord with the Sovereign Grand Lodge and its legislation in reference to the Patriarchal Circle question. I sincerely trust that it will be the end of the trouble in your State. To your question, as follows: "The members of Excelsior Encampment, No. 20, at Portage, surrendered their Charter last August rather than subscribe to the iron-clad obligation. These men now ask the Grand Encampment for Withdrawal Cards. Are they entitled to them? I am satisfied in my own mind that the members are now, at this time, active members of the Patriarchal Circle." I answer emphatically, "No, unless they have, in good faith, withdrawn from and renounced the Patriarchal Circle." Grand Sire Garey, in his decision No. 11 (1886, Journal, 10, 251), in reference to members of the Circle, held that "any member in good standing might apply to his Lodge for a Withdrawal Card before January 1st, 1886, and his Lodge might grant the card, unless charges were preferred against him." This decision implies that after January 1st Circle members could not have cards recommending them to the friendship and protection of the Order. It may be said that the card does not do this. If that be so, it certainly does give them standing, and does endorse them as proper applicants for membership in the Order. The legislation of 1885 extended the day of grace to these deluded Brethren to the period above named, and they have deliberately chosen to put themselves outside of the pale of the Order, and there they should stay, unless,

like the prodigal son, they repent and return to their father's house, where they will be received with open arms, and fed upon the fat things in store for all good and true Oddfellows. If you are satisfied they have withdrawn from the Circle in good faith, the cards can be granted; if not, not. If they insist on retaining their membership in the Circle, they can want the cards for no good purpose. You are authorized to take such means as your judgment may dictate to ascertain their present status. They have virtually avowed their membership, and it is for them to purge themselves from disloyalty and furnish proof of it. There is no law, and never has been, which requires any Grand Officer or Grand Lodge to grant a card to any member of any defunct Subordinate without inquiry as to the right of such member to the card, and as to the propriety of granting the same.

22. If a Lodge, on being instructed by the Grand Master to cease violating the law, complies, I know of no law which forbids its doing so under protest.

23. A Grand Master on instituting a new Lodge opens a Lodge in the Scarlet Degree.

24. Whether a proposition fee should be turned in, with receipts of the Lodge for the evening, or the Treasurer, or be held by the Secretary until the applicant is elected or rejected, is a subject for local legislation.

25. The general rule is that any scarlet member is eligible to any office in a Lodge except that of Noble Grand and Vice-Grand, and hence a Subordinate Lodge has no right to require service in an appointed office as a qualification for election to any other elective office.

26. The Senior Warden is the second working officer in rank in an Encampment, and from analogy it would seem, and I so decide, that a Subordinate Encampment has no right to require service in an appointed office as a qualification for election to any elective office therein except Chief Patriarch and Senior Warden. A Patriarch need not serve in the office of High Priest to be eligible to the office of Chief Patriarch, unless required by the local law.—*Digest*, 928.

27. There seems to be no general law requiring service as Junior Warden to entitle the Past Chief Patriarch to the Grand Encampment Degree; hence, where a Past Chief Patriarch presents to the Grand Encampment of another jurisdiction a certificate from the officers of his own Encampment that he is a Past Chief Patriarch, accompanied by a Visiting Card in date, and a certificate from the Grand Scribe of his jurisdiction that he is a Past Chief Patriarch and District Deputy for the current year, with a request that the said Grand Encampment confer upon him the Grand Encampment Degree, such Grand Encampment has no right to refuse compliance because it is not certified that the holder is a Past Junior Warden. There are no past official Degrees in the Encampment branch of the Order, unless the Grand Encampment Degree be called such.

28. A Past Grand is not entitled to admission into his Grand Lodge without the Password of the current term, he being more than thirteen weeks in arrears. If, being more than thirteen weeks in arrears, he obtains the Password in a surreptitious manner, he does not by that acquire any rights, and is not entitled to sit in his Grand Lodge. A Grand Lodge, on ascertaining the fact that he is more than thirteen weeks in arrears, and that he obtained the Password improperly, may eject him from its sessions—*Digest*, 994, 1440.

29. Where the Constitution of a Grand Body provides that its revenue is derived from the sale of supplies and a Capitation Tax levied upon the membership of the Subordinates, and that the Finance Committee shall report at the annual session an estimate of the expenses of the Grand Body for the current fiscal year, for salaries, etc., and the Grand Body at its annual session levies a tax in accordance therewith, one-half to accompany each semi-annual report, a

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Lodge, although instituted during the preceding term, and but sixteen or seventeen weeks prior to such annual session, is bound to pay the full Capitation Tax so levied.

30. The portion of the law of the Grand Lodge of Michigan in reference to the consolidation of Subordinates, concerning which the doubt exists, is as follows: "All the members in good standing of each of said Lodges shall thereupon become members of such consolidated Lodge, which shall also have jurisdiction over all suspended members of each of said Lodges.

"All the funds, property and record books, belonging to each of said Lodges, shall belong to and be turned over to such consolidated Lodge, and all of the charge books, except such as originally belonged to the Lodge whose name and number have been retained, shall be turned over to the Grand Lodge."

The doubt existing seems to be occasioned by the decision of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, in 1832, and known as the Chichasaw Lodge case (Journal, 8955). It will be observed that this decision was made prior to any enactment of the Sovereign Grand Lodge authorizing the consolidation of Lodges, but it seems to me that the entire force and effect of this decision are entirely destroyed by the subsequent enactment (1883, Journal, 9404), and the subsequent decision (1884, Journal, 9755), and that the whole subject is by those laws remitted to the Subordinate Grand Bodies. The idea has prevailed that by the consolidation of two Lodges, one of them becomes a defunct Lodge. It is difficult to reconcile this with sound reason, because, if one becomes defunct, why does not the other one also become defunct? It is not the same Lodge as it was before. The retaining of the name of one in preference to the other certainly cannot make the difference. The Grand Lodge doubtless has the right to give a new name and number to the consolidated body, and if this be so there would be two defunct bodies instead of one, and it can make no difference whether the Charters, one or both, are retained by the consolidated Lodge as members of their former condition, or whether they be placed among the archives of the Grand Lodge. It is the thing, the substance, we are looking at, and not the paper. The merging or joining of two bodies cannot annihilate either. By the act of merging, the rights, properties and franchises of each are united together, forming, in fact, but perhaps not in name, a new body or corporation possessing the rights, powers and franchises of both. Hence, it would seem to follow that the suspended members of both would sustain the same relation to the consolidated body that they did to their own before consolidation. This being so, of course the new Lodge can reinstate or grant Dismissal Certificates to the suspended members of either, and can annul Clearance Cards granted within a year. I therefore hold that your law is not in conflict with any law of the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

31. "A member of a Subordinate Lodge who has been suspended by his Encampment for non-payment of dues, or for any cause, or who has withdrawn from his Encampment or lost his membership therein in any other way, has no right to wear the Encampment regalia in his Subordinate Lodge or in any other Oddfellow organization under or created by the authority of the Sovereign Grand Lodge. A Past Grand thus situated has not the right to wear the combined regalia of the Order, nor any trimmings of yellow metal, or other yellow material, in any Lodge of any kind."

32. Subordinate Encampments under the jurisdiction of the Sovereign Grand Lodge may elect trustees of the Lodge if authorized so to do by By-law of the Encampment, approved by the Sovereign Grand Lodge. Without such approval they cannot. Trustees are not officers of the Encampment in the sense used in Article VII., Section 1, of the Constitution of Subordinate Encampments.

33. I am inclined to think that where a member pays dues in advance, in accordance with the provisions of the By-laws of his Lodge, and dies before another payment becomes due, the Lodge is not bound to refund to his representatives a proportionate share of the dues so paid, and I so decide.

34. *Question*—Has a member, three months in arrears, the right to speak in his Lodge?

*Answer*—It seems to be a general rule of the Order that a member in arrears for dues over three months is not in good standing, and for that reason is deprived of the privilege of participating in the proceedings of his Lodge. He has no right to the Pass Word or to vote (Digest, 739), and I think it also extends to the right to participate in debate or to make motions, but I think the matter may be regulated by the local law. Of course, he cannot be deprived of the right to speak in his own defence where charges are preferred against him.

35. Section 42 of the By-laws of Argyll Lodge, No. 212, at Napanee, Ont., instituted October 17, 1878, is as follows:

*“Non-Beneficial Membership.*—Section 42 A member of the Initiatory Degree of Truth may, on application, and a favorable ballot thereon, receive all the degrees for working purposes, on the payment of one dollar, but he shall not be entitled to or receive any additional benefits than he would have been entitled to or receive any additional benefits than he would have been entitled to previous to receiving said degrees until he shall have paid the balance of the fees, \$3 for each degree; and should such member die before he has paid the full fee, and leave a widow or orphan child or children, their benefits shall be the same as they would have been, provided the deceased Brother had not received the degrees.

“The acceptance of the full fees for such degrees by this Lodge shall be determined by ballot, and one week’s notice in open Lodge must be given before such ballot can be had, and the Lodge may demand the physician’s certificate before taking such ballot.”

Section 57 provides benefits as follows: Third Degree, \$3; Second Degree, \$2.50; First Degree, \$2; Initiatory Degree \$1.50.

This By-law of Argyll Lodge is a queer one. I don’t understand what is meant by “a member of the Initiatory Degree of Truth.” It is an attempt to establish non-beneficial membership. It provides that an initiatory member shall receive \$1.50 benefits, and then authorized the conferring of the three degrees for the sum of \$1; and the theory of the By-law seems to be that a member thus situated is a non-beneficial member. But this is not true, as he receives benefits and participates in the working of the Lodge. There would be no objection to the two ballots if the membership were non-beneficial, because the second ballot, on the theory of the By-law, would simply change him from a non-beneficial member to a beneficial member, in which case he has to pay an additional sum of \$8 for the degrees.

The By-law is illegal in its whole scope and aim.

36. A Lodge has the right to donate money from its General Fund for the benefit of an Oddfellows’ Home, established under the authority of the resolution of the Sovereign Grand Lodge in 1887.—*Journal*, 10,986. 11,027.

37. A Lodge may invest its surplus funds in the stock of a bank, loan and trust company, or other moneyed enterprise which it may deem to be a good paying concern.

38. A Lodge holding memorial services, pursuant to the proclamation of the Grand Sire, may expend a reasonable amount of its funds to defray the necessary expenses incident thereto, under the limitations and restrictions contained in the decision of the Grand Sire, No. 15, 1887.—*Journal*, 10,714.

39. “Can a Charter be granted to petitioners, all of whom are holders of Dismissal Certificates?” I am compelled to answer this, No; there must be five petitioners who are members of the Order in good standing. (Digest, 1162a, Journal 8838) What is meant by “Brothers of the Order in good standing,” in

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Article I. of the By-laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, Digest, 1162, is members holding unexpired Withdrawal Cards. (Decision Grand Sire White, 1887). Holders of Dismissal Certificates and of expired Withdrawal Cards, though not members of the Order, may join with five holders of unexpired Withdrawal Cards in a petition for a Charter, and thus become charter members. (Digest 1177, 1178). I think the practice has been to grant Charters where it was necessary to count holders of Dismissal Certificates and expired Withdrawal Cards in order to make up the requisite number (five), but, as I view it, it was not the law. Resignation severs membership instantly and totally (Digest, 678), and a Dismissal Certificate is simply evidence of resignation. Holders of unexpired Withdrawal Cards, though not members, are to a certain extent subject to the jurisdiction of the Order (Digest, 179, 180, 180a, 180b), as these cards may be annulled within one year from their date, but after that they have no force or validity, and cannot be annulled. (Digest, 180, 181, 186, 187). Hence, it follows that holders of expired cards are not members of the Order, nor are they Brother Oddfellows, and the same is true of holders of Dismissal Certificates.

40. A Grand Representative's right to introduce visitors is confined to his own jurisdiction; he has, therefore, not the right to introduce *any* Brother into any Subordinate out of his own jurisdiction under any circumstances. Section 1410, Digest, does not, in any way, change this rule.

41. A District Deputy Grand Sire has no right to grant a dispensation to a Subordinate under his jurisdiction to march in public procession with their regalia, unless a general authority is given him by the Grand Sire.—*Digest*, 5, 1022, 1023.

42. If a Subordinate Lodge has permission to march in public procession in regalia, Encampment members of such Lodge have the right to wear their Encampment regalia in such Lodge processions.

43. A Brother was regularly tried and convicted. The Trial Committee accompanied their report with a resolution of expulsion. The Lodge refused, on a vote regularly taken, to expel, and also refused to suspend the Brother, but did decide to reprimand. The Brother was admitted to the Lodge and reprimanded in accordance with the local law. At the second meeting thereafter, the Lodge, by a formal vote, declared the proceedings pronouncing and inflicting the penalty null and void, and at a subsequent meeting proceeded to take further action on the report of the Trial Committee, and by vote declared the Brother expelled. No appeal from the last action was taken.

On this state of facts I decide that the action imposing and inflicting the penalty of reprimand was final and conclusive, and that the subsequent action of the Lodge was null and void. That the Lodge had no jurisdiction of the offence after it had imposed and inflicted a penalty for it, and that the Brother is, so far as this question is concerned, entitled to all the rights of a member in good standing.

44. Charges may be preferred to a Subordinate Lodge against one of its members for conduct unbecoming an Oddfellow, wherever the offence may have been committed, whether in a Rebekah Lodge, in an Encampment or elsewhere.

The secret records and workings of an Encampment or Rebekah Lodge cannot be introduced in evidence or exposed in any other place or before any other tribunal, except in such Encampment or Rebekah Lodge or Trial Committee thereof.

45. Members of a Rebekah Lodge, or of an Encampment may be tried and expelled from such Lodge or Encampment for conduct unbecoming an Oddfellow, and in case of conviction therein, I see no objection to the introduction of the record or conviction in evidence before the Subordinate Lodge or Com-

mittee of Trial, stating in general terms the nature of the charges, and without disclosing any of the secret records or workings of such Rebekah Lodge or Encampment, properly certified by the officers of such Lodge or Encampment under its seal.

46. With some degree of hesitation, I approved the By-laws of a Subordinate Lodge under the immediate jurisdiction of the Sovereign Grand Lodge in substance as follows :

"All members admitted by initiation or by card after the approval of these By-laws, shall pay yearly dues, as follows : From 21 to 35 years old, six dollars; from 35 to 40, eight dollars; from 40 to 45, nine dollars; from 45 to 50, ten dollars; from 50 to 60, twelve and a half dollars; this rate of dues to continue during membership. Those who are or become members before such approval, to pay six dollars."

47. A Brother cannot be elected to membership in an Encampment at the same session at which his petition is presented.

48. The proclamation of the Grand Sire is sufficient authority for Subordinates under the immediate jurisdiction of the Sovereign Grand Lodge to appear in public in regalia at the celebration of the introduction of the Order in America, April 26th.

49. I was asked if it was lawful to enact a drama in public, founded upon the principles of Oddfellowship, and designed to illustrate "Charity," where "the Oddfellows appear in uniform and regalia in one or two scenes on the stage," and I replied that the law did not allow the regalia of the Order to be used in public on the stage in the performance of a drama.

50. An application for membership cannot be withdrawn after the report of the committee is presented to the Lodge.

51. A member cannot make known his ballot on an application for membership under any circumstances, except as provided in Sections 645, 655 of the Digest.

52. The "Initiatory" is a degree in Oddfellowship, but is not numbered as such. The four degrees of a Subordinate Lodge are denominated, Initiatory, First, Second and Third Degrees.

53. An application was received from Holland for a new Lodge, to have the same name and number as a defunct Lodge chartered in 1881, none of the petitioners being members of the defunct Lodge. I granted the application, thereby deciding that the Grand Sire had the power to grant a dispensation for a new Lodge with the name and number of an old defunct Lodge under the jurisdiction of the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

54. When the Constitution for Subordinate Lodges fixes the period that must elapse before an initiate can be eligible to take the First Degree, it is not permissible for a Lodge to receive his application, and elect him to become a member of the First Degree before the period has expired.

55. Should a motion be made in such a case to elect a member to receive the degree in violation of the Constitution, it is the duty of the Noble Grand to declare it out of order, and should such a motion prevail, it is his duty to declare the same void; and in case the Lodge reverses his decision on an appeal therefrom, an appeal should then be taken to the D. D. Grand Master or Grand Master, as provided by the local law. Such is the general law, but much of it is a subject for local legislation.

56. When "a Noble Grand makes a decision upon the meaning of a part of the Subordinate Lodge Constitution," an appeal therefrom to the Lodge is allowable, and the Noble Grand must put the question to the Lodge as to whether it

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will sustain the decision of the Noble Grand; if his decision be reversed, then an appeal can be had to the proper authority as provided by the local law. In our Order there are no autocrats; the Lodge is superior to the Noble Grand, the Sovereign Grand Lodge is the superior of the Grand Sire. As a rule, the Subordinate Lodge has the jurisdiction to decide any question which can properly come before it. To prevent misunderstanding, let me say that a Subordinate has no right to decide any question in reference to the work of the Order, written or unwritten.—*Digest*, 962, 963.

57. Cyclone Lodge, No. 3, I.O.O.F.

Noble Grand and Brothers, complaint is laid that you elected, or rather reinstated in membership a Brother at a special meeting of the Lodge, without notice and without investigation. This is illegal. Article II., Section 5, Constitution of Subordinates, requires application and reference, as in other cases. You are required to strike the name of this Brother, A. Frank Ross, from the roll, unless he is re-instated regularly.

Complaint is also made that a committee on the application of Brother G. A. Jennings refuse or neglect to report on his application, and that the Noble Grand is one of the committee. You are hereby required to compel the committee to make report on the application, in accordance with Section 2, Article II., of the Constitution of Subordinates, if the complaint is founded in truth.

58. *Question*.—"Is it lawful for a Chaplain to commence and finish his prayer in the name of Christ?"

*Answer*.—Our Order only requires a belief in the existence of a Supreme Being as a qualification for membership, and has no affinity with any religious sect or system of faith; hence, everything savoring of sectarianism is not to be tolerated. The words "systems of faith or sect" do not have reference merely to sects within the pale of Christianity, but have a far broader significance, and include all the religions of the world. In this sense Christianity is a sect; hence, it is inexpedient, unwise and, I think, unlawful to make prominent reference to it in Lodge work. There is no law requiring Lodges to be opened or closed with prayer; but the Sovereign Grand Lodge in 1882 (*Journal*, 9147), adopted forms of prayer to be used in opening and closing, but left the use of them optional with Subordinate Grand Lodges. These forms were adopted to avoid the danger of offending Brethren of different sects or systems of faith by one of an opposite faith in extemporaneous prayer. If Lodges follow these forms there will be no danger of offending, for although taken from the Christian Bible and including the Lord's Prayer, they exactly accord with the fundamental doctrines above referred to. We have Jews, and may have Mohammedans and other non-Christian sects within our Order, and the rule applies to them equally with members of the Christian faith. They would not be allowed to use, in prayer, words which would be offensive to Christian ears; hence, it is better to avoid alluding to matters belonging to the peculiar faith of the Chaplain engaged in prayer. If a Subordinate Grand Lodge adopts these prescribed forms of prayer, then the Subordinates under its jurisdiction must use these prayers, if they use any; but they would not be bound to use them, as they could omit the use of prayers entirely at opening and closing.

59. The Constitution of a Subordinate Lodge reads, "And all members in arrears for six months shall be suspended from benefits for three months after paying the same, and will not be entitled to receive the Password or vote in the Lodge," and I am asked if the member is entitled to vote and to the Password after he pays up and before the expiration of the three months so fixed as a penalty. I think, under that article, he is entitled to the Password and to vote as soon as he pays his dues. The three months applies only to benefits.

60. In the absence of local legislation on the subject, it is unlawful for a Lodge or Encampment to initiate a person whose residence is nearer another Lodge or Encampment (in this case, fourteen miles distant), without the consent of the nearest Subordinate.



61. If an Encampment, after being duly notified of the facts by the Grand Patriarch of the jurisdiction, and being forbidden by him so to do, persists, and elects and initiates such person, the Grand Patriarch may suspend the Encampment and demand its Charter for insubordination.

62. The Grand Patriarch, being a member of such Encampment, would, in case of suspension of the Encampment, be suspended with it. In such case the Grand High Priest would become the acting Grand Patriarch, and in case he reinstated the Encampment with the loyal members thereof, including the Grand Patriarch, or in case the Grand Patriarch should, within one month after such suspension, lawfully join some other Encampment, his powers as Grand Patriarch would revive (if before the expiration of his term), and he could proceed with the duties of his office until his term expired.—*Digest*, 576, 577.

63. My attention being called by the Grand Secretary to the fact that the Grand Lodge of California has resolved to purchase a copy of the Ritual for each of the District Deputies of that jurisdiction, I decided that it was contrary to the law of the Order to furnish a copy of such Rituals to those officers. *Digest*, 1452, has been construed by former Grand Sires and Grand Secretary Ridgely to prohibit furnishing Rituals to District Deputy Grand Sires, and it applies with equal force to D. D. Grand Masters. Those officers have no use for the Rituals, as all of the forms used by them are printed in the institution and installation books, and the book of forms published by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

64. The Grand Encampment of Missouri is a representative body, though its membership is composed of all Past Chief Patriarchs in the jurisdiction. Its Grand Officers are elected by the Past Chief Patriarchs in the different Encampments prior to the session. An officer thus elected died between the election and the session of the Grand Body. At the session at which the election was to be held to fill the vacancy, the Grand Patriarch decided that all Past Chief Patriarchs were entitled to vote, and that the ballot was not confined to the Representatives, which decision was sustained by the Grand Encampment. The Constitution reads, "Should any Grand Officer-elect fail to present himself at the time of installation, the Representatives shall immediately proceed to an election to fill the office."

I decided that the Encampment was in error, and that the election should have been confined to the Representatives.—*Digest*, 400.

65. Where the By-laws of a Lodge provide that "Any member, when notified to attend a sick Brother, failing to attend in person, or by substitute, shall be fined three dollars, unless excused by a two-third's vote of the members present," the whole question of the remission of the penalty is in the discretion of the Lodge. It may excuse for sickness in the Brother or his family, or for any other reason it may deem sufficient, such as business engagements, etc.

66. The Grand Encampment of Colorado, in its last report to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, returns 973 members. It is now claimed (August, 1888) by the Grand Scribe that the last reports of the Encampments for the term ending July, 1888, show that the jurisdiction had at that date over one thousand members. The Grand Encampment has not been in session since October last, and will not meet again until next October, and it is asked if, under these circumstances, the Grand Encampment is entitled to another Representative by appointment?

*Answer*.—No. The additional Representative can only be admitted after a canvass of the returns by the Grand Body and upon its certificate that it has the requisite membership. The Certificate of its Grand Officers, in recess, not made by its direction, is not sufficient. The decision of Grand Sire Garey (*Journal*, 10,258), to the effect that if the jurisdiction at the time of the election

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67. The law does not permit the Rituals being taken from the Lodge room, but if they can be bound in the Lodge room there can be no objection, provided the binder is a member of the Order who has the entire work of the particular Ritual to be bound.

68. Applications for admission to an Encampment, in Salt Lake City, by brothers residing in another town twelve miles distant, were handed to the Scribe of the Encampment; but four days before the Encampment met an Encampment was instituted at the said other town, the residence of the applicants. The Grand Scribe of the Grand Encampment of Utah notified the Scribe of the Encampment in Salt Lake, in writing, of the fact of the institution of the new Encampment, who notified his Encampment at its next meeting. Notwithstanding this notice the Encampment at Salt Lake appointed committees on the applications, which committees, on the next regular meeting, reported upon the applications, and the applicants were, on ballot, elected. The new Encampment protests against this action, and the matter rests there. There is no local law on the subject in Utah, the Encampments being governed by the law of Encampments working under the jurisdiction of the Sovereign Grand Lodge. On this state of facts the applicants are eligible to admission into the new Encampment, and should not be admitted to the old one. Digest, 626, 626a, 627, Journal, 1887, p. 10,715. Decision No. 23, Grand Sire White, and decisions therein referred to.

#### LEGISLATION.

The following legislation was adopted :

##### REGALIA IN GRAND BODIES.

Article XXII. of the By-laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge was amended by adding thereto the following :

"At sessions of Grand Bodies, in lieu of any regalia hereinbefore described, a ribbon may be worn of the color of the highest degree the member has attained, having attached thereto any jewel which he is entitled or required to wear."

##### ISSUING VISITING CARDS.

*Resolved*, That Section 141a, page 39, Supplemental Digest, 1882 to 1884, be so amended as to read as follows :

That the Noble Grand and Secretary of a Subordinate Lodge, the Chief Patriarch and Scribe of a Subordinate Encampment, and the Noble Grand and Secretary of a Rebekah Degree Lodge during the recess of their respective bodies may issue Visiting Cards to members in good standing when application is made to them in writing.

*Resolved*, That when a Grand Master or Grand Patriarch suspends a Subordinate Body, of which he is a member, or withdraws its Charter, such suspension or withdrawal of Charter, shall not affect his rank or standing in the Order during the remainder of his term of office, and for a period of thirty days after the close of said term.

*Resolved*, That when a member of a Canton of Patriarchs Militant takes a Withdrawal Card from the Encampment of which he may be a member, his membership in his Canton shall not be affected thereby for six months from the date of his said Withdrawal Card. He shall be considered in good standing in his Canton if he deposits his Withdrawal Card in an Encampment, and becomes a member thereof at any time within six months from the date of his said Withdrawal Card.

## MEMORIAL SERVICE DAY.

*Resolved*, That the date of the death of Past Grand Sire Wildey, as fixed by resolution, authorizing Memorial Service Day, be and the same is hereby corrected, and that the 19th day of October be observed by the Order as the day upon which such Memorial Services may be held.

*Resolved*, That at the burial of a deceased Brother, the accompanying Ode may be sung while the grave is being filled :

## ODE.

WORDS BY CHARLES WOLFORD, P. G. R.

[To be sung while the grave is being filled.]

AIR—Bethany : " Nearer My God to Thee. "

As falls the autumn leaf  
'Neath winter's breath,  
So falls the son of man,  
Stricken by death.

Father, at thy command,  
Obedient to Thy will,  
We yield our treasures up,  
Trusting Thee still.

Brother, with saddened hearts,  
Hither we come,  
Bearing thy manly form  
To its last home.

Pulseless the generous heart,  
Dormant the potent will,  
Nerveless the open hand,  
Nerveless and still.

When o'er thy silent grave  
Eve's shadows creep,  
Fond memory ever will  
Her vigils keep.

Thunders may peal above,  
Storms o'er thee madly sweep,  
Yet undisturbed will be  
Thy dreamless sleep.

*Resolved*, That balloting for the Degrees in the Subordinate Encampment must always be in the Royal Purple Degree.

*Resolved*, That for and during the term of office of the present Grand Sire, he as Lieutenant-General and active Commander of the Patriarchs Militant, is hereby qualified to hold both of said offices, and in a military sense shall be recognized as Generalissimo of the Army.

*Resolved*, That all laws inconsistent with the above be suspended in their operation for the space of two years.

The following legislation from the Military Council of the Patriarchs Militant having been reported by the High Commission and the Committee on the Patriarchal Branch of the Order was adopted :

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*Resolved*—I. That "Cushing's Manual of Parliamentary Practice" be recognized authority for the government of the sessions of the Council; and that as a direct rule, the Roster of those present shall be called, from the junior to the senior, for the presentation of views or subject matter pertinent to the good and welfare of the Army.

II. That there shall be a parade of the troops comprising the Army of Patriarchs Militant every three years, commencing with 1890. There shall be a local parade of the troops constituting Army Corps, Divisions, Brigades, Regiments, etc., annually, except the year during which there shall be a parade of the Army.

III. The Commander of the P. M. troops in each Department, as the military representative of the Commander P. M., shall have the power to grant dispensations for degree work so as to enable a Canton to receive an application for membership, and the Committee of Investigation to report thereon without delay in cases of emergency; and such applications shall be made direct to the said Commander of the Department, who, when he grants such a dispensation, shall transmit it to the Commandant of the Canton direct, all in order to save the delays of transmissions through military channels.

IV. That the Department Commander, holding position as such under provisions of law, is the officer with power to approve applications for warrants to establish Cantons and see that all certificates are properly affixed thereon, and that financial matters are arranged, to muster the Cantons unless otherwise ordered, assign the new Bodies to Battalions and Regiments, and make report of the whole as required by law. A Canton forming is entirely under the Department Commander, but after assignment it forms part of its superior military organization, and can be reached only through military channels. The Department Commander, in addition to being a recruiting officer, is the ritualistic and semi-civil Officer of the Department.

V. That a Department Commander, as such, is amenable to no officer but the Lieutenant-General.

VI. That in consequence of the fact that but few subalterns are promoted to Captaincies, and consequently cannot obtain retired commissions, but must return to the ranks and serve as Chevaliers, it is recommended that each Canton may furnish for the use of the Lieutenant and Ensign a Line Officer's belt and baldric, the same to be turned over to the officers of such grades as soon as they shall be mustered, about the 26th of April of each year.

VII. That where P. M. colors are handsomely embroidered and made of double facings of silk, the letters P. and M. shall be embroidered on the scarlet and purple, and purple and scarlet stripes of the flag, so that the initials will read on either side P. M.

VIII. That in all cases of appeal the papers must be forwarded through military channels, and the appellant should also send direct to the officer to whom appeal is made a copy of the appeal marked "Unofficial."

IX. That such detachable sword-hook as may be sanctioned by the Commander P. M., may be permitted for the optional use of the Army.

X. That such an adjustable visor be adopted for the Line Officers' and Chevaliers' hussar caps as may be determined upon by the Lieutenant-General, the same to be not obligatory, but permissive.

XI. That in making an application for a dispensation to parade, permission be granted to make the same direct to headquarters, provided a duplicate application be forwarded through military channels.

XII. That an officer, prior to ordering a Cantonment, or making application to parade his command, should first obtain the approval and consent of his immediate Commander; such, however, not to apply to local parades of Cantons and Battalions.

The Committee on Judiciary made the following report, which was adopted :  
*To the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Oddfellows :*

Your Committee on the Judiciary to whom was referred the question propounded by Rep. Oliver, of Ontario, which question is, "Can a suspended member of an Encampment wear the regalia of the Encampment Branch in his Subordinate Lodge during suspension ; if not, what steps are proper to take to prevent it ?

*Answer.*—A suspended member of an Encampment *can not* wear the Encampment regalia in his Lodge. The only way in which this can be prevented is for the Lodge to prefer charges against the offender for violating the law of the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

O. J. SEMMES,	STEPHEN TERRY,
LEWIS PARKER,	A. E. GIPSON,
CHAS. R. GIBSON,	S. S. FALLASS,
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#### THE VETERAN JEWEL, I. O. O. F.

The Committee on the State of the Order submitted the following report on this matter, which was adopted :

*To the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Oddfellows :*

Your Committee on the State of the Order to whom was referred the resolution of Rep. Hedges, of Ohio, viz.:

*Resolved,* That members of the Order in good standing, and who for twenty five years or more have been such, shall be entitled to wear a jewel to be designated "The Veteran Jewel, I. O. O. F.," beg leave to report that they have considered the same and recommend its adoption, and in order to carry the same into effect, the adoption of the following additional resolution :

*Resolved further,* That the Committee on Printing Supplies, together with the Grand Sire, are authorized and directed to prepare a suitable design for such jewel, and whenever in their judgment it shall be expedient to procure and furnish the same to such persons as are entitled thereto and at such price as they shall fix, and the proceeds of such sale shall be paid to the Grand Treasurer as upon sales of other supplies.

Respectfully submitted,

GILBERT F. ROBBINS,	CHARLES M. BUSBEE,
JOHN M. JONES,	WILLIAM H. ISZARD,
C. A. ROBBE,	E. K. WILCOX,
JOHN G. CLARK,	S. H. KELSEY,
C. D. COBB.	

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

All the proposed constitutional amendments, of which notice had been previously given, were either defeated on a direct vote or action thereon indefinitely postponed except the following, which was adopted :

*Resolved,* That Section 4, Article I., of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge be amended so as to read as follows :

With the consent of the Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment of a State, District or Territory, an appeal may be had by any Subordinate Lodge or Encampment to the Sovereign Grand Lodge ; such consent, however, not being

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necessary when an expelled Lodge or Encampment, after having surrendered to its Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment all its effects, appeals from such decision. Appeals may also be heard from a member or members of a State, District, or Territorial Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment from the decision thereof; but in all cases the decision of the State, District, or Territorial Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment shall be final and conclusive until reversed by this Grand Lodge on a direct appeal therefrom. All appeals to the Sovereign Grand Lodge shall be subject to such general regulations as it may adopt.

#### PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

Notice was given of the following proposed constitutional amendments:

*Resolved*, That Article IX. of the Constitution of this Sovereign Grand Lodge be amended by striking out the whole of Section 2, and inserting the following:

**SECTION 2.** Grand Representatives shall be apportioned as follows, viz.: To every State, District, or Territorial Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment, having under its jurisdiction fifteen hundred or less members in good standing, one Grand Representative; to every State, District, or Territorial Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment, having under its jurisdiction over fifteen hundred members in good standing, two Grand Representatives; and no State, District, or Territorial Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment, shall have more than two Grand Representatives.

*Resolved*, That Section 2, Article XVI., of the Constitution of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

**SECTION 2.** No person shall be entitled to admission to the Order except free white males, of good moral character, who have arrived at the age of eighteen years, and who believe in a Supreme Being, the Creator and Preserver of the Universe, *provided, however*, that when the applicant is not of lawful age, he shall first secure and present in writing, with his petition for membership, the consent of his father or legal guardian; and *provided further*, that in Australia, New Zealand and other countries not on the continent of North America, in which the Order has been or may hereafter be established, and a Grand Lodge or Grand Lodges formed, the qualification as to age shall be left to local legislation.

#### GRAND BODIES UNREPRESENTED.

The only Grand Jurisdictions subordinate to the Sovereign Grand Lodge unrepresented at the recent Session were the Grand Lodges of Denmark and Switzerland.

#### DEATHS.

From the members of the Sovereign Grand Lodge who participated in the work of the session one year ago have since died, viz.:

JOHN W. STOKES, Past Grand Sire, from Pennsylvania, died February 7, 1888; aged 74 years.

WILLIAM S. JOHNSTON, of Rhode Island, died December 6, 1887; aged 61 years.

WILLIAM A. SHIELDS, of Alabama.

LEON D. FREER, of California, died September 19, 1888; aged 47 years.

In this connection the Grand Sire says:

The reaper, Death, has been unusually busy in our midst during the past year. Many, very many, of the brightest intellects which have ever adorned our Order have fallen by the wayside. Many, very many, of those with whom I have been associated in this Grand Lodge for years have gone to their rest.

They labored faithfully and well to advance the cause of Oddfellowship, which is the cause of humanity, and by their devotion and self-sacrifice to its interests they have endeared themselves to all those with whom they were associated. Among the many whom I sincerely loved, none has a stronger place in my affections than the venerated John W. Stokes. His quiet, unobtrusive manners, his strict integrity, his unselfish and ready surrender of a previously formed opinion, when convinced of his error, were some of his peculiar characteristics. But for the fact that he once stood at the head of the Order, this special notice might seem invidious. Others there were, equally unselfish, equally devoted, but the list is too long for special mention. The counsels of very many of these will long be missed in our assemblages. As with sorrowful hearts we glance over this list of the worthy dead, we can but experience great consolation in the discovery that most of them live to a good old age, evidence of virtuous and well-spent lives. We knew their worth, we revere their memory, and we rejoice in the knowledge that they lived the lives of the good and died the death of the righteous.

#### "HISTORY AND MANUAL OF ODDFELLOWSHIP"

Is the title of a work by Theo. A. Ross, Grand Secretary, concerning which a special committee reported as follows:

Your Special Committee, to whom was referred the preamble and resolution, submitted by Rep. Jones, of Maryland, in reference to the "History and Manual of Oddfellowship," a copy of which has been presented to each Officer and Grand Representative, would respectfully report that we have carefully read the work referred to us for examination, which has been carefully prepared by Bro. Theo. A. Ross, Grand Secretary, and published by the M. W. Hazen Co., of New York, and pronounce it by far the most complete and authentic work on Oddfellowship we have ever seen.

The introduction by Brother John H. White, Grand Sire, is most able and instructive.

The first chapter, of 320 pages, gives the history of the Order from its formation to 1888, and contains extracts from the eleven thousand pages of the Journals of the Sovereign Grand Lodge. Brother Ross has shown great care and discrimination in the preparation of this chapter—necessarily a most laborious and difficult undertaking.

Chapter III., treating of the Grand Jurisdictions of Oddfellowship and their beginnings, is of the greatest interest to the Order, and its writing must have involved the greatest labor and research. An immense amount of time was consumed in the preparation of the statistics of growth, showing in tabulated form the progress of the Order in each jurisdiction, and these tables will be of inestimable value to the Order.

The book also contains a Manual of the Work and Usages of the Order, the history of the Encampment Branch, the Patriarchs Militant, the Rebekah Degree and the Manchester Unity, the work concluding with a most excellent chapter on the aims and attainments of Oddfellowship.

Brother Ross has been ably assisted by Brothers H. L. Stillson, P. G., of Vermont; J. Fletcher Williams, of Minnesota; George Coburn, P. G., of Maryland, and Mrs. L. B. Hill, of Indiana.

We find in the book little to criticise, much to commend. We therefore recommend that the book be most cordially endorsed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge as invaluable to every member of the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

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OFFICERS.

The following are the Officers elected and appointed for the ensuing term of two years :

- John C. Underwood, Kentucky, Grand Sire.
- C. M. Busbee, North Carolina, Deputy Grand Sire.
- Theo. A. Ross, New Jersey, Grand Secretary.
- Isaac A. Sheppard, Pennsylvania, Grand Treasurer.
- Allen Jencks, Rhode Island, Assistant Grand Secretary.
- Rev. J. W. Venable, Kentucky, Grand Chaplain.
- J. H. Albin, New Hampshire, Grand Marshal.
- C. C. Pearce, Florida, Grand Guardian.
- W. H. Frazier, District of Columbia, Grand Messenger.

PLACE OF MEETING.

The next Session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge will be held in the City of Columbus, Ohio.

COURTESIES.

Your Representatives cannot refrain from expressing their high appreciation of the many acts of kindness and hospitality extended towards them by the Odd-fellows of Kansas, New Mexico and California, on our way to Los Angeles and during our stay there ; and by those of Oregon, British Columbia, Winnipeg and Minnesota on our way home. Each vied with the other in contributing to our pleasure and comfort as we passed through the several jurisdictions.

In conclusion, your Representatives desire to express their high appreciation of the distinguished honor conferred on them by you in electing them to represent you in the Sovereign Grand Lodge ; and they sincerely hope that the course they have pursued in the discharge of that duty may meet your kind approval.

Respectfully submitted.

Nov. 19, 1888.

JOSEPH OLIVER.  
FRANCIS RAE.

## ADDENDUM.

After the paragraph, on page 846, "that appropriate legislation be enacted reducing the age at which persons can be initiated into the Independent Order of Oddfellows to 18 years," &c., &c.,

Should be added :

"The constitutional amendment giving effect to the above recommendation did not receive the necessary majority."

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## SPECIAL NOTICE TO SCRIBES.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Charge Books.....	\$2 50
Books of Law, each.....	40
Digest.....	3 00
Emblematic Chart.....	3 00
Visiting Cards, each.....	30
Withdrawal Cards, each.....	30
Register Books, each.....	3 50
Proposition Books, each.....	3 25
Black Books, each.....	2 00
Draft Books, each.....	2 00
Treasurers' Books, each.....	1 00
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Notices of Meetings, per 100.....	1 00
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