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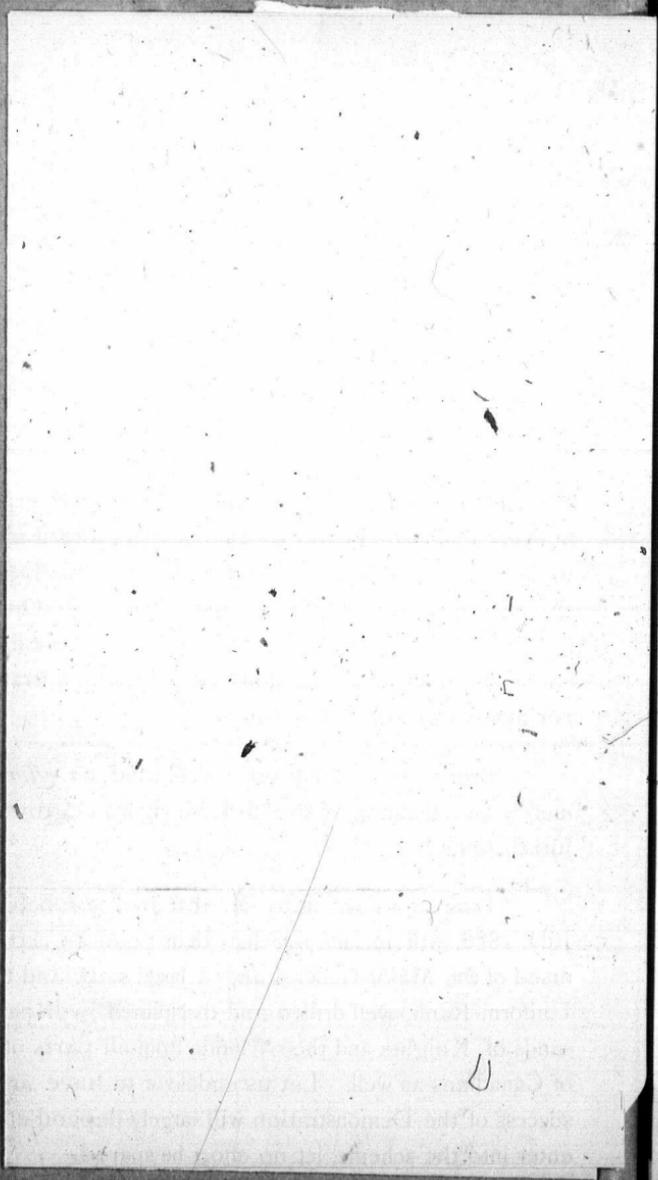
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WINDSOR, June 10th, 1884.

The Thirteenth Annual Convention of the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Ontario was called to order by Vice Grand Chancellor D. J. Peace at 9.15 o'clock. The Convention was held in the Odd-fellows' Hall.

PRESENT, the following Grand Officers:

JESSE CHAPMAN Past Grand Chancellor.
D. J. PEACE Vice Grand Chancellor.
W. J. VALE Grand Prélate.
JAMES SMITH Grand Master of Exchequer.
JAMES McDONALD Grand Inner Guard.
F. J. FITZGERALD Grand Outer Guard.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal being absent, the Acting Grand Chancellor appointed Representative Rattray, of No. 4, to fill the vacancy.

The Grand Master-at-Arms being absent, the Acting Grand Chancellor appointed Representative Hatch, of No. 1, to fill the vacancy.

The appointments were approved by the Grand Lodge.

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

The Grand Chancellor, Geo. H. Leslie, arrived at 9.25 o'clock.

The Grand Chancellor appointed Grand Prélate Vale, Acting

G. K. R. S. Rattray, and Representative Brener, of No. 2, as the Committee on Returns and Credentials.

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

Grand Prelate Vale, from the Committee on Returns and Credentials, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS.

To the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Ontario :

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

Wm. Townsend, G. L. Hatch and R. H. Caiger.....	of No. 1
R. Carrothers, O. E. Brener and F. E. Hall.....	" 2
Alex. C. Reid, Thos. S. Beasley and Wm. H. Childs....	" 3
A. J. Rattray, G. B. Smith, M.D., and Robt. Dodds...	" 4
Wm. Turner.....	" 11
R. Bangham, Jas. Murdock and A. H. Fleming.....	" 16
John Kay, A. K. Baker and W. J. Shaw.....	" 20
Geo. Pearce, John McAfee and G. Baldwin.....	" 21
R. Poulton, H. T. Smith, jr., and B. S. Case.....	" 22

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

Wm. Morrison and J. H. Chaperon.....	of No. 1
F. E. Hall.....	" 2
Thos. Beaver and Ed. Knott.....	" 3
Wm. Usher and G. B. Smith, M.D.....	" 4
Wm. Turner, W. O. Luscombe and E. Biggings.....	" 11
R. Johnston, C. R. Horne, J. A. H. Campbell and Jas. G. Morgan.....	" 16
W. H. Rand and John Kay.....	" 20
John McAfee, A. Rumball, Geo. Pearce and W. G. Baldwin.....	" 21
Geo. W. Johnson, R. Poulton, Geo. Usherwood, B. S. Case and H. T. Smith, jr.....	" 22

Respectfully submitted.

WILL. J. VALE, of No. 3.
A. J. RATTRAY, " 4.
O. E. BRENER, " 2.

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The Acting Grand Master-at-Arms retired and introduced the following Representatives and Past Chancellors, who were obligated and instructed in the Grand Lodge Rank:

F. E. Hall.....	of No. 2
E. Knott.....	" 3
G. B. Smith.....	" 4
J. Kay and A. K. Baker.....	" 20
W. G. Baldwin.....	" 21
R. Poulton, H. T. Smith and B. S. Case.....	" 22

The Roll of Lodges was then called, and the following found to be represented, viz.:—1, 2, 3, 4, 16, 20, 21, 22.

The Acting Grand Keeper of Records and Seal proceeded to read the Journal of last Session, when,

On motion of Representative Dodds, of No. 4, the further reading of the same was dispensed with, and the Journal, as printed, was approved.

The Grand Chancellor appointed the following Standing Committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

LAW AND SUPERVISION.

G. M. of E. Smith.....	of No. 2
Representative Reid.....	" 3
" Mercer.....	" 15

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Representative Childs.....	of No. 3
" Smith.....	" 4
" Townsend.....	" 1

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Representative Baker.....	of No. 20
" Baldwin.....	" 21
" Fleming.....	" 16

STATE OF THE ORDER.

Representative Kay.....	of No. 20
" Brener.....	" 2
" Beasley.....	" 3

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G.K.R.S. Mitchell.....	of No. 1
Representative Rattray.....	" 4
" Hatch.....	" 1

ALSO, A SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

Representative Carrothers.....	of No. 2
“ Dodds.....	“ 4
“ Poulton.....	“ 22

The Grand Chancellor presented and read his Report, which was referred to the Committee on Distribution.

REPORT OF THE GRAND CHANCELLOR.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND CHANCELLOR,
GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO, K.P.,
WINDSOR, June 10th, 1884.

P. P. XXI.

Officers, Representatives and Past Chancellors :

In accordance with custom and the requirements of the Constitution, I have the pleasure of submitting my Report as Grand Chancellor for the past year.

Another Pythian Period has quickly passed, and through the blessing of Divine Providence we are again permitted to assemble together at this our 13th Annual Session to exchange fraternal greetings, to review the record of the past, and to legislate anew for the promotion of harmony, the securing of the permanency and the advancement of the interests of our beloved Order in Ontario. May devotion to the principles of our Order, a deep and abiding interest in its perpetuity, and a correct appreciation of our responsibilities actuate us one and all in a sincere and earnest endeavour to apply ourselves to the duties devolving upon us, that we may arrive at conclusions which shall eventuate in lasting benefit to the Order universal, and those we have the honour to represent.

In meeting together again around our Pythian Altar let us, at the threshold of our deliberations, with grateful hearts acknowledge our thanks to the Supreme Chancellor above for the preservation and advancement of our Order; and, conscious of our dependence, seek guidance and wisdom from Him in our legislation.

APPOINTMENT OF DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

Following the custom adopted by my predecessors in office, after the close of our last annual session I wrote officially to the various District Deputies requesting them to call a meeting of the Past Chancellors of their respective districts, for the purpose of nominating one of their number to act as District Deputy Grand Chancellor, and on receipt of their recommendations I issued commissions to the following, viz.:

P. C. James McDonald	for Toronto District.
“ J. H. Hills	“ Hamilton District.
“ A. K. Baker	“ St. Catharines District.
“ P. Burroughs	“ London District.

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- P. C. R. Bangham for Windsor District.
- " J. Bourke " Port Arthur District.
- " Wm. Turner " Sault Ste. Marie District.
- " W. G. Baldwin " Harrow and S. Essex District.
- " F. J. Fitzgerald " London East District.

REPORTS FROM DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

The Reports from District Deputies (excepting Port Arthur, from whom I have at this writing received no report) generally show a gratifying increase of membership, financial soundness, efficiency in work and continued interest in the Order.

OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Although the number of Lodges in the jurisdiction is small, I have had a large amount of correspondence, and have endeavoured to give prompt attention to all communications.

Copies of all my official communications, comprising nearly 250 letters, and covering 450 letter pages, are submitted in Letter Books B and C.

NEW LODGES.

Having received an application from Harrow, Essex County, in the organization of which I received invaluable assistance from P. C. George Pearce and Bro. W. G. Baldwin, of Friendship Lodge, No. 16, of Windsor, both of whom joined the new Lodge by card, I granted a dispensation for a Charter, and on September 7th, accompanied by P. G. C. C. A. Mack, of Detroit, and twelve Knights from Friendship Lodge, I visited that village and instituted Erie Lodge, No. 21, with thirteen charter members, and installed the following officers :

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| P. C. | W. G. Baldwin. | M. of E. | Thomas Pearce. |
| C. C. | George Pearce. | M. of F. | J. A. Wright. |
| V. C. | John McAfee. | M. at A. | A. Ferris. |
| P. | A. Rumball. | I. G. | Charles Quick. |
| K. R. and S. | Thomas Bell. | O. G. | J. R. Birnie. |

I also issued a Commission to P. C. W. G. Baldwin, to act as my Deputy.

I received valuable assistance on this, as on many other occasions, from P. G. C. C. A. Mack, of Detroit. His services have always been at my disposal when required, and I take this opportunity of publicly acknowledging his knightly courtesies.

February 9th, I received an application through P. C. F. J. Fitzgerald, London East, signed by eleven members of Myrtle Lodge, No. 2, of London, accompanied with withdrawal cards, asking for a dispensation for a new Lodge in London East. I granted the dispensation, and on February 19th, accompanied by Bros. Grosseup, Lowe and Howson, of Friendship Lodge, I visited London East, was joined there by Grand Vice-Chancellor D. J. Peace, of Hamilton, and instituted Mizpah Lodge, No. 22, with fifteen charter members, and installed the following officers :

P. C.....G. W. Johnson.	M. of E.. F. J. Fitzgerald.
C. C.....R. Poulton.	M. of F.. W. H. Brown.
V. C.....H. T. Smith, jr.	M. at A.. Thos. Hetherington.
P.....Geo. Usherwood.	I. G.....A. J. McInnes.
K. R. and S.. Wm. Heathfield.	O. G.....Ira Landon.

I issued a Commission as D. D. G. C. to Bro. F. J. Fitzgerald, to whom, and Bro. Poulton, credit is due for the organization of this Lodge, and their careful attention to all the details preparatory to the work of institution. I am also indebted to the brothers from Windsor and V. G. C. Peace, of Hamilton, for their kind assistance on this occasion, and to the brothers of the new Lodge for their hospitable entertainment after the close of the ceremonies. I would respectfully recommend that Charters be granted to these two new Lodges.

RESUSCITATION OF OLD LODGES.

Port Arthur.

A desire having been expressed by members of the Order in Port Arthur to resuscitate the Lodge in that distant portion of our jurisdiction, after consultation with the Executive Officers, it was deemed advisable that I should make an official visit to that point, and also visit Sault Ste. Marie, and endeavour to resuscitate these Lodges, which had been dormant for a number of years past, although they had never surrendered their charters or returned their properties.

On October 9th I left Windsor hoping to accomplish my object and arrive home in about ten days, but having the misfortune to be shipwrecked on the steamer "Ontario," which ran on the rocks and was sunk in Lake Huron, near Port Elgin, necessitating an enforced camping on the beach and a delay of a week awaiting another steamer, I did not arrive in Port Arthur until the night of Sunday, the 21st.

Owing to a difficulty in securing a lodge room we could not get a meeting until Wednesday evening, the 24th, when, assisted by Bros. Frier and Leishman, of Winnipeg Lodge, No. 1, and Bro. C. B. Brown, of Mariola Lodge, of Marion, Ohio, whom I was fortunate in meeting there, and assisted by old members of Crusader Lodge, I conferred the Page, Esquire and Knight Ranks on three new candidates.

On the next night, Thursday, 25th, I conferred the three ranks on six candidates, and installed the following officers of Crusader Lodge No. 5:

P. C.....J. Bourke.	M. of E.. John Sinclair,
C. C.....A. Allan.	M. of F.. C. E. Leishman.
V. C.....A. Eckersley.	M. A....H. Mottashed.
P.....S. J. McLaren.	I. G.....J. McArthur,
K. R. and S.. H. P. Rennie.	O. G.....D. Campbell.

I issued a Commission to P. C. J. Bourke to act as D. D. G. C.

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On my way to Port Arthur I called on a number of the old members of Algoma Lodge No. 11, and made arrangements to resuscitate that Lodge on my return journey; but owing to the great amount of detention, and ascertaining it would cause me another week's delay, I was reluctantly compelled to forego the pleasure it would have otherwise afforded me, and I commissioned Bro. Wm. Turner, as D. D. G. C., to act for me, and Algoma Lodge No. 11 was resuscitated on November 19th, and the following officers were installed by him:

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| C. C. W. O. Luscombe. | K. R. and S. Edgar E. Short. |
| V. C. H. Wood. | M. A. C. H. Chapman. |
| P. E. S. B. Sutton. | I. G. Wm. Albon. |
| M. of E. W. Stratton. | O. G. John Jenkins. |
| M. F. R. Watt. | |

Too much credit cannot be accorded to Bro. Turner for the zeal he has manifested in the work of again placing Algoma Lodge on a good footing.

Chatham.

Yesterday, June 9th, accompanied by Past Chancellor Armstrong, of Detroit, and Representatives Hatch, of No. 1, and Smith, of No. 4, Toronto, I visited Chatham and resuscitated Marmion Lodge No. 15. Seven candidates were initiated, six of whom also received the Esquire and Knight Ranks. In addition to these and the old members, several Knights were admitted by card. I installed the following officers:

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| P. C. H. A. Patterson. | K. of R. and S. W. K. Lighthart. |
| C. C. P. D. McKellar. | M. at A. W. D. Sheldon. |
| V. C. A. McNaughton. | I. G. S. Backus. |
| P. J. W. Shackleton. | O. G. W. Berry. |
| M. of E. A. W. Laird. | |

OFFICIAL VISITATIONS.

Recognizing the importance of official visits for the purpose of exemplifying the secret work and assimilating the same in the various Lodges, I have devoted what time was at my command in visiting all the Lodges in the jurisdiction; and, when practicable, installed the officers, and exemplified the work in the different ranks.

On October 2nd, I visited Mystic Lodge No. 1, Toronto, work being done in the three ranks. P. G. C. and S. R. G. H. Mitchell in the C. C. chair is sufficient evidence that it was done efficiently.

October 3rd, I visited Ivanhoe Lodge No. 4, Toronto, and conferred the third rank.

November 14th, I again visited Ivanhoe Lodge, Toronto.

November 15th, I paid an official visit to Charity Lodge No. 20, of St. Catharines, conferring the Page rank and exemplifying all the secret work.

November 19th, I visited Red Cross Lodge, of Hamilton, conferring the Esquire and exemplifying the other ranks.

January 2nd, I installed the officers in Ivanhoe Lodge, Toronto; and performed a like duty in Friendship Lodge, Windsor, January 7th.

January 8th, I visited Myrtle No. 2, in London, and installed the officers.

May 21st, I met members of Mystic and Ivanhoe Lodges, in Toronto, in joint session.

Thursday, May 22nd, paid an official visit to Charity Lodge No. 20, St. Catharines, and exemplified all the secret work.

Friday, May 23rd, visited conjointly the members of Myrtle No. 2, and Mizpah No. 22, in London East, conferring the Page and Esquire ranks.

May 25th, I officially visited Red Cross Lodge No. 3, of Hamilton, accompanied by V. G. C. Peace and G. P. Vale, and, assisted by these officers, conferred the Esquire and Knight ranks on two candidates.

I have made three official visits to Erie Lodge No. 21, at Harrow, including the institution, viz., September 7th, September 18th and December 4th.

Chatham has been visited four times in connection with the reorganization of a Lodge there.

Friendship Lodge, of Windsor, having honored me by re-election to the C. C. chair for four successive terms, it is needless to state the fact that I have appreciated the honor, and was absent from my post only when the more responsible duties as your Executive head called me elsewhere. These visitations, in connection with the official visit to Port Arthur and Sault Ste. Marie (comprising a journey by rail and steamer of about 1,600 miles, necessitating an enforced absence of 21 days), besides two visits to Sarnia, have been supplemented by unofficial visits to Lodges in Michigan, and a visit to New Orleans during the late session of the Supreme Lodge.

OFFICIAL DECISIONS AND RULINGS.

As has been the case with my predecessors, many communications from the various Lodges have been received asking for rulings on minor matters on which a simple reference to the Subordinate Lodge Constitution and By-laws would render clear; and since the publication of the Revised Official Digest, prepared by S. R. R. E. Cowan, rendering questions of law easily accessible and decided, I trust members will avail themselves of the opportunity afforded them of reference to this channel. All the Lodges in the jurisdiction have, at my suggestion, been furnished with copies by the G. K. R. & S.

I submit for your approval questions received, and my rulings and decisions thereon:

From Myrtle Lodge No. 2, London.

1. Q^{UE}.—"Can a brother in arrears be legally elected as one of a Committee to investigate charges against a brother?"

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ANS.—No. (See Art. x., sec. 11, of Constitution.)

2. QUE.—“Can a member of such Committee give evidence before the Committee of which he is a member?”

ANS.—Yes.

3. QUE.—“Is there a form of oath or obligation for witnesses?”

ANS.—No. Witnesses shall testify on their honor; and if Knights, on their honor as such.

4. QUE.—“Should the evidence be read to a witness and signed by him?”

ANS.—Not necessarily. All the evidence should be reduced to writing by the Committee and read over to the witnesses for approval or correction.

5. QUE.—“Does it require all the members of the Committee to be present at the investigation of a charge?”

ANS.—In the absence of one or more members, the majority of the whole may proceed with the investigation.

6. QUE.—“Should witnesses be excluded from the room except when being examined?”

ANS.—Yes.

7. QUE.—“Are meetings of the Committee open to members of the Lodge?”

ANS.—No. No person other than a witness under examination, the parties to the charge (accuser and accused), with their counsel, and the members of the Committee should be present during the proceedings.

8. QUE.—“Art. xii., sec. 11.—‘Every member not interested’—Who does this mean?”

ANS.—Accuser and accused only.

9. QUE.—“In the event of a brother being elected to serve on such Committee to replace one disqualified or resigning, shall the fact of the change annul the previous organization of the Committee and the election of chairman and secretary?”

ANS.—No. The filling of a vacancy does not affect its standing or organization.

10. QUE.—“Is it imperative on the chairman to notify each and every member of such Committee and witnesses in writing to attend an adjourned meeting, they being verbally instructed by the chairman to attend, hour, place, and date being mentioned by him at the adjournment?”

ANS.—The verbal summons of the chairman under such circumstances is sufficient for all who were present.

An adjournment *sine die* would require a written notification.

11. QUE.—“Can counsel for plaintiff or defendant have the case adjourned from time to time on petty excuses?”

ANS.—It is a matter for the Committee to decide whether such applications are reasonable and valid.

12. *QUE.*—"Is the chairman of Committee entitled to vote as a member as well as give a casting vote as chairman?"

ANS.—Yes. In all cases where his vote would affect the result, or when the vote is by ballot, it is his privilege.

13. *QUE.*—"Has a D. D. G. C. a right to look over the books of the Lodge at any time to satisfy himself as to a brother's standing?"

ANS.—Yes.

14. *QUE.*—"Has a D. D. G. C. the authority to give a decision verbally to the Lodge?"

ANS.—No. (See Art. v., sec. 12, G. L. Constitution.) All communications from Lodges to him and his answers should be made in writing.

In answer to a request from Myrtle Lodge No. 2, of London, for another year's extension of the dispensation granted them by my predecessor to confer the three ranks on candidates for \$6, I replied as follows:

"I feel that in justice to your membership and the Order at large, I must respectfully decline my official sanction to such extension. Under your by-laws, as stated in your communication, you guarantee to your members \$3 per week sick benefits; \$40 funeral benefits, and \$40 annually to the widow of a deceased brother, whilst the annual dues paid by members amount to only \$6 per annum. In undertaking the noble mission for which our beloved Order was instituted, viz., to visit and care for the sick, to bury the dead, to care for the widow and educate the orphan, we, as Knights of Pythias, are assuming grave responsibilities, and must, in justice to those dear ones whose future is in our keeping, conduct the business of our Lodges on business principles, and make provision for the possibilities and inevitable responsibilities of the future. From the Financial and Numerical Reports from your Lodge to Grand Lodge for the year ending December 30th, 1882, I find you had at the latter date a membership of 59; that during the year you had expended in relief \$139.50, and that although your receipts from all sources amounted during the year to \$469.33, the total amount of funds on hand and invested by your Lodge amounted only to \$83.59. I submit these figures to the earnest, careful consideration of your Lodge membership, in a spirit of Pythian friendship, and would urge upon them the absolute necessity—having due regard to the duties they have assumed—to discount the certainties of the future by increasing rather than reducing the fees for ranks, and grading the dues from all new members according to age, as has been wisely done in most of the other Lodges."

From Charity Lodge No. 20, St. Catharines.

[Letter Book C, 5.]

1. *QUE.*—"On the 13th July, 'A,' a member of this Lodge, was taken sick, and went the next day to a health resort in New York State for treatment, and was away about four weeks; on his return he submitted the following certificate to the Visiting Committee:—"August 11th: This is to

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certify that 'A' has been under medical care for four successive weeks in July and August of this year, and during that time was not able to work.' He did not apply personally or in writing, the Visiting Committee reporting him entitled to four weeks' benefits, and they were granted by the Lodge. 'B' objects to payment on the grounds that 'A' did not comply with Art. ix., sec. 4, of the Constitution, and that the certificate presented is invalid?"

I ruled as follows on this question :

1st. The payment of weekly benefits is a distinguishing character, and may be regarded as a fundamental principle of our Order; and such benefits as may be provided by the Constitution and By-laws of Subordinate Lodges are secured to their members as rights and not as charities, through the contribution of certain stipulated dues by all such members at regular and established intervals.

2nd. A member sick and entitled to receive benefits from his Lodge does not forfeit his right to the same (he still remaining sick) by leaving the country under the advice of his physician for the purpose of endeavouring to restore his health.

3rd. A sick brother does not forfeit his right to benefits by leaving the jurisdiction of the Relief Committee of his lodge without their consent or the approval of the Lodge.

4th. Art. ix., sec. 4, does not apply to this case, "A" residing within the jurisdiction of his Lodge when taken sick, and merely removing temporarily for the purpose of restoring his health.

5th. It was not essential or necessary for "A" to apply personally or in writing to the Lodge for his benefits on his return, such being the duty of the Relief Committee.

6th. The Relief Committee having reported to the Lodge that "A" was entitled to receive four weeks' benefits, they must apply for an order to be drawn for the amount he is entitled to under the By-laws at the next regular convention of the Lodge.

7th. The physician's certificate in this case is valid and legal.

2. Q^{UE}.—"A" became sick on Friday, October 5th, and did not go to his work. He instructed 'B' (a member of the Lodge) to report him as sick to the Lodge, which met same evening, but 'B' does not attend, and therefore 'A' is not reported sick that evening. 'B' informs the Chairman of the Visiting Committee on Monday, the 8th, and on same day the C. C. visits him and finds him sick. On Friday, 12th, the Visiting Committee report 'A' entitled to one week's benefit, \$4. The Lodge refuses to accept the report of the Committee, and whilst admitting that 'A' was sick during the stated time claim that 'A' was only entitled to receive \$2 according to Art. vi. of the By-laws, he having failed to report himself sick to the Lodge at the first regular meeting after he became sick. (1.) Must the brother report himself to the Lodge or the Visiting Committee? (2.) What does the term 'during such time' mean in Art. vi., in By-laws?"

ANS.—(1.) The fact of Brother "A" having reported himself sick to a member of his Lodge was equivalent to a report to the Lodge to all intents and purposes, it being further evidenced by the fact that the Visiting Committee acted thereon, and reported his case at the next regular meeting. (2.) During his sickness or disability.

RULING.—"A" is justly entitled to one week's benefit, \$4, as prescribed by the By-laws, Art. vi., sec. 1, for each full week's duration of such sickness or disability (he being otherwise qualified).

3. A Committee appointed to investigate charges against a member has concluded the taking of testimony and given notice to the Lodge of its intention to bring in a report at the next Convention.

QUE.—"Should said Committee's recommendation only refer to the question of 'Guilty or Not Guilty'; or should it in addition recommend the punishment, if the former?"

ANS.—The Committee should report to the Lodge the result of the investigation, with resolutions covering the punishment which they recommend the Lodge to adopt. When the report is read, the accused should be permitted to make his statement, the Committee being allowed to reply, and the Lodge then votes upon the resolutions of the Committee.
[Letter Book C, 128.]

4. At a regular Convention of the Lodge a motion was passed to loan a brother \$20 without security, repayable within a year from date.

QUE.—"Is such loan legal under the By-laws? Does it not require notice of motion?"

ANS.—(1.) There is nothing under your By-laws (see Art. ix., secs. 4 and 5) to prevent the loaning of money to a brother by the Lodge; but the Constitution, Art. ii., sec. 4, provides that it requires the consent of two-thirds of the valid votes cast. Art. iv., sec. 10, of the Constitution, provides that the Lodge Trustees shall invest in such loans, stocks or other securities as the Lodge may direct. (2.) Notice of motion is required (see By-laws, Art. ix., sec. 4), in voting donations for all sums exceeding \$10, and does not apply to an investment or loan.
[Letter Book C, 144.]

5. QUE.—"Does any appropriation (for fitting up a Lodge room) require notice of motion?"

ANS.—This is a matter for local legislation, and your By-laws contain no provision requiring such notice.

6. QUE.—(1.) "Has a Lodge the right to do with its 'general fund' what it pleases?" (2.) "Are there no restrictions?"

ANS.—(1.) The disposition of Lodge funds is a proper subject of local legislation. (2.) Not unless provided in Lodge By-laws. A Lodge has a perfect right by vote of its members at a regular convention to instruct its Trustees or a Special Committee to furnish, loan or rent Lodge room.

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BY-LAWS.

I have approved of By-laws submitted by Erie Lodge No. 21, and also of Revision of By-laws by Friendship Lodge No. 16, copies of which are submitted to you.

An addition to By-laws of Charity Lodge No. 20, providing for the election of a Medical Examiner or Lodge Physician, was approved by me.

Art. vi., sec. 1, of their By-laws reads as follows:—Sick Benefits—Every Knight who is a member of this Lodge for six months, and who is in good standing, if tendered incapable of following his usual occupation by sickness or other disability, not caused by intemperance or immoral conduct of any kind, shall receive a benefit of \$4 per week during such sickness or disability, provided always that any brother a resident of this city, or within three miles of it, being sick or disabled, and not reporting the fact to the Lodge during such time, shall receive the sum of \$2 per week, and then only after producing full and sufficient proof of such sickness or disability.

An amendment was submitted to me by the Lodge for approval, providing for the striking out of the words 'during such time,' and inserting the words 'within three days,' to which I refused assent, ruling as follows:

I cannot sanction this amendment. It is not in accordance with the tenets and principles of our Order that an unfortunate sick brother, otherwise beneficial, should be deprived of his just benefits for omitting, perhaps unavoidably on his part, or on account of physical inability, to report his illness to the Lodge in such a limited time. Owing to a sudden accident or severe illness a brother might be rendered unconscious or insensible, and his friends not knowing the necessity of immediately reporting the fact to the Lodge, he would, on a harsh and arbitrary technicality, be deprived of benefits perhaps essential to comfort and support during the whole of his sickness.

P. G. C. KING'S PAMPHLET.

Bro. P. G. C. King, of Toronto, has since our last session furnished additional evidence of his zealous interest in behalf of our beloved Order in Ontario in the voluntary contribution of a second pamphlet from his file pen. I refer to that published and distributed in November last, entitled "Some of the Duties and Responsibilities of a Knight of Pythias." It is replete with counsel and advice, and should receive the careful and attentive perusal of every Knight in Ontario. It has received the highest commendation of the Pythian journals, several of them having published it in full.

THE ENDOWMENT RANK.

I would strongly urge upon the Representatives to recommend to the membership in the various Lodges in the jurisdiction a better support of this beneficial feature of our Order in availing themselves of the advantages of safe provision for life insurance at a moderate cost.

Although only organized in 1878, up to March 31st the large amount of \$2,135,936 had been paid in benefits to the families of 1,363 members of the three classes in that Rank.

The membership at that date was as follows:

1st Class.....	\$1,000	11,623
2nd "	2,000	14,883
3rd "	1,000 over 50 years.....	441

UNIFORM RANK.

This branch of our Order, I regret to say, has not progressed as rapidly as was to have been expected, considering the success resulting from the organization of Alpha Division at Hamilton during the last session of the Grand Lodge.

I had hoped for the appearance at the parade in honour of the Grand Lodge here of organized Divisions from Toronto and Windsor at least, but owing to delay caused by changes in the uniform at the late session of the Supreme Lodge their institution has been temporarily deferred.

I feel satisfied that this feature of our Order will prove a valuable aid in attracting membership to our Lodges, and contribute materially to the growth and popularity of the Order in our jurisdiction.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

For the numerical and financial standing of the Lodges I refer you to the reports of the G. K. R. & S. The record of the year shows a satisfactory increase on the whole; but in order to a favourable comparison with our sister jurisdictions, renewed zeal and increased interest must be manifested by all.

Naturally much is expected from your Executive Officer for the time being; but in the work of organizing new Lodges, in promoting the dissemination of our principles and increasing the membership and efficiency of existing Lodges, every true Knight should, in view of his obligations, aid and assist him to the extent of his ability.

THE SUPREME LODGE.

During my visit to New Orleans at the late session of the Supreme Lodge, through the courtesy of our Representatives, I had the honor of introductions to many of the leading officers and Representatives of that august body, and could not but feel emotions of pleasure at the deep and abiding interest in the welfare of Ontario evinced by each and all of them.

We have cause for pride in the distinguished honor conferred on our Representative, Bro. King, in his election to the station of Supreme Prelate, the third highest honor in the gift of that body, and in the selection of Toronto as the next place of meeting for the Supreme Lodge of the World. We should, one and all, evince a Knightly appreciation of their fraternal interest in bestowing these coveted honors, by united, valiant work, which will result in placing our jurisdiction high upon the roster of Grand Lodges.

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To our Representatives much credit is due for their untiring energy, manifest to all in successfully surmounting all obstacles and securing the Session of 1886 at Toronto, in keen competition with the cities of Boston, Chicago, Denver and San Francisco.

CONCLUSION.

It is with feelings of profound gratitude to Divine Providence that I am able to close this report without being called upon to chronicle the death of any of our number since last session.

My relations with those officers of the Grand Lodge with whom I have had business, has been most pleasant and satisfactory, and to them and all other members of the Order who have on various occasions rendered me their generous assistance, I return my sincere thanks, and in severing my official connection with them I do so with feelings of deep regret.

Representatives,—You now have before you a record of my acts and doings as your executive head. It is for you to say whether or not I have fulfilled your expectations. Asking a charitable consideration of my official career, and bespeaking for my successor a continuance of the fraternal courtesy and assistance so generously accorded to me,

I remain,

Fraternally yours,

GEO. H. LESLIE,

Grand Chancellor.

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

REPORT OF THE GRAND KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL,

GRAND LODGE, K OF P., OF ONTARIO,

TORONTO, June 7th, 1884.

To the Officers and Representatives of the Grand Lodge :

I beg to submit for your consideration my Report for the year ending May 31st, 1884.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

It affords me great pleasure to be able to submit a more satisfactory Report on this subject than I have been able to do for some years back. As will be seen from the Numerical and Financial statements attached to this Report, all our Lodges have enjoyed a prosperous year. An increase of 20 per cent. has been made in membership, nearly 40 per cent. in receipts, and over 100 per cent. in amount on hand and invested. There is not a Lodge on our Roll but what has held its own or increased; none have gone backward.

During the year the Grand Chancellor has, I believe, paid an official visit, at least once, to every Lodge in the jurisdiction, with very beneficial results. Crusader Lodge No. 5, of Port Arthur, and Algoma Lodge No. 11, of Sault Ste. Marie, which, while always on our Roll, have been dormant for some time back, were again revived through his visit, and satisfied him that a successful future was in store for them. The latter Lodge has fully carried out his expectations, but the former I have been unable to get any word from since. I think it would be well to have the Deputy at Sault Ste. Marie visit it, and find out exactly how matters stand. This could be done at very little expense to Grand Lodge, and would be money well expended.

Since our last session two new Lodges have been added to our number, both being instituted by the Grand Chancellor. The first one was instituted on September 7th, 1883, at Harrow, in the County of Essex, and is named Erie No. 21; the other is Mizpah No. 22, at London East, and was instituted on February 19th, 1884. Full particulars will, no doubt, be submitted to you by the Grand Chancellor in his Report.

In addition to the above, I understand that on the 9th inst. the Grand Chancellor will reorganize Marmion Lodge No. 15, of Chatham. In connection with this I desire to inform the Grand Lodge that, at the request of the Grand Chancellor, I forwarded the effects of Damon Lodge No. 8 for use in re-organizing the Lodge. Both of these lodges were located in the same place, and met in the same hall, the properties belonging only to No. 8, but were loaned or rented to the other. The Grand Lodge has the power to dispose of the effects of a lodge that surrenders its charter, to the best advantage, and the proceeds, after paying any debts that may be due, placed to the credit of the defunct Lodge. In this case, however, I am informed that there is little or no likelihood of No. 8 ever being resuscitated, and it is the desire of No. 15 to have the properties made over to them, as many members of No. 8 have signified their intention of affiliating with the one about to be re-organized. The only debt unpaid by Damon Lodge that I know of is due to Grand Lodge, and the amount is only \$3.66. The properties were forwarded by me on the understanding with the Grand Chancellor that I should bring the matter to the attention of the Grand Lodge, and let it be dealt with there. It is a question whether we have the right to take into consideration the likelihood of a defunct lodge being resuscitated or not. It appears to me that it should always be looked upon in the light of a possible possibility, and treated as such.

SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS.

I am pleased to say that during the past year the majority of the Lodges have forwarded their reports within a reasonable time after installation, but there are yet one or two which can make considerable improvement in regard to promptness. The Committee on Returns and Credentials can see the date of the reception of each report.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS.

In compliance with your instructions, I have had the proceedings of the last two sessions printed and distributed to the Lodges. The funds of Grand Lodge not being sufficient to defray the cost I made a *pro rata* levy on the Lodges that were in existence at the time of our last meeting. The amount then paid by each Lodge I placed to their credit, instead of charging it against them, as contemplated by section 10 of the Report of the Committee on State of the Order. This course I adopted, subject to your approval, on account of other Lodges having been revived or instituted before the issue of the Journal, as I believed that it would be only just and fair that an expense of this nature should be shared by all alike.

FINANCES OF THE GRAND LODGE.

The following are the receipts and expenditures for the year ending May 31st, 1884:

Balance in hand of G. M. of E., June 1st, 1883.....	\$ 34 94
Receipts from all sources during the year.....	625 63
Total.....	\$660 57
Expenditures for all purposes.....	643 13

Balance in hands of G. M. of E., May 30th, 1884.....	<u>\$ 17 44</u>
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

Expenses of Officers attending last Session.....	\$ 68 40
Supreme-Lodge, Representative tax and supplies.....	282 73
Postage, P. O. box rent and incidental expenses.....	21 76
Printing Constitutions.....	6 00
Printing proceedings.....	102 00
Lodge books.....	21 50
Grand Chancellor—Postage and stationery.....	\$ 17 74
Grand Chancellor—Official visits.....	18 00
G. K. R. S.—Printing.....	35 74
G. K. R. S.—Salary, 1883-4.....	\$ 5 00
	100 00
Total.....	<u>105 00</u>
	<u>\$643 13</u>

My vouchers for these will show the transactions.

For statements showing the totals of the debit and credit sides of all accounts in the ledger, and the balances May 31st, 1884; the profit and loss thereon, and also our assets and liabilities, together with detailed and tabulated statements of the membership and finances of the subordinate Lodges, see Appendix.

Fraternally submitted.

Geo. H. Mitchell

Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

The Grand Master of Exchequer presented and read his Report, which was referred to the Committee on Distribution :

REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER OF EXCHEQUER.

LONDON, June 10th, 1884.

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

SIRS AND BROTHERS,—Another year has past and gone, and again I have the honor and pleasure of presenting to you this my Annual Report up to and including the 31st of May past. Annexed hereto you will find Financial Statement for the term, which will exhibit the total amount of cash received by me, as well as disbursements, together with the properly certified vouchers therefor.

All of which is most respectfully and fraternally submitted.

JAMES SMITH,

Grand Master of Exchequer.

1883.		RECEIPTS.		
May 31—	To cash balance on hand.....			\$ 34 94
" "	— " draft outstanding—156			3 60
June 14—	" cash from G. K. of R. & S.			27 00
Dec. 18—	" " " "			8 00
1884.				
Jan. 2—	" " " "			105 62
" 15—	" " " "			13 25
Feb. 27—	" " " "			194 00
March 3—	" " " "			109 54
" 6—	" " " "			20 00
" 17—	" " " "			44 98
May 31—	" " " "			103 24
				\$664 17
1883.		EXPENDITURE.		
June 12—	By paid draft No. 156			\$ 3 60
Aug. 3—	" " " 175			5 00
" 6—	" " " 176			5 00
" 6—	" " " 179			6 20
Sept. 4—	" " " 180			7 60
1884.				
Jan. 2—	" " " 174			1 25
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Jan. 2—By paid draft No. 184		
Feb. 27— “ “ 185	\$	2 85
“ 27— “ “ 186		8 60
“ 27— “ “ 187		25 00
“ 27— “ “ 188		5 00
“ 27— “ “ 189		4 00
“ 27— “ “ 190		102 00
“ 27— “ “ 193		11 00
March 3— “ “ 192		4 00
“ 14— “ “ 191		25 79
“ 17— “ “ 194		200 00
May 31— “ “ 195		44 98
“ 31— “ “ 196		2 00
“ 31— “ “ 197		50 00
“ 31—By outstanding... 173		16 51
“ 31—By balance on hand		28 55
		17 44
		<u>\$664 17</u>

Supreme Representative King presented and read the Report of the Supreme Representatives, which was referred to the Committee on Distribution.

SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT.

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

BRETHREN,—Your Representatives to the Supreme Lodge K. of P. of the World herewith submit their report of the proceedings of that body at its Thirtieth Session, held in the City of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, beginning April 22nd, 1884, and continuing for the space of ten days.

The Supreme Lodge was called to order at 10 o'clock a.m. of that day by the Hon. John P. Linton, Supreme Chancellor. All the officers except the Supreme Inner Guard were present; also, Justus H. Rathbone, the founder and first Past Supreme Chancellor; S. S. Davis, P.S.C.; D. B. Woodruff, P.S.C.; G. W. Lindsay, P.S.C., and about seventy-five Supreme Representatives from forty Grand jurisdictions.

The Reports of the Supreme Officers were presented, and by sections referred to various Standing Committees. From these reports we extract some points of general interest. The Supreme Chancellor reports the extension of the Order since last session into British Columbia, Manitoba and Nova Scotia, Provinces of Canada; while additional territories in the United States, and even sections of Mexico, have now Lodges of the Order. Washington, Utah and Arizona Territories have increased in membership, and now possess each a Grand Lodge of its own, and to this Session of Supreme Lodge, for the first time, sent Representatives. With reference to the Supreme Chancellor's proposed visit to Ontario Grand Lodge, he

especially desired to respond to the invitation on account of its being the only Grand Jurisdiction beyond the limits of one nation, but the meeting unfortunately occurred at a time when he found it impossible to attend. From visitations, correspondence and reports received from the Supreme K. of R. and S., the Supreme Chancellor was able to say:—"I am able to report advisedly as to the condition of the Order, and it affords me great gratification to be able to say that the period intervening since last session has been a period of unexampled prosperity. In every jurisdiction advance has been made; and in many of them, notably Iowa and Kansas, the growth of the Order has been so great as to outstrip the most sanguine anticipations of the most sanguine brethren." The Supreme Chancellor reports 33 new subordinate Lodges organized under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Lodge in Provinces or Territories where no Grand Lodge existed. Since the Session of August, 1882, in Detroit, until the end of March, 1884, there was the magnificent gain of 3 Grand Lodges, 235 Subordinate Lodges, and 28,327 members, giving an exhibit at the latter date, in round numbers, of 40 Grand Lodges, 1,948 Subordinate Lodges, and 140,000 members in good standing—in itself a large army. At the Detroit Session the Report gave only 102 Subordinate Uniform Rank Divisions. There are now 232, and 10 Grand or Regimental Divisions. The Sections of the Endowment or Beneficiary Department have also largely increased, and there are at the present time 576 in active and efficient operation. As an evidence of the good work of this branch of the Order it may be stated that 11,623 members in the first class were, on the 31st day of March, 1884, carrying an insurance of \$1,000 each; 14,883 members in the second class were carrying a \$2,000 beneficiary certificate, and 441 aged members in the third class were carrying a \$1,000 insurance. During the single year ending March 31st, 1884, \$139,000 was paid to the families of 139 deceased members in the first class; \$390,000 to families of 195 deceased members of the second class; while \$2,604 was paid to families of members in the third class, or a total of \$531,000 paid in one year in the Beneficiary Department alone.

The Supreme Treasury contained on April 1st, 1884, exclusive of money for endowment purposes, \$25,529.55.

The Reports of the S. K. of R. & S. and the S. M. of E. exhibit the following gratifying information, viz.:

Amount of surplus cash on hand in Subordinate Lodges, end of term.....	\$1,408,904 25
Paid for relief of Brothers.....	269,772 98
" " widowed families.....	19,674 29
" burying the dead.....	66,167 31
" educating orphans.....	468 45
Total paid in six months for relief purposes.....	369,016 77

The expenditures for the same purposes made by the Subordinate

Lodges under the Jurisdiction of the Supreme Lodge, amounted to \$3,891.60, which added to the former amount makes a grand total for relief purposes of \$372,908.37, exclusive of the beneficiary payable by the Endowment or Insurance scheme of the Order. The death benefits from the Endowment Rank paid from 1878 to March 31st, 1884, aggregated the immense sum of no less than \$2,135,936. The foregoing facts and figures cannot but carry conviction to the minds of every person reading them, that the Order of Knights of Pythias is doing a noble work.

It affords us pleasure in this connection to report that an able and hard working Finance Committee reported that the books of the Financial Officers are correctly kept, and that not a cent of money has gone astray. Further, the bonds by these officers are large and safe, and ample to protect the Order even though the incumbents were disposed to be dishonest.

On the first day of the session the usual Standing Committees were appointed. Your Representatives were assigned positions on some of these. Representative Mitchell was Chairman of the Committee on Unwritten Work, and Representative King was a member of the Committee on State of the Order, also of the Special Committee on Deceased Officers and Representatives, and likewise of a Special Committee to fix the date of the next meeting.

On the call for business from Grand Jurisdiction, your Representatives presented the Resolution of Invitation from Ontario Grand Lodge to Supreme Lodge to hold its session of 1886 in Toronto. This, with similar resolutions from Colorado, California, Illinois, and Massachusetts, were referred to the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, who, after deliberation, reported back to Supreme Lodge that they were unable to agree upon a place, and asked Supreme Lodge to decide the matter. The Supreme Lodge adopted this course, and immediately Supreme Representative King rose and moved that Toronto be the next place of meeting, supporting the motion with a strong speech, which secured for that city the largest vote on each ballot taken. All the other places named were again moved and supported by strong speeches. Several votes by ballot were recorded, Toronto each time gaining, though hard pressed by Boston, until by a vote of 41 to 32 Ontario scored a victory.

As there was a diversity of opinion as to the time, a special committee of three was appointed (Supreme Representative King being one of that number) to give the matter full consideration and report. The Supreme Lodge finally adopted the 2nd Tuesday in July, 1886, as the date of the next meeting.

The election of officers for the ensuing two years resulted in the following selection, viz.:

- P. S. C. John P. Linton, Johnstown, Pa.
- S. C. John VanValkenburg, Fort Madison, Iowa.

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S. V. C.	Howard Douglass, Cincinnati, Ohio.
S. P.	John S. King, Toronto, Ont.
S. M. of E.	S. J. Willey, Wilmington, Delaware.
S. K. of R. and S.	R. E. Cowan, Kansas City, Mo.
S. Sec. of E. R.	Halvor Nelson, Washington, D.C.
S. M. at A.	Geo. B. Shaw, Eau Claire, Wis.
S. I. G.	C. F. Bragg, Bangor, Maine.
S. O. G.	John W. Thompson, Washington, D.C.

Early in the afternoon of the second day the Supreme Lodge adjourned to attend the reception ceremonies tendered by the Grand Lodge of Louisiana at a place called "West End," a beautiful pleasure resort, where the Supreme Lodge was received by Governor McEnery, who, by the way, is a member of Stonewall Lodge, in New Orleans; by City Attorney Bucks, representing the Mayor, on behalf of the city, and by the Grand Chancellor of the Order in that State. Responses were made, by Supreme Officers, and Representatives were made to feel thoroughly at home.

On the third day the parade was held, in which Supreme Lodge participated; and, as usual, was a magnificent display, and was witnessed by an immense throng of people, numbering perhaps not less than 75,000. It will be opportune here to state that from first to last all visiting Knights were made to feel that they were the guests of a large-hearted community, and that hospitalities were unbounded, and on a scale never before equalled. Receptions, excursions, balls and banquets were but a portion of the hospitalities showered upon the Representatives. Among the speakers at the banquet Representative King spoke for Canada, and at the installation of the Grand Lodge Officers of Louisiana, by Supreme Lodge Officers, Representative Mitchell officiated as Supreme Inner Guard, and Representative King was among the few who addressed that body at the conclusion of the installation ceremonies.

A large portion of the time of the Supreme body was consumed in discussing proposed changes in the Endowment and Uniform Rank Laws, as well as considering the decisions of the Supreme Chancellor and proposed amendments to the Constitution. We strongly commend all to carefully read the proceedings, which will shortly be published, and will at this time merely submit the more interesting and important legislation in outline.

A new officer, called the Supreme Secretary of the Endowment Rank, was created, upon whom devolves the duties in connection with the Endowment Rank heretofore discharged by the S. M. of E., with the additional duties arising from the Fourth or graded class. He is required to report semi-monthly to the S. M. of E., and transmit therewith all moneys in his hands, and also report quarterly to the Supreme Chancellor; he is required to furnish bonds in the amount of \$50,000; he must be a member of the Supreme Lodge and of the Endowment Rank.

Sections of Endowment may be instituted on application of five Knights in good standing, and three members will constitute a quorum.

Though special meetings may be called, only one regular meeting is required, and that is fixed for the month of December in each year. Ballotting and Ritualistic work are abolished.

A Fourth class of Endowment, or graded class, has been created, whereby payments are made monthly, and vary according to age.

Applicants between the ages of twenty-one and fifty may be admitted into the First and Second classes; those between the ages of fifty and sixty into the Third class, and those between the ages of twenty-one and sixty may be admitted in the Fourth class.

A new obligation for members entering the Endowment Rank was adopted.

A Special Committee, which for a long period have been engaged upon the work of preparing general laws for the government of the Uniform Rank feature of the Order, reported, and their report was without change adopted. Under this new law Adjutant-General Carnahan, Supreme Representative of Indiana, was appointed by the Supreme Chancellor as Major-General of that branch of the Order. The rank, which is in no way under the control of Grand Lodges, will be most thoroughly and efficiently organized and managed.

The founder of the Order presented his amended Ritual for a special memorial service, which, after slight amendment, was adopted. The service is intended for either a public or private meeting of the Lodge, when assembled to commemorate the virtues and character of a deceased brother.

In concluding this brief report we feel constrained to say that Ontario has every reason to appreciate the consideration shown to her through her Representatives, in that we have secured all, and more than all, for which we have striven. Supreme Lodge in a twofold manner has proven to the world the universality of the Order's character, by first of all selecting one of your Representatives for one of the most exalted positions in her government, viz.: the office of Supreme Prelate, the third highest position in the Executive; and, secondly, by determining to sit beneath the protection of the British flag at the capital of this Province to legislate for the best interests of all who attain membership, and for the protection of those dependent upon them when death, the common leveller of mankind, severs the double tie that bound them on the one hand to this Society, and on the other to their family. Then let it be the aim of every Knight in this Grand Jurisdiction to show to the Supreme Lodge that he individually, and the Order collectively, appreciates the honors bestowed.

We trust that our labours on your behalf have justified your choice of

us to represent you in the Pythian Parliament, and that the future advantages to our Order in the Province will be great from the anticipated visit and public demonstration in 1886.

Yours fraternally,

JOHN S. KING, M.D.,
GEO. H. MITCHELL,
Supreme Representatives.

Statements were then made by the Representatives present regarding the condition of the several Lodges which they represented.

G. M. of E. Smith presented the following communication, which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order :

MYRTLE LODGE No. 2, K. of P.,
LONDON, June 3rd, 1884.
P. P. XXI.

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

DEAR SIRS AND BROTHERS,—At the last regular meeting of this Lodge, held on Tuesday evening, May 27th, it was unanimously resolved to invite your Grand Body to hold its next session in this city.

Fraternally yours,

[SEAL.]

EDWARD B. GALPIN,
Keeper of Records and Seal.

G. M. of E. Smith also presented a copy of the By-laws of Myrtle Lodge with certain amendments thereto, which were referred to the Committee on Law and Supervision.

The Acting Grand Keeper of Records and Seal read the following communication, which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order :

TORONTO, June 7th, 1884.

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

BROTHERS,—A Committee has been appointed by the Lodges in this city for the purpose of making arrangements to entertain the Supreme Lodge and visiting Knights, on the occasion of the next Biennial Session of that body, which will be held here in July, 1886.

I am instructed by the Committee to inform you that we desire to have the co-operation and support of our Sister Lodges throughout this jurisdiction, and would ask that some action be taken by your honorable body towards having all the Lodges take an active interest in the matter, and that the Representatives be instructed to bring the subject before their respective Lodges, and inform us what action will be taken.

I may state that steps have already been taken towards raising a guarantee fund among our own members, and that we are receiving very encouraging and gratifying encouragement, the nature of which some of our Representatives will be able to inform you.

Fraternally yours,

GEO. H. MITCHELL,
Secretary of Committee.

Representative Dodds of No. 4, from the Special Committee on Distribution, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

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

1. That so much of the Report of the Grand Chancellor as refers to "District Deputy Grand Chancellors," "Official Correspondence," "New Lodges," "Resuscitation of Old Lodges," "Official Visitations," "The Endowment Rank," "Uniform Rank," "Condition of the Order," and "The Supreme Lodge," be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.
2. That so much of the Report as refers to "Official Decisions and Rulings" be referred to the Committee on Law and Supervision.
3. That so much of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal as refers to "Condition of the Order," "Membership of Subordinate Lodges," "Finances of Subordinate Lodges," and "Numerical and Financial Statements," be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.
4. That so much as refers to "Semi-Annual Reports" be referred to the Committee on Returns and Credentials.
5. That so much, as refers to "Journal of Proceedings," "Finances of the Grand Lodge," "Statement of all Accounts in the Ledger," "Details of Profit and Loss Account," and "Detailed Financial Statement," be referred to the Committee on Finance.
6. That the Report of the Grand Master of Exchequer be referred to the Committee on Finance.
7. That the Report of the Supreme Representatives be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT DODDS, of No. 4.
ROBERT CARROTHERS, of No. 2.
RICHARD POULTON, of No. 22.

The hour of 12 o'clock having arrived, the Grand Chancellor declared the Grand Lodge at recess until 4 o'clock.

FIRST DAY—JUNE 10TH—4 O'CLOCK.

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

Past Chancellors McAfee and Percy, of No. 21, and Charles S. Baxter, of Palestine Lodge No. 5, of Detroit, Mich., were reported in waiting to receive the Grand Lodge Rank; and in connection with said report the credential of Bro. Baxter and the following communication were received, and referred to the Committee on Returns and Credentials:

OFFICE OF THE GRAND CHANCELLOR KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS,
 GRAND JURISDICTION OF MICHIGAN,
 BIG RAPIDS, Mich., June 5th, 1884,
 AND OF THE PYTHIAN PERIOD THE XXI.

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

BROTHERS,—This will commend to you our Knightly brother in F. C. and B. Charles S. Baxter, who was, for meritorious services, elected to the rank of Past Chancellor by the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Michigan at its last session in the City of Kalamazoo, and who is a member and on the roster of Palestine Lodge No. 5, of this Grand Jurisdiction. You are hereby requested, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of this Grand Jurisdiction, to confer upon our said Bro. Charles S. Baxter the rank of Past Chancellor in the Grand Lodge, and instruct him therein, and to certify the same to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of this Grand Jurisdiction upon presentation of his credential, showing him to be entitled thereto, and this our authority and request.

Fraternally yours,

[SEAL.]

D. F. GLIDDEN,
 Grand Chancellor.

Supreme Representative King was requested to act with the Committee on Returns and Credentials, and the Committee retired. At the expiration of a few minutes the Committee returned and presented the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 2 OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS.

Your Committee on Returns and Credentials, to whom was referred the credential of Past Chancellor Chas. S. Baxter, of Palestine Lodge No. 5, of Detroit, and the communication from the Grand Chancellor of Michigan, beg leave to report that we have examined the credential and found it correct, and would recommend

That the request of the Grand Chancellor of Michigan be acceded to, and the rank of Past Chancellor be conferred on Bro. Baxter.

Respectfully submitted.

WILL J. VALE, of No. 3.
O. E. BRENER, " 2.
JOHN S. KING, " 4.

The G. M. at A. retired and introduced the Past Chancellors, who were obligated and instructed in the Grand Lodge Rank.

Representative Dodds, of No. 4, from the Special Committee on Distribution, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT NO. 2 OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

Your Special Committee on Distribution, to whom was referred the reports of the Grand Lodge officers, beg leave to submit the following additional report, viz.:

That so much of the Report of the Grand Chancellor as refers to the pamphlet published by P. G. C. King, be referred to a Special Committee.

Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT DODDS, of No. 4.
ROBT. CARROTHERS, " 2.
RICHARD POULTON, " 22.

The Grand Chancellor appointed Grand Prelate Vale and Representatives Aikman, of No. 16, and McAfee, of No. 21, as the Special Committee.

G. M. of E. Smith, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT NO. 1 OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred that portion of the Report of the Grand Chancellor referring to the approval of the By-laws of Erie Lodge, No. 21, beg leave to report,

That we have carefully examined the same, and would recommend that the approval of the Grand Chancellor be ratified excepting sec. 1, Art. vii., page 8, which conflicts with Supreme Lodge law, according to which every Knight is entitled to not less than the sum of one dollar for benefits per week during sickness. See Supreme Lodge Journal, page 1428, session 877. The probationary period for additional benefits is a matter for local legislation.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. REID, of No. 3.
JAS. SMITH, " 2.

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

REPORT NO. 2 OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred a copy of the By-laws of Myrtle Lodge No. 2, together with certain amendments thereto, would report,

That we have carefully considered the same and find that certain portions relating to sick benefits are in conflict with Supreme Lodge law, which provides that the *minimum* sum of one dollar per week must be paid to every member attaining the rank of Knight in case of sickness.

We would recommend that the by-laws and amendments be further amended to conform to the above, that the striking out of section 2, Article xviii., page 53, be not allowed, and that the other amendments be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. REID, of No. 3.
JAS. SMITH, " 2.

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

REPORT NO. 3 OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred that portion of the Report of the Grand Chancellor relating to the approval of the By-laws of Friendship Lodge No. 16, would report—

That having carefully examined the said By-laws, we find sec. 1, Art. vii., in conflict with the Constitution of Supreme Lodge, in so far as it relates to the *minimum* amount of benefits which must be paid to Knights in good standing in case of sickness.

We would recommend that the By-laws of this Lodge be amended so as to conform to the Law of the Supreme Lodge, and that, with this exception, the approval of the Grand Chancellor be confirmed.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. REID, of No. 3.
JAS. SMITH, " 2.

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

REPORT NO. 4 OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision having had occasion to report on three cases in which the By-laws of Lodges conflict with the law of Supreme Lodge relating to the *minimum* amount of benefits which must be paid to Knights in good standing in case of sickness, beg to submit the following extracts from the Supreme Lodge Constitution and Journal bearing on this subject :

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Supreme Lodge Constitution, Art. viii., sec. 2, clause 22 :

"Lodges shall provide for carrying into effect the beneficial character of the Order, by providing for the payment of weekly benefits in case of disability, and funeral benefits in case of the death of a member; and weekly benefits shall not be less than one dollar per week, nor funeral benefits less than twenty dollars."

Extract from S. L. Journal, page, 1,428, Session 1877 :

"That, under the existing Constitutional provision, the *minimum* benefits, as designated in clause 22, sec. 2, Art. viii., of the Supreme Lodge Constitution, must be paid to each member of the Lodge from the time he becomes a member. It will be noticed that this does not require the full benefits to be paid, but only the *minimum* for such probationary period as each Lodge may fix."

Your Committee would recommend that each Lodge in this jurisdiction, whose By-laws conflict with the above, be directed to so amend them as to conform thereto.

Respectfully submitted.

JAS. SMITH, of No. 2.

A. C. REID, " 3.

Representative Kay, of No. 20, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

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

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

1. Your Committee cordially approve the method adopted by the Grand Chancellor in the selection of his Deputies, and are pleased to learn that they so faithfully performed their duties. We would, on behalf of this Grand Lodge, tender our sincere thanks to them for their services.

2. It is a source of gratification to your Committee to be able to report upon the addition of two new lodges to our roll, and the resuscitation of three of our old ones. Though two of the latter never surrendered their charters yet they have been dormant for a long time past, and it is none the less to the credit of the Grand Chancellor that he has been able to rouse them into active service again. To those brothers of this jurisdiction who have at various times assisted our Grand Chancellor in the discharge of his official duties, and especially to Past Grand Chancellor Chas. A. Mack, of Detroit, we would offer the grateful acknowledgments of this Grand Lodge for valuable services rendered.

We would recommend that charters be granted to Erie Lodge No. 21 and Mizpah Lodge No. 22.

3. Your Committee firmly believe in the importance of official visitations by the Grand Chancellor. They not only secure uniformity in Ritualistic work, but tend to infuse an active interest among the members.

When lack of interest is shown or indifference displayed by the Executive, the same spirit is almost sure to be found in the lodges. It afforded us much pleasure to read the account of the work done by the Grand Chancellor in this respect, and we feel sure that nothing we can say would enhance the pleasure he derived from trying to uphold and carry out the trust confided to him. We are confident that we but voice the sentiments of every member of this Grand Lodge when we say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

4. In regard to the Endowment Rank, your Committee cannot do more than endorse what has already been said by their predecessors on this subject. It is a matter which concerns each individual member rather than a collective body, and its advantages are well displayed by the literature of the Rank. We believe it to be a cheap and safe insurance, and give it our cordial recommendation.

5. Your Committee fully endorse the remarks of the Grand Chancellor on the subject of Uniform Divisions. We believe, however, that those who were about to organize divisions acted wisely in waiting for the latest legislation of the Supreme Lodge, and hope to soon hear of their institution. We would strongly urge upon every lodge the advisability, when possible, of organizing divisions, as we consider this branch of our Order not only ornamental but useful and beneficial.

6. We have carefully examined the numerical and financial statements submitted by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and note with pleasure the increase of both membership and finances in the several lodges. We sincerely trust that the gratifying prosperity of our Order for the past year may continue in the future.

Respectfully submitted.

THOS. S. BEASLY, of No. 3.
JOHN KAY, " 20.
O. E. BRENER, " 2.

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

REPORT NO. 5 OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred that portion of the Report of the Grand Chancellor relating to the rulings and decisions made by him during the recess of Grand Lodge, beg to report that we have carefully examined the same and find that decisions Nos. one (1), three (3), four (4), five (5), six (6), seven (7), eight (8), ten (10), eleven (11), thirteen (13), and fourteen (14), given in answer to questions submitted by Myrtle Lodge No. 2, are correct and should be approved.

That we endorse the action of the Grand Chancellor in refusing to

extend the dispensation to Myrtle Lodge No. 2, allowing them to confer the three ranks for \$6, and recommend that the same be approved.

That the six decisions given in answer to questions submitted by Charity Lodge No. 20 are also correct, and should be approved.

Respectfully submitted.

JAS. SMITH, of No. 2.
A. C. REED, " 3.

The Report was considered *seriatim*, and adopted.

Representative Beasley, of No. 3, moved, that the Grand Lodge do now take a recess until to-morrow morning at nine o'clock. An amendment to strike out "nine" and insert "eight" was not agreed to. The original motion was then adopted, and the Grand Lodge took a recess accordingly.

SECOND DAY—JUNE 11TH—9 O'CLOCK A.M.

The Grand Lodge assembled, with the following Grand Officers present :

- D. J. PEACE..... Vice Grand Chancellor.
- W. J. VALE..... Grand Prelate.
- JAMES SMITH..... Grand Master of Exchequer.
- A. J. RATTRAY..... Grand K. of R. and Seal, *acting*.
- S. E. HALL..... Grand Master-at-Arms.
- F. J. FITZGERALD..... Grand Outer Guard.

And a majority of Representatives.

The Acting Grand Chancellor made the following appointments *pro tem.*:

- Representative Poulton, of No. 22, to act as Past Grand Chancellor.
- " Childs " 3, " Vice " "
- " Bangham, " 16, " Grand Inner Guard.

Representative Kay, of No. 20, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

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

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom was referred the communication from the Secretary of the Supreme Lodge Reception Committee, of Toronto, beg leave to recommend that the Representatives be instructed to bring the subject before their respective Lodges, and endeavour to

have each one undertake to help the local Committee, in order that the reception may be brought to a successful issue. We would also recommend that the Grand Lodge should take some action in reference to the same.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN KAY, of No. 20.
O. E. BRENER, " 2.
T. S. BEASLY, " 3.

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

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

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom was referred the communication from Myrtle Lodge, in reference to holding the next Session of this Grand Lodge in the City of London, beg leave to report that a subject of this nature would properly come under the duties of the Committee on Finance, but as only one place is in question, we would recommend that the matter be dealt with by the Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN KAY, of No. 20.
O. E. BRENER, " 2.
T. S. BEASLY, " 3.

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

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

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom was referred the Report of the Supreme Representatives, beg leave to report, that under Supreme Lodge Constitution (Art. xv.), said report is official until the issuance of the Journal of Proceedings of the Supreme Lodge, and therefore must be adopted. Your Committee might, however, say that they have carefully read the same, and are pleased to note the many favours secured to Ontario; and desire to extend, on behalf of the Grand Lodge, their thanks to the Supreme Representatives for the faithful manner in which they have fulfilled their duties. We would also congratulate Bro. King on being elected to the third highest office in the gift of the Supreme Lodge.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN KAY, of No. 20.
O. E. BRENER, " 2.
T. S. BEASLY, " 3.

Representative Baker, of No. 20, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT No. 1 OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Report of the Grand Master of Exchequer, beg leave to report that they have carefully examined the same, and also the books and vouchers in connection therewith, and find them correct, the balance on hand being \$17.44.

Respectfully submitted.

A. K. BAKER, of No. 20.
W. G. BALDWIN, " 21.
A. H. FLEMING, " 16.

Also, from the same Committee, the following Report :

REPORT No. 2 OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred that portion of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal relating to "Journal of Proceedings," beg to report—

That the action of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal in reference to this matter be not concurred in, as, in our opinion, it would have been better to have acted in accordance with the report of the Committee on State of the Order of last year, and charged the cost of printing the journal *pro rata* to each lodge, instead of crediting them with the amount. We would therefore recommend that the assessment now credited be charged against each lodge.

Respectfully submitted.

A. K. BAKER, of No. 20.
W. G. BALDWIN, " 21.
A. H. FLEMING, " 16.

The Report was, on motion, laid on the table for further consideration.

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

REPORT No. 3 OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the financial portion of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, beg to report that we have carefully examined the same, together with the books, vouchers, and other documents of that officer, and find them correct. We also desire to give expression to our gratification at the manner in which the books of the Grand Lodge are kept.

Respectfully submitted.

A. K. BAKER, of No. 20.
W. G. BALDWIN, " 21.
A. H. FLEMING, " 16.

At this stage the officers who were absent at roll call entered and took their respective stations, viz.: Past Grand Chancellor Chapman, Grand Chancellor Leslie, and Grand Inner Guard Fitzgerald.

Grand Prelate Vale, of No. 3rd from the Special Committee on P. G. C. King's pamphlet, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON P. G. C. KING'S PAMPHLET.

Your Special Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Chancellor's Report relating to P. G. C. King's pamphlet, beg to report—

That we have read with great interest this second evidence of our esteemed brother's continued zeal and deep interest in our beloved Order, and trust that the members of this Grand Body will endeavour to have this valuable work placed in the hands of every member in this Grand Jurisdiction ; and that the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to Bro. King.

Respectfully submitted.

WILL J. VALE, of No. 3.

JOHN McAFEE, " 21.

The Acting Grand Chancellor then tendered the thanks of the Grand Lodge to Past Grand Chancellor King, who acknowledged them in a brief speech.

Representative Mercer, of No. 15, was reported for the first time during the session, and the Committee on Returns and Credentials retired to examine his credential.

The Acting Grand Keeper of Records and Seal read the following invitation :

The Windsor Fair Ground and Driving Park Association respectfully request the company of the Grand Lodge of Knights of Pythias on board the steamer "Sappho," which has been kindly placed at the disposal of the Association by Messrs. H. Walker & Sons.

The steamer will leave the town dock on Thursday morning, June 12th, at 10 o'clock a.m. sharp, returning at noon.

Lieut.-Governor Robinson will be present.

JOHN CURRY,

Secretary.

JOHN COVENTRY,

President.

The invitation was accepted, and the Acting Grand Keeper of Records and Seal instructed to acknowledge its receipt and convey the thanks of the Grand Lodge for the courtesy extended.

Grand Prelate Vale, of No. 3, from the Committee on Returns and Credentials, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

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

Your Committee on Returns and Credentials beg leave to report that we have examined the credential of Representative Mercer, of No. 15, and find it correct. We also desire to inform the Grand Lodge that Past Chancellors Rumball, of No. 21, and Johnson and Usherwood, of No. 22, are in waiting for admission.

Respectfully submitted.

WILL. J. VALE, of No. 3.
A. J. RATTRAY, " 4.
O. E. BRENER, " 2.

Representative Mercer, of No. 15, was then admitted.

The Grand Master-at-Arms retired and introduced Past Chancellors Rumball, Johnson and Usherwood, who were obligated and instructed.

G. M. of E. Smith, of No. 2, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT NO. 6 OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred the rulings and decisions of the Grand Chancellor, beg leave to report that we find no definite law regarding the filling of vacancies on a Committee, but believe the decision given on Question 9, from Myrtle Lodge, is good, and is the method generally adopted in filling vacancies on ordinary Lodge Committees. We would therefore recommend that the decision of the Grand Chancellor be approved.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. REID, of No. 3.
JAS. SMITH, " 2.
HARRY MERCER, " 15.

Also, from the same Committee, the following Report :

REPORT NO. 7 OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision having had under consideration Question No. 2, submitted to the Grand Chancellor by Myrtle Lodge, beg leave to report that we find the answer given by the Grand Chancellor to be in accord with sec. 6, Art. xii., of the Constitution, which says :—
" The Committee are at liberty to procure and require, by their own power,

the attendance of all persons and documents, for the purpose of properly investigating the charges." We recommend that the answer given by the Grand Chancellor be approved.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. REID, of No. 3.

JAS. SMITH, " 2.

HARRY MERCER, " 15.

The Report was adopted, when P. G. C. King said that, having been engaged upon other business, the Report of the Committee had been adopted before he was aware of it; and asked that the motion to adopt be reconsidered, as he thought that he could show sufficient reason, as well as law bearing on the subject, to warrant the Grand Lodge in not confirming the decision of the Grand Chancellor.

A motion to reconsider the adoption of the Report was then carried, and the question recurring upon the adoption of the Report, P. G. C. King drew the attention of the Grand Lodge to the fact that it had already approved a decision of the Grand Chancellor which excludes witnesses from the room; and to sec. 5, Art. xiii., which gives both parties to the charge, on the formation of the Committee, the right to challenge three members, and thus keep any off who may be required to give evidence. He also cited the ordinary law courts, where no person could be both a juror and a witness in the same case.

G. M. of E. Smith raised a point of order, that under the Constitution, as quoted in the Report of the Committee, the Grand Lodge had no power to deal with the matter. The Grand Chancellor decided the point not well taken. After some further discussion the Report of the Committee was, on a division, not adopted.

Also, from the same Committee, the following Report :

REPORT NO. 8 OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision have had under consideration the answer given by the Grand Chancellor to Question No. 12, submitted by Myrtle Lodge. We find on page 94 of Roberts' Rules of Order, the following: "Where there is a tie the motion fails, unless the chairman gives his vote for the affirmative, which in such case he can do. Where his vote will make a tie he can cast it and thus defeat the measure;" and on page 102, "He is entitled to vote when the vote is by ballot, and in all other cases where the vote would change the result."

Your Committee believe it would be a bad principle to establish to allow the chairman of a committee, especially in cases of trial, to have a double vote, and would recommend that the decision of the Grand Chancellor be not sustained.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. REID, of No. 3.

JAS. SMITH, " 2.

HARRY MERCER, " 15.

Considerable discussion ensued upon the Report, when, upon motion, the Report was ordered to be referred back to the Committee, with instructions to sustain the decision of the Grand Chancellor.

Representative Fleming, of No. 16, being reported in waiting to receive the Grand Lodge Rank, was introduced by the Grand Master-at-Arms and obligated and instructed.

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Finance was then, upon motion, ordered to be taken from the table. The question being upon the adoption of the Report, it was, after considerable discussion, not adopted.

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

REPORT No. 9 OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was re-committed our Report No. 8 on the decision given by the Grand Chancellor to Question No. 12, beg leave to report that at the direction of the Grand Lodge we recommend that the decision of the Grand Chancellor be sustained.

While the Committee follow the instructions given by the Grand Lodge in reference to this matter, yet they respectfully beg to dissent from such decision, as the question was asked with other questions in connection with trials, and is contrary to Cushing's Manual, page 12. Further, the Grand Chancellor, in addition to a direct answer, submits a proviso which appears to us to have been taken, though somewhat transposed, from Roberts' Rules of Order, and is quoted by your Committee in their former Report. This does not refer to a chairman having two votes but only one, and that only under certain circumstances.

Respectfully submitted.

A. C. REID, of No. 3.

JAS. SMITH, " 2.

The Grand Chancellor ruled all that portion of the Report of the Committee, commencing with the words "While the committee" to the end of the Report out of order, holding that it was the

duty of the Committee to simply carry out the instructions given them. The Report of the Committee, with this exception, was then adopted.

The Grand Chancellor was, upon motion, requested to deliver an address to his Honor the Lieut.-Governor, on behalf of the Grand Lodge, at the excursion to-morrow morning.

The following resolution was then adopted :

RESOLVED,—That during the balance of this session no member be allowed to speak more than once on any subject, except by unanimous consent, and then not to exceed two minutes.

Representative Townsend, of No. 1, from the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances desire to congratulate the Grand Lodge upon the harmony and unity which has prevailed throughout the jurisdiction during the past year, as shown from the fact that no appeals have been presented during the session. We trust that our successors may have a like pleasant experience.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. TOWNSEND, of No. 1.

G. B. SMITH, " 4.

Representative Dodds, of No. 4, offered the following, which was unanimously adopted by a standing vote :

WHEREAS, the Grand Chancellor has devoted considerable time and energy to the duties of his office during the past year, and has fulfilled the same to the satisfaction of this Grand Lodge; therefore be it

RESOLVED,—That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the Grand Chancellor for the very able and efficient manner in which he has performed the arduous duties of his office during the past year; and it is the earnest wish of this Grand Lodge that he may long be spared to give us the benefit of his advice and assistance. As Representatives, we sincerely trust that we may continue to have the pleasure in the future, as we have had in the past, of meeting him in our respective Lodges, and assure him that he will always receive a cordial and Knightly welcome.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with. The Grand Chancellor appointed Representatives Fleming, of No. 16; McAfee, of No. 21, and Baker, of No. 20, to act as Scrutineers.

For the office of Grand Chancellor, V. G. C. Peace, of No. 3, and Representative Dodds, of No. 4, were nominated.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	33
Necessary for a choice.....	17

Of which—

V. G. C. Peace, of No. 3, received.....	25
Rep. Dodds, of No. 4, "	8

And V. G. C. Peace, of No. 3, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Grand Chancellor for the ensuing year.

For the office of Vice Grand Chancellor, G. P. Vale, of No. 3 ; Representative Townsend, of No. 1, and P. C. Aikman, of No. 16, were nominated.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	33
Necessary for a choice.....	17

Of which—

Grand Prelate Vale, of No. 3, received.....	9
Rep. Townsend, of No. 1, "	20
P. C. Aikman, of No. 16, "	4

And Representative Townsend, of No. 1, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Vice Grand Chancellor for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Prelate, G. P. Vale, of No. 3 ; G. M. at A. Hall, of No. 4 ; G. I. G. McDonald, of No. 4, and Representatives McAfee, of No. 21, and Poulton, of No. 22, were nominated.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	32
Necessary for a choice.....	17

Of which—

Grand Prelate Vale, of No. 3, received.....	14
G. M. at A. Hall, of No. 4, "	8
G. I. G. McDonald, of No. 4, "	7
Representative McAfee, of No. 21, "	3
" Poulton, of No. 22, "	5

No Choice.

SECOND BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast	32
Necessary for a choice.....	17

Of which—

Grand Prelate Vale, of No. 3, received.....	12
G. M. at A. Hall, of No. 4, "	4
G. I. G. McDonald, of No. 4, "	9
Representative McAfee, of No. 21, "	2
" Poulton, of No. 22, "	5

No choice.

The name of Representative McAfee was withdrawn.

THIRD BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast	31
Necessary for a choice.....	16

Of which—

Grand Prelate Vale, of No. 3, received.....	12
G. M. at A. Hall, of No. 4, "	4
G. I. G. McDonald, of No. 4, "	14
Representative Poulton, of No. 22, "	1

No choice.

The name of Representative Poulton was withdrawn, and G. M. of A. Hall asked leave to withdraw his name, which was granted.

FOURTH BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast	32
Necessary for a choice.....	17

Of which—

Grand Prelate Vale, of No. 3, received.....	18
G. I. G. McDonald, of No. 4, "	14

And G. P. Vale, of No. 3, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly re-elected Grand Prelate for the ensuing year.

The Grand Chancellor stated that as the Grand Chancellor elect had to retire in order to prepare his division for the parade, he would now request Supreme Representative King to install him. The retiring Grand Chancellor, Geo. H. Leslie, was then installed as Past Grand Chancellor, and D. J. Peace as Grand Chancellor.

The installing officer then vacated the chair, which was taken by Past Grand Chancellor Leslie, and the election of Grand Officers was proceeded with.

For the office of Grand Master of Exchequer, the present G. M. of E., James Smith, was nominated.

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

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

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

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

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

For the office of Grand Master-at-Arms, G. I. G. McDonald, of No. 4, and Representative Bangham, of No. 16, were nominated.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	24
Necessary for a choice.....	13

Of which—

G. I. G. McDonald, of No. 4, received.....	10
Rep. Bangham, of No. 16, ".....	14

And Representative Bangham, of No. 16, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Grand Master-at-Arms for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Inner Guard, G. O. G. Fitzgerald, of No. 22, was nominated.

There being but one candidate for the office, the Grand Master-at-Arms was instructed to cast the vote of the Grand Representatives in favor of G. O. G. Fitzgerald.

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The Grand Chancellor announced that G. O. G. Fitzgerald, of No. 22, having received all the votes cast, was duly elected Grand Inner Guard for the ensuing year.

For the office of Grand Outer Guard, Representatives Baldwin, of No. 21; Kay, of No. 20, and Caiger, of No. 1, were nominated.

The ballot resulted as follows:

Whole number of votes cast.....	20
Necessary for a choice.....	11
Of which—	
Representative Baldwin, of No. 21, received.....	9
Representative Kay, of No. 20, “	6
Representative Caiger, of No. 1, “	5
No choice.	

The name of Representative Caiger was withdrawn.

SECOND BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast.....	21
Necessary for a choice.....	11
Of which—	
Representative Baldwin, of No. 21, received.....	9
Representative Kay, of No. 20, “	12

And Representative Kay, of No. 20, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Grand Outer Guard for the ensuing year.

A vote of thanks was then tendered to the Scrutineers.

The Acting Grand Chancellor then declared the Grand Lodge at recess until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THIRD DAY—JUNE 12TH—9 O'CLOCK A.M.

The Grand Lodge assembled, with the following Grand Officers present:

GEO. H. LESLIE.....	Past Grand Chancellor.
D. J. PEACE.....	Grand Chancellor.
W. J. VALE.....	Grand Prelate.
JAMES SMITH.....	Grand Master of Exchequer.
A. J. RATTRAY.....	Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, <i>Acting</i> .
S. E. HALL.....	Grand Master-at-Arms.
JAMES McDONALD.....	Grand Inner Guard.
F. J. FITZGERALD.....	Grand Outer Guard.

And a majority of Representatives.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The installation of officers was then proceeded with, and Supreme Representative King, assisted by Representative Smith, of No. 4, as Grand Prelate, and Grand Master-at-Arms Hall, installed the following officers :

Vice Grand Chancellor.....	Wm. Townsend, of No. 1.
Grand Prelate	W. J. Vale, " 3.
Grand Master of Exchequer	James Smith, " 2.
Grand Master-at-Arms	R. Bangham, " 16.
Grand Inner Guard.....	F. J. Fitzgerald, " 22.
Grand Outer Guard.....	John Kay, " 20.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal elect, Geo. H. Mitchell, being absent, Supreme Representative King was, upon motion, requested to install him in Toronto.

The newly installed Grand Officers having taken their respective stations, the business of the session was proceeded with.

On motion of Grand Prelate Vale, it was

RESOLVED,—That a Special Committee of three be appointed to draft a resolution of thanks expressing the appreciation of this Grand Lodge of the reception and entertainment accorded us.

The Grand Chancellor appointed Vice Grand Chancellor Townsend, Grand Prelate Vale, and Grand Master of Exchequer Smith, as said Committee.

Representative Smith, of No. 4, offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

RESOLVED,—That the next Session of this Grand Lodge be held in the City of London.

Supreme Representative King offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

RESOLVED,—That the Grand Officers, Past Grand Chancellors, and Supreme Representatives, be a Special Committee to manage, on behalf of the Grand Lodge, any business in connection with the reception of the Supreme Lodge, and to act in conjunction with the local Committee.

Grand Master of Exchequer Smith gave notice that he would move at the next meeting of this Grand Lodge that the time of holding the Session of 1886 be changed so as to meet at the same time as the Supreme Lodge.

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Grand Prelate Vale, from the Special Committee on "Thanks," presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON "THANKS."

Your Special Committee, to whom was referred the matter of preparing a resolution expressive of the generous and Knightly welcome extended to us by the Knights and citizens of Windsor, beg leave to submit the following :

RESOLVED, 1st—That the hearty thanks of this Grand Lodge are due, and are hereby tendered to Friendship Lodge No. 16 for the splendid reception accorded us, and for the many tokens of Knightly courtesies received at their hands.

RESOLVED, 2nd—That we tender our warm appreciation of the fraternal feeling shown and extended by Frontier Lodge I. O. O. F., in placing their handsome hall at the disposal of the Grand Lodge.

RESOLVED, 3rd—That, to the Mayor and citizens of the Town of Windsor, the most sincere and grateful thanks of this Grand Lodge are due, and are hereby tendered for the generous welcome accorded to us, and for the beautiful manner in which they have decorated their various places of business and residences.

RESOLVED, 4th—That the members of this Grand Lodge will long remember, with feelings of pleasure, the happy hours spent in the Town of Windsor during this session.

RESOLVED, 5th—That the Acting Grand Keeper of Records and Seal furnish a copy of these resolutions to the press, to which, also, we desire to tender our acknowledgments for the numerous courtesies extended to us.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES SMITH, G. M. of E.

WILL J. VALE, G. P.

WM. TOWNSEND, V. G. C.

Representative Dodds, of No. 4, offering the following resolution :

RESOLVED,—That the proceedings of this Grand Lodge be printed, and also the Reports of the several Grand Officers at the close of their term, for the use of Representatives at the meetings of this Grand Body ; and should the finances of the Grand Lodge not be sufficient to defray the expense thereof, a *pro rata* of membership levy be made on the several Lodges to meet the outlay.

On a division the resolution was adopted, when Grand Outer Guard Kay asked that his name be recorded as voting nay, which was so ordered.

Past Grand Chancellor Leslie offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

RESOLVED,—That this Grand Lodge views with pleasure the additional evidence of fraternal interest shown by the Supreme Lodge towards this jurisdiction, in conferring the distinguished honour on it of having elected our esteemed brother Supreme Representative King to the office of Supreme Prelate, and also its desire to prove the universality of the Order in its selection of the City of Toronto as the next place of meeting.

Vice Grand Chancellor Townsend offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

RESOLVED,—That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to Representative Rattray, of No. 4, for his services as Acting Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and that his expenses in attending this session be defrayed by the Grand Lodge.

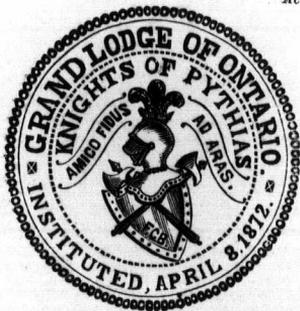
Past Grand Chancellor Leslie offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

RESOLVED,—That the Grand Lodge Officers be allowed to retain their official jewels during recess.

There being no further business, the Grand Lodge adjourned, to meet in the City of London on the second Tuesday in June, 1885.

A. J. RATTRAY,

Acting Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.



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APPENDIX.

Roster of the Grand Lodge, 1884-1885.

GRAND OFFICERS.

D. J. Peace, of No. 3, Hamilton.....Grand Chancellor.
Geo. H. Leslie, of No. 16, Windsor.....Past Grand Chancellor.
Wm. Townsend, of No. 1, Toronto.....Vice Grand Chancellor.
W. J. Vale, of No. 3, Hamilton.....Grand Prelate.
James Smith, of No. 2, London.....Grand Master of Exchequer.
Geo. H. Mitchell, of No. 1, Toronto.....Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
R. Bangham, of No. 16, Windsor.....Grand Master-at-Arms.
F. J. Fitzgerald, of No. 22, London East...Grand Inner Guard.
John Kay, of No. 20, St. Catharines....Grand Outer Guard.

SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

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

PAST GRAND CHANCELLORS.

Rt. Rev. B. B. Ussher, of No. 1.	
Jos. B. Tasker, of No. 4.	
Geo. H. Mitchell, of No. 1.	
Wm. Bain, of No. 1.	
A. Gardner, of No. 2.	
	Rt. Rev. B. B. Ussher, of No. 1.
	John S. King, of No. 4.
	A. J. Rattray, of No. 4.
	Jesse Chapman, of No. 3.
	Geo. H. Leslie, of No. 16.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS 1884-5

Toronto District.....	Jas. McDonald.....	of No. 4
London ".....	P. Burroughs.....	" 2
Hamilton ".....	A. W. Aitchison.....	" 3
Port Arthur District.....	J. Bourke.....	" 5
Algoma District.....	Wm. Turner.....	" 11
Chatham District.....	H. Mercer.....	" 15
Windsor ".....	C. R. Horne.....	" 16
St. Catharines District.....	B. J. Leubsdorf.....	" 20
Harrow District.....	W. G. Baldwin.....	" 21
London East District.....	F. J. Fitzgerald.....	" 22

GRAND LODGE COMMITTEES 1884-1885.

LAW AND SUPERVISION :

James Smith, of No. 2 ; A. C. Reid, of No. 3 ; Harry Mercer, of No. 15.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES :

W. H. Childs, of No. 3 ; G. B. Smith, of No. 4 ; W. Townsend, of No. 1.

FINANCE :

A. K. Baker, of No. 20 ; W. G. Baldwin, of No. 21 ; A. H. Fleming, of No. 16.

STATE OF THE ORDER.

John Kay, of No. 20 O. E. Brener, of No. 2 ; T. S. Beasley, of No. 3.

PRINTING :

G. H. Mitchell, G.K.R.S.; A. J. Rattray, of No. 4 ; G. L. Hatch, of No. 1.

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STATEMENT

Showing the Totals of the Debit and Credit sides of all Accounts in the Ledger, and the Balances May 31st, 1884.

FOLIO.	ACCOUNTS.	FACE OF LEDGER.		BALANCES, MAY 31, 1884.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
		\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
1	Stock.....				
69	Mystic Lodge.....	42 23		42 23	
70	Myrtle Lodge.....	108 71	117 46		13 75
71	Red Cross Lodge.....	85 47	51 47		16 00
72	Ivanhoe Lodge.....	81 89	37 89		16 00
73	Crusader Lodge.....	39 53	54 28		14 75
74	Minerva Lodge.....	26 11	4 50	21 61	
75	Damon Lodge.....		6 32		6 82
76	True Knights Lodge.....	3 66		3 66	
79	Aurora Lodge.....		6 75		6 75
80	Enterprise Lodge.....		91 05		91 05
81	Marmion Lodge.....		26 92		26 92
82	Friendship Lodge.....	10 80	2 00	8 80	
84	Calanthe Lodge.....	63 50	80 50		17 00
85	Olympic Lodge.....	1 00		1 00	
86	Relief Shields.....	34 30		34 30	
88	Jewels.....	60		60	
89	Memorial Charts.....	25 50	25 50		
91	Cash.....	23 00	11 00	12 00	
95	Mdse. Expenses.....	660 57	643 13	17 44	
96	Charity Lodge.....	532 90	532 90		
97	Profit and Loss.....	43 45	57 70		14 25
99	Constitutions.....	535 40	535 40		
100	Dispensations.....	15 00	15 00		
101	Grand Lodge Assessments.....	2 00	2 00		
103	Lodge Books.....	329 43	329 43		
104	Erie Lodge.....	218 13	171 78	46 35	
105	J. H. Harris.....	77 40	77 40		
	Mystic Lodge, Moose Jaw.....	14 75	10 00	4 75	
	Geo. H. Leslie.....	12 05		12 05	
106	Algoma Lodge.....	10 00		10 00	
107	Mizpah Lodge.....	23 13	20 13	3 00	
108	Withdrawal Cards.....	50 55	45 80	4 75	
		20 25	20 00	25	
		3036 81	3036 31	222 79	222 79

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FOLIO.			FOLIO.		
		\$ c.			\$ c.
88	Jewels.....	1 50	99	Constitutions.....	9 00
89	Memorial Charts.....	1 00	100	Dispensations.....	2 00
95	Mdse. Expenses.....	532 90	101	G. L. Assessments.....	329 43
			103	Lodge Books.....	18 45
			108	Withdrawal Cards.....	13 00
			1	To Stock.....	163 52
		\$535 40			\$535 40

DETAILED FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

FOLIO.	ASSETS.		FOLIO.	LIABILITIES.	
		\$ c.			\$ c.
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85	Stock on hand.....	59 20	69	Mystic Lodge.....	13 75
L.			70	Myrtle ".....	16 00
			71	Red Cross ".....	16 00
73	Crusader Lodge.....	21 61	72	Ivanhoe ".....	14 75
75	Damon ".....	3 66	74	Minerva ".....	6 32
81	Marmion ".....	8 80	76	True Knights Lodge..	6 75
84	Calanthe ".....	1 00	79	Aurora ".....	91 05
85	Olympic ".....	34 30	80	Enterprise ".....	26 92
91	Cash.....	17 44	82	Friendship ".....	17 00
105	J. H. Harris.....	4 75	96	Charity ".....	14 25
	Mystic Lodge, Moose				
	Jaw.....	12 05			
	G. H. Leslie.....	10 00			
106	Algoma Lodge.....	3 00			
107	Mizpah ".....	4 75			
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MEMBERSHIP OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Taken from the Numerical Statements attached to this Report.

Number of Members, January 1st, 1883.....	521
Initiated during the year.....	124
Admitted by Card during the year.....	13
Reinstated during the year.....	6
<u>Total.....</u>	<u>143</u>
<i>From which Deduct:</i>	
Withdrawn during the year.....	20
Suspended.....	22
Died.....	3
<u>Total.....</u>	<u>45</u>
Total number of Members December 31st, 1883.....	619

RANK.

Past Grand Chancellors.....	10
Past Chancellors.....	93
Knights.....	422
Esquires.....	23
Pages.....	71
<u>Total.....</u>	<u>619</u>
Rejected during the year.....	8

FINANCES OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Taken from the Financial Statements attached to this Report.

RECEIPTS.

Received from all sources during the year.....	<u>\$3,744 56</u>
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EXPENDITURE.

For Relief.....	\$ 790 75
For other purposes.....	2,604 55
<u>Total.....</u>	<u>\$3,395 30</u>

Amount on hand and invested December 31st, 1883.....	\$3,045 68
Increase of Receipts over last year.....	1,098 00
Increase of Expenses ".....	980 04
Increase of amount on hand and invested over last year.....	1,631 81

NUMERICAL STATEMENT.

FOR THE TERM ENDING JUNE 30TH, 1883.

LODGE.	No.	LOCATION.	INCREASE.				DECREASE.				RANK.						Total.	Rejected.		
			Number last Report.	Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Total.	Withdrawn.	Suspended.	Died.	Total.	Present Number.	P. G. C.	Knights.	Squires.	Pages.				
Mystic.....	1	Toronto.....	133	8	2	1	144	2	..	..	2	142	5	20	76	10	31	142	1
Myrtle.....	2	London.....	59	7	..	1	37	2	..	3	64	..	12	39	1	12	64	..	..
Red Cross.....	3	Hamilton.....	84	17	3	..	104	..	3	1	4	100	1	14	84	..	1	100	..	
Ivanhoe.....	4	Toronto.....	63	3	..	..	73	3	1	4	69	4	17	38	3	7	69	1	..
Crusader.....	5	Fort Arthur.....	30	..	..	..	30	..	..	..	30	..	5	24	..	1	30	..	..
Algona.....	6	Saint Ste. Marie.....	29	..	..	..	29	..	..	..	29	..	5	22	..	1	1	29	..
Friendship.....	16	Windsor.....	50	9	..	..	59	3	..	..	56	..	11	55	2	8	56	..	..
Charity.....	20	St. Catharines.....	67	4	1	..	72	..	..	..	72	..	6	54	3	9	72	..	..
			521	48	7	2	578	10	4	2	16	562	10	90	372	20	70	562	2	2

NUMERICAL STATEMENT.
FOR THE TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1883.

LODGE.	No.	LOCATION.	INCREASE.				DECREASE.				RANK.								
			Number last Report.	Initialed.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Total.	Withdrawn.	Suspended.	Died.	Total.	Present Number.	P. G. C.	P. C.	Knights.	Esquires.	Pages.	Total.	Rejected.
Mystic	1	Toronto	142	8	1	1	152	5	1	6	146	5	18	81	9	33	146	..	
Myrtle	2	London	64	3	..	..	68	..	2	2	66	1	11	40	1	13	66	..
Red Cross	3	Hamilton	100	8	1	..	109	1	..	2	107	1	13	30	1	..	107	5	
Ivanhoe	4	Toronto	69	7	1	..	77	1	6	7	70	3	19	37	4	7	70	..	
Crusader	5	Port Arthur	30	..	..	..	30	..	..	..	30	..	5	24	..	1	30	..
Algoma*	11	Sault Ste. Marie	30	9	..	..	38	1	..	1	37	..	6	29	..	2	37	..
Friendship	16	Windsor	56	10	..	3	69	2	9	11	58	..	8	45	3	2	58	1	
Charity	20	St. Catharines	72	9	81	81	..	7	59	4	11	81	..	
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			562	76	6	4	648	10	18	1	29	619	10	83	422	23	71	619	6

* Reorganized November 19, 1883.

† Instituted September 7th, 1883.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT.
FOR THE TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1883.

LODGE.	No.	RECEIPTS.										RELIEF.					Grand Lodge Assessment	Total Expenses.	Amount on hand and Invested.
		For Initiation.	Ranks.	Admitted by Card and Reinstated.	Dues and Fines.	Withdrawal Cards.	Sundries.	Total.	Brothers of Lodge Relieved.	Brothers of other Lodges Relieved.	Widowed Families Relieved.	Other Relief.	Total Relief.	Brothers of Lodge Relieved.	Brothers of other Lodges Relieved.	Widowed Families Relieved.				Other Relief.	Total Relief.
Mystic	1	42 00	30 00	7 00	282 38	5 00	2 12	368 45	30 00	6 00	20 00	24 75	80 75	36 63	975 36	739 92			
Myrtle	2	6 00	11 00		13 50		61 40	193 90	54 00		13 82	197 50	13 82	197 50	197 50	5 02			
Red Cross	3	56 00	51 00	3 00	25 50	1 00	167 42	533 22	21 00		30 00	51 00	36 58	533 22	833 23				
Ivanhoe	4	38 00	35 00		116 50	1 00	1 85	192 35	51 00			51 00	19 23	184 05	326 36				
Crusader	5																		
Algoma	11	45 00	70 00		15 00			130 00											
Friendship	16	55 00	58 00		154 00	2 00	4 88	273 88	4 00						51 61	112 79			
Charity	20	30 00	38 00		129 50			203 50	105 00						258 40	498 00			
Erie	21	110 00	80 00		28 50			268 50							232 05	384 72			
		388 00	373 00	10 00	1096 13	9 00	287 17	2163 30	266 00	6 00	80 00	67 25	419 25	187 79	1975 66	3045 68			

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List of Supplies.

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

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

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