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PETROLIA, June 13th, 1893.

The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, of Ontario, assembled in annual session, in the Opera House, and was called to order by Grand Chancellor Davidson at 10 o'clock a.m.

Present, the following Grand Officers :-

- F. J. FITZGERALD..... Past Grand Chancellor.
- J. B. DAVIDSON..... Grand Chancellor.
- W. E. RISPEN..... Grand Vice-Chancellor.
- W. M. ENGLISH..... Grand Prelate.
- G. H. MITCHELL..... Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
- D. J. PEACE..... Grand Master of Exchequer.
- W. J. CARKEEK..... Grand Master-at-Arms.
- W. C. MAPLEDORAM..... Grand Inner Guard.
- E. W. PYKE..... Grand Outer Guard.

The roll of lodges being called the following were represented :

Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 12, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 25, 28, 30, 33 and 36.

A quorum of lodges being represented the Grand Lodge was opened in regular form.

The Grand Chancellor appointed Representatives Bell, of No. 12, and McWhinney, of No. 16, to fill vacancies on Committee on Credentials and Returns.

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

Representative Bell, of No. 12, from the Committee on Credentials and Returns presented the following report, which was adopted :

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

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

NAME.	No. of Lodge.
Geo. Wilkie	1
Joseph Graham	2
John V. Hedenberg	3
R. W. Deane	4
W. J. Smith	5
W. J. McDonald	9
Hy. A. Plastow	10
Wm. Brown	11
John Stacey	12
Geo. Ross	13
John Knight	14
S. Stephenson	15
John Forsch	16
Chas. Endress	17
W. A. Murrell, H. Arnold, A. B. Armstrong, W. H. Fox, M.D.	20
Frank Whittaker	22
M. P. Huffman	25
John F. Gray	30
Henry Belz	31
David Whitehead	34
D. W. Mason, F. S. Sharp, H. E. Young, F. Housen	35
Thos. Elliott, L. Secord, M.D., W. H. Crawford, F. C. Heath, M.D.	36

NAME.	No. of Lodge.
E. J. McRobert, D. C. Kennedy, J. Case, Jos. Simons	37
J. C. McAllister, A. Laidlaw, G. M. Gibbs, Jno. Perry	38
Wm. Pears, R. J. Leigh, G. R. Cumming, A. H. Clemner	39
John Easton, J. H. Lambert, Del. Tremblay, A. Cook	40

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SMITH, No. 33.

JAS. A. BELL, No. 12.

THOMAS MCWHINNEY, No. 16.

The Grand Master-at-Arms then introduced the following Past Chancellors on whom the Grand Lodge Rank was conferred in ritualistic form :

Joseph Graham	of No. 2
John Knight	" 14
W. H. Robinson	" 15
W. A. Murrell and W. H. Fox	" 20
F. Whittaker	" 22
S. J. Southcott	" 33
H. E. Young	" 35
E. J. McRobert	" 37

Representative Bell, of No. 12, from the Committee on Credentials and Returns, presented the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT No. 2 OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND RETURNS.

Your Committee on Credentials and Returns beg leave to report that from the Journal of last session, or from certificates in proper form presented at this session, they find the Past Chancellors in the first column are entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge as Grand Representatives for the term ending December 31st, 1893, and from the certificates submitted by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, The Past Chancellors in the second column are entitled to seats as Grand Representatives for the term ending December 31st, 1894.

Name and No. of Lodge.	Year ending Dec. 31, 1893.	Year ending Dec. 31, 1894.
Mystic Lodge, No. 1	C. H. Wallis	Thos. Shortiss.
Myrtle " " 2	R. A. Carrethers	F. F. C. Richardson.
Red Cross " " 3	W. W. Lumsden	John L. Brown.
Ivanhoe " " 4	A. J. Rattray	W. L. Bemister.
Crusader " " 5	W. P. Cooke	Geo. Hodder.

Name and No. of Lodge.	Year ending Dec. 31, 1893.	Year ending Dec. 31, 1894.
Damon Lodge, No. 6	E. W. Pyke	A. F. Oakley.
Rokeby " " 9	E. Stevens	J. W. S. Wooliver.
Prospect " " 10	W. S. Rhyeard	S. A. Webb.
Algoma " " 11	E. Biggings	Hy. Dubois.
Rathbone " " 12	Jas. A. Bell	R. H. McConnell.
Auro a. " " 13	Thos. Graham	Geo. Ross.
Olive " " 14	John Knight	Fred Snider.
Marmion " " 15	W. E. Rispen	W. H. Robinson.
Friendship " " 16	Thos. McWhinney	C. H. Robinson.
Petrolia " " 17	G. S. Pitkin	B. S. Van Tuyl.
Queen City " " 18	A. A. Knox	W. J. Cluff.
Meniss " " 19	W. W. Ogilvie	S. Hicks.
Amicus " " 20	W. H. Fox, M.D.	W. A. Murrell.
Mizpah " " 22	W. M. English, M.D.	Wm. Hill.
Perseverance " " 23	B. J. Leubsdorf	W. H. Harris.
Ontario " " 25	John S. King	Theo. Jorgenson.
Dufferin " " 28	R. A. Bennett	G. C. Fowlie.
Toronto " " 30	Thos. G. Soole	A. A. Alexander.
Bismarck " " 31	L. E. Hatzfeld	Adam Belz.
Sicily " " 32	J. H. Hiscock	John Norris.
London " " 33	Wm. Smith	S. J. Southcott.
Oil Springs " " 34	S. G. Jackson	David Whitehead.
Windsor " " 35	Fred. Housen	Il. E. Young.
Calanthe " " 36	Thos. Elliott	L. Secord, M.D.
Columbian " " 37	D. C. Kennedy	E. J. McRobert.
Galt " " 38	G. M. Gibbs	Andrew Laidlaw.
Syracuse " " 39	R. J. Leigh	Wm. Pears.
Johnston " " 40	John Easton	Jas. H. Lambert.

Your Committee further find the following Past Chancellors entitled to seats as Grand Representatives for the term ending December 31st, 1893, Pythian Period XXX~~8~~, for the reasons stated:

Joseph Graham, Myrtle Lodge, No. 2, to fill vacancy occasioned by the resignation of R. A. Carrothers.

C. W. Attwood, Red Cross Lodge, No. 3, to fill vacancy occasioned by the resignation of W. W. Lumsden.

J. F. Scholes, Ivanhoe Lodge, No. 4, to fill vacancy occasioned by the resignation of A. J. Rattray.

J. Y. Murdoch, Damon Lodge, No. 6, to fill vacancy occasioned by the resignation of E. W. Pyke.

W. J. McDonald, Rokeby Lodge, No. 9, to fill vacancy occasioned by resignation of E. Stevens.

F. Whittaker, Mizpah Lodge, No. 22, to fill vacancy occasioned by resignation of T. Hetherington who had been elected to fill vacancy occasioned by the resignation of W. M. English.

Fred. S. Sharpe, Windsor Lodge, No. 35, to fill vacancy occasioned by resignation of Fred. Housen.

Also, the following Past Chancellors entitled to seats as Grand Representatives for the term ending December 31st, 1894, Pythian Period XXXI., for the reasons stated:

John Blackwood, Friendship Lodge, No. 16, to fill vacancy occasioned by the resignation of C. H. Robinson.

W. C. Macdonald, Toronto Lodge, No. 30, to fill vacancy occasioned by the resignation of A. A. Alexander.

R. Poulton, Calanthe Lodge, No. 36, to fill vacancy occasioned by the resignation of L. Secord.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SMITH, No. 33.

JAS. A. BELL, No. 12.

THOMAS MCWHINNEY, No. 16.

On roll being called the following Grand Representatives were found to be present :

Mystic,	No. 1	C. H. Wallis, Thos. Shortiss.
Myrtle,	" 2	Jos. Graham, F. T. C. Richardson.
Red Cross,	" 3	C. W. Attwood, J. L. Brown.
Ivanhoe,	" 4	J. F. Scholes, W. L. Bemister.
Crusader,	" 5	W. P. Cooke, Geo. Hodder.
Rathbone,	" 12	J. A. Bell, R. H. McConnell.
Olive,	" 14	John Knight.
Marmion,	" 15	W. H. Robinson.
Friendships,	" 16	Thos. McWhinney, John Blackwood.
Petrolia,	" 17	G. S. Pitkin, B. S. Van Tuyl.
Queen City,	" 18	W. J. Cluff.
Amiens,	" 20	W. H. Fox, W. A. Murrell.
Mizpah,	" 22	F. Whittaker, Wm. Hill.
Perseverance	" 23	B. J. Leubsdorf.
Ontario,	" 25	J. S. King, T. Jorgenson.
Dufferin,	" 28	G. C. Fowle.

Toronto, No. 30	.....	Thos. Soole, W. C. Macdonald.
London, " 33	.....	Wm. Smith, S. J. Southcott.
Windsor, " 35	.....	H. E. Young.
Calanthe, " 36	.....	R. Poulton.
Columbian, " 37	.....	E. J. McRobert.
And Past Grand Chancellor, P. D. McKellar.		

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

STANDING COMMITTEES.

LAW AND SUPERVISION :

J. A. Bell	.....	of No. 12
<i>Geo. Hodler</i>	.....	" 5
<i>Wm. Hill</i>	.....	" 22

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES :

G. S. Pitkin	.....	of No. 17
W. P. Cooke	.....	" 5
<i>W. J. Cluff</i>	.....	" 18

FINANCE :

C. H. Wallis	.....	of No. 1
<i>H. E. Young</i>	.....	" 35
<i>G. C. Fowlie</i>	.....	" 28

STATE OF THE ORDER :

John S. King	.....	of No. 25
<i>C. W. Attwood</i>	.....	" 3
<i>B. S. Van Tuyl</i>	.....	" 17

PRINTING :

Theo. Jorgenson	.....	of No. 25
W. C. Macdonald	.....	" 30
<i>F. Whittaker</i>	.....	" 22

ALSO, A SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION :

<i>R. H. McConnell</i>	.....	of No. 12
Thos. Soole	.....	" 30
R. Poulton	.....	" 36

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal proceeded to read the minutes of last session, when, on motion of Representative Leubsdorf, of No. 23, the further reading of the same was dispensed with, and the Journal as printed was approved.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal read the following telegram, which was received with great applause :

PORT HURON TUNNEL, MICH., June 13th, 1893.

GEO. MITCHELL, *Grand Lodge K. of P., Petrolia.*

En route ; meet me at Grand Trunk depot about noon.

W. W. BLACKWELL,
Supreme Chancellor.

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

Resolved, That during his visit the Supreme Chancellor be the guest of this Grand Lodge.

The following telegrams were received and ordered spread on the minutes :

TORONTO, June 13, 1893.

Grand Chancellor, K. of P., Petrolia.

Regret my inability to be present. May your legislation be wise and your meeting a pleasant one.

A. J. RATTRAY. *P. S. R.*

CHICAGO, ILL., June 13, 1893.

J. B. DAVIDSON, *Grand Chancellor, K. of P., Petrolia.*

Trust you will have prosperous session. Regret can not be with you.

ALEX. GARDNER.

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

REPORT OF THE GRAND CHANCELLOR.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of the Grand Jurisdiction of Ontario :

Brethren,—The Supreme Chancellor of the Universe has permitted us again to meet in our twenty-second annual assembly to legislate for the welfare of our beloved Order and I trust that all those matters which are to come before us for consideration at this convention will receive the earnest attention of

all, and that in our deliberations we may be directed in the path of wisdom and blessed by God whose servants we are and whom, in all our teachings, we seek to serve.

As I reflect on the events of the past year many and varied are my feelings, and as I surrender now to this Grand body the sacred trust with which you invested me at our last annual convention, let me enjoy the opportunity of expressing my sincere gratitude to you one and all for the many acts of brotherly feeling which you have shewn me and the loyalty you have all exhibited to our Order.

While the growth of our Order in this Grand Jurisdiction has been a source of the most profound gratitude to me, yet I cannot help but feel that it should have been greater.

I exceedingly regret to have to report to you the surrender by Rienzi, No. 24, of its charter—once the banner lodge of the west. It made a manly fight for a time against the constant drain on its membership consequent on the removal of so many from its location, but in the end had to succumb. It is pleasing to turn from the contemplation of Rienzi's surrender to the reorganization of that pioneer lodge, Perseverance, No. 23, of St. Catharines.

I am glad to report the complete liquidation of the Supreme Lodge Reception Committee deficit.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution, I herewith present a detailed account of my official acts during recess for your consideration.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS.

As soon as possible after assuming office I made the following appointments, viz.:-

No. 1	District, Toronto	A. A. Alexander, Toronto No. 30.
No. 2	" Wentworth	C. Curtis, Red Cross, No. 3.
No. 3	" Middlesex	Wm. Hill, Mizpah, No. 22.
No. 4	" Kent	W. H. Robinson, Marmion No. 15.
No. 5	" Essex	J. C. Murdoch, Friendship No. 16.
No. 6	" Algoma	E. Biggings, Algoma No. 11.
No. 7	" Thunder Bay	Geo. Hodder, Crusader No. 5.
No. 8	" Elgin	J. S. Robertson, Rathbone No. 12.
No. 12	" Counties of Leeds, Grenville Stormont, Glengarry, and South half of Lanark	R. A. Bennett, Dufferin No. 28.
No. 14	" Renfrew, Carlton, Russell, Prescott, and North half of Lanark	G. C. Fowlie, Dufferin, No. 28.

No. 15	"	Lambton	.....	G. E. Van Tuyl, Petrolia No. 17.
No. 16	"	Huron and Bruce	.....	J. H. Hiscocks, Sicily No. 32.
No. 17	"	Nipissing	.....	Wm. Ogilvie, Meniss No. 19.
No. 18	"	Lincoln	.....	Wm. Shaw, Perseverance No. 23.
No. 19	"	Brant	.....	R. Poulton, Calanthe, No. 36.
No. 20	"	Waterloo	.....	A. F. Robb, Galt No. 38.

Resignations and removals necessitated the following appointments:—

District No. 1, W. C. Macdonald vice Bro. A. A. Alexander, resigned on account of illness.

" " 2, W. H. Ford vice Bro. Curtis, resigned on account of removal.

" " 3, Wm. Hill, resigned and was reappointed.

Agreeably to a custom which has been adopted and followed by some of my predecessors, I issued a special commission to P.G.C. Alex. Gardiner, of London. This position became vacant by resignation in December last, and was not filled again.

Too much cannot be said of the able way in which my Deputies generally have aided me, and as this Jurisdiction is growing rapidly in numbers and influence I would urgently impress on all who in future are honored with this appointment the necessity of vigorously upholding the hands of the G.C.

OPINIONS AND RULINGS.

I have endeavored with candor to answer impartially all questions arising and addressed to me, according to my interpretation of the laws. These were all unimportant and of a trivial nature, and in this connection I may state that I received over 370 letters and answered fully 320. A great deal of this labor could be saved the Grand Chancellor if the brethren, generally, would read the law more closely for themselves.

As the opinions given by me were few and of little importance I shall merely outline them:

Bro. Macleod, of Red Cross, asked me:

1. "Does balloting in a lodge mean voting and does the law respecting voting apply with equal force to balloting?"

2. "In balloting for membership in the advancement of a page or esquire can every member present be compelled to cast a ballot and do you construe Sec. 12, Rules of Order, to have that meaning?"

To the first of these questions I ruled that balloting is a part of the ritualistic procedure of our order and voting is a part of the business routine of the lodge work, and that each have a different effect and purpose and was differently executed.

To the second question I answered that each member had a right to ballot or not as he saw fit; that his neglect to ballot was a virtual balloting for the candidate and on the ground of expediency it was right not to interfere with the free choice of a member in the matter of balloting.

Toronto, No. 30, asked a question relating to ritualistic procedure which I answered, but as the new Ritual covers the point confirming my answer, and as the question related to private work, there is no necessity of my stating it and it would also be injudicious to do so here.

The same lodge asked several questions about a physician which I answered on general principles, there being no express law on the subject:

1. That a lodge physician must be a member of the lodge. (See sections 44 and 59, Sub. Lodge Cons.)
2. That in his absence another member, a physician, may do his duties *pro tem.*
3. If no other in the lodge the certificate of any duly qualified physician may be accepted, and
4. That an applicant who happens to be a physician cannot give a certificate for himself.

BY-LAWS AND AMENDMENTS APPROVED.

I have carefully read, and where necessary corrected, and approved by-laws of Columbian, No. 37, Ivanhoe, No. 4, Mizpah, No. 22, Rokeby, No. 9, and Rathbone, No. 12, and have approved of amendments to by-laws of Petrolia, No. 17, and Friendship, No. 16.

In none of these cases was the committee on Law and Supervision consulted, except in the case of Ivanhoe, on account of the great inconvenience of preparing the necessary number of copies and the expenditure of time necessary to consult, through the mail, about each set of by-laws.

DISPENSATIONS

1. To Rathbone, No. 12, to discontinue meetings during July and August, 1892, and to hold a semi-public installation in January, 1893.
2. To Toronto, No. 30, to hold an at-home.
3. To Damon, No. 6, to confer ranks on a maimed person.
4. To Queen City, No. 18, to change place of meeting to corner of Queen and Victoria Sts., Toronto, and to hold public installation.
5. To Myrtle, No. 2, to hold public installation.
6. To Columbian, No. 37, to confer ranks on a person over the age of 50 years.

7. To Toronto, No. 30, to initiate a maimed person.
8. To Aurora, No. 13, to meet Wednesday instead of Tuesday evenings.

NEW LODGES.

During the recess which has just passed the following barques have been launched on the Pythian sea, all well manned by able crews of officers and gallant bands of brothers :

September 16th, 1892.—Windsor Lodge, No. 35, with a strong, young and enthusiastic membership.

December 5th, 1892.—Calanthe, No. 36, at Brantford, with a charter list of forty, a splendid personnel and brilliant prospects.

December 16th, 1892.—Columbian, No. 37, in London East, with forty charter members and every prospect of an influential and strong lodge.

January 27th, 1893.—Galt No. 38, at Galt, with a charter list of thirty-three ; splendid material and the making of an able and enthusiastic lodge.

February 9th, 1893.—Amicus, No. 20, Toronto, instituted by D.D.G.C. Macdonald, assisted by brothers from sister lodges in Toronto. Late reports show this to be a lodge of great bravery as I understand they have given their institutor a well deserved "caning."

March 15th, 1893.—Syracuse, No. 39, Toronto Junction, also instituted by D.D.G.C. Macdonald, assisted by the G. K. of R. and S. and others ; a good charter list and the nucleus of a fine lodge.

April 13th, 1893.—Johnston Lodge, No. 40, Sarnia. This lodge starts out strong, and was instituted by D.D.G.C. Van Tuyl, assisted by the amplified team of St. Clair, Mich. There were brethren present from Port Huron, Rokely and Marmion in such numbers as to fairly capture Sarnia.

SUPREME REPRESENTATION.

On August 18th, 1892, I received and accepted with regret the resignation of Bro. John S. King, S. R. and P. G. C., and immediately appointed P. G. C. and G. K. R. S. Mitchell, of Toronto, to fill the vacancy. In this connection I wish to say that I was exceedingly fortunate in being able to make so opportune an appointment. The Board of Control of the Endowment Rank had refused an application to register in Ontario and we were therefore in a sorry position unless this ruling of the Board could be reversed. Bro. Mitchell was thoroughly conversant with the case as he had prepared the appeal to the Supreme Lodge and when his appointment was made I gave instructions to obtain a reversal of the Board's ruling if possible, and I assure you I was, and I know you will all be, glad to know that Bro. Mitchell won the

appeal and that we are now duly registered under the Friendly Societies' Insurance Act.

LITERATURE.

The discretion given me at last session of the Grand Lodge to grant \$50 to the *Pythian Record* was not exercised by me as I paid a two year subscription in advance for the paper as a "feeler" and only received two copies.

Acting on the recommendation of the Committee on Printing, adopted by you (page 152 Jour., 1892) there have been printed 5,000 copies of a pamphlet on the aims and objects of our Order, the account for which goes to your Committee on Finance. This pamphlet is an exceptionally cleverly written work and the cost of printing (\$64) is worth more to the Order than a donation of many times the amount to the *Pythian Record*. The gratitude of the whole jurisdiction is owing to Bro. King for his indefatigable work and continual care in getting out this pamphlet and presenting it freely to our Order and otherwise sacrificing his time for the benefit of Pythianism in this jurisdiction.

OFFICIAL VISITS:

Pursuant to the recommendation of your Committee on the State of the Order (found at page 156 of the Journal, 1892) I intended and desired to visit all the lodges in this jurisdiction during my term, but circumstances prevented me accomplishing this intention. I, however, did the next best thing for those lodges which I was unable to visit personally, namely, I issued a short address and instructed the deputies who were in charge of these lodges to make an official visit to each one and read the address to the lodge. I think in this way the same good was effected as if I had personally visited these lodges.

August 13th, 1892.—I visited St. Catharines with a view to arranging the difficulty in Perseverance, No. 23, but as I was unable to find any of the brethren, on account of their being no recent city directory there, I am sorry to say that my visit was discouraging and fruitless.

November 3rd, 1892.—Visited Red Cross, No. 3, and Bismarck, No. 31, Hamilton, in a combined meeting. Was met at the station by S. R. and G. M. of E. Peace. After a short address to the brethren on the rights and duties of Knights generally, I witnessed some very very solemn and beautiful rank work. Red Cross' amplified is worthy of imitation by every lodge in the jurisdiction. After the lodge work was completed there was, of course, the gastronomic part of the program to which we all did ample justice in appreciation of the generous hospitality of the Ambitious City Knights.

November 4th, 1892.—Again visited St. Catharines and was very kindly received by the brethren there. I found the affairs of the lodge in great confusion owing to the treacherous conduct of some of the ex-officers, but after quite a lengthy meeting we got matters into shape and as the brethren began

to see their way "out of the woods" they became very enthusiastic. I had the pleasure of attending an informal but very pleasant banquet after the meeting. I had intended again visiting this lodge but the favorable reports which I received since my visit lead me to believe that there was no necessity of doing so.

December 13th, 1892.—I visited Rienzi, No. 24, and after some considerable delay and searching I was enabled to meet some of the brothers who have stood by this lodge through all its difficulties. We held a lengthy but informal meeting and I left feeling that there was good hopes of the lodge going ahead again but after some months of endeavor on the part of Bros. McKinley, Ridley, Little and others, to revive the lodge they finally gave up and this Grand Lodge has paid off the balance of indebtedness left after sale of the effects, and has taken over the paraphernalia.

January 24th, 1893.—Visited Rathbone, No. 12, and as your chief executive was warmly, loyally and hospitably received.

February 13th, 1893.—Visited Windsor Lodges in combined meeting in Friendship Castle Hall; was met at station by Bros. Wills, Housen, and Sharp and had a very pleasant meeting. The business of the evening was creditably disposed of and we spent a very pleasant hour or two in feast and speech. We didn't get into trouble—Chief Wills was one of us.

February 14th, 1893.—Visited Rokeby, No. 9. D. D. G. C. Robinson, of Chatham, accompanied me and we were met at the station by Bro. Reid and others. This is a very enthusiastic and powerful lodge. After the business meeting the brethren exemplified their loyalty to the order by inviting your chief executive to a very tempting dinner, which we all enjoyed very much.

February 15th, 1893.—Visited Marmion and after addressing the brothers was immediately excused by them to enable me to catch an early train home. This lodge is financially strong and has a good personel but has been somewhat lacking in enthusiasm, which I understand is now being overcome.

February 21st, 1893.—Visited Toronto lodges in a combined meeting in Pythian Hall. Was right loyally received, given an address of welcome, replied, and then saw a team, composed of officers of the different lodges, confer the ranks of the Order, under the new ritual, which was faultlessly done. After the close of the lodge the brethren served luncheon in parlors of the hall. On the evening of the 22nd I attended the annual banquet at the Palmer House as a guest of the lodges, which was a gastronomic, intellectual, witty and musical treat of a high order.

February 27th, 1893.—Visited combined meeting of London lodges in the Castle Hall of Prospect, No. 10, which is as fine a hall as can be found anywhere in the country. Witnessed the ritualistic work performed very credi-

tably, and was entertained afterwards in the well-known hospitable style of the London brethren. There was nothing wanting: viands, wit, music, song—everything offered in the most acceptable manner.

March 6th, 1893.—Visited Petrolia, No. 17, witnessed the private work of the Order and was here also most hospitably entertained.

I had appointed dates for other visits but owing to local causes these were not convenient to the brethren and I was unable to give others, but to these, as well as to other lodges, I sent the address above mentioned which I have no doubt had equally as good an effect. On each occasion of an official visit I addressed the brethren present on the duties, rights and privileges of Knighthood. I requested the brethren at the different points visited not to incur any expense in connection with my visit but from a perusal of the foregoing one must come to the conclusion that the generosity of the Pythian heart cannot be restrained.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I would recommend :

1. That you give your earnest thought and action to the proposed legislation set forth at page 172, Jour. 1892.
2. That the Constitution be complemented so as to give express power to your chief executive to deal with cases, such as Rienzi's, where a lodge surrenders its charter while in a state of insolvency.
3. That two members at least of the intercession committee on Law and Supervision be chosen from the same locality.
4. The complete abolition of all legislation heretofore passed by this Grand body relating to what is known as a "paid organizer," and the enactment of such legislation, in lieu thereof, as will be an assistance to your chief executive and the creditable means of spreading the principles of the Order, instead of being, as it is at present, a source of continual bother to your Grand Chancellor, defective in operation, and an open and inviting door to fraud and bad repute to the Order.
5. The careful investigation and consideration, by your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, of
 1. Aston's appeal from Friendship, No. 16; and
 2. Westlake's petition for reinstatement.
6. The appointment of a Knight, well up in the laws and ritual, whose duty it will be to visit each newly instituted lodge on the evenings of at least two meeting nights next after the nights of institution for the purpose of giving general and particular instructions to the newly elected officers.

7. The payment of your future Grand Chancellors of, say \$200 at least, per year.

8. That, in view of the finances of the Grand Lodge being in a better state than formerly, your next Grand Chancellor spend, at least, two or three days in each place endeavoring to resurrect Minerva, No. 7, Native Valley, No. 27, Inglewood, No. 29, and Almont, No. 32.

GENERAL.

I cannot close this report without mentioning the untiring energy of your Grand Keeper of Records and Seal. His thoroughness and high executive ability make him an indispensable man in the right place.

In conclusion I have nothing but good words for all. I leave the high and honorable office which, by your suffrages, I have been permitted to occupy feeling that I have, in too many cases, failed, but in all done my best. I have had some slight variances with a few of the lesser officials, but these had their origin, I am sure, in misunderstanding, and are now forgotten, relegated to that oblivion which should enshroud and forever cover all differences that prevent the complete fraternization of all mankind.

Respectfully submitted, in F. C. and B.,

JOHN B. DAVIDSON,

Grand Chancellor.

ST. THOMAS, June 13th, 1893.

REPORTS OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS.

J. B. DAVIDSON, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—In obedience to your commands I herewith submit my annual report on the state of the Order in District No. 1, comprising the City of Toronto and County of York, and trust the same will meet with your approval.

“Onward” has been the working motto of the Knights in this District during the Pythian year just drawing to a close, and the manner in which the members have stuck to that motto proves conclusively what united effort can accomplish.

The enthusiasm of the members and their ardent desire to place our Order where it rightly belongs, viz.: in the front rank of fraternal societies, has been marked.

Although each and every lodge has been anxious to add names to its roster, yet they have been careful of the material they have elected for members.

That sacred and indispensable part of our equipment known as the "ballot-box" has been closely guarded, and none but the worthy have been permitted to pass its scrutiny.

The many social Pythian gatherings participated in by the members of the Order in this District during the past year has done much toward bringing our Order before the public. The true fraternal feeling which prevails amongst the members of the different lodges in this District is worthy of note, and the interchange of visits at the lodge meetings goes to prove that the members are not all wrapt up in self.

Mystic No. 1, now in the full vigor of manhood, has reached its twenty-first year, and is looked upon as our guiding star in this District, for especially on constitutional points and business methods do they excel. This solid old landmark of Pythianism which has withstood the early struggles incident to the introduction of our Order into this jurisdiction, is as lively and has as high aspirations as ever. I may venture to say there is not a lodge of any Order in the Dominion that conducts its financial business on a better basis than does old Mystic No. 1. Its present officers are active and efficient, and although its membership has not increased as rapidly as I would liked to have seen, yet they have done fairly well.

Ivanhoe, No. 4.—This lodge is no longer in the rear guard, but is coming to the front nobly. Its members have shaken off that lethargic feeling which has been the bane of the lodge for several years, and have again got into harness with a determination to make Ivanhoe Lodge, No. 4, one of the progressive lodges in this district. Although meeting monthly (which some consider a drawback), yet their membership is increasing in a very satisfactory manner, several old-time members have become reinstated, and applications for reinstatement of several more are on the tapis, which is conclusive evidence that the old boys have not forgotten their first love, but are coming back to the fold with a stronger love than ever. The new blood which is being infused into this lodge is good and is bound to make workers of the right stamp. The officers are courteous, efficient, and enthusiastic, their meetings are well attended, and the harmonious manner in which the business of the lodge is transacted is creditable to the officers and worthy of imitation by sister lodges.

Damon, No. 6.—This go-ahead lodge is always on the move and is adding to its membership nightly. It is the musical lodge of this district, containing as it does some of the best musicians in Canada. The celebrated Pythian Band, which escorted Toronto Division No. 2, Uniform Rank, K. P., to Kansas City, Mo., at the last meeting of the Supreme Lodge, and which created such a furore of excitement and was so highly complimented by the

American press, are nearly all members of this lodge. The members of Damon, No. 6, are alive and up to the times, and pride themselves on never doing anything by halves. The entertainments held under the auspices of this lodge during the past winter were of the highest class, which had the effect of not only swelling their treasury to some extent, but had the effect of bringing their lodge more prominently before the community in which it is situated. This lodge is also worthy of compliment for the manner in which they confer the several ranks of our Order.

Queen City, No. 18.—This lodge keeps abreast of any other lodge in this district for its increase in membership. Something is radically wrong if Queen City does not confer one or more ranks at each meeting, and the impressive manner in which the different ranks are conferred does credit to their officers and is worthy of emulation by older lodges. This lodge has forged ahead in grand style and may be justly termed the "Hustlers." Their members have always got their eyes open, and are ever ready to take hold and work any scheme that will advance the interests of the lodge and increase its membership. Their finances are in good shape and are carefully invested, and I may say that Queen City Lodge, No. 18, is built upon a solid rock.

Amicus, No. 20.—Is one of our Pythian babies, and one of the liveliest little infants in the jurisdiction. At your request and with the assistance of P. G. C. Jarvis and G. K. R. and S. Mitchell and other members of the Order in this city, I instituted Amicus Lodge, No. 20, on Feb. 15th, 1893. The material of which this lodge is composed is first-class. The members are energetic and enthusiastic; this is evidenced by the fact that at two of their recent meetings no less than twenty applications for membership were received. What lodge, young or old, can beat this record? The members of Amicus Lodge are bound to give a good account of themselves as Pythian Knights. They appear to be thoroughly imbued with the principles of our Order, and the manner in which they have taken hold of the work is remarkable and speaks volumes for the future welfare of Amicus, No. 20. To Bro. W. A. Murrell, P.C., is due the credit of bringing this lodge into existence. The locality in which the lodge is situated is a good one, being in the eastern part of the city and hitherto unrepresented by a lodge of our Order. The field is large and the success of Amicus is assured.

Ontario, No. 25, which for a long time was slumbering, is now awake and is one of the liveliest and most active lodges in this district. Their present staff of officers is par excellence. They are workers and are evidently bound not to let the grass grow under their feet while there is work to be done. If this reaction continues we may expect to see Ontario, No. 25, one of the strongest lodges in this district before the next meeting of Grand Lodge. The meetings as a rule are very interesting, and the manner in which the ritualistic

work is performed is a credit to the officers who have control of the lodge for the present term.

Toronto, No. 30, which aims to be the leader in ritualistic and floor work, has not lost any of its old-time enthusiasm, but is still keeping up with the times. The change of ritual having done away with the Amplified 3rd Rank, in which the members of this lodge used to shine, they are now rehearsing and preparing the long form of that rank as per revised ritual, and in the near future expect to surprise the Knights in this district by their rendition of the work. The finances of this lodge are in excellent shape. It has been the good fortune of this lodge for several years past to have a good live man to fill the office of M. of F. and the result is that Toronto Lodge has a good fat bank account drawing a fair rate of interest. The increase in membership during the past year has been very good, the meetings are well attended, and the business of the lodge is conducted in a very creditable manner.

Syracuse, No. 39 (Toronto Junction), the infant lodge of this district, was instituted on March 29th, 1893, by the D. D. G. C. of District No. 1, assisted by the Grand Lodge officers residing in Toronto and about 30 Knights, who drove out from the city in "ye Tally Ho." This lodge starts off with good prospects. The personnel of the members is all that can be desired, as they represent the bone, brain and sinew, as well as the "Cumming" and "Going" of the town, and judging from the impression made and the enthusiasm manifested at time of institution, they are going to be workers, and I am sure the present Grand Chancellor will have no cause to regret the confidence reposed in the members of Syracuse Lodge, No. 39.

Past Chancellors' Association.—Shortly after receiving my commission as D. D. G. C., I issued a circular calling a meeting of the Past Chancellors of this District to consider the advisability of forming an association to be composed entirely of Past Chancellors, the objects of which were stated to be:—1st, The said association to act as an advisory board and lodge of instruction; 2nd, to encourage the officers of lodges to become proficient in their ritualistic work; 3rd, to create a system of fraternal visits amongst lodges, and to aid in extending the usefulness of our Order in this district, etc.

The outcome of this meeting was the formation of Toronto K. P. Past Chancellors' Association, with a membership of about forty (40) Past Chancellors. The work done by this association since its inception has been productive of good.

To improve the system of distributing relief to worthy Knights in distress and to protect our Order from frauds who make their living by imposing on fraternal societies, the Order in this district has placed the Relief Board under control of this association, which in itself is sufficient guarantee that the members of the Order in this district have confidence in the Past Chancellors'

Association. This association gives promise of being one of the best features of the Order in this district, inasmuch as it holds in close communion the past officers of all the lodges and exercises a healthy influence upon the members generally. It greatly aids and encourages the different lodges in many ways, its suggestions have weight and influence, and to the association which has honored your Deputy by electing him its President he owes much for the support they have given him in his official and fraternal visits. In this association originated the scheme proposed for the formation of an incorporated company in the Order to publish a journal which would command the confidence of the Order in Canada. The scheme itself and the proposed Provisional Board will be brought to the notice of the Grand Lodge.

During the past year I have visited the different lodges in this district over 80 times, and on most occasions was accompanied by some of the P. C.'s of other lodges.

I cannot close this report without referring to one of the most interesting Pythian events of the year, viz., the celebration of the 21st anniversary of the introduction of the Order into Ontario, and the 30th anniversary of our Order in general. As you are aware, it was commemorated by a mass meeting at Pythian Hall in this city, with an exemplification of the new ritualistic work. Your visit on that occasion and the well-timed remarks made by you have had good influence with the brethren and have won for you the honor and esteem of the entire membership in this district. The banquet which followed the next evening at the Palmer House was likewise an event of much interest in many respects. The presiding officer, Bro. Geo. H. Mitchell, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal for twenty years in Ontario and one of the charter members of the Order at its birth here, and yourself, as Grand Chancellor representing the Order in the vigor of its manhood, demonstrated the Order's value. Then there was our veteran worker and representative for fifteen years at Supreme Lodge, Bro. Dr. John S. King, P.G.C., who eloquently spoke of the Order universal, of its principles and its progress, warming up the fraternal feelings of the brethren to white heat. P. G. C. Jarvis, with his good nature and rotund physique, kept his associates in good humor and assisted in making the event a success and one never to be forgotten. Such events cement the brotherhood into a solid phalanx and have much to do with the material progress of the Order.

At the last regular meeting of the Toronto Past Chancellors' Association, held in Pythian Hall on May 29th, Bro. Theo. Jorgenson, P.C. of Ontario Lodge, No. 25, was nominated for appointment to the office of D.D.G.C. for the ensuing year, subject to the approval of the incoming Grand Chancellor. I have therefore much pleasure in recommending him as my successor.

Yours in F., C. and B.,

W. C. MACDONALD,
D.D.G.C., District No. 1.

J. B. DAVIDSON, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.—At a meeting of P. C.'s, held in Castle Hall of Red Cross Lodge, P. C. J. V. Hedenberg, 43 Hughson Street north, was the unanimous choice for D.D. for the ensuing year.

Increases in membership for both lodges during term were eighteen—sixteen for Red Cross, and two for Bismarck.

Red Cross has had quite a boom since January, between ten and twelve candidates having been initiated, and prospects are good; but Bismarck don't seem to be making much progress.

Please excuse me for not sending this sooner as circumstances over which I had no control prevented me from doing so.

Fraternally yours,

WM. H. FORD,

D. D. G. C. of District No. 2.

Hamilton, May 30th, 1893.

J. B. DAVIDSON, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.—In reply to your request of the 25th, I submit you a report as to the welfare of our Order in No. 3 District. This District has enjoyed a degree of prosperity during your official term which has resulted in adding up to this date to the several lodges, sixty-two Knights, seven Esquires and seven Pages, divided among the several lodges as follows:

Myrtle, No. 2	2	Pages,	4	Esquires,	12	Knights
Prospect, No. 12	1	"	1	"	12	"
Mizpah, No. 22	2	"			18	"
London, No. 33	1	"	2	"	3	"
Columbian, No. 37	1	"			17	"

Myrtle, No. 2, has enjoyed an unusual degree of prosperity which I attribute to the energy of their officers during the year, a public installation and several social entertainments given under the lodge auspices the past Fall and Winter. The attendance at lodge meetings is good. Although having considerable sickness during the year their financial condition is sound.

Prospect, No. 10, is one of the strong lodges of this District, being lessees of a flat in a centrally located building on Dundas Street, wherein they have two well furnished lodge rooms which they rent to other associations. This has a tendency to increase their revenue, and I anticipate that in the near future this will be one of the strongest lodges financially in the Grand Jurisdiction. Bro.

S. A. Webb is one of the pillars of the lodge and too much praise cannot be given him for the manner in which he looks after the various interests. Prospect has been very fortunate in having very little sickness during the year. The attendance at lodge meetings is not as large as it should be considering the membership.

Mizpah, No. 22, keeps on the even tenor of its way having an energetic staff of officers who take particular pride in being prompt in their attendance at lodge meetings and looking after sick brothers. This lodge's finances are in a particularly flourishing condition. Too much credit cannot be given to their M. of F., Bro. Farnan, whom the lodge treats liberally in a financial sense. Very little sickness has prevailed in this lodge.

London, No. 33, one of our young lodges and located in the southern section of the city, has a staff of officers whom I find are very enthusiastic and look well to the interests of their lodge. No. 33 has been fortunate in having very little sickness and their finances are in good condition.

Columbian, No. 37, our baby lodge, is located in the extreme eastern part of the city and was instituted last November. This lodge has been unfortunate in being visited by the hand of death, thus losing from their membership on the 11th of May Bro. Wm. Parkinson. I have been urging the Knights of the older lodges to frequently visit No. 37 in order to encourage the members by their presence, which I am pleased to state they have done. Columbian is not making the progress that it should considering its location and the many men of influence among its members, but when it emerges from its chrysalis state I hope to see it one of the healthy members of our Pythian Brotherhood.

I convened a meeting of the Past Chancellors on the 22th, when they un-animously nominated P. C. S. J. Southcott to succeed the undersigned as D. D. G. C. for the coming year. I take much pleasure in recommending him to your successor as his deputy for this district. He will find in Bro. Southcott a courteous gentlemen and one who will reflect credit without doubt, upon him and the members of our Order. Bro. Southcott is a member of London, No. 33, and his address is 361 Richmond Street.

We have a section of the Endowment Rank in this District which a number of the Knights have connected themselves with during the year.

Hoping to have the pleasure of meeting you at the session of the Grand Lodge.

I remain, yours fraternally,

WILLIAM HILL,
D. D. G. C. of District No. 3.

London, Ont., May 29th, 1893.

J. B. DAVIDSON, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—My final report on the whole is not just as satisfactory as I would like. We have entirely lost Rienzi Lodge, of Ridgetown, which was a few years back the banner lodge of the west, but they could not struggle against fate any longer. The reason and cause of surrender as you know was that with the exception of two or three of its energetic and enthusiastic members, all the members had removed from the town.

Marmion Lodge, No. 15, is on a better footing than it was a year ago and we are gradually adding new members and doing our work better. Your official visit and brotherly counsel has aroused us out of our lukewarm state. Our funds, bank account and dues are in good condition, and meetings well attended.

Rokeby Lodge, of Wallaceburg, is flourishing, and has plenty of rank work, which they perform in a first-class manner, and it has always been a pleasure to visit them.

There is a movement on foot to institute a Uniform Division, already twenty members having signed the application. Trusting that I have in my humble way performed my duties satisfactorily, thanking you for your courtesies and hoping to meet you at the Grand Lodge,

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

WM. H. ROBINSON,

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

Chatham, May 25th, 1893.

J. B. DAVIDSON, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—On account of sickness and death in our family I have overlooked the necessity of sending in to you my report as your Deputy for the District of Essex, but hope it will not reach you too late to glance over it before meeting of the Grand Lodge.

Since last session of the Grand Lodge, after which I was honored with the appointment of Deputy, a new lodge was started in this city by special D. D. G. C. Alex. Gardner, of London, thus giving this District two lodges.

On the 22nd of February I installed the officers of Windsor Lodge, No. 35. The meeting on that occasion was an open one and well attended, from which I understand some two or three applications for membership into our Order resulted. At this meeting, Bro. D. W. Mason, who was re-elected C. C., was greatly surprised by being presented with a fine gold K. of P. charm. The

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meeting was well conducted and reflected a great deal of credit on the members of the new lodge in their great ardor for the cause.

I communicated the S. A. P. W. to Bro. Mason on the evening of March 27th.

On March 27th I installed the officers of Friendship Lodge, No. 16. This is the "old lodge of the west," but has been on the downward course for the past two or three years. I am glad to say that at last the older members have come forward and the "backward slide" has stopped. With the assistance of Bros. P. C. McWhinney, Robinson, McNally, Neal, Blackwood and Morgan, there is no doubt of a bright future for the lodge, and I hope that at the December report it will again hold its former position in regard to finances and membership. There has been no increase in membership, but the books and all other workings of the lodge are in splendid shape.

I started a list for a new lodge in Walkerville last fall, but did not think it advisable to complete the same on account of there being no hall suitable to meet in. There is a fine hall there now partially completed, and when done the list will be completed and the lodge can be started. I think this will be a good field for a good lodge.

On the 22nd of May I went out to Essex and opened a list for a lodge in that town. It is my intention to complete the list in the near future. Several of the people have taken kindly to the Order and there is no question in regard to the future of a lodge when once started in this go-ahead little town.

Although my report is not entirely satisfactory to myself, still I think it will be fairly so to the Order. It will be seen that the lodges here have been doubled during the past year, and the outlook is the repetition of the same for the present year.

The membership of Friendship Lodge is about 68, while that of Windsor Lodge is about 46. Since last December Windsor Lodge added 16 to their list of members and are working hard and honestly to overtake old Friendship Lodge. Neither of the lodges take kindly to the new ritual. They are doing the best they can with it.

I called a meeting of the Past Chancellors for to-night, which was well attended, there being eleven present. Your humble servant was unanimously re-elected to fill the office of District Deputy, with the consent of the next Grand Chancellor.

Hoping that you will have good reports of the increase of our beloved Order throughout the Province.

I remain, fraternally yours,

J. C. MURDOCH,

D. D. G. C. of No. 5 District.

Windsor, Ont., June 3rd, 1893.

J. B. DAVIDSON, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—Your communication of the 20th inst. reached me on the 27th, and I immediately mailed a copy of your valedictory to Olive Lodge, at Bruce Mines, last evening, 29th. I made an official visit to Algoma Lodge and read your instructive greeting. I scarcely need say that your paternal and wise counsels were received with the earnest and hearty approval of all present. The reported increase of seven new lodges and 400 additional members affords most gratifying proofs of the large degree of success attending your term of office as Grand Chancellor.

It affords me great satisfaction to report Algoma Lodge on the winning side, although only in a small degree. Our record shows six suspensions, one reinstated, two admitted by card from Olive Lodge, and four initiations, with others coming.

Olive Lodge has done better and worse. It has had six initiations, but two withdrawals and ten suspensions makes a decrease of six members since June, 1892.

As it is a matter of expense in time and money—two days and ninety miles—I acted on your suggestion and refrained from visiting this lodge, and as they are removing into new quarters and report themselves not yet well up in the work of the new ritual, I thoroughly approve of your proposal in this direction.

The prospects of Olive Lodge, are, upon the whole, good. The membership is young and vigorous, but they labor under the disadvantages of long distances between the residences of the members and the place of meeting. The village and the locality are improving, and I know no reason why Olive Lodge may not be expected to keep a front rank position in the march of development.

Before receiving your advisory letter, I had brought the matter of electing a successor before the lodges in my District, and they decided to retain me in that position.

The promised new lodge at St. Joseph's Island failed to materialize, owing partly to the distance and also to the inability of our membership to give a week from business to work it up.

Thessalon, a rising town seventy miles east from the Sault, has written for instructions in the procedure for forming a new lodge: but I am not in a position to speak explicitly, further than to say that the idea is well appreciated there, and the proposed work is in good hands.

The future of Sault Ste. Marie will certainly be a bright one, although we are at a low ebb just now, owing to too much enterprise in high places, and consequent heavy taxation. But the completion of the ship canal for the Dom-

inion Government, and the water-power canal for the Corporation, both of which are in an advanced stage of progress, must bring a large increase of population and business to the town.

Under all of these circumstances I think that you will agree with me in bespeaking a most hopeful future for Pythianism in this wide section of country.

Wishing you a very harmonious and prosperous session of the Grand Lodge, followed by another year of large increase in the membership of the Order.

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

E. BIGGINGS,

D.D.G.C. of District No. 6.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., 30th May, 1893.

J. B. DAVIDSON, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—As my term of office is drawing to a close, and the time of meeting of Grand Lodge nearing, you are no doubt desirous of hearing from me as to the state of the Order in my District. I am pleased to state that Pythianism is on the increase here, but not so much as I would like to see. The reason to a great extent is that when the brothers do not attend the regular meetings as often as they should the interest decreases, and finally you find the lodge working with only a quorum. We found it this way with Crusader, No. 5, and the brothers appointed a committee to get up a small programme for each meeting, and we found it to be a great success, and our average attendance has doubled. Crusader was never in a better shape financially and numerically than it is to-day. They have had eight initiations the past year, and could have had more, but it's quality they want, not quantity.

Aurora No. 17 have had an increase of seven members, and is in a good condition, but although they are one of our strongest lodges in members, still they find trouble at times to get a quorum. Their lodge is chiefly composed of railway men, and in busy times they are out on the road a great deal, and more than that they have a moving population, as we have in most of these western towns. Still Aurora is in a flourishing condition, and has some good solid members. One thing has been done this year which I think will be a benefit to both lodges, and I hope will be the means of increasing the interest at meetings, and that is—changing the night of meeting of Aurora from Tuesday to Wednesday. Heretofore we had no chance to visit each other on account of both lodges meeting on the same night, but since the change there has been considerable visiting, and the attendance has been increased. We have no trouble getting back and forth as the town of Port Arthur and Fort William are only three miles apart, and are connected by an electric railway.

I was very sorry that you could not find it possible to pay us an official visit this year as you intended, but hope that the Grand Lodge will see its way clear to hold their next annual convention in our District, as we have the honor to be one of the oldest and also one of the strongest lodges numerically in Ontario.

Fraternally yours,

GEO. HODDER.

D. D. G. C. of No. 7 District.

Port Arthur, June 3rd, 1893.

J. B. DAVIDSON, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—There is only one lodge in this district, Rathbone No. 12, which is in a favorable position.

During the year just past this lodge held a convention on every Tuesday evening, with the exception of November 8th, December 7th and 13th, when there was no quorum present.

The average attendance was a little over thirteen per meeting, of those meetings at which an account was kept, being all but six meetings.

The new ritual has to a great extent been memorized; but owing to several officers having had to resign their offices it has delayed its complete memorization.

The Officers were publicly installed on January 24th, 1893, and afterwards an excellent supper was served in the lodge room and a very pleasant evening spent.

The past chancellors of the district have recommended Bro. Jno. Stacy to succeed me in the office of District Deputy.

Wishing the Order all success, I am yours in F. C. and B.,

J. S. ROBERTSON,

D. D. G. C. No. 8 District.

St. Thomas, June 1st, 1893.

J. B. DAVIDSON, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—I have much pleasure in submitting to you my final report of the condition of the Order in this district, and in stating that the Order has strengthened its position here very materially and made a steady though not a booming growth during the past year.

When you honored me with the position of D.D.G.C. for the second time I hoped to have done a great deal more here than I have accomplished, and had it not been for poor health in the fall I think you would have seen quite a greater growth. However, on April 13th I instituted a new lodge in Sarnia, to be known as Johnston Lodge, No. 49, which I am satisfied will make a large lodge in a short time. There were present at the institution brothers from St. Clair, Mich., numbering 47, bringing with them supplies, together with the Uniform Rank, to work the amplified third. The grandeur of costumes and the working of the officers and drill of the Uniform Rank evoked a working interest in the new members, whilst the latter left quite a good impression upon the citizens in general. Wallaceburg was also represented to the number of 37, whilst Port Huron was present in such numbers that it was almost impossible to confer the ranks with effect, though each and all enjoyed the work and were especially pleased to know that Sarnia had on the more risen in greater Pythian strength than before.

Petrolia Lodge, No. 17, has not gained much in numbers in the past year, for what reason I cannot explain, though no doubt through lack of interest more than anything else; whilst they have gained a few members, there has been several suspended for non-payment of dues, and some have taken cards. We hope, however, that the meeting of the Grand Lodge here, for which we are making ready, will be the means of starting anew the interest and enthusiasm of this lodge.

I have visited Oil Springs Lodge, No. 34, at various times, having a deep interest in the welfare of this lodge, and I am pleased to say that they are doing well both financially and in growth—having made six new members since the beginning of the term, which was quite late with them.

Yours in F.C. and B.,

GEORGE E. VAN TUYL,
D.D.G.C. of District No. 15.

Petrolia, May 29th, 1893.

J. B. DAVIDSON, Esq., *Grand Chancellor, of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—Your favor to Bro. McPherson to hand and contents noted.

I have done as as you desired in regards to calling a meeting of P.C's. They nominated P. C. Hicks, who is a man of sterling abilities and a good worker, to succeed Bro. Ogilvie as D.D.G.C.

As to the Pythian affairs of the Lodge they are in good footing financially.

It had an increase of four in rank of Knight during the past term, the membership now standing at forty-two Knights.

The financial standing is good and prospects are bright. We have one applicant balloted for, and two to propose 1st June. The only difficulty seems to be that a great many of the Knights are leaving the district.

Hoping this somewhat hasty report will be satisfactory, with Knightly greeting, I am yours,

D. A. MCPHREE,
Acting D.D.G.C. of District No. 17.

Chapleau, May 27th, 1893.

J. B. DAVIDSON, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.—In accordance with my instructions, I herewith beg leave to submit my report as D.D.G.C. for District No. 19. This district covers the County of Brant, and although embracing a large territory there are very few places of any size in it. As my term of office has been a short one, my time has been given to the equipment and instructions necessary for a new lodge, but would suggest that my successor or the incoming G. C. should visit and make an effort to organize a lodge in the town of Paris, as from my personal knowledge of the people of Paris, I have every reason to believe that a good healthy lodge could be worked up there. Calanthe Lodge No. 36, the only one in the district, was instituted by yourself in December last, with twenty-four members. These are still on the books, while three have been admitted by card and four Knights made by initiation, with four applications at present before the lodge. The increase is not as large as I would like to report, but the material is good. The officers are getting down to their work, the treasury in a fair state, no debts, and taken altogether the future of Calanthe Lodge, No. 36, appears very bright.

Thanking you for your never tiring courtesies to Calanthe Lodge and myself. I am yours fraternally,

RICHARD POULTON,
D.D.G.C. of District No. 19.

Brantford, May 30th, 1893.

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 13th, 1893.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge :

I beg to submit, for your consideration, the twenty-first annual report of this office for the year ending May 31st, 1893.

STATE OF THE ORDER.

A comparison of the numerical and financial statements of the past year with those of its predecessors, reveals the fact that the order in Ontario is steadily growing. During the year 1892 the increase in membership was a little over 17 per cent., and in receipts and amount on hand and invested somewhat over 8 per cent. each. In view of the financial depression which has existed throughout the country this showing is extremely encouraging and should incite every member with greater zeal for the upbuilding of our Order and the extension of its influence.

It is also gratifying to learn that the Order, as a whole, has made great headway during the past year and I have much pleasure in presenting the following summary which I am sure will be read with pride and interest :

Total number of lodges, December 31st, 1892	5,572
Net gain during the year	671
Total number of members	413,944
Net gain during the year	56,020

The Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal says this is the largest net gain, both in lodges and membership, made in any year since the institution of the Order, and is believed to be the largest ever made by a secret fraternal order during the same length of time.

I have made several attempts by correspondence to obtain information regarding Minerva Lodge, of Orillia, but have failed to get any reply. I think the incoming Grand Chancellor should be instructed to delegate some member to go there and endeavor to secure the properties of the lodge.

In regard to Native Valley Lodge I have been more fortunate. A short time ago I received a letter from Bro. C. G. Murray, the K. of R. and S., with a list of members who desire to have the lodge continue and he stated that if someone with a little time to spare would interest himself he thought that the lodge could be revived. I requested him to let me know who he

thought would be best adapted for the purpose and I would write him, or to arrange for a meeting of the members and I would have several from Toronto go out but I have not as yet heard from him.

NEW LODGES.

Since our last session the following lodges have been instituted, full information of which will be furnished, no doubt, by the Grand Chancellor :

Windsor, No. 35, at Windsor, Sept. 13th, 1802.

Calanthe, No. 36, at Brantford, Dec. 5th, 1892.

Columbian, No. 37, at London East, Dec. 16th, 1892.

Galt, No. 38, at Galt, Jan. 27th, 1893.

Amicus, No. 20, at Toronto, Feb. 15th, 1893.

Syracuse, No. 39, at Toronto Junction, March 29th, 1893.

Johnston, No. 40, at Sarnia, April 13th, 1893.

In regard to new lodges I desire to draw the attention of Grand Lodge to the injustice of charging per capita tax to those lodges instituted within a month of the close of the term. I think some provision should be made to meet such cases, but as the law now stands they are required to pay the same as lodges instituted months before. The above list furnishes a good example.

REGISTRATION OF THE ORDER.

Immediately after the close of our last session I proceeded to carry out your instructions in regard to obtaining registration, and sent the requisite papers to the Supreme Lodge. Owing to the fact that the Board of Control placed a false construction on the intent and meaning of the Act, and a refusal on its part to make application, there ensued a great deal of correspondence which was finally referred to the Supreme Chancellor who upheld the Board in its contention. As non-registration simply meant that every lodge in Ontario had to cease working on December 31st, 1892, and as the time given me to complete the necessary arrangements was fast drawing to a close, I went to the Inspector of Insurance, laid the whole case before him, and asked for an extension of time until after the meeting of the Supreme Lodge, which body I felt assured would see the matter in its proper light and order an application to be made. The most annoying and perplexing feature of the controversy was in the fact that the Board of Control could not see that the application for registration entailed nothing; that if we could not meet the requirements we would simply not get the registration, and that the Act specially provided that the sole and only judge was the Inspector of Insurance.

After a careful review of all the correspondence, the Inspector saw that the time was expiring through no fault of my own and very kindly granted the extension requested.

I then prepared a petition to the Supreme Lodge, which will be found in full in the report of the Supreme Representatives, and forwarded it to the Grand

Chancellor for endorsement. Having received his approval, it was presented to the Supreme Lodge, referred to the Committee on State of the Order, which unanimously recommended the granting of the request and the Supreme Lodge adopted the report of the Committee and ordered application to be made for registration. In due time the necessary papers came to hand and having been given power of attorney under the Act, I at once presented them to the Inspector, paid the requisite fees, and filed duplicates as required with the Clerk of the Process at Osgoode Hall. I have much pleasure in stating that our application was accepted and that I am in possession of our certificate of registration.

Under the Act yearly returns are required to be made to the Inspector of Insurance before renewal can be granted, but at the present time this has not been done owing to the lateness of receiving reports from lodges and so many having to be returned for correction. This is a matter which will require serious consideration, as the act of any one lodge may jeopardize our registration. The necessary return will now at once be made, and I trust in future all reports will be in within one month after the beginning of each term in order that the requirements of the law can be promptly adhered to.

During the late session of the Legislature the Act was amended by providing for the incorporation of Grand and Subordinate Lodges of foreign friendly societies, and I would recommend that advantage be taken of it and application at once be made. The necessary form has been sent to me.

ENDOWMENT RANK.

In compliance with the request of the Board of Control I have much pleasure in embodying in my report the following facts concerning this important branch of our order;

Membership and Amount of Insurance.

Number of members, Dec. 31st, 1892	30,230	Amount	\$64,800,000
Admitted during quarter	1,546	"	3,600,000
Total	31,776	"	\$68,400,000
Terminated during quarter	578	"	1,293,000
Number of members, Mar. 31st	<u>31,198</u>	"	<u>\$67,107,000</u>

Receipts and Expenditures.

Balance, Cash on hand, Dec. 31st, 1892	\$124,153 54
Received during quarter	222,721 67
Total	\$346,875 21
Expenditure	215,877 25
Balance on hand, March 31st, 1893	<u>\$130,997 96</u>

Membership and Amount in Ontario.

Section No.	Section.	No. of Members.	Am't of Insurance.
54.....	Toronto	21.....	\$37,000 00
570.....	Sandwich	9.....	20,000 00
688.....	Sault Ste. Marie	9.....	15,000 00
774.....	Hamilton	21.....	39,000 00
825.....	London	12.....	21,000 00
975.....	Chatham	5.....	8,000 00
1335.....	Toronto	6.....	13,000 00
1405.....	Petrolia	4.....	7,000 00
No. of Sections, 8		87	\$160,000 00

"The past quarter, ending March 31st, 1893, completing the sixteenth fiscal year of the Endowment Rank, has been productive of most excellent results in adding to the numerical strength of this ever increasing popular Pythian insurance feature.

During the first three months of 1893 sixty-four new Sections have been established, and fifteen hundred and two members were admitted. Certificates of membership were issued, aggregating an insurance of three million five hundred and two thousand dollars. A decided increase in the new business is shown. Nearly double the number of Sections were organized, and the increase in new membership is nearly five hundred over the preceding quarter, while the certificates issued exceed those of the previous quarter over one million dollars.

The fiscal year just closed shows results that must be as gratifying to the members of the Rank as they are to the Board of Control. Eleven million dollars of insurance has been added, representing over five thousand accepted applicants. New sections numbering over two hundred have been established, representing every Grand Jurisdiction. Nearly one million dollars has been disbursed for death benefits. The receipts from interest earnings on cash balances have been six thousand, nine hundred and fifty-one dollars and fourteen cents, which was at once redeposited to the credit of the Endowment Fund.

The beginning of the seventeenth fiscal year indicates that our growth during the next twelve months will be the largest of any year in the history of the Rank. The Board of Control beg to enjoin upon the officers and members of Sections and of Subordinate Lodges the necessity for energetic and persistent work in order to obtain the anticipated results. Let there be united and harmonious action in every lodge to that end, especially where no Sections have yet been established, so that all members may have an opportunity to participate in and enjoy the benefits of this benevolent branch of the Order, which in the past has met promptly every obligation, and guarantees a protection not

only reliable, but of a character that classes it among the very best of fraternal insurance."

SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS.

As already mentioned, under the section of this report referring to the Registration of the order, it is necessary to make annual returns to the Inspector of Insurance and in order to give the information required new forms will have to be prepared. Heretofore the expenditure of lodges has been shown in bulk, except that paid for relief, while in future full details will have to be given. These forms will have to be prepared immediately after the close of this session so that they can be furnished to lodges in time for the July returns.

In this connection I desire to say that something will have to be done to ensure more promptness in sending in the reports. My report to Supreme Lodge is due April 1st, and if not received by that date a fine of one dollar per day is the penalty. To avoid this I am compelled to send in an incomplete return which is not at all satisfactory to myself and is unjust to this jurisdiction. My report this year showed only 1447 members, instead of 1507, and was short \$800 in receipts. In addition it makes a great deal of unnecessary trouble in keeping a separate account of the late reports so as to be able to include them the following year. The following statement of the date of receipt from each lodge speaks for itself:

NAME OF LODGE.	DATE RECEIVED.
Mystic, No. 1.	January 7th
Myrtle, No. 2.	February 10th
Red Cross, No. 3.	January 16th
Ivanhoe, No. 4.	February 1st
Crusader, No. 5.	March 18th
Damon, No. 6.	January 8th
Rokeby, No. 9.	April 4th
Prospect, No. 10.	February 17th
Algoma, No. 11.	March 27th
Rathbone, No. 12.	January 24th
Aurora, No. 13.	January 27th
Olive, No. 14.	January 17th
Marmion, No. 15.	March 3rd
*Friendship, No. 16.	March 16th
Petrolia, No. 17.	March 14th
Queen City, No. 18.	January 14th
Meniss, No. 19.	January 23rd
Mizpah, No. 22.	January 10th
Perseverance, No. 23.	January 21st
Ontario, No. 25.	January 18th
Dufferin, No. 28.	March 25'h

Toronto, No. 30.....	January 13th
Bismarck, No. 31.....	January 16th
Sicily, No. 32.....	April 17th
London, No. 33.....	February 10th
Oil Springs, No. 34.....	February 2nd
Windsor, No. 35.....	February 6th
Calanthe, No. 36.....	January 23rd
Columbian, No. 37.....	January 10th

*Report for term ending June 30th, '92, not yet received.

FINANCES OF THE GRAND LODGE.

Balance in hands of G. M. of E., May 31st, 1892.....	\$ 149 06
Received from all sources during the year.....	2458 10
Total.....	\$2607 16
Expenditure for all purposes.....	2247 06
Balance in hands of G. M. of E., May 31st, 1893.....	\$ 360 10

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE.

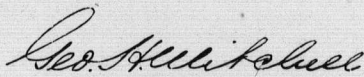
Expenses of Officers attending last session.....	\$ 93 90
Expenses of Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald.....	17 10
Expenses Instituting Lodges.....	120 00
G. K. of R. and S., Salary, 1892-3.....	100 00
Supreme Lodge, Representative tax and supplies.....	249 65
Printing Journal of Proceedings.....	150 80
Printing King's Pamphlets.....	64 85
Sundry Printing.....	32 65
Rent of Grand Lodge Store-room.....	60 00
S. L. Reception Committee.....	1041 25
Supplies.....	13 30
Express and Duty.....	100 41
Sundry Expenses, Postage, etc.....	41 61
Deficiency of District Deputy Campbell.....	53 70
Expenses re Rienzi Lodge.....	53 95
Registration under Insurance Act.....	48 80
Total.....	\$2247 06

My vouchers for these will show the transactions.

Accompanying this report are statements showing the totals of the debit and credit sides of all accounts in the ledger, and the balances May 31st, 1893;

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. These statements will be found in the appendix.

Fraternally submitted,



Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER OF EXCHEQUER.

Hamilton, June 13th, 1893.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge:

I herewith submit for your consideration the annual report of this office, which shows the receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year ending May 31st.

The business of this office is increasing every year, which speaks well for the financial part of the Order.

I again desire to return thanks to the members of Grand Lodge for placing me on the Executive.

I have tried to discharge my duties promptly and to the best of my ability, and trust my efforts have been satisfactory to the members of this jurisdiction.

Fraternally submitted,

D. J. PEACE,
Grand Master of Exchequer.

D. J. PEACE, G. M. OF E., IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND LODGE.

RECEIPTS.				
DATE.	NAME OF LODGE.	No.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.
1892.				
June 1	To Balance brought forward.			\$ 149 06
"	1—Algoma	11		3 00
"	8—Alex. Gardner			7 25
"	14—Damon	6		5 00
"	14—Ivanhoe	4	37 80	
"	14—Dufferin	28	37 80	
"	14—J. S. Robertson			1 25
"	14—Alex. Gardner			2 50
"	14—W. P. Cooke			1 25
"	14—S. G. Jackson			1 25
"	15—Petrolia	17		5 00
"	25—Mizpah	22	41 95	
July 2	Toronto	30	39 20	
"	4—Queen City	18		7 50
"	7—Rathbone	12		4 35
"	8—Myrtle	2	25 20	
"	8—Dufferin	28		2 00
"	8—Aurora	13		2 50
"	11—Queen City	18		6 00
"	12—Court Curtis			1 50
"	12—Red Cross	3	91 70	
"	12—Red Cross	3		8 00
"	12—Damon	6	32 20	
"	12—Ontario	25	18 20	
"	13—Prospect	10		1 25
"	19—Rathbone	12	39 20	
"	26—Red Cross	3		2 50
"	26—J. P. Macleod			1 50
"	27—Queen City	18	35 00	
"	27—Meniss	19	9 45	
Aug. 1	Petrolia	17	46 20	
"	4—London	33	16 80	
"	4—Bismarck	31	25 90	
"	6—Dufferin	28	32 90	
"	16—Mizpah	22		1 50
"	17—Mystic	1	63 70	
"	17—Mystic	1		2 50
	Carried forward		\$593 20	\$67 60 \$149 06

D. J. PEACE, G. M. OF E., IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND LODGE.

RECEIPTS.

DATE.	NAME OF LODGE.	No.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.	
1892.	Brought forward.....		\$593 20	\$67 60	\$149 06
Aug. 17	Alex. Gardner			50 00	
" 17	Meniss.....	19	9 45	3 00	
Sept. 2	Crusader.....	5	33 60		
" 8	Friendship.....	16	44 00		
" 20	Friendship.....	16	45		
" 21	Prospect.....	10		1 25	
" 27	Prospect.....	10	49 00		
" 27	Queen City.....	18		2 00	
" 29	Dufferin.....	28		1 00	
" 29	Algoma.....	11	41 30		
Oct. 3	Alex. Gardner.....			2 50	
" 12	Rathbone.....	12		1 50	
Oct. 15	Toronto.....	30		1 50	
" 15	Sicily.....	32	10 50		
" 22	Rokeby.....	9		13 50	
" 27	Marmion.....	15	21 70		
Nov. 2	Rokeby.....	9	44 10		
" 3	Ontario.....	25		1 00	
" 9	Friendship.....	16		3 00	
" 9	Alex. Gardner.....			50 00	
" 11	Toronto.....	30		1 25	
" 12	Alex. Gardner.....			50 00	
" 20	Algoma.....	11		3 00	
" 20	Petrolia.....	17		1 25	
Dec. 6	Ivanhoe.....	4		1 50	
" 14	Perseverance.....	23	30 80		
" 20	Olive.....	14	20 65		
" 20	Ivanhoe.....	4		1 00	
" 24	Sicily.....	32	11 20		
" 27	Perseverance.....	23	6 30		
" 27	Queen City.....	18	41 30		
" 29	Myrtle.....	2	25 90	2 00	
" 31	Mizpah.....	22	49 00	5 50	
" 31	Bismarck.....	31	24 50		
1893.					
Jan. 4	Toronto.....	30	45 50		
" 5	Petrolia.....	17	39 20		
	Carried forward.....		\$1,141 65	\$263 35	\$149 06

D. J. PEACE, G. M. OF E., IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND LODGE.

RECEIPTS.

DATE.	NAME OF LODGE.	No.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.
1893.	Brought forward.....		\$1,141 65	\$263 35 \$149 06
Jan. 7—	Mystic.....	1	65 80	
" 9—	Rathbone.....	12	37 80	
" 9—	Ontario.....	25	18 20	4 00
" 10—	London.....	33	19 60	
" 10—	Red Cross.....	3	93 80	
" 10—	Damon.....	6	47 60	
" 10—	Meniss.....	19		3 00
" 14—	Myrtle.....	2		1 00
" 14—	Columbian.....	37	12 60	
" 16—	J. B. Davidson.....			50 00
" 16—	Mizpah.....	22		6 00
" 17—	Queen City.....	18		4 00
" 17—	J. G. Burns.....			2 00
" 19—	Ontario.....	25	2 10	
" 20—	Algoma.....	11	37 80	
" 23—	Meniss.....	19	26 60	
" 25—	Toronto.....	30		4 00
" 26—	Rathbone.....	12	70	
" 30—	E. A. Sutliff.....			2 00
Feb. 2—	Toronto.....	30		4 00
" 3—	Friendship.....	16		4 00
" 4—	W. C. Macdonald.....			50 00
" 6—	Windsor.....	35	18 90	1 00
" 6—	Dufferin.....	28	25 20	
Feb. 7—	Oil Springs.....	34	23 80	
" 7—	Ontario.....	25		1 00
" 8—	Ivanhoe.....	4	58 80	
" 15—	J. R. Grime.....			2 00
" 15—	Marmion.....	15		1 25
" 17—	Rokeby.....	9	44 10	
" 17—	Olive.....	14	56 35	
" 17—	Meniss.....	19	75	
" 17—	Marmion.....	15		25
" 17—	Prospect.....	10	51 10	8 00
Mar. 1—	Marmion.....	15	21 00	
" 3—	W. C. Macdonald.....			50 00
" 6—	Prospect.....	10		3 00
	Carried forward.....		\$1,804 25	\$463 85 \$149 06

D. J. PEACE, G. M. OF E., IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND LODGE.

RECEIPTS.

DATE.	NAME OF LODGE.	No.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.	
1893.	Brought forward.....		\$1,804 25	\$463 85	\$149 06
Oct. 8—	Calanthe.....	36		3 00	
" 11—	Calanthe.....	36	16 80		
" 11—	Bismarck.....	31		2 25	
" 14—	Friendship.....	16	42 00		
" 17—	Aurora.....	13		7 75	
" 18—	Crusader.....	5	32 20		
" 27—	G. E. Van Tuyl.....			2 00	
" 28—	Meniss.....	19		4 00	
April 5—	Marmion.....	15		1 25	
" 5—	Rokeby.....	9		3 50	
" 5—	Myrtle.....	2		2 00	
" 8—	Dufferin.....	28		1 00	
" 14—	London.....	33		1 75	
" 15—	Johnston.....	40		50 00	
" 15—	J. Ellison.....			2 00	
" 18—	Mystic.....	1		1 00	
" 29—	Marmion.....	15		1 00	
May 16—	Red Cross.....	3		3 00	
" 29—	Rathbone.....	12		13 50	
			\$1895 25	\$562 85	149 06
					<u>\$2607 16</u>

EXPENDITURE.

DATE.	PAID TO	On Account of	Order No.	Amount.
1892.				
June 13—	G. H. Mitchell.....	Express and Duty.....	394	\$23 60
" 15—	G. E. Van Tuyl.....	Expenses Instituting.....	395	40 00
" 15—	D. J. Peace.....	Expenses as G. M. E.....	396	9 11
" 15—	F. J. Fitzgerald.....	Expenses as G. C.....	397	17 19
" 16—	D. J. Peace.....	Expenses of G. L. Officers.....	398	93 90
Aug. 17—	G. B. Smith.....	S. L. Reception Committee.....	399	100 00
Sept. 23—	G. H. Mitchell.....	S. L. Reception Committee.....	400	517 50
Nov. 3—	G. H. Mitchell.....	Expenses of Registration.....	401	41 05
" 3—	D. J. Peace.....	Printing Post Cards.....	402	1 75
" 3—	G. H. Mitchell.....	Salary as G. K. R. S.....	403	50 00
" 9—	Alex. Gardner.....	Organizing Windsor Lodge.....	404	25 00
Carried forward.....				\$919 10

D. J. PEACE, G. M. OF E. IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND LODGE.

EXPENDITURE.

DATE.	PAID TO	On Account of	Order No.	Amount.
1893.	Brought forward			\$919 10
Jan. 11—	Alex. Gardner	Organizing Calanthe Lodge	405	30 00
Mar. 16—	G. H. Mitchell	S. L. Reception Committee	406	423 75
"	16—D. J. Peace	Alex. Gardner, Organizing	407	25 00
"	16—R. L. C. White	Rep. Tax and Supplies	408	248 65
"	16—Miller & Soole	Printing Journal, etc.	409	123 25
April 4—	E. A. Armstrong	Aurora Lodge, No. 13	410	53 70
"	28—J. B. Davidson	Kienzi Lodge, No. 24	411	57 69
May 19—	Miller & Soole	Printing	412	50 80
"	31—G. H. Mitchell	Salary as G. K. R. S.	413	50 00
"	31—G. H. Mitchell	Rent of G. L. Store Room	414	60 00
"	31—G. H. Mitchell	Postage and Supplies	415	44 55
"	31—G. H. Mitchell	Express, Dutp, etc.	416	88 92
"	31—J. B. Davidson	Printing King's Pamphlets	417	64 00
"	31—Miller & Soole	Printing	418	7 65
	Balance Cash on hand			360 10
				<u>\$2607 16</u>

Supreme Representative Peace presented the report of the Supreme Representatives, which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order :

REPORT OF SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

To the Officers and Members of Grand Lodge :

Brethren,—Your Representatives to the seventeenth session of the Supreme Lodge, which was held in Kansas City, Mo., August 23rd to September 3rd, 1892, beg to submit for your information a synopsis of the proceedings of that body.

As a daily journal was issued by the Supreme Lodge and copies sent to each Grand officer and the several lodges, and as the official proceedings will be issued before this report can be presented to you, it will only be necessary to give a general review of such matters as will be of material interest to, or affects, this jurisdiction.

At 9.30 a. m., Tuesday, the Supreme Lodge officers and members met at the Grand Opera House where addresses of welcome were delivered by Governor Francis, Major Warren, Mayor Corthead and Grand Chancellor Harbor. Supreme Chancellor Shaw responded in most eloquent terms.

At 10.30 o'clock the Supreme Lodge was opened in regular form in the Scottish Rite Hall. The morning was devoted to receiving reports of the Committee on Credentials and Returns and Supreme Lodge officers, conferring Supreme Lodge rank, and routine work incidental to the opening of the session.

In the afternoon the parade of the Uniform rank took place, and it is almost needless to say that it was an unqualified success. Promptly at four o'clock the bugle sounded the "advance," and just as promptly Major-General Carnahan responded, followed by his staff and some 10,000 to 12,000 Knights in line. The *Kansas City Star* said: "Seldom has a military pageant been witnessed in the West which could equal the magnificence and splendor of yesterday's parade of the Uniform rank, Knights of Pythias. This was the verdict of the quarter million people who saw the thousands of Knights with handsome uniforms and gleaming swords march through the city's streets with the precision and bearing of veterans."

Sixteen members of Toronto Division No. 2, with a band of nineteen pieces, were in the parade and attached to the Michigan brigade. They had with them their handsome banner and a silk Union Jack, and the "foreigners" received a great ovation all along the line. For a while it was difficult to tell whether the plaudits of the people were intended for the Division, the banner or the Jack, but when a handsome young lady came forward and presented our Grand Outer Guard, who was carrying the banner, with a large and beautiful bouquet the conundrum was solved. It was also observed that the "tired feeling" which was getting painfully noticeable just about that time entirely vanished, and until the parade was over the banner was as light as air.

The following appeared in one of the *Kansas City* papers, and has since been extensively copied in the Pythian press:

"The Toronto band which was here seems to have been made up of a level-headed set of fellows. During the parade their division carried an English flag, which was cheered at many points along the line of march, but occasionally it met the gaze of someone who was not so friendly to the Union Jack and a chilly greeting was given it. When the parade had finished this matter of hissing was referred to by the men themselves, and it was decided that something ought to be done to show the *Kansas Citizens* that no offense was meant in carrying the flag, and forthwith the band was ordered out and marched to the Pythian headquarters in the Midland Hotel, and there a number of national airs were rendered."

We have been requested by the Division to make mention of this matter in our report, and to say that all through the parade and during its stay in *Kansas City* not an objectionable word or sound was heard against the flag, and that nothing but pleasant memories exist in the minds of the members. The serenade was a simple act of courtesy to the Supreme Lodge.

THE REPORT OF THE SUPREME CHANCELLOR

was an able and exhaustive document, of about 95 pages, fully covering all matters of interest during his term. Referring to the progress of the Order he says :

"No fraternal organization known to modern times has been able in the twenty-ninth year of its existence, to record so marvelous a growth, so wonderful a development, such an irresistible advance in all material things which make a fraternity important, as has marked the career of the Order of Knights of Pythias since the accredited representatives of our membership were in session in Milwaukee, in July, 1890."

The following are a few of the decisions rendered by him, and approved by the Supreme Lodge :

Query. "A member while he is in arrears for dues to his lodge, is taken sick or becomes disabled, and during such sickness or disability he pays an amount sufficient to place him in 'good standing' as regards weekly benefits under the local laws. Does he by said payment become entitled to weekly benefits in any amount during that sickness or disability?"

Answer. "When a Grand Lodge so legislates, it is proper to deny even the minimum amount of weekly benefits prescribed by the Supreme Lodge to a member who is sufficiently in arrears under the local law to debar him from receiving benefits at the time of his becoming sick or disabled, and to continue to deny him the same during the entire duration of such sickness or disability, even though he should during the same liquidate his entire indebtedness to the lodge."

Query. "Can the holder of a withdrawal card residing in the Grand jurisdiction in which the card was issued, or in another Grand jurisdiction, deposit his card in a lodge of a jurisdiction other than the one in which he resides, without first having obtained the consent of the Grand Chancellor of the jurisdiction in which he resides?"

Answer. "No."

Query. "In the absence of any Grand Lodge law to the contrary, has the Grand Chancellor the power to change the date fixed for holding the regular annual session of the Grand Lodge?"

Answer. "No. A Grand Chancellor has not the power to order a change in the date fixed by his Grand Lodge as the date for holding its regular annual session, unless authority to make such change of date is conferred upon him by a constitutional, statutory or legislative enactment of his Grand Lodge."

Query. "Is it proper to give an order for the S. A. P. W. and for one or more of the rank passwords on the back of an official receipt?"

Answer. "The blank on the back of an official receipt is for a specific purpose, i.e., giving an order for the S. A. P. W., and it is therefore improper to use it for any other purpose. An order to communicate one or more of the rank passwords must be separate and distinct from an order for the S.A.P.W."

THE REPORT OF THE SUPREME KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL
was, as usual, bristling with facts and figures. On the state of the Order, he says:

"I congratulate you most heartily on the prosperous condition of the Order of which you constitute the highest legislative body; and it affords me profound gratification to be able to repeat, with added emphasis, as applicable to the present situation, the statement made in the report submitted at your last biennial session: 'At no previous period in our history have there been as many Grand Lodges, as many subordinate lodges, or as many Knights of Pythias, as there are to-day.'

"The number of subordinate lodges, December 31, 1891, was 4,901, and the number of members, 357,924—a net gain, during the calendar year, of 632 lodges and 49,634 members; and a net gain, during the years 1890 and 1891 of 1,777 lodges and 94,077 members. This constitutes a record absolutely without parallel in the history of secret fraternal organizations.

"December 31, 1891, the aggregate amount in the treasuries of the Grand Lodges was \$155,758.04; and the amount in those of the subordinate lodges was \$1,761,359.81. The total amount of subordinate lodge assets, at the same date, was \$5,729,890.41. The amount paid for relief by subordinate lodges, during the year 1891, was \$1,034,104.92, and for the years 1890 and 1891 it reached the stupendous total of \$1,926,121.56.

In the percentage of gain British Columbia stands first, and over double of any other Grand Lodge, with 252.61 per cent. Ontario is No. 32, with 37.88 per cent.

THE SUPREME MASTER OF EXCHEQUER

reported a balance on hand of \$58,191, of which \$40,000 was invested bearing 4 per cent interest.

THE MAJOR GENERAL OF THE UNIFORM RANK

reported that at the end of the fiscal year, March 31st, 1892, 1892, the rank stood as follows:

Total Divisions.....	997
Membership.....	37,886

And up to July 1st, fifty additional Divisions had been organized, bringing the membership up to 39,380.

THE BOARD OF CONTROL OF THE ENDOWMENT RANK

reported as follows :

" The last biennial report, closing with the fiscal year ending March 31, 1890, shows the membership in force, 21,235, and endowment \$45,776,000.

During the following fiscal year, 1891, there were admitted 4,293 members, and \$9,096,000 endowment was issued.

During the fiscal year ending March 31, 1892, the new and re-admitted members numbered 5,291, and the endowment issued was \$11,214,000.

Adding the net increase for the following quarter, a membership of 29,407, and an endowment of \$62,952,000 is shown to be in force on the 1st day of July, 1892."

THE RITUAL,

for the revision of which a committee was appointed at the session of 1890, was so thoroughly revised that it was practically a new one entirely. A team was brought from Lima, Ohio, to exemplify the work, which was done at two evening sessions before the members of Supreme Lodge. It was afterwards adopted and is now in the possession of all the lodges. Requests were presented to have it printed in various languages, but the committee to which these were referred reported unanimously in favor of it being printed only in the English Language, which was adopted—ayes 52, noes 51. A strong protest was entered, and there is no doubt but that an effort will be made at the next session to reverse the decision. In the opinion of your Representatives the course adopted was wise, and we trust any action to upset it will be defeated, so far as the use of the ritual is concerned in this country. Foreigners coming here do so to earn their living and have to conform to our laws, and in it there should be only one recognized language. It will be time enough to translate the ritual when the Order spreads to foreign countries, and then of course it will be a necessity.

THE LEGISLATION OF THE SESSION

was varied in character, but mainly in the direction of endeavoring to make more plain and extend existing laws. We note some of the principal changes :

S. A. P. W.

The following was adopted in regard to the issuance of the S. A. P. W. upon an order :

Whereas, Under the legislation on pages 4558, 4574, Journal 1888, referred to in section 447, Official Digest, and under the decision of Supreme Chancellor Ward, pages 4844, 4845, Journal 1890, referred to in section 448, Official Digest, it is possible for a member to obtain the semi-annual passwords of two terms upon the same order ; and

Whereas, a privilege is thereby granted which may result in an injury to the Order by not requiring every member thereof to stand a test at the beginning of each semi-annual term as to his right to receive the S. A. P. W. before he can obtain it; therefore be it

Resolved, That said legislation is hereby repealed, and said decision reversed; and be it further

Resolved, That an order to communicate the S. A. P. W. must bear the date, plainly written thereon in ink, upon which it is actually issued, and that no such order shall be valid, except during the semi-annual term in which it is issued.

FINES.

"The matter of fining members for non-attendance at regular meetings is a matter for local legislation, but of very doubtful expediency."

Resolved, That said legislation is hereby repealed, and the same declared contrary to law.

BENEFITS.

Can a lodge refuse the payment of benefits to a sick brother in arrears, who has not been legally notified of his arrearage?

Yes; a brother must see at his peril that he is in good standing with the lodge.

When the constitution of a subordinate lodge requires a member when sick to report to the Relief Committee, if in his power to do so, and he neglects to so report for several weeks, and then he reports that he was taken sick on a certain date, can his lodge legally refuse to pay him the minimum benefits for the time he was sick, prior to the date of his reporting himself sick to the lodge?

No; his lodge cannot legally refuse to pay him the minimum benefits for the time actually sick. This minimum benefit is a right, not a charity, and no local legislation can abrogate the Supreme law by way of requiring notices, etc. It is simply a matter of proof of the actual time of the brother's disability.

[These two questions, although answered by the Committee on Law, were not received by the Supreme Lodge, they being in the nature of hypothetical questions.]

MEMORIZING THE RITUAL.

Resolved, That the legislation upon which section 551 of the Official Digest is based, is hereby repealed.

Resolved, That the power to legislate regarding the memorizing of the ritual is hereby declared to be among those delegated to Grand Lodges.

BALLOT ON ADVANCEMENT.

Add a paragraph to section 2, of Article VIII. of the Supreme Lodge constitution, to be designated as "M" (the remaining paragraphs to be re-lettered, commencing with "L"), as follows :

A member in good standing, desirous of being advanced, shall pay the amount prescribed in the by-laws, at a stated meeting of the lodge, when a ballot shall be taken, and there not being more than one black ball deposited, the Chancellor Commander shall declare the applicant elected, but if there have been two or more black balls deposited, the Chancellor Commander shall immediately renew the ballot, and if two or more black balls be again deposited, he shall declare the applicant rejected, and he shall not be entitled to renew his application until three months thereafter.

FEES FOR RANKS—INITIATION FEE.

The S. L. constitution, section 2, sub-section (4), Article VIII., was amended by striking out all reference to the six dollar dispensation on a vote of 85 to 19, and also by requiring Grand Lodges to fix the amount of the initiation fee in their respective jurisdictions. Action on this latter question will require to be taken at this session.

DUAL OFFICE IN GRAND LODGE.

An amendment to the S. L. constitution on the mode of forming Grand Lodges opened the door for further amendments, and Supreme Representative Burns, of Ohio, introduced the following :

"And no officer of a Grand Lodge can be legally elected to a second office, or continue to hold two offices in said Grand Lodge at the same time."

Also the following amendment to the amendment was offered by S. K. R. S. White :

Resolved, That Document 131 be amended so as to make it read : No officer of a Grand Lodge now existing, or hereafter to be instituted, can be legally elected to a second office, or continue to hold two offices in said Grand Lodge at the same time.

Leading up to this was a query submitted to the Supreme Chancellor during recess, as follows.

11. *Query*. "Can a Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, or any other Grand Lodge officer who has attained the rank of P. G. C., represent, during the incumbency of his office, his Grand Lodge in the Supreme Lodge as Supreme Representative ?"

Answer. "Yes. This decision involves a decision that Supreme Representatives are not properly officers of a Grand Lodge, although a forced con-

struction of section 3, Article VI., Supreme Lodge constitution, might include Supreme Representatives in the list of Grand Lodge officers. The concluding paragraph of the section in question, however, which I herewith quote :

‘ And thereupon the Supreme Chancellor shall install, or cause to be installed by a Deputy Supreme Chancellor, the officers elect of said Grand Lodge, etc.’

Assumes that the officers elected shall be installed, and as there is no installation service or official obligation to be taken by Supreme Representatives, they must be excluded from the category of Grand Lodge officers.”

This decision was in accord with the recognized law and procedure of the Order ever since its institution, but it remained for the Committee on Law at this session to tell us we had been acting illegally all along and now to endeavour to set us right, as it did by the following :

“ As to decision No. 11 of the Supreme Chancellor, relating to the election of Supreme Representatives, we beg leave to report, and recommend the adoption of the following :

“ *Resolved*, That by the express terms of the Supreme constitution, as set forth in Article VI., section 3, and Article VII., section 5, Supreme Representatives are Grand Lodge officers.

“ *Resolved*, That the Supreme Lodge possesses the power to provide, by its constitution, for officers of a Grand Lodge whose duties are not ritualistic, and the failure to provide for the installation of such officers in no wise lessens the force or effect of a provision of the Supreme Lodge constitution, which prescribes such officers of a Grand Lodge, but for whom the Supreme Lodge has not deemed it necessary to provide a ceremony of installation ; therefore, be it

“ *Resolved*, That decision No. 11 of the Supreme Chancellor be and is hereby disapproved.”

From this it will be seen that even in the Supreme Lodge great minds differ. The Supreme Chancellor thought by a “ forced construction ” Supreme Representatives might be included as officers, while the Committee says the constitution says so in “ express terms.” In our humble judgment the Supreme Chancellor was right, and in this view we are sustained, indirectly it is true, by so eminent an authority as the compiler of the Official Digest, and we desire no better authority on Pythian law and jurisprudence than P. S. R., Wm. D. Kennedy. In his excellent index to the Digest he refers to each officer from Sitting Past Grand Chancellor down to Grand Outer Guard as “ an elective officer of a Grand Lodge ” or “ a Grand Lodge officer,” but in the case of Supreme Representatives he says, “ two, elected at the organization of a Grand Lodge ” and in each case reference is made to the same section, viz., section 3, Article VI., S. L. constitution. But higher than any, of these is the Grand

Lodge ritual itself which specially designates the officers by titles and defines their duties, but nowhere within its covers can be found any reference to Supreme Representatives.

The object of this radical and unnecessary change is best known to the originators and they have, no doubt, many a quiet laugh when they think how easily the bait was taken. Legislation, if such it can be called, of this description is no credit to the Order, and our belief is that when the Representatives think the matter over they will come to the conclusion, as several already have, that no good end was to be served and that it ought to be repealed.

Bro. White, the S. K. R. S., one of the prime movers, must surely have forgotten that he was for a time, and up to his election to his present office, holding the dual office (?) of S. R. and G. K. R. S., and as he still holds the latter in his Grand Lodge he ought to be consistent and resign one or the other. In principle there is no difference between the two conditions, but when we come to consider the contiguity of the offices of S. K. R. and S. and G. K. R. and S. as compared with G. K. R. and S. and S. R. the ridiculous side of the legislation becomes at once apparent.

The writer of this portion of the report, and for which he alone is responsible, and whose initials are G. H. M., happens at the present time to be in the dual position referred to, but in case it may be thought that this is written because the shoe pinches a tender corn he desires to say that he has not been an aspirant for S. R. since he retired 1886, that he is filling it now through a vacancy caused by accident and that he is not likely in the future to represent his G. L. unless to fill another gap. This is written quietly and calmly many weeks after the event, and with no other object in view than to conserve and preserve the best interests of a grand and noble Order.

QUESTIONS SUBMITTED.

At our last session two questions were referred to the Supreme Lodge to be answered, and were duly presented with the following result :

Query. Can Pages and Esquires of sister lodges be admitted under section 507, Official Digest ?

Answer. A Page or Esquire can be admitted only to the lodge of which he is a member.

Query. Can a Chancellor Commander communicate the S. A. P. W. on an official order outside the lodge room ?

Answer. Yes.

REGISTRATION IN ONTARIO.

Just before leaving to attend the session we received the following, accompanied by voluminous correspondence, which was presented to Supreme Lodge :

To the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias of the World :

By an Act entitled "The Insurance Corporations' Act, 1892," which was passed by the Ontario legislature on April 11th, and received the royal assent on April 14th, it has become necessary that every society which undertakes any form of insurance shall be registered.

The following extract from the Act defines what the term "insurance" means :

(12) "Insurance" includes the following, whether the contract be one of primary insurance or of reinsurance, and whether the premium payable be a sum certain or consist of sums uncertain or variable in time, number or amount :

(a) Insurance against death, sickness, infirmity, casualty, accident, disability or any change of physical or mental condition ; and

(b) Insurance against financial loss ; or against loss of work, employment, practice, custom, wages, rent, profit, income or revenue ; and

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(d) Contracts of endowment, assessment-endowment, tontine, semi-tontine, life-time benefits, annuities on lives ; or contracts of investment involving tontine or survivorship principles for the benefit of persisting members ; or any contract of investment involving life contingencies ; and

(e) Any contract made on consideration of a premium and based on the expectancy of life ; or any contract made on such consideration and having for its subject the life, safety, health, fidelity or insurable interest of any person, whether the benefit under the contract is primarily payable to the assured or to his nominee or assign, or to his representatives, or to or in trust for any beneficiary, or to the assured by way of indemnity or insurance against any liability incurred by him or by or through the death or injury of any person ; and

* * * * *

(g) Generally any contract in the nature of any of the foregoing whereby the benefit under the contract accrues payable on or after the occurrence of some contingent event.

From this it will be seen that our Order will require to register, as it provides for the payment of sick and funeral benefits, and is, therefore, under the intent and meaning of the Act, irrespective of the Endowment Rank, an insurance society.

The matter was brought before the Grand Lodge of Ontario at its recent session by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, as follows :

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES' INSURANCE ACT.

Under the provisions of this Act, which passed the Ontario legislature on April 11th, and received the royal assent and became law on April 14th, all societies which undertake any form of insurance are required to make and complete applications for registration on or before June 30, 1892.

On calling upon the registry officer to obtain information in regard to what action was required to be taken to secure registration for our Order, I found that it would be necessary to obtain a power of attorney from the Supreme Lodge (as our Grand Lodge is not an incorporated body) authorizing myself, as your Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, to act as chief executive officer for Ontario within the meaning and provisions of the Act. When I went to the registry officer, I did so simply for the purpose of obtaining information to lay before the Grand Lodge, and was considerably surprised when he informed me that if the matter was delayed until this meeting that we would find ourselves put to extra expense in order to obtain an extension of time, if not entirely out of legal existence as an Order. He strongly advised me to take the responsibility of immediate action, pointing out the great interests at stake to the ordinary members as well as to those holding policies of insurance. Past Grand Chancellor Vale, of Red Cross lodge, who has been appointed assistant registry officer, also urged me not to delay, so I determined to accept the responsibility and have forwarded the necessary papers to the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal. The cost for registration is: (1) application for initial registry, \$3; (2) certificate of registry, \$25; (3) filing power of attorney, \$5, in addition to which there will be some incidental expenses for forms, affidavits, etc.

This was referred to a special committee, which reported as follows:

Representative English, of No. 22, from the special committee on Friendly Societies' Insurance Act, presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your special committee, to whom was referred the matter of registration of this Grand Lodge under the Insurance Corporations' Act, 1892, of Ontario, beg leave to report as follows:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge, recognizing the supremacy of the Act entitled "The Insurance Corporations' Act, 1892," which governs our legal status, suggests that all needed authority be given to Brothers Mitchell and Vale for the proper and due registration of this Grand Lodge in compliance with the full requirements of said Act, and that the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to Brothers Mitchell and Vale for the steps they have already taken on this most vital question.

The extract from the report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal shows that the necessary papers were forwarded to the Supreme Keeper of

Records and Seal, and have been before the Supreme Chancellor and the Board of Control of the Endowment Rank, but through a misinterpretation of the Act, the Supreme Chancellor could not see his way clear to make application for registration, and suggested that the whole question be submitted to the Supreme Lodge.

The attorney of the Board of Control holds the view that the Act only requires the registration of the Endowment Rank, and quotes sub-section 4a of section 2, and that under section 10 registration can not be had because there are not five hundred members of the Endowment Rank in Ontario. The following are the two sections referred to :

Section 2 (4a). *Provided*, That where the corporation is not organized exclusively for purposes of such contracts, then "society" means only that branch or department or division of the corporation which has such contracts in charge; and for purposes of such contracts there shall be kept distinct and separate funds, books, accounts and vouchers.

10. --(1) Where a solvent friendly society other than as in the next preceding section included, being duly incorporated, organized, managed and operated elsewhere than in Ontario, and having in Ontario an agent duly authorized by power of attorney to receive process in all actions and proceedings against the society, was before the 11th day of March, 1890, in actual *bona fide* operation in Ontario, and at the date of application for registry has a subsisting membership of at least five hundred persons, such persons being *bona fide* residents of Ontario, then, the Registrar, upon proof of such facts, and upon proof that the society, if incorporated, organized, managed and operated in Ontario, would be a provident society within the meaning of the Act respecting benevolent, provident and other societies authorized to enter into such contracts of insurance as are by the said society undertaken, the Registrar may, on due application, admit the society to registry as a friendly society.

With the opinion of its attorney the Board of Control coincided, and the same view was taken by the Supreme Chancellor.

If the Endowment Rank embraced the whole aims and objects of the Order, the contention of the attorney of the Board of Control would be correct, but as the Endowment Rank is only a dependent branch, established by and under the control of the Supreme Lodge, it has no status of itself under the Act, and could not be registered, and, therefore, by the definition of the term "insurance," sub-section 4a of section 2 does not apply to us.

In regard to section 10, it applies to the Order as a whole, and not to any branch thereof, as is very clearly shown in the form of application, from which we submit the following extracts :

20. The society was, on the 10th day of March, 1890, an insurance corporation within the meaning of section 2 (13) of the Act, and was on that day in

actual and active operation in Ontario as a lawful society, and as an insurance corporation, and had on that day a subsisting and *bona fide* membership of at least persons, residing in Ontario, entitled to benefits or holding insurance certificates under the constitution, by-laws and rules of the society or of its branches, lodges or divisions in Ontario. In proof of the facts in this paragraph stated, the society tenders the following evidence: [*Here state the nature of the evidence.*]

21. The society has, since the 10th of March, 1890, and up to the date of this application, continued in actual and active operation in Ontario as a lawful society, and as an insurance corporation, and has, at the date of this application, in good standing upon the books of the society not less than members, nor more than members, all residents of Ontario, and holding insurance certificates or entitled to insurance benefits under the constitution, by-laws and rules of the society or of its branches, lodges or divisions in Ontario. In proof of the facts in this paragraph stated, the society tenders the following evidence: [*Here state the nature of the evidence.*]

18. The society, by itself or its lodges or divisions, undertakes exclusively with members of the society the following insurance: [*Here enumerate briefly the kind or kinds of insurance undertaken: e. g., funeral benefits; or insurance against sickness, accident, disability, infirmity or old age; or contracts for the fidelity of members as financial officers of the society or any branch or lodge thereof; or endowment insurance, payable during lifetime of the assured; or insurance for a maximum amount of \$....., payable at death of the assured*]:

Vis.: Insurance undertaken by the society itself:

MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF
BENEFIT OR INSURANCE.

*Insurance undertaken by lodges or other divisions of
the society:*

Section 18 clearly demonstrates that it is the Order, and not any branch of it, which must be registered. In addition to this, there will be found in the correspondence had on this matter, and which will be in the possession of our Supreme Representatives, a letter from the Registrar clearly defining our position. Under the law, he is the only one who can determine whether we shall have registration or be debarred therefrom, and, therefore, we can not see why application could not have at once been made. The mere form of application entailed nothing, while the refusal to make it has placed the

Order in Ontario in an unenviable position, and has made the Registrar suspicious that there is something in our mode of conducting business which is desired to be concealed. This we know is not the case, but, on the contrary, we have the best and most complete system of any benevolent organization in existence, and we are anxious to comply with the law and maintain thereby the high reputation that, as an Order, we have hitherto enjoyed.

This new enactment has become law in our province, and we must abide by it, and, if registration is not obtained, the Grand Lodge, as well as every subordinate lodge, will have to cease working on December 31st.

We, therefore, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, ask that application for registry be made; and, in order to bring this matter before the Supreme Lodge, we have obtained an extension of time to September 30th.

Fraternally submitted,

GEORGE H. MITCHELL, *G. K. R. S.*

JOHN B. DAVIDSON, *G. C.*

This was referred to the Committee on State of the Order, before whom we appeared, and after explaining the circumstances of the case it was unanimously agreed to recommend the granting of the petition, and the following was submitted by the Committee and adopted by Supreme Lodge:

"Resolved, That Document 64, Ontario petition, be granted by this Supreme Lodge, and that the proper officers sign the necessary blanks for allowing the Grand Lodge of Ontario to make application to the Province of Ontario for permission to register, as required by law, provided the Grand Lodge of Ontario pay all expenses for such registration."

UNIFORM RANK TACTICS.

The grave and reverend face of Bro. Moulson vanished and a beautiful smile illumined his countenance when the following was adopted:

"Your committee, to whom has been referred Document 106, beg leave to report and recommend that divisions outside of the United States be permitted to adopt the tactics of the country wherein they are located; *provided*, that all such divisions shall use Carnahan's tactics whenever taking part in general parades of the Uniform Rank, either at the Supreme Lodge sessions or elsewhere, and when competing for prizes offered at such general parades."

SUPREME LODGE OFFICERS.

The following are the officers of the Supreme Lodge for the ensuing term:

GEO. B. SHAW, Sitting Past Supreme Chancellor	Eau Claire, Wis.
W. W. BLACKWELL, Supreme Chancellor	Henderson, Ky.
WALTER B. RICHIE, Supreme Vice-Chancellor	Lima, Ohio.
ELI T. BLACKMER, Supreme Prelate	San Diego, Cal.
S. J. WILLEY, Supreme Master of Exchequer	Wilmington, Del.
R. E. C. WHITE, S. K. of R. and S.	Nashville, Tenn.
J. A. HINSEY, President Board of Control	Chicago, Ill.
J. R. CARNAHAN, Major General	Indianapolis, Ind.
J. H. LYON, Supreme Master-at-Arms	Leavenworth, Kan.
A. B. GARDENIER, Supreme Inner Guard	Valatia, N. Y.
J. W. THOMPSON, Supreme Outer Guard	Washington, D. C.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING.

The beautiful city of Washington, D. C., was selected for the next place of meeting, and the time fixed was the fourth Tuesday in August, 1894.

CONCLUSION.

In closing this report there are many pleasant recollections and incidents come to mind which we would like to record, but space forbids. We desire, however, to say how pleased we were to meet and grasp by the hand our old friend and brother, who is still a member of Mystic Lodge, No. 1, Toronto, viz., Bishop Ussher. On the morning of August 27th he was present and addressed the Supreme Lodge, and extended a cordial invitation to all to attend divine service at his church on the following Sunday. Your Representatives fully intended to have been present but, unfortunately, sickness confined them to the hotel until late in the afternoon.

We must also mention the warm and hospital reception accorded us by the members of the British American Club, the freedom of whose rooms we enjoyed during our stay. The pleasant evening spent at a smoking concert given in honor of the Canadian delegates will long be remembered. And now, thanking the Grand Lodge for the confidence placed in us, and trusting that our report will meet with your approval, it is

Fraternally submitted,

D. J. PEACE,
G. H. MITCHELL,
Supreme Representatives.

The Grand Chancellor presented copies of appeals sent to him, which were referred to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances :

J. E. ASTON VS. FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 16.

F. G. WESTLAKE VS. MIZPAH LODGE, No. 22.

PAPERS SUBMITTED *Re* APPEAL OF J. E. ASTON.

1. Charge by Bro. A. Housen.
2. Evidence taken by Trial Committee.
3. Statement to Committee by J. E. Aston.
4. Report of Trial Committee.
5. Appeal of J. E. Aston.

WINDSOR, ONT., Sept. 19th, 1892.

To the Officers and Members of Friendship Lodge, No. 16 :

Dear Sirs and Brothers,—I hereby charge Bro. J. E. Aston with appropriating certain sums of money belonging to the above lodge for his own use, amounting to \$14.00, more or less.

Fraternally yours,

A. HOUSEN, *V. C.*

WINDSOR, October 12th, 1892.

To the Committee of Investigation, Friendship Lodge, No. 16 :

Dear Sirs and Brothers,—To set myself right before the Committee I deem it my duty to make the following statement of matters in which I have been connected while acting as K. of R. and S. in the above lodge.

I accepted the position of K. of R. and S. the night after I took the third rank, almost two years ago, and held it up to the time my resignation was accepted, about a month ago. Twice before that I had put in my resignation and the lodge would not accept it. My reason for doing so was that I did not have time enough to attend to it and my own business, as well as the other societies I am connected with.

PHILLIPS' MATTER.

The first time I remember this case was Bro. Stodwell handing some money to me on the street. I brought it before the lodge at the following meeting and handed the money to the Master of Finance, Bro. Fred. Housen, who handed it back to me, and I was instructed to write to him, saying it was not enough; this I did, and at the same time I returned the money to him, but in what manner I now forget. This was last year. Some time in the spring I

received another letter from Mr. Phillips enclosing \$3 which he said was for dues. This matter I also brought before the lodge, and tendered the money to the M. of F. (either Bro. Housen or Bro. Andrews). The lodge instructed me to write back, saying that he must pay 25 cents for every year he was over thirty. He was then about fifty-eight or sixty. This I did, and did not hear anything more until September, when I was working on the organization of the new lodge and about to put in my resignation, when I received another letter containing an express order for \$6 which order I took to the express office and had them give me another for it to return to Phillips. I had requested the agent to send the order from Phillips back, but he said the only way to do it was to get the order cashed and then have another order made for the amount; this I did, without leaving the office. This was just before I put in my resignation, and I did not attend a single meeting between the time I received the order and the time I sent it back, and the only meeting that was held between that time was when I was attending my father's funeral at Brantford, and I never handled one cent of the money. The reason I returned it was because I was going in the new lodge and wanted to clear everything up. At the same time, or shortly after, I sent the previous \$3 back and enclosed the two orders to Bro. Phillips, telling him I was going to leave the lodge and to write to W. R. Andrews, the M. of F., and let him settle the matter as I had been unable to. This was before any charge was spoken of or placed against me in the lodge. A few days later, and after I heard that I was going to be put to some trouble through a piece of spite on the part of Alex. Housen, I hunted for the first receipt for \$4, and not being able to find it, and knowing that I would be treated in an unfair manner by two or three in the lodge, I also sent an order for \$4 and asked Bro. Phillips to return the same to me if he remembered having received it before. These three receipts I gave into the hands of the M. of F. before any charge was laid, and the man making the charge handled the receipts before he made the charge against me. These receipts were in the lodge room, before any charge was laid.

SMILEY'S MATTER.

Bro. Smiley got me to put his card in the lodge, and told me he would pay me later. I got Fred. Housen to pay the money. Smiley gave me the money about three month later, and I paid Fred. Housen before this charge was laid.

SHARPE'S MATTER.

I got Fred. Sharpe to give me his application for the lodge, and told him I would put it in the new lodge if it started, which I did, and paid the doctor for the examination myself, although Sharpe promised to pay half. He never told me he did not think he should pay it. This receipt was dated and had been paid before this charge was laid. Sharpe wanted to go in the new lodge.

I make this statement and am willing to swear to the truth of it.

The reason the charge was laid was because I owed the *informer* an account, and he stated to me that unless it was paid he would not allow me to become a member of the new lodge.

I can prove the above by witnesses if necessary, but I am anxious for the matter to come to a conclusion.

Yours in F. C. and B.,

J. E. ASTON.

WINDSOR, Oct. 19th, 1892.

*To the Chancellor Commander and Members of Friendship Lodge, No. 16,
K. of P.:*

Brothers,—We, the Trial Committee in the case of *Housen vs. Aston*, beg leave to submit the evidence taken and recommend that the whole matter, with the separate opinions of the Committee, be placed before the lodge.

Faternally submitted,

MORRIS LING.
JOHN STUART.
C. SPRAGUE.
GEO. McNALLY.

My conclusion is that there has been temporary appropriation.

In the Phillips case :—Neglect.

J. STUART.

In the Sharpe case :—Temporary appropriation.

M. LING.

As far as I see according to the evidence :

Phillips case :—Neglect.

Smiley case :—Cannot come to any conclusion.

Sharpe case :—Temporary appropriating.

C. SPRAGUE.

My opinion, according to the evidence taken, is that Bro. Aston has appropriated money belonging to Friendship Lodge.

GEO. McNALLY.

As one of the Committee appointed to investigate charges preferred against Bro. J. E. Aston my opinion is that he has been guilty of gross neglect of duty as an officer of the lodge, and that he has had money in his possession which should have been turned into the lodge.

As far as appropriation of money is concerned, I cannot conscientiously say whether he did or did not appropriate said money.

WM. RIDDEL.

FRIENDSHIP LODGE *vs.* J. E. ASTON.

To the Officers and Members of Friendship Lodge, No. 16, K. P.:

Take notice, that I intend to and do hereby appeal from the decision of Friendship Lodge (given at the last meeting) to the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Ontario.

I appeal from the decision of the above lodge on the following grounds:

1. That a brother did not have a right to lay a charge of this nature.
2. That the offence charged does not come under the rules.
3. That the charge does not specify any "points of complaint."
4. That no written notice was given the defendant of any of the committee meetings.
5. That only a few hours notice was verbally given of such meetings and no notice whatever of the last one.
6. That at the said last meeting, when the examination closed, the Committee had no place to meet, as the hall was engaged and they say they waited at the door.
7. That the defendant was never consulted as to a meeting.
8. That the defendant did not have the chance to call a single witness.
9. That matters not concerning the charge were allowed in evidence.
10. That evidence was allowed outside and not according to the regular form.
11. That the defendant was not allowed to see any written evidence against him.
12. That the trial should have been conducted by the lodge, or one appointed by it.
13. That the K. of R. and S. was instructed by vote of the lodge to notify the members when the vote was to take place by the lodge, and he did not do so.
14. That through no notice being sent, the plaintiff got only the members who would vote against the defendant present when the vote was taken.
15. That the charge was laid by plaintiff through spite.
16. That the trial was not conducted fairly, because some of the committee,

witnesses and members were opposed to the starting of a new lodge which the plaintiff took an active interest in and got a large number of members for.

17. That the proceedings were taken to keep the defendant from getting a withdrawal card to go into the new lodge.

18. That all the witnesses were examined by the plaintiff and not by the Committee.

19. That no obligation was administered to witnesses.

20. That the trial was not conducted according to the "code of procedure."

21. That the evidence did not sustain the charge.

22. That no "criminal intent" is shown or proved.

23. That the Committee made no report to the lodge when the vote was taken.

24. That no moneys were held by the plaintiff when the charge was laid.

25. That as none of the money was ever accepted by Friendship lodge it was not their money.

26. That no secret was made of having the money.

27. That no evidence is shown that the defendant used said money.

28. That the defendant could have shown that he never used a cent of the money if he had had a chance to do so, but he was not allowed to do so.

The defendant therefore asks that the Grand Lodge of Ontario will :

1. Reverse the decision of Friendship Lodge.

2. Order a new trial by another lodge, or

3. Order a new trial by Friendship Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. ASTON,

Defendant.

WINDSOR, ONT., Oct. 31st, 1892.

APPEAL OF F. G. WESTLAKE.

LONDON, February 11th, 1893.

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

Sirs,—Some two or three years since, by the action of a committee appointed by Mizpah Lodge, No. 22, to investigate a charge against me of

divulging the secret work of the Order, I was suspended from the Order. A recital of the facts in connection therewith will, perhaps, not be amiss.

* * * * *

I would respectfully ask your-honorable body to remove my suspension and allow me to re-enter the Order in another lodge, in support of which I could give you a petition from nine-tenths of the members of the K. of P. in London, and among which would be the Committee who dealt with the case. I can only assure you I had no intention of doing wrong and hope you will see fit to cover me again with the broad mantle of F. C. B. I am,

Sincerely yours,

FRANK G. WESTLAKE,
35 Briscoe, South London.

On the roll of lodges being called for the presentation of business, Representative Hodder, of No. 5, presented the following :

CRUSADER LODGE, No. 5, K. OF P.

PORT ARTHUR, June 6th, 1893.

The Representatives of Crusader Lodge are requested to do all in their power to have the Grand Lodge hold its next session in this town.

J. K. WHITCOMB, C. C.
GEO. HODDER, *K. of R. and S.*

[SEAL.]

We, the undersigned citizens of the town of Port Arthur, do hereby pledge ourselves that, in the event of the Grand Lodge of the Knights of Pythias holding their convention here in 1894, we will do all in our power to entertain them and make their visit as pleasant as possible.

Signed by 65 citizens.

TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT, CORPORATION OFFICES,

No. H. 592.
R. 5-6.5-93.

PORT ARTHUR, 6th June, 1893.

Dear Sir,—The following resolution has been adopted by this Council :

“That this Council, having heard that the Knights of Pythias Lodge No. 5 are desirous of getting the Grand Lodge of said Order to hold its next meeting, in 1894, at Port Arthur, hereby expresses its pleasure at such action,

and desires to extend its help to the local lodge in its efforts to get the Grand Lodge to hold its meeting at Port Arthur."

I am, dear sir,

Yours truly,

W. H. LANGWORTHY,

Town Clerk.

Mr. COUNCILLOR HODDER, Port Arthur.

Representative King, of No. 25, moved that a Special Committee of three be appointed to whom all matters relating to the next place of meeting of this Grand Lodge be referred, which was adopted.

The Grand Chancellor appointed Representatives McRobert, of No. 39, Robinson, of No. 15, and Fox, of No. 20.

Representative McWhinney, of No. 16, presented the following, which was referred to the Special Committee on next place of meeting:

FRIENDSHIP LODGE, NO. 16, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS,
WINDSOR, ONT., June 12th, 1893.

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, K. of P., Petrolia, Ont.:

Brethren,—This lodge herewith extends to you its unanimous and most cordial invitation to hold the next meeting of the Grand Lodge in our City during June, 1894.

[SEAL.]

GEO. BREEN, C. C.

M. LERIS, *K. of R. and S.*

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

MENISS LODGE, NO. 19, KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS,
CHAPLEAU, ONT., January 11th, 1893.

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

The undersigned, by authority and on behalf of Meniss Lodge, No. 19, of Chapleau, working under a dispensation dated 24th November, 1891, would respectfully report that our lodge is in good working condition, and that its future prospects of permanency are also good. The officers are punctual in the performance of their duties, and the attendance of the members is regular.

The membership now numbers 38, being an increase of 19 since institution, and we have \$296 in the treasury.

We, therefore, pray that your Grand body will grant the lodge a charter, and enclose herewith the fee of \$5.

Dated this 11th day of January, 1893.

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[SEAL.]

SAMUEL HICKS, C. C.
THOS. MCPHERSON, K. R. S.

Representative Young, of No. 35, presented the following, which was referred to the Special Committee on next place of meeting :

WINDSOR, June 12th, 1893.

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

Dear Sirs and Brothers,—I feel confident if, in your wisdom, you should decide to meet in our fair city of Windsor, one year hence, that the Order would be benefited thereby.

Yours F. C. B.,

[SEAL.]

D. WILLIS MASON,
C. C., Windsor, No. 35.

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

That, in addition to the duties prescribed in the ritual, the Master of Work shall see that every officer, member and visitor entering a lodge records, in a register to be provided for that purpose, his name, address and lodge to which he belongs, and that the Keeper of Records and Seal shall have charge of such book.

To amend Section 32, Sub. lodge cons., by striking out the word "in" in the second line after the word "standing," and insert "who have attended at least thirty-three and one-third per cent. of the regular meetings held by."

Strike out all before the word "elect," in the fifth line of same section, and insert "Each lodge shall nominate at the last regular meeting in April and at the first regular meeting in May, nominate and."

To amend Sec. 58, Sub. lodge cons., by inserting after the word "trustee," in the first line, the words "Grand Lodge Representative," and after the word "duty," in the second line insert the words "or non-attendance at lodge."

C. H. WALLIS, of No. 1.
THOS. SHORTISS, of No. 1.
JOHN S. KING, of No. 25.
B. J. LEUBSDORF, of No. 23.
G. C. FOWLIE, of No. 28.

Representative McConnell, of No. 12, 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 Chacellor as refers to "Surrender of charter of Rienzi Lodge," "District Deputy Grand Chancellors," "New Lodges," "Literature," "Official Visits," and the sixth and eighth recommendations, be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.
2. That so much as refers to "Opinions and Rulings," "Dispensations," "By-Laws and Amendments," "Supreme Representation," and the first, second, third and fourth recommendations be referred to the Committee on Law and Supervision.
3. That the fifth recommendation be referred to the Committee on Appeals and Grievances.
4. That the seventh recommendation be referred to the Committee on Finance.
5. That the Reports of the several District Deputy Grand Chancellors be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.
6. That so much of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal as refers to "State of the Order," "New Lodges," "Registration of the Order," "Membership of Subordinate Lodges," "Numerical and Financial Statements," and "Finances of Subordinate Lodges" be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.
7. That so much as refers to "Endowment Rank," be referred to a Special Committee.
8. That so much as refers to "Semi-Annual Returns," be referred to Committee on Credentials and Returns.
9. That so much as refers to "Finances of Grand Lodge," "Statement of all Accounts in Ledger," "Details of Profit and Loss Account," and "Detailed Financial Statement," be referred to Committee on Finance.
10. That the Report of the Grand Master of Exchequer be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. MCCONNELL, of No. 12.
THOS. SOOLE, of No. 30.
R. POULTON, of No. 36.

Representative Jorgenson, of No. 25, from the Committee on Printing, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

TORONTO, May 31st, 1893.

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, Knights of Pythias :

Your Committee on Printing begs leave to report that during the past year it has had printed 5,000 pamphlets (an exposition of the origin and principals of our Order), by John S. King, P. G. C.

The contract for the printing of the above pamphlet was awarded to the Journal Printing Co., of St. Thomas, theirs being the lowest tender received.

Your Committee would also report that tenders were procured for the printing of 800 copies of this session's Journal, and for 1,000, 2,000 or 3,000 copies of constitution and sundry stationery. The tenders of Messrs. Miller & Soole being the lowest, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal was instructed to forward them the advance reports, and the various tenders are herewith attached for examination, if desired.

Fraternally submitted.

THEO. JØRGENSON, of No. 25.

A. A. KNOX, of No. 18.

WM. C. MACDONALD, of No. 30.

Representative Leubsdorf, of No. 23, offered the following, which was referred to Committee on State of the Order :

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge appoint, during this session, two or more auditors, as may be required, to comply with Section 29 (1), 55 Vic., Cap. 39, Insurance Corporations Act, 1892.

On motion of the Grand Master of Exchequer the Grand Lodge adjourned to reassemble at 2.30 o'clock.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 2.30. On roll call the following answered to their names:

F. J. FITZGERALD.....	Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.
J. B. DAVIDSON	Grand Chancellor.
W. E. RISPEN	Grand Vice Chancellor.
W. M. ENGLISH.....	Grand Prelate.
G. H. MITCHELL	Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
D. J. PEACE.....	Grand Master of Exchequer.
W. J. CARKEEK.....	Grand Master-at-Arms.
W. C. MAPLEDORAM.....	Grand Inner Guard.
E. W. PYKE	Grand Outer Guard.
P. D. MCKELLAR	Past Grand Chancellor.

And Grand Representatives Wallis and Shortiss, of No. 1; Graham and Richardson, of No. 2; Attwood and Brown, of No. 3; Scholes and Bemister, of No. 4; Cooke and Hodder, of No. 5; Bell and McConnell, of No. 12; Knight, of No. 14; Robinson, of No. 15; McWhinney and Blackwood, of No. 16; Pitkin and Van Tuyl, of No. 17; Cluff, of No. 18; Fox and Murrell, of No. 20; Whittaker and Hill, of No. 22; Leubsdorf, of No. 23; King and Jorgenson, of No. 25; Fowlie, of No. 28; Soole and Macdonald, of No. 30; Smith and Southcott, of No. 33; Young, of No. 35; Poulton, of No. 36 and McRobert, of No. 37.

RECEPTION OF SUPREME CHANCELLOR.

Supreme Chancellor W. W. Blackwell, being announced, was admitted under escort of the Supreme Representatives, introduced to the Grand Lodge by Supreme Representative Peace and received with Supreme Honors, after which he was conducted to a seat at the right of the Grand Chancellor.

The Grand Chancellor welcomed him on behalf of the Grand Lodge, and called on Past Supreme Representative King to welcome him on behalf of the Order in this jurisdiction, which was done in the doctor's well-known felicitous manner.

The Supreme Chancellor responded, and held the undivided attention of the Grand Lodge for over two hours. His address was full of information and interest, and contained many valuable

suggestions regarding the detail work of the Order as a whole, and the lodges in particular. His reference to the Endowment Rank brought this important branch of the Order before the Representatives in a new light, and if they carry home and lay before their lodges the ideas and suggestions made, and put them into practical operation, the visit of the Supreme Chancellor will not have been made in vain.

Sitting Past Chancellor Fitzgerald offered the following :

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this Grand Lodge be and are hereby tendered to the Supreme Chancellor for the many valuable suggestions made, goodwill expressed, and encouragement given, in the course of his excellent address, to this Grand body.

Resolved, That while this Grand Lodge would, at all times, be pleased to receive the head of the Order, yet, on this occasion, he is more than welcome from the fact that this is the first time it has been honored with a visit since the late lamented and beloved P. S. C., S. S. Davis was here in 1877.

Past Grand Chancellor McKellar seconded the resolution with a few remarks, and it was unanimously adopted with great applause, which the Supreme Chancellor gracefully acknowledged.

The Grand Inner Guard announced that several Past Chancellors were waiting to receive the Grand Lodge rank. The Grand Master-at Arms retired and introduced the following, who were duly obligated and instructed :

Chas. Endress and A. K. Sturgeon..... of No. 17
John Easton and J. H. Lambert " 40

Representative Van Tuyl, of No. 17, on behalf of the Reception Committee of Petrolia Lodge, extended an invitation to the Grand Lodge to attend a lecture by Col. J. B. Powell, this evening at eight o'clock, in the Opera House, and for a drive through the oil region to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock, which was accepted.

The Supreme Chancellor then exemplified the secret work and explained the working of the new ritual, after which, at 7.30 o'clock, the Grand Lodge adjourned until to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY, JUNE 14TH, 9 O'CLOCK, A.M.

The Grand Lodge was called to order and the session opened with prayer by the Grand Prelate.

On roll call the following answered to their names :

F. J. FITZGERALD	Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.
J. B. DAVIDSON	Grand Chancellor.
W. E. RISPEN	Grand Vice Chancellor.
W. M. ENGLISH	Grand Prelate.
GEO. H. MITCHELL	Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
D. J. PEACE	Grand Master of Exchequer.
W. J. CARKEEK	Grand Master-at-Arms.
W. C. MAPLEDORAM	Grand Inner Guard.
E. W. PYKE	Grand Outer Guard.
P. D. MCKELLAR	Past Grand Chancellor.

And Grand Representatives Wallis and Shortiss, of No. 1; Graham and Richardson, of No. 2; Attwood and Brown, of No. 3; Scholes and Bemister, of No. 4; Cooke and Hodder, of No. 5; Webb, of No. 10; Bell and McConnell, of No. 12; Knight, of No. 14; Robinson, of No. 15; McWhinney and Blackwood, of No. 16; Pitkin and Van Tuyl, of No. 17; Cluff, of No. 18; Fox and Murrel, of No. 20; Whittaker and Hill, of No. 22; King and Jorgenson, of No. 25; Fowlie, of No. 28; Soole and Macdonald, of No. 30; Smith and Southcott, of No. 33; Young, of No. 35; Poulton, of No. 36 and McRobert, of No. 37.

Representative Smith, of No. 33, presented the following, which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order :

SOUTH LONDON, June 12th, 1893.

To the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Ontario :

The undersigned, on behalf and by the authority of London Lodge, No. 33, working under dispensation dated March 2nd, 1892, respectfully request your honorable body to grant us a charter in lieu of dispensation.

Our lodge is in good working order, every officer being an enthusiastic and attentive Knight, all working in harmony, and adding to our members every meeting. Our increase since institution has not been so large as some lodges, but this is accounted for by our desire to have quality instead of quantity predominate in our membership. We have an increase of 14 since last year and our attendance is good and regular. We have over \$125 in the treasury and have 30 members.

We therefore pray that your Grand body will grant us the charter, and enclose herewith the fee of five dollars.

Dated this 12th day of June, 1893.

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[SEAL.]

W. S. PARTRIDGE, C. C.

S. THREAPLETON, K. of R. and S.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal read the following telegram, which was ordered spread on the minutes and acknowledged :

NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C., June 14th, 1893.

G. H. MITCHELL, *Knights of Pythias, Petrolia :*

Grand Lodge of British Columbia send fraternal greetings to Grand Lodge of Ontario.

WM. K. LEIGHTON, G. K. R. S.

The Grand Chancellor presented the following account, which was referred to the Committee on Finance :

LONDON, January, 1893.

The Grand Lodge, K. of P., Ontario,

To W. F. McNEIL, Dr.

To organizing Galt Lodge, No. 38.....\$25 00

Also the following telegram, which was ordered spread on the minutes .

TORONTO, June 14th, 1893.

J. B. DAVIDSON, *Grand Chancellor, K. of P., Petrolia :*

Ivanhoe Lodge sends loyal greetings to Grand Lodge.

WILL JOYCE, C. C.

Representative Bell, of No. 12, from the Committee on Credentials and Returns, presented the following report, which was adopted :

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

Your Committee on Credentials and Returns, to whom was referred the semi-annual returns of the various lodges, begs to report :

For the term ending June 30th, 1892, we find the returns of Red Cross, No. 3; Damon, No. 6; Algoma, No. 11; Rathbone, No. 12; Aurora, No. 13; Olive, No. 14; Mizpah, No. 22; Ontario, No. 25, and Bismarck, No. 31, correct in every particular.

The following are incorrect, for reasons stated :

Mystic, No. 1 :

J. W. Sutherland is not a Past Chancellor.

Myrtle, No. 2 :

Two applications and date of conferring Page rank on one omitted ; number of Knights should be 27 instead of 28.

Ivanhoe, No. 4 :

A suspended member reported as the Sitting Past Chancellor ; a suspended Past Chancellor included in the list of active Past Chancellors ; number of Past Chancellors, 15, Knights, 26, should be 14 and 26 respectively.

Crusader, No. 5 :

Fees for ranks not detailed.

Rokely, No. 9 :

Three Past Chancellors omitted from list and consequent error in rank membership ; \$4.10 of invested funds omitted from total amount, which should be \$264.49 instead of \$260.39.

Prospect, No. 10 :

One Esquire and seven Pages omitted and consequent error in rank membership ; details of members and fees for ranks not complete ; \$48.37 drawn for investment, and \$760.69 reported as invested, not shewn under invested funds.

Marmion, No. 15 :

Officers not given ; error of \$10 too much in addition of receipts to previous balance.

Friendship, No. 16 :

No Report received for this term.

Petrolia, No. 17 :

Four applications and one Esquire omitted ; details of receipts for ranks not given.

Queen City No 18 :

Initiations should be 20 instead of 19, and number of Pages 6 instead of 5, making an error of one in total number and 70 cents short in per capita tax.

Meniss, No. 19 :

Three Past Chancellors omitted.

Perseverance, No. 23 :

Eight reported suspended, five of whom had been returned in previous reports, and three more reported as having been admitted, two of the latter having been members of a defunct lodge, to whom cards had not been granted ; report not dated or signed by auditors.

Dufferin, No. 28 :

Officers, Past Chancellors and rank membership not given ; fees for ranks in total instead of being detailed.

Toronto, No. 30 :

Fees for ranks not given, and amounts received out of all proportion to numbers returned.

Sicily, No. 32 :

Fifteen Knights reported, should be 11 ; not signed by auditors.

London, No. 33 :

Three applications, two dates of conferring Page rank and one P. C. omitted, and consequent error in rank membership.

Oil Springs, No. 34 :

Not signed by K. of R. and S.

For the term ending December 31st, 1892, we find the following correct :

Red Cross, No. 3 ; Crusader, No. 5 ; Rathbone, No. 12 ; Olive, No. 14 ; Petrolia, No. 17 ; Mizpah, No. 22 ; Ontario, No. 25 ; Toronto, No. 30 ; Bismarck, No. 31 ; Sicily, No. 32 ; Oil Springs, No. 34 ; Windsor, No. 35 ; Calanthe, No. 36, and Columbian, No. 37.

The following are incorrect, for reasons stated :

Mystic, No. 1 :

Bro. J. W. Sutherland still reported as a P. C.

Myrtle, No. 2 :

Initiations reported as 5 should be 4, making number of members 38 instead of 37 ; retiring C. C. should not be counted as a P. C.

Ivanhoe, No. 4 :

One P. C. omitted, viz., Wm. Usler.

Damon, No. 6 :

Report not dated.

Rokeby, No. 9 :

P. C's. Stevens, Dobie and Wooliver omitted.

Prospect, No. 10 :

Five Pages omitted ; Whitehead suspended but never reported as having received rank of Knight ; retiring C. C. counted as a P. C. ; error in reporting invested funds which should be lodge property.

Algoma, No. 11 :

One initiation not counted, which would make 55 members instead of 54.

Aurora, No. 13 :

Retiring C. C. reported as a P. C. and as having been elected Representative when not eligible ; number receiving ranks, fees for same and amount received do not agree ; the C. C. and K. of R. and S. were the auditors of the lodge, which is wrong in principle and should not be tolerated. Your Committee recommend that the attention of the lodge be drawn to this matter and notified that it is contrary to all precedent and the recognised procedure of our Order.

Marmion, No. 15 :

The error of \$10 in last report brought forward, and a further error of \$1 made in deducting the expenses from receipts ; also an error of \$20 in making total of assets.

Friendship No. 16 :

Report not dated ; balance brought forward cannot be verified, as no report was submitted last term. Your Committee recommend that the S. A. P. W. for next term be withheld from this lodge until report is submitted.

Queen City, No. 18 :

One reinstatement reported but no fee for same ; a memo. on report states fee has been charged to account of reinstated member. Your Committee desire to draw the attention of Grand Lodge to this violation of a plain rule of the constitution, and would recommend that the incoming Grand Chancellor place the matter in the hands of his Deputy with instructions to see that the fee is paid into the exchequer of the lodge ; that it be notified by the G. K. R. S. that any further violation of the constitution will subject it to a suspension of its charter, and that until a settlement is made the S. A. P. W. for the ensuing term be withheld.

Meniss, No. 19 :

The retiring C. C. reported as having been elected Representative when not eligible.

Perseverance, No. 23 :

Report not dated or signed by auditors.

Dufferin, No. 28 :

Retiring officers of 1892 not given ; fees for ranks not detailed, and error in receipts of \$8.06.

London, No. 33 :

E. Holland omitted from Past Chancellors.

Your Committee find that many lodges still continue the old practice of accepting one dollar with applications, while the constitution provides that it must be the amount prescribed as the fee to be received for initiation. (See Sec. 79, Sub. Lodge Cons.)

Your Committee are pleased to report that most of the returns are neatly prepared, but, as will be seen from the foregoing, require more care in the detail work. In regard to the length of time which it takes some lodges to make their returns there can be no possible excuse and may, in the future, have serious effects on our standing unless considerable improvement is made. The Supreme Lodge fines Grand Lodges one dollar per day for each day reports are delayed after April 1st of each year, and your Committee would recommend that some action be taken by this Grand Lodge so that subordinate lodges may be compelled to be more punctual in making their returns.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. A. BELL, NO. 12.

THOS. McWHINNEY, NO. 16.

WILLIAM SMITH, NO. 33.

The Grand Chancellor stated that he had omitted to appoint a Special Committee on Endowment Rank as recommended by the Committee on Distribution, and would now appoint Representatives Robinson, of No. 15 ; Webb, of No. 10, and Sturgeon, of No. 17.

Representative King, of No. 25, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following Report :

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

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom were referred certain portions of the Report of the Grand Chancellor, begs leave to report that it has given consideration thereto and submit the following :

1. Your Committee note with regret the loss of Rienzi Lodge which was, as the Grand Chancellor states, the banner lodge of the west, and would recommend that an earnest effort be made by the incoming Grand Chancellor to effect its restoration.

2. We congratulate the Grand Chancellor on the reorganization of No. 23 and are pleased to see that its members are endeavoring to live up to their name. Their motto should be just what the old Negro said was the meaning of perseverance—"Hang on, stick tight and never let go."

3. It is a source of gratification to know that the S. L. reception deficit has been wiped out and it reflects great credit upon the Order. We believe that no other organization of same numerical size could have stood up under such a gigantic load. With such a record behind no one need have any fear of the future prospects of the Knights of Ontario.

4. We are pleased to learn that the deputies generally have been an aid and help to their chief. Too often is it the case that with the installation of the officers of a lodge their work begins and ends, and instead of being a source of strength they have been a weakness, for the members are very apt to follow the example set by those in authority. For some time past there has been a great change for the better, and each year has shown a decided improvement. The reports submitted to the Grand Chancellor speak for themselves and need no extended remarks from us, yet we cannot help drawing attention to the report of the Deputy for No. 1 District in regard to his official visits. An average of ten visits each to eight lodges, during the year, must surely have had an encouraging effect on the lodges under his control, and speaks volumes for his interest in the Order. We regret that a few Deputies have been recreant to the trust confided to them, and trust that their successors will do what the Grand Chancellor suggests, viz., see the necessity of upholding the hands of him who honors them with the appointment.

5. We congratulate the Grand Chancellor, and the Order in this jurisdiction, on the addition of several new lodges during the past year, and desire to express our hearty approval and commendation upon his administration together with the hope that his successor may be able to show at the least as good a record.

6. We thoroughly approve the action of the Grand Chancellor in regard to the publication of the pamphlet on the "Object and Aims of the Order," and believe that more good to the Order will result therefrom than had the cost been devoted in the direction originally intended.

7. The official visits of the Grand Chancellor appear to have been made most agreeable and pleasant to him and, with the exception of his failure in regard to Rienzi, have been beneficial to the various lodges visited. If Grand Chancellors will follow the example set by the Supreme Chancellor as exemplified to us yesterday, viz., first of all know the details of both lodge and ritualistic work as well as a general knowledge of the work of the Order at large, and then when they visit a lodge take off their coats and pitch right in earnest, giving credit where credit is due and not sparing censure when

deserved, then, indeed, will official visitations be productive of good results. From all accounts such was the course adopted by our Grand Chancellor and consequently the object of his visits was attained.

We notice that he was unable in some cases to arrange dates which would suit both the lodge and himself, and consequently a few lodges were left unvisited. This could be obviated by calling on the Grand Vice Chancellor who, under the constitution, is his assistant, and the territory might be divided, thus covering the whole ground at a less expenditure of time and, very often, expense.

8. In regard to the sixth and eighth recommendations they have our most hearty approval and would recommend them for adoption, as we believe the expense entailed would be more than counterbalanced by the good results that will be obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. KING, of No. 25.

B. S. VAN TUYL, of No. 17.

C. W. ATTWOOD, of No. 3.

The Report was considered seriatim and adopted.

Also, from the same Committee, 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 were referred certain portions of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, begs to report as follows :

1. In regard to that portion under the caption "State of the Order," referring to the increase in Ontario it must, to the older members who have stood to their colors through good and bad report, be extremely gratifying to see the Order surely and steadily growing. As to the exhibit made of the entire membership the growth of the Order has simply been phenomenal.

2. Had the recommendation of this Committee, made last year, been acted upon it would appear that Native Valley Lodge would, most likely, have been on our active list at this time, but as we have in our previous report already covered the ground of this subject no further consideration at this time is necessary.

3. We have much pleasure in expressing our approval of the action taken by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal in regard to securing the registration of the Order as required by the Insurance Corporations' Act, and trust that

necessary steps will at once be taken for renewal. We would recommend that the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal be authorized to apply on behalf of this Grand Lodge for its incorporation, and that the executive officers be authorized to instruct said officer to secure the incorporation of all the subordinate lodges in this jurisdiction, if the same, in their judgment, be deemed expedient or necessary:

4. For the purpose of carrying the foregoing into effect the executive officers shall be the incoming Sitting Past Grand Chancellor, Grand Chancellor, Grand Vice Chancellor, Grand Master of Exchequer and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, who shall meet at the call of the Grand Chancellor at such time and place as he may designate. It is also recommended that the above officers constitute a permanent Executive Board, and that this stand as a notice of motion to amend the constitution, and that the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal draft the duties of such a board or committee and publish the same in connection herewith in the Journal of Proceedings.

5. The numerical and financial statements furnish food for thought and comparison and are recommended to the consideration of the various lodges for examination. It is gratifying to note a decrease in the number of suspensions, but they are still far too many. The remarks on this subject by our Supreme Chancellor are worth being remembered, and should be repeated by representatives in their respective lodges for the benefit of the Master of Finance.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. KING, of No. 25.

B. S. VAN TUYL, of No. 17.

C. W. ATTWOOD, of No. 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 were referred the resolution *re* auditors and the applications for charters by Meniss Lodge, No. 19, and London Lodge, No. 33, begs leave to report :

1. In regard to the resolution of Representative Leubsdorf, we are of the opinion that he has misread the intent and meaning of the Act which simply provides for the appointment of two or more auditors who shall not be *officers* of the society, while we think he is under the impression that they cannot be *members*, but to avoid any possibility of error we would recommend that authority be given to the Grand Chancellor to appoint auditors when the necessity of the case requires it.

2. We have examined the applications for charters of Meniss Lodge, No. 19, and London Lodge, No. 33, in connection with the reports of said lodges, and consider their present condition and future prospects are such as to warrant the granting of the requests and would so recommend.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. KING, of No. 25.
B. S. VAN TUYL, of No. 17.
C. W. ATTWOOD, of No. 3.

The Grand Lodge adjourned at 12.30 p.m. until 2.30 p.m.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 2.30 o'clock. On roll call the following answered to their names :

F. J. FITZGERALD	.....	Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.
J. B. DAVIDSON	.....	Grand Chancellor.
W. E. RISPEN	.....	Grand Vice Chancellor.
W. M. ENGLISH	.....	Grand Prelate.
GEO. H. MITCHELL	.....	Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
D. J. PEACE	.....	Grand Master of Exchequer.
W. J. CARKEK	.....	Grand Master-at-Arms.
W. C. MAPLEDORAM	.....	Grand Inner Guard.
E. W. PYKE	.....	Grand Outer Guard.
P. D. MCKELLAR	.....	Past Grand Chancellor.

And Grand Representatives Wallis and Shortiss, of No. 1; Graham and Richardson, of No. 2; Attwood and Brown, of No. 3; Scholes and Bgmister, of No. 4; Cooke and Hodder, of No. 5; Webb, of No. 10; Bell and McConnell, of No. 12; Knight, of No. 14; Robinson, of No. 15; McWhinney, of No. 16; Pitkin and Van Tuyl, of No. 17; Cluff, of No. 18; Fox and Murrell, of No. 20; Whittaker, of No. 22; King and Jorgenson, of No. 25; Fowlie, of No. 28; Soole and Macdonald, of No. 30; Smith and Southcott, of No. 33; Young, of No. 35; Poulton, of No. 36 and McRobert, of No. 37.

Representative King, of No. 25, moved that a committee be appointed to draft resolutions expressing the appreciation of the Grand Lodge for the many courtesies received at the hands of the citizens and members of the order in Petrolia, which was carried.

The Grand Chancellor appointed Representatives King, of No. 25; Shortiss, of No. 1; and McRobert, of No. 37.

Representative Pitkin, of No. 17, from the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, presented the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT No. 1 OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, to whom was referred the appeal of Bro. J. E. Aston *vs.* Friendship Lodge, No. 16, begs to report that the documents submitted are not at all in accordance with the constitution as regards the submission of appeals. There are no copies of the minutes of the lodge in reference to the matter, no answer of the lodge to the appeal, and the evidence submitted is not certified by the lodge officers. We have, however, carefully examined the evidence and documents presented to us and find as follows:

1. That the charge, as preferred, is not sufficiently clear, being of too general a character, and being without specifications should not have been accepted by the lodge in such a shape.
2. That the report of the Trial Committee was not a proper report, and not sufficiently definite to warrant the lodge taking any action thereon.
3. That according to section 13 of the appeal the members of the lodge were not notified of the date on which the lodge was to take action, although the K. of R. and S. was instructed to do so, and this is not disputed by the lodge.
4. That from the evidence submitted we are inclined to the opinion that the lodge was not warranted in suspending the brother.

We therefore recommend that the whole matter be referred back to Friendship Lodge, and that it be instructed to give the appellant a new trial under the following conditions:

1. That the charge be presented in accordance with section 122 of the constitution.
2. That the trial be conducted, in all respects, in strict conformity with the code of procedure as provided in section 124.
3. That the trial be commenced within thirty days of receipt of notice from

the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, in default of which the brother shall be restored to all his rights and privileges as a member of Friendship Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

G. S. PITKIN, of No. 17.

W. P. COOKE, of No. 5.

W. J. CLUFF, of No. 18.

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

REPORT No. 2 OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, to whom was referred the appeal of Bro. F. G. Westlake *vs.* Mizpah Lodge, No. 22, beg leave to report that the brother's right of appeal has long been outlawed, and that the only way in which he can regain his membership would be by an application to his lodge to terminate his suspension.

Respectfully submitted,

G. S. PITKIN, of No. 17.

W. P. COOKE, of No. 5.

W. J. CLUFF, of No. 18.

Representative Bell, of No. 12, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following Report :

REPORT No. 1 OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom were referred certain portions of the report of the Grand Chancellor, begs leave to recommend :

1. That the decisions rendered by the Grand Chancellor be approved.
2. That the action of the Grand Chancellor in relation to by-laws and amendments to by-laws of subordinate lodges be approved.
3. That the dispensations granted, being in conformity with the constitution, be approved.
4. Your Committee join with the Grand Chancellor in regretting the circumstance which compelled the resignation of Bro. Dr. King as Supreme Representative, and approve the action of the Grand Chancellor in appointing Bro. G. H. Mitchell to fill out the unexpired term, and we desire to extend and express the thanks of the Grand Lodge to Bro. Mitchell for his successful efforts in obtaining registration under the Insurance Corporations Act.

5. That in the case of a lodge surrendering its charter while in a state of insolvency, the Grand Chancellor shall have power to act in the matter as he thinks best for the interests of the Order.

6. That the third recommendation be approved and recommended to the favorable consideration of the incoming Grand Chancellor.

7. Your Committee concur in the fourth recommendation, and would recommend that this Grand Lodge appoint an organizer, to be employed for a period not to exceed four months in the year, who shall devote his whole time and ability during such period in organizing new lodges and spreading the principles of the Order, said organizer to act under the control and direction of the Grand Chancellor.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. A. BELL, of No. 12.

GEO. HODDER, of No. 5.

WM. HILL, of No. 22.

The Report was considered *seriatim*. Sections 2, 3, 4, and 5 were adopted; sections 1, 6, and 7 were laid on the table and made the first order of business at evening session.

The Grand Lodge adjourned at 3 o'clock until 7.30 o'clock.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 7.30 o'clock. On roll call the following answered to their names:

F. J. FITZGERALD	.....	Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.
J. B. DAVIDSON	.....	Grand Chancellor.
W. E. RISPEN	.....	Grand Vice Chancellor.
W. M. ENGLISH	.....	Grand Prelate.
GEO. H. MITCHELL	.....	Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
D. J. PEACE	.....	Grand Master of Exchequer.
W. J. CARKEEK	.....	Grand Master-at-Arms.
W. C. MAPLEDORAM	.....	Grand Inner Guard.
E. W. PYKE	.....	Grand Outer Guard.
P. D. MCKELLAR	.....	Past Grand Chancellor.

And Grand Representatives Wallis and Shortiss, of No. 1; Graham and Richardson, of No. 2; Attwood and Brown, of No. 3; Scholes and Bemister,

of No. 4; Cooke and Hodder, of No. 5; Webb, of No. 10; Bell and McConnell, of No. 12; Knight, of No. 14; Robinson, of No. 15; McWhinney and Blackwood, of No. 16; Van Tuyl, of No. 17; Cluff, of No. 18; Fox and Murrell, of No. 20; Whittaker and Hill, of No. 22; King and Jorgenson, of No. 25; Fowlie, of No. 28; Soole and Macdonald, of No. 30; Smith, of No. 33; Young, of No. 35; Poulton, of No. 36, and McRobert, of No. 37.

The sections of the Report of the Committee on Law and Supervision which were laid on the table prior to adjournment were taken up.

Section 1 being under consideration, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal moved to refer it back to the Committee for further consideration in regard to lodge physician as sections of constitution referred to do not make it compulsory that a lodge physician must be a member of the lodge, which was not agreed to, and the section was adopted.

Section 6 was adopted.

Section 7, after some discussion, was laid on the table.

Representative Bell, of No. 12, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following Report:

REPORT No. 2 OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom were referred the amendments to the constitution of Grand and subordinate lodges, as set forth on pages 172 and 173, Journal of 1892, beg to recommend the adoption of the proposed amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. A. BELL, of No. 12.
GEO. HODDER, of No. 5.
WM. HILL, of No. 22.

Of the amendments recommended by the Committee—

The amendment to Sec. 1, Art. XX., G. L. Cons. was adopted.

The amendment to Sec. 1, Art. XVIII., G. L. Cons., was adopted.

The amendment to Sec. 3, Art. XVIII., G. L. Cons., was adopted.

The amendment to Rule 12, Sub. Lodge Cons., was rejected.

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 were referred certain proposed amendments to the constitution of subordinate lodges, begs leave to report that the same lay over, under the rules, until next session.

In regard to the proposed addition to the duties of the Master of Work, your Committee begs to report that this is a matter which must rest with each subordinate lodge and can be provided for in the by-laws.

Respectfully submitted, ✓

JAS. A. BELL, of No. 12.

GEO. HODDER, of No. 5.

W. J. CLUFF, of No. 18.

Representative Attwood, of No. 3, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented 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, begs to report.

1. It is a source of gratification to your committee to learn that this jurisdiction was represented in the parade of the Uniform Rank, and a pleasure to read of the reception which was accorded them.

2. The Journal of Proceedings of the Supreme Lodge having been distributed to the lodges it is unnecessary for us to further consider the statistics exhibited in the reports of the officers.

3. We find in the legislation of the session that the former law regarding the issuing of an order for the S. A. P. W. has been repealed, and that in future all orders must bear the date, plainly written in ink, upon which it is actually issued, and no order will be of any use except during the semi-annual term in which it is issued. This we consider is as it should be and will stop the securing of the P. W. for two terms upon one order.

4. The Supreme Lodge constitution having been amended so as to require Grand Lodges to fix the amount of the initiation fee, which shall also be the amount to be received with each application for membership, we

would recommend that this matter be referred to the Committee on Law to report in accordance therewith.

5. Your Committee desire to draw special attention to the following amendment made to the Supreme Lodge constitution :

“ No officer of a Grand Lodge now existing, or hereafter to be instituted, can be legally elected to a second office, or continue to hold two offices in said Grand Lodge at the same time.”

By itself it reads like a superfluous piece of legislation, but taken in conjunction with the decision of the Supreme Chancellor that Supreme Representatives are not officers of a Grand Lodge, which decision the Supreme Lodge reversed, it is found that it is not so harmless as it appears. We have carefully read the whole matter as reported by our Supreme Representatives, and also in the Supreme Lodge proceedings, and unhesitatingly express our disapprobation of the amendment as being entirely uncalled for and an interference with the rights and privileges of Grand Lodges, for which there was no necessity, as well as a curtailment of the usefulness of Past Grand Chancellors. It is within the memory of many of the older members of this Grand Lodge that had this amendment been always the law of the Order it would for years have been without representation on the floor of the Supreme Lodge, or else have been deprived of the services of one who has rendered long and faithful service in a very important office. The Grand Lodge would also have been debarred from exercising its freedom in the case of the chairman of this Committee and your present Grand Master of Exechequer and we have no doubt but what similar cases have and will appear in the history of other Grand Lodges. We recommend the following for adoption :

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Ontario most respectfully and emphatically protest against the legislation of the Supreme Lodge whereby the position of Supreme Representatives is converted into Grand Lodge officers that providing a precedent for making Grand Representatives officers of subordinate lodges and depriving it of the privilege of electing such of its Past Grand Chancellors as it may deem most fitted to represent it in Supreme Lodge.

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge fully concurs in the protest of Supreme Representative Hawkes, of Pennsylvania, as follows :

(1) That the ritual for Grand Lodges designates who are its officers, and provides for their installation, and that said ritual cannot be amended by the addition of other officers except as provided in the law pertaining to alteration of written and unwritten work.

(2) That Section 2, Article II., Supreme Lodge constitution, provides that Past Grand Chancellors are eligible (if elected) as Supreme Representatives, and no restrictions or conditions other than therein set forth can be adopted save only by amendment of said section.

(3) That the amendment of Supreme Representative Burns can not be deemed law, as it was offered and considered at one and the same session without unanimous consent; the consent that was given only permitted consideration of amendments to Article VI., as reported by the council of administration, the necessity for which having been suggested by the Supreme Chancellor in his report; the presumption being that there would be no objection to their adoption.

(4) That any proposed interference with Grand Lodges in their reserved right to be represented by Past Grand Chancellors of their choice, should be considered only after opportunity has been given grand jurisdictions to consider the same, which opportunity is provided for in Article XXIX., Supreme Lodge constitution, wherein it requires alterations and amendments to be presented at a regular session and action thereon deferred until the next succeeding session.

(5) That the action in applying the amendment to Article VI., "Mode of forming a Grand Lodge," to Grand Lodges already in existence, is retroactive, and was not germane to the question that was under consideration.

Resolved, That as Supreme Representative Mitchell raised objection to the consideration of the proposed amendment to the amendment, but was ruled out of order as unanimous consent had been given to the main question, it be a question for this Grand Lodge to consider whether it will not be in the interests of the Order for it to refuse to allow its Supreme Representatives to give consent to any proposed amendment to the Supreme Lodge constitution unless the same shall have laid over from a preceding session.

Resolved, That our Supreme Representatives be and are hereby instructed to support the proposed amendment on page 6344 S. L. Journal, whereby Supreme Representatives will be excluded from the present operation of Sec. 3, Art. VI., S. L. Cons.

6. Your Committee note with pleasure the very able presentation of the facts of the case in the petition for application for registry, but as this has already been referred to in a former report no further comment is necessary.

7. Your Committee can readily appreciate what pleasure it must have been to the Supreme Representatives to meet our old friend and brother Bishop Ussher, and are confident the feeling was fully reciprocated on his part.

8. We desire, on behalf of the Grand Lodge, to place on record its grateful acknowledgements of the warm and hospitable reception extended to our representatives by the British American Club of Kansas City, Mo., and that the same be duly acknowledged by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

Respectfully submitted,

B. S. VAN TUYL, of No. 17.
C. W. ATTWOOD, of No. 3.

Representative Robinson, of No, 15, from the Special Committee on Endowment Rank, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ENDOWMENT RANK.

Your Special Committee, to whom was referred that portion of the report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal referring to the Endowment Rank, begs to report :

1. Your Committee fully approve of the action of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal in complying with the request of the Board of Control to embody in his report a copy of its circular, showing the numerical and financial condition of the rank, as we believe too much publicity cannot be given to this most important branch of our Order.
2. We would draw special attention to that portion showing the standing of the rank in this jurisdiction, and urge upon all the Representatives the importance of increasing our proportion of its membership.
3. We would strongly urge the Representatives to bring the matter to the attention of their respective lodges, and have a good active member appointed to work up applications for membership in existing sections or for the foundation of sections where there are none at present.
4. Your Committee believe, if the suggestions made yesterday by the Supreme Chancellor on this subject are acted upon, that the rank can be materially increased throughout Ontario and the lodges considerably strengthened thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. ROBINSON, of No. 15.
A. K. STURGEON, of No. 17.
S. A. WEBB, of No. 10.

Representative Young, of No, 35, 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 financial portions of the report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, the report of the Grand Master of Exchequer, together with the books and vouchers of said officers, begs leave to report :

1. We have carefully examined the books and vouchers of those officers and have much pleasure in stating that they are correct in every particular and

accurately and neatly kept. The statements submitted are correct transcripts of the accounts in the books.

2. With the vouchers and accounts of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal are included those of the Supreme Lodge Reception Committee, the statement of which is as follows :

Amount outstanding, as reported last year	\$985 00
Interest	56 25
Cr.	\$1,041 25
By cash paid by Grand Lodge during recess :	
August 17, 1892	\$100 00
September 23, 1892	517 50
March 16, 1893	423 75
	<u>\$1,041 25</u>

This completely wipes out the debt of this Committee, and the Order is to be congratulated on having faithfully discharged all the obligations incurred. The total amount paid by the Grand Lodge is \$4,591.69.

3. We would recommend that the Finance Committee be called to meet the evening previous to the opening of Grand Lodge to audit the books and vouchers of the financial officers and thus afford the Committee more time to attend to the business of Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. YOUNG, of No. 35.
G. C. FOWLIE, of No. 28.
C. H. WALLIS, of No. 1.

Also, from the same Committee, the following Report :

REPORT No. 2 OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the seventh recommendation contained in the report of Grand Chancellor, and also the account of Bro. W. T. McNeil, begs to report :

1. In regard to the payment of \$200 per year to future Grand Chancellors your Committee cannot concur, and recommend that it be not approved.

2. We cannot recommend the payment of the accounts of Bro. McNeil as the number of members made at the institution of Galt Lodge was not sufficient to entitle him to receive the amount authorized by Grand Lodge.

3. Your Committee have had presented to it by the Grand Chancellor an itemized account of his expenses, amounting to \$74.07, which is recommended for payment.

4. The following account was also referred to your Committee by the Grand Chancellor, and endorsed by him :

PETROLIA, June 13, 1893.

The Grand Lodge of Ontario, K. of P.,

7th GEO. E. VAN TUYL, D.D.G.C., *Dr.*

Nine trips to Sarnia and return <i>re</i> Johnston Lodge	\$ 9 90
Thirteen days hotel bill	26 00
Trip to Forest	2 05
Expenses <i>re</i> installation of officers, Oil Springs Lodge	2 75
Postage	0 49
Total	<u>\$41 19</u>

Recommended to the Committee on Finance for their favorable consideration.—J. B. D.

Your Committee cannot recommend the payment of that portion relating to the institution of Johnston Lodge on account of insufficient number at institution, nor the amount claimed for trip to Forest. The expenses incurred for installation of officers of Oil Springs Lodge, and postage, are recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. YOUNG, of No. 35.
G. C. FOWLIE, of No. 28.
C. H. WALLIS, of No. 1.

The Report was considered *seriatim*.

Sections 1, 2 and 3 were approved.

Section 4 being under consideration, the Grand Chancellor called the Grand Vice Chancellor to the chair and explained to the Grand Lodge that his reason for endorsing the account of Bro. Van Tuyl was the fact that the application for the institution of Johnston Lodge was one of the largest ever presented to a Grand Chancellor of this jurisdiction, the list containing over sixty names, and on the night of institution some thirty of the applicants were present, but, unfortunately, just as the proceedings were com-

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menced a large fire took place in the town and drew a large number away who did not return, and consequently the number put through was not up to the requirements necessary to obtain the fee for instituting the lodge, and he thought, under the circumstances, Bro. Van Tuyl would be justified in submitting a bill for expenses.

Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald moved to refer the clause back to the Committee for further consideration.

The question being upon the adoption of the motion, Representative King, of No. 25, stated that Representative Murrell, of No. 20, had been instrumental in organizing Amicus Lodge, No. 20, and if the resolution of Grand Lodge was going to be set aside in one case Bro. Murrell would be entitled to consideration.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal claimed the same right for Grand Outer Guard Pyke and Past Chancellors Bronsdon and Leigh, in regard to the institution of Syracuse Lodge, No. 39.

The Grand Chancellor, who had retaken the chair, stated that these brothers could present their accounts if they so desired.

The motion of Past Chancellor Fitzgerald was then adopted.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal moved a reconsideration of the action had on clause 2 of the Report in order that Bro. McNeil's account could be also reconsidered, which was not agreed to.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal reported the receipt of the following accounts, which were referred to the Committee on Finance :

PETROLIA, June 14th, 1893.

The Grand Lodge K. of P. of Ontario,

To W. MURRELL, Dr.

To working up Amicus Lodge, No. 20.....\$25 00

PETROLIA, June 14'h, 1893.

Grand Lodge, K. of P. of Ontario,

To ED. W. PYKE, Dr.

To expenses working up Toronto Junction Lodge..... \$10 00

Accompanying the account of Bro. Murrell was the following :

PETROLIA, June 14th, 1893.

This is to certify that I instituted Amicus Lodge, No. 20, on the 15th day of February, 1893, with a membership of 14 Knights, two having been admitted by card, and 12 having received the three ranks. The application or charter list was secured by Past Chancellor Murrell.

WM. C. MACDONALD,
D. D. G. C., District No. 1.

Representative King, of No. 25, 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 drafting a resolution expressing the sentiments of the Grand Lodge in regard to the reception accorded it at this session, begs to recommend the adoption of the following :

Whereas, the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Ontario, during its twenty-second annual session, held in the town of Petrolia, has experienced numerous kindnesses from various sources, notably :

1. A generous and hearty welcome by the town corporation extended by Mayor Simmons, in person, at the place of our meeting.
2. The cordial and friendly attentions shown by the citizens generally to the Grand Lodge, collectively and individually, and the profuse decoration of the streets and residences with the flag which we all love and which makes us respect those who exhibit it.
3. The hospitable welcome from Petrolia Lodge, No. 17, conveyed through the Chancellor Commander, and the generous treatment extended by the membership during our stay, especially the opportunity afforded of attending the lecture given by Col. J. B. Powell, and the delightful drive about the town and through the great industrial territory known as the oil region.
4. The exceedingly instructive and interesting visit to the works of the Imperial Oil Company, and the painstaking elucidation of the various processes by Wm. Pratt, Esq., Secretary of the company.
5. The novel spectacle of torpedoing an oil well afforded through the kindness of the proprietor, A. C. Edwards, Esq.
6. The visit to the noted oil farm and power houses of J. L. Inglehart, Esq., and courtesies extended there.

7. The very full report and notices by the press; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge hereby expresses its heartfelt appreciation of these many enjoyable occasions and exhibitions of cordiality and good will, and desires that its sentiments in regard thereto shall be placed on record.

Resolved, That it be a direction to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal to have this expression of the thanks of the Grand Lodge extended to the various parties mentioned.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. KING, of No. 25.

E. J. McROBERT, of No. 37.

THOS. SHORTISS, of No. 1.

Representative McRobert, of No. 37, from the Special Committee on next place of meeting, presented the following Report :

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON NEXT PLACE OF MEETING.

Your Special Committee, to whom were referred the various invitations extended for the holding of the next session of this Grand Lodge, beg leave to report :

The competing towns are Port Arthur, Windsor and Brantford, and your Committee have carefully considered the many advantages of the different towns so ably presented to us by their eloquent advocates. We thought it our duty, and to the best interests of the Order at large, to consider it mainly from a financial standpoint, and we find the cost to Brantford and Windsor to be about equal. Taking into consideration the many scenes and advantages of both we are favorable to Windsor, and at the same time grateful to Brantford for their kind and generous invitation. The cost to Port Arthur is somewhat greater, but we cannot overlook the endorsement of the acts of our brethren of that town by the town council in their desire to have this Grand Lodge meet there in 1894, together with the large and influential petition from the business men, and would therefore recommend that the next meeting of this Grand Lodge be held in the town of Port Arthur.

Your Committee would further recommend that the date be the second Tuesday in July, 1894.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. McROBERT, of No. 37.

WM. H. ROBINSON, of No. 15.

W. H. FOX, of No. 20.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal desired to know how the Committee could reconcile the statement made that it thought its duty was to consider the several competing points from a financial standpoint with the recommendation. He felt sure that it must have been figuring on a wrong basis, and would like to know if the Committee was in possession of any reliable information as to what rates could be secured.

Representative McRobert stated that the Committee had gone fully into the question of expenses, and that it had been assisted by the Grand Vice Chancellor, and the Representatives from Port Arthur, and their calculation was that the extra cost to the Grand Lodge would be about \$57. He also submitted the following :

PETROLIA, June 14th, 1893.

The Representatives of Crusader Lodge, No. 5, and Aurora Lodge, No. 13, undertake to pay the entire expenses, as passed by the Grand Lodge, of all the Representatives from the District of Algoma which would otherwise be payable by the Grand Lodge, and we will not expect a visit from the Grand Chancellor during the ensuing year.

GEO. HODDER, of No. 5.

W. P. COOKE, of No. 5.

W. C. MAPLEDORAM, of No. 13.

Representatives Hodder and Cooke, of No. 5, strongly advocated the adoption of the recommendation of the Committee and stated that while they could not say exactly what the rate would be, yet they could assure the Grand Lodge that the expenses would be little, if any, greater than they would be at Windsor.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal said he personally would very much like to go to Port Arthur and did not wish to offer any factious opposition, but he thought the Grand Lodge ought to be in possession of the full facts of the case and know as nearly as could be what the expenses of a meeting to be held so far away would amount to. He had made a rough estimate and found that a full representation at Windsor would cost for mileage about \$750, while to Port Arthur, allowing for the Algoma lodges,

as proposed in the undertaking offered, and figured at \$20, which he considered too low an estimate, it would be \$1,340, or a difference of about \$600. He could not see where the Committee could possibly get only a difference of \$57, and as it had offered no explanation or solution which was satisfactory or had any guarantee that the expenses would not exceed those of a meeting at Windsor, he would in the interests of Grand Lodge be compelled to vote against the report. He offered the following.

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on next place of meeting of the Grand Lodge be not now adopted, but that it be referred back to the Committee with instructions to submit a statement of the figures on which the calculation of expenses to Port Arthur were based in order that the Grand Lodge may know exactly what it is doing and be able to give an intelligent vote.

The question being upon the adoption of the resolution the yeas and nays were demanded and ordered, with the following result :

Yeas.—Grand Representatives Wallis, of No. 1; Attwood and Brown, of No. 3; Webb, of No. 10; Blackwood, of No. 16; Jorgenson, of No. 25; Macdonald, of No. 30; Young, of No. 35; Poulton, of No. 36; Sitting Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald, and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal Mitchell—11.

Nays.—Grand Representatives Shortiss, of No. 1; Graham and Richardson, of No. 2; Scholes and Bemister, of No. 4; Cooke and Hodder, of No. 5; Bell and McConnell, of No. 12; Knight, of No. 14; Robinson, of No. 15; McWhinney, of No. 16; Pitkin and Van Tuyl, of No. 17; Cluff, of No. 18; Fox, of No. 20; Whittaker and Hill, of No. 22; King, of No. 25; Fowlie, of No. 28; Soole, of No. 30; Smith and Southcott, of No. 33; McRobert, of No. 37; Grand Inner Guard Mapledoram, and Past Grand Chancellor McKellar—26.

Grand Lodge officers were excused from voting if they so desired.

The resolution was not agreed to, and the report of the Committee was adopted.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION.

Grand Prelate English offered the following which, being an amendment to the subordinate lodge constitution, was laid over under the rules :

Whereas, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal in his report has drawn attention to the injustice of charging the full amount of per capita tax to those lodges instituted towards the end of a semi-annual term, notice is hereby given that the rules relating to per capita tax be amended so as to provide that any lodge instituted within the last three months of any semi-annual term shall only be charged one-half of the amount fixed by this Grand Lodge.

Representative Bell, of No. 12, offered the following, which, being an amendment to the subordinate lodge constitution, was laid over under the rules:

That the subordinate lodge constitution be amended as follows:

That the first clause in section 31 be struck out and the following be substituted therefor:

"Each lodge shall be entitled to send one representative to Grand Lodge when its membership is less than forty, two representatives when its membership is forty or over and up to one hundred, and one additional representative for each fifty members over one hundred."

After the word "elect" in the fifth line of section No. 32, the word "one" to be substituted for the word "two," and all the words after the word "section" in the sixth line of section 32 to the word "provided" in the ninth line be struck out and the following substituted therefor: "If only one representative is elected he is to serve for one year, and if two representatives are elected one is to serve for one year and one for two years."

JAS. A. BELL, of No. 12.

GEO. HODDER, of No. 5.

W. HILL, of No. 22.

R. H. MCCONNELL, of No. 12.

S. A. WEBB, of No. 10.

Representative Young, of No. 35, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following Report:

REPORT No. 3 OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred section 4 of its Report No. 2, begs leave to report that it has again carefully read the resolution submitted by the Special Committee on Organizers which was adopted by the Grand Lodge at its last session, and find that at least fifteen members must be made at institution to entitle the organizer to receive the amount provided. While your Committee fully sympathize with Bro. Van Tuyl in regard to the unfortunate circumstances, as explained by the Grand Chancellor, which pre-

yented him from instituting the lodge with the required number, yet it has to be guided by the legislative acts of the Grand Lodge. It has therefore to reaffirm its former decision and cannot recommend the Grand Lodge to set aside its own enactment on this subject.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. YOUNG, of No. 35.

G. C. FOWLIE, of No. 28.

C. H. WALLIS, of No. 1.

Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald offered the following, which was not agreed to:

Whereas, at the institution of Johnston Lodge, No. 40, on account of a large fire taking place, only eleven members were made but that at the following meeting more than enough were knighted to make the required number all of whom were on the charter list, therefore be it

Resolved, That the report of the Committee be referred back with instructions to recommend payment of Bro. Van Tuyl's account.

Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald then moved that the report be referred back with instructions to the Committee to consider the first and second meetings of Johnston Lodge, in view of the peculiar circumstances attending the institution, as being within the meaning of the report of the Special Committee on Organizer, but that this shall form no precedent for any other case.

After considerable discussion the motion was adopted.

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

REPORT No. 4 OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Your Committee on Finance, to whom were referred the accounts of Bros. Pyke and Murrell, begs leave to report that in neither case were the requirements of the law complied with and cannot recommend them for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. YOUNG, of No. 35.

G. C. FOWLIE, of No. 28.

C. H. WALLIS, of No 1.

The following telegram was received, and ordered to be acknowledged and spread on the minutes:

OTTAWA, June 14, 1893.

To the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, Petrolia :

The High Court, Canadian Order of Foresters, send fraternal greetings and wish you every success in your noble work.

EDWARD TOWNE,
H. C. Ranger.
THOMAS WHITE,
High Secretary.

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

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge Executive Committee be fully empowered to make such changes in the constitutions as may be necessary to make them conform to the requirements of the Insurance Corporations' Act, 1892, and amending Acts.

Resolved, That Art. XX., G. L. Cons., be stricken out and made a By-law of the Grand Lodge, and the Grand Chancellor, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and Grand Master of Exchequer constitute, *ex-officio*, a Committee on Supplies, with power to fix and alter the prices of general supplies, and that the rules be suspended so far as they relate to this resolution.

Representative Young, of No. 35, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT No. 5 OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the resolution of Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald in relation to section 4 of its Report No. 2, which was re-affirmed by Report No. 3, begs to submit the following :

The Grand Lodge having instructed your Committee to consider the first and second meetings of Johnston Lodge, No. 40, as being within the meaning of the report of Special Committee on Organizer, page 168, Journal, 1892, it has therefore to report that under such interpretation Bro. Van Tuyl is entitled to receive the sum of \$25.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. YOUNG, of No. 35.
G. C. FOWLIE, of No. 28.
C. H. WALLIS, of No. 1.

Report No. 2 of the Committee on Finance, as amended, was then adopted.

Representative Hodder, of No. 5, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

REPORT No. 4 OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred that portion of the Report of the Supreme Representatives referring to the Supreme Lodge enactment whereby Grand Lodges are required to fix the amount of initiation fee for their respective jurisdictions, provided that in no case shall the three ranks be conferred in North America for a less amount than ten dollars, begs leave to recommend that the fee for initiation or Page rank, and which shall accompany the application, be fixed by this Grand Lodge at five dollars..

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. HODDER, of No. 5.

JAS. A. BELL, of No. 12.

WM. HILL, of No. 22.

Representative Bell, of No. 12, moved to take from the table section 7 of Report No. 1 of the Committee on Law and Supervision, which was agreed to.

The section being under consideration, Representative King, of No. 25, offered the following, which was adopted :

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge having experienced the difficulties and annoyances arising from paying organizers on fixed terms, and having confidence in the discretion and good judgment of the head of the Order in this jurisdiction, section 7 of Report No. 1 of the Committee on Law and Supervision be not adopted, and that the Grand Chancellor be and is hereby authorized to employ such means as may to him seem best towards increasing our order by the institution of new lodges, *provided*, that in the appointment of special deputies section 6, Article VII., G. L. Cons., be duly observed, and that a full detailed statement of expenses in each case be submitted, through the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, to the Chairman of the Finance Committee, and being approved by him and the Grand Chancellor a warrant shall be drawn for payment of the account.

Report No. 1 of the Committee on Law and Supervision, as amended, was then adopted.

Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald offered the following, which was adopted :

Resolved, That in view of the exceptional circumstances in connection with the institution of Johnston Lodge, No. 40, and considering the extremely large charter list, a donation of \$10.85 be made to Bro. Geo. E. Van Tuyl for expenses incurred.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with. The Grand Chancellor appointed Past Chancellors Soole, of No. 30, and Robinson, of No. 15, as scrutineers.

For the office of Grand Chancellor, Grand Vice Chancellor Rispen, of No. 15, 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 Grand Vice Chancellor Rispen.

The Grand Chancellor announced that Grand Vice Chancellor Rispen having received all the votes cast, was unanimously elected Grand Chancellor.

For the office of Grand Vice Chancellor, Representatives Van Tuyl, of No. 17; Macdonald, of No. 30; McConnell, of No. 12, and Grand Prelate English, of No. 22, were nominated.

Representatives Macdonald and Grand Prelate English declined the nomination.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	41
Necessary for a choice	21

Of which—

Representative Van Tuyl, of No. 17, received	29
Representative McConnell, of No. 12, received	12

And Representative Van Tuyl, of No. 17, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected Grand Vice Chancellor.

For the office of Grand Prelate, Representatives Hill, of No. 22; Macdonald, of No. 30, and Cooke, of No. 5, were nominated.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	40
Necessary for a choice	21

Of which—

Representative Hill, of No. 22, received.....	16
Representative Cooke, of No. 5, received.....	6
Representative Macdonald, of No. 30, received.....	18

No choice.

The name of Representative Cooke was withdrawn.

SECOND BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast.....	40
Necessary for a choice	21

Of which—

Representative Hill, of No. 22, received.....	17
Representative Macdonald, of No. 30, received.....	21
Spoiled	2

And Representative Macdonald, of No. 30, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected Grand Prelate.

For the office of Grand Master of Exchequer, the present G. M. of E., D. J. Peace, of No. 3, 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. Peace.

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

For the office of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, the present G. K. R. S., G. H. Mitchell, of No. 1, 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 unanimously re-elected Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

For the office of Grand Master-at-Arms, the present G. M.-at-A., Carkeek, of No. 18; Grand Inner Guard Mapledoram, of No. 13, and Representatives Poulton, of No. 36, and Murrell, of No. 20, were nominated.

Representative Murrell declined the nomination.

The ballot resulted as follows.

Whole number of votes cast	43
Necessary for a choice	22

Of which—

Grand Master-at-Arms Carkeek, of No. 18, received ..	12
Grand Inner Guard Mapledoram, of No. 13, received ..	18
Representative Poulton, of No. 36, received	12

No choice.

SECOND, BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast	43
Necessary for a choice	22

Of which—

Grand Master-at-Arms Carkeek, of No. 18, received ..	17
Grand Inner Guard Mapledoram, of No. 13, received ..	17
Representative Poulton, of No. 36, received	9

No choice.

The name of Representative Poulton was withdrawn.

THIRD BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast	43
Necessary for a choice	22

Of which—

Grand Master-at-Arms Carkeek, of No. 18, received ..	20
Grand Inner Guard Mapledoram, of No. 13, received ..	23

And Grand Inner Guard Mapledoram, of No. 13, having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared elected Grand Master-at-Arms.

For the office of Grand Inner Guard, Grand Outer Guard Pyke, of No. 6, and Representatives Hill of No. 22; Richardson, of No. 2, and Smith, of No. 33, were nominated.

Representative Richardson declined the nomination.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	42
Necessary for a choice.....	22

Of which—

Grand Outer Guard Pyke, of No. 6, received.....	17
Representative Hill, of No. 22, received.....	12
Representative Smith, of No. 33, received.....	13

No choice.

The name of Representative Hill was withdrawn.

SECOND BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast.....	42
Necessary for a choice.....	22

Of which—

Grand Outer Guard Pyke, of No. 6, received.....	16
Representative Smith, of No. 33, received.....	25
Spoiled.....	1

And Representative Smith, of No. 33, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected Grand Inner Guard.

For the office of Grand Outer Guard, Representatives Richardson, of No. 2; Soole, of No. 30; Poulton, of No. 36, and McConnell, of No. 12, were nominated.

Representative McConnell, declined the nomination.

The Ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	41
Necessary for a choice.....	21

Of which—

Representative Richardson, of No. 2, received.....	6
Representative Soole, of No. 30, received.....	13
Representative Poulton, of No. 36, received.....	22

And Representative Poulton, of No. 36, having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared elected Grand Outer Guard.

For the position of Supreme Representative, Past Grand Chancellors McKellar, of No. 15, King, of No. 25, and Fitzgerald, of No. 22, were nominated.

Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald declined the nomination.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	40
Necessary for a choice.....	21

Of which—

Past Grand Chancellor McKellar, of No. 15, received..	21
Past Grand Chancellor King, of No. 25, received.....	19

And Past Grand Chancellor McKellar, of No. 15, having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared elected Supreme Representative for four years from January 1st, 1894.

Supreme Representative Peace presented the following, which was accepted :

PETROLIA, June 14th, 1893.

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

Having been elected to the office of Grand Master of Exchequer and also holding the position of Supreme Representative I am, under the legislation of the Supreme Lodge, compelled to relinquish one or the other and therefore tender my resignation as your representative.

Fraternally yours,

D. J. PEACE.

Past Grand Chancellors Fitzgerald, of No. 22, and King, of No. 25, were nominated to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Supreme Representative Peace.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast	43
Necessary for a choice	22

Of which—

Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald, of No. 22, received.	18
Past Grand Chancellor King, of No. 25, received.	25

And Past Grand Chancellor King, of No. 25, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected Supreme Representative for the balance of the term ending December 31st, 1895.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the Scrutineers.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The Grand Lodge being ready for the installation of its officers, Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald, assisted by Past Grand Chancellor McKellar, as Grand Prelate, and Past Grand Chancellor King, as Grand Master-at-Arms, proceeded to perform that duty.

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

J. B. DAVIDSON, of No. 12.	Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.
W. E. RISPEN, of No. 15.	Grand Chancellor.
B. S. VAN TUYL, of No. 17.	Grand Vice Chancellor.
W. C. MACDONALD, of No. 30.	Grand Prelate.
GEO. H. MITCHELL, of No. 1.	Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
D. J. PEACE, of No. 3.	Grand Master of Exchequer.
W. C. MAPLEDORAM, of No. 13.	Grand Master-at-Arms.
W. C. SMITH, of No. 33.	Grand Inner Guard.
R. POULTON, of No. 36.	Grand Outer Guard.

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

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

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

REPORT No. 6, OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance begs leave to submit the following Report on Expenses of Officers and Representatives :

NAMES.	OFFICE OR LODGE.	No. OF DAYS.	HOTEL.	RAILWAY.	TOTAL.
F. J. Fitzgerald	S. P. G. C.	3	\$4 50	\$2 07	\$6 57
J. B. Davidson	G. C.	3	4 50	3 30	7 80
W. E. Rispen	G. V. C.	3	4 50	1 34	5 84
W. M. English	G. P.	3	4 50	2 07	6 57
Geo. H. Mitchell	G. K. R. S.	3	4 50	6 53	11 03
D. J. Peace	G. M. E.	3	4 50	5 07	9 57
W. J. Carkeek	G. M. A.	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
W. C. Mapledoram	G. I. G.	3	4 50	30 00	34 50
E. W. Pyke	G. O. G.	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
C. H. Wallis	1	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
Thos. Shortiss	1	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
Jos. Graham	2	3	4 50	2 07	6 57
F. T. C. Richardson	2	3	4 50	2 07	6 57
C. W. Attwood	3	3	4 50	5 07	9 57
J. L. Brown	3	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
J. S. Scholes	4	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
W. L. Bemister	4	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
W. P. Cooke	5	3	4 50	30 00	34 50
Geo. Hodder	5	3	4 50	30 00	34 50
S. A. Webb	10	2	3 00	2 07	5 07
J. A. Bell	12	3	4 50	3 30	7 80
R. H. McConnell	12	3	4 50	3 30	7 80
John Knight	14	3	4 50	20 00	24 50
W. H. Robinson	15	3	4 50	3 74	8 24
T. McWhinney	16	3	4 50	2 94	7 44
J. Blackwood	15	3	4 50	2 94	7 44
G. S. Pitkin	17	3	.....	.....	.....
G. E. Van Tuyl	17	3	.....	.....	.....
W. J. Cluff	18	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
W. H. Fox	20	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
W. A. Murrell	20	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
F. Whittaker	22	3	4 50	2 07	6 57
Wm. Hill	22	3	4 50	2 07	6 57
B. J. Leubsdorf	23	1	1 50	.....	1 50
Jno. S. King	25	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
T. Jorgenson	25	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
G. C. Fowlie	28	3	4 50	18 07	23 17
Thos. Soole	30	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
W. C. Macdonald	30	3	4 50	6 54	11 04
Wm. Smith	33	3	4 50	2 07	6 57
S. J. Southcott	33	3	4 50	2 07	6 57
H. E. Young	35	3	4 50	2 94	7 44
R. Poulton	36	3	4 50	2 70	7 20
E. J. McRobert	37	3	4 50	2 07	6 57
J. Eastor	40	1	1 50	.....	1 50
J. H. Lambert	40	1	1 50	.....	1 50
			\$187 50	\$282 63	\$470 13

Respectfully submitted

H. E. YOUNG, of No. 35.
G. C. FOWLIE, of No. 28.
C. H. WALLIS, of No. 1.

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

The Grand Lodge was then closed in regular form at 4.30 o'clock a.m., fo meet in the Town of Port Arthur, on the second Tuesday in July, 1894.

Geo. H. Mitchell

Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Amendment proposed by the Committee on State of the Order,
Report No. 2, Sec. 4, page 277.

SEC. 1. The Executive Committee of this Grand Lodge shall consist of the Grand Chancellor, Sitting Past Grand Chancellor, Grand Vice Chancellor, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and Grand Master of Exchequer. The Grand Chancellor shall have power to call upon any of the Past Grand Chancellors to attend any meeting of the Committee, and they shall for the time being be possessed of the same powers and privileges as the other members. The Grand Chancellor shall be the Chairman and the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal shall be Secretary of the Committee.

SEC. 2. Three members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and in the absence of the officers named in the preceding section, or either of them, those present shall appoint others *pro tempore*.

SEC. 3. The Committee shall meet at the call of the Grand Chancellor and at such time and place as he may designate. Special meetings shall be called upon the written request of three members of the Committee and shall be held in the City of Hamilton at such time as may be mentioned in the request.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the Committee to aid and assist the Grand Chancellor in carrying out the will of the Grand Lodge as expressed at its sessions, to look after the interests of the jurisdiction, and to exercise a general supervision over the affairs of the Grand Lodge. It shall submit a full report of its proceedings at each session of Grand Lodge.

SEC. 5. The expenses of members of the Committee attending the meetings shall be paid as provided in Sec. 1, Art. XVIII.

APPENDIX.

Roster of the Grand Lodge, 1893-94.

GRAND OFFICERS.

- W. E. Rispen, of No. 15, ChathamGrand Chancellor.
 J. B. Davidson, of No. 12, St. Thomas...Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.
 B. S. Van Tuyl, of No. 17, Petrolia.....Grand Vice Chancellor,
 W. C. Macdonald, of No. 30, Toronto...Grand Prelate.
 Geo. H. Mitchell, of No. 1, TorontoGrand Keeper of Records and Seal.
 D. J. Peace, of No. 3, Hamilton.....Grand Master of Exchequer.
 W. C. Mapledoram, of No. 13, Ft. William.Grand Master-at-Arms.
 Wm. Smith, of No. 33, London.....Grand Inner Guard.
 R. Poulton, of No. 36, BrantfordGrand Outer Guard.

SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

- J. S. King of No. 1, Toronto.....Term ending December 31st, 1895.
 P. D. McKellar, of No. 1, ChathamTerm ending December 31st, 1897.

PAST GRAND CHANCELLORS.

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| Geo. H. Mitchell, of No. 1. | A. J. Rattray, of No. 4. |
| A. Gardner, of No. 10. | Jesse Chapman, of No. 3. |
| W. C. Morrison, of No. 1. | P. D. McKellar, of No. 15. |
| D. J. Peace, of No. 3. | W. J. Vale, of No. 3. |
| Rt. Rev. B. B. Ussher, of No. 1. | P. H. Drayton, of No. 25. |
| John S. King, M.D., of No. 25. | R. H. Jarvis, of No. 25. |
| F. J. Fitzgerald, of No. 22. | J. B. Davidson, of No. 12. |

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS.

No. 1	District, County of York	T. Jorgenson, Toronto.
No. 2	" County of Wentworth	W. Hedenburg, Hamilton.
No. 3	" County of Middlesex	S. J. Southcott, London.
No. 4	" County of Kent	W. S. Wooliver, Wallaceburg.
No. 5	" County of Essex	H. E. Young, Windsor.
No. 6	" Algoma	E. Biggings, Sault Ste. Marie.
No. 7	" Thunder Bay	Geo. Hodder, Port Arthur.
No. 8	" County of Elgin	John Stacey, St. Thomas.
No. 12	" Counties of Leeds, Grenville, Stormont, and south half of Lanark	R. A. Bennett, Smith's Falls.
No. 14	" Counties of Renfrew, Carlton, Russell, Prescott, and north half of Lanark	G. C. Fowlie, Smith's Falls.
No. 15	" County of Lambton	G. S. Pitkin, Petrolia.
No. 15	" Counties of Huron and Bruce	W. Crawford.
No. 17	" County of Nipissing	S. Hicks, Chappleau.
No. 18	" County of Lincoln	
No. 19	" County of Brant	F. C. Heath, M.D., Brantford.
No. 20	" County of Waterloo	A. F. Robb, Galt.

GRAND LODGE COMMITTEES, 1893-1894.

LAW AND SUPERVISION :

Thos. Shortiss, of No. 1 ; W. L. Bemister, of No. 4 ; A. F. Oakley, of No. 6.

APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES :

S. A. Webb, of No. 10 ; Wm. Hill, of No. 22 ; S. J. Southcott, of No. 33.

FINANCE :

R. H. McConnell, of No. 12 ; J. L. Brown, of No. 3 ; H. E. Young, of No. 35.

STATE OF THE ORDER :

W. H. Robinson, of No. 15 ; F. T. C. Richardson, of No. 2 ; E. J. McRobert,
of No. 37.

CREDENTIALS AND RETURNS :

Geo. Hodder, of No. 5 ; G. C. Fowlie, of No. 28 ; W. S. Wooliver, of No. 9.

PRINTING :

Theo. Jorgenson, of No. 25 ; W. J. Cluff, of No. 18 ; W. A. Murrell, of No. 20.

ROSTER OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

NAME.	No.	LOCATION.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF K. OF R. AND S.	NIGHT OF MEETING.
Myrtle	1	Toronto	Thos. Shortiss, Box 456	Tuesday.
Myrtle	2	London	F. A. Parkinson, 362 Richmond St.	Tuesday.
Redi Cross	3	Hamilton	Thos. Pedlar, 9 Hilton St.	Monday.
Ivanhoe	4	Toronto	W. L. Bemister	2nd Wednesday.
Crusader	5	Port Arthur	Geo. Hodder	Tuesday.
Damon	6	Toronto	G. A. Worthington, Box 20, Parkdale	2nd and 4th Thursday.
Rokely	9	Wallaceburg	Wm. Anderson	Thursday.
Prospect	10	London	S. A. Welsh	Monday.
Algoma	11	Sault Ste Marie	S. C. Londy, Box 22	Monday.
Kathbone	12	St. Thomas	A. Snyder	Tuesday.
Aurora	13	Fort William	D. W. Mitchell, Box 84	Tuesday.
Olive	14	Bruce Mines	S. A. Marks	Wednesday.
Marmion	15	Chatham	W. G. Richards	1st and 3rd Monday.
Friendship	16	Windsor	E. A. Willis, Box 325	Monday.
Petrolia	17	Petrolia	F. Smiley	Tuesday.
Queen City	18	Toronto	Thos. McPherson	1st and 3rd Wednesday.
Meniss	19	Chapleau	J. R. Smith, 23 Seaton St.	Wednesday.
Amicus	20	Toronto	Henry Farnan, 622 King St.	1st and 3rd Monday.
Mizpah	21	London	Geo. F. Robinson, Box 782	Friday.
Perseverance	22	St. Catharines	H. R. Swartout, 5 Henry St.	Friday.
Ontario	23	Toronto	H. A. Crate	2nd and 4th Friday.
Dufferin	24	Smith's Falls	F. Caiger, 38 Park Road	Thursday.
Toronto	25	Toronto	A. Belz, 14 Clyde St.	1st and 3rd Thursday.
Bismarck	30	Hamilton	W. J. Fleury, Box 249	1st and 3rd Thursday.
Sicily	31	Wingham	S. Threapleton, 353 Kidout St.	1st and 3rd Tuesday.
London	32	South London	J. E. Westcott	1st and 3rd Wednesday.
Oil Springs	33	Oil Springs	W. J. Tomlinson, Box 356	Wednesday.
Windsor	34	Windsor	J. T. Butterworth	Thursday.
Calantha	35	Windsor	J. H. Scott	1st and 3rd Tuesday.
Columbian	36	Branford	C. C. Going	Thursday.
Galt	37	London	E. T. Bates	1st and 3rd Tuesday.
Galt	38	Galt	E.	Thursday.
Syracuse	39	Toronto Junction		
Johnstone	40	Sarnia		

STATEMENT

*Showing the totals of the Debit and Credit sides of all Accounts in the Ledger,
and the Balances, May 31st, 1893.*

FOLIO.	ACCOUNTS.	Face of Ledger.		Balances, May, 31st, 1892.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
		\$ c	\$ c	\$ c	\$ c
79	Aurora Lodge.....	123 80	10 25	122 55	
105	Mystic " M.J.....	12 05		12 05	
	Geo. H. Leslie.....	4 00		4 00	
112	Stock.....		789 26		789 26
117	Rienzi Lodge.....	106 09		106 09	
124	Minerva.....		9 52		9 52
128	Oshawa.....		48 70		48 70
129	Native Valley.....	48 80		48 80	
131	Inglewood.....		55 97		55 97
132	Toronto.....	99 65	95 45	4 20	
133	Bismarck.....	52 65	72 65		20 00
134	Almont.....	4 25		4 25	
138	Maple.....		1 78		1 78
139	Rokeby.....	110 50	105 20	5 30	
148	Cash.....	2607 16	2247 06	360 10	
150	Mizpah Lodge.....	104 00	104 00		
151	Prospect.....	117 60	113 60	4 00	
152	Supreme.....	651 59	889 85		238 26
153	Rathbone.....	102 05	97 05	5 00	
154	Olive.....	77 00	78 90		1 90
160.	S. L. Reception Com.....	1041 25	1041 25		
161	Profit and Loss.....	2138 70	2138 70		
162	Algoma Lodge.....	85 80	87 35		1 55
165	Mystic.....	143 90	133 00	10 90	
166	Petrolia.....	91 90	91 65	25	
167	Damon.....	142 35	84 80	57 55	
168	Mdse. Expenses.....	985 17	985 17		
170	Red Cross Lodge.....	196 75	199 00		2 25
171	Queen City.....	96 50	95 80	70	
172	Ivanhoe.....	150 55	99 10	51 45	
173	Sicily.....	25 70	21 70	4 00	
174	Meniss.....	56 20	56 25		05
175	London.....	78 15	38 15	40 00	
176	Oil Springs.....	23 80	23 80		
182	Supplies.....	1237 70	922 25	315 45	
183	G. L. Tax.....	1919 40	1919 40		
184	Myrtle Lodge.....	55 35	56 10		75
185	Perseverance.....	37 65	37 10	55	
186	Crusader.....	68 80	65 80	3 00	
187	Marmion.....	45 20	46 20		1 00
188	Friendship.....	94 00	93 45	55	
189	Ontario.....	44 25	44 50		25
190	Dufferin.....	99 90	99 90		
191	Windsor Lodge.....	69 90	69 90		
192	Columbian.....	62 60	62 60		
193	Calanthe.....	80 30	69 80	10 50	
194	Galt.....	50 00	50 00		
195	Amicus.....	50 00	50 00		
196	Syracuse.....	50 00	50 00		
197	Johnston.....	50 00	50 00		
		13501 96	13501 96	1171 24	1171 24

DR. PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT CR.

FOLIO			FOLIO		
		\$ c			
168	Mdse. Expenses.....	919 23	183	G. L. Tax.....	1919 40
160	S. L. Reception Com	1041 25	182	Supplies.....	219 30
112	To Stock.....	178 22			
		2138 70			2138 70

DR. FINANCIAL STATEMENT. CR.

FOLIO	ASSETS.		FOLIO	LIABILITIES.	
		\$ c			\$ c
D. B.					
195	Stock on hand.....	315 45	124	Minerva Lodge..	9 52
L.			128	Oshawa " ..	48 70
79	Aurora Lodge.....	122 55	131	Inglewood " ..	55 97
105	Mystic " M.J....	12 05	133	Bismarck " ..	20 00
	George H. Leslie...	4 00	138	Maple " ..	1 78
116	Rienzi Lodge.....	106 09	152	Supreme " ..	238 26
129	Native Val'y " ..	48 80	154	Olive " ..	1 90
132	Toronto " ..	4 20	162	Algoma " ..	1 55
134	Almont " ..	4 25	170	Red Cross " ..	2 25
139	Rokeby " ..	5 30	174	Meniss " ..	05
148	Cash " ..	360 10	184	Myrtle " ..	75
151	Prospect " ..	4 00	187	Marmion " ..	1 00
153	Rathbone " ..	5 00	189	Ontario " ..	25
163	Mystic " ..	10 90	112	By Stock	789 26
166	Petrolia " ..	25			
167	Damon " ..	57 55			
171	Queen City " ..	70			
172	Ivanhoe " ..	51 45			
173	Sicily " ..	4 00			
175	London " ..	40 00			
185	Persever'ce " ..	55			
186	Crusader " ..	3 00			
188	Friendship " ..	55			
193	Calanthe " ..	10 50			
		1171 24			1171 24

MEMBERSHIP OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Taken from the Numerical Statements attached to this Report.

Number of Members, January 1st, 1892	1288
Initiated during the year	373
Admitted by card	18
Reinstated	21
Total	1700

From which deduct:

Withdrawn during the year	39
Suspended	146
Died	8
Total	193

Total number of Members, December 31st, 1892 1507

RANK.

Past Grand Chancellors	13
Past Chancellors	194
Knights	1216
Esquires	37
Pages	47
Total as above	1507
Rejected during the year	31

FINANCES OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Taken from the Financial Statement attached to this Report.

Received from all sources during the year	\$12,495 76
Expended for Relief	\$2,804 10
Expended for other purposes	9,893 65
Total	\$12,697 75

Assets, December 31st, 1892 :

Cash on hand	\$3,695 05
Cash invested	4,857 57
Lodge property	9,441 72
Total	\$17,994 34

Increase of receipts over last year	\$1,403 19
Increase of expenditure over last year	2,486 15
Increase of amount on hand and invested over last year	635 88

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF LODGES FOR THE YEAR 1892.

LODGE.

LODGE.	RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.				INVESTED FUNDS.				Value of Lodge Property	Total Assets.	
	Balance Dec. 31st 1891	Received during the year.	Exp'd'd during the year.	Balance Dec. 31st 1892	Balance Dec. 31st 1892	Depos't'd during the year.	Withdraw'd during the year.	Balance Dec. 31st 1892			
Mystic	\$30 81	\$874 30	\$1220 20	\$315 09	\$374 39	\$269 86	\$34 00	\$610 25	\$2051 24	\$2346 40	
Myrtle	13 04	555 45	466 09	102 40	102 40	..	..	..	500 00	602 40
Red Cross	210 66	944 85	990 04	185 41	1888 70	200 00	200 00	1888 70	800 00	2834 17	
Ivanhoe	35 00	256 45	222 90	68 65	..	..	..	..	..	68 65
Crusader	350 54	468 50	710 83	81 08	..	..	..	..	768 50	1176 71
Damon	73 44	543 98	536 34	..	..	..	..	..	..	355 94
Minerva	74 65	..	..	74 65	..	..	..	..	..	..
Kokely	11 00	644 60	393 48	262 12	..	..	..	..	..	..
Prospect	10	145 87	1030 68	1115 82	..	..	..	..	..	..
Algoma	11	77 39	383 00	317 65	427 61	17 76	40 00	405 37	1137 95	371 29	
Rathbone	12	258 55	416 92	388 27	..	..	..	..	225 50	1198 68
Aurora	13	224 77	568 65	530 00	287 20	..	..	..	198 66	485 86
Olive	14	416 36	433 40	377 05	287 70	..	..	..	377 15	639 67
Marmon	15	70 47	136 50	138 18	..	..	..	..	125 25	397 96
Friendship	16	45 16	649 30	663 47	469 04	11 51	135 00	345 55	90 00	504 34	
Petrolia	17	228 95	352 32	321 81	536 01	45 63	349 21	235 43	950 00	1216 42	
Queen City	18	71 76	547 84	381 45	..	..	..	..	150 34	409 46
Meniss	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	249 34	406 28
Mizpah	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	249 34	406 28
Perseverance	21	5 51	649 45	132 00	159 68	153 15	130 70	182 13	250 00	503 02	
Renzi	22	200 48	114 00	268 00	46 48	..	..	..	50 00	66 48
Ontario	23	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50 00	31 46
Native Valley	24	97 07	116 00	185 90	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dufferin	25	64 99	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Toronto	26	466 45	271 10	594 32	143 23	..	..	..	336 62	787 91
Bismarck	27	384 25	459 75	702 21	141 76	308 06	308 06	308 06	375 00	870 78	
Sicily	28	323 89	367 79	367 99	327 60	353 99	..	..	100 00	423 69
London	29	25 50	83 85	39 70	..	..	..	..	42 85	112 50
Oil Springs	30	337 85	181 70	156 15	..	..	..	..	65 00	221 15
Windsor	31	195 50	177 76	17 84	..	..	..	..	138 66	156 50
Calanthe	32	264 00	142 40	121 00	..	..	..	..	..	121 60
Columbian	33	240 00	70 50	169 50	..	..	..	..	..	169 50
	34	180 00	150 00	29 10	..	..	..	..	90 00	119 10
	35	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	36	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	37	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
		3897 04	12495 76	12697 75	3695 05	4143 19	1887 99	1173 61	4857 57	9441 72	17994 34

* Overdrawn on Master of Exchange.

NUMERICAL STATEMENT, FOR THE TERM ENDING JUNE 30TH, 1892.

No.	LODGES.	LOCATION.	No. of Members last Report.	INCREASE.			DECREASE.				RANK.								
				Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Total.	Withdrawn.	Suspended.	Di'd.	Total.	Present No. of Members.	P. G. C.	P. C. G.	Knights.	Esquires.	Pages.	Total.	Rejected.
1	Mystic	Toronto	89	7	1	2	8	2	1	2	5	95	3	19	69	4	95		
2	Myrtle	London	35	10	1	1	3	2	7	7	3	35	3	20	106	2	131	2	
3	Red Cross	Hamilton	127	10	1	1	11	1	12	13	7	131	3	14	26	41	41		
4	Ivanhoe	Toronto	54	4	1	1	7	1	3	3	48	4	44	44	1	48	48		
5	Crusader	Fort Arthur	44	7	1	1	13	1	1	1	46	4	36	4	5	46	46		
6	Damon	Toronto	33	12	1	1	13	1	1	1	22	3	14	1	4	22	22		
7	Minerva	Orillia	23	50	1	1	50	5	4	9	63	5	56	5	6	63	63		
8	Rokely	Wallaceburg	13	50	1	1	50	5	4	9	70	1	56	1	7	70	70		
9	Prospect	London	75	3	1	1	4	1	5	9	70	1	56	1	7	70	70		
10	Algoma	Sault Ste. Marie	61	3	1	1	4	1	5	9	59	7	51	1	1	56	56		
11	Rathbone	St. Thomas	52	3	1	1	4	1	5	9	56	5	51	1	1	56	56		
12	Aurora	Fort William	73	4	1	1	5	1	1	1	77	4	72	4	3	60	60		
13	Olive	Bruce Mines	60	6	1	1	6	1	1	1	60	3	51	3	3	31	31		
14	Marmion	Chatham	42	3	1	1	4	1	1	1	62	3	57	4	2	62	62		
15	Friendship	Windsor	65	3	1	1	3	1	1	1	66	3	57	4	2	60	60		
16	Petrolia	Petrolia	63	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	62	3	41	1	6	51	51		
17	Queen City	Toronto	32	20	1	1	25	1	1	1	51	3	41	1	6	51	51		
18	Menisc	Chapleau	21	8	1	1	8	2	3	3	22	1	16	1	3	22	22		
19	Mizpah	St. Catharines	55	6	1	1	6	2	3	17	58	8	46	6	3	58	58		
20	Perseverance	Ridgeway	33	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	31	4	27	1	1	31	31		
21	Kienzi	Toronto	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	26	3	19	1	1	26	26		
22	Ontario	Georgetown	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	29	3	27	2	1	29	29		
23	Native Valley	Smith's Falls	46	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	47	8	50	4	1	47	47		
24	Dufferin	Toronto	56	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	39	3	33	1	1	37	37		
25	Toronto	Hamilton	37	6	1	1	6	2	3	1	6	15	4	11	1	15	15		
26	Bismarck	Windsor	15	6	1	1	6	2	3	1	24	5	16	1	1	24	24		
27	Sicily	Wingham	17	4	1	1	4	1	1	1	17	4	13	1	1	17	17		
28	London	London	20	17	1	1	17	1	1	1	17	4	13	1	1	17	17		
29	Oil Springs	Oil Springs	1288	194	11	13	218	18	77	4	99	1407	13	178	1144	22	50	1407	12

NUMERICAL STATEMENT FOR TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1892.

LODGE.	No.	LOCATION.	No. of Members last Report.	INCREASE.			DECREASE.			Present No. of Members		RANK.				Total.			
				Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Total.	Withdrawn	Suspended.	Deceased.	Total.	P. G. C.	P. C.	Knights.	Esquires.		Pages.		
Mystic.....	1	Toronto.....	95	2	.....	1	3	.....	4	1	5	93	3	18	67	2	3	93
Myrtle.....	2	London.....	35	4	.....	.....	4	.....	1	1	2	37	8	29	8	29	.....	37
Red Cross.....	3	Hamilton.....	131	3	.....	.....	3	.....	1	.....	2	134	3	21	108	.....	2	134
Ivanhoe.....	4	Toronto.....	41	2	.....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	4	43	1	16	24	2	.....	43
Crusader.....	5	Port Arthur.....	48	1	.....	.....	1	.....	4	.....	4	46	4	4	41	.....	1	46
Damon.....	6	Toronto.....	46	21	1	.....	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	68	4	51	3	10	68
Minerva.....	7	Orillia.....	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	22	.....	3	14	1	4	22
Roketby.....	8	Wallaceburg.....	63	8	.....	.....	8	.....	2	1	3	68	5	51	7	5	68	68
Prospect.....	9	London.....	70	5	.....	.....	5	.....	1	6	6	73	1	60	60	.....	7	73
Algoma.....	10	Sault Ste. Marie.....	59	1	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	6	55	6	46	46	.....	1	55
Rathbone.....	11	St. Thomas.....	56	4	.....	.....	4	.....	4	1	5	55	6	48	48	.....	1	55
Aurora.....	12	Port William.....	77	3	.....	.....	3	.....	2	9	11	69	5	61	61	.....	2	69
Olive.....	13	Bruce Mines.....	50	1	.....	.....	1	.....	2	9	11	50	5	47	47	.....	1	50
Marmion.....	14	Chatham.....	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	30	30	1	0	22	1	.....	30
Friendship.....	15	Windsor.....	62	1	.....	.....	1	.....	2	2	4	60	11	49	49	.....	.....	60
Petrolia.....	16	Petrolia.....	66	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	56	3	53	53	.....	.....	56
Queen City.....	17	Toronto.....	51	11	.....	.....	12	.....	2	2	4	59	3	50	5	1	59	7
Messis.....	18	Chapleau.....	29	9	.....	.....	9	.....	1	.....	1	37	4	31	31	.....	1	37
Mizpah.....	19	London.....	58	10	.....	.....	18	.....	2	2	4	72	1	61	61	.....	2	72
Perserance.....	20	St. Catharines.....	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	22	0	16	16	.....	.....	22
Rienzi.....	21	Ridgetown.....	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	31	31	4	27	27	.....	.....	31
Ontario.....	22	Toronto.....	26	3	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	29	3	3	19	2	2	29	29
Native Valley.....	23	Georgetown.....	29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29	29	2	27	27	.....	.....	29
Dufferin.....	24	Smith's Falls.....	47	2	.....	.....	3	.....	5	9	14	36	3	32	32	.....	1	36
Toronto.....	25	Toronto.....	59	9	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	7	68	7	57	57	.....	3	68
Bismarck.....	26	Hamilton.....	37	1	.....	.....	1	.....	2	1	3	35	3	32	32	.....	.....	35
Sicily.....	27	Wingham.....	15	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	16	16	4	12	12	.....	.....	16
London.....	28	London.....	24	4	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	28	28	5	18	18	.....	4	28
Oil Springs.....	29	Oil Springs.....	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	17	4	13	13	.....	.....	17
Windsor.....	30	Windsor.....	25	2	.....	.....	27	.....	.....	.....	27	27	4	18	18	.....	4	27
Calanthe.....	31	Brantford.....	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	24	4	20	20	.....	.....	24
Columbian.....	32	London.....	18	18	18	4	12	12	18	
			1407	179	7	8	194	21	69	4	94	1507	13	194	1216	37	47	1507	19

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