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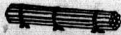
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GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO, I. O. O. F.

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.
The Grand Encampment assembled in annual session in the Odd Fellows' Hall, and was called to order by Hector Urquhart, the Grand Patriarch, at 9 p. m.

PRESENT.

HECTOR URQUHART.....	Grand Patriarch.
JOSEPH OLIVER.....	Grand High Priest.
JOHN WELSH.....	Grand Senior Warden.
FRANCIS RAE.....	Grand Representatives to Sovereign Grand Lodge.
JOHN GIBSON.....	
M. D. DAWSON.....	Grand Scribe and Treasurer.
FRANK RIDDELL.....	Grand Junior Warden.
JOHN SINCLAIR.....	Grand Marshal.
J. B. McIVER.....	Grand Sentinel.
WM. SUTHERLAND.....	Grand O. Sentinel.

Also Past Grand Patriarchs, James Woodyatt, A. Purves, John Donogh and Thomas Woodyatt.

The Grand Encampment was opened with the usual formalities, and declared ready for the dispatch of such business as might be constitutionally brought forward.

The Grand Patriarch announced the following as Committee on Credentials:—M. D. Dawson, Grand Scribe, and Representatives J. S. Edgar, John Hunter, N. A. McKinnon, and R. Gott.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The Committee on Credentials, after examining the necessary Certificates presented of Representatives elect, submitted the following Report:

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

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

Montreal Encampment, No.	
Union	1..... John A. Kinlayson.
Frontier	1..... A. McMillan.
"	2..... J. W. Laing.
"	2..... J. S. Edgar.
Harmony	3..... John Hunter.
"	3..... Alf. Davis.
Brant	4..... Mathew Truesdale.
Charity	5..... John M. Reynett.
Beaver	6..... M. J. Beam.
Burlington	7..... C. N. Hiesrodt.
"	7..... Fred. Kelland.
Toronto	8..... E. W. Barton.
"	8..... John Donogh.
Brock	9..... C. C. Lyman.
Chatham	10..... Albert Sheldrick.
Ontario	11..... R. Gott.
Albert	12..... M. A. James.
Whitby	13..... John Ham Perry.
Fidelity	14..... H. Urquhart.
Kingston	15..... Wm. Healey.
Mt. Ararat	16..... D. Henwood.
Hebron	17..... N. A. McKinnon.
Quinte	19..... J. H. Mills.
Elgin	20..... Fred. Doggett.
Unity	21..... John Birss.
Guiding Star	22..... D. Lindsay.
Niagara Falls	23..... Reuben Law.
Friendship	24..... Chas. H. Chapman.
Victoria	25..... Henry White.
Alpha	26..... John Ross.
Huron	28..... Neil Campbell.
Livingstone	29..... S. Cleveland.
Wentworth	30..... Wm. H. Knowles.
Wellington	31..... Robt. McKenzie.
Newmarket	32..... L. Atkinson.
Peel	34..... J. J. Manning.
Royal	36..... Abner Fraser.
Dresden	37..... W. Ward.
Adelphian	38..... R. J. Blackwell.
"	38..... W. F. Darch.
Brussels	40..... Jas. Wilson.
Dufferin	41..... S. Jones.
Aylmer	42..... J. Huffman,
Banner	43..... W. T. Watson.
Collingwood	45..... Henry Robertson.
Saugeen Valley	46..... Jas. A. Rothwell.
Minerva	47..... Wm. Robertson.
Owen Sound	48..... Allen Cameron.
Samaritan	49..... John Kimmell.
Rehoboth	50..... E. J. Davis.
Bothwell	51..... W. H. Hickey.
Ridgely	52..... J. B. McMicken.
Outaouais	53..... Freeman J. Daniels.
Mizpah	54..... Henry Harper.
Maple Leaf	55..... John Andrews.
Mt. Hebron	56..... D. H. Moore.
Phoenix	57..... John Howard.
Waba	58..... John A. Macdonald.

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GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

Returns have been received from all Encampments except Northern Star, No. 18, Port Perry; Exeter, No. 33, Exeter; Excelsior, No. 39, Ridgeway, and Willey, No. 44, Newbury.

The following Encampments have not sent in Certificates for their Representatives, viz.: Toronto, No. 8; Brock, No. 9; Fidelity, No. 14; Huron, No. 28; Wellington, No. 31, and Banner, No. 43. The Representatives, however, are present, and we would recommend that they be allowed their seats; but that Encampments be particularly requested to send in their Certificates with the Returns, and much valuable time and labor will be spared.

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

	Encampment, No.	
John A. Finlayson.....	1	Montreal
A. McMillan.....	1	St. Catharines.
Alf. Davis.....	3	London.
Mathew Truesdale....	4	Brantford.
C. N. Heisrodt.....	7	Hamilton.
C. C. Lyman.....	9	Brockville.
Jos. Northwood, Jr....	10	Chatham.
M. A. James.....	12	Bowmanville.
Wm. Healey.....	15	Kingston.
E. Chatterton.....	15	"
J. C. Smiley.....	20	St. Thomas.
P. Brown.....	20	"
F. H. Ferguson.....	20	"
A. H. Adkins.....	20	"
A. J. Clark.....	20	"
John Birss.....	20	"
Chas. H. Chapman.....	21	Ingersoll.
Henry White.....	24	Petrolia.
Wm. H. Knowles.....	25	Port Hope.
Chas. Cook.....	30	Dundas.
Alfred Long.....	32	Newmarket.
R. J. Blackwell.....	36	Hamilton.
W. F. Darch.....	38	London.
Jas Wilson.....	38	"
J. Hoffman.....	40	Brussels.
Jas. A. Rothwell.....	42	Aylmer.
Wm. Robertson.....	46	Walkerton.
John Kimmel.....	47	Wingham.
E. J. Davis.....	49	Berlin.
J. B. McMicken.....	50	Toronto.
Freeman J. Daniels.....	52	Jarvis.
D. H. Moore.....	53	Ottawa.
John Howard.....	56	Peterborough.
	57	Wallaceburg.

Respectfully submitted,

M. D. DAWSON,
J. S. EDGAR,
JOHN HUNTER.
ROBT. GOTT.

On motion, the report of the Committee was adopted.

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

The Grand Patriarch then appointed the following

ON FINANCE—Grand Rep. F. Rae, Reps. M. Truesdale, A. McMillan, Alf. Davis, and J. H. Mills.

ON CORRESPONDENCE—L. Atkinson, M. A. James, M. J. Beam, C. N. Hiesrodt, and Neil Campbell.

ON BY-LAWS—John Gibson, D. Henwood, D. Lindsay, R. Lane, and C. H. Chapman.

ON RETURNS—Abner Fraser, E. W. Barton, A. Sheldrick, Wm. Healey, and John Birss.

ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM—John M. Reynett, J. W. Laing, C. C. Lyman, S. Cleveland and D. H. Moore.

ON DISTRIBUTION—J. H. Perry, Wm. H. Knowles, John Ross, J. J. Manning, and Jas. A. Rothwell.

ON APPEALS—Robt. McKenzie, John Kimmel, W. A. Hickey, J. Huffman, and S. Jones.

ON STATE OF THE ORDER—John Donogh, F. J. Daniels, John A. Finlayson, W. T. Watson, and F. Doggett.

ON JUDICIARY—Henry Robertson, John Andrews, Henry Harper, and R. J. Blackwell.

The following accounts were read and referred to the Committee on Finance:

Grand Patriarch's account, Printing, Postage, &c.....	\$14 44
Expenses of Executive Committee visiting Belleville	12 00
Reid Bros. & Co'y, Stationery.....	2 15
James Smith, Auditor.....	5 00
E. R. Robinson, "	5 00
	\$38 59

The minutes of last session, as printed, were, on motion, considered as read, and adopted.

The following communication from ex-Representative Staebler, of Samartan Encampment, No. 49, Berlin, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

M. D. DAWSON, Esq.,

Grand Scribe, Grand Encampment, I.O.O.F.,

Dear Sir:—

Kindly pay amount as per my scrip, to Representative John Kimmel. I have unfortunately mislaid my scrip or lost it. I therefore herewith send indemnity receipt for same.

Yours Fraternally,

Berlin, August 11th, 1884.

J. M. STAEBLER,

Ex-Representative.

Berlin, August 11th, 1884.

I hereby indemnify the Grand Encampment against amount of scrip issued to me, providing said Grand Encampment should at any time be called upon to pay the said scrip, which has been lost, destroyed or mislaid.

WITNESS:

H. ALLEMANG, C.P.

J. M. STAEBLER.

The following petition from Belleville Odd-Fellows, was read and referred to a Special Committee, to be named by the Grand Patriarch:—

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

THE PETITION OF THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY SHEWETH:—

1st—That your petitioners are members in good standing of Belleville Lodge, No. 81, of the City of Belleville, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

2nd—According to the last half-yearly returns to the Grand Lodge, Belleville-Lodge has a membership of 204, and Mizpah Lodge, No. 127, also of Belleville, has a membership of 122, a total of 326.

3rd—That Quinte Encampment, No. 19, of Belleville, which was instituted in 1873, has a membership of about 70.

4th—Your petitioners beg to present, that it would be in the interest and welfare of our Order, to establish another Encampment in the said City, and feel sanguine that there is ample room for it, as there is no doubt, whatever Branch, a strong and vigorous Camp might be formed, and successfully and harmoniously maintained.

5th—In support of such statement, your petitioners submit, (a) That none of your petitioners are now members of any Encampment, (b) That if a Charter is granted, your petitioners will at once apply for admission thereto, (c) That your petitioners have been promised a large number of applications for admission from members of the Order belonging to Lodges contiguous to the said City, in which there is no Camp. (d) That in connection with the Lodge to which they belong there are spacious rooms, admirably suited for the purposes of an Encampment, and as well adapted for the work as at any place in Ontario.

6th—That the granting of a Charter for a new Camp, would not in any way effect the standing or condition of Quinte Encampment to its detriment but would rather cause a healthy and friendly rivalry.

7th—For the last four years your body has been asked to grant a Charter for another Camp in Belleville, and your body have not heretofore deemed it advisable to grant the request, and your petitioners now submit that at the present time no cause or reason exists why our request should not be complied with, our persistence and numbers should be satisfactory evidence of our earnestness and good faith in the matter.

Your petitioners humbly pray that you may be pleased to direct that a Charter be granted.

Eli Wickett, P. G.
Fred Nancarrow.
Robt. A. Gibson.
John W. B. Short.
A. L. Sager.
J. G. Brobridge.
G. H. S. Vandervoort.
J. P. Stanton.
Jas. A. Wheeler.
John A. Fleming.
John I. Newton.
I. W. Walker.

E. G. Ponton, R.S.
J. A. Barkley.
J. M. Roberts, W.
D. R. Terwilligar.
Harry Fenn.
John Fenn.
John Born.
James Brown.
Daniel Coyle
Wm. Street.
C. A. Stratton.
J. C. McKnight

W. Pratt.
W. Fairbon.
W. G. Henderson.
W. B. Gorton.
E. Taylor.
A. Stewart.
J. Middleton.
G. Easton.
W. P. Way, P. G.
J. K. Strachan.
B. Mayo.

S. C. Edwards.	T. Ormond.	P. Acton.
B. S. Willson.	E. Taylor.	Geo. Teale.
J. C. Jamieson.	J. Middlemoss.	Geo. Taylor.
W. J. Hudson, P. G.	John Frost.	I. Roberts.
C. Elvins.	Ira G. Walker.	G. Ormand.
W. B. Riggs.	R. N. Hamilton.	C. Spry.
John Newton.	Geo. Begg.	E. Kertestan.
L. C. Pascoe, P. G., P. C. P.	D. S. Canniff.	G. Cornish.
Richard Warham, P. G.	Albert Biser.	L. F. Simpson.
Thos. Cook, V. G.	Jacob S. Crothers.	W. Marks.
Thos. Duncan, Treas.	Wm. Warham.	J. Muir.
Wm. McGee, P. S.	J. Kain.	

The Grand Patriarch appointed the following special committee on foregoing petition:—Patriarchs—Kelland, Purves and Hunter.

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

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND PATRIARCH.

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

PATRIARCHS.—Time, in its unceasing rounds, has again brought us together, near the close of another year in the history of Odd-fellowship, to renew pleasant relations by personal intercourse, to review the work of the past year, and to legislate for the future welfare of our beloved Order. We now, for the first time, meet in the young and enterprising city of St. Thomas, and we trust that here the Supreme Ruler of the universe will endow our councils with such wisdom that all measures enacted may conduce to the future harmony and prosperity of the Order, and that the evidences of progress around us may incite us all to efforts to instil stronger life and energy into our work when we return to our respective Encampments.

In entering on the duties of the honorable position to which you elected me last year, I felt its responsibilities, but also felt that those Patriarchs of mature judgment and greater experience who had filled the position before me had each made the duties clearer to those who had to follow, and that if I in turn discharged the duties of the office in accordance with the laws of the Order, and my own convictions of right and justice, my stewardship would meet with your approval.

I now, in compliance with time-honored usage, submit for your approval a report of my official acts during the year.

(1)

NEW ENCAMPMENTS.

I am pleased to report that during the year four new Encampments have been added to our number.

On November 8th, I instituted Maple Leaf Encampment, No. 55, at Woodstock, on which occasion I was ably assisted by Grand Scribe Dawson, Pat. Jno. Andrews, and a large number of Patriarchs from Unity Encampment, No. 21, Ingersoll. This Encampment starts with eleven charter members, and five initiated on night of institution. The initiations were conducted in a very creditable manner by members of Unity Encampment. From reports lately received I learn that Maple Leaf Encampment is doing well, and is likely to become one of our leading Encampments.

November 27th, instituted Mount Hebron Encampment, No. 56, at Peterborough, assisted by Grand Scribe Dawson, G. H. P. Jos. Oliver, and a large number of Patriarchs from Port Hope. This Encampment was originally No. 6, but became defunct in 1846. It now starts with thirteen charter members, among the number is Pat. W. Cluxton, who was one of the charter members of old No. 6, and who has done much for the Order in Peterborough. Fifteen new members were admitted, and in this work we were assisted by the officers of Port Hope Encampment, who performed the duties in a highly satisfactory manner, and without reference to the Ritual. The prospects are that Mt. Hebron will be one of the largest Encampments in the jurisdiction.

April 10th, Phoenix Encampment, No. 57, was instituted at Wallaceburg. Through delay of the boat I was unable to reach Wallaceburg at the time appointed, and in my absence Grand Scribe Dawson conducted the ceremony, assisted by a large number of Patriarchs from Dresden and Chatham. Reports from the officers assure me that this Encampment will succeed.

April 16th, Grand Scribe Dawson instituted Waba Encampment, No. 58, at Arruprior, assisted by Patriarchs from Ottawa. This Encampment starts with seven charter members and ten initiates. Its prospects are excellent.

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UNIFORMED DEGREE CAMPS.

I am also pleased to report the addition of four Uniformed Degree Camps to our number.

August 30th, accompanied by Grand Scribe Dawson, I visited Windsor, and, assisted by Grand Sentinel J. B. McIver and a large number from Detroit U. D. Camp, I instituted Windsor U. D. Camp, No. 5, with twenty charter members.

January 31st, assisted by Grand Scribe Dawson, I instituted Newmarket U. D. Camp, No. 6. Ten Charter members.

April 29th, Grand Scribe Dawson, with the assistance of P. G. P. John Donough, P. G. M. Hornibrooke, Pat. L. Atkinson and others from Newmarket, instituted Toronto U. D. Camp, No. 7, with thirty charter members.

May 26th, I instituted Barrie U. D. Camp, No. 8, assisted by Pat. L. Atkinson and other Patriarchs from Newmarket. The secret instruction was given by Patriarch L. Atkinson, who relieved me on account of illness, and for which service I am much indebted to him. This Camp starts with twenty members.

I am satisfied that those additions to our numbers will prosper, and would recommend that Charters be granted them.

(3)

OFFICIAL VISITS.

Having confidence in the ability of my District Deputies to look after the interests of the Encampments in their respective districts—and I have every reason to believe they have been faithful in the discharge of their duties—I have made but very few visits during my term of office—not as many as I should have done had my business permitted.

On November 28th, in company with Grand Scribe Dawson and Grand High Priest Oliver, I visited Quinte Encampment, No. 19, Belleville, finding a fair attendance of members and everything in a satisfactory condition. We were kindly received and entertained by the members of the Encampment.

On January 22nd, I visited Friendship Encampment, No. 24, Petrolia, accompanied by Pat. Wm. Snell, of Strathroy. This Encampment has a large membership and is steadily increasing—plenty of work on hand and good attendance. I shall long remember the kind treatment received from the brethren in Petrolia.

(4)

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED.

During the year a great many applications have been received for dispensations to confer more than one degree on the same brother on the same night. I have readily granted these requests, but would here repeat the suggestion made by one of my predecessors, that printed forms of application and reply be prepared for the use of Encampments and Grand Patriarch; and I would further suggest that a charge of say 50 cents be made for each dispensation granted. The number of applications is large, and is quite a charge on the time of the Grand Patriarch, and might be used as a source of revenue.

I granted a dispensation to Maple Leaf Encampment to appear in regalia on the occasion of their visit to Norwichville, to attend anniversary services. I also granted a dispensation to Phoenix Encampment No. 57, to wear regalia on attending anniversary service.

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DISPENSATIONS REFUSED.

At the last session of this Grand Encampment a petition was received from a large number of Patriarchs in Belleville for a charter to organize a second Encampment in that city. It was referred to a special committee, who were unable from lack of information to recommend any line of action, and were discharged from further consideration of the matter, thus leaving the disposal of the petition unsettled. On October 22nd, 1883, I received an invitation from and on behalf of the petitioners to visit Belleville in company with Grand Scribe Dawson, and inquire into all the facts bearing on the case. Having to visit Peterborough shortly after receiving this communication, we thought it would be an excellent opportunity to visit Belleville and hear what the petitioners had to say in support of their petition. I at once notified them that we would visit their city on November 28th, and would be glad to meet them in the afternoon of that day. In company with Grand High Priest Oliver, we arrived according to appointment, and although made aware of our presence, they failed to meet us. However, we obtained sufficient information to lead us to believe that the institution of a second Encampment in Belleville would not be in the interest of the Order.

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QUESTIONS AND DECISIONS.

Few questions of consequence have been referred to me.

I submit the following:—

By J. H. Hiscocks, Minerva Encampment, No. 47, Wingham.

Question—A member is taken sick; our By-laws grant him \$2.00 a week benefits, but the Encampment refuse to pay him, on the grounds that our By-laws have not been ratified by the Grand Encampment. Is he entitled to sick benefits or not?

Answer—Any neglect on the part of Minerva Encampment to have their By-laws ratified by the Grand Encampment cannot deprive the Patriarch of benefits, if he is otherwise legally entitled to them.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

By Pat. Abner Fraser, from Royal Encampment, No. 6, Hamilton.

Question—Would it be constitutional to adopt the following by law: The fee for initiation into this Encampment shall be \$5.00, for advancing, \$2.00, and for exalting, \$3.00?

Answer—It would not be in accordance with the Constitution.
Mizpah Encampment, Barrie.

Question—Is it legal to hold a public installation of Encampment officers?

Answer—In the absence of any law on the question, and no provision being made in the Ritual, I hold that it would not be legal.

(7)

STATE OF THE ORDER.

It gives me pleasure to be able to report that the past year has been one of harmony and prosperity. Our net gain during the year has been about 200. Nearly all the reports from the District Deputies speak hopefully of the prospects in their several districts. Some report a lack of interest, and find it difficult to get the members to attend the regular meetings. This should not be. The financial condition of the Encampments generally is sound.

(8)

DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

The District Deputy Grand Patriarchs have discharged their duties during the past year to my entire satisfaction, for which I tender them my sincere thanks. The following is a list of District Deputies from whom I have received reports:—

A. McMillan, Union, No. 1,
S. T. Reeves, Frontier, No. 2,
J. Baxter, Charity, No. 5,
E. W. Barton, Toronto, No. 8,
and Rehoboth, No. 50;
A. Sheldrick, Chatham, No. 10,
N. M. Gage, Albert, No. 12,
Wm. Wicks, Whitby, No. 13,

W. A. McKinnon, Hebron, No. 17,
R. Biggar, Niagara Falls, No. 23,
Thos. Hamlin, Exeter, No. 33,
J. Lawrence, Collingwood, No. 45,
Allen Cameron, Owen Sound, No. 48,
Geo. L. Foster, Outaouais, No. 53,
John Andrews, Maple Leaf, No. 55,

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COURTESIES.

Before closing this report, I desire to return my sincere thanks to our Grand Scribe, M. D. Dawson, and to Grand High Priest Oliver, for their support and advice during the year, and for the prompt and cheerful manner in which they responded to every call for assistance. I desire also to tender thanks to my brother officers, and members of the Order generally, wherever I have met them, for the kind and courteous treatment received at their hands.

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AUDITORS.

I appointed as Auditors Patriarch James Smith (re appointed) and E. R. Robinson. P. G. P.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

I submit herewith correspondence received in connection with my office.

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CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I desire to express my thanks for the honor conferred upon me. In the discharge of the duties of Grand Patriarch I have endeavored to be just and impartial, and I hope my acts will meet with your approval.

Fraternally yours,

HECTOR URQUHART,

Grand Patriarch.

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND SCRIBE AND TREASURER.

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

PATRIARCHS,—According to established custom, I present my annual Report of the work of the Patriarchal branch of our Order. After an existence of fifteen years, it can boast of steady and onward progress, and few jurisdictions can show a more perfect and unbroken front. But three Tents have struck their colors, and two of those places Odd-Fellowship was weak and the villages too small, and it was not an act of wisdom in granting a Charter to either. The third is now desiring to resuscitate, and as the locality is good and the membership large and enterprising, there is no reason why it should not make one of the strongest Encampments. As in former years, we have increased our strength in nearly every part of the country, and the four new Tents instituted this year have not been excelled for many years, either in members or material. They have swelled their canvas with the most flattering prospects, procured complete outfits, paid their debts, and with 100 members, have contributed as much as four of the oldest, largest and strongest Encampments in the jurisdiction in building up the depleted treasury of the Grand Encampment. Unitedly they have paid \$236.35 into our funds. We have reached that period in our history that we can walk alone, and while we bow our heads in thankfulness to the fostering care, cheerfully accorded from the Grand Lodge, of Ontario, it is not now essential that we should be compelled to meet at the same time and place as the parent body. Some other period of the year might be more congenial to our assembled wisdom, might contribute increased interest, entail less cost, and certainly would give more time for wise legislation. The notice of motion for change of *venue* is not inopportune.

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STATE OF THE ORDER.

The condition of the Order is prosperous, notwithstanding many of the Encampments have, cut off their non-paying members, still during the year the increase of membership has been greater than the previous year, and during the past six months there have been more initiations than the Term previously.

Four Encampments have been established, all in good localities and with abundant promise of success. Maple Leaf, No. 55, at Woodstock, Nov. 8th, 1883, with 23 members, has now increased to 29; Mount Hebron, No. 56, at Peterborough, Nov. 27th, 1883, with 14 charter members, now report 28; Phoenix Encampment, No. 57, at Wallaceburg, April 10th, 1884, with 9 charter members, now numbers 15, and Waba Encampment, No. 58, Arnprior, April 16th, 1884, with only 7 charter members, has advanced in less than three months to 24.

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Fifty-one Encampments have reported for the June Term, leaving six to be heard from:—Northern Star, No. 18, Port Perry; Victoria, No. 25, Port Hope;

Exeter, No. 33, Exeter; Excelsior, No. 39, Ridgetown; Banner, No. 43, Harrison, and Wildey, No. 44, Newbury. The first named had their room and effects consumed, and left them in such a bad shape that they could not make a report, except from memory. Bro. Isaacs, under date of July 9th, writes:—"You have doubtless seen by the papers, that we have had a very severe fire, which has cleaned us out of everything in the line of I. O. O. F. effects. I am not able to forward one line on the condition of our Encampment, unless it be from memory. If you send me a copy of the last Term Report, I will do the best I can. Please send blank Returns and Representative's Certificate, &c., and let us know what it will cost us to commence again, but I am doubtful whether we shall be able, as we have only three hundred dollars insurance, and something over \$100 in the treasury. The future was looking bright. I think during the past Term we initiated 6 members."

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Victoria, No. 25, Port Hope, is strong, and as far as I can learn in good working condition, and generally prompt in getting in their Returns. Exeter has not reported for a year, and I have failed to hear from them. They are not strong in numbers and although in a good locality appear to lack vitality.

Excelsior, No. 39, Ridgetown, has not reported for two years, and I would recommend that their Charter and effects be delivered up.

(4)

Seaforth Encampment, No. 27, has been in a dormant condition for four years, and some of the brothers of that prosperous town desire to have it resuscitated. Bro. L. Thorne, under date of July 29th, writes:—"Last night we had a large meeting of Odd-Fellows, to consider the advisability of again starting the Encampment here in Seaforth. The meeting was unanimous in their wish to have a fresh start, and instructed me to communicate with you as to what steps should be taken to be reinstated as an Encampment. I may state that there are four or five old members wishing again to join, and about ten new ones. Kindly let me know how much it will cost, and all particulars about it. I may say that there are several things of the old camp still here which we would not again have to buy, but what they are I do not know as I am not a member of the Encampment, but Mr. Williams knows, as he has charge of them, and will give any information that may be required. An early reply will much oblige."

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The Uniformed Degree Camps, so far as I can learn, are prospering, and the best evidence of their success is the fact that the place where they exist, the Patriarchal branch has been most prosperous. A great many uniforms have been purchased during the past year, and the brethren have been taking increased interest in marching and drill. Four more Uniformed Degree Camps have been instituted during the year, viz: Windsor, Newmarket, Toronto and Barrie, and all doing well. This makes eight in number, and for better government and so that we may have a knowledge of their progress direct, I would suggest that each U. D. C., be instructed to make an annual report to the Grand Scribe of their work. The following short draft of a Constitution is herewith submitted for your consideration:

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CONSTITUTION OF U. D. CAMPS.

A petition for a Charter for a U. D. C., shall be sent to the Grand Scribe, in the form following, and shall be signed by at least ten Patriarchs of the R. P. D., in good standing in Subordinate Encampments, and resident within

the district which will be under the jurisdiction of the proposed Camp. The petition shall be accompanied by certificates of the good standing of the applicants, and by a fee of \$10:

FORM OF PETITION.

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

The undersigned, members of the R. P. D., in good standing in Subordinate Encampments, and resident in the Province of Ontario, respectfully petition for a Charter for a Uniformed Degree Camp, to be located at..... and to be known by the title of..... U. D. C., No..... And your petitioners promise strict obedience to all the laws and regulations now adopted, or which may hereafter be adopted by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and by the Grand Encampment of Ontario, for the government of Uniformed Degree Camps.

A. B. of..... Encampment, No.....

C. D. of..... Encampment, No.....

Etc. Etc. Etc.

Dated at..... this..... day of.....

If the application is approved by the Grand Encampment, or during recess, by the Executive Committee, the Grand Patriarch will issue a Charter or Dispensation; and in person, or by a Deputy, in possession of the Uniformed Degree, institute the Camp. The expenses of the officer instituting must be paid by the Camp so instituted.

Whenever a Uniformed Degree Camp shall have been instituted in any city, town or village, no other Uniformed Degree Camp shall be instituted in such place, until the consent of all previously instituted Uniformed Degree Camps in that city, town or village be first had and obtained.

All applications for membership in a U. D. C., shall be made, received and acted upon in the same form and manner as in applications for membership in a Subordinate Encampment, except that the application shall be accompanied by a certificate of good standing as a R. P. D. member in a Subordinate Encampment, instead of a certificate of good standing in a Subordinate Lodge. Good standing in a Subordinate Encampment is necessary to obtain or to retain membership in a U. D. C.

The elective officers of a U. D. C. shall be Commander, Vice-Commander, Officer of the Guard, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected by ballot at the last meeting in December of each year, and whose term of office shall be for one year. The Camp may also (in addition to those named) elect such officers as are prescribed in Eddy's Tactics, for the purpose of taking command when on street parade.

The appointed officers shall consist of a Picket; a Guard; a Guard of the Tent; who shall be appointed each meeting by the Officer of the Guard, to serve for that meeting only.

Any member of a U. D. C., in good standing, shall be eligible to office therein.

Elective officers shall be installed on the first regular meeting in January of each year, and the duties, positions, and penalties of all officers, shall be as described in the Ritual and General Laws.

Each U. D. C. shall meet at least once a month, five members constituting a quorum; and any U. D. C. failing to meet for twelve months, shall be deemed extinct, and shall forfeit its Charter; which, together with all books, papers, funds and effects, shall be delivered up to the G. Patriarch, or his Deputy appointed to receive them.

Each U. D. C. shall at the close of the year, prepare and forward to the Grand Scribe, a return of its operations and of its condition on a blank form to be furnished by the Grand Encampment.

Uniformed Degree Camps are vested with power to make By-laws and Rules of Order, regulating all matters pertaining to meetings, drill, fees, dues, funds, arrears and disqualifications; provided that all such by-laws and rules shall conform to the Constitution and the General Laws; and shall be approved by the Grand Encampment, or during recess, by its Committee on Laws of Subordinates.

(7)

Six hundred copies of the Journal were published and distributed as usual, and five copies sent to every Subordinate Encampment. The present volume of the Journal now numbers nearly 400 pages, and I would suggest the commencement of a new volume with the present session. The utmost good feeling and harmony prevails throughout the jurisdiction, and I have no appeals or disagreements to report.

Your Executive Committee thought it would be in the interest of the Order to visit Belleville, as they had received a very pressing invitation from some of the applicants for a new Charter, urging us to visit them and enquire into the necessities of the case. Upon our return home from instituting Mount Hebron Encampment, at Peterborough, we did so, and spent one day and a night, visiting Quinte Encampment, No. 19, at their regular meeting. Not aware of the troubles existing between the Lodges in that locality and knowing that a great many of the best men in Belleville, had their names attached to the petition for a new Encampment, your Committee were almost unanimously of the opinion that it would conserve the best interests of the Order, by granting the request of so large a number of prominent Odd-Fellows. After our visit our minds had undergone a complete change, and we were united in the opinion that such a course would be suicidal, and injurious to the present Encampment, and in place of pouring oil upon the troubled waters, would increase the turmoil and perpetuate hard feelings, besides increasing the opening between the Lodges. We first sent for some of the prominent signers of the petition, but they were just going out of town or were so busy they could not take time to meet us, and the entire afternoon was spent in a fruitless effort to hear their arguments or even get an interview. In the evening we visited Quinte Encampment, at their regular meeting, and found a large attendance, and one and all expressed their opinion that it would be a positive injury to the Order in Belleville to have a second Encampment. It was positively stated by several that the petition contained the names of those who had not signed it, and if it was started would not become connected with it. A bitterness of feeling existed that we have seldom seen, and I certainly think it would be most unwise to grant a second Charter for an Encampment in Belleville without the permission of the existing Encampment. It is not too strong, and brother Odd-Fellows of sister Lodges must learn that an Encampment is not a home for one Lodge, but where brothers of different Lodges can come together and in harmony work for the common good. The members of both Lodges in Belleville should come together, and join hands in Quinte Encampment and the greatest good will be the result.

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STATISTICS.

I did not balance the Books at the end of the year as was my intention, so as to complete each year as was suggested by myself, and recommended by the report of the Committee upon "State of the Order." I had entered upon the new year before I was aware of it, and I am sorry to say that the Returns for December are not yet complete, two or three of the Returns only just having come in. I thought as I had got into the new year I would not disarrange the Books, and we could commence the new volume with a new system, making our year run with the current year.

The following summary from the Returns, will give our present membership and standing, reporting Encampments not returned with the same membership as they had in December last:—

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No. of Members as per last Report		2330
Initiated during the year	349	
Admitted by Card	58	
Reinstated	22	
		429
	Total	2759
	FROM WHICH DEDUCT	
Withdrawal by Card	58	
Suspended for Non-payment of Dues	163	
Deceased	13	
		234
No. in Membership	2525	
No. of Patriarchs Relieved	196	
No. of Widowed Families Relieved	10	
Amount of Special Relief	\$ 199 00	
Amount Paid for the Relief of Patriarchs	1395 33	
Amount of Relief to Widowed Families	56 85	
Amount Paid for Burying the Dead	235 00	
		\$1818 90
Total Amount of Relief Paid		
Total Amount of Revenue		\$9656 44

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Union.	1	1st and 3d Tuesday	St. Catharines...									
Frontier.	2	2d and 4th Friday	Windsor									
Harmony.	3	2d and 4th Thursday	London									
Brant.	4	1st and 3d Friday	Brantford	6		1						2
Charity.	5	2d and 4th Friday	St. Mary's			1			3			
Beaver.	6	1st and 3d Thursday	Hamilton			1			2			
Burlington.	7	2d and 4th Monday	Toronto	1								
Toronto.	8	2d and 4th Thursday	Toronto	5	1							
Brook.	9	1st Friday in each month.	Toronto	5	1							1
Chatham.	10	1st and 3d Thursday	Brockville	5	1							3
Ontario.	11	2d and 4th Friday	Chatham.	9								
Albert.	12	2d and 4th Monday	Oshawa	2								1
Whitby.	13	1st and 3d Friday	Bowmanville.	2								
Fidelity.	14	1st and 3d Thursday	Whitby	1								
Kingston.	15	2d and 4th Monday	Strathroy	2								
Mt. Ararat.	16	2d and 4th Wednesday	Kingston.	1								
Hebron.	17	2d and 4th Monday	Napanee.	3								
Northern Star.	18	1st and 3d Wednesday	Parkhill	3								1
Quinte.	19	2d and 4th Wednesday	Port Perry.	14				2	4			
Ergin.	20	1st and 3d Monday	Belleville									
Unity.	21	2d and 4th Friday	St. Thomas.	9								
Guiding Star.	22	2d and 4th Wednesday	Ingersoll.	12				1	9			
Niagara Falls.	23	2d and 4th Wednesday	Manilla	2				1	1			1
Friendship.	24	2d and 4th Tuesday	Niagara Falls.									
Victoria.	25	2d and 4th Wednesday	Petrolia	3					25			
Alpha.	26	1st and 3d Wednesday	Port Hope.	3								
Huron.	27	1st and 3d Friday	Sarnia.	3					1			
Livingstone.	28	1st and 3d Friday	Goderich									
Wellworth.	29	1st Tuesday in each month.	Thorold	4					3			
Wellington.	30	1st and 4th Friday	Dundas									
Newmarket.	31	2d and 4th Thursday	Guelph									
Exeter.	32	1st and 3d Thursday	Newmarket	3	1				1			
Peel.	33	2d and 4th Friday	Exeter.	6								
Royal.	34	2d and 4th Monday	Brampton.									
Dresden.	35	1st and 3d Thursday	Hamilton.	1								
Adelphian.	36	1st and 3d Monday	Dresden.	1								
Excelsior.	37	2d and 4th Friday	London	4			9		2			
Brussels.	38	Every alternate Monday	Ridgeway.	1								
Dufferin.	39	1st and 3d Friday	Brussels.	4				1				
Aylmer.	40	1st and 3d Monday	Pt. Edward.	1					2			
Banner.	41	1st and 3d Wednesday	Aylmer.	1								
Wilday.	42	1st and 3d Friday	Harriston	1					1			
Collingwood.	43	1st and 3d Monday	Newbury.	1					3			
Saugeen Valley.	44	2d Mon. in Jan. & every alter.	Collingwood.	2								
Minerva.	45	2d and 4th Monday	Walkerton.	1					6			
Owen Sound.	46	1st and 3d Monday	Wingham.	2					1			
Samaritan.	47	2d and 4th Tuesday	Owen Sound.	1								
Rehoboth.	48	1st and 3d Thursday	Berlin.	2					1			
Bothwell.	49	1st and 3d Wednesday	Toronto.	1					4			
Ritigely.	50	1st and 3d Monday	Bothwell.	1								
Outaouais.	51	1st and 3d Friday	Harris.	1					1			
Maple Leaf.	52	1st and 3d Thursday	Ottawa.	3								
Mount Hebron.	53	2d and 4th Friday	Barrie.	19					7	3		
Phoenix.	54	2d and 4th Thursday	Woodstock.	9								
Waba.	55	2d and 4th Tuesday	Peterborough.	5	1							
Montreal.	56	2d and 4th Monday	Wallaceburg.	4								
	57	2d and 4th Tuesday	Arnprior.	6								
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Toronto	8 2d and 4th Thursday
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Whitby	13 1st and 3rd Friday
Fidelity	14 1st and 3d Tuesday
Kingston	15 2d and 4th Monday
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Hebron	17 2d and 4th Monday
Northern Star	18 1st and 3d Wednesday
Quinte	19 2d and 4th Wednesday
Elgin	20 1st and 3d Monday
Unity	21 2d and 4th Friday
Guiding Star	22 2d and 4th Wednesday
Niagara Falls	23 2d and 4th Wednesday
Friendship	24 2d and 4th Tuesday
Victoria	25 2d and 4th Wednesday
Alpha	26 1st and 3d Wednesday
Huron	28 1st and 3d Friday
Livingstone	29 1st and 3d Friday
Wentworth	30 1st Tuesday in each month
Wellington	31 2d and 4th Friday
Newmarket	32 1st and 3d Thursday
Exeter	33 2d and 4th Thursday
Peel	34 2d Friday in each month
Royal	36 1st and 3d Monday
Dresden	37 2d Thursday in each month
Adelphian	38 2d and 4th Friday
Excelsior	39
Brussels	40 Every alternate Monday
Dufferin	41 1st and 3rd Friday
Aylmer	42 2nd and 4th Monday
Banner	43 1st and 3rd Wednesday
Wilday	44 1st and 3rd Friday
Collingwood	45 1st and 3rd Friday
Saugeen Valley	46 2d Mon. in Jan. every year
Minerva	47 2nd and 4th Monday
Owen Sound	48 1st and 3d Monday
Samaritan	49 2nd and 4th Tuesday
Rehoboth	50 1st Thursday in each month
Bothwell	51 2nd and 4th Wednesday
Ridgely	52 1st Thursday in each month
Outsails	53 1st & 3rd Friday
Mizpah	54 2nd and 4th Friday
Maple Leaf	55 1st and 3d Thursday
Mount Hebron	56 2d and 4th Tuesday each month
Montreal	1 2nd and 4th Wednesday

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

Abstract of Semi-Annual Returns of the Subordinate Encampments of Ontario, I. O. O. F., for the Term Ending December 31st, 1883.

MEMBER.	No.	DATE OF MEETING.	WHERE HELD.	Initiations.	Admitted by Card.	Rejections.	Withdrawn.	Expelled.	Reinstated.	Suspended for Non-Payment of Dues.	Suspended for Cause.	Deaths.	Degrees Conferred.	Members on the Books.	No. of Patriarchs Relieved.	Widowed Families Relieved.	No. of Weeks for which Benefits were Paid.	Amount Paid for Relief of Patriarchs.	Amount of Relief to Widowed Families.	Amount Paid for Burying the Dead.	Special Relief.	Total Amount of Relief.	Dues to Grand Encampment.	Revenue.	
	1	1st and 3d Tuesday	St. Catharines	3									9	95	7		4	\$81 50				81 50	23 75	128 05	
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	4	1st and 3d Friday	Brantford	9			1		1				17	91	4		9	12 40				13 40	22 75	304 75	
	5	2d and 4th Friday	Stratford	2									6	64	4		15	15 00		31 85		46 85	16 00	138 55	
	6	1st and 3d Thursday	St. Mary's	2									9	65	3		20	20 00				20 00	16 25	66 30	
	7	2d and 4th Monday	Hamilton	1			1						6	64	7		14	23 00			4 00	32 00	24 50	141 87	
	8	2d and 4th Thursday	Toronto	1					1				6	142	3		61	61 00				61 00	35 50	169 88	
	9	1st Friday in each month	Brookville	3			1						8	45	5		25	50 00				55 00	11 25	49 07	
	10	1st and 3d Thursday	Chatham	4									12	49	8		35	70 00				70 00	12 25	134 05	
	11	2d and 4th Friday	Oshawa	1									2	27	3		14	14 70				14 70	6 75	38 00	
	12	2d and 4th Monday	Bowmanville	1						16			3	32	2		28	28 00				28 00	8 00	34 00	
	13	1st and 3rd Friday	Whitby	1									1	21	4		14	14 00				14 00	5 25	21 00	
	14	1st and 3d Tuesday	Strathroy	1									1	21	3		11	11 00				11 00	12 25	40 00	
	15	2d and 4th Monday	Kingston	3									7	74	4		8	8 00				8 00	18 50	93 12	
	16	2d and 4th Wednesday	Napanee	1									1	23	3		21	21 00				21 00	5 75	9 50	
	17	2d and 4th Monday	Parishill	1									1	17	3		8	8 00				8 00	4 25	11 00	
	18	1st and 3d Wednesday	Port Perry	1					1				5	18	1		2	2 00				2 00	4 50	20 00	
	19	2d and 4th Wednesday	Belleville	1						5			6	62	1		26	52 00		10 00		10 00	15 50	69 80	
	20	1st and 3d Monday	St. Thomas	8					1				29	79	1		8	8 00			15 00	67 00	19 75	222 70	
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	22	2d and 4th Wednesday	Manilla	3									1	23	3		8	8 00				8 00	5 25	7 00	
	23	2d and 4th Wednesday	Niagara Falls	3						1			3	61	1		8	8 00				8 00	17 50	61 40	
	24	2d and 4th Tuesday	Petrolia	3									12	44	1		14	14 00				14 00	13 25	46 00	
	25	2d and 4th Wednesday	Port Hope	1						2			5	70	1		8	8 00				8 00	17 50	61 40	
	26	1st and 3d Wednesday	Sarnia	1		12							9	53	1		14	14 00				14 00	13 25	46 00	
	28	1st and 3d Friday	Goderich	4									3	37	3		8	8 00				8 00	9 25	23 30	
	29	1st and 3d Friday	Thorold	3					1				5	39	1		3	3 00				3 00	9 75	55 50	
	30	1st and 3d Thursday	Guelph	3									13	59	3		8	8 00				8 00	9 25	23 30	
	31	2d and 4th Friday	Newmarket	4									1	35	3		6	6 00				6 00	7 25	47 25	
	32	2d and 4th Thursday	Exeter	2									2	20	1		1	1 00				1 00	5 25	58 99	
	33	2d and 4th Thursday	Walkerton	3									4	35	3		6	6 00				6 00	7 25	47 25	
	34	2d Friday in each month	Brampton	1			1						2	18	2		5	7 50				7 50	11 00	60 85	
	35	1st and 3d Monday	Dresden	1									3	44	2		5	7 50				7 50	12 75	11 75	
	37	2d Thursday in each month	Hamilton	1						4			3	44	2		5	7 50				7 50	11 00	60 85	
	38	2d and 4th Friday	London	7									5	51	4		18	18 00		20 00	15 00	53 00	24 50	131 20	
	39	2d and 4th Friday	Ridgeway	1						4			18	98	4		18	18 00				18 00	24 50	131 20	
	40	Every alternate Monday	Brussels	1									2	22									5 50	21 50	
	41	1st and 3d Friday	Pt. Edward	1									2	29									7 25	31 50	
	42	2nd and 4th Monday	Aylmer	2									5	33									8 25	43 70	
	43	1st and 3rd Wednesday	Harriston	1			1						9	9									2 25	9 00	
	44	1st and 3rd Friday	Newbury	1									1	34									8 25	4 00	
	45	1st and 3rd Friday	Collingwood	2									1	34									8 25	4 00	
	46	3d Mon. in Jan. every alt. Mon.	Walkerton	3									4	35	3		6	6 00					8 75	16 00	
	47	2nd and 4th Monday	Wingham	3									9	29	3		10	20 00				20 00	7 25	47 25	
	48	1st and 3d Monday	Owen Sound	1									2	22									5 60	51 83	
	49	2nd and 4th Tuesday	Berlin	1									3	21	1		1	1 00				1 00	5 25	58 99	
	50	1st Thursday in each month	Toronto	3						4			17	46									11 50	90 80	
	51	2nd and 4th Wednesday	Bothwell	1									2	21									5 25	9 56	
	52	1st Thursday in each month	Jarvis	4									11	23									5 75	47 45	
	53	1st & 3rd Friday	Ottawa	2									4	20									5 00	90 55	
	54	2nd and 4th Friday	Barrie	18									43	29									7 25	472 84	
	55	1st and 3d Thursday	Woodstock	11									28	23									5 75	327 00	
	56	2d and 4th Tuesday each month	Peterborough	11									30	24									6 00	416 50	
	57	2d and 4th Tuesday each month	Peterborough	11									30	24									6 00	416 50	
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GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

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 30th, 1884.

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94	7	37	63	50	20	00			88	50	135	08						
116	1	27	27	00	5	00	10	00	42	00	208	50						
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50	135 03
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00	43 00
25	192 85
00	288 50
25	206 75
75	121 80
25	64 50
00	12 50
50	92 00
75	30 00
75	70 50
25	21 70
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FINANCE.

Notwithstanding the large tax upon our Finances meeting at Ottawa last year, compelling the issuing of credits to each Encampment, amounting to one-half the entire mileage of the Representatives; after paying all up with other indebtedness, we will have \$616.37 in cash to meet the expenses of the present session.

Guiding Star Encampment, No. 22, Manilla, cancelled their scrip, and presented the amount, \$7.13, to the Grand Encampment. They have only 23 members and small funds, still they desired to add their mite to prevent this Grand Body from being compelled to make an assessment. Their example is worthy of imitation, and deserves acknowledgment.

The funds will not be sufficient to meet the usual mileage and per diem paid, but will be ample to pay four cents per mile one way, and leave us entirely out of debt.

The following table will give an exhibit of cash and stock on hand :

Cash on hand August 4th, 1884		
Amounts due by Subordinates		\$616 37
6 Charter Borders, @ \$1.00	\$ 65 51	
63 Copies Book of Laws, @ 30c.	6 00	
20 Charts, @ \$3.00	18 90	
1 Registration Book, @ \$3.50	60 00	
10 Receipt Books, @ \$1.75	3 50	
9 Draft Books, @ \$2.00	17 50	
9 Application Books, @ \$3.25	18 00	
4 Black Books, @ \$2.00	29 25	
3 Roll Books, @ \$1.00	8 00	
3 Cash Books, @ \$1.00	3 00	
8 Return Books, @ \$1.00	3 00	
24 Withdrawal and Visiting Cards, @ 25c.	6 00	
600 Notices Meetings, @ \$1.00 per 100	6 00	
1700 Notices of Arrears, @ \$1.00 per 100	17 00	
892 Certificates, @ 2c. each	17 84	
Total		287 50
		\$903 87

The income this year from charters and supplies is quite considerable, but it would still further be increased if some of the Encampments had not overlooked the fact that it is compulsory for them to purchase what they require from the Grand Encampment.

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STATEMENT OF MONEYS RECEIVED

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING JULY 31st, 1884.

Name and Number of Encampments.		Dues	Charters	Supplies	TOTAL.
Cash in hand.....					\$ 630 04
Union Encampment,	No. 1	\$ 27 75		\$ 6 80	34 55
Montreal	" No. 1	38 15		3 60	41 75
Frontier	" No. 2	30 89	5 00	5 25	41 14
Harmony	" No. 3	45 61		4 45	50 00
Brant	" No. 4	38 02			38 02
Charity	" No. 5	22 60			22 60
Beaver	" No. 6	21 85		2 45	24 30
Burlington	" No. 7	36 65			41 65
Toronto	" No. 8	64 43			64 43
Brock	" No. 9	24 00		4 30	28 30
Chatham	" No. 10	13 45		2 00	15 45
Ontario	" No. 11	18 00			18 00
Albert	" No. 12	10 00			10 00
Whitby	" No. 13	4 42			4 42
Fidelity	" No. 14	4 64		40	5 04
Kington	" No. 15	34 44		3 36	37 80
Mount Ararat	" No. 16	7 30			7 30
Hebron	" No. 17	1 37		8 65	10 02
Northern Star	" No. 18	4 50			4 50
Quinte	" No. 19	41 75		4 25	46 00
Elgin	" No. 20	32 40			32 40
Unity	" No. 21	16 00		15 75	31 75
Guiding Star	" No. 22	11 50		2 25	13 75
Niagara Falls	" No. 23	15 63		1 00	16 63
Friendship	" No. 24	12 17		3 58	15 75
Victoria	" No. 25	30 75		7 50	38 25
Alpha	" No. 26				
Huron	" No. 28	15 50		1 75	17 25
Livingstone	" No. 29	9 57			9 57
Wentworth	" No. 30	11 05			11 05
Wellington	" No. 31	22 35		2 00	24 35
Newmarket	" No. 32	19 00	10 00	4 75	33 75
Exeter	" No. 33			1 75	1 75
Peel	" No. 34	9 00			9 00
Royal	" No. 36	21 50		1 90	23 40
Dresden	" No. 37	9 50			9 50
Adelphian	" No. 38	25 75		4 64	30 39
Excelsior	" No. 39				
Brussels	" No. 40				
Dufferin	" No. 41	5 30		2 20	7 50
Aylmer	" No. 42	8 00		20	8 20
Banner	" No. 43				
Wildey	" No. 44			90	90
Collingwood	" No. 45	16 50			16 50
Saugeen Valley	" No. 46	5 57			5 57
Minerva	" No. 47	2 75		3 40	6 15
Owen Sound	" No. 48	16 50			16 50
Samaritan	" No. 49	10 50			10 50
Rehoboth	" No. 50	16 43	10 00	3 58	29 93
Bothwell	" No. 51	2 15		3 35	5 50
Ridley	" No. 52	11 50			11 50
Outaouis	" No. 53	13 00		5 40	18 40
Mizpah	" No. 54	14 17	10 00		24 17
Maple Leaf	" No. 55	13 00	30 00	16 90	59 90
Mount Hebron	" No. 56	13 00	30 00	19 30	62 30
Phoenix	" No. 57	3 75	30 00	19 65	53 40
Waba	" No. 58	6 00	30 00	24 75	60 75
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	10 62
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4 25	46 00
	32 40
15 75	31 75
2 25	13 75
1 00	16 63
3 58	15 75
7 50	38 25
1 75	17 25
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2 00	24 35
4 75	33 75
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1 90	23 40
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GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

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EXPENDITURE.

1883.	Aug. 4, By Cash as per Pay Roll		\$ 602 24
	" " Grand Patriarch's account	13 50	
	" " James Smith, } Auditors	10 00	
	" " W. D. Riddell, }		
	Dec. 31 " " Drafts—Sovereign Grand Lodge	231 00	
	" " Printing Account:—Journals, Blanks, }	135 55	
	" " Circulars, &c.		
1884.	" " Express Charges, Drafts, Telegrams, }	9 16	
	" " Duty, Freight, &c.		
July	" " Salary Gd. Scribe, for year ending July, '84	250 00	
	" " Postage account for year	16 44	
	" " Printing account, Supplies, }	56 35	
	" " Freight & Duty on do.		
			722 00
	Cash in hand		\$1324 24
			616 37
			\$1940 61

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CORRESPONDENCE.

The correspondence the past year has been of a most cordial and friendly character. The best of good feeling has prevailed, and the D. D. G. P's appear to have done everything in their power for the advancement of the Order. In many places they speak somewhat despondingly of the lack of interest, and the trouble found in securing a quorum. Perhaps it would do good if the Sovereign Grand Lodge would reduce the minimum number to five in place of seven.

From a circular letter sent by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, of Feb. 20th, 1884, we learn that more than \$12,000 have been contributed for the "Ridgely Monument Fund," while at least \$20,000 was looked for. The jurisdictions were asked for contributions to average 5cts. per member, and Ontario lacks \$334.49 to make up her quota. Twenty-two jurisdictions have paid all that was expected of them, while 39 are short, varying from \$2.40, up to \$1,500. The Committee appointed to receive tenders for the construction of the Monumental Memorial ask for two distinct estimates, which must be in the hands of the Secretary of the Committee on or before the first of September, 1884. One is for a monument complete, to cost \$15,000, and another to cost \$20,000.

Bro. John A. Macdonald, C. P. Waba Encampment, No. 58, writes July 18th, 1884:—

"The Brockville demonstration has created a boom in the Order, especially in the Patriarchal branch, and we have several applications in from Renfrew, Almonte and Brockville, besides some from Arnprior. I feel confident we will double our number this Term."

The D. D. G. P. of Aylmer Encampment, No. 42, Dr. Clark, writes March 11th, 1884:—

"The Order is in a good healthy condition, and we look for something better this Term, in fact have a good start, and good prospects. Tilsonburg Brothers have been talking of coming up to take the degrees for the purpose of starting an Encampment. Hope they may carry out their intention."

Bro. A. Sheldrick, D. D. G. P., of Chatham Encampment, No. 10, January 22nd, 1884, writes:—

“You will notice that we paid considerable sick benefits, in fact more than ever paid before in any one Term. Our general expenses have also been exceptionally heavy, which is accounted for principally by our entertaining the Windsor Patriarchs last summer, which certainly left a very favorable impression on all concerned, the citizens of Chatham in particular. Everything is working very harmoniously. We are on the increase slowly but surely.”

Bro. L. N. Johnston, D. D. G. P., of Dresden Encampment, No. 37, writes under date of July 24th, 1884:—

“Regret that there has been so much delay, but could not get things in shape sooner. Also sorry that we return a decrease in membership. We have been *weeding out*, and now think we are getting down to a working majority, and anticipate more activity and interest will be taken in the future. Had the honor of installing the officers of Phoenix Encampment, Wallaceburg. They seem determined to push and make a success.”

Bro. S. T. Reeves, D. D. G. P., of Frontier Encampment, No. 2, Windsor, writes January 11th, 1884:—

“I am much pleased to report our Encampment has added to the roll of membership during the past term, eleven new members, and increased our assets by \$102.00. You may expect a much larger increase during the present term. We have several applications now from the Lodges at Essex Centre, Woodslee, Leamington, Kingsville and Amherstburg, and there is every prospect before long, that you will be asked to open an Encampment at Essex Centre, with excellent prospects of success, as they will draw their membership from Woodslee, Leamington, Kingsville and Amherstburg. The membership of the County of Essex are taking a great interest in the Encampment work. This in a great measure is due to the excellent way the candidates have been instructed in the several degrees, by the officers of Frontier Encampment. I am pleased to report that the U. D. C. meets regular each Monday night for drill, and are prospering very favorably, and will, in time, make a crack corps. We have a lot of live Odd-Fellows in Windsor, and they are doing splendid work. We stand second to no other Order in Windsor in the opinion of the people.”

Bro. Wm. Burton, D. D. G. P., of Mizpah Encampment, No. 54, writes July 31st, 1884:

“Am happy to be able to report that this youthful Encampment is in a most prosperous condition; its officers are all *workers*. In fact I don't know of a “drone” in the whole hive. They are therefore bound to prosper.”

Bro. J. C. T. Lacy, Scribe of Mount Hebron Encampment, No. 56, Peterborough, writes May 25th:—“We are getting along very nicely, and now have 28 members, with 5 or 6 propositions under way.” On July 17th, the same writer says, “Our prospects for the present term are very encouraging.”

Bro. J. G. Srigley, D. D. G. P., of Newmarket Encampment, No. 32, writes July 23rd, 1884:—

“It gives me great pleasure to state that our Encampment is in a flourishing condition, as you will see by our returns. We have added to our membership for the past year 10 good members. Last meeting night we received another, and have three more applications upon the table. Financially we are sound, and everything is working splendid, and the U. D. C. is not behind any for a place of this size.”

Bro. Geo. L. Foster, the D. D. G. P., of Outaouais Encampment, No. 53, Ottawa, January 8th, 1884, writes:—

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"I am very sorry to say that our progress for the past term was not as good as I would wish. I am much pleased however, to inform you that at our last regular meeting we had 10 applications, and from present appearances, I think we shall have a very successful term."

Bro. Geo. Sutherland, D. D. G. P., of Quinte Encampment, No. 19, Belleville, writes July 16th, 1884:—

"The increase in membership has not been as great as I should like to see it, but it is the best could be done, only one from Belleville Lodge coming in. You will also see that there has been a number of Patriarchs suspended for non-payment of dues, some being in arrears for 5 and 6 years. I think that the weeding out will have a good effect, and make members more prompt in payment of their dues. The members of Belleville Lodge still retain that antagonistic feeling toward Quinte Encampment, but I hope that in time it may be overcome."

The foregoing quotations from letters received from D. D. G. P.'s, in different parts of the country, will give a very good idea of our progress, and the good class of men we have as officials. More could be added, but I do not desire to occupy too much space in a report, which, for the most part, is expected to be statistical.

In answer to a telegram from Bro. Chas. Senior, the Scribe of Exeter, No. 33, I am informed that their meetings are held so irregularly, that they could make no return. Their finances are in good shape, but cannot get a quorum.

In conclusion, I desire to thank all with whom I came in contact, for kindness and attention shown; and to the Grand Patriarch and Grand High Priest for their valuable counsel and assistance in the duties of my office. We have had no pleasanter year, and I anticipate continued success in the year to come. The good seed has been sown, and the Banners of the Order are being unfurled in the distant points of the Province. God speed the good work.

Fraternally yours,

M. D. DAWSON,

Grand Scribe.

St. Thomas, Aug. 12th, 1884.

The Report of the Representatives of the Sovereign Grand Lodge was presented as published in the Journal of Proceedings of last year.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

The Committee on Distribution presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

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

Grand Patriarch's Report—That clauses 1, 2 and 11 be referred to Committee on Petitions on Correspondence; clauses 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, Committee on State of the Order; clause 10, Committee on Finance.

Grand Scribe's Report—That clause 15 be referred to Committee on Petitions and Correspondence; clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, to Committee on State of the Order; clauses 12, 13 and 14, to Committee on Finance, and clauses 10 and 11, to Committee on Returns.

Grand Representative's Report—That the whole of the report be referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. PERRY,
JOHN ROSS,
JAS. A. ROTHWELL,
WM. H. KNOWLES.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following report, which was adopted, and the Grand Junior Warden instructed to confer the Degrees on the applicants and introduce them to the Grand Encampment.

ST. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Committee find the following P. C. P's., B. F. Kitteridge, Samuel Stokes, John Walker, George Primer, John Scott and Chas. Collins, of Friendship, No. 24; John W. Laing, of Frontier, No. 802; Rev. W. H. Martin, of Chatham, No. 10; Wm. Donald, of Guiding Star, No. 22, in waiting, and having examined their certificates and find them correct, would recommend that they be instructed in the Grand Encampment Degrees.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. EDGAR,
JOHN HUNTER,
ROBT. GOTT.

On motion of Past Grand Patriarch, John Ham Perry, the Grand Encampment took recess at 11:30, to reassemble at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Encampment met pursuant to adjournment, the Grand Patriarch, Hector Urquhart, presiding.

PRESENT—All the officers, and a quorum of representatives.

Opened in proper form.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

The Committee on State of the Order presented the following reports, which were, on motion, adopted:

ST. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

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

We, your Committee on the State of the Order, beg to recommend that clause 5 of the Grand Patriarch's report and the latter paragraph of clause 7

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of the Grand Scribe's report be referred to the Special Committee on the
petition from Belleville for a new Encampment.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN DONOGH,
W. J. WATSON,
FREEMAN J. DANIELS,
J. A. FINLAYSON,
FRED DOGGETT.

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

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

We, your Committee on the State of the Order, beg to recommend that
clause 6 of the Grand Scribe's report, being the Constitution for Uniform
Degree Camps, be referred to the Committee on Laws of Subordinates.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN DONOGH,
W. J. WATSON,
FREEMAN J. DANIELS,
FRED DOGGETT,
J. A. FINLAYSON.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-Laws presented the following report, which was
adopted:

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

We, your Committee to whom was referred the By-Laws of Frontier
Encampment, No. 2; Beaver Encampment, No. 6, and Burlington Encamp-
ment, No. 7, beg to report, after careful examination: We find nothing
conflicting with the Constitution in those of Beaver and Burlington, but that
of Frontier Encampment we beg to call attention to Article 10, Section 4, and
recommend adding the words "upon due trial" after the word "expelled"
upon fourth line; in Section 25, of Constitution, Article 10, Section 6, strike
out all after the word "ballot." See Section 4, Constitution.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN GIBSON,
D. LINDSAY,
C. H. CHAPMAN,
R. LAW,
DANIEL HENWOOD.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

The Committee on Appeals presented the following report, which was
adopted:

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

The Committee on Appeals would beg to report that we find, from the
Grand Patriarch's and Grand Scribe's report, that harmony has prevailed

throughout our jurisdiction, and that the administration of affairs, not only in the Grand Encampment but in all the Subordinates, have been that of a wise and judicious character; that no appeals have come before us, and we would express a desire that such a state of affairs may long continue.

We would beg to recommend that the foregoing be adopted.

R. MACKENZIE,
JOHN KIMMEL,
S. JONES,
W. H. HICKEY,
J. HUFFMAN.

On motion it was adopted, that the hour of four o'clock be set apart for the election of officers of this Grand Encampment.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT No. 2, OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following report, which was adopted: ST. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Committee find the following Representatives, William Ward, of Dresden, No. 37; J. J. Mammy, of Peel, No. 34, and P. C. P., D. Robertson, of Union, No. 1, in waiting, and having examined their certificates and find them correct, would recommend that they be instructed in the Grand Encampment Degree.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. EDGAR,
JOHN HUNTER,
ROBT. GOTT.

P. G. P. James Woodyatt presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

That the consideration of the Notices of Motion, for changes in the Constitution, etc., be taken up immediately after the election of officers.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The Committee on Correspondence presented the following Report, which was adopted: ST. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Committee on Correspondence, having carefully examined the correspondence received by the Grand Patriarch and Grand Scribe, and clauses 7 and 3 of the reports of the above officers, find nothing therein that in our opinion has not received attention, or requires the further consideration of this Grand Body, except that relating to the opening of a new Encampment in Belleville, which has been referred to a special committee.

Resolved, that the above Report be adopted.

L. ATKINSON,
C. N. HIESRODT,
NELL CAMPBELL,
M. A. JONES,
M. J. BEAM.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

The Committee on By-Laws presented the following Report, which was adopted:

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

We, your Committee to whom was referred the prepared Constitution of the Uniformed Degree Camp, beg to report as follows: That we have carefully considered the same, and recommend its adoption.

Resolved—That the foregoing be adopted.

JOHN GIBSON,
D. HENWOOD, CHAIRMAN.
C. H. CHAMPMAN,
D. LINDSAY,
R. LAW.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT, No. 3, OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

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

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Committee find Representative Henry Harper, of Mizpah, No. 54, in waiting, and having examined his certificate and find it correct, would recommend that he be instructed in the Grand Encampment Degree.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. EDGAR,
JOHN HUNTER,
ROBT. GOTT.

P. G. P., Jas. Woodyatt, presented the following Resolution, which was adopted:

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

Moved by James Woodyatt, P. G. P., seconded by H. McAfee, P. G. P., that the Grand Patriarch be requested to appoint a Special Committee of five, to consider if any and what means can be adopted with the view of bringing about the mergerment of the Grand Encampment and Grand Lodge in this jurisdiction.

The Grand Patriarch appointed the following as the Special Committee on Mergerment: P. G. P.'s, Woodyatt, Gibson, Perry, Rae and Donogh.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

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

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Committee on Judiciary beg leave to report:

That, as no questions regarding the interpretation of the laws have been referred to them at this session, their duties have not been especially laborious. They beg to congratulate the Grand Encampment on this evidence of increased skill on the part of the Subordinate Encampments,

All of which is respectfully submitted,

HENRY ROBERTSON,
JOHN ANDREWS,
R. J. BLACKWELL,
H. HARPER.

The Special Order of Business, Nomination and Election of Officers was proceeded with, with the following result :

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Grand Rep. Gibson, and Rep. Robertson, were appointed Scrutineers.

JOS. OLIVER, Toronto.....Grand Patriarch
 JOHN WELSH, Stratford.....Grand High Priest
 FRANK RIDDELL, London.....Grand Senior Warden
 M. D. DAWSON, London.....Grand Scribe and Treasurer
 JOHN SINCLAIR, Petrolia.....Grand Junior Warden
 FRANCIS RAE, Oshawa.....Grand Representative Sov. Grand Lodge

On motion, a vote of thanks was passed to the Scrutineers for their valuable services.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT, No. 4, OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

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

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario :

Your Committee find P. C. P., E. Heal, of Elgin Encampment, No. 20, in waiting, and having examined his certificate and find it correct, would recommend that he be instructed in the Grand Encampment Degree.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN HUNTER,
 J. S. EDGAR,
 ROBT. GOTT.

The notice of motion amending the Constitution was then taken up.

Rep. Perry moved the adoption of the following motion, of which notice was given by Rep. Reed, of Montreal, at last session.

That Sec. 34 be amended by the addition of the following clause :

“Or at such time and place as may be selected at the preceding session thereof, by a majority of the members present and voting.”

The yeas and nays were ordered with the following result :

Those voting in the affirmative were :

YEAS—A. McMillan, John A. Finlayson, J. W. Laing, J. S. Edgar, John Hunter, Alf. Davis, M. Truesdale, J. Beam, C. N. Heisrodt, Fred Kelland, E. W. Barton, Jno. Donogh, C. C. Lyman, Albert Sheldrick, R. Gott, M. A. James, Jno. H. Perry, H. Urquhart, Wm. Healey, D. Henwood, J. H. Wells, F. Doggett, D. Lindsay, Reuben Lane, Chas. H. Chapman, Henry White, John Ross, S. Cleveland, Wm. H. Knowles, Robt. McKenzie, L. Atkinson, J. J. Manning, Abner Fraser, W. Ward, R. J. Blackwell, W. F. Darch, Jas. Wilson, S. Jones, J. Huffman, W. T. Watson, Henry Robertson, Wm. Robertson, John Kimmel, E. J. Davis, J. B.

McMicken, Freeman J. Daniels, D. H. Moore, Jno. Howard, Jos. Oliver, John Welsh, M. D. Dawson, Francis Rae, John Gibson, Frank Riddell, Jno. Sinclair, J. B. McIvor, Wm. Sutherland. Total, 57 votes.

Those voting in the negative were :

NAVS—John M. Reynett, John Birss, Jas. A. Rothwell, John Andrews.
Total, 4 votes.

The amendment having received a two-thirds vote, the Constitution was declared amended accordingly.

The Representative from Union Encampment, No. 1, St. Catharines, presented the following resolution :

In accordance with the notice of motion given by Rep. Wales, of Union Encampment, No. 1, it is moved by Rep. A. M. Millar, Secretary of Union Encampment, No. 1, that the Constitution of the Grand Encampment be amended by striking out all after "the," on the second line of section 34, and inserting the following : "First Tuesday in May, at such place as the Grand Encampment shall decide." Seconded by Rep. Hunter, of London.

Rep. Robertson, of Wingham, moved the indefinite postponement of the whole question, which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

The Committee on Mileage and Per Diem presented the following Report :

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario :

We, your Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, beg leave to report that the Representatives and Grand Officers be paid at the rate of 6 cents per mile one way, and \$2.00 per diem for their attendance at the present session of this Grand Encampment ; and that those Officers and Grand Officers who represent Subordinate Lodges in the Grand Lodge be paid per diem only.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. REYNETT,
J. W. LAING,
C. C. LYMAN,
SAM. CLEVELAND,
D. H. MOORE.

It was moved, in amendment, that six cents be struck out, and that five be inserted.

It was moved, in amendment to the amendment, that six be struck out and four inserted. This amendment was lost, and the amendment to the Report adopted.

The Report, as amended, was adopted, making the rate of mileage 5 cents per mile.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.

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

ST. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario :

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

We have examined the Returns of the several Encampments for the terms ending 31st December, 1883, and 30th June, 1884, and find them correct, with the following exceptions :

	31st Dec., '83	30th June, '84
Montreal, No. 1, Montreal.....	correct	correct
Union, No. 1, St. Catharines.....	"	"
Frontier, No. 2, Windsor.....	"	"
Harmony, No. 3, London.....	"	"
Brant, No. 4, Brantford.....	"	"
Charity, No. 5, Stratford.....	"	"
Beaver, No. 6, St. Mary's.....	"	"
Burlington, No. 7, Hamilton, error in last report; 104, should be 103.		"
Toronto, No. 8, Toronto; not signed by C. P.		not signed by C. P.
Brock, No. 9, Brockville; membership should be 44 instead of 45.		correct
Chatham, No. 10, Chatham.....	correct	"
Ontario, No. 11, Oshawa.....	"	"
Albert, No. 12, Bowmanville.....	"	"
Whitby, No. 13, Whitby.....	"	"
Fidelity, No. 14, Strathroy.....	"	"
Kingston, No. 15, Kingston.....	"	"
Mount Ararat, No. 16, Napanee.....	"	"
Hebron, No. 17, Parkhill.....	"	membership should be 33 instead of 29, 4 suspended since 30th of June should be included.
Northern Star, No. 18, Port Perry.....	"	no report.
Quinte, No. 19, Belleville; membership should be 63 instead of 62.		correct
Elgin, No. 20, St. Thomas.....	correct	"
Unity, No. 21, Ingersoll; reported 16 initiations, only 15 names given.		"
Guiding Star, No. 22, Manilla.....	correct	"
Niagara Falls, No. 23, Clifton.....	"	"
Friendship, No. 24, Petrolia.....	"	"
Victoria, No. 25, Port Hope.....	"	"
Alpha, No. 26, Sarnia.....	"	three members suspended, no date given.
Huron, No. 28, Goderich.....	"	correct
Livingstone, No. 29, Thorold.....	"	"
Wentworth, No. 30, Dundas.....	"	"
Wellington, No. 31, Guelph.....	"	"
Newmarket, No. 32, Newmarket.....	"	"
Peel, No. 34, Brampton.....	"	"
Royal, No. 36, Hamilton.....	"	"
Dresden, No. 37, Dresden.....	"	"
Adelphian, No. 38, London.....	"	"

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Brussels, No. 40, Brussels	correct	two members suspended, no date given.
Dufferin, No. 41, Point Edward; membership should be 30 instead of 29.		correct
Aylmer, No. 42, Aylmer	"	"
Banner, No. 43, Harriston; membership should be 8 instead of 9. No seal.		no seal.
Willey, No. 44, Newbury; no seal.		no report.
Collingwood, No. 45, Collingwood; membership should be 32 instead of 33.		no seal.
Saugeen Valley, No. 46, Walkerton	correct	no date given for expelling member.
Minerva, No. 47, Wingham	"	correct
Owen Sound, No. 48, Owen Sound	"	no seal.
Samaritan, No. 49, Berlin	"	correct
Rehoboth, No. 50, Toronto	"	correct
Bothwell, No. 51, Bothwell; not signed		no seal.
Ridgely, No. 52, Jarvis; no seal.		correct
Outaouis, No. 53, Ottawa	correct	correct
Mizpah, No. 54, Barrie	"	"
Maple Leaf, No. 55, Woodstock	"	"
Mt. Hebron, No. 56, Peterborough	"	"
Phenix, No. 57, Wallaceburg		omitted the names of eight charter members.
Waba, No. 58, Arnprior		correct

Respectfully submitted,

ABNER FRASER,
E. W. BARTON,
ALBERT SHELDRICK,
WM. HEALEY,
JOHN BIRSS.

Rep. Donogh presented the following Resolution, which was adopted:

"That the exemplification of the Secret Work be the first order of business at the evening session."

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT, No. 5, OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

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

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Committee find Representative John A. McDonald, from Waba Encampment, No. 58, in waiting, and having examined his certificate and find it correct, would recommend that he be instructed in the Grand Encampment Degree.

Faternally submitted,

J. S. EDGAR,
JOHN HUNTER.

The Grand Encampment took recess until 7.30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

The Grand Encampment met pursuant to adjournment. The Grand Patriarch, Hector Urquhart, presiding.

PRESENT—All the Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

Opened in proper form.

Representative A. McMillan, of Union Encampment, No. 1, St. Catharines, gives notice that at the next meeting of the Grand Encampment he will move to amend the Constitution of the Grand Encampment by striking out all after the word "the," on the second line of section 34, to the word "Ontario," on the fourth line, inclusive.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

The Committee on State of the Order presented the following Report, which was adopted (*seriatim*):

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Committee on State of the Order respectfully submit the following report on the various subjects assigned to them for consideration:

- 1.—Clause 4—Grand Patriarch's report. We approve of the action of the Grand Patriarch in granting the Dispensations referred to; we approve of the Grand Patriarch's suggestion that a charge for dispensations be made, and submit a recommendation on that point herewith.
- 2.—Clause 6—Grand Patriarch's report. We approve of all the decisions of the Grand Patriarch, and recommend that they be confirmed.
- 3.—Clauses 7 and 8—Grand Patriarch's report. It is matter for congratulation, and great cause for thankfulness, that so much substantial prosperity has marked the progress of the Encampment branch during the past year. The judicious oversight of a wise and zealous District Deputy Grand Patriarch has much to do with the success of a Subordinate Encampment. We are pleased to learn that the Order has been so well served by these officers during the past year, and hope that the incoming Grand Patriarch will be as fortunate as his predecessor in his choice of officers.
- 4.—Clauses 1, 2, 3 and 4—Grand Scribe's report. We approve of the action of the Grand Patriarch in granting Dispensations for the institution of four new Encampments, and we recommend that Charters be granted to the following Encampments: Maple Leaf, No. 55, Woodstock; Mount Hebron, No. 56, Peterborough; Phoenix, No. 57, Wallaceburg; Waba, No. 58, Arnprior.
- 5.—We regret to find that six Encampments are reported as in a weak condition, but would not advise the reclamation of any Charters until every possible effort has been made at resuscitation and failed. We recommend that the incoming Grand Officers be requested to make personal visitations to these weak Encampments during the coming year, and that special endeavors be made to induce them to resume work.

6.—Clause 5—Grand Scribe's report. We approve of the action of the Grand Patriarch in the institution of four Uniform Degree Camps, and recommend that Charters be granted to the same.

7.—Clause 7—Grand Scribe's report. We recommend that 600 copies of the Journal be published and distributed in the usual way. We do not see the necessity for a change in the paging of the Grand Encampment Journal, and do not approve of the Grand Scribe's suggestion.

8.—Clauses 8 and 9—Grand Scribe's report. We recommend that the resolution adopted at the session of 1883, directing that the financial year be closed on the 31st of December instead of June 30th, be reaffirmed and enforced.

9.—Grand Representative's report. The thanks of the Grand Encampment are due to the Grand Representatives' for the very full and able report they have presented. We recommend the adoption of the report.

10.—We recommend that a committee of three be appointed by the chair, with instructions to prepare such legislation as will authorize the consolidation of two or more Subordinate Encampments into one. The committee to report at the next session.

11.—We recommend that the Grand Scribe be instructed to prepare blank forms of application for dispensation and reply thereto, which forms shall be furnished to Subordinate Encampments as supplies, at 50 cents each; and that no application for a dispensation be considered unless presented on the prescribed form, under the seal of the Encampment.

We submit the following :

Resolved—That the foregoing be adopted.

JOHN DONOGH,
FRED DOGGETT,
FREEMAN J. DANIELS,
W. T. WATSON,
J. H. FINLAYSON.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The Special Committee presented the following Report, which was adopted :

St. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario :

The Special Committee to whom was referred the petition of Eli Wickett and twenty others, members in good standing in Belleville, praying for this Grand Encampment to grant them a Charter for a second Encampment in the City of Belleville, would report that after reviewing the facts of the case and hearing both sides of the question, we recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED KELLAND,
ADAM PURVES,
JOHN HUNTER.

Resolved—That the foregoing report be adopted.

ST. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Special Committee, to whom was referred the matter of mergerment of the Grand Encampment and Grand Lodges of this jurisdiction, beg leave to report:

That the matter is of so great importance, and the means to be employed (for the accomplishment of the object contemplated, if it be possible) are so diversified that your Committee find that it will not be possible for them, in the time at their command at this session, to set forth the proper means or course to be taken; and for these reasons ask, that the Committee may be continued and instructed to report on the matter at the next session of this Grand Encampment. We recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved—That the above report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES WOODYATT,
JOHN GIBSON,
FRANCIS RAE,
JOHN HAM PERRY,
JOHN DONOGH.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

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

ST. THOMAS, August 12th, 1884.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Committee on Finance beg most respectfully to report:

1.—That we have examined the books and accounts of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer, laid before them the report of the Auditor's in detail hereto annexed, and we find the financial condition of the Grand Encampment to be as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand, August 1st, 1883.....	\$ 680 04
Cash received since up to August 4th, 1884.....	1261 18
Scrip.....	434 11
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	\$2375 33

DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash, as per Pay Roll.....	\$ 602 24
Scrip.....	434 11
Sundries, as per Statement.....	722 01
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Cash balance.....	\$ 616 37

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ASSETS.

Cash on hand.....	\$ 616 37
Stock, supplies, etc.....	221 99
Amount due by Encampments.....	50 51
	<u>61</u>
	\$ 889 48

LIABILITIES.

Amount due to Encampments.....	\$ 29 71
Scrip, Guiding Star Encampment.....	7 13
	<u>36 84</u>
Balance of Assets.....	\$ 852 64

Your Committee would recommend the payment of the following accounts:

Grand Patriarch Urquhart, printing, postage and express charges...	\$ 14 44
For expenses to Belleville.....	12 00
M. D. Dawson, Grand Scribe, stationery, etc.....	2 15
James Smith, auditor.....	5 00
E. R. Robinson, auditor.....	5 00
	<u>38 59</u>

Your Committee would recommend that the Grand Scribe and Treasurer be authorized to keep our stock of supplies fully insured in some reliable company.

Your Committee would heartily commend the action of Guiding Star Encampment, No. 22, of Manilla, in cancelling and presenting to this Grand Encampment the amount of Scrip held by its representative.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS RAE, M. TRUESDALE, A. DAVIS, A. McMILLAN, J. H. MILLS,	} Committee.
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The Grand Patriarch, Jos. Oliver, appointed as a Special Committee to draft and submit such legislation as will enable two or more Encampments to unite if deemed advisable, P. G. P., Thos. Woodyatt; P. G. M., Henry Robertson, of Collingwood, and P. G. P., Adam Purves, of St. Catharines. Carried.

Moved by P. G. Patriarch Donogh, and seconded by Grand Rep. Jas. Woodyatt, that the thanks of this Grand Encampment is due and is hereby tendered to the brethren of St. Thomas, for their kindness in furnishing a room for this Grand Encampment to meet in, and for other courtesies extended to us. Carried.

Moved by Grand Rep. Jno. Gibson, and seconded by Grand Rep. F. Rae, that the thanks of this Grand Encampment are due and are hereby tendered to our retiring Grand Patriarch H. Urquhart, for his kind and brotherly conduct while occupying the chair as Grand Patriarch. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

The Committee on Mileage and Per Diem presented the following Report, which was adopted:

TABLE OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

NAME OF ENCAMPMENT.	NO.	PLACE.	REPRESENTATIVES.	MILES.	MILEAGE.	PER DIEM.	TOTAL.
Union.....	1	St. Catharines.....	A McMillan.....	124	\$ 6 20	\$2 00	\$ 8 20
Frontier.....	2	Windsor.....	J W Laing.....	110	5 50	2 00	7 50
".....	2	".....	J S Edgar.....	110	5 50	2 00	7 50
Harmony.....	3	London.....	John Hunter.....	15	75	2 00	2 75
".....	3	".....	Alf Davis.....	15	75	2 00	2 75
Brant.....	4	Brantford.....	Mathew Truesdale.....	60	3 00	2 00	5 00
Charity.....	5	Stratford.....	John M Reynett.....	47	2 35	2 00	4 35
Beaver.....	6	St. Marys.....	M J Bean.....	37	1 85	2 00	3 85
Burlington.....	7	Hamilton.....	C N Heisrodt.....	81	4 40	2 00	6 40
".....	7	".....	Fred Kelland.....	81	4 40	2 00	6 40
Toronto.....	8	".....	E W Barton.....	121	6 05	2 00	8 05
".....	8	".....	John Donogh.....	121	6 05	2 00	8 05
Brock.....	9	Brockville.....	C C Lyman.....	329	16 45	2 00	18 45
Chatham.....	10	Chatham.....	Albert Shieldrick.....	79	3 95	2 00	5 95
Ontario.....	11	Oshawa.....	R Gott.....	154	7 70	2 00	9 70
Albert.....	12	Bowmanville.....	M A James.....	164	8 20	2 00	10 20
Whitby.....	13	Whitby.....	John Ham Perry.....	151	7 55	2 00	9 55
Fidelity.....	14	Strathroy.....	H Uryuhart.....	39	1 95	2 00	3 95
Kingston.....	15	Kingston.....	Wm Healey.....	282	2 00	2 00
Mount Ararat.....	16	Napanee.....	D Henwood.....	256	12 80	2 00	14 80
Quinte.....	19	Belleveille.....	J H Mills.....	234	11 70	2 00	13 70
Elgin.....	20	St. Thomas.....	Fred Doggett.....	2 00	2 00
Unity.....	21	Ingersoll.....	John Briss.....	24	1 20	2 00	3 20
Guiding Star.....	22	Manilla.....	David Lindsay.....	183	9 15	2 00	11 15
Niagara Falls.....	23	Niagara Falls.....	Reuben Law.....	115	5 75	2 00	7 75
Friendship.....	24	Petrolia.....	Chas H Chapman.....	51	2 55	2 00	4 55
Victoria.....	25	Port Hope.....	Henry Whyte.....	184	9 20	2 00	11 20
Alpha.....	26	Sarnia.....	John Ross.....	62	3 10	2 00	5 10
Huron.....	28	Goderich.....	Neil Campbell.....	72	3 60	2 00	5 60
Livingston.....	29	Thorold.....	S Cleveland.....	125	6 25	2 00	8 25
Wentworth.....	30	Dundas.....	Wm H Knowles.....	84	4 05	2 00	6 05
Wellington.....	31	Guelph.....	Robt Mackenzie.....	88	4 40	2 00	6 40

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Niagara Falls	23	2.00	4.55
Chas H Chapman	51	2.00	2.55
Henry Whyte	184	2.00	3.10
John Ross	62	2.00	3.60
Neil Campbell	72	2.00	6.25
S Cleveland	125	2.00	4.05
Wm H Knowles	84	2.00	4.40
Robt Mackenzie	88	2.00	

Niagara Falls	113	2.00	4.55
Retuben Law	155	2.00	2.00
L Atkinson	115	2.00	2.00
J Manning	81	4.05	6.55
Abner Fraser	91	4.55	2.75
W Ward	15	7.5	2.75
R J Blackwell	92	4.60	6.60
W W Darch	64	3.20	5.20
James Wilson	10	6.30	2.00
S Jones	124	6.30	8.20
J Hoffman	197	2.00	2.00
W T Watson	130	6.50	2.00
Henry Robertson	89	4.45	8.50
James A Rothwell	73	3.65	2.00
Wm Robertson	89	4.45	6.45
John Kimmel	121	6.05	2.00
E J Davis	39	2.00	8.05
Wm Hickey	56	22.80	2.00
J B McMacken	404	0.20	4.80
Freeman J Danicis	181	11.65	2.00
Henry Harper	33	0.15	3.65
John Andrews	203	0.15	12.15
D H Moore	86	4.30	6.30
John Howard	454	2.00	2.00
John A Macdonald	2.00	2.00	2.00
John A Finlayson	2.70	2.00	24.70
GRAND OFFICERS.			
Toronto	2.00	2.00	2.00
Stratford	2.00	2.00	2.00
John Welsh	15	7.75	2.00
M D Dawson	155	7.75	2.75
Francis Rae	15	7.75	9.75
John Gibson	15	7.5	2.00
Frank Riddell	15	7.5	2.00
John Sinclair	51	2.55	2.00
J B McIver	282	14.10	4.55
Wm Sutherland	24	1.20	16.10
Adam Purves	2.00	2.00	3.20
St. Catharines	2.00	2.00	2.00
Brantford	2.00	2.00	2.00
Jas Woollyatt	2.00	2.00	2.00
Janitor	2.00	2.00	2.00

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AUDITORS' FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
1883	To Cash balance on hand, Grand Scribe.....	By Cash, as Pay Roll.....	\$ 602 24
August.	" " Received for dues.....	" Scrip paid to Encampments.....	434 11
"	" " Received for supplies.....	" Paid Grand Patriarch acct.....	13 50
"	" " Received for dues.....	" Auditors, J. Smith and W. D. Riddell.....	10 00
"	" " Scrip credited to Encampments.....	" Sovereign Grand Lodge.....	250 00
		" Salary, Grand Scribe.....	217 50
		" Printing and other accounts, as per vouchers.....	616 37
		" Draft, Certified, Bank of London.....	61
		Difference to balance.....	\$2,375 33

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
1884	To AMOUNTS DUE ENCAMPMENTS, AS FOLLOWS:	By Cash on hand, certified cheque.....	\$ 616 27
August.	" To Harmony, No. 3.....	" " Balance.....	221 99
"	" " Quinte, No. 19.....	" " Stock on hand, as per inventory.....	
"	" " Exeter, No. 33.....	AMOUNTS DUE BY SERIP, AS FOLLOWS:	
"	" " Excelsior, No. 39.....	" Union, No. 1.....	\$ 1 55
"	" " Alima, No. 42.....	" Brant, No. 4.....	1 40
"	" " Wilsey, No. 44.....	" Toronto, No. 8.....	2 22
"	" " Sannaritan, No. 49.....	" Brock, No. 9.....	25 25
"	" " Bothwell, No. 51.....	" Bathurst, No. 10.....	5 50
"	" " Mizpah, No. 54.....	" Wingham, No. 13.....	25 25
"	" Guiding Star, No. 52, Scrip returned for presentation to Grand Encampment.....	" Kingston, No. 15.....	5 25
		" Friendship, No. 24.....	22 22
		" Victoria, No. 25.....	3 35
		" Alpha, No. 25.....	1 70
		" Huron, No. 28.....	6 15
		" Livingston, No. 29.....	1 70
		" Newburgh, No. 30.....	4 45
		" New York, No. 32.....	25 25
		" Adelphi, No. 38.....	5 40
		" Brussels, No. 40.....	50 50
		" Dufferin, No. 41.....	5 32
		" Owen Sound, No. 48.....	5 00
		" Outaouais, No. 53.....	5 00
			\$ 880 48

1884	Aug. 11.	Balance.....	\$ 7 13
"	"	Grand Encampment.....	5 22 64
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			\$ 880 48

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THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

Dr. Abstract of Accounts of all Encampments for the Terms of 1883-84. Cr.

Name and No.	Balance due commencement of term		Dues		Supplies		Charters		Total		Balance due by Encampments		Balance due by Gd. Enc. at 1st of term		Cash received for Dues		Scrip credited to Encampments		Cash received for Supplies		Cash received for Charters		Total Received		Balance Due to Grand Encampment				
	\$	c	%	c	%	c	%	c	%	c	%	c	%	c	%	c	%	c	%	c	%	c	%	c	%	c	%		
Union.....	1			47 25																									
Frontier.....	2			57 00																									
Harmony.....	3			65 50																									
Brant.....	4			46 75																									
Charity.....	5			31 75																									
Beaver.....	6	1 75		31 25																									
Burlington.....	7	3 71		49 75																									
Toronto.....	8	5 00		71 50																									
Brook.....	9	1 00	24 50	6 90																									
Chatham.....	10	25	25 00	2 00																									
Ontario.....	11			18 00																									
Albert.....	12			16 00																									
Whitby.....	13	25	10 75	5 25																									
Fidelity.....	14	50	25 00	40																									
Kingston.....	15			37 35																									
Mount Ararat.....	16			11 00																									
Hebron.....	17			11 50																									
Northern Star.....	18			4 50																									
Quinte.....	19	2 35	46 00	1 75																									
Elgin.....	20			42 50																									
Unity.....	21	75	25 50	15 00																									
Guiding Star.....	22			11 50																									
Niagara Falls.....	23			24 75																									
Friendship.....	24			22 30																									
Victoria.....	25	1 50	38 25	7 50																									
Alpha.....	26	25	9 75	3 00																									
Huron.....	28			27 50																									
Livingstone.....	29	6 15	18 50	1 75																									
Wentworth.....	30			19 25																									
Wellington.....	31	2 00	30 50																										
Newmarket.....	32	25	19 00	4 75	10 00																								
Exeter.....	33	1 75		1 00																									
Peel.....	34			9 00																									
Royal.....	36	15	21 50	1 75																									
Dresden.....	37			21 50																									
Adelphian.....	38	3 60	50 25	2 05																									
Excelsior.....	39																												
Brussels.....	40	50	10 75	25																									
Dufferin.....	41			22 25																									
Aylmer.....	42	20	16 25																										
Banner.....	43			4 50																									
wildey.....	44			8 50																									
Collingwood.....	45			16 50																									
Saugeen Valley.....	46			15 75																									
Minerva.....	47			14 00																									
Owen Sound.....	48	5 79	11 00	3 60																									
Samaritan.....	49			10 50																									
Rehoboth.....	50			23 50																									
Bothwell.....	51	3 35	10 75																										
Ridgely.....	52			11 50																									
Outaouais.....	53			13 00																									
Mizpah.....	54			20 75																									
Maple Leaf.....	55			13 00																									
Mount Hebron.....	56			13 00																									
Phenix.....	57			3 75																									
Waba.....	58			6 00																									
Montreal.....	1			44 50																									
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The above is a complete statement of the accounts and books of the Grand Scribe, for the term, and which we verify to be correct, and which is proved by its exact balance.

JAMES SMITH, }
E. R. ROBINSON, } Auditors.

RIO.
1883-84. Cr.

Cash received for Charters		Total Received	Balance Due to Grand Encampment	
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52.50	1.55	52.50	67.25	1.55
67.25	...	67.25	69.95	...
46.75	1.80	46.75	31.75	...
38.70	...	38.70	58.12	...
71.51	49	71.51	39.38	2.22
27.00	25	27.00	18.00	...
16.00	...	16.00	10.75	5.50
25.90	...	25.90	40.85	25
11.00	...	11.00	20.15	...
4.50	...	4.50	50.10	...
42.50	...	42.50	41.25	...
20.88	...	20.88	25.75	...
20.08	22	20.08	43.00	3.85
11.30	1.70	11.30	27.58	1.72
18.50	6.15	18.50	19.25	4.45
32.50	...	32.50	38.75	25
12.10	...	12.10	9.00	...
23.40	...	23.40	21.50	...
50.50	5.40	50.50	11.00	50
18.03	5.82	18.03	18.05	...
9.63	...	9.63	11.00	...
16.50	...	16.50	15.75	...
17.40	...	17.40	16.50	3.89
19.00	...	19.00	26.00	10.00
16.48	...	16.48	11.50	...
18.40	5.00	18.40	10.00	31.25
59.90	...	59.90	30.00	62.30
53.40	...	53.40	30.00	60.75
48.10	...	48.10	7180.00	1098.34 50.51

EXEMPLIFICATION OF THE SECRET WORK.

Grand Rep. Rae, exemplified the Secret Work of the Order.

The Grand Patriarch made the following appointments of his Subordinate Officers:

- F. DOGGETT, St. Thomas.....Grand Marshal
- D. H. MOORE, Peterborough.....Grand Sentinel
- R. LAW, Niagara Falls.....Outside Sentinel

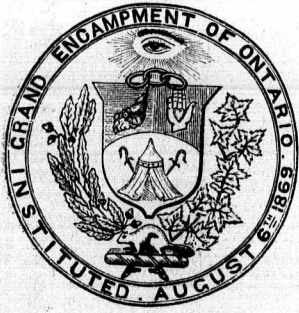
The Grand Patriarch appointed the following as a Committee on Amalgamation:

J. WOODYATT, H. ROBERTSON, A. PURVES,

The Grand Encampment closed at 9.15. with the usual formalities.

ATTEST.

M. D. DAWSON,
Grand Scribe.



be, for the term, and
SMITH, } Auditors.
ROBINSON, }

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND PATRIARCHS FOR 1884-85.

ALEX. ALLEN MURPHY,	Montreal Enc.,	No. 1.
ADAM PURVES,	Union "	No. 1.
JOHN W. LAING,	Frontier "	No. 2.
ALF. DAVIS,	Harmony "	No. 3.
J. C. HEATON,	Brant "	No. 4.
GEORGE MURRAY,	Charity "	No. 5.
WM. ROBERTSON,	Beaver "	No. 6.
ALFRED TORY,	Burlington "	No. 7.
E. J. DAVIS,	Toronto "	No. 8.
A. C. J. KAUFMAN,	Brock "	No. 9.
OTIS B. HULIN,	Chatham "	No. 10.
JAMES PELLOW,	Ontario "	No. 11.
M. A. JAMES,	Albert "	No. 12.
CHARLES TAYLOR,	Whitby "	No. 13.
P. H. JOHNSON,	Fidelity "	No. 14.
JAMES E. DILLON,	Kingston "	No. 15.
J. A. REID,	Mount Ararat Enc.,	No. 16.
N. A. MCKINNON,	Hebron "	No. 17.
JAMES ISAACS,	Northern Star "	No. 18.
J. H. STARLING,	Quinte "	No. 19.
W. F. FORBES,	Elgin "	No. 20.
JOHN H. SIZE,	Unity "	No. 21.
A. EDWARDS,	Guiding Star "	No. 22.
A. F. PREWSTER,	Niagara Falls "	No. 23.
SAMUEL STOKES,	Friendship "	No. 24.
JAMES BRITTON,	Victoria "	No. 25.
CHARLES E. FOSTER,	Alpha "	No. 26.
ISAAC F. TOMS,	Huron "	No. 28.
DAVID RAMSAY,	Livingston "	No. 29.
GEORGE COOK,	Wentworth "	No. 30.
CHARLES COTTIS,	Wellington "	No. 31.
CHARLES COOK,	Newmarket "	No. 32.
CHARLES SENIOR,	Exeter "	No. 33.
JOHN H. BECK,	Peel "	No. 34.
ALFRED TORY,	Royal "	No. 36.
L. N. JOHNSTON,	Dresden "	No. 37.
ALF. DAVIS,	Adelphian "	No. 38.
JOHN G. SKENE,	Brussels "	No. 40.
J. L. WEBB,	Dufferin "	No. 41.
G. F. CLARK,	Aylmer "	No. 42.
W. T. WATSON,	Banner "	No. 43.
J. D. ANDERSON,	Willey "	No. 44.
ALFRED NORTHCOTE,	Collingwood "	No. 45.
JAMES A. ROTHWELL,	Sugeen Valley "	No. 46.
OLIVER GILCHRIST,	Minerva "	No. 47.
ALLAN CAMERON,	Owen Sound "	No. 48.
ALEX. MACPHERSON,	Samaritan "	No. 49.
E. J. DAVIS,	Rehoboth "	No. 50.
W. H. HICKEY,	Bothwell "	No. 51.
JOHN McCABE, (HAMILTON)	Ridgely "	No. 52.
GEO. L. FOSTER,	Outaouis "	No. 53.
HENRY HARPER,	Mizpah "	No. 54.
F. B. SCHOFIELD,	Maple Leaf "	No. 55.
D. H. MOORE,	Mount Hebron "	No. 56.
JOHN HOWARD,	Phoenix "	No. 57.
JOHN A. MACDONALD,	Waba "	No. 58.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE OFFICERS

— OF THE —

GRAND ENCAMPMENT, I. O. O. F.,

— OF THE —

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO, FOR 1884 AND 1885.

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JOSEPH OLIVER, Grand Patriarch.....	Toronto
JOHN WELSH, Grand High Priest.....	Stratford
FRANK RIDDELL, Grand Senior Warden.....	London
M. D. DAWSON, Grand Scribe and Treasurer.....	London
FRANCIS RAE, Grand Rep. Sovereign Grand Lodge.....	Oshawa
JOHN GIBSON, Grand Rep. Sovereign Grand Lodge.....	Stratford
JOHN SINCLAIR, Grand Junior Warden.....	Petrolia
F. DOGGETT, Grand Marshal.....	St. Thomas
D. H. MOORE, Grand Sentinel.....	Peterborough
R. LAW, Grand O. Sentinel.....	Niagara Falls

PAST GRAND PATRIARCHS.

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

NAMES OF OFFICERS OF SUBORDINATE ENCAMPMENTS
ELECTED AND INSTALLED,
FOR TERM COMMENCING JULY 1st., 1884.

NAME OF ENCAMPMENT.	No.	CHIEF PATRIARCH.	HIGH PRIEST.	SENIOR WARDEN.	SCRIBE.	TREASURER.	JUNIOR WARDEN.	FINANCIAL SCRIBE.
Montreal	1	C J Briggs	J Doig	J McLaughlin	D J Dixon	W R S Wilson	A Jones	John J Reed
Union	2	George Wales	W B Harris	Charles Young	J P Guillett	Jas A Swinton	Theo Parnell	L D Winchester
Frontenac	3	George Latham	C J Reid	C M Stark	A H Davis	John Turk	R McDonald	T G Lowe
Frontenac	4	J J Reed	Thomas Brock	Robert Armstrong	F J Grenny	John Chapman	F Isaacs	F G Grenny
Frontenac	5	J E Berks	J Hutchinson	John McKay	Charles Packert	James Woodvay	Geo Murray	Chas Packert
Frontenac	6	J D Hamilton	W H Robertson	Charles Boine	James Robinson	John Gibson	John Johnston	F J Chapelle
Beaver	7	John Reid	Patrick McCardish	F H Bowl	James Sage	C D Stinson	John Kennedy	H F Pearson
Burlington	8	W H Wright	Alex McGregor	H M Armstrong	Wm Robertson	C D Stinson	Fred Phillips	Thos Colby
Toronto	9	W H Wright	J A Reid	H Wilkinson	Wm Robertson	John A Mills	W Bruce	J H T Schreiber
Brock	10	John M Park	R J Halle	George W. Waptham	James Sterling	W H Cole	James Moore	J Polk
Chatham	11	W E Pethick	J Bales	George Waptham	John K Orr	R Gott	M Westcott	John K Orr
Whitby	12	William Burns	N S Young	Joseph Jeffrey	Charles Taylor	John H Ryall	H Ross	Chas Taylor
Whitby	13	William Burns	George Wilson	J R Pringle	R Wallace	G A Campbell	J Murdoch	R Wallace
Fidelity	14	Charles Greenwood	John Saunders	J W Livingston	Geo Parks	George Robinson	Edwin J Adams	Wm Healey
Kingston	15	George A Blewitt	D Henwood	R Anderson	John H. Halkett, Jr	Wm Blewitt	James Garrett	R J Perry
Mount Ararat	16	William Fletcher	D McKenzie	F Fassill	John Hanson	N A McKinnon	J A Secoon	John Hamilton, Jr
Hebron	17	J A Davis	W Pringle	James Edgar	N M Ashton	G R Brown	John Cornelius	F M Clark
Northern Star	18	James Vicary	William Walden	E Daly	L Ferguson	Fred Doggett	F W Wrigell	F H Willson
Quinte	19	A C Size	T Sutherland	B Dalrymple	M Hyslop	John Birs	John Donald	M Hyslop
Quinte	20	Peter McSweeney	J S Walker	D Lindsay	J A McLean	Alex Clark	Richard Folland	J L Biggar
Quinte	21	George Galt	Wm Galt	B F Carter	J McNeil	Wm Gardiner	Chas Collins	R L Durham
Guiding Star	22	James Galt	B F Kirtsdale	A B Hunt	J E Durham	T Powers	John C Hayden	T Powers
Niagara Falls	23	James H Magill	Henry Hales	James H McKee	Henry Hales	R Kenney	George Lucas	W W Ball
Friendship	24	FW Wood	J Ross	D McKay	Wm Maccombe	Neil Campbell	Josh Beck	W W Ball
Victoria	25	J W Smith	E C Russell	W H Haugh	J B Moore	W Williams	Wm Williams	W H Bone
Alpha	26	C H Budger	S Clevland	William Lawson	John W Nelson	George Cortis	Chas T Mason	John W Nelson
Lions	27	Alex McKenzie	Thos B Hoyle	Wm Haugh	Wm Bourne	George Cortis	J Brimfield	Wm Bourne
Lions	28	James Wertheim	Thos D Fenwick	J J Stevenson	Wm Bourne	L Atkinson	J Brimfield	Wm Bourne
Wellworth	29	James Wertheim	Thos D Fenwick	J J Stevenson	E McCormick	L Atkinson	W Bogart	E McCormick
Wellworth	30	James Wertheim	Thos D Fenwick	J J Stevenson	E McCormick	L Atkinson	W Bogart	E McCormick
Wellworth	31	James Wertheim	Thos D Fenwick	J J Stevenson	E McCormick	L Atkinson	W Bogart	E McCormick
Wellworth	32	James Wertheim	Thos D Fenwick	J J Stevenson	E McCormick	L Atkinson	W Bogart	E McCormick

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

20 James Vicary	T Sutherland	Thomas Budd	M Hyslop	John Clark	Wm Donald	J A McLean
21 A C Sizs	J S Wheeler	D Lambay	J A McLean	Wm Gardner	R L Biggar	J A McLean
22 Alex Calder	R F Carter	R F Carter	J E Durhan	John Durhan	Richard Folland	R L Biggar
23 George Pirie	John Gallinger	A B Hildreth	J E Durhan	Chas Collins	T Durman	T Durman
24 James Baker	B F Kirtledge	H H McKee	Henry White	T Powers	John C Hayden	Geo Williams
25 James H Magill	Henry Hales	D McKay	Wm Lascombe	K Kenney	W H Bail	W H Bail
26 F W Wood	E C Russell	Robert Grives	W B Moore	W Williams	Peter Steep	John McEwen
27 C H Badger	S Cleveland	W H Haugh	W H W Nelson	George Lees	Chas T Mason	John McEwen
28 Alex McKenzie	John E Hoyle	William Skewson	Wm Bourne	Chas Cottis	W Brimfield	W Bourne
29 James Werlich	Thos D Fenwick	W Skewson	E McCormick	L Atkinson	W Eganet	E McCormick
30 W D Lavrie	J C Sziglacy	Fred Saxton	E McCormick	L Atkinson	W Eganet	E McCormick
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34 John Reynolds	Robert Haggert	W H McFadden	J Manning	W C Bryant	R Y Stuart	J J Manning
35 Alex Calder	George E Wilson	James Anderson	J Manning	John Riach	Chas Peebles	Abner Frazer
36 George Pirie	W Ward	William Jamieson	P F Colville	John Riach	T Bingham	A A McDonald
37 Thomas Elliot	F S Scogson	F Barrie	W J Procter	E Bell	Wm Murray	Frank Riddell
38 James Ross	J E Scott	T Barrie	J G Skene	D Dolson	R Bruce	R Bruce
39 B Young	J E Scott	J Bonworth	B Beveridge	J S Webb	George Harris	John E Hinds
40 J D H Price	J E Scott	J Shannon	J Bonworth	W T Watson	George Harris	John E Hinds
41 John Livingstone	A Ywle	James Knox	J Shannon	W T Watson	George Harris	John E Hinds
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45 Thomas Snakley	John McEwen	James Knox	Samuel Wood	E R Cameron	Wm C Cornell	Samuel Wood
46 Hugh Managhan	William McEwen	R Montgumery	W J Nickle	James A Rothwell	H D Vertlauffer	Thos Luxton
47 Thomas Elliott	Robt Managhan	R Frockenstein	J H Hiseocks	Arch Pringle	Geo M D O'Sell	J H Hiseocks
48 H C P Lepan	F R Brown	N P Horton	James P Creighton	John W Redfern	Jno M D O'Sell	J H Hiseocks
49 H Allemang	F Kress	A Vetter	George Teeger	John Kimmel	W L Schmitz	J K Brown
50 W H Hiebertson	James Shand	S J Wilcock	George Teeger	John Kimmel	S J Thomsen	J K Brown
51 W H Hiebertson	Fred H. Inside	W Poynter	George Svalwell	S J Thomsen	S Wilcock	S C R Crocker
52 J B McEicken	Fred H. Inside	D Madsen	L Moblo	S J Thomsen	J D Scott	Chas Rosebrough
53 R Ronan	Thomas Beson	Thomas Beson	E V Guppy	C E Bourne	J D Scott	Chas Rosebrough
54 Henry Harper	Alex Morrow	George H Levey	E V Guppy	C E Bourne	J D Scott	Chas Rosebrough
55 J J Macmutter	John Morrison	George Clarkson	Thomas J McBeath	H J Brown	A K Blackader	Jan e Burwash
56 R J Hayward	Thos Workman	J C T Lacey	R M Errett	Wm Watson	Wm Watson	J J Van
57 Jas Howard	Thos Workman	J C T Lacey	R M Errett	Wm Watson	Wm Watson	J J Van
58 Jas A Macdonald	James W Drew	Joseph McDougall	Robert Hopkins	Chas Gottschalk	W C Lee	Malcolm Ferguson
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REINSTATEMENTS.

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- UNION ENCAMPMENT, No. 1, ST. CATHARINES :—N. B. Colcock.
- FRONTIER ENCAMPMENT, No. 2, WINDSOR :—Donald Fraser, John Turk, Chas. Cheliers, and P. A. Aikman.
- HARMONY ENCAMPMENT, No. 3, LONDON :—Geo. Wrigley and Andrew Lepper.
- BRANT ENCAMPMENT, No. 4, BRANTFORD :—S. W. Bradshaw.
- TORONTO ENCAMPMENT, No. 8, TORONTO :—Frederick Phillips.
- BROCK ENCAMPMENT, No. 9, BROCKVILLE :—S. D. Merrick.
- HEBRON ENCAMPMENT, No. 17, PARKHILL :—P. W. Reed.
- QUINTE ENCAMPMENT, No. 19, BELLEVILLE :—W. W. Empey.
- ELGIN ENCAMPMENT, No. 20, ST. THOMAS :—Robert Oethert and A. M. Hutchinson.
- WENTWORTH ENCAMPMENT, No. 30, DUNDAS :—James Parmenter.
- ADELPHIAN ENCAMPMENT, No. 38, LONDON :—John Browne.
- AYLMER ENCAMPMENT, No. 42, LONDON :—George A. Kennedy.
- SAUGEEN VALLEY ENCAMPMENT, No. 46, WALKERTON :—R. B. Ashley.
- MINERVA ENCAMPMENT, No. 47, WINGHAM :—J. A. Morton.

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SUSPENSIONS

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MONTREAL ENC., No. 1, MONTREAL.—R. P. Noyes, F. G. Varey and J. Thomas, for non-payment of dues.

FRONTIER ENC., No. 2, WINDSOR.—Axel Neilson, A. L. McCrae and W. J. Rae, for non-payment of dues.

HARMONY ENC., No. 3, LONDON.—James Crawford, A. S. Murray, James Jury and Saml. Flory, for non-payment of dues.

CHARITY ENC., No. 5, STRATFORD.—Arthur Waspe and A. G. N. Coulhan, for non-payment of dues.

BEAVER ENC., No. 6, ST. MARYS.—David Murray, John McLean, Wm. Paynter and John Ashby, for non-payment of dues.

BURLINGTON ENC., No. 7, HAMILTON.—Jas. Austin, H. Klingler, D. McDonald, R. J. Duggan, John Bayne, Jas. Dick and W. J. McDonald, for non-payment of dues.

BROCK ENC., No. 9, BROOKVILLE.—George Thompson, for non-payment of dues.

ONTARIO ENC., No. 11, OSHAWA.—Wm. Clark, M. Western, G. W. Billings, C. W. Scott, T. C. Dingle, R. R. Dent, G. Fields, T. Kirby, J. Cowdrey, D. McKay, J. Gwatkin, P. Taylor, T. Hall, W. Smith, E. Lowe and J. McTaggart, for non-payment of dues.

MOUNT ARARAT ENC., No. 16, NAPANEE.—Guy C. Baker, John Siler, John E. Clark, Joseph Hagarby, Jas. McLaughlin, Jos. Atkins, Alex Bartram and A. D. McDonald, for non-payment of dues.

NORTHERN STAR ENC., No. 18, PORT PERRY.—D. Ledingham, John Huckins, W. H. Marsh, A. Reynolds, Wm. Mills, for non-payment of dues.

QUINTE ENC., No. 19, BELLEVILLE.—R. Tracey, E. Meyers, W. H. Garrett, Geo. Dean, W. A. Roblin, A. E. Fish, Wm. Davis, J. G. Moore and Wm. Barrett, for non-payment of dues.

ELGIN ENC., No. 20, ST. THOMAS.—J. E. Cloes and Samuel McIntosh, for non-payment of dues.

UNITY ENC., No. 21, INGERSOLL.—James Stark, James Moore, T. G. Lewis, Thos. Hodgeman, James Sutherland, M. Tierney, James McKay and W. F. Leightner, for non-payment of dues.

NIAGARA FALLS ENC., No. 23, NIAGARA FALLS.—M. Tupper, John Murray, John Coulson, Wm. Lacey, Hiram Bender, T. C. Walsh, S. Taylor, A. Beatty, A. Williams, A. B. Cook, A. Harrison, C. W. Tossell, Richard Bennett, John Lewis, D. Isaacs, Hall Davis, J. Bowman, C. Page, J. Appleyard, W. Russell, R. Coulson, D. Morse, F. King, H. F. G. Pett, F. M. Ross and M. C. McFarlane, for non-payment of dues.

FRIENDSHIP ENC., No. 24, PETROLIA.—D. Turner, suspended by Subordinate Lodge, Friendship, No. 65, Petrolia, for contempt, two years, April 8th, 1884.

VICTORIA ENC., No. 25, PORT HOPE.—J. E. Lynn and John Ross, for non-payment of dues.

ALBIA ENC., No. 26, SARNIA.—E. A. Robertson, E. A. Clarke and P. Forbes, for non-payment of dues.

LIVINGSTONE ENC., No. 29, THOROLD.—John Morrison and F. O. Scott, for non-payment of dues.

WENTWORTH ENC., No. 30, DUNDAS.—Andrew Black, for non-payment of dues.

WELLINGTON ENC., No. 31, GUELPH.—Thos. Smyth, J. E. McGarvie, R. E. Wallace, J. L. Goold, Alex. Brown, Thos. Kennedy, N. McGarvie, G. Everson, G. W. Lammond, Geo. Mearce, John Colson and John Cleghorn, for non-payment of dues.

ROYAL ENC., No. 36, HAMILTON.—Robt. Evans, Jas. S. Greenhill, Thos. McBride, Arthur Doherty, Alex. Short and J. A. Kennedy, for non-payment of dues.

DRESDEN ENC., No. 37, DRESDEN.—J. Dale, J. M. Graham, H. S. Hughes, D. A. Warner, A. Cuthbert, J. J. Thompson, L. Coomer and M. Moshier, for non-payment of dues.

ADELPHIAN ENC., No. 38, LONDON.—Wm. D. Riddell, H. S. Reid, S. Smith and John Brown, for non-payment of dues.

BRUSSELS ENC., No. 40, BRUSSELS.—T. W. Smith and Wm. Leadbeater, for non-payment of dues.

AYLMER ENC., No. 42, AYLMEER.—O. Allen, F. K. Gordon and W. M. Lyons, for non-payment of dues.

COLLINGWOOD ENC., No. 45, COLLINGWOOD.—Geo. H. Edgecombe, John M. Fyfe, W. W. Nettleton, Jas. Noble, John M. Johnston and Wm. R. Bayley, for non-payment of dues.

SAUGEEN VALLEY ENC., No. 46, WALKERTON.—John Woods, Robt. Whyte, John H. Logie and Thos. D. McLean, for non-payment of dues.

MINERVA ENC., No. 47, WINGHAM.—Wallace Hough, Fred Dodge, Alex. Dawson and Jas. Inglis, for non-payment of dues.

SAMARTAN ENC., No. 49, BERLIN.—H. C. Clemens, A. A. Ruby, Chas. Corton, J. T. Huber and Wm. Mogk, for non-payment of dues.

RIDGELY ENC., No. 52, JARVIS.—John Mann, David McGillory and Thos. W. Shaw, for non-payment of dues.

EXPULSION.

NELSON BOWMAN, for conduct unbecoming an Odd-Fellow—seduction.

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In Memoriam.

- UNION ENC., No. 1, ST. CATHARINES. { A. J. FLUKE, April 26, '84
S. G. WEBSTER, January, '84
- BURLINGTON ENC., No. 7, HAMILTON.. JAMES MORRISON, Jan. 10, '84
- TORONTO ENC., No. 8, TORONTO {A. WEDDLE, Febr'y 3, '84
.....EYRE EVANS, June 10, '84
- BROCK ENC., No. 9, BROCKVILLE....S. D. MERRICK, January 31, '84
- WHITBY ENC., No. 13, WHITBY.. JONATHAN WOLFENDEN, Sept. 10, '83
- KINGSTON ENC., No. 15, KINGSTON { ..WM. SHERWOOD, Oct. 18, '83
...GEO. ANDEREWES, March 15, '84
- QUINTE ENC., No. 19, BELLEVILLE { ..W. C. CLARK, October 16, '84
...P. MORGAN, January 17, '84
- ELGIN ENC., No. 20, ST. THOMAS ...ROBT. ARMSTRONG, Oct. 26, '83

REPORT OF THE REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE, I. O. O. F.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

Your Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge respectfully submit the following Report of the proceedings of its Sixtieth Annual Session, held at the City of Minneapolis, State of Minnesota, the 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th days of September, 1884.

The members of the Sovereign Grand Lodge assembled at the West Hotel, Minneapolis, Monday, September 15th, at 8 o'clock, a. m., and were formed by States in procession by Grand Marshal Jno. W. McQuiddy, and escorted by Loyalty Uniform Degree Camp, proceeded to the Grand Opera House, where a formal reception was tendered, Hon. Eugene Wilson representing the Governor; Mayor Pillsbury, the City of Minneapolis, and Grand Master Taft, for the Order in Minnesota; Grand Sire Leech, responding for the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

After the reception the Grand Lodge was escorted to Armory Hall, and the Sixtieth Session opened.

The following Officers were present:

ERIE J. LEECH	Grand Sire.
HENRY F. GAREY	Deputy Grand Sire.
THEODORE A. ROSS	Grand Secretary.
ALEXANDER L. SPEAR	Grand Treasurer.
ALLEN JENCKES	Asst. Grand Sec'y.
REV. J. W. VENABLE	Grand Chaplain.
JOHN W. MCGUIDDY	Grand Marshal.
JOSHUA DAVIS	Grand Guardian.
HENRY C. FUHRMANN	Grand Messenger.

And a Representation from thirty-eight Grand Lodges and thirty Grand Encampments.

The following Grand Bodies were not represented at the Sixtieth Annual Communication:

The Grand Lodge of Arizona; The Grand Lodge of British Columbia; The Grand Lodge of Chili; The Grand Lodge of Denmark; The Grand Lodge of Switzerland; The Grand Lodge of Utah; The Grand Encampment of Delaware; The Grand Encampment of the District of Columbia; The Grand Encampment of Nevada.

The following are synopsis of the several Officers' reports:

GRAND SIRE'S REPORT.

GENERAL CONDITION.

During the year there have been instituted four Grand Lodges and two Grand Encampments, besides 189 Subordinate Lodges and 42 Subordinate Encampments. New territory has been invaded and occupied, and our field of labor largely increased. While we have not initiated so large a number of members as in the previous year, yet our growth is healthy and we now number nearly 506,000, and taking all things into consideration, the prospects of the Order were never more flattering than at the present time.

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

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		INCREASE	DECREASE
Grand Lodges.....			
Subordinate Lodges.....	54	4	
Grand Encampments.....	7,703	189	
Subordinate Encampments.....	43	2	
Lodge Initiations.....	1,906	42	
Lodge Members.....	43,774		3,755
Encampment Initiations.....	505,871	11,875	
Encampment Members.....	10,620	576	
Total Relief.....	90,852	5,742	
Total Revenue.....	\$2,015,832.52	\$133,388.64	
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DECISIONS.

1. At the last Annual Session of the Grand Encampment of Michigan, W. R. McCall was elected Representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, for the full term of two years. About two months previous to the session of that Grand Body, Bro. McCall resigned, and P. G. Rep. James M. Servoss was duly appointed to fill the vacancy. Now, is James M. Servoss the Representative for the unexpired term, or only until the next annual session of the Grand Encampment of Michigan?

Answer—James M. Servoss, having been appointed Grand Representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, to fill the vacancy above referred to, and his credentials duly accepted by that Body, is the Representative for the full term to which Bro. McColl was elected, *unless* there is a proviso in the Constitution of the Grand Encampment of Michigan requiring an election at the next session to fill the place.

2. Does the resolution attached to the report of the Committee on Legislation (bottom of page 9426, Revised Journal), allow Subordinate Lodges the privilege (subject to State legislation) of making their members non-beneficial if they do not pay dues in advance? Or does it simply leave the length of time in arrears necessary to constitute non-beneficial membership to the authority of State Grand Bodies, whether that time be one week or thirteen weeks?

Answer—The resolution leaves the authority to State Grand Lodges, and they alone are authorized to declare in their several jurisdictions which sum of dues and what length of time a Brother shall be in arrears to constitute him non-beneficial, whether it be one or thirteen weeks, or longer; but when no such declaration is made by State Grand Bodies, Subordinates by their By-Laws may fix the sum or the length of time.

3. Under the authority of the resolution in above question, could a Lodge charge and collect dues in advance under the penalty of disqualification for benefits, provided its Grand Lodge gave authority so to do?

Answer—It could.

4. A Uniformed Degree Camp is instituted, and afterwards, among others, adopt the following By-Laws:

SEC. 1. The uniform of this Camp shall be such as is prescribed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.

SEC. 2. Comrades of this Camp shall be required to procure a uniform within ninety days after their initiation.

Query—Can such a By-Law as Section 2 be enforced; and if so, what are the consequences if it is not complied with?

Answer—I see no reason why Section 2 should not be enforced the same as any other By-Law; as to the consequences, if not complied with, it is for the Camp to provide by a By-Law what the penalty shall be.

5. The Constitution of a State Grand Lodge provides that the *minimum* fee for initiation, and also the fee for the three degrees shall be a certain fixed sum. The Grand Lodge afterwards adopted an amendment to Subordinate Lodge Constitutions reducing the minimum fee fixed by the Grand Lodge Constitution.

Held—That the amendment to the Subordinate Lodge Constitution, as above, is in conflict with that of the Grand Lodge, and is therefore illegal; the Constitution of said Grand Lodge not having been amended to allow such changes in the Subordinate Lodge Constitution.

6. Section 922, White's New Digest, among other things, declares that "In case of a vacancy in the office of Noble Grand or Vice-Grand of a Subordinate Lodge, and all qualified members refusing to accept either of said offices, the Lodge may elect a Scarlet Degree member thereunto, who shall be entitled to the honors, as in the case of constituting a new Lodge; *provided, however*, that a dispensation be first obtained from the proper authority in the jurisdiction to which the Lodge belongs."

Query—"Is a D. D. Grand Sire the 'proper authority' to grant such a Dispensation for Subordinates under the immediate jurisdiction of the Sovereign Grand Lodge?"

Answer—The law defining the powers and duties of a D. D. Grand Sire upon the above point is not clear and explicit; but taking into consideration the fact that some jurisdictions under control of the Sovereign Grand Lodge are very remote from the office of the Grand Sire, and a necessity might arise which would demand immediate action, it is held that a D. D. Grand Sire is such "proper authority."

7. A Brother who has resided say in New York City several years, and holds his membership in a Subordinate Encampment, say in Ohio, desires to join a Uniformed Degree Camp at the place of his residence, on the production of proper evidence that he is a Royal Purple member in good standing of an Encampment in good standing in Ohio. Is such Patriarch competent to become a petitioner for a Uniformed Degree Camp, or a member of one that has been organized at the place of his residence, say the city of New York?

Answer—The law providing for the institution of Uniformed Degree Camps says they are to possess and enjoy the privileges, as follows: "To confer the Uniform Degree on such members of the Royal Purple Degree as *present certificates from an Encampment located in the district* designated in the Charter of such Degree Camps on their being elected members of such Uniformed Degree Camps pursuant to law." *Held*, that under the above law, a Patriarch residing in New York City, but holding membership in an Encampment in Ohio, is not eligible to become a member of a Uniformed Degree Camp organized at his place of residence, he not being able to present a certificate from an Encampment located in the district designated in the Charter of said Camp.

8. Can the obligation be used in evidence in court against a member in his suit against the Lodge?

Answer—Obligation cannot be used in evidence in court.

9. Are all the Past Grands of Arizona Lodges, who may be present at the institution of the Grand Lodge, to be treated as Charter members?

Answer—No; unless they were petitioners for the Charter.

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10. First—Are Brothers of a lower degree than the Third, where no benefits are allowed by State legislation, either weekly or funeral, entitled to receive a Visiting Card, and thereby entitled to visit on the same in jurisdictions other than their own?

Answer—Yes.

Second—Or are Visiting Cards to be issued only to Third Degree members in Grand Jurisdictions which have adopted regulations prohibiting benefits below the Third Degree?

Answer—No. The point decided in the foregoing is that an initiate or member of the Order lower than the Third Degree is entitled to a Visiting Card to allow him to visit a Lodge when opened in the particular degree to which he has attained, whether entitled to benefits or not.

11. A Brother is assaulted by ruffins and terribly beaten and injured. Can the Lodge, of which he is a member, *lawfully* appropriate funds from its treasury for the purpose of offering a reward for the apprehension and conviction of the perpetrators of the outrage?

Answer—No.

12. Can a First Watch put a motion if placed in the chair of the Chief Patriarch, while he (the Chief Patriarch) temporarily absents himself from said chair, but does not leave the Encampment-room?

Answer—Yes. Digest, 889, 890.

In addition to the foregoing decisions, I have answered a very large number of questions propounded to me during the year, but have not included them among the above, as they had already become matters of law, and a simple reference to the Digest was all that was deemed necessary to dispose of them. But there are three or four points to which I wish particularly to call the attention of the Sovereign-Grand Lodge. At the session of 1882 my honored predecessor made the following decision, No. 3 (see page 8838, Revised Journal), to wit:

"3. When a Grand Encampment has been chartered in a State or Territory, or any country, all the Subordinate Encampments to which the Sovereign Grand Lodge had issued charters in that jurisdiction become subordinate to the Grand Encampment, and they should surrender their Charters and receive new Charters from the Grand Encampment, which new Charters should be granted without charge."

Exceptions have been taken to the latter part of this decision, and I, having been asked to rule on the matter, declined to do so, as a matter of propriety, but stated to Brothers asking the ruling from me that I would call the attention of the Sovereign Grand Lodge to said decision, in order that it might be reviewed by the Judiciary Committee if the Body so ruled. The decision is now the law on that subject, and unless changed or modified will continue to be the law.

Another point: It appears that in the latter part of the year 1882 a Uniformed Degree Camp was organized in the city of Baltimore, Maryland, but had failed to comply with the law of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, as found on page 9111, Revised Journal of 1882, in that said Camp had neglected to elect officers on the first meeting night in January of each year; had failed to hold regular and special meetings as should be provided by By-Laws, or by law, and had in all respects failed to comply with the law providing for the institution of Camps. The Grand Patriarch of Maryland, learning these facts, declared the Camp defunct, and ordered the Charter, books, &c., returned to the Grand Encampment. I sustain the Grand Patriarch in this action, but submit whether there should not be a penal clause added to the law of 1882, concerning the organization of Camps.

And still another point: The Grand Master of Vermont holds as follows:

"Each Lodge, when open, is a Third Degree Lodge and none others are recognized by our laws. When reduced to the Initiatory, the First or Second Degree, it is simply the identical Lodge, but *open* for specific purpose only in a lower degree, hence no member can retire from the Lodge-room while the Lodge is being closed in one degree and opened in another, except those who are required to do so by the Ritual, viz., those not qualified to remain in the degree in which the Lodge is about to be opened. All others must retire before the Lodge is closed in one degree or remain till it is open in the next, when they can retire in form. The Third Degree Lodge opened at the beginning is not closed in any sense, except to confer degrees, until formally closed at the end of the session. Therefore, no visitors other than those who have attained the Degree of Truth can be admitted to witness any portion of the Work. This does not apply to a Lodge's own candidates on their way to receive the Scarlet Degree."

The above seems to be the rule in Vermont, but there is a difference of opinion regarding its workings in other jurisdictions. This Grand Lodge is requested to approve or disapprove of the foregoing action of the Grand Master of Vermont, in order to establish uniformity in the matter.

VISITING CARDS—WHO ARE ENTITLED.

The Grand Sire has decided this point (*see* Decision 10) but the importance of the question involved is so great, to wit: "Whether Brothers of a lower degree than the Third, where no benefits, either weekly or funeral, are allowed by State legislation, are entitled to receive a Visiting Card and thereby entitled to visit on the same in jurisdictions other than their own," &c., impels me to call your attention more particularly to the point raised, and suggest that the proper committee having charge of the question shall thoroughly examine the same, and that their report show fully the result of their investigation. It is a question now considerably discussed by various Grand Masters, and should be clearly decided.

PERMITS GRANTED.

On October 26th, 1883, I received a request in due form, to permit McAlister Lodge, No. 3, of Indian Territory, to change its name from "McAlister" to "Cyclone." The petitioners gave as a reason for the change that "McAlister," after whom the Lodge was originally named, is a living person; and further, in adopting the new name, they wished to commemorate the fact that about three or four years ago, a tornado, or cyclone, totally destroyed their hall. Although not in sympathy with the new name, I nevertheless granted the required permission.

I also granted a permit to the Grand Encampment of Vermont, allowing that Body to work under it until the Sovereign Grand Lodge could take action in regard thereto, it being shown me that their Charter was either lost or destroyed.

Inquiry 9—What rank does a Past Grand Representative hold in his Grand Encampment who served only as a Grand Representative from his Grand Lodge?

Answer—A Past Grand Representative is entitled to rank as such in every branch of the Order of which he is a member.

Inquiry 10—Can a Uniformed Degree Camp, under command of its officers, and in full uniform, lawfully visit a Subordinate Lodge when in session?

Answer—Yes.

The above decisions were referred to the Judiciary Committee which presented the following report, which was adopted:

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To the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows :

The Judiciary Committee, to which was referred so much of the report of the Grand Sire as relates to decisions on page 1, 2, 3, 4, and so much as relates to visiting cards on page 4 of daily proceedings, have carefully considered the same and beg leave to report, that all of said decisions are in strict conformity to law, and therefore recommend the adoption of the resolution herewith submitted.

As to the decision of Past Grand Sire Glenn (see page 8838 Revised Journal) your committee are of the opinion, that while not in conflict with law, still simple justice to pioneer Encampments requires such modification thereof as is set forth in the resolution appended, the adoption of which is recommended.

As to the second point of the Grand Sire, submitted for our consideration, concerning the action of the Grand Patriarch of Maryland in declaring a Uniformed Degree Camp defunct for failing to comply with the law of this Grand Lodge, as found on page 9111, Revised Journal of 1882, your committee are of the opinion that there was no error in sustaining the action of said Grand Patriarch ; but your committee do not think that any penal clause should be added to the law of 1882, concerning the organization of Camps, for the reason that a non-compliance with the law by a Uniformed Degree Camp results in the forfeiture of its Charter, books, &c. This penalty is legitimate and can be enforced, but your committee fail to perceive how any penal clause added to the law could be made operative against the members of a defunct Camp.

As to the third point of the Grand Sire, referred to us, concerning the rule in Vermont in closing and opening in the degrees, your Committee are of the opinion that a part of the rule is in direct conflict with the law ; and to correct the error and establish uniformity, they herewith submit a resolution and recommend its adoption.

In the matter of " Visiting Cards—who are entitled," in order to clearly settle the same, your Committee herewith submit a resolution and recommend its adoption.

1st. *Resolved*, That all the decisions of the Grand Sire be and the same are hereby approved.

2d. *Resolved*, That when a Grand Encampment has been chartered in a State or Territory or in any country, all the Subordinate Encampments to which the Sovereign Grand Lodge had issued charters in that jurisdiction become subordinate to the Grand Encampment ; but they are entitled to retain their original charters, and such Grand Encampment shall issue new charters to them, free of charge.

3d. *Resolved*, That every Subordinate Lodge, must open in the Third Degree, and no other form is recognized by our laws. When reduced to the Initiatory, the First or Second Degree, it is the same Lodge, but open for specific purposes only in a lower degree. " Members can retire from the Lodge Room when the Lodge is closed in one degree and before it is opened in another."

The Subordinate Lodge opened at the beginning is not closed in any sense, except to confer degrees, until formally closed at the end of the session ; but when open to confer any lower degree, any member who has received such degree is entitled to be admitted.

4th. *Resolved*, That brothers of a lower degree than the Third are entitled to Visiting cards, and to visit on the same, as in their own Lodges ; and such cards shall show whether the holders thereof are beneficial or non-beneficial, and if the former, what benefits are allowed.

The Committee on the Patriarchal Branch of the Order reported as follows, which was adopted by a vote of 170 yeas and 20 nays:

Your Committee to whom was referred the resolution of Rep. Lawrence, of Massachusetts, relating to the taking of an obligation by candidates, officers, etc., beg leave to report that the legislation adopted in accordance with the recommendation contained in the report of a Special Committee of this Grand Lodge at its last session, (Journal of 1883, page 9361) in a few jurisdictions, has been totally disregarded by a large portion of the membership in those jurisdictions. Our Uniform continues to be worn openly in public parade of the so-called Patriarchal Circle as well as in its meetings and for the purposes of drill by men professing to be Odd Fellows—in open defiance of that legislation. While the Patriarchal Circle claim to have abolished the attainment of the Royal Purple Degree as a necessary qualification to membership, yet it is apparent that by common understanding at least very few, if any, are now or have been admitted, who have not attained the Scarlet Degree. In one of our jurisdictions at least this state of things is working unfavorably to the Patriarchal Branch of the Order, for the reason that Scarlet Degree members are intentionally made to believe that the Encampment is of no account, and is not worthy of their membership. In this way they are lead to join the Patriarchal Circle, and the Encampments and the Uniformed Degree Camps are deprived of their membership and support.

In some localities this hostile spirit against the Encampment and Uniformed Degree Camps is carried to such an extent that every applicant for Encampment Degrees, is rejected unless previously pledged to join the Patriarchal Circle. In one locality at least this state of things has been carried to such an extent that every person who was inclined to application to the Uniformed Degree Camp, has been rejected, all who have been received have united with the Patriarchal Circle. In one Encampment, which ought to be among the strongest in the country, the Financial Scribe who is a member of the Patriarchal Circle, intentionally neglects to collect the dues until the accumulated amount against very many of the individual members becomes so large that they are suspended for non-payment of dues. In this way the membership of the Encampment has been largely reduced, and now its total assets do not amount to over \$200.

It is very manifest that in the four jurisdictions where the Patriarchal Circle has a foothold, concerted effort is being made, not only to secure the control of the Subordinate Lodges and Encampments, as well as the control of the Grand Bodies themselves, for the express purpose of strengthening and supporting the Patriarchal Circle, but also in order to secure the election of Grand Representatives to this Grand Body, who shall be members of the Patriarchal Circle. This purpose on their part is made all the more apparent and significant from the fact that the Supreme Secretary is proved to have openly declared that "we will put all Circle men that we car through the chairs in the Subordinate Lodges and Encampments, send our Representatives to the Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment, and get control of these bodies, and then send Circle men as Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and when we get control there we will legislate to suit ourselves, and then they can kiss our foot."

While there has been an absolute neglect to enforce the legislation of the last session, previously alluded to, yet it is plainly apparent that the Patriarchal Circle is in a helpless condition, excepting in two or three jurisdictions where they have been able to practically secure a large influence in or control of the Subordinate or Grand Bodies. In such jurisdictions the influence they are able to exert by getting control of our Grand and Subordinate Bodies, and the misrepresentation made as to the true character and object of the Patriarchal Circle, and the open and defiant attitude taken with reference to the legislation

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of last session, has undoubtedly deceived and misled many deserving and worthy members of our Order to retain membership and affiliate with the Patriarchal Circle without really intending to be disloyal to Odd-Fellowship.

It is apparent that the attitude taken by this Grand Body at its last session has had good effect, and that many good and true men have renounced their membership in the Patriarchal Circle, and returned to their allegiance to the Sovereign Grand Lodge. We believe that it is not good Odd-Fellowship to allow men openly hostile to our Institution and its principles, or who sympathize with or hold membership in any organization which seeks to promote its own existence or prosperity at the expense of this Grand Body, or of any body subordinate thereto. The time has come when none but true and loyal Odd-Fellows should hold positions of trust in this great Institution, or take part in framing its legislation or defining its policy—and yet we make this suggestion with some degree of hesitation for the reason that our attention has been called to the fact that certain members of this Sovereign Grand Body are said to be openly identified with the Patriarchal Circle, by holding membership therein.

Your Committee believe that the legislation reported by the aforesaid special committee at the last session should be reaffirmed, and that an obligation similar to that contained in the resolution of Grand Representative Lawrence, if adopted, would tend to keep the control of our Grand and Subordinate Bodies in the hands of men who are true and loyal to this Sovereign Grand Lodge. Therefore.

Resolved, That we re-enact and re-affirm the legislation reported by the Special Committee on Supreme Temple—Patriarchal Circle, found on pages 9361, 9362 and 9363, Journal of 1883.

Your Committee on Patriarchal Affairs, to whom was referred the communication of the Patriarchal Circle, relative to bringing about a union of the Patriarchal Circle and Uniformed Degree Camps, I. O. O. F., have considered the same and report that the Patriarchal Circle, as appears by the report of a Special Committee of this Grand Body at its last session (see Journal of 1883, p. 9361), and from testimony presented to your Committee, was never organized subordinate to this Grand Body, but with the express intention and determination to be independent thereof, and in nowise amenable to its reasonable rules and regulations. It has always attempted to build itself up and increase its membership and influence at the expense of our Order. Its members have invariably totally disregarded and treated with contempt the various proclamations of the Grand Sire, and the enactments of this Grand Body in relation to the propriety of members of our Order holding membership therein. For these reasons it is not becoming the dignity of the Sovereign Grand Lodge to receive the communication, or to treat with the Patriarchal Circle or any of its Representatives in relation to the subject matter therein contained.

The following matters relating to Uniform Degree Camps, including tactics and constitution for Grand Camps, were referred to a special committee of three, composed of J. H. Albin, of New Hampshire; John C. Underwood, of Kentucky, and E. A. Stevens, of Minnesota, to report a plan next session, and to consider all matters pertaining to Uniform Degree Camps. The powers of the committee to extend to a revision of the degrees.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the Resolution of Rep. Lawrence, of Massachusetts, relating to the uniform, as prescribed in White's Digest, Section 1031, beg leave to report the following Resolution:

Resolved, That on and after January 1st, 1885, the uniform prescribed in Section 1031, of White's Digest, shall appertain and belong exclusively to, and become the street regalia of Uniformed Degree Camps.

All legislation in conflict herewith is hereby repealed.

Your Committee, to whom was referred a memorial signed by a large number of Uniformed Degree Camps, asking to have Grant's Tactics substituted and adopted in place of Eddy's Tactics, and also the remonstrance of Niagara Uniformed Degree Camp, No. 14, presented by Rep. White, of New York, have considered the same and beg leave to report that there seems to be a very general demand that Grant's Tactics be substituted for Eddy's Tactics, only a single Camp objecting so far as your Committee can learn. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That Grant's Tactics be and the same is hereby substituted and adopted as the regulation tactics for discipline and drill by all Uniformed Patriarchs of the I. O. O. F.

Resolved, That all legislation inconsistent herewith is hereby repealed.

Rep. Heichert, of Indiana, from the Committee on the Patriarchal Branch of the Order, made the following report, which was laid on the table under the rule :

To the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows :

Your Committee, to whom was referred the various memorials presented at this session, asking for the establishing of *Grand Camps*, have considered the same and report that there seems to be a very general, and in some jurisdictions, an immediate demand for the creation of such bodies, in order to properly protect the interest of the Uniformed Degree Camps.

We believe that this subject-matter should be fully considered by the Special Committee of three recommended by us in another report, provided that report and recommendations are adopted, but for the present necessities of the Order, we recommend that the accompanying Constitution for *Grand Camps* be adopted, and that *Grand Camps* be instituted accordingly. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Grand Sire be authorized in his discretion to establish *Grand Camps* in the various jurisdictions agreeably to the accompanying constitution which is hereby enacted and established for their government.

Respectfully submitted,

H. O. HEICHERT,	J. H. ALBIN,
FRANCIS JEWETT,	H. T. DORRANCE,
A. J. WOODBURY,	M. COLBERT,
ISAAC F. CLARK,	JOHN HEESEMANN.

1.—The establishment in any jurisdiction where there are ten or more Uniformed Degree Camps, a *Grand Camp*.

2.—The right of said *Grand Camp* to grant Dispensations and Charters for the formation of Subordinate Camps in their jurisdictions.

3.—For the direct control by the Sovereign Grand Lodge of all Subordinate Uniformed Degree Camps in jurisdictions where no *Grand Camp* exists.

CONSTITUTION OF GRAND CAMPS OF THE UNIFORMED DEGREE, I. O. O. F.

ARTICLE I.

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ARTICLE II.

POWERS.

This Grand Camp, under the limitations imposed upon it by its Charter and the Constitution and By-Laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows, possesses within the State of _____ the supreme, legislative, executive and judicial authority. It has the right and power to grant Dispensations to establish Camps ; to Charter Camps ; to suspend or discontinue, for cause, any Camp subordinate to it ; to hear and determine all appeals from the actions and decisions of its Subordinate Camps and from the decisions of the Grand Commander ; to redress grievances of members and Camps under its jurisdiction ; to enact a code of By-Laws for its own government ; to enact a Constitution for the government of its Subordinate Camps (which By-Laws and Constitution, or amendments thereto, shall not become operative until approved by the Grand Sire), and to do whatever is proper and not in contravention of this Constitution or of the Constitution and Laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd-Fellows. No Camp can exist in this State without its permission.

ARTICLE III.

COMPOSITION.

SEC. 1.—This Grand Camp shall be composed of the following members, who shall have a voice and vote on all questions coming before this Grand Camp, except in such cases as are hereinafter designated and whereby the vote is restricted to the Officers, Representatives, Past Grand Commanders and Chairmen of Standing Committees.

1. The Officers of this Grand Camp.
2. The Representatives from each Subordinate Camp in _____
3. All Past Grand Commanders in _____
4. All Past Commanders in _____

SEC. 2.—A Past Grand Commander or Past Commander from any other jurisdiction, becoming a member of a Camp in this State, may become a member of this Grand Camp upon presenting a certificate of his official standing from the Grand Camp of his jurisdiction from which his membership was transferred.

Provided, That neither a Representative, Past Grand Commander, or Past Commander, shall be a member of this Grand Camp, unless he is a member in good standing in a Subordinate Camp in this jurisdiction and has received the Grand Camp Degree.

ARTICLE IV.

OFFICERS.

The Grand Sire shall be, by virtue of his office, ex-officio Commander-in-Chief of all Grand Camps.

SEC. 1.—The Elective Officers of this Grand Camp shall consist of Grand Commander, Grand Lieut. Commander, Grand Officer of the Guard ; Grand Secretary and a Grand Treasurer.

SEC. 2.—The Appointive Officers shall consist of the Grand Guard of the Tent ; the Grand Guard ; the Grand Standard Bearer ; the Grand Picket and two Grand Standard Guards.

SEC. 3.—The Elective and Appointive Officers of the Grand Camp shall on all public occasions constitute the staff of the Grand Commander.

SEC. 4.—The Nomination, Election and Installation of Grand Officers may take place at any time during the convention that the Grand Camp may determine. Any of the Grand Officers elect failing to be present for installation (unless prevented by sickness or some unavoidable occurrence), the office shall be declared vacant and an immediate election had to fill the vacancy.

ARTICLE V.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SEC. 1.—GRAND COMMANDER—The Grand Commander shall preside at all Conventions of the Grand Camp, and preserve order and enforce the rules. He shall appoint all Grand Officers *pro tempore*, and the Grand Officers who are not elective. He shall name the members of all Committees unless it is otherwise ordered by the Grand Camp. He shall give the casting vote whenever the Grand Camp is equally divided, decide all appeals during recess of the Grand Camp, organize and govern Camps under Dispensation; institute new Camps and install their officers in person, or by Deputy; transmit or withhold the S. A. P. W., as the case may require or warrant; visit Camps in his jurisdiction, and exercise all the authority of his office, as defined by this Grand Camp, and the laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

He shall sign all orders drawn on the Grand Treasurer for such sums as may be voted by the Grand Camp, and such other papers as may require his signature, and exercise a general supervision over the Camps in this jurisdiction. He shall call the Grand Lieut. Commander to his chair during the discussion of any question before the Grand Camp, on which he may desire to speak.

He shall, at the Annual Convention, or so soon thereafter as possible, appoint the following committees to serve for the term of one year, to-wit: A Committee on Returns and Credentials, three members; a Committee on State of the Order, three members; a Committee on Finance, three members; a Committee on Judiciary, three members; a Committee on Appeals, five members.

He shall, at each Annual Convention of the Grand Camp, present his Annual Report. All necessary, reasonable expenses incurred by him in visiting Camps shall be paid by this Grand Camp, except when the visit is made by invitation of the Subordinate Camp, in which case the expenses shall be paid by the Camp so visited.

SEC. 2.—GRAND LIEUT. COMMANDER—The Grand Lieut. Commander shall support the Grand Commander; he shall be his counselor and assistant. In the absence of the Grand Commander he shall preside over the Grand Camp. In case of the removal, death, inability or absence of the Grand Commander from the jurisdiction, the powers of said officer shall devolve on the Grand Lieut. Commander.

SEC. 3.—GRAND OFFICER OF THE GUARD—The Grand Officer of the Guard shall assist in the ceremonies of the Grand Camp, and in preserving order therein, conduct and introduce new members, execute the commands of the Grand Commander, and perform such other duties as may be required of him from time to time.

SEC. 4.—GRAND SECRETARY—The Grand Secretary shall make a just and true record of all the proceedings of the Grand Camp at every Convention, and transmit, annually, to each Subordinate Camp, printed copies thereof, one copy to each Representative, and one copy each to the Commander and Lieut. Commander of each Subordinate Camp; he shall have charge of the seal, books, papers and other properties of the Grand Camp; he shall keep correctly the accounts between the Grand Camp and its Subordinates; prepare all Charters granted by the Grand Camp; notify, officially, all Subordinate

Camps within the jurisdiction of all Conventions of the Grand Camp; carry on its necessary correspondence; keep a register, which shall contain a list of all Charters granted, and a record of all Past Grand Commanders, Past Commanders and Representatives entitled to seats in the Grand Camps; and shall also keep a record of all Subordinate Camps. He shall attest all official papers and documents; perform such other duties as are required by the Laws and Regulations of the Order, and as the Grand Camp may from time to time direct; and at each Annual Convention present a report of the general condition of the Order in this jurisdiction, to the Grand Camp. He shall, at expense of the Grand Camp, provide himself and the Grand Camp with such books, papers, blanks, material and stationery as are necessary, and keep in his office a copy of the seal of each Subordinate Camp in this jurisdiction.

He shall receive all moneys due to the Grand Camp, and pay the same over to its necessary correspondence; keep an exact and true account of the same; draw all orders on the Grand Treasurer for such money as may be voted by the Grand Camp; make a report of the business and work of his office at the Annual Convention, and at other times, when required by the Grand Camp or the Grand Commander.

He shall give such bond, with at least two sureties, as the Grand Camp may determine, to be executed and approved.

He shall deliver the books to the Finance Committee for examination, whenever directed so to do by the Grand Commander or the Grand Camp.

SEC. 5.—Grand Treasurer—The Grand Treasurer shall receive all funds for the use of the Grand Camp from the Grand Secretary, giving him a receipt therefor; pay all orders drawn on him by the Grand Commander, properly attested by the Grand Secretary; keep the accounts in the proper manner, exhibiting the sources and amounts of receipts, and the purposes and amounts of disbursements, and give a statement of the business of his office at the Annual Convention, or whenever required to do so by the Grand Camp. At the expiration of his term of office he shall deliver all books, papers and moneys belonging to the Grand Camp, in his possession, to his successor.

Before entering upon the duties of his office, he shall give a bond with not less than two sureties, for the faithful performance of his trust, to be presented to and be approved by the Grand Camp before his installation.

SEC. 6.—Grand Guard of the Tent—The Grand Guard of the Tent shall examine the members in the password before opening of the Grand Camp and report the result to the Grand Commander; he shall, during the convention, remain in attendance on the Grand Commander and execute his orders; he shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Grand Camp.

SEC. 7.—Grand Guard—The Grand Guard shall have charge of the inner door, and shall see that all members of the Grand Camp are in possession of the proper pass-word, and are clothed in appropriate insignia of their rank before entering the Grand Camp.

SEC. 8.—Grand Standard Bearer—The Grand Standard Bearer, shall, as his name denotes, have charge of and carry the Grand Standard and obey the orders of the Grand Commander.

SEC. 9.—Grand Picket—The Grand Picket shall have charge of the outer door; allow no person to enter without the pass-word, unless ordered so to do by the Grand Commander, and be responsible for the safe keeping of all insignia and other property during the convention of the Grand Camp.

SEC. 10.—Grand Standard Guards—The Grand Standard Guards shall act as assistants to the Grand Standard Bearer; they shall guard and protect the standard, and obey the instructions of the Grand Commander.

SEC. 11.—The Grand Officers shall, in addition to the duties herein specified, perform such other duties as may be imposed upon them by law.

SEC. 12.—Every member in this Grand Camp shall be eligible to any Grand Office.

ARTICLE VI.

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS.

Nominations for office in the Grand Camp shall be made at any time previous to the ordering the ballot to be taken for each office. The election shall be conducted as set forth in Article IX, Section 3.

ARTICLE VII.

CONVENTIONS.

SEC. 1.—The Grand Camp shall meet annually on the _____ This meeting shall be styled the Annual Convention. Special Conventions shall be held on the call of the Grand Commander. The Annual Convention shall be held at the time and place designated by the Grand Camp in Annual Convention. A Special Convention shall be held at the time and place designated by the Grand Commander in the call.

SEC. 2.—At the Annual Convention the officers of the Grand Camp shall be elected and installed, and such other business transacted as may be determined upon, or legally come before the Grand Camp.

SEC. 3.—All Special Conventions must be called for the transaction of some specific business, the nature of which must be clearly stated in the notice to Camps and the deliberations of such Conventions shall be confined to the consideration of that business and none other.

SEC. 4.—When in Annual or Special Convention seven Representatives in good standing, and whose Camps have duly made their returns, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the Grand Camp may adjourn from time to time until the business of the Convention shall have been disposed of.

ARTICLE VIII.

DUTIES OF COMMITTEES.

SEC. 1.—RETURNS AND CREDENTIALS—The Committee on Returns and Credentials shall examine and report to the Grand Camp on the regularity of the returns of Subordinate Camps and upon the correctness of the certificates of Representatives and Past Commanders.

SEC. 2.—STATE OF THE ORDER—The Committee on the State of the Order shall examine and report on such parts of reports of the Grand Officers so far as same relate to the State of the Order, and upon such other matters as may be referred to them, and recommending such measures for the good of the Order as they may think the circumstances require. They shall also examine and report upon applications for charters from Camps working under dispensation granted by the Grand Commander.

SEC. 3.—FINANCE—The Committee on Finance shall audit and report on the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, at each Convention of the Grand Camp, or whenever they may be required to do so by the Grand Commander of the Grand Camp. They shall examine all bills and claims presented against the Grand Camp, when in convention, and approve the same prior to an order being drawn for their payment; and no order shall be drawn for such amount until the bill for the same is endorsed by a majority of the Committee.

They shall report to the Grand Camp their estimate of the expenditures for the ensuing year, and the rate per capita to be assessed to meet said expenditures and all contingencies.

SEC. 4.—JUDICIARY—The Committee on Judiciary shall examine into and report on such portions of the reports of the Grand Officers as present questions of law; they shall enquire into all cases of infraction of the established laws and regulations of the Order, that may be brought before them, and report such measures as they may deem expedient for correcting the transgression. They shall examine the By-Laws of the Subordinate Camps, and amend them to conform to the laws of this Grand Camp, and on the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and present them to the Grand Commander for approval, before returning them to Subordinate Camps.

SEC. 5.—APPEALS—The Committee on Appeals shall hear all appeals and grievances from Camps or members of Camps, referred to them by the Grand Camp or Grand Commander, and report their decision with the utmost dispatch to the Grand Camp, or to the Grand Commander during recess. But no member of this Committee shall serve on any case of appeal from the Camp of which he is a member.

SEC. 6.—SPECIAL COMMITTEES—Special Committees may be appointed from time to time by the Grand Camp, or during recess, by the Grand Commander, for such purposes as occasion may require, and in such cases the Grand Camp or Grand Commander shall define their duties.

SEC. 7.—CHAIRMAN—The first named on a Committee shall act as Chairman, who shall have authority to convene the same, and present the report thereof to the Grand Camp.

SEC. 8.—AUTHORITY OF COMMITTEES—Every Committee shall have authority and power to call for such books, documents, papers and other articles as are necessary to a correct understanding of the matter or subject under consideration, or the business they have been charged with.

ARTICLE IX.

VOTING.

SEC. 1.—Every Officer, Representative, Past Grand Commander and Chairman of Standing Committee, who is a member of this Grand Camp, is entitled to a voice and vote on all matters before this Grand Camp, except on a question where a change is to be made in the By-Laws of this Grand Camp or the Constitution of Subordinate Camps, upon which only the Representatives shall vote, and the vote shall then be taken by "yeas and nays," and made of record.

SEC. 2.—All voting, except in election of officers, shall be *viva voce*, and the "yeas and nays" may be called on any question upon the call of any five members.

SEC. 3.—The elective Grand Officers shall be chosen by separate written ballots, in open Grand Camp, at the Annual Convention. A majority of all the valid votes cast shall be necessary for an election, and no vote, blank or otherwise, shall be counted, unless it is given for a candidate regularly nominated. The Grand Commander shall appoint one or more members as tellers, whose duty it shall be to collect, count and report the result of the balloting to the Grand Commander, who shall announce the same to the Grand Camp.

ARTICLE XII.

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE CAMPS.

SEC. 1.—At the end of each term, all Subordinate Camps, under Dispensation or Chartered, shall report to the Grand Camp the names of those initiated, admitted by card, rejected, withdrawn or suspended (and the cause thereof), reinstated and deceased; also a list of all Past Commanders who are in good standing in the Camp, the amount of receipts and expenditures, and the amount of tax due the Grand Camp; the total amount on hand; the amount invested; and the result of the election of officers—a form for this purpose to be furnished by the Grand-Camp. This report must be filled out and properly attested, and the order for the per capita tax drawn before the ceremony of installation.

SEC. 2.—Any Camp failing to send its Annual Report and per capita tax so that it may be in the hands of the Grand Secretary thirty days previous to the Convention then ensuing, neither the Representative of that Camp nor any of its Past Grand Commanders or Past Commanders shall be permitted to participate in the proceedings of that Convention: *Provided, always, that* this section shall not apply in the case of Camps organized within the thirty days next preceding the said Convention.

ARTICLE XIII.

APPEALS.

SEC. 1.—Any member feeling aggrieved at the action of his Subordinate Camp may, within sixty days from the time the cause of action arose, appeal to the Grand Camp, or during recess to the Grand Commander. He shall clearly recite the case, and shall deliver the same to the Secretary of his Camp, who shall at once forward the same to the Grand Commander, together with a certified copy of the record, and such answer as the Camp may desire to enter.

SEC. 2.—Any member of any Subordinate Camp feeling aggrieved at the action of this Grand Camp shall have the right of appeal to the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

ARTICLE XIV.

OFFENCES.

Every member violating any of the obligations, established principles, laws, rules or regulations of the Order, disregarding the requirements of the Constitution or By-Laws, disclosing the secret transactions of the Camp, divulging the name of a member who has reported unfavorably upon an applicant or opposed his becoming a member, practising, aiding or abetting any misrepresentations, false pretense or fraud; guilty of habitual drunkenness, immoral or criminal conduct of any kind, shall be liable to charges, and on being found guilty may be fined, suspended or expelled, in accordance with the Code of Procedure provided by this Grand Camp.

ARTICLE XV.

GOOD STANDING.

*Subordinate Camps may provide by their By-Laws as to what constitutes good standing; *Provided, always, that* no member shall be entitled to receive the S. A. P. W., who is not clear upon the books of his Camp. And any member owing twelve months dues shall be declared suspended, unless by a majority vote the Camp otherwise order.

ARTICLE XVI.

WITHDRAWAL CARDS.

Any member desiring to withdraw from this Camp shall make application either personally or in writing at a regular Convention of the Camp, whereupon, if the member be clear upon the books; free from all charges made or pending, the Card shall be ordered granted by the Commander.

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BALLOT.

Subordinate Camps may provide how many black-balls will reject an application for membership either by initiation or by Card, but shall not exceed the maximum of three.

ARTICLE XVIII.

FEES AND DUES.

Each Subordinate Camp shall regulate by By-Laws its own fees for membership either by card or initiation, and also its annual dues; *Provided, always,* that the fee for admission by initiation shall never be less than two (2) dollars; for admission by card, not less than one (1) dollar, and the annual dues not less than two (2) dollars.

ARTICLE XIX.

MEETINGS.

Each Subordinate Camp may by By-Law regulate its meetings, provided that they must meet at least once every month.

ARTICLE XX.

REINSTATEMENT.

The manner of the reinstatement of members suspended for cause or for non-payment of dues, shall be as provided in the By-Laws of this Grand Camp.

ARTICLE XXI.

SEAL.

Each Subordinate Camp shall have an Official Seal with appropriate devices, which shall be affixed to Withdrawal Cards as well as to all receipts and official documents or papers issued by authority of the Camp. An impression of the Seal shall be deposited with the Grand Secretary of this Grand Camp.

ARTICLE XXII.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The business of the Annual Convention shall be taken up in the following order, after the opening ceremonies:

First—Report of Committee on Credentials, and to receive Certificates of Past Commanders and Representatives, and to admit them.

Second—To read and pass upon the minutes of the last stated and intervening Conventions.

Third—Report of Grand Commander.

Fourth—Report of Grand Treasurer.

Fifth—Report of Grand Secretary.

Sixth—Report of Standing Committees in the following order:

1.—Committee on Returns and Credentials.

2.—Committee on State of the Order.

3.—Committee on Finance.

4.—Committee on Judiciary.

5.—Committee on Appeals.

Seventh—Report of Special Committees.

Eighth—Unfinished Business.

Ninth—Nomination and election of officers and announcement of result.

Tenth—Order of the Grand Camp in regard to installation of the officers elect.

Eleventh—To receive, refer and act upon reports, petitions, appeals and other communications, and new business.

ARTICLE XXIII.

RULES OF ORDER.

Robert's Rules of Order shall be the guide for the Grand Camp and its Subordinates.

ARTICLE XXIV.

AMENDMENTS.

SEC. 1.—Amendments to this Constitution may be submitted to the Sovereign Grand Lodge by any Grand Camp. Such amendments must be forwarded to the Grand Secretary of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, printed on paper conforming to the size of the pages of the Journal of Proceedings of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and two hundred (200) copies furnished for the use of the Grand Representatives.

SEC. 2.—Before consideration of an amendment to this Constitution by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, it must be certified that at least thirty days prior to its transmission, a copy was first mailed to the Grand Commander and Grand Secretary of every Grand Camp then in existence, said certification shall be signed by the Grand Commander and Grand Secretary of the Grand Camp offering the amendment, and the seal of the Grand Camp attached.

SEC. 3.—Amendments submitted in proper form shall then be acted upon by the Sovereign Grand Lodge and may be adopted by a majority vote of the Officers and Representatives.

SEC. 4.—Nothing in this article shall preclude the Sovereign Grand Lodge from amending the provisions of this Constitution at any Annual Session, notwithstanding the amendment does not emanate from a Grand Camp in proper form—any Grand Representative may offer an amendment, but in such case it shall require a two-third vote to adopt the amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Two plans for public dedication of halls were presented. Both were postponed until next session.

Charters were granted for Encampments at Las Vegas, New Mexico, and Salt Lake City, Utah.

Uniformed Degree Camps were empowered to admit to membership permanent residents of their district, belonging to Encampments outside of said district on being elected according to law.

The shoulder strap for Guard in Uniformed Degree is same as the Commander, except for the crown, crossed swords in gold. Picket, same as Guard, except for crossed swords a single sword.

The committee on foreign relations reported against allowing the jurisdiction of Australia to work in the Initiatory Degree, which was adopted. The amendment leaving to local legislation the qualification for admission to membership in Australia, New Zealand, and other countries not on the Continent of North America; biennial sessions; changing time of meeting to October; changing the ratio of representation were identifiately postponed.

The amended Constitution of the Grand Encampment of Ontario was approved.

The constitutional amendments to meet biennially; to admit members at eighteen years of age, and leaving the qualification to local legislation in all countries not on the North American Continent; to meet biennially in May were renewed. Also to reduce representation.

It was declared that Past Grand Officers could not be deprived of their rank and title, simply because they were not members of Grand Lodges or Grand Encampments.

RIDGELY MONUMENT.

The committee adopted the plan of Muldoon & Co., of Louisville, Ky., and they were instructed to have it erected in Herlem Square, in the city of Baltimore, the cost not to exceed \$20,000. It is expected, that the monument will be unveiled during the next session of the Sovereign grand Lodge.

DUES AND BENEFITS.

The committee on dues and benefits recommended that the ratio of dues to benefits be, weekly benefits one-half yearly dues; a benefit fund, relief fund, and management fund; and that each fund be kept separate and intact.

DEATHS.

The work of the grim archer during the year has taken from us loved, faithful and earnest laborers in the vineyard. Many who have in time past represented their jurisdictions in the Sovereign Grand Lodge, have passed beyond the swelling waters, and their successors will doubtless present fitting tributes to the virtues and services of their predecessors.

Among the number who have died during the recess, it is my duty to mention two, who by long years of service, have been known and honored throughout the entire jurisdiction, and one who, though a New Representative, was an invaluable member of his jurisdiction.

The old and the young have fallen beneath the keen sickle of death who

" Reaps the bearded grain at a breath,
And the flowers that grow between."

JOSHUA VANSANT, the veteran Odd-Fellow of 1823, the honored Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of the United States and the Sovereign Grand Lodge from 1853, until the hand of death was laid upon him, and he was commanded to rest from his labors, passed from earth on the 8th day of April, 1884. Bro. VANSANT was born on the 31st day of December, 1803, and thus lived to the ripe old age of nearly 81. He was the fourth Grand Treasurer of this Body, his predecessors being AUGUSTUS MATHIOT, 1833 to 1835; CHARLES MOWATT, 1835 to 1836; ANDREW E. WARNER, 1836 to 1853. He represented the Grand Lodge of Maryland in 1851, 1852, 1856, 1857, and it is needless to say, to those who knew him, that in whatever position he occupied, the duties of the office were faithfully, honestly and satisfactorily discharged. Of his services to the city of Baltimore and the State of Maryland in the numerous positions he was chosen to fill, it is not necessary to say more than that he won from people of all parties unqualified admiration, and his name was on every tongue, a synonym for honesty, integrity and fidelity to duty.

Bro. VANSANT came into the Order when it was indeed a feeble institution. Six Subordinate Lodges with an aggregate membership of less than 500 constituted Odd-Fellowship in America in the year 1823, and the grand result attained in sixty years, when 8,000 Lodges and more than a half million of men were enrolled under its banners, was a matter of delight and gratification to

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our Brother who had watched carefully, earnestly and hopefully the progress of the Order through the many years of the long life granted to him. Though page upon page might be written in presenting the special services of the departed, in view of the fact that the Representatives from Maryland in this Body will do ample justice to the memory of the veteran Odd-Fellow, I need say no more.

ISSAC MCKENDREE VEITCH, the eighteenth Grand Sire of the Order died, suddenly, in his office in St. Louis, Missouri, on the 22d day of May, 1884, aged 66 years. He had just returned to his office from a session of the Grand Lodge of his State, and it may be truly said that "he died with the harness on," the messenger coming to him "like a thunderbolt, from a cloudless sky."

The membership of Bro. VEITCH, in the Order, dated from 1840, and he was ever actively identified with its interest, serving in almost every position in Grand and Subordinate Bodies, and faithfully and energetically discharging every duty. He presided in the Grand Lodge of the United States at a critical period in the history of the Order, and it is well known that the earnest efforts of Grand Sire VEITCH were successful in obtaining a representation at the session of 1865 from the States that for five years had not responded on the call of the roll of jurisdictions.

Grand Secretary SLOAN, in a letter dated May 29th, 1884, wrote: "Bro. VEITCH had been active, as always, during the session; made a speech in advocacy of his report as Chairman of the Judiciary Committee and was never more clear or logical, but was unusually calm and considerate of his opponents' feelings, so much so that it was the subject of remarks. After closing he complained of a pressure near his heart, but he or his friends did not fear anything serious. He left the Lodge-room at 12:10, went to his office, and in less than an hour expired, sitting in his chair waiting for his physician. I have been a member of our Grand Lodge since 1859 and have attended every session but two, and Bro. VEITCH, during that time, has missed only one."

Suddenly, on the morning of Friday, May 16th, 1884, at his home in Salt Lake City, Bro. EDMUND H. MURPHY, who made his first appearance in the Sovereign Grand Lodge in 1883 as representative from the Grand Lodge of Utah, was called from time to eternity. Representatives will doubtless remember our Brother who was conspicuous for his commanding appearance, loved for his genial and hearty manners by all who formed his acquaintance; a devoted, fearless, Odd-Fellow.

At the early age of 39 years he was summoned to go hence, leaving to mourn the departure of a devoted, loving husband and kind and indulgent father, a wife and six children. The "Tribune," of Salt Lake City, in a lengthy article, mentioned the deceased as "a man possessed of many sterling qualities of mind and heart, always mindful of the rights and feelings of others, and such a thing as doing a mean act was at all times furthest from his nature. He idolized his wife, worshipped his children, and his hearthstone was to him a sacred shrine. There are many who will sincerely mourn his loss; the Lodges in this city, in which he took such a warm and deep interest, will especially miss his cheering words, his perpetual readiness to lend a helping hand, and his always welcome presence. His family will miss him most, and while his wife mourns over the loss of one who can never be replaced, she will find consolation in the fact that he left behind him an unsullied name, and a character free from even the suspicion of a blemish."

RETURNS FOR THE YEARS 1882 AND 1883.

	Year 1882	Year 1883	Increase.	Decrease.
Grand Lodges	50	54	4	
Grand Encampments....	41	43	2	
Subordinate Lodges.....	7,514	7,703	189	
Subordinate Encampm'ts	1,864	1,906	42	
Rebekah Degree Lodges.	995	1,066	71	
Lodge Initiations.....	47,549	43,774		3,775
Encampment Initiations.	10,044	10,620	576	
Lodge Members.....	493,996	505,871	11,875	
Encampment Members..	85,110	90,852	5,742	
Relief by Lodges.....	\$1,704,290.98	\$1,819,328.20	\$115,037.22	
Relief by Encampments.	166,806.91	183,931.31	17,124.40	
Relief by Rebekah Ldg's	11,345.99	12,573.01	1,227.02	
Total Relief.....	1,882,443.88	2,015,832.52	133,388.64	
Revenue of Lodges.....	4,755,702.10	4,804,748.00	49,045.90	
Revenue of Encampm'ts	441,884.78	486,927.17	45,042.39	
Revenue of Rebekah L'gs	48,359.12	58,366.30	10,007.18	
Total Revenue.....	5,245,946.00	5,350,041.47	104,095.47	

THE ORDER FROM 1830 TO DECEMBER 31st, 1883.

We hoped to obtain in time for this report full returns from Germany and Australasia, so as to present complete and accurate statistics of the entire Order, but the statements have not been received. The following, compiled from the information gathered from the printed Journals and other sources, is believed to be a nearly correct exhibit of the entire work and present condition of the Order throughout the world :

Initiations in Subordinate Lodges	1,318,225
Members relieved.....	1,096,950
Widowed families relieved.....	144,805
Members deceased.....	106,922
Total relief.....	\$36,742,136 75
Total receipts.....	98,227,589 60

PRESENT CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

Sovereign Grand Lodge.....	1
Independent Grand Lodges (German Empire and Australasia)	2
Subordinate Grand Encampments.....	43
Subordinate Encampments.....	1,918
Subordinate Grand Lodges.....	64
Subordinate Lodges.....	8,002
Encampment Members.....	91,491
Lodge Members.....	522,318

ABSTRACT OF THE DEBIT ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR.

Cash balance August 31st, 1883	\$14,772 55
Interest received by J. Vansant, G. Treasurer	\$ 1,905 36
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For supplies, etc., received by J. Vansant, G. Treasurer	22,086 59
For supplies, etc., received by Alex. L. Spear, G. Treasurer.....	20,218 98
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Aggregate debit.....	\$59,647 60

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ABSTRACT OF THE CREDIT ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR.

Mileage and per diem in 1883.....	\$21,773 00
Other expenses specially ordered in 1883.....	1,592 15
Books, Cards and general expenses for the year.....	15,497 70
Aggregate disbursements.....	\$38,862 85
Balance on hand.....	20,784 75
	\$59,647 60
From aggregate of debit account.....	\$59,647 60
Deduct balance on hand August 31st, 1883.....	14,772 55
Showing revenue from all sources.....	\$44,875 05
The aggregate of credit side shows disbursements.....	38,862 85
Excess of revenue over expenses.....	\$ 6,012 20
AVAILABLE ASSETS.	
Balance in treasury August 20th, 1883.....	\$20,784 75
United States 4½ per cent. coupon bonds, par value.....	38,000 00
United States 4 per cent. coupon bonds, par value.....	8,700 00
United States 4½ per cent. registered bonds, par value.....	13,300 00
Aggregate.....	\$80,784 75

ASSETS OF 1883 AND OF 1884 COMPARED.

Assets of 1884, as above.....	\$80,784 75
Assets of 1883, as per report of Grand Treasurer, page 9255, Journal of Sovereign Grand Lodge.....	74,772 55
Increase for the year.....	\$ 6,012 20

The Officers elected and installed for the ensuing term was as follows:

- Henry F. Garey, Maryland, Grand Sire.
- John H. White, New York, Dep. Grand Sire.
- Theo. A. Ross, New Jersey, Grand Secretary.
- Isaac N. Shepard, Pennsylvania, Grand Treasurer.
- J. W. Venable, Kentucky, Grand Chaplain.
- J. T. Jakes, Delaware, Grand Marshal.
- J. R. Harwell, Tennessee, Grand Guardian.
- E. H. Whitney, Michigan, Grand Messenger.

After which the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet in Baltimore, Md., on the 3rd Monday of September, 1885.

Your representatives desire to record their appreciation of the cordial reception accorded to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, as well as the many acts of kindness and courtesy extended to your Representatives by the Brothers and Sisters of the State of Minnesota, as will be seen by the following, as given by the correspondent of "The Companion."

INCIDENTS OF THE WEEK.

About 180 Representatives, including their wives and daughters, met at the Grand Pacific Hotel, Chicago, on September 11th. In the early evening, Excelsior U. D. Camp received the Grand Sire at the hotel, when J. Ward

Ellis, P. G. R., in a well chosen address, presented Miss Ernestine Leech, with a beautiful floral crown, the Grand Sire responding.

At 9:30 o'clock p. m., the special train left Chicago, arriving at Winona on the 12th, at 1 p. m. A stop of four hours permitted the tourists to enjoy the hospitalities of the citizens, and view this real gem of a town. After sighting around the city, the whole party partook of a lunch provided by the citizens, which compared favorably with any event of the week. Speeches were made by Mayor Ludwig and Mr. Simpson, responded to by Grand Sire Leech. Toasts, dry ones, were offered and responded to. At 5 p. m. the party returned to the train, and left for Minneapolis. At many points along the road the people turned out to welcome the Sovereigns. At Hastings the train was stopped, and Representatives White and Hedges addressed an immense crowd from the rear car. At 10 p. m. the whole party were safely housed at Minneapolis.

On the 13th, Lake Minnetauka was visited. After a pleasant ride on the lake, the boat landed at the Park Hotel, and the party partook of a lunch. The scenery around the lake is beautiful, and was much admired. At 5 p. m. the party returned to the city.

Sunday was devoted to religious service. Most of the representatives attended the Episcopal Church where the Grand Chaplain preached, but quite a number embraced the opportunity to hear Mr. Tuttle of the Universalist Church.

Monday afternoon, Minnehaha and lakes Harriett and Calhoun were visited, and a carriage ride over the city. At night the citizens banqueted the visitors at the West Hotel.

Tuesday afternoon was devoted to St. Paul. Carriages were in waiting on arrival of train, into which the visitors were placed and various points of interest visited, in and around this beautiful little city. At night a public reception and banquet was given by the citizens at the Merchants' Hotel. At 8 p. m. the Past Grand Representatives' Union was called to order by Past Grand Sire Sanders, who delivered a short address. Past Grand Sire Nicholson was then introduced, and delivered the annual address. He spoke without notes, and many who have heard him before thought it his best effort.

The party returned to Minneapolis at 2 a. m. This ended the festivities so far as the Grand Lodge was concerned, and from thence to the close of the session, it was close attention to business.

On Thursday, however, the ladies of the party visited the wonderful Dalles of the St. Croix, some fifty miles distant, under the auspices of the Daughters of Rebekah, of Minneapolis, St. Paul and Stillwater. The male sex were excluded.

On Friday night quite a number of representatives and their wives visited St. Anthony Lodge, East Minneapolis, and partook of a sumptuous lunch, after which the evening was spent in social intercourse, interspersed with short speeches by members of the Sovereign Grand Lodge and others.

The Grand Lodge adjourned at 3:30 p. m. on Saturday, after one of the pleasantest sessions, during which the members, individually and collectively, were the recipients of many courtesies by the citizens of Minneapolis and St. Paul, which will tend to keep alive the remembrance of their visit to the "Great Northwest."

In conclusion, your Representatives desire to express their appreciation of the high honor conferred upon them, and trust that the manner in which the duties of the office have been discharged will meet with your approval.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN GIBSON, } Gd. Representatives.
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INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The Past Grand Patriarch, H. Urquhart, then proceeded to instal the Grand Officers elected for the ensuing year, in the following order, viz. :

- JOSEPH OLIVER, Toronto,.....Grand Patriarch.
- JOHN WELSH, Stratford,.....Grand H. Priest.
- FRANK RIDDELL, London,.....Grand Senior Warden.
- M. D. DAWSON, London,.....Grand Scribe and Treasurer.
- JOHN SINCLAIR, Petrolia,.....Grand Junior Warden.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO SCRIBES.

The certificate of Past Chief Patriarchs and Representatives to Grand Encampment should be forwarded to the Grand Scribe immediately after the Installation of Officers.

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

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

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

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

THE MONEY must accompany all orders for supplies of all kinds, and all orders must be signed by the Scribe and attested by the Seal of the Encampment.

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

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

Charge Books.....	\$2 50
Book of Laws, each.....	40
Digest.....	3 00
Emblematic Chart.....	3 00
Visiting Cards, each.....	30
Withdrawal Cards, each.....	30
Register Books, each.....	3 50
Proposition Books, each.....	3 25
Black Books, each.....	2 00
Draft Books, each.....	2 00
Treasurers' Books, each.....	1 00
Receipt Books, each.....	1 75
Return Books, each.....	1 00
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Names and P. O. Address of the Grand Scribes.

SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE THEO. A. ROSS, P. O. Box 198, BALTIMORE, MD.

Alabama,	Lee R. McKee,	Selma
Arkansas,	Peter Brugman,	Little Rock
California,	W. B. Lyon,	P.O. box 2207, San Francisco
Colorado,	J. M. Norman,	Denver
Connecticut,	Frederick Botsford,	P.O. Drawer 5, N. Haven
Dakota,	Ralph R. Briggs,	Sioux Falls
Delaware,	Edwin Hirst,	903 Orange st Wilmington
District of Columbia,	Joseph Burroughs,	573 7th st S. E. Washington
Georgia,	John G. Deitz,	Macon
Illinois,	John C. Smith,	Chicago
Indiana,	B. F. Foster,	Indianapolis
Iowa,	William Garrett,	Burlington
Kansas,	Samuel F. Burdett,	Leavenworth
Kentucky,	William White,	Louisville
Louisiana,	James Furneaux,	P.O. box 383, N. Orleans
Maine,	N. G. Cummings,	Portland
Maryland,	John M. Jones,	Baltimore
Massachusetts,	Charles D. Cole,	Boston
Michigan,	E. H. Whitney,	Lansing
Minnesota,	J. Fletcher Williams,	St. Paul
Mississippi,	James T. McCown,	Vicksburg
Missouri,	E. M. Sloan,	St. Louis
Montana,	William Bachr,	Miles City
Nebraska,	D. A. Cline,	Lincoln
Nevada,	Wm. H. Hill,	Virginia
New Hampshire,	Joseph Kidder,	Manchester
New Jersey,	Lewis Parker,	Trenton
New York,	James Terwilliger,	100 w 24 st New York City
North Carolina,	Edward Zoeller,	Tarboro
Ohio,	James Anderton,	Dayton
Ontario,	M. D. Dawson,	London
Oregon,	J. M. Bacon,	Oregon City
Pennsylvania,	James B. Nicholson,	146 N 6th st Philadelphia
Rhode Island,	Lindsay Anderson,	Providence
South Carolina,	Robert C. Starr,	Charleston
Tennessee,	J. R. Harwell,	Nashville
Texas,	L. F. DeLeadernier,	Houston
Vermont,	Joseph K. Egerton,	Northfield
Victoria,	William Judge,	Odd Fellows Hall Russell st
Virginia,	A. T. Burr,	Richmond
West Virginia,	H. A. Uthman,	Wheeling
Wisconsin,	L. B. Hills,	Madison
Wyoming,	Mark Jennings,	Laramie City

UNIFORM DEGREE CAMPS.

NAME.	No.	WHERE HELD.	COUNTY.
London,.....	1,.....	London,.....	Middlesex.
Hamilton,.....	2,.....	Hamilton,.....	Wentworth.
Kingston,.....	3,.....	Kingston,.....	Frontenac.
St. Thomas,.....	4,.....	St. Thomas,.....	Elgin.
Windsor,.....	5,.....	Windsor,.....	Essex.
Newmarket,.....	6,.....	Newmarket,.....	Ontario.
Toronto,.....	7,.....	Toronto,.....	York.
Barrie,.....	8,.....	Barrie,.....	Simcoe.
Belleville,.....	9,.....	Belleville,.....	Hastings.

THE NEXT ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO, I. O. O. F.,

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CITY OF HAMILTON, ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 11TH, 1885,

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