

REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
RIGHT WORSHIPFUL
THE PROVINCIAL GRAND ORANGE LODGE
OF
WESTERN CANADA,



ASSEMBLED IN THE
Town Hall of the Town of Guelph,

IN THE COUNTY OF WELLINGTON,

On Tuesday, the 18th, and, by adjournment, on Wednesday,
the 19th days of February, 1862,

IN THE

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PRESENT:

The Right Worshipful the Grand Master, F. H. MEDCALF, Esq., J. P., No 275, in the Chair.

The Senior Deputy G. M., F. E. CORNISH, Esq., No. 412, Mayor of London, in the Deputy Chair.

The Rev. W. GUNDY, D. G. C. of M. W. G. L. of B. A., No. 521, occupied the seat of the G. C., for whose unavoidable absence Brother N. C. Gowan offered an apology.

The Grand Secretary, N. C. GOWAN, Esq., J. P., No. 1040.

The Grand Treasurer, CAPTAIN J. H. BESSEY, No. 77.

The Junior Deputy Grand Master, W. STRACHAN, Esq., J. P., No 375.

The Grand Director of Ceremonies, CAPTAIN N. BUTTON, No. 426.

The Grand Lecturer, JOHN McMILLAN, Esq., No. 152.

The Grand Tyler, CHARLES SMITH, Esq., No. 779.

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Past Grand Secretary, ENSIGN JOHN B. ELLIOTT, No. 412.

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| 998. P. McKELLAR. | 803. REV. A. THOMAS FOX. |
| 1040. WILLIAM HARRISON. | 1012. THOMAS PEEL. |

The Rev. JAMES GUNDY and 63 other Brethren were also present at the Grand Lodge as visitors.

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PROCEEDINGS OF FIRST DAY.

In accordance with the Constitution of Orangeism, and pursuant to Resolution passed at the last Annual Session of this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge, the Companions of the Illustrious Order of the Royal Scarlet, and the Brethren of the other Degrees of Orangeism, met in the Town Hall of Guelph, at 12 o'clock noon, on the 18th day of February, 1862. The Chair was taken by the Right Worshipful the Grand Master. All the Companions being robed in full Scarlet Regalia, and the Grand Officers in their proper stations, prayer was offered by Companion, the Rev. Sir William Gundy, No. 521, after which the Grand Lodge was declared open in due form. Sir Ogle R. Gowan, Knight Companion of the Royal Scarlet, immediately arose and stated that in his opinion the first act of the Grand Lodge should be to pass a resolution sympathizing with our beloved and widowed Queen; he had therefore great pleasure in moving, seconded by Sir Benjamin Drake—

That an humble address of condolence and sympathy be prepared and presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, from the Local Orangemen of Western Canada, expressive of the deep sense they entertain of the melancholy bereavement by which Her Majesty has been so recently overwhelmed, and the whole Empire placed in grief and mourning by the death of His Royal Highness, the late Prince Consort, and that the most Worshipful the Grand Master, with Companions Sir O. R. Gowan, Sir G. L. Allen, Sir F. H. Medcalf, and Sir F. E. Cornish, be appointed a select special committee to prepare such address, and to take all such further steps as to them may seem advisable, to have it presented to Her Majesty, which resolution was unanimously adopted.

It was then moved by Companion Sir N. C. Gowan, seconded by Companion Sir Robert Edgar, and unanimously

Resolved—That the following Companions be a committee on the Royal Scarlet Degree, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to that Degree, and who shall report thereon, and communicate for the consideration of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, such improvements in the Scarlet as they shall deem fit, viz: Companions, John Robinson, John McKee, F. C. Stewart, F. E. Cornish, Rev. S. Briggs, E. R. Dewhurst, and the mover.

It was then moved by Companion Sir T. H. Buckley, seconded by Companion Sir William DeCew, and unanimously

Resolved—That this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge do now adjourn in the Illustrious Degree of the Royal Scarlet and open in the Orange. The Grand Master then declared the Grand Lodge reduced to the Orange Degree, and instructed the Grand Tyler accordingly.

It was then moved by Brother Benjamin Drake, County Master of Elgin, No. 257, seconded by Captain N. Button, Grand Director of Ceremonies, No. 426, and

Resolved—That the following Brothers be the Committee on Correspondence, namely: P. Grand M., G. L. Allen, Esq., 137; Thomas Evans, Esq., No. 332, County Master of Halton; William DeCew, Esq., J. P., Proxy, No. 797; W. W. Connor, Esq., J. P., No. 24, County Master of Huron; W. Harrison, Esq., Proxy, 1040; L. B. Hamlin, Esq., P. L. S., No. 288, County Master of Bruce, and Alfred Nash, Esq., Coroner, No. 516, County Master of Lambton.

It was then moved by William DeCew, Esq., J. P., Proxy No. 797, seconded by William Barnett, Proxy, 460, and

Resolved—That the following Brethren be a Committee on Finance, to whom shall be submitted all accounts against this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge, viz: J. B. Elliott, No. 412, Past Grand Secretary; G. M. Todd, No. 634, County Master of South Wellington; J. K. Morris, No. 690, County Master of Kent; Wm. Harrison, Proxy, No. 1040; Rev. Wm. Gundy, D. G. C. of the M. W. G. L. of B. A., No. 521; Benjamin Drake, No. 257, County Master of Elgin, and W. S. Hewat, Esq., M. D., No. 635, County Master of North Wellington.

It was then moved by W. W. Connor, Esq., J. P., No. 24, County Master of Huron, seconded by L. B. Hamlin, Esq., No. 288, County Master of Bruce, and

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Resolved—That the following Brothers be a Committee to report on the state of the Order in Western Canada, with special reference to the working of Provincial Grand Lodges, and to recommend for the consideration of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, such action in the premises as they shall deem necessary, viz: Brothers Ogle R. Gowan, Past Most Worshipful Grand Master, No. 137; Andrew Fleming, Grand Secretary of the Most Worshipful G. Lodge, No. 387; William Adamson, No. 140, County Master of Toronto; D'Arcy Boulton, No. 218, County Master of North Simcoe; Robert Edgar, No. 611, County Master of Grey; Lieut. Col. Arthur Armstrong, No. 359, District Master of Tecumseth, and John Wilson, Master 412.

It was then moved by N. C. Gowan, J. P., and Grand Secretary, No. 1040, seconded by Stewart Watson, Master No. 463, and

Resolved—That the following Brothers be a Committee on suspensions and expulsions, viz: M. Crawford, J. P., No. 163, County Master of Peel; B. Drake, 257, County Master of Elgin; Thomas Riely, No. 901, County Master of West Middlesex; Henry Lemmon, No. 380, County Master of Brant; John Verner, Master 621; E. M. Chrysler, No. 339, County Master of Norfolk, and John Robinson, J. P., No. 591, County Master of Perth.

It was then moved by Brother R. C. Holbrook, Proxy, 312, seconded by Brother Thomas Peel, Proxy, No. 1012, and

Resolved—That this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge do now adjourn, to meet again at the hour of two o'clock, P. M.

The Grand Lodge was then adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Right Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Western Canada, met pursuant to adjournment, at the hour of two o'clock, P. M. The Grand Master, F. H. Medcalf, Esq, J. P., No. 275, in the chair. The Grand Secretary, N. C. Gowan, Esq., J. P., No. 1040, then presented the following report:

QUEBEC, February 18, 1862.

To the Right Worshipful the Grand Master, the Grand Officers and Members of the Right Worshipful the Provincial Grand Orange Lodge of Western Canada,—

SIRS AND BROTHERS,—Another Annual revolution of time has brought us to the third regular Annual Session of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of Western Canada, in which we are now met to consult for the general good of our Heaven-owned Protestant and Loyal Cause; to compare our losses and gains, to revise our plans, to infuse new life and increased activity into every Lodge of our widely extended Brotherhood. The following is a synopsis of the leading events of the year. In submitting this my Annual Report, I beg leave, *First*, to congratulate you upon the peace that has prevailed throughout the year, and that still marks our history. I am most happy to say that, having travelled through various parts of the territory, under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, for the purpose of visiting the Lodges, aiding in conferring the Degrees, attending our Anniversaries, and of publicly explaining and defending our principles and objects; and having received four hundred and three communications, I find that the split which unfortunately once prevailed among us, is now happily nowhere to be found. The whole Brotherhood appears impressed with the opinion that union is essential to the due working and continued prosperity of Orangeism. The unwise differences which kept Brethren apart for years, are now satisfactorily and forever settled.

Personal and Local feeling has given way to a desire on the part of all, to promote the glorious objects to attain which Orangeism exists, as a purely Protestant and Loyal Institution. Many most gratifying results have been produced by the general peace and unity that exists among the membership, under charge of the G. L. of W. C. *Secondly*, I have sincere pleasure in informing the Grand Lodge, that the intercourse which has existed throughout the year between myself and the R. W. the Grand Master, and indeed I may add between all the Grand Officers, has been of the most pleasing

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and satisfactory character. There has been no obstacle, of which I am aware, to the fullest and most fraternal intercourse between each and every of the Grand Officers. My correspondence during the term of my office has been very voluminous; I have received, as above stated, 403 letters, and have written 578. You will perceive however, that I have departed from my former course in reference to the correspondence connected with my department of the order. Formerly I made an entry in my Registry of every letter addressed to me as Grand Secretary, no matter upon what subject it treated. I also brought with me to the G. L. the whole of the correspondence which I submitted for the action of the R. W. the G. Lodge. This year, however, I have not followed that course, because from the experience gained at Annual Meetings, I found that in the judgment of the Brethren, the books were burdened with matters that were not of real importance, and the time of the committee on correspondence was too long occupied by examining communications that they considered should be finally disposed of by the Grand Secretary; I have always been of this opinion myself, and the reason that I formerly entered in the Registry, and took to the Grand Lodge every letter that I received, was, because I found a few captious, unhappy, dissatisfied spirits in our Grand Lodges, who were jealous because they did not do everything themselves, and who by slander sought to damage me so that they might obtain the office I fill, and which you were kind enough, not only unsolicited by me, but even in my absence from the Grand Lodge, to confer upon me: I have therefore not made an entry in the registry of many letters received, because I did not consider them of sufficient importance to occupy the time of the Grand Lodge in their examinations. I have, however, made entries of 246, which I considered were of so much importance as to demand a short epitome, showing the number of the letter, the amount of money, if any, it contained, the name of the writer, the number of his Lodge, the District and County to which he belonged, his position in the Order, his Post Office address, the date of his letter, when it was posted, when received and when answered,

together with the subject of his letter and tenor of my reply. The publication in the Annual Report of this epitome of my correspondence, would give a great amount of information to the Brethren at large; it contains many important questions in Orange jurisprudence and the decisions given thereon. The answers given to the questions put to me, have in every case been such as I believe to be strictly in accordance with the Constitution, practice and principles of our noble Order, and though the jurisprudence of Orangeism is to a great extent founded on those abstract principles which govern and control all organizations, and, though there are certain fundamental laws of our Order, concerning which there can be no misunderstanding, and about which, therefore, there never has been any difference of opinion, yet, there are questions which are ever and anon arising, upon which conflicting decisions have been given by high Orange authorities, and which therefore should be finally settled. It is highly desirable that there should be a uniformity of practice and of views in everything relating to the practical working of the Order, and a well defined and universally known law upon every point of importance in connexion with the Institution. For these reasons I recommend that the epitome of my correspondence be published in the Report of the G. L. I also beg leave to state that I have selected from among the communications such as will require the special attention of the Committee on Correspondence, and these only will be submitted to that Committee. By this arrangement of my correspondence, I have secured a great saving of labour, time and annoyance to the Committee, and have consequently given more time to the Grand Lodge to deliberate upon those important matters that should properly engage a full share of attention, and of the most dispassionate investigation. I would not presume to make the various suggestions contained in this report, did I not consider that it behoves the Executive Officers of the Order, to watch its interests with a zealous care, to perfect its proportions, to add to its beauty and attractiveness, and thus insure increased usefulness and permanency; but as I felt it my duty when G. S. of the M. W. G. L. to recommend that the

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following questions, viz: 1st. How many Lodges are in your County. 2nd. What are the numbers of the Warrants now working under your jurisdiction. 3rd. Are there any dormant numbers that were issued for your County. 4th. Are there any Warrants issued for your County, now working in another County or *vice versa*. 5th. What are the names of your Districts. 6th. Give the number of each Warrant in the different Districts. 7th. What is the date of issue of each Warrant. 8th. Is there any Lodge sitting in a tavern. 9th. How many Chapters are working in your County? should be submitted to the various County Masters, and their answers obtained for the information of the Grand Lodge, so that where irregularities or violations of the Constitution, or neglect of duty existed, they might be remedied. With the same objects in view, I beg leave again respectfully to call attention to the fact that I find several irregularities and unconstitutional courses being pursued by Officers and Lodges of the Order. For instance, I find Lodges which constitutionally belong to one County, paying dues and working in another. This evil should be remedied. The Counties of North and South Simcoe, of York, of East and West Middlesex, are, I am informed, open to censure in this matter. I also find as a result of the split of 1853, of both parties issuing Warrants, and from other causes, that there are several Lodges scattered through the Province, bearing the same number on the face of the Warrant. I find that in some Lodges, Candidates are proposed and initiated at the same Lodge Meeting. This should never be the case, unless that a Dispensation is obtained from the Grand Master, who alone can authorize the curtailment of the required time. The Degrees are also, I am informed, conferred too hastily, that is, the Constitutional period does not always elapse from the time one is received till another is conferred. I find in several cases, Lodges attached to Districts not belonging to their own County, and while sitting in one County, connected with a different one. The Districts of Euphemia, York and Barrie, may be mentioned as illustrations of this statement.

The Primary Lodge sitting in Delaware, though now working in East Middlesex, properly belongs to West Middlesex, and should be required to go back to the County to which it Constitutionally belongs. Districts also, I wish to remark, should not be numbered, but should be named, and should bear the name of the Township in which they are located. I make this remark because the G. L. contemplates that each Parliamentary Riding in Counties shall form a County Lodge, and that each Township shall form a District or Township Lodge. Several of the Lodges meet at too late an hour, and thereby keep Brethren from their homes till unseasonable hours, which exerts an injurious influence upon the minds of their families, and prejudices them against our Order. I have no doubt that from this cause alone, many have been induced by their wives or parents to take their certificates and cease to be contributing and active members of our Order. Many Officers of Lodges are too remiss in their duty, punctuality in attendance, and in the discharge of the duties of their offices, on the part of Lodge Officers, is essential to the prosperity of the Order. I have discovered that in some Lodges, Brethren are permitted to take their seats without being clothed in the Regalia, or even giving the sign of the Degree in which the Lodge is working. I also find that in some cases Brethren are attached to two Lodges at the same time. Also, some Brethren have two certificates. These errors should not exist. A clause should, I think, be inserted in the Constitution, declaring that an individual cannot obtain from any Lodge a certificate, until he first deposits the certificate from the Lodge to which he last belonged, and also declaring that no member can belong to two Lodges at the same time; for if the contrary is allowed, a member, though expelled from one Lodge, may get a certificate from another, and thus continue his connection with the Order. A rule also is required in the case of appeals, where a Brother is fined, suspended or expelled, and lodges a proper appeal, many believe he should not be deprived of any of his rights as an officer or member of the order, till his appeal is finally settled. In case there be an appeal or protest against the

election of any highest Lodge place, the most to order a new sending every of the Grand L not done there, the County, an not be asked to through this pr the question, sitting in the hi under the Oran; the question w should be admis should also deci Masters in the a
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election of any officer of the Institution, upon petition to the next highest Lodge above the one in which the protested election took place, the master of such next highest Lodge should be empowered to order a new election. Lodges should understand that instead of sending every matter of dispute or mismanagement to the executive of the Grand Lodge, they should first apply to the District if right is not done there, or if they be dissatisfied, then they should appeal to the County, and then to the Grand Lodge, and the executive should not be asked to act upon any matter of appeal, unless it has gone through this process. The Grand Lodge should also pass a law upon the question, "Can monies be appropriated by the Lodges when sitting in the higher Degrees, the same as if the Lodge was working under the Orange." I also think a law should be passed deciding the question whether or not any evidence save that of a Brother should be admissable in cases of Orange trials. The Grand Lodge should also decide who should instal County, District, and Primary Masters in the absence of Past Masters of these Lodges.

The present Constitution of the Order is regarded by many to be most defective, contradictory and inconsistent, and I therefore think that our Grand Lodge should request the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge for its examination by a competent Committee, with a view to its being rendered harmonious and effective. The establishment of a Constitution that will meet the increasing demands of the Order, I look upon as the most important duty of the many leading minds of Orangeism. This fact is seen at a glance when we remember that the Constitution is the rule and guide of between one and two hundred thousand members scattered throughout the Province. There are, I regret to say, great differences of opinion upon the subject of Provincial Grand Lodges. It is true that some intelligent and worthy members of the Order think our cause will derive decided advantages from the system of Provincial Grand Lodges, but I believe a much larger number of equally intelligent and worthy members think just the contrary; and it cannot be denied that since the inauguration of Provincial Grand Lodges, the history and working of the Order afford strong

arguments against the present Constitution and in favour of a return to our former *modus operandi*.

From the last report of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, I find that there was a falling off in the number of letters received by the Executive, of, I think over 400, thereby showing a diminution of interest in the working of the Order. I also find that there was a less number of Warrants taken out than there had been during previous years, and of the 33 Warrants that were obtained, 23 of them were for the Province of Western Canada, which is well known to be universally opposed to Provincial Lodges, and the remaining Ten were issued to Central Canada, while for the very Provinces that we were told required Provincial Lodges, viz: Canada East, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island, not a single Warrant has been issued since their establishment; and the Grand Secretary complains in his report that he can give no information at all as to the working of the Order in New Brunswick. In my opinion every member of the Order should have had an opportunity of canvassing the merits of the proposed system before it was adopted.

With this object in view, the changes should have been laid before every Primary Lodge in the whole Order, and if a decided majority asked for the change, it should have been made, if on the other hand, a majority were opposed, as I am confident is the case, then they should not have been made; and even now, the best thing that the Grand Lodge can do, is to appoint a committee composed of the most intelligent and experienced members of the Order, both from those who approve of the old system, and from those who approve of the present constitution. Let this committee meet and agree upon a constitution, to be submitted to the various Primary Lodges, and if approved by a majority, let it be adopted; our constitution most certainly should be in accordance with the judgment of the majority of the Order. Surely our Institution has not become all at once so aristocratic that we can afford to disdain the wishes of those directly

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interested in its laws and government. Let this question be settled according to Parliamentary usage; that is, let the majority rule, not a sectional majority, but a majority of the whole Lodges of the Order. If a sectional majority ruled in Parliament, then a majority of Upper Canada is opposed to the present form of Union of the Provinces, but a majority of the whole is in favour of it. Now, let not a sectional majority change the constitution of Orangeism. If a change is made, let it be by a majority vote of the whole Order. This is the only course which is certain to be satisfactory and permanent. Strict discipline and honest dealing, are necessary to the preservation of the high character and influence of the Order, and should ever distinguish Primary, District, County, Provincial and Grand Lodges. Neither the influence nor the respectability of the Order is determined solely by its numbers. I cannot, therefore, regard the falling off in our membership as a proof that Orangeism has lost its strong hold upon the sympathy of the Loyal Protestants of British America, but rather as an evidence of the dissatisfaction which exists against the present constitution of the Order. The last report of Brother Shannon, Grand Secretary of Central Canada, States, that about sixty Lodges in that Province have not made returns or paid dues. This fact, together with others, of which I am in possession, proves that the assertion of those who are boasting that under the changed constitution, Central Canada is in a most efficient and homogeneous state, is not true. If, however, the present system is to continue, Warrants should be issued from the Most Worshipful, to District, County and Provincial Grand Lodges, the scale of prices for which, should have a gradual rise, viz: As the Primary Lodges have to pay \$6 for theirs, the Districts should be charged \$8, the County \$10, and the Provincial \$20, and the M. W. G. Lodge should pass a rule sanctioning their claims. This Grand Lodge should recommend to the M. W. G. L., a rule, enacting that when a Primary Lodge ceases to meet, the District should be empowered to grant certificates to such members of the dormant Lodge as the District may consider entitled to receive them. I am of opinion, that as the County of Wentworth is constitutionally entitled to two County

Lodges, the sooner that County avails itself of the privilege of its sister Counties, the better, and I am sure that Brother James Wilson, the present esteemed County Master, will, whenever the Brethren wish, duly call and organize a County Lodge for each Riding, in that extensive County. A seal for the use of this Provincial Grand Lodge is required, and I also beg to remind the Districts and Counties, that they also should have a seal attached to all their official documents. Several of the Primary Lodges, I also regret to find, are without seals; I therefore take this opportunity of recommending that every Lodge, as soon as it is able, do obtain a seal, which shall be attached to all communications officially sent from the different Lodges of the Order. I also take the liberty of suggesting, that in future, a letter, copying book be purchased, similar to the one I obtained for the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, so that communications of importance may be presented entire for reference in after years. Three years ago last June, I commenced the compilation of an Orange Directory, which I would have completed and had published for the information of the Brotherhood long since, had I received the full and correct information needed to render such a work serviceable. The Grand Secretary of Central Canada undertook this work for his Province, for which he deserved and received the thanks of his Grand Lodge. I regret, however, to find that his Directory is in many respects defective and incorrect, thus proving that such works should not be published till the whole of the information required is duly obtained, otherwise they are of little or no use. I preferred, and still prefer having no Directory, rather than one, that will not accomplish its professed object. Since your Grand Secretary came into the office to which he was elected, not only without asking a single vote, but also in his absence and without his knowledge, there have been issued four Dispensations for opening Chapters of the Illustrious Order of the Royal Scarlet, and fifteen Warrants for opening Lodges in the other Degrees of the Order. Though the past struggles of the Fathers, Founders and leading spirits of Orangeism against tyranny and intolerance,

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have won much for our Order, and destroyed many a grievous wrong, yet there is much to be done before the Orangemen of America can raise their heads and say, that, at last they enjoy all the rights and privileges to which they are justly entitled. The refusal of our Act of Incorporation by a Conservative Parliament, and the proscription of Orangemen from the Police Force of the Conservative City of Toronto, &c., &c., is proof positive of this. But the public is awaking to the fact that Orangemen cling faithfully to that Protestant and Divine Christianity, under whose shelter were laid the foundations of British Freedom and Majesty, and that in our ranks may be found the purest and best men of the Empire, and I am satisfied that if Orangemen would only unite in one solid phalanx, we might in the present state of parties, win one by one, every right to which our intelligence, wealth, respectability, numbers and principles entitle us.

I cannot close this my Annual Report without recommending to the Orangemen of Western Canada, the *Downshire Protestant*, so ably edited by Brother William Johnston, Esq., of Ballykilbeg House, in the County Down in Ireland. This paper is justly regarded as the able organ of Orangeism in the dear old green Island, and it ought to be taken by, at least, every Lodge of Orangemen in the world. I have also very great pleasure in recommending the *Orange and Protestant Banner*, a most excellent magazine, edited and published in Bradford, England, by our true hearted Brother, Squire Auty, Esq. I should likewise desire to see every Lodge in our Province taking a copy of Brother Auty's spirited little magazine. The papers that advocate Orange Principles in this Country are so numerous and well known, that to name any particular one would be doing injustice to others equally deserving. I therefore deem it unnecessary to refer to them.

I am satisfied that there is not any greater or more growing evil in our Order than the want of full information in regard to every member of the Institution, and of uniformity in every Primary District, County and Provincial Lodge. This is especially the case in regard

to the details of our system. I have, therefore, with a view to secure full information concerning every member and every Lodge, and also with a view to unity of mode and ceremony, at the cost of a great deal of thought, time, expense and trouble, endeavored to secure adapted and uniform returns, by sending to all Lodges a printed book, with proper headings, the information contained in which will enable the Order to wield that power to which its numbers, intelligence, wealth and respectability entitle it. One copy of these returns should be sent by the Secretary of each Primary Lodge, to the Provincial Grand Secretary's Office; and immediately on its reception, he will return a letter to the Secretary of each Primary Lodge, acknowledging its receipt. These returns will, I doubt not, be the means of drawing the whole Institution into closer communication, by the full knowledge of each other that they will afford. They will also tend to produce harmony, business talent, zeal, uniformity, liberality, unity and efficiency in the Lodges. They will put in possession of the Grand Lodge, and through it in possession of the members of the Order in general, a vast amount of knowledge, and that of such a nature as should be possessed by every member of the Orange Institution. They will produce increased usefulness by putting the Grand Lodge in possession of correct and certified information upon every matter of detail affecting each Lodge and each member of the Order. The annual returns is thus made a complete Directory of each subordinate Lodge in Western Canada, and constitutes a table recapitulating the full working of each Lodge for the year, and is the most complete, concise and authentic review ever used in Lodges of the Orange or any other similar Order. I have already received the thanks and congratulations of several intelligent Brethren for getting up such a full and perfect system for our Annual Returns. (I beg leave to recommend that in future, the Annual be not communicated to the Master of any Primary Lodge, until he produces to the District Master, first, the Provincial Grand Secretary's letter, acknowledging the receipt of the Annual Return, and secondly, the Provincial Grand Treasurer's letter acknowledging

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I received them, I should have had to pay the postage on each one of them, as no printed matter will pass through the Post Office without the postage being pre-paid, and I considered it was enough for us to draw upon our funds to pay for the Reports of our Provincial Grand Lodge, without drawing upon our local funds to pay the postage on reports of the M. W. G. Lodge. Besides, as that body gets half of the dues of the Lodges, under the jurisdiction of all the Provincial Grand Lodges, and two dollars for every Warrant issued, together with the whole of the funds arising from the Royal Scarlet Order, which many of the Brethren think should be divided between the Provincial and the M. W. G. Lodge, the same as funds for the Warrants and dues are divided. I therefore, thought it only right that it should pay the postage on, and distribute its own reports. For these reasons, I declined to receive the reports from Brother Fleming, and requested him to distribute them himself, which I have no doubt he has done long since.

I am satisfied, that in order to secure uniformity and business habits in the Institution, the Executive must get up a set of books for each Primary, District, and County Lodge. These books should be properly ruled, with printed headings, and so arranged that each Lodge Secretary would only have to fill up the blanks. If this be done, the Lodge will quickly learn how to keep their accounts, and to manage business between each of their members. Brethren are frequently moving from one part of the country to another, and with each move they meet with different codes of laws, constructions of the Constitution, difference in Lectures, and in the modes of working the Institution. These things should not exist in our Order, and one of the best ways to cure them is to call attention to them, and to procure for the use of all Lodges, blank books properly ruled and headed.

I request the attention of the Committee on Finance to the Printing accounts. I have had a great deal of trouble from newspaper offices, for advertising accounts. I have examined the reports of the G. L. upon this subject, and find that in one year alone, printing

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ate up the enormous sum of \$586 28. And Mr. Beaty claims as still due him between one and two hundred pounds. The fact is, for the last few years the press ate up the funds of the Order. We should do our work the same as other secret societies, mainly through our own mediums of communication, and by this means save the immense annual draw upon our funds for printing, which has been so seriously felt in the Order. Besides, the giving advertisements to one paper and not to another, causes the one not receiving them to find fault with the Order, or with the Executive officers. When I was Grand Secretary of the M. W. G. L. several parties, both from U. and L. Canada, wrote me on this subject, and expressed disapprobation at being, as they considered, slighted. For instance, Brother Knox, of Montreal, and Shannon of Kingston, and Dewhurst of Brantford. I beg, therefore, to recommend that in future no advertisement of the Annual Meeting of this G. L. be sent to any Newspaper, for three reasons, 1st. To save expense. 2nd. To prevent jealousy. 3rd. Because printed circulars that will only cost \$1 50, will answer as good a purpose. Holding these views, I have avoided advertising in any paper, and thereby prevented the jealousy and cost of former years. I requested the editors of the *Globe* and *Leader* to notice the time and place of our meeting, which they did, without any charge.

Applications for Warrants are occasionally made to the Grand Master, though all such applications should be to the Grand Secretary. The neglect to send communications to the proper officer, besides doing violence to the legitimate *modus operandi* of the Order, occasions much delay in the execution of orders, and great inconvenience to the officers of the Institution. It must in future, be insisted upon, that departure from the regular course will not be tolerated.

In closing this report, I particularly desire to call the attention of Committee on Correspondence, to the following communications, viz: from Bro. William Randall, District Master of West Williams, in the County of West Middlesex, under date, August 7th, 1861, in

which he complains of having had to pay Grand Lodge dues twice in the same year. Several Brethren have also complained that though their dues have been paid, and receipts given, yet they are not acknowledged in the Annual Report. I am persuaded the remedy for this is, to send the dues direct to the Grand Treasurer, and to get receipts from him. I wish, also, to call attention to the fact that some of the County Masters, instead of applying to me for Warrants, send their applications to the Grand Secretary of the M. W. G. L. I have heretofore received such applications, and immediately sent the Warrants, but always told the Grand Secretary, that in replying to the parties he should inform them that they should apply to me. In future, I shall not receive any applications for Warrants, except through the County Masters, directed to myself.

I also call attention to the Communication of Brother G. M. Todd, C. M. of South Wellington, on the subject of securing the Town Hall of Guelph for the use of this Grand Lodge. I have had to advance the money from my own funds to do so, as the Provincial Grand Master declined to act in the matter, stating that it was the usual custom to grant to the G. L., free of expense, the use of some suitable public building, where we could meet in Annual Session. This, I think, is a correct view of the matter. However, in this case, I had no alternative but to advance the money, or the Hall would not have been secured for the use of the Grand Lodge. I beg leave however, to recommend that in future, before the place for holding the Annual Session be appointed, the Brethren requesting it, guarantee the use of a proper place for holding it, free of charge. Surely, the large sum of money spent in the Town where the Grand Lodge meets, should be sufficient inducement to that Town to furnish a place in which to meet, to those who, for days together, are benefitting by the free use of our money. If this suggestion is acted upon, it will be in accordance with that prudent economy which I have always advocated, and which especially, in the present state of our finances the Order should act upon, besides saving all trouble about this matter in the future. In connection with Brother Todd's

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communication above referred to, he has sent me another, bearing on the interest of our glorious Order, in the County of which he is the head officer. This communication I also recommend to the attention of the Committee on Correspondence.

I next call attention to the communication of the zealous and intelligent C. M. of Kent, who writes upon the subject of the payment of the dues from the Primary Lodges to the Grand Lodge. This is a matter not sufficiently explicit in the present Constitution. I therefore recommend the Committee to draft and recommend to the M. W. G. L. for adoption, a law for the government of Lodges, stating first, when the Grand Lodge dues shall be paid. Secondly, ordering that they shall be forwarded directly to the Provincial Grand Treasurer, by the Treasurer of each Primary Lodge. Thirdly, enacting that upon the receipt of the dues, the Grand Treasurer shall send to the Treasurer of each Primary Lodge, a receipt acknowledging the payment of the dues of his Lodge. And fourthly, decreeing that District Masters shall not be permitted to give the Annual to the Master of any Primary Lodge until he first produces the Grand Treasurer's receipt for the dues, and also the Grand Secretary's letter, acknowledging the receipt of the Annual Return from the Lodge.

I also recommend that when members are suspended or expelled for non-payment of dues, the amount of each Brother's indebtedness to his Lodge be stated. If this plan be adopted, the Grand Lodge will learn whether Primary Lodges are acting according to the rule on page 41 of the Constitution; and if this rule is duly honored, there will, I am satisfied, be less expulsions or suspensions on account of non-payment of dues.

I also wish the Committee to examine the letter of Brother Wm. Howard, Master of the District of _____ in the County of Huron, dated August 5th, 1861, in which he complains of improper conduct on the part of Brother Henry Rawlings, on the 12th of July last. The case should be carefully examined, and if Brother

Rawlings is innocent, his character should be justified, but if he has behaved improperly, especially on the glorious and ever-to-be-remembered Anniversary of the Boyne, he should receive the marked censure of the Grand Lodge. Above all things, it is necessary that the Festal days of the Order should be properly celebrated: and this cannot be done unless the Brethren are obedient to the officers in command of processions and celebrations.

The attention of the committee is also respectfully called to the communication of Brother Alfred Nash, County Master of Lambton. This Brother is one of the most zealous Orangemen in Canada, and the state of things his letter describes as prevailing in the Western District of his County, should be looked after and a remedy applied. The unprovided for case, referred to in the communication of Brother John Orr, Deputy Master of No. 604, should engage the attention of the Committee, and a rule to meet such cases be recommended by them, for the action of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge.

I cannot close without saying, I regret to find that Brother Andrew Fleming, Grand Secretary of the M. W. G. L., has placed the Provincial Grand Lodge of Western Canada, in an inferior position to the Provincial Grand Lodges of Central and Eastern Canada. This I think ought not to be the case, because in years to come it may be pleaded by the Grand Lodges of the other Provinces, that they are entitled to the superiority. We all know how readily precedents are seized upon, and pressed into the service of those who have no better arguments wherewith to sustain their cause. Again, as the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge was not organized in Canada East, therefore I do not think it is entitled to the precedence given it, in the Annual Report of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge. Besides, as Western Canada contains the greatest number of Lodges, and of Orangemen, its Grand Lodge is justly entitled to take precedence of its sister Grand Lodges. I make these observations, because of the tenacity with which certain Brethren grasp, even the smallest title of evidence, to bolster up their imaginary claims.

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Before concluding, I may mention that I have delivered a great number of Lectures on the Order, in various parts of the Province, and have good reason to believe that those Lectures, together with those of the Honorable John Hillyard Cameron, Q. C., M. W. G. M.; Lieutenant Colonel O. R. Gowan, the Founder of the Order in British America; the Rev. Drs. Lett and Freeland; William Decew, Esq., J. P.; D'Arcy Boulton, Esq., Barrister, T. R. Ferguson, Esq., M. P. P., and other distinguished Members of our time-honored Order, have been highly useful in removing prejudices from the public mind, and in converting foes into friends, as well as in awakening enthusiasm among the members of the Order.

All of which is respectfully submitted in Union, Love and Truth.

NASSAU C. GOWAN,
Grand Secretary.

It was then moved by W. DeCew, J. P., Proxy, No. 797, seconded by Cap. T. H. Buckley, No 1012, Past Right Worshipful Grand Master,

"That the able report of our esteemed Grand Secretary be referred to the Committee on Correspondence."

Bro. F. E. Cornish, No. 412, D. G. M., said that a report so voluminous, and containing so many valuable suggestions, should, he thought, be referred to a select Special Committee, to report thereon; he would therefore move in Amendment, seconded by Alexander Hill, W. M., No. 661,

"That the Grand Secretary's Report be referred to a Special Committee of five, to consist of Bros. Lieut. Col. Ogle R. Gowan, No. 137, P. G. M. of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British America; Lieut. Col. Arthur Armstrong, No. 359, D. M. of Tecumseth; W. S. Hewatt, Esq., M. D., No. 635, County Master of North; Wellington; Thos. McLean, Esq., W. M. 328, and Robert Bland, Esq., No. 1012, D. M. City of London. On a division, the amendment was carried and the original motion lost.

It was then moved by Bro. R. H. Booth, W. M. 148, seconded by Bro. Joseph Gosnell, W. M. 791, and

Resolved—That this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge do form in procession at 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow, and proceed to attend Divine Service.

It was then moved by Lieut. Col. Ogle R. Gowan, No. 137, Past Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British America, and seconded by Benjamin Drake, No. 257, and

Resolved—That since the division of the Loyal Orange Institution of British America, into what are termed Local or Provincial Grand Lodges, the Orangemen of Western Canada have not ceased to protest against such division, and this Grand Lodge not only feels bound to renew its annual protest, with all the force and effect, which the experience of the last three years has added to the wisdom of its judgment, but also to call on their Brethren to retrace the steps they have so incautiously taken, ere it be too late to redeem the Institution from the evil effects which are thinning its ranks, and destroying the vigour and efficiency of the whole Order.

It was then moved by Major W. M. Button, No. 548, Deputy Grand Secretary of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British America, seconded by Wm. DeCew, Esq., Proxy, No. 797,

“That this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge do now proceed with the election of Grand Officers.”

When it was moved in amendment by J. K. Morris, No. 690, County Master of Kent, seconded by J. C. Ward, No. 423, District Master of Mosa.

“That the election of Officers be left till to-morrow;” which, on being put to Lodge, was lost, and the original motion carried by a large majority; upon announcement of which, from the chair, Bros. A. Fleming, D. Boulton, F. C. Stewart, F. E. Cornish, and A. Armstrong appealed from the decision announced by the Right Worshipful Grand Master, when on the appeal being put to Lodge, the chair was sustained.

It was then moved by F. E. Cornish, No. 412, Mayor of London, seconded by D'Arcy Boulton, No. 218, County Master of North Simcoe,

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It was then moved by Andrew Fleming, No. 387, Grand Secretary of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British America, seconded by F. C. Stewart, No. 449, County Master of South Simcoe,

That this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge do now adjourn for the space of one hour, which on being put to the Lodge was lost.

It was then moved by J. K. Morris, No. 690, County Master of Kent, seconded by J. C. Ward, No. 423, District Master of Mosa,

That F. E. Cornish, Mayor of the City of London, be elected Grand Master for the ensuing year.

It was then moved by Major W. M. Button, No. 548, Deputy Grand Secretary of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British America, seconded by M. Crawford, No. 163, County Master of Peel,

That F. H. Medcalf, Esq., J. P., be re-elected Right Worshipful Grand Master for the ensuing year.

It was then moved by Alfred Nash, No. 518, County Master of Lambton, seconded by John McMillan, Grand Lecturer, No. 152,

That T. H. Buckley, Esq., J. P., be elected to the chair of Grand Master.

Before putting these questions to the Grand Lodge, Brother Medcalf left the chair, and called Brother Buckley thereto, which he also left and called Brother Ogle R. Gowan thereto, who ruled that the motions should be put in the order in which they were handed in.

It was then moved by John Wilson, Master No. 412, seconded by A. Fleming, No. 387, Grand Secretary of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British America.

That this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge do now adjourn.

This motion was ruled out of order, because that no motion was put from the Chair, since the motion for adjournment was negatived by the Lodge.

The Chair then put the motion for the election of Bro. Cornish to the Grand Mastership, to the Lodge, which was lost, there being yeas 21, nays 52.

The motion for Brother Medcalf's election to the Grand Mastership was then put, and he declared elected, there being but one dissenting voice.

Captain Buckley having withdrawn his name from the Candidatureship, the motion for his election to the Grand Mastership was not put to the Lodge.

Brother Ogle R. Gowan then vacated the chair, and called the Grand Master elect thereto, who thanked the Brethren for the honor conferred on him, and ended by calling for a motion for the election of Senior Deputy Grand Master, whereupon

It was moved by Major W. M. Button, No. 548, Deputy Grand Secretary to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, seconded by Wm. Strachan, J. P., Junior Deputy Grand Master, No. 375,

That Captain William DeCew, No. 797, be Senior Deputy Grand Master, which was lost.

It was then moved by Robert Gunn, Master of No. 188, seconded by R. Bland, No. 1012, District Master of London, and

Resolved—That Francis Evans Cornish, Mayor of the City of London, be re-elected Senior Deputy Grand Master for the ensuing year.

It was then moved by Major W. M. Button, No. 548, Deputy Grand Secretary of Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of B. A., seconded by the Rev. Wm. Gundy, Past Grand Chaplain, and

Resolved—That Alderman William Strachan, of the City of Toronto, be re-elected Junior Deputy Grand Master for the ensuing year.

It was then moved by Lieut. Col. Arthur Armstrong, District Master of Tecumseth, seconded by Wm. DeCew, J. P., Proxy, No. 797,

That the Rev. H. B. Osler be re-elected Grand Chaplain, which was lost.

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Resolved—That the Rev. Wm. Gundy, Proxy, No. 521, be elected Grand Chaplain.

It was then moved by Captain T. H. Buckley, No. 1012, Past Grand Master, seconded by the Rev. Wm. Gundy, Grand Chaplain elect, No. 521, and

Resolved—That Captain J. H. Bessey, No. 77, be re-elected Grand Treasurer for the ensuing Orange year.

It was then moved by Thomas Evans, No. 332, County Master of Halton, seconded by Captain T. H. Buckley, No. 1012, Past Grand Master.

That N. C. Gowan, Esq., J. P., be re-elected Grand Secretary of this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge.

It was then moved in amendment by F. E. Cornish, No. 412, Deputy Grand Master, seconded by Michael Crawford, J. P., No. 163, County Master of Peel,

That Thomas McLean, Editor and Proprietor of the *British Herald*, be elected Grand Secretary.

On the vote being put to the Lodge, it was found there were 60 for Brother Gowan and 21 against. N. C. Gowan, Esq., J. P., was therefore duly elected.

It was then moved by W. W. Connor, J. P., No. 24, County Master of Huron, seconded by G. L. Allan, Esq., No. 137, Past Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British America,

That John McMillan, Esq., No. 152, be elected Grand Lecturer, upon which,

It was moved in amendment by Robert Bland, No. 1012, District Master of London, seconded by Robert Gunn, Master 188,

That John Wilson, Master of 412, be elected Grand Lecturer.

Upon the vote being taken, it was found the original motion was lost, and Brother Wilson duly elected.

It was then moved by Alderman William Strachan, No. 375, Junior Deputy Grand Master, seconded by N. C. Gowan, J. P., 1040 Grand Secretary, and

Resolved—That Captain Newbury Button, be re-elected Grand Director of Ceremonies for the ensuing Orange year.

It was then moved by D'Arcy Boulton, Esq., Barrister, No. 218, County Master of North Simcoe, seconded by A. Fleming, Esq., No. 387, Grand Secretary to Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British America,

That Lieut Col. Arthur Armstrong, be elected Deputy Grand Secretary,

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That E. R. Dewhurst, Esq., be re-elected Deputy Grand Secretary. The Grand Master having put the original motion to the Lodge, it was carried, and Lieut. Col. Armstrong declared duly elected. The vote therefore was not taken on the motion for Brother Dewhurst.

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Resolved—That Charles Smith, Esq., No. 779, be re-elected Grand Tyler.

It was then moved by N. C. Gowan, J. P., No. 1040, Grand Secretary, seconded by J. K. Morris, No. 690, County Master of Kent, and

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Immediately after the above appeal was filed, George L. Allen, 137, Past Grand Master of the Most Worshipful G. L. of B. A., installed the Right Worshipful Grand Master elect, Brother F. H. Medcalf, who then proceeded to and finished the installation of the remainder of the Grand Officers of the Right Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Western Canada.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE ORDER.

Lieut. Col. Ogle R. Gowan, No. 137, and Past Grand Master of British America, Chairman of the Committee on the state of the Order, then read the following report :

The Committee on the state of the Order, having particular reference to the effects of Local or Provincial Grand Lodges, upon the prosperity or otherwise of the Institution in Western Canada, beg leave to report, that from the statements made to them by the members and officers of the Order, from every part of Western Canada, they find that the establishment of Local or Provincial Grand Lodges have been attended with the most disastrous results upon the well-being of the Society. In some localities, Masters and other Officers have refused to act, so long as these Lodges are continued; in others, many members have ceased to attend their Lodge Meetings altogether, and in all, general languor prevails, and one universal feeling of opposition and discontent seems to prevail. Your committee deem it unnecessary to dwell upon the impolicy and ruinous effects which have been produced in the working of the Order in the Province of Western Canada, by the establishment of these Grand Lodges, since your Grand Lodge has, by an almost unanimous vote, pronounced against their further continuance; and your committee therefore

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All of which is respectfully submitted.

Ogle R. Gowan, Chairman; D'Arcy Boulton, Robert Edgar, John^d Wilson, Wm. Adamson, Arthur Armstrong, Andrew Fleming, dissent from the foregoing. Guelph, February 18, 1862.

On motion of Lieut Col. Ogle R. Gowan, 137, P. G. M. of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, seconded by Lieut. Col. Arthur Armstrong, 359, District Master of Tecumseth, the above report was received and adopted, after which,

Lieut. Col. Ogle R. Gowan, 137, P. G. M. of the M. W. G. Lodge, read the report of the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The Committee, to whom was referred the report of the Grand Secretary, beg leave to report, that having gone over that important document, they find many valuable suggestions in it, and others, of which they cannot approve. The Committee are happy to find that the political distinction, which at one time may have had the effect of estranging certain members of the Order from that unanimity of action which ought ever to characterize Orangemen, have been healed, and they are happy in believing that no such unseemly differences will hereafter prevent the harmonious action of the Brotherhood.

The Committee recommend that that portion of the report commencing at the words "Grand Secretary," on the 17th line of the 11th page, down to the words "dispassionate investigation," on the 28th and 29th lines of the 12th page, be not adopted, the committee being of opinion that no officer or member of the Society is justified in attributing improper motives to any member of the Order, for the

course they may think proper to adopt in respective places in your Right Worshipful Grand Lodge. The Committee, while they permit the next paragraph of the report to stand, are of opinion that all letters and correspondence connected with the Order, which may have been received in the period intervening between each meeting of your Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, should be at all times forthcoming at the next ensuing meeting of the Grand Lodge if called for. Leaving to the Committee, to whom they may be referred the power of selecting such of them for examination and investigation as they may deem necessary, and to the Grand Secretary the privilege of calling their attention to such portions of the correspondence as to him may seem to be of sufficient importance as to require special consideration at their hands. The committee are further fortified in the expression of this opinion, by a reference to the next ensuing paragraph of the report, which complains of irregularities having occurred in various places; but as the correspondence connected with these irregularities are not before your committee, they are unable to express any opinion upon them.

The suggestions of the Grand Secretary, bearing upon the subject of the Degrees of the several Orders having been conferred out of time, and also bearing upon the question of the late hours to which the sitting of many Primary Lodges have been prolonged, have not been unnoticed by your committee; but your committee cannot conceive how any recommendation from them could add to the weight and authority of those clauses of the Constitution which make provision for a fixed and definite period to elapse between the conferring of each degree. Neither do the committee see that they would be justified in recommending your R. W. Grand Lodge to fix a time to which the meetings of Primary Lodges may be limited, either for the commencement or conclusion of regular Lodge business. The committee regret that provision is not made in the new Constitution, for one certificate only to be issued to any member of the Order, such certificate to be granted by the Lodge, and by the Lodge alone into which the member was first initiated, when admitted a member of

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the Order, such certificate being lodged in all other Lodges to which the member may subsequently become attached, each Master endorsing on the original certificate the date when deposited in his Lodge, also the date when withdrawn, together with such further particulars as the Lodge may decide. The committee are of opinion that if this practice is generally adhered to, no infraction of the rules, such as complained of, can occur. The committee cannot concur in the views of the Grand Secretary, in reference to members who may appeal against fines, suspensions or expulsions which may be pronounced against them. Your committee believe that the sentence should take effect when officially pronounced, and continue in effect till reversed by legal appeal. Neither do your committee concur in the opinion that the next senior officer should be empowered to order a new election, in every case of appeal against an election held in a subordinate Lodge.

Your committee are of opinion, that a committee of an Orange Lodge, is not limited to the evidence of Orangemen only; but that a committee appointed to investigate any matter, may, in their discretion, receive such testimony, bearing upon the merits of the case, as to them may seem advisable. The committee recommend that that portion of the Grand Secretary's report, commencing at the words "the Grand Lodge," on the fifteenth line of the fifteenth page, and ending at the words, "their claims," on the thirtieth line of page seventeen, be not adopted, as the power of altering the Constitution is vested only in the supreme Grand Lodge. The committee recommend for adoption the next ensuing clause of the report, which provides for a District granting certificates to members of Lodges which have become dormant. The committee see no necessity for any reference to the proposed division of the County of Wentworth, the Constitution of the Order having already made provision for such division, whenever the County may see fit to call for such division.

The committee recommend that the paragraph on page eighteen, commencing at the words "The Grand Secretary," on line twenty,

and ending at the words, "to them," on line thirty of page nineteen, be not adopted. In adopting the next clause of the report, your committee recommend that the words on the twentieth page and thirtieth line, commencing at "And I beg leave," to the words "Grand Lodge," on the second line of page twenty-one, be not adopted. The committee, however, in adopting the new form, wish to be guarded against its being drawn into a precedent, or of allowing any officer to assume the power of forming and having printed blank forms, without the previous approbation of the Grand Lodge. The committee recommend that that part of the report, commencing at the words "The Grand Secretary," on line twenty-three, page twenty-one, to the words "long since," on the seventeenth line of page twenty-two, be not adopted.

The committee are glad to find that the notifications of the meetings of the Grand Lodge are so much cheaper when communicated by private circular, than by advertisement in the public papers; but the committee would not recommend newspapers being passed over, when they will publish such notices without charge. The committee recommend that for the future, all applications for Warrants be made by County Masters, direct to the Grand Secretary of the Provincial Grand Lodge, and not to the Grand Secretary of British America, as complained of.

The Grand Lodge cordially adopt the suggestion of the Grand Secretary, that for the future no meetings of the Grand Lodge be held, except at such places as may provide the necessary accommodation for the meetings, free of all charge against the funds of your Right Worshipful Grand Lodge.

The committee are of opinion that provision is already made in the constitution, for the time and mode of the payment of all dues, and the committee cannot recommend any change in the Constitution, as it at present exists. Upon the concluding portions of the Grand Secretary's report, your committee decline to offer any opinion, inasmuch as they properly come before the Committee on Correspond-

ance, and no evidence to be adduced upon the subject. All which is re-

It was then motioned by the Grand Maester, see Resolved—That the Chairman following report:

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All which is respectfully submitted.

OGLE R. GOWAN, *Chairman.*

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It was then moved by Lieut. Col. Ogle R. Gowan, No. 137, Past Grand Maater, seconded by William Strachan, J. P., No. 137, and

Resolved—That the report be adopted.

The Chairman of the Committee on Finance, then read the following report:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Finance, beg leave to report that they have examined the Grand Treasurer's and Grand Secretary's Books and Receipts, and find that the following is a correct statement of their Receipts and Expenditure.

The Grand Orange Lodge of Western Canada, in account with James H. Bessey, Treasurer for the year 1861.

	RECEIPTS.	Lodges. Am't paid.
1861.	Balance on hand as per last Report.	174 41
Feb. 18.	Received from J. B. Elliott, for 1860, <i>Perth</i> , Nos. 313, 346, 707, 759, 921, 1033, 384, 466, 518, 591, 592, 602, 919, 768, 827, 335, 909, 927, 861, 531, 655, 656, 627, 970, 938, 1019	26 \$52 00
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July 31.	Received from A. Fleming, for 1860, <i>Elgin</i> , Nos. 252, 257, 521, 1026, 563, 307 and 231 for two years	8 16 00
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July 31.	Received from A. Fleming, for 1860, <i>Kent</i> , Nos. 638, 859, 991, 1077, 1078	5	10 00
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"	Received from A. Fleming, for 1860, <i>West York</i> , Nos. 626, 703, 752	3	6 00
Aug. 1.	Received from E. R. Dewhurst, for 1860, <i>Brantford</i> , Nos. 197, 362, 393	3	6 00
Feb. 16.	Received from Wm. Boles, for 1861, <i>Lincoln</i> , Nos. 77, 117, 204, 270, 341, 720, 844	7	14 00
Feb. 18.	Received from J. B. Elliott, for 1861, <i>East Middlesex</i> , No. 990	1	2 00
Feb. 19.	Received from for 1861, <i>Toronto</i> , Nos. 328, 301, 136, 275, 140, 396, 588, 212	8	16 00
"	Received from Wm. Kennedy, for 1861, <i>Haldimand</i> , No. 842	1	2 00
"	Received from Joseph Muckle, for 1861, <i>Kent</i> , Nos. 690, 953, 1036, 1041, 1055	5	10 00
"	Received from Jas. McClure, for 1861, <i>North York</i> , Nos. 585, 622, 693, 590, 682, 679, 643, 415, 736, 930	10	20 00
"	Received from George Clark, for 1861, <i>North Simcoe</i> , Nos. 195, 704, 651, 955, 904, 942, 589, 985, 296, 1016, 193, 649, 943	13	26 00
Feb 20.	Received from F. C. Stewart, for 1861, <i>South Simcoe</i> , Nos. 9, 16, 60, 86, 66, 89, 104, 154, 200, 209, 218, 354, 355, 359, 366, 432, 449, 450, 452, 605, 694, 702, 784, 829, 553, 850, 887, 885, 1053, 1058	30	60 00
"	Received from W. W. Connor, for 1861, <i>Huron</i> , Nos. 511, 835, 824, 1008, 1052, 344, 526, 710, 813, 863, 928, 932, 189, 306, 928, 805, 513, 317	18	36 00
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July 31.		Received from A. Fleming, for 1861, <i>Perth</i> , Nos. 78, 467, 540, 751, 892, 929, 971, 45, 429, 573, 1033	11	22 00
		Received from A. Fleming, for 1861, <i>Waterloo</i> , Nos. 23, 363, 430, 479.....	4	8 00
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		Received from A. Fleming, for 1861, <i>South Wellington</i> , Nos. 377, 762, 112.....	3	6 00
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		Received from Robert Allison, for 1861, <i>Essex</i> , Nos. 808, 899 & 959, for 2 years.	4	8 00
Aug. 24.		Received from Thomas Keys, for 1861, <i>Halton</i> , Nos. 332, 440, 158, 68, 166, 245, 165, 272, 353	9	18 00
		Received from Thomas Keys, for 1861, <i>South Oxford</i> , Nos. -----	3	6 00
		Received from Thomas Keys, for 1861, <i>North Ontario</i> , Nos. 129, 223, 502, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 583, 606, 673, 584, 798, 824, 812, 825, 954, 1025, 1089.....	20	40 00
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“ Received from Thomas Keys, for 1861, <i>West York</i> , Nos. 23, 135, 191, 216, 626, 703, 752, 758, 772.....	9	18 00
Aug. 30. Received from James Pinkerton, for 1861, <i>Bruce</i> , Nos. 203, 208, 609, 612, 639, 460, 581, 803, 815, 978, 628, 734, 735.....	13	26 00
Sep. 24. Received from Alfred Nash, for 1861, <i>Lambton</i> , Nos. 516, 536, 746, 819, 830, 911, 916, 998, 988, 965.....	10	20 00
Nov. 28. Received from William Adamson, for 1861, <i>Toronto</i> , Nos. 4, 375, 404, 501, 506, 551, 675, 781, 1040.....	9	18 00
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Feb. 13.	Received from James Pinkerton, for 1861, <i>Bruce</i> , Nos. 288, 872, 547, 856, 669 and 669 for 1860	6	12 00
Feb. 18.	Received from Michael Crawford, for 1861, <i>Peel</i> , Nos. 5, 10, 61, 62, 63, 76, 81, 84, 105, 138, 142, 146, 148, 157, 163, 184, 185, 192, 211, 249, 250, 259, 260, 263, 290, 293, 455, 604, 613, 696, 708, 770, 807, 946, 1020, and 84, 185 for 1860.....	37	74 00
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"	Received from W. W. Connor, for 1861, <i>Huron</i> , Nos. 383, 560, 873, 963, 793, 774, 462, 145, 24, 833, 308.....	11	22	00
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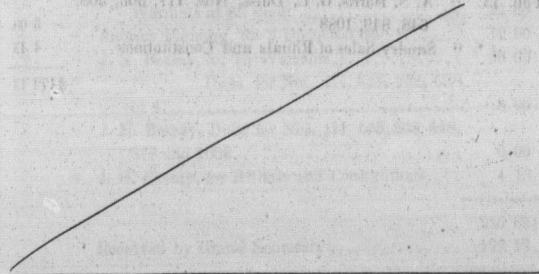
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June 12.	" American Express Company.....	9	60
June 19.	" Bro. William Anderson, Grand Lodge Dues..	72	00
June 28.	" Bro. Thomas McLean, Printing Reports.....	87	50
July 31.	" Bro. A. Fleming, Grand Lodge Dues.....	65	00
Aug. 1.	" Brantford <i>Courier</i> , for Advertising.....	8	16
Aug. 28.	" Grand Master's Order, for use of the Executive	50	00
Oct. 8.	" Bro. A. Fleming, Grand Lodge Dues.....	175	00
Dec. 20.	" Bro. Thomas McLean, for Advertising.....	5	79
"	" American Express Company, on Warrants...	0	25
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Jan'y 30.	" Bro. A. Fleming, Grand Lodge Dues.....	4	00
Feb. 1.	" Postage and Registered Warrant.....	0	12
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Feb. 15.	" Sundry Postages, (10 Postages).....	0	70
"	" <i>Sarnia</i> Newspaper for Printing.....	3	50
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“	“ J. H. Bessey, Warrant	6 00
May 23.	“ A. R. Hill, Dues for Nos. 864, 762 & 638 cr 4.	6 00
May 25.	“ Thomas Hamilton, Warrant	6 00
May 26.	“ Benjamin Drake, (Renewal)	6 00
July 12.	“ Thomas Hawkins, Warrant	6 00
Aug. 18.	“ E. R. Dewhurst, Warrant	6 00
Aug. 26.	“ R. Hughston, Warrant	6 00
Aug. 28.	“ J. H. Bessey, Cash for use of Executive	50 00
Nov. 27.	“ W. S. Hewatt, Dispensation	4 00
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Jan. 25.	“ F. E. Cornish, Warrant	6 00
Jan. 29.	“ J. Watson, Dispensation	4 00
Feb. 13.	“ A. S. Harris, G. L. Dues, Nos. 111, 505, 508, 648, 849, 1088	6 00
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4 00	Feb. 1. " Use of Guelph Town Hall for Annual Session..	8 00
6 00	Feb. 6. " Second Notices of G. L. Session, by order of Grand Master	1 50
6 00	Feb. 14. " Postage	5 09
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6 00	" " J. H. Bessey, for 15 Warrants.....	60 00
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	Balance due Grand Secretary.....	\$44 72½

Your Committee also recommend that the sum of Dollars be paid the Grand Secretary for his services during the past year.

All which is respectfully submitted in Union, Love and Truth.

JOHN B. ELLIOTT, *Chairman*.

WILLIAM GUNDY.

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WILLIAM HARRISON.

It was then moved by Bro. G. M. Todd, No. 634, County Master of South Wellington, seconded by the Rev. Bro Gundy, No. 521, Grand Chaplain,

That the blank in the report be filled with the sum of six hundred dollars, which was lost.

It was then moved by Capt. T. H. Buckley, No. 1012, Past Grand Master, seconded by Bro. B. Drake, County Master of Elgin,

That the blank be filled by the sum of four hundred dollars, which was lost on the following division :

YEAS—Capt. Thomas Campbell, R. C. Holbrook, Thomas Fox, J. Cunningham, Buckley, Gundy, Griffith, Harrison, Crawford, Stover, Connor, Durnen, Verner, Evans, Drake, Booth, Brown, Todd, McKay, Cameron, Kerr, Bland, Kerscadden, Johnston, White, Parks, Kee, J. R. Walker, Howey, Watson, Carson and Willis—32.

NAYS—Minore, Robinson, Adamson, Holtby, Crysler, Bell, McLean, Bolton, Stodders, Armstrong, Hall, F. C. Stewart, Bennett, McGuire, Snowden, Strachan, W. Walker, Spearman, Thos. Elliott, Cornish, J. Gosnell, A. Hill, G. Gosnell, J. Wilson, Hewart, Riely, Cornock, Ward, Carter, Sheppard, J. Hill, Brown, McVickers, Bessey—34.

It was then moved by Bro. Rueben Switzer, No. 384, seconded by Bro. R. H. Booth, No. 148,

That the blank be filled by the insertion of the sum of three hundred dollars, which was carried on the following division :

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NAYS—J. Robinson, J. Minore, Bolton, Stewart, McLean, Stodders, Armstrong, McGuire, Holby, Crysler, J. Gosnell, W. Walker, Hall, T. Elliott, Cornish, J. Shepherd, Hewat, Brown, McVickers and Bessey—20.

It was then moved by Bro. J. B. Elliott, seconded by Bro. Robert Bland, District Master of London City,

That London be the next place for holding the next Session of this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge.

Bro. R. C. Holbrook, Proxy, of No. 312, then gave notice that, in the event of London not being appointed, he would move, seconded by Bro. W. Wells, Master of No. 19,

That Brampton be the place.

Bro. H. Griffith, No. 197, District Master, then gave notice, that in the event of Brampton being lost, he would move, seconded by Captain W. DeCew, Proxy, No. 797,

That Brantford be the place.

Capt. T. Campbell, Proxy, No. 797, then gave notice, that in the event of Brantford being lost, he would move, seconded by Bro. C. Smith, No. 77, Grand Tyler,

That Hamilton be the place for the next Annual Session of this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge. The yeas and nays where then taken on London as follows:

YEAS—Buckley, Gundy, Gowan, Todd, J. Robinson, Switzer, Morris, Edgar, Hughston, Holby, Minore, Stover, Griffith, Durnin, Gilroy, Fair, McKay, McKutchen, Fox, G. Gosnell, P. McKellar, Nash, Howden, Spearman, Maidman, J. Gosnell, T. E. Elliott, F. E.

Cornish, Stewart, Wilson, Peacock, Dalmay, White, Pask, Jestin, Ward, J. B. Elliott, Carscadden, Bolton, P. B. Brown, McVickers and Bland—42.

NAVS—Shepherd, Stodards, Evans, McKay, T. Campbell, Johnston, Adamson, Bell, Thomson, Booth, Mack, Cornock, Kerr, J. Hall, Brown, May, Holbrook, Armstrong, Smith, Hewat, Fleming, W. Button, Bessey, Strachan, N. Button, McGuire, Bessey, Coyne, McLean, Bell, Snoden, J. Hill, Cunningham, A. Hill, Kerr, Baynham, Fuer, Merideth, Balentine, Howey, Carson, Wells, T. Campbell and D. Carter—44.

London was therefore declared lost, and on a division, Brampton was declared the place where the next Annual Session of this R. W. G. Lodge, shall be held. Brothers H. W. Meridith, Master No. 946; V. J. Balintine, District Master of Derry West, guarantee the use of a suitable place, wherein to hold the Grand Lodge free of charge, after which,

On motion of Lieut. Col. Arthur Armstrong, No. 559, District Master of Tecumseth, seconded by Bro. D'Arcy Boulton, No. 218, County Master of North Simcoe, it was

Moved that this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge do now adjourn until half-past three o'clock this afternoon.

The Lodge accordingly adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Lodge resumed business at half-past three o'clock P. M. All the Grand Officers in their places, except the Deputy Grand Secretary, Lieut. Col. Armstrong, No. 359, and the Grand Lecturer, Bro. John Wilson, No. 519, both of whom were absent.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SUSPENSIONS AND
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Bro. Michael Crawford, J. P., No. 103, Co. Master of Peel Chairman of the Committee on Suspensions and Expulsions then reported as follows:

The Committee beg leave to report that they recommend the following to be confirmed by the Grand Lodge:

County of Bruce—Lodge No. 498, George Shewfelt, expelled for contempt of summons and non-payment of dues; Lodge No. 203, John Haslip, expelled for the same cause.

County of Peel—Lodge No. 76, Wm. Cornfield, expelled for contempt of summons and non-payment of dues, Lodge No. 81, Robert Burnside, expelled for felony; Lodge No. 105, Thomas Brock, expelled for contempt of summons and non-payment of dues; Lodge 157, Hamilton Stewart, expelled for same cause; Lodge 1020, Robert Brown; Lodge No. 5, William Irwin, for drunkenness on the 12th day of July, 1861, suspended for three years; Lodge No. 10 has suspended John Harrison for twenty-one years, for violation of his obligation; Lodge No. 249, has suspended Henry Hiscocks and Nelson Hiscocks, for the term of three years, for contempt of summons and non-payment of dues.

County of Halton—Lodge No. 158, Alfred Davidson, Nelson Laird, A. Knox, John Jackson and Henry Luffie, expelled for violation of obligation, non-attendance and non-payment of dues; Lodge No. 245, William Graham, John Bell, Robert Crooks, Nicholas Forbes, suspended for two years, from the 23rd May, 1861, for non-payment of dues; Lodge No. 332, William Henderson, expelled for non-attendance and non-payment of dues.

County of Perth—Lodge No. 332, Samuel McEwen, expelled for defrauding a brother; Lodge No. 970, John Campbell, expelled for contempt of summons and non-payment of dues.

County of South Wellington—Lodge No. 634, Hugh Hill, expelled for non-attendance, contempt of summons and drunkenness; Alex-

ander Creighton, expelled for contempt of summons; Samuel Dunbar, M. D., expelled, March 17, 1859, for non-attendance, contempt of summons, and for having represented his Lodge as being defunct, for the purpose of gaining admittance into a Lodge at Mount Forest.

Your Committee cannot confirm the expulsions of John Brown or John Ewing, junr., of Lodge No. 634, as no cause is assigned why they should be expelled.

County of Elgin—Your Committee recommend this the prayer of L. O. L. No. 257, asking that Edward Rodgers, an expelled member of that Lodge, may be restored to his membership, be granted, and the above Lodge is hereby allowed to re-admit him.

County of Essex—Your Committee beg leave to state that they cannot take any action with regard to the case of Bro. Thos. Bulmer, as the papers did not come before them through the proper parties.

County of Brant—Your Committee beg leave to report that they had laid before them the Annual Report of Lodge No. 197, in which are the following suspensions, namely:—John Golhart, George Nixon, James Wilson, Samuel Elliott, Charles Gordon, Philip Stenzer and James D. Waffin, all suspended for one year for non-payment of dues, and disobeying summons; but we cannot confirm the suspensions, as the report has come from a Primary Lodge, and not signed by the Master of the Lodge.

North Wellington—Your Committee recommend that the reported expulsion of F. A. Thomson, from Lodge No. 681, for non-payment of dues, and disobedience of summons be confirmed.

County of Lincoln—Lodge No. 720, Isaac Reynolds, expelled for mis-conduct; Lodge No. 77, Thomas Bradley, junior, Thomas Spence, John Bradley, George Wright, John Walker, Abraham Bradley,

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MICHAEL CRAWFORD, *Chairman.*

BENJAMIN DRAKE,

JOHN VERNER,

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GUELPH, 19 February, 1862.

It was then moved by Brother Alfred Nash, No. 516, County Master of Lambton, seconded by Bro. J. Hill, Master No. 414, and

Resolved—That the above report be adopted; after which, the Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, GUELPH, February 19, 1862.

Your Committee on Correspondence, having carefully examined the letters and communications laid before them, beg to report as follows:—

We have looked over and examined a very voluminous correspondence, a great portion of which refers only to the ordinary routine of business, and upon which we consider it unnecessary to report.

Your Committee would suggest, that in future the Grand Secretary calls the correspondence in such a manner, that only such communications as are necessary for consideration shall be laid before them. Amongst the correspondence brought before your Committee, is a letter from Bro. D'Arcy Boulton, No. 218, County Master of North Simcoe, dated September 5, 1851, with reference to holding Orange Lodges in Taverns or Hotels. Your Committee consider the Constitution on this point is most explicit, and that no Orange Lodge can, Constitutionally, be held in a Tavern, Hotel or Saloon.

Your Committee beg to remark on the letter of Brother John Bedford, dated April 5, 1861, on the subject of establishing Lodges on

Temperance principles. Your Committee are much in favour of having Temperance Lodges organized, but are convinced that it is clearly illegal and unconstitutional, to attach a Temperance pledge to the Orange obligation. In reference to the communication of Bro. John Orr, respecting the Lodge giving up the certificate of a deceased member to his son, who is not a member of the Institution, your committee consider that the certificate should remain in the Lodge, and that the Lodge has no power to grant the certificate of a deceased member.

Your committee recommend that Warrant No. 450, be renewed to Brother James Churchill, on his compliance with the conditions which have been exacted in similar cases. Your committee consider the answer of the Grand Secretary, to the letter of Brother John Jones, of West's Corners, in reference to holding County Meetings permanently in one place, to be explicit and satisfactory. Your committee entirely concur in the opinion of the Grand Master, adverse to the establishment of Cadet Lodges, as expressed in his letter, dated September 11, 1861. In the perusal of the correspondence, your committee find a memorial addressed to the Provincial Grand Lodge of Western Canada, from Brothers G. R. Bolton, John James Bell, James Roberts, W. L. Dalton, M. D., James Mills, Robert Hart and William Thomas, former Members of Lodge No. 455, in reference to their expulsion; your committee having discovered that the matter contained in their memorial has not yet been brought before the County Lodge to which they are attached, your committee therefore decline to entertain the subject.

In conclusion, your committee beg to state that they consider the correspondence of the Grand Secretary to have been well and ably attended to during the past year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

George L. Allen, No. 136, Past Grand Master, Chairman; W. W. Connor, J. P., No. 24, County Master Huron; Alfred Nash, No. 516, County Master Lambton; William Harrison, Proxy, No. 1040;

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Latham B. Hamlin, No. 288, County Master of Bruce, Secretary of committee.

On motion of Brother Alfred Nash, No. 516, County Master of Lambton, seconded by Brother John Hill, Master No. 414, it was

Resolved—That the report of the Committee on Correspondence be adopted.

It was then moved by Captain F. Campbell, Proxy, No. 779, seconded by Brother James Howey, Master No. 1044, and

Resolved—That the sum of ten dollars be granted to Bro. Charles Smith, No. 779, Grand Tyler, for his services during this session of the Grand Lodge.

It was then moved by Brother Michael Crawford, J. P., No. 163, County Master of Peel, seconded by Captain J. H. Bessey, No. 77, Grand Treasurer, and

Resolved—That the printing of this Grand Lodge be given to Brother Thomas McLean, proprietor of the *British Herald*.

It was then moved by Bro. John Minore, Proxy, No. 360, seconded by Bro. G. M. Todd, No. 634, County Master of South Wellington, and

Resolved—That the sum of \$50 be granted by this Grand Lodge to the Orange Wing of the Protestant Orphans Home at Toronto.

It was then moved by Brother Alfred Nash, No. 516, County Master of Lambton, seconded by Brother Joseph Alexander, Master No. 537, and

Resolved—That Brother Thomas Riely, No. 901, County Master of West Middlesex, be instructed by this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge to countersign and forward the Warrant for Florence, Township of Euphemia, County of Lambton.

It was then moved by Brother R. C. Holbrook, Proxy, No. 312, seconded by the Rev. Brother W. Gundy, No. 512, Grand Chaplain, and

Resolved—That in future, Districts shall bear the name of the Townships where they are located.

It was then moved by Brother N. C. Gowan, J. P., No. 1040, Grand Secretary, seconded by the Rev. Bro. W. Gundy, No. 521 Grand Chaplain, and

Resolved—That Warrant No. 423 be returned to the Grand Secretary, and that all other Lodges having two Warrants, return one to the Grand Secretary of this Provincial Grand Lodge.

Brother G. M. Todd, No. 634, County Master of South Wellington, then moved, seconded by Brother William Cornock, J. P., Master No. 112,

That the next Annual Meeting be commenced on the 3rd Tuesday in February, 1863, which was carried.

It was then moved by Brother J. C. Ward, No. 423, District Master of Mosa, seconded by Captain J. H. Bessey, No. 77, Grand Treasurer, and

Resolved—That Brother Alfred Nash, No. 516, County Master of Lambton, be authorized and directed by this Grand Lodge to instal the County Master for West Lambton.

It was then moved by Brother W. W. Connor, J. P., No. 24, County Master of Huron, seconded by Brother W. Wells, Master No. 19, and

Resolved—That Warrant No. 459, be renewed free of charge.

It was then moved by Brother D. Boulton, Barrister, No. 218, County Master of North Simcoe, seconded by Bro. G. M. Todd, No. 634, County Master of South Wellington, and

Resolved—That in future the election of Officers in the Grand Lodge do not take place before the Afternoon Session of the Second Day.

It was then moved by Bro. J. K. Morris, No. 690, County Master of Kent, seconded by Brother D'Arcy Boulton, Barrister, No. 218, County Master of North Simcoe, and

Resolved—That Captain J. H. Bessey, Grand Treasurer, receive the sum of fifty dollars, to defray his expenses to this Right Worshipful Grand Lodge, as said Treasurer, in remuneration for his services in that capacity.

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It was then moved by Brother J. C. Ward, No. 423, District Master of Mosa, seconded by Thomas Riely, No. 901, County Master of West Middlesex, and

Resolved—That Warrant No. 423 be returned to the Grand Secretary, and a new one issued free of expense.

The Grand Secretary then read the Minutes, when on motion of Robert Edgar, 611, County Master of Grey, seconded by W. W. Connor, J. P., No. 24, County Master of Huron, it was

Resolved—That the Minutes be adopted.

The Lectures in the several Degrees of the Order were then repeated by Brothers Medcalf, Gowan, Hill and Bolton, and the Lodge closed in Harmony.

NASSAU C. GOWAN,
Grand Secretary.

F. H. MEDCALF,
Grand Master.

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*The following extracts from the Journal of Correspondence are published because they contain a number of important questions put to the Grand Secretary upon various matters connected with the Order, together with his replies thereto. These questions and answers will give valuable information to the Brotherhood.*

| FROM WHOM RECEIVED.  | QUESTION.                                                                                                                                         | ANSWER.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
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| William Osburn.....  | Are Orangemen justifiable in occasionally attending a Romanist Chapel?.....                                                                       | No. For if it is right to go occasionally, it is equally right to go regularly.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Rev. C. McKevey..... | Is it consistent for an Orangeman to contribute to the erection of a Romanist Chapel?.....                                                        | No. For it is a practical denial of the Protestant Faith. The Orangeman who does so, declares that as far as he is concerned, there is no difference between Protestantism and Romanism; that the Martyrs died foolishly and that truth is an indifferent matter. The great object of those Orangemen who have a Protestant pocket and a Romanist pocket is to stand fair with both sides. |
| John Finleyson.....  | Have Masters of Primary Lodges a vote in the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge?.....                                                                    | No. But I have no doubt of his correctness in the matter.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Joseph Watson.....   | Is there an entry by the Past G. S. of Constitutions forwarded?.....                                                                              | No. The G. L. of Ireland recognizes but two Degrees namely, the Orange and Arch, therefore he could not have received the Purple or Blue.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| William Cullen.....  | Can a Bro. who has received the Arch in Ireland, be admitted to Purple or Blue Lodges in British America without the Pass?.....                   | Dormant Warrants should be returned to the Provincial Grand Secretary. You must apply to the Executive of the Order in Nova Scotia.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Stewart Mulvey.....  | When a Warrant becomes dormant can it be taken by the County Master in new territory?.....                                                        | Yes. Up to the amount of four dollars.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| William Hill.....    | What per-centage will we allow if he takes a large quantity of Constitutions?.....                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| Rev. S. Tighe.....   | Can the County Lodge of H.....                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |

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| Rev. S. Tighe    | Can the County Lodge of Huron divide itself into two or more counties for Orange purposes?                                                   | No.                                                                                                                                       |
| James Ghurchill  | Can a Warrant be moved from one County to another?                                                                                           | Yes. If the consent of the proper authorities be obtained.                                                                                |
| John C. Copeland | What became of the \$5 inclosed in a letter in June 1860?                                                                                    | I handed it to Brother Andrew Fleming, G. S. of the M. W. G. L of B. A.                                                                   |
| Rev. C. Curry    | Have Brethren who were members of a Lodge before, it became dormant, prior claim to others for its resuscitation?                            | Yes. Upon paying up all arrears against the Lodge and renewing the Warrant.                                                               |
| W. C. Lewis      | Is any evidence save that of a Brother, admissable on an Orange trial?                                                                       | There is no specific or statutory law in the case. The law of practice, however, I know not, I have not anything to do with the matter.   |
| William Hill     | Why are communications sent to Br. Fleming not answered?                                                                                     | Answers in the affirmative.                                                                                                               |
| John Morgan      | Can an officer of a Lodge against whom a charge is pending, continue to discharge his duties while the charge is undecided?                  | I know not, I have not anything to do with the matter.                                                                                    |
| George Houghston | Who should instal a County Master elect in the absence of the Past C. M.?                                                                    | Yes. For every Brother is believed to be innocent till his guilt is constitutionally proven.<br>The senior officer who is present.        |

## REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS.

## EXTRACTS FROM THE JOURNAL OF CORRESPONDENCE—(Continued.)

| FROM WHOM RECEIVED.   | QUESTION.                                                                                                                                                                        | ANSWER.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| F. W. Irwin.....      | What amount do the Primary Lodges in Huron County owe the G. Lodge?                                                                                                              | Apply to Captain J. H. Bessey of St. Catharines, who is the Minister of Finance for W. Canada.                                                                                                                                                       |
| Gabriel Balfour.....  | Can the Master of a Lodge against whom a charge is preferred, call a meeting of his Lodge and obtain a certificate?                                                              | He can call his Lodge together, but the Lodge cannot grant a certificate till the charge is investigated.                                                                                                                                            |
| David Ross.....       | Giving reasons for not having opened his Lodge within five weeks.....                                                                                                            | Did wrong. It is the duty of the District Master to see that all Lodges in his District are properly working.                                                                                                                                        |
| George Houghton.....  | Requesting a visit from the G. S. for the purpose of uniting the Orangemen in support of Mr. M. C. Cameron, the Conservative Candidate in the Constituency of North Ontario..... | Cannot go. But if I went it would be to favor Mr. Gould in preference to Mr. Cameron. The former is pro-Protestant, the latter is pro-Romanist. I would rather vote for a Romanist than for a Protestant who opposes Orangecism and supports Popery. |
| James Roberts.....    | Application for one dozen certificates.....                                                                                                                                      | Sent.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Robert Jameson.....   | How should a Bro., suspended by a Primary Lodge, seek redress?                                                                                                                   | By appealing first to the District Lodge, and if dissatisfied with the decision there given, then to the County and so on to the M. W. the G. L.                                                                                                     |
| Rev. W. Preston.....  | Can a Lodge now meet in a Tavern?.....                                                                                                                                           | No.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Wm. Decew, J. P.....  | Is the written authority of the C. M. necessary before a District Master can open a Scarlet Chapter?                                                                             | Yes. As you will see by the first and fifth clauses in the Dispensation.                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Rev. R. Paintin.....  | Are Primary Lodges bound to abide the decision of their D. Lodge?                                                                                                                | Yes. Unless the decision of the District is set aside by a higher authority.                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Gabriel Balfour.....  | Can a Bro. who is not himself in good standing, prefer a charge against one who is?                                                                                              | Yes. But his motives are unquestionable. and                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Charles Williams..... | Can a Bro.....                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| Gabriel Balfour.  | Can a Bro. who is not himself in good standing, prefer a charge against one who is?                                      | Yes. But his motives are questionable, and great caution is needed in investigating the case.                                                                                                                                            |
| Charles Williams. | Can a Bro. be exalted to the Scarlet in any other District than the one in which his Lodge sits?                         | Not without consent of the Chapter belonging to the District in which his Lodge is working.                                                                                                                                              |
| E. R. Dewhurst.   | Complaining of Andrew Fleming's neglect to insert the number in the Paris Warrant                                        | Answered by Bro. Hancock P. Gowen, Past Grand Secretary of the M. W. G. L., stating that Bro. Dewhurst must apply to Bro. Fleming as it is his duty and not that of the Provincial Grand Secretary to insert the number in the Warrants. |
| Benjamin Drake.   | Can a new Warrant for an old Lodge be obtained?                                                                          | Yes. By paying six dollars for it.                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Rev. R. Johnson.  | If the Brethren in Ireland will cover the expenses, will Bro. N. C. Gowango over to Lecture in various parts of Ireland? | I could not leave at present, but hope yet to have the honor of visiting my Father-land to speak on Orangeism.                                                                                                                           |
| L. B. Hamlin.     | Can a dormant Warrant with four years back dues be now opened?                                                           | The back dues must be paid up.                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Rev. J. R. Gundy. | Does the Most Worshipful G. L. recognize the Provincial G. L. of Canada East?                                            | Yes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Rev. Thomas Read. | Can a member be punished for Sabbath breaking?                                                                           | It is the duty of the Lodge to see that he is.                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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| FROM WHOM RECEIVED.          | QUESTION                                                                                                                                                                                           | ANSWER.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| Freeborn Kee, J. P. . . . .  | First. Can a member be tried in the District for any offence without being previously tried in his own private Lodge? Secondly. Can he be tried without the complaint being stated in the summons? | 1st.—Yes. See the Constitution, clause six, on page 33, under the heading District Lodges. 2. The Constitution is defective upon this point. In the absence of statutory law, our next safest guide is the law of usage, which is in favor of having the complaint fully stated in the summons. Besides, it is the practical, just and common sense view of the matter. |
| R. J. Earl. . . . .          | Should each Lodge have a Seal; if so, how are they to be obtained?                                                                                                                                 | Yes. I will get them for you in this City.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| J. C. Ward . . . . .         | Application for Rituals. . . . .                                                                                                                                                                   | Cash must accompany the order.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Alfred Nash . . . . .        | What must be done with lodges that make no return and pay no dues? . . . . .                                                                                                                       | The Annual withheld and the right of representation in the different Lodges denied. I suppose in the hurry he forgot it, but if you apply to him he will correct the error.                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Joseph May. . . . .          | Complaining that Br. Andrew Fleming did not send Rituals with the dispensation                                                                                                                     | No. And any Lodge granting a second, without receiving the first, should be dealt with according to the constitution and usages of the Order. Also, any Bro. holder two, should be required to surrender one.                                                                                                                                                           |
| L. B. Hamlin . . . . .       | Can a member of the Order hold more than one certificate at the same time?                                                                                                                         | None needed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Captain N. Button . . . . .  | How are Orange Halls to be dedicated?                                                                                                                                                              | The proper instructions given.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Thomas Tuer. . . . .         | Can a Scarlet Chapter be opened when the Knight in command pleases?                                                                                                                                | No. He can only open on the 14th of the month.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Hon. J. H. Cameron . . . . . | Stating that the Warrants I left at his office for signature were found. . . . .                                                                                                                   | Yes. Orangism disclaims the badge of faction. Every Loyal Protestant of good character is welcome to wear it.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Thomas Sturgeon. . . . .     | Can a Reformer in Politics be initiated?                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| George Brown                 | What . . . . .                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |



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 None needed.  
 Yes. Orangeism disdains the badge of faction. Every Loyal Protestant of good character is welcome to our fold.

He has sent them to the County Master; why they were so long delayed after the meeting of the M. W., the Grand Lodge, I know not.

Offer accepted with thanks.

Sent.

1.—Not without consent of the Provincial Grand Lodge. 2. It was improper for the Brethren to retire before the business was done. 3. The acts done in their absence are as constitutional and binding as if they

not send Rituals with the dispensation. Can a member of the Order hold more than one certificate at the same time?

How are Orange Halls to be dedicated? Can the Knights in command please? When stating that the Warrants I left at his office for signatures were found. Can a Reformer in Politics be initiated?

Why are not Reports of the June meeting of the M. W., the G. Lodge sent out by Bro. Fleming?

Offering to write to Rev. Mr. Palmer for use of the English Church for the Grand Lodge to attend Divine service. Application for a copy of N. C. Govan's Lecture on the cause and origin of Orangeism.

Can the County be divided for Orange purposes. 2. Can the County Lodge alter the members of two Districts have retired, permanently fix the location of the County Lodge? 3. Stating that unless justice be done, the aggrieved Brethren will return their Warrants...

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Hon. J. H. Cameron

Thomas Sturgeon.

George Brown.

Rev. H. B. Osler.

Oliver Blake.

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| <p>L. R. Bolton</p> <p>Wm. McRosie</p> | <p>Appeal to the Provincial Lodge on behalf of Brethren who complain that injustice has been done them because they voted against Hon. J. H. Cameron's Resolutions of the County Lodge of Fr-</p> | <p>were present and approved them. Brethren may oppose any law for the government of any Lodge up to the time that it is constitutionally enacted, but from that moment their obedience is constitutionally required. This is the case in the High Court of Parliament, and it is necessary for the government of all organized bodies.</p> <p>4. If the complaining Brethren had a majority in the Lodge and yet neglected to attend their duty, there will be the less sympathy for their sufferings. 5. The idea of a number of Lodges throwing up their Warrants and ceasing to meet because their Brethren constitutionally carry out their wishes, is absurd. 6. It is competent for you to bring the case before the Provincial Lodge. 7. If the Provincial Lodge does not set aside the decision of the C. Lodge, you must hold your next meeting at the place appointed, you can then repeal the resolution, and appoint the place where the majority think best.</p> <p>I will attend.</p> <p>I will lay the matter before the Provincial Grand I...</p> |

John D. R. McLean . . . Asking Licent. Col. O. R. Gowen and N. C. Gowen, J. P., to the dedication of an Orange Hall in Eskfrid . . . . .

L. R. Bolton . . . . . Appeal to the Provincial Lodge on behalf of Brethren who complain that injustice has been done them because they voted against Hon. J. H. Cameron's Resolutions of the County Lodge of Fr-

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| John D. R. McLennan..... | Asking Lieut. Col. O. R. Gowan and N. ... ..                                                                                                                      |
| L. R. Bolton.....        | Appeal to the Provincial Lodge on behalf of Brethren who complain that injustice has been done them because they voted against Hon. J. H. Cameron.....            |
| Wm. McRossie.....        | Resolutions of the County Lodge of Frontenac censuring the government scheme for bringing to this County an exclusively Romanist Emigration.....                  |
| Rev. H. Wilhero.....     | Can the ballot-box be used in an Orange Lodge?.....                                                                                                               |
| William Howard.....      | When a Knight Companion of the Royal Scarlet Degree lifts his certificate from the Chapter, does it free him from the payment of dues?.....                       |
| Henry Dumin.....         | Can a Lodge demand dues after a Bro. has demanded his certificate?.....                                                                                           |
| James Fleming.....       | Has a Lodge the power to expel for laying improper hands on a Brother's wife?.....                                                                                |
| Thomas Weidon.....       | When do the Annual County Meetings take place? 2. Where should they be held? 3. Has the County Master power to appoint the place where they should assemble?..... |

I will attend.

I will lay the matter before the Provincial Grand Lodge for its consideration.

Acknowledged.

Not under the present constitution of the Order.

It does. But if he only gets an Orange certificate from his Lodge, his Scarlet dues go on until he demands from the Chapter a Scarlet certificate, and deposits the required fee.

Not if he was fair on the books when the demand was made and the necessary fee paid.

Yes; and it is in duty bound so to do.

1.—On the day appointed by the constitution. 2. Where the County Lodge appoints. 3. No, the Lodge possesses this power, not the C. M.

Lodge does not set aside the decision of the C. Lodge, you must hold your next meeting at the place appointed, you can then repeat the resolution, and appoint the place where the majority think best.

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| Thomas Creighton.....<br>Arthur Whittaker..... | Is it necessary that all committee-men of Lodges should have the Arch? .....<br>Can Brethren of an inferior Degree try those of a superior Degree? ..... | It is highly desirable that they should.<br>Not concerning matters purely belonging to the Degree that they do not possess; but they can try him for matters pertaining to the Degrees that both he and they possess. |
| W. Armstrong.....                              | Can a Master refuse to put a motion duly proposed and seconded? .....                                                                                    | Yes. If first it be sent of Order; or <i>secondly</i> if it be unconstitutionally otherwise he is bound to put it to the Lodge.                                                                                       |
| James Moot.....                                | Where can the proper Regalia for the different Degrees be obtained? .....                                                                                | By application to N. C. Gowen, addressed post-paid, to Toronto.                                                                                                                                                       |
| Levi Minere.....                               | Should all Lodges, whether Primary, District or County, have a Seal? If so, where are they to be obtained? .....                                         | Yes.<br>Apply to N. C. Gowen, Toronto.                                                                                                                                                                                |
| William Johnstone.....                         | Can one Orangeman sue another while both are in connexion? .....                                                                                         | Yes. Every man is entitled to his right and if one Bro. cannot get justice in the Order, he is right in seeking for it at the Courts of Civil Law, but he should first try the Courts of Orangeism.                   |
| Nicholas Hopkins.....                          | Can the Master of a Primary Lodge be expelled for drunkenness? .....                                                                                     | Yes. And he should be.                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| James Wilson.....                              | Complaining that the Grand Lodge did not acknowledge the receipt of his dues.                                                                            | I have not anything to do with the Finances, you must apply to Captain G. H. Bessey, St. Catharines, and he will make it right.                                                                                       |
| William Harrison.....                          | Complaining that Masters of Primary Lodges have not a seat in the M. W. the G. L. ....                                                                   | Attend the Provincial Lodge and aid to re-                                                                                                                                                                            |

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Yes. And he should be.

Attend the Provincial Lodge and aid to remove errors.

I believe every Lodge in Western Canada is opposed to the present Constitution of the Order.

Yes. But only to the Masters in his District.

Yes. I have them for sale at 12 1/2 cents each.

You must apply for an answer to Bro. Fleming himself.

The M. W. the G. M. gives it to the Provincial G. Master, he to the County M., he to the District M., he to the Primary M., and he to the members of his Lodge.

He should be expelled.

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The injuries accruing to Orangeism since its division into Provincial Lodges.

Can a District Master give the Annual Report?

Can Grand Lodge Reports for past years be obtained?

Why are the Reports of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge so long delayed by Bro. Fleming?

How is the Annual to be obtained?

How should one who violates his obligation be dealt with?

Nicholas Hopkins

James Wilson

William Harrison

John Lyndsay

Samuel Coleman  
Thomas Hawkins

S. Mulvey

John Forest

John Galloway

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| Thomas Hawkins, M.D.               | To whom should County returns be sent?                                                                               | To the Provincial Grand Secretary. The G. Secretary of the M. W. the G. Lodge should not receive any communication from any officer or member of the Order which does not come through the Provincial Grand Secretaries, and until this constitutional course is acted upon the system of P. G. Lodges can never be fairly tested. |
| J. C. Ward.                        | Number 881 will break up unless joined to West Middlesex instead of to the County of Kent                            | I have no power to interfere in the matter and the Law must be obeyed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| W. Randall.                        | Can the County Master charge Grand Lodge dues twice in the year to the same Lodge?                                   | No.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Wm. Decew, J. P.                   | Can the Warrant of a dormant Lodge be used by the C. M. to open a new Lodge?                                         | Not unless it is renewed by the Executive of the Order                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Joseph McGovern.<br>William Howard | Who founded the Order in B. A? . . . . .<br>What should be done with a Bro. who behaves improperly on the 12th July? | Lieutenant Colonel Ogte Robert Gowan.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| John McGuin.                       | Complaining of the manner in which Orangism is managed in Central Ganada                                             | He should be fined, suspended, or expelled according to the aggravation of his crime. I will not interfere. I have been deceived by a leading party there once.                                                                                                                                                                    |

Rev. J. B. Gundy . . . . . Are companions residing in the District bound to obey and pay dues to the Chapter to which they belonged? . . . . .

Jonas Jury . . . . . Is a copy of the Constitution given to each member on his initiation?  
J. K. Morris . . . . . Can N. C. Gowan or Hon. J. H. Cameron or some other lecturer on Orangism be

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I will not sign Warrants unless the applica-  
 tion comes through the proper channel.  
 Nor even then to sit in a tavern.

Yes.  
 I will consult the Most Worshipful the G.  
 M. and then let you know.

Between one and two hundred thousand.

To the Grand Secretaries of the Provincial  
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 Read the Constitution.

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 or some other lecturer on Orangism be  
 obtained for the 5th of November, 1861.  
 Application for Funeral Ritual

Should a member be expelled for profanity.  
 Opposing the granting of a certain War-  
 rant.

When the Master of a Primary Lodge has  
 been re-elected should he be installed  
 the same as if he had never served as  
 Master ?

Is it the intention of the Executive of the  
 Order to apply for an Act of Incorpora-  
 tion ?

Can a Lodge be organized on Temperance  
 principles ?

What is the probable number of Orange-  
 men ?  
 To whom should applications for Dispen-  
 sations be made ?

What is the obligation of an Orangemen ?

Joseph McGovern  
 William Howard  
 John McGuin

Rev. J. R. Gundy

Jones Jury  
 J. K. Morris

Robert Richmond  
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 D'Arcy Boulton

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James Wilson

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| FROM WHOM RECEIVED.          | QUESTION.                                                                                                                                                             | ANSWER.                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| Rev. A. F. Dempsey . . . . . | Are all Ministers who are in connexion, Deputy Grand Chaplains ? . . . . .                                                                                            | No.                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Thomas Tusk . . . . .        | Why will he not be permitted to attend his Lodge ? . . . . .                                                                                                          | Because your Lodge has suspended you.                                                                                                                                                             |
|                              | 2. Is he suspended from the Order ? . . . . .                                                                                                                         | Answered in the reply to the first question.                                                                                                                                                      |
|                              | 3. Will the Executive direct the Lodge to re-admit him as he considers his Lodge has acted unconstitutionally by him ? . . . . .                                      | No. The action of your Lodge must stand until you appeal first to the District, then, if necessary, to the County, and from the County to the Provincial.                                         |
|                              | 4. If the Executive of the Provincial G. L. will not set aside the action of his Primary Lodge, has the Hon. J. H. Cameron power to order his restoration ? . . . . . | No. The power of the M. W. the G. M., is confined within constitutional limits. The decision of any Lodge must be acted upon until it is constitutionally repealed.                               |
| Rev. W. Wilmott . . . . .    | Has a Past Master who is out on certificate, a vote in the District Lodge ? . . . . .                                                                                 | No. Those who do not bear the responsibilities of the Order, are not permitted to enjoy its privileges.                                                                                           |
| George Brown, J. P . . . . . | Is there any work specially defining the duties and explaining the manner in which they should be performed at a District M ? . . . . .                               | None save the Constitution and the G. Lodge Reports. But N. C. Gowen is preparing a work on Orangelsm which will explain the powers and duties and responsibilities of each officer of the Order. |

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C. B. Cotton . . . . .  
 Sentiments of communion and fellowship between the Orders of Protestantism and Orangemen. . . . .

William Peck . . . . .  
 Can a candidate be proposed and initiated during the same meeting? . . . . .

Gabriel Balfour . . . . .  
 John Drummond . . . . .  
 Have I received any communication lately from the District or County M. of Brant? . . . . .  
 Can a Bro. join a Primary Lodge by taking the obligation when he is in good standing at the same time in another Lodge? . . . . .

T. R. Ferguson, Esq., M. P. . . . .  
 Is it proper for Officers when re-elected to resume their respective seats without again taking the oath of office? . . . . .

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Rejoiced to know that the Protestant Association of the United States is awake to the evils of Romanism, and to the necessity of organized efforts against its encroachments on human rights and on Divine Privileges.

Yes. If the rule upon the subject is duly observed and obeyed. But the less frequent such cases the better. All who become Orangemen should be required (as a rule) to submit to the usual mode.

You have no right to ask such a question and therefore I decline to answer it.

No. A Bro. can only belong to one Lodge at a time, and there are but two ways of getting into a Lodge, namely, by initiation, or by deposit of a certificate.

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| Joseph Husband.....   | Can less than a majority of Lodges in a Township from a District.....                                | No. A majority must rule. Where there are three Lodges in a Township two must consent. The Executive contemplates that each Township as soon as it contains two Lodges should.                                                                              |
| William Neil.....     | Has his successor in the District Master-ship a right to the Dispensation made out in his name?..... | Yes. It falls to him the same as an Orange Warrant does to the Master who succeeds the Bro. in whose name it was granted.                                                                                                                                   |
| William Jackson.....  | Informing of the suspension of Mr. Wm. Russell for drunkenness.....                                  | I do not permit the members to ruin their own character and soul and disgrace the Order by drunkenness.                                                                                                                                                     |
| William Hamilton..... | Can a majority <i>present</i> constitutionally carry any resolution?.....                            | In a Lodge constitutionally organized, a majority of those present is competent to pass any resolution not contrary to the laws and usages of the Order; and the Resolutions so passed are as binding as if all the members were present and approved them. |
| S. Mulvey.....        | Should the Warrant be present at all the meetings of the Lodge?.....                                 | Undoubtedly it should, as it is the authority for opening the Lodge.                                                                                                                                                                                        |

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Can a private member be tried by a District Lodge ?

When a Bro. has been suspended by his Primary Lodge, can the District Master restore him to his former standing ?

To whom should Orange Halls be devoted ?

Can a Bro. who has not attended his Lodge for five years, but who was fair upon the books when he ceased to meet, now obtain his certificate without paying dues for the time of his absence ?

Can an Orangeman out on certificate visit Lodges by presenting his certificate ?

Yes. But the motives look suspicious and great caution should be used in examining and deciding upon the case.

The act, if correctly stated, was improper; but Brethren must appeal to the District and not trouble the Executive with their petty squabbles.

Only upon appeal after trial in his Primary Lodge.

No. But the District Lodge can.

To the Father of the Order in British America; Ogle R. Gowen, Esq, the Most Worshipful the G. M., the Provincial G. M., the County Master, the D. M. and the H. of the Primary Lodge that builds the Hall; who would form a very reliable and efficient Trustee Board.

According to the letter of the Constitution he should pay his regular dues up to the time he demanded his certificate.

No. There are but three constitutional ways in which access can be had to a Lodge, namely: 1. By initiation, 2. deposit of certificates, or 3, by giving the

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| William Ward . . . . . | Can a Bro. be exalted to the Scarlet who is out on certificate? . . . . .                                                                                      | No.                                                                                          |
| J. K. Morris . . . . . | Is it necessary for Knight Companions to take their certificates from the Chapter in which they were initiated before they can join another Chapter? . . . . . | Yes.                                                                                         |
| A. S. Harris . . . . . | Can a Lodge upon the resignation of a Master, elect another in his place? . . . . .                                                                            | No. It can only be done on the resignation of the Deputy and each of the five committee men. |