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SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION,

HELD IN THE

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ON THE 2nd, 3rd and 4th, DAYS OF AUGUST, 1871,

COMMENCING AT 9 O'CLOCK, A.M.

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SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

W. GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO.

HELD IN THE ODD FELLOWS' HALL,  
TORONTO.

Toronto, August 2, 1871.

A representation of the Lodges in Toronto having assembled in special session, in the Odd Fellows' Hall, for the purpose of receiving the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario. The M. W. Grand Master, Officers and Representatives, having been duly announced, were admitted and presented to the N. G., Bro. Dr. Wright, who in an appropriate address, welcomed the Grand Lodge to Toronto, and tendered that body the free use of their spacious Lodge Room, with ante rooms; for the purposes of the present session. The Grand Master, Bro. W. N. Ford, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, responded to the address, and accepted the proffered use of the rooms with thanks.

The Subordinate Lodge then closed.

W. N. Ford, M. W. Grand Master, took the chair, and called the Grand Lodge to order, when upon a call of the roll the following officers were found present:—

W. N. FORD,.....	M. W. GRAND MASTER.
JOHN GIBSON,.....	R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
J. J. RAMSAY,.....	R. W. GRAND WARDEN.
J. B. KING,.....	R. W. GRAND SECRETARY.
A. D. CLEMENT,.....	R. W. GRAND TREASURER.
JAMES WOODYATT,.....	R. W. GRAND REP. TO G.L.U.S.
THOS. PARTRIDGE,.....	Do Do
THOS. REID, .....	R. W. GRAND MARSHAL.
A. McPHAIL,.....	R. W. GRAND GUARDIAN.
M. BLUME,.....	R. W. GRAND HERALD.

The chair made the following appointments, *pro tem.* :

Rep. J. F. McDONALD,.....	R. W. GRAND CONDUCTOR.
Rep. H. C. BINGHAM, P.G.M.,.....	R. W. GRAND CHAPLAIN.

The Grand Conductor and Grand Marshal examined all present, and declared them duly qualified, whereupon the R. W. Grand Chaplain *pro tem.* addressed the throne of grace, as follows :

ALMIGHTY AND ETERNAL GOD, our Creator Preserver, and Constant Benefactor, we render Thee humble and hearty thanks for that kind care that has watched over us during the past year, and permitted us again to assemble in Thy name for the transaction of business. We desire to acknowledge our unworthiness in Thy sight, and we feel that without Thy Divine Help all our purposes are ineffectual and all our efforts vain. Look with favor upon our beloved Order, and aid us in our efforts to increase its usefulness. Bless the widow and the orphan; and aid all who are in distress as Thou seest they deserve. Be with us at this time; direct and guide us in our deliberations, and grant that the spirit of peace, harmony, and love may prevail among us at all times; and when our labors on earth are ended, may we enter into the rest prepared for Thy faithful servants, and with all Thy redeemed family unite in ascribing praise to Thy Holy Name, for ever and ever.—Amen.

The Grand Warden, by direction of the chair, proclaimed the Grand Lodge open for the transaction of business.

The chair then announced the following Committee on Credentials :

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.—J. B. King, Grand Sec.; Rep. John Richmond, of Excelsior Lodge, No. 44, and Rep. J. Schneider, of Chatham Lodge, No. 29.

Jas. Smith, P.G.M., announced Dr. A. H. King, P.H.P., and Dr. Gunther, P.G., of the City of Baltimore, in waiting. The chair appointed Past Grand Masters Jas. Smith, Jas. Woodyatt,

and T. Partridge a committee to wait upon and introduce the visitors, which was accordingly done, and the visitors welcomed by the Grand Master.

The Committee on Credentials presented the following Report and Resolution, which were agreed to:

**Report of Committee on Credentials.**

Toronto, August 2, 1871.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario.*

BROTHERS,—We, your Committee on Credentials, beg to report that we have examined the Returns of the Subordinate Lodges, and the certificates presented, and find the following Brothers duly elected, and credentials in due form. We recommend that they be admitted to the Grand Lodge as the Representatives of their several Lodges, as follows:—

W. H. COLE,	}	Broek Lodge, No. 9
W. M. SEATON,		
TIMOTHY HEALY,	}	Union Lodge, No. 16
LOUIS DORR,		
G. E. PATTERSON,	}	Eureka Lodge, No. 30
JAS. ELLIOTT,		
JOHN ATKINS,	}	Erie Lodge, No. 33
JNO. HUNTER,		
ROBT. KIRKPATRICK,	}	Gore Lodge, No. 34
JAMES HERON,		
GEO. POWELL, SR.,	}	Samaritan Lodge, No 35
GEORGE W. HARE,		
GEO. W. PONTINE,	}	St. Mary's Lodge, No. 36
ROBT. MATHISON,		
THOS. WOODYATT,	}	Forest City " No. 38
J. F. McDONALD,		
T. SIMONS,	}	Avon Lodge, No. 41
W. C. BELL,		
ROBT. BARBOUR,	}	
RICHARD BOX,		
JAMES SMITH,	}	
ED. BELTZ,		
H. E. BUTTERY,	}	
M. D. DAWSON,		
JOHN DUTTON,	}	
HENRY GIBSON,		
JAS. MORRISON,	}	

JNO. RICHMOND, )	
WM. LEWIS, )	Excelsior Lodge, No. 44
JOHN PRYKE, )	
JOHN BOWDEN, )	
WM. FERGUSON, )	Frontier Lodge, No. 45
HENRY McAFEE, )	
JOHN D. ANDERSON, )	Mt. Zion Lodge, No. 46
T. A. TARRANT, )	
ALEX. McKAY, )	Unity Lodge, No. 47
GEO. MIDGLEY )	
J. J. DYAS, )	
CL. T. CAMPBELL, )	Dominion Lodge, No. 48
JAMES SMITH, )	
J. G. COLEMAN, )	
W. R. ROBERTS, )	
ROBT. TAYLOR, )	Canada Lodge, No. 49
J. B. HOWE, )	
J. M. TWEEDALE, M.D., )	Otter Lodge, No. 50
JOSEPH F. EBY, )	
HUGH BLAIN, )	
H. W. MURDOCK, )	Covenant Lodge, No. 52
F. T. BARKER, )	
JNO. BOWEN, )	
H. BENDER, )	Niagara Falls " No. 53
JAMES R. DUNN, )	
GEO. WILLIAMS, )	Queen C'y of Ontario 56
J. FIELDS, )	
DAVID FRECKLETON, )	Wardsville Lodge, No 60
C. S. MALE, )	Corinthian " No. 61
THOS. RENWICK, )	
ROBT. HOGARTH, )	Huron Lodge, No. 62
ROBERT EVANS, )	Victoria Lodge, No. 64
THOS. PARTRIDGE, )	
J. S. GARNER, )	Friendship " No. 65
RICHARD FYFE, )	Florence Nightingale 66
HENRY ROBERTSON, )	North Star Lodge, 68
ALEX. DUNDAS, )	Hope Lodge, No. 69
E. MARA, )	Lucan Lodge, No. 70
J. J. RAMSAY, )	The Toronto " No. 71
DR. W. F. ROOME, )	Bothwell Lodge, No. 74
RICHARD WARRINER, )	Warriner Lodge, No. 75
J. F. MOREY, )	Oxford Lodge, No. 77

We also find the following Past Grand's Certificates in due form, viz.: W. M. Chapman, P. G., of Victoria Lodge, No. 64, Hamilton.

44 Your Committee find that there are no returns due from St.  
45 Thomas and Oxford Lodges, yet these Lodges send in Certificates  
46 of having elected Representatives. While the precedent has  
47 been established of admitting Representatives from Lodges in-  
48 stituted after June 30th, we feel that Lodges so instituted are  
not entitled to Representation, from the fact that they have not  
contributed anything towards the funds of this Grand Lodge,  
for the purpose of paying their Representatives; and further,  
that it may happen that a Lodge which reported June 30th,  
showing 101 members, may elect 3 Representatives; before July  
1st ten may withdraw and start a new Lodge and elect a Repre-  
sentative, thus there would be four Representatives on the 101  
members. We recommend that in this instance the Representa-  
tives elected and present be admitted as such, but that some  
50 legislation be had upon the subject to prevent its recurrence in  
the future.

52 We find that the Representatives of Chatham Lodge, No. 29,  
have come with only P. G. Certificates. The name of each,  
53 viz.: Jno. Schneider, John P. Young, and George Turner, are  
54 on the return. We are satisfied that the Brothers have been  
duly elected to represent Chatham Lodge, and recommend that  
they be admitted as such.

60 We find the Certificate of Robert Evans, Representative of  
61 Victoria Lodge, No. 64, has the seal *pinned on*. Such is con-  
62 trary to the law, yet we are convinced Bro. Evans has been duly  
64 elected, and recommend that his certificate be accepted.

65 We find that W. D. Kennedy and J. J. Ramsay have been  
66 duly elected to represent "The Toronto Lodge," and we have  
68 presented certificates from M. E. Snider and J. J. Ramsay as hav-  
69 ing been elected Representatives; in the absence of any communi-  
70 cation from the Lodge showing that Brother Kennedy had  
71 resigned his position, we cannot recommend the admission of  
72 Bro. Snider.

77 Your Committee recommend that such Representatives and Past  
ne Grands as have not already received the G. L. Degree, be now  
34, admitted and instructed.



In conclusion your Committee beg to move the adoption of the above Report.

J. B. KING,  
JNO. RICHMOND, } Committee.  
J. SCHNEIDER. }

The Representatives and Past Grands were then introduced and obligated, and instructed in the Grand Lodge Degree by the R. W. Grand Warden.

Moved by James Smith, P. G. M., seconded by Representative J. J. Dyas, That the minutes of last session be adopted as printed.

Rep. Cl. T. Campbell of Dominion Lodge, No. 48, objected to the word "Herald," which appears on page 697.

Moved by Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, seconded by H. G. Bingham, P.G.M., in amendment,

That the word "Herald," occurring on page 697, third line from the bottom, is incorrectly inserted, and forms no part of the minutes of the last session, no such office having been created by this Grand Lodge.—*Carried.*

The question recurring on the motion of James Smith, P.G.M., as amended. It was agreed to.

The following communication was read and referred to the Committee on Credentials :

THE TORONTO LODGE, No. 71, I.O.O.F., B.U.,  
Toronto, July 24th, 1871.

J. B. KING, Esq., R. W. Grand Secretary.

I am directed to notify you of the resignation of P. G. Bro. W. D. Kennedy as our Representative to your R. W. G. L., in whose stead P. G., M. E. Snider, of Covenant Lodge, No. 52, has been duly elected.

Witness the seal of this Lodge, this 24th day of July, 1871.

F. T. YATES, Secretary.

Moved by H. McAfee, P.G.M., seconded by Rep. Louis Dorr, That this Grand Lodge do now adjourn until 2 o'clock, p.m.—  
Resolved in the negative.

The Grand Master then read his Annual Report :—



## Grand Master's Report.

*To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario:—*

BRETHREN,—I cordially greet you on the recurrence of another annual meeting of this grand body.

By the continued favor of the Grand Master of the universe, we have been once more permitted to assemble together, and it becomes our duty to render thanks to Him for the many privileges and blessings enjoyed since our last yearly communication.

It affords me unmingled pleasure to meet the representatives and members of this Grand Lodge in this beautiful hall, lately dedicated to the use of our Order, in this the "Queen City" of Ontario, confident that our deliberations, conducted in the spirit of forbearance and brotherly love, may prove beneficial to the brotherhood.

Our beloved Order in this jurisdiction, by the patient labor of its members and the inherent excellence of the principles upon which it is founded, has overcome the many hinderances to its progress, and has taken its place high among the great and benevolent institutions destined to become a blessing to the country. Its onward progress is now bright with the sunshine of prosperity as it marches on to fraternize the world.

### CLAUSE 1.

The past year has been one of great and unexampled prosperity within our borders, for which we have every reason to be grateful. Both numerically and financially the increase has been beyond our most sanguine expectations.

Within the past year fourteen new Lodges have applied for Charters, and to which warrants have been granted, subject to your approval and confirmation.

Under such Warrants the following Lodges have been instituted by me personally.

Victoria, No. 64, at Hamilton, 22nd August, 1870.

Friendship, No. 65, at Petrolia, 13th January, 1871.

Florence Nightingale, No. 66, at Bowmanville, 25th January, 1871.

Exeter, No. 67, Exeter, County of Huron, 27th January, 1871.

North Star, No. 68, at Stayner, 3rd March, 1871.

Hope, No. 69, at Harrietsville, 23rd March, 1871.

Lucan, No. 70, at Lucan, 30th March, 1871.

Toronto, No. 71, at Toronto, 8th May, 1871.

Eastern Star, No. 72, at Whitby, 11th May, 1871.

Fergus, No. 73, Fergus, 31st May, 1871.

Bothwell, No. 74, at Bothwell, 23rd June, 1871.

Warriner, No. 75, at Port Perry, 27th June, 1871.

St. Thomas, No. 76, St. Thomas, 14th July, 1871.

Oxford, No. 77, at Ingersoll, 27th July, 1871.

For all of which I would recommend charters to be granted.

I received petitions for two Rebecca Degree Lodges, one of which (Ruth No. 2) was instituted at the Town of Stratford on the 10th day of May last, by Deputy Grand Master Brother John Gibson, I consenting and approving, so far as I was able on the part of the Grand Lodge, to such institution, and for which I ask your approval.

#### CLAUSE 2.

By the direction of the Grand Lodge at its last session, I have executed Charters for the following Lodges:—Collingwood, No. 54; Fidelity, No. 55; Queen City of Ontario, No. 56; Maple Leaf, No. 57; Howard, No. 53; Prince Arthur, No. 59; Wardsville, No. 60; Corinthian, No. 61; Huron, No. 62; Barrie, No. 63.

#### CLAUSE 3.

There has been an increase of membership in the Lodges instituted before the term ending 30th June, 1870, of.....	784
A total increase in all Lodges to 30th June, 1871, of.....	1,103
Present membership.....	3,595
The annual receipts of Subordinate Lodges is.....	\$28,865 95
Widows' and Orphans' Fund accumulated.....	\$23,231 07
General Fund.....	\$31,538 67

There have been 21 deaths during the past year, among whom we have to deplore the death of our late Grand Warden, J. Wright, of Brock Lodge, No. 9.

The general statistics of the Order will no doubt appear in the report of the Grand Representatives, yet I cannot forbear giving statement of amount of receipts and expenditure for relief for the last 40 years.

Receipts from 1830 to 1839 inclusive.....	\$ 327,935 77
do do 1840 to 1849 do .....	4,933,492 17
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Total.....	\$31,324,014 33

Amount paid for relief during the four decades mentioned amounts to \$12,775,030.42, leaving an excess of revenue over expenditure of \$18,548,983.91. These statements show at a glance the vast importance to which our Order has attained. I felt it an incumbent as well as a pleasing duty, as directed by the Constitution to visit all the Lodges in this jurisdiction, and while on such visits it was expected under ordinary circumstances to give satisfactory explanations of all questions of practice and law necessary for the information of each Lodge, waiting for that purpose, the publication of the digest compiled by the G. L. U. S. of all laws laid down to and including its last session. most of my labors were within the last months of my term. In some places I found it impossible to meet in person Lodges for whose members I have the highest esteem and respect, yet by the kindness of Bro. J. Gibson, D. G. M., J. J. Ramsay, G.-W., and P. G. Masters, Bros. H. McAfee and Smith, with two exceptions I have accomplished that duty.

#### CLAUSE 4.

Your Grand Body at its last session prepared and revised constitutions both for the Grand Lodge and its subordinates, making such amendments and additions as the experience of your past representatives found to be in accord with law and the wants and requirements of the jurisdiction.

These Constitutions were submitted by your Grand Representatives to the G. L. U. S. and approved.

The revised Constitutions made it imperative on most Lodges to revise their By-Laws—copies of which will be presented for your approval.

CLAUSE 5.

In the Most Worthy Grand Master's Report for the year 1859, it is stated that St. Mary's Lodge, No. 36, was the only Lodge then in this jurisdiction meeting in a Hall of their own. Since that time, and up to the present, not only St. Mary's but Union at St. Catharines, Frontier at Windsor, Erie at Port Burwell, and Otter at Tilsonburg have become owners of their Lodge Rooms. These properties have an estimated value of over \$30,000, and it has become almost a matter of necessity as well as economy that Lodges, when it is possible, should have some place of their own for the purpose of meeting and carrying out the philanthropic objects of our Institution. Not only have these several Lodges become possessed of lands and buildings, but all have accumulated funds, in some instances of considerable amounts, held and expended for the charitable and benevolent purposes of our Order.

Under such circumstances it has been thought advisable that some legislation should be asked for—by Parliament—to enable Lodges to hold such property not altogether dependent on the life of a single or comparatively small number of individuals, and your Grand Body passed a resolution authorizing certain of its officers to take the necessary proceedings to procure such Legislation. The first application was not successful with the then Parliament. At the last session of the Legislature of Ontario such application was again renewed, and Cap. 9, C. S. C., was so amended that without any considerable cost Lodges can become incorporated, and as such hold property to a limited extent, as mentioned in said Act.

Some of the Lodges under your jurisdiction have availed themselves of the said amended Act, and are now bodies corporate and politic.

A question under these proceedings has been raised, as to whether a Lodge taking advantage of this Act of Incorporation could not hold their property free from the control of the Grand Lodge, and continue to act in contempt of its mandates.

I am not pressed with fear of the probability of such an occurrence, yet the matter is before you for your consideration.

The incorporation of the Grand Lodge will also be a matter for your careful notice.

CLAUSE 6.

Notwithstanding the care and labor bestowed on the revised Constitution of the Grand Lodge some omissions occur calling for your attention, among which is some authority to grant charters for Rebecca Degree Lodges, as well as power to enable the Grand Master to grant warrants for the establishment of such Lodges.

I have received an application for the institution of a Degree Lodge at London, and believing that uniformity in the work would be thus increased, I recommend favorable consideration of the petition.

CLAUSE 7.

At the last meeting of this Grand Lodge decision No. 2 of the Most Worthy Grand Master, mentioned in his report was confirmed.

In the matter of appeal, Past Grand Brown vs. Eureka Lodge, No. 80, this decision is apparently contradicted. In consequence this Lodge has not obeyed the decision last referred to, and Past Grand Brown complains of the action of that Lodge. I have required said Lodge to produce before you a certified copy of all proceedings held in reference to this matter, and recom-

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A number of appeals as to the matter of practice, &c., are in the hands of the Grand Secretary for your determination.

#### CLAUSE 8.

I have received applications for withdrawal cards from Bro. N. W. Moore, Elijah Moore, Thos. L. Lindop, &c., late members of Elgin Lodge, and after careful examination have granted such cards.

#### CLAUSE 9.

I have to report of the Deputy District Grand Masters more favorably than my predecessor, yet some of them have not fulfilled the duties assigned them.

I have to speak in the highest terms of praise of the reports sent me by D. D. G. M. Bro. Henry Robertson, of Collingwood; Bros. Male, of Oshawa; Nicholson, of Strathroy; J. Murray, Niagara Falls; H. Blain, of Toronto; Dr. Roome, Mount Zion; John Smith, of Hamilton; Gibson, of Stratford; J. McDonald, of Ingersoll; D. D. Rose, of Seaforth; and J. Hunter, of London; P. G. M. H. McAfee, who kindly consented to act in the preparation of the information contained in their communications.

I would in this matter recommend to my successor the grouping of Lodges, under the superintendance of one D. D. G. M., when conveniently located.

#### CLAUSE 10.

I have made the following decisions upon questions submitted to me.

1. Is a brother who has been admitted as an Ancient Odd Fellow to pay fees for degrees? Answer—No, provided he can prove himself in such degrees.

2. Can a brother holding withdrawal card or otherwise over 50 years of age be admitted as an honorary member of a Lodge? Answer—No; but Lodges may by their by-laws provide for the admission of members over 50 years, holding withdrawal cards.

3. Can a Lodge continue to work without making by-laws? Answer—Certainly, but in many instances it would be inconvenient.

4. Can an Ancient Odd Fellow who has not or cannot procure a card of clearance, in consequence of the Lodge having ceased to work of which he was a member and the records destroyed, be admitted to membership and how? Yes; but only by initiation.

5. Can a Brother holding a visiting card in force, visit a Lodge while he has not the A. T. P.? Such Brother must have A. T. P. before he can be admitted.

6. Has a D. D. G. M. power to introduce visitors without proper cards in force? Such power is restricted to elected grand officers only.

7. At an election of officers more than one name was written on each ballot, was such proceedings lawful? The law requires only one name to be written on each ballot.

8. Is it necessary that the Degree Master should have Past Secretary's degree? Certainly.

Numerous questions relating to practice have been answered, which require no particular record.

I am happy to report great uniformity prevails in the unwritten work, and in all the work, except in matters of accounts in the several Lodges—perhaps it would be well that some complete and concise system should be recommended.

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## CLAUSE 11.

The members of Prince Arthur Lodge petitioned for leave to change the name of their Lodge to Kingston. I granted this request subject to your approval.

Upon the application of Brother Vary, D. D. G. S., Montreal, I have granted permission to Mount Royal Lodge No. 1 of Quebec to initiate candidates resident in Ontario, but nearer that Lodge than any in Ontario.

I received valuable aid and assistance in instituting Lodges from Past Grand Masters Partridge, Woodyatt, Bingham, and Wigmore, as well as from Deputy Grand Master, J. Gibson, G. Warden, J. J. Ramsay, and G. Herald, M. Blume.

I would also refer to the despatch and consistency of the Grand Secretary Bro. J. B. King in the conduct of the business of his office, and also bring to your notice the increased duties he will be required to perform, owing to the rapidly increasing number of Lodges in this jurisdiction.

I find throughout the whole jurisdiction, a deep individual interest in the welfare of an institution which exhibits itself in the progress before indicated; and while we have exceeded in prosperity our most sanguine expectations, the cloud is only yet as a man's hand in this jurisdiction.

And now, while about to surrender the trust reposed in me by your suffrages a year since, I have many recollections of kindness in the past of all with whom it has been my privilege to act, and ask a like support and consideration for my successor.

WM. N. FORD, Grand Master.

The Grand Secretary submitted his annual Report and Financial Statement, and Statistical Tables, as follows:—

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
OF  
**JOSIAH B. KING,**  
**R. W. Grand Secretary**

OF THE  
**R. W. GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO,**

YEAR ENDING 31ST JULY, 1871.

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TORONTO, August 2, 1871.

*To the M. W. Grand Master, Officers and Representatives of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:*

In obedience to the requirements of my office, I herewith submit my fifth Annual Report of business transacted, together with a table of statistics and the financial statement, showing the amounts received, and source, and total amount expended during the year just closed.

CLAUSE 1.—The duties specially assigned to me at the last session, as well as those devolving upon me in the routine of office have been attended to.

CLAUSE 2.—The Correspondence of the year, Copies of Circulars received and issued, &c., are herewith submitted.

CLAUSE 3.—I purchased from Messrs. Chewett & Co., of Toronto, 25 Blank Charters, as per resolution page 662, Journal 1870, six of which I sold to the Grand Lodge of Vermont.

CLAUSE 4.—Agreeably to resolution page 663, I converted the stock, bonds &c., held by this Grand Lodge, into cash. The Dominion Stock was bought at 101 prem., and sold at 108½ prem., deducting 1% for selling, being a net profit of 6¼%.

CLAUSE 5.—I filled up and forwarded charters to the several Lodges instituted last year, as directed on page 662, Journal 1870.

CLAUSE 6.—I duly notified the Grand Encampment of Ontario, that the loan of one hundred dollars made the previous year, had been renewed, in compliance with their request.

CLAUSE 7.—By direction of the M. W. Grand Master, I issued a circular, and addressed a copy to each Lodge, embracing the circular of the M. W. Grand Sire, E. D. Farnsworth, relative to the Degree, so called, "The Oriental Order of Humility," which, I believe, has resulted in the suppression of that work.



CLAUSE 8.—I duly forwarded to the Grand Lodge of the United States, the Annual Report, together with the amount due that body, and 2 copies of the revised Constitution, &c., and 2 copies of the Journal of 1870. My haste to have the Constitution and Journal printed in time to submit to the last session of the Grand Lodge of U. S., will, I trust, excuse any irregularity that may be found in the Journal.

CLAUSE 9.—I received tenders and had printed 500 copies of Journal, appending the revised Constitution, as adopted at Brockville in 1870, as per resolution of Jas. Smith, P. G. M., page 68, Journal, copies of which I at once sent to each Lodge, to each officer, P. G. officer and Rep. to this Grand Lodge, and to each State Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment.

CLAUSE 10.—As per resolution of Rep. C. T. Campbell, page 684 Jour., I prepared a list of Lodges and officers, with the names of the officers of this Grand Lodge, and sent the same to the Canadian Almanac for publication.

CLAUSE 11.—As per resolution, page 675 Jour., I sent \$40 to Gore Lodge and \$88 to Union Lodge, No. 16, St. Catharines. Receipts for same were duly received, but Union Lodge refuses to accept the amount sent, as in full of demand, still holding that the Lodge is entitled to the payment in full of their account.

CLAUSE 12.—I received a letter from one, Brother Max Boehm, of Montreal, making enquiry as to mode of procedure to have a lodge instituted in that City. I at once forwarded the letter to F. D. Stewart, M. W. Grand Sire, inasmuch as this Grand Lodge has no jurisdiction in the Province of Quebec. I am happy to state that as a result of the enquiry a Lodge has been duly instituted, and is now in good working order, with every prospect of abundant success.

CLAUSE 13.—I am in receipt of a letter from Bro. J. L. Ridgely, Grand Cor. and Rec. Sec., asking for a complete Journal of the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge from its first session to this date. As there are no copies of the proceedings for 1861 or 1862, I could not comply with the request.

CLAUSE 14.—The returns of the several Lodges have been duly received, and for the most part very promptly, though I must say that sufficient care has not been exercised in their preparation, which the Committee on returns will undoubtedly notice. In accordance with Clause 10 of Art. 4, Constitution of Subordinates, I have been compelled to record the following fines against the Lodges hereafter named: Excelsior Lodge, No. 44, \$4; Unity No. 47, \$4, and Victoria, No. 64, \$2, being for delay in forwarding their returns, &c. In the case of Excelsior Lodge, Bro. Jno. Smith, D. D. G. M., writes me that the fault lies with him, and not with the Lodge, he holding their returns until he should receive the rest. I would suggest that in this instance the fines be remitted.

CLAUSE 15.—The account of Queen City of Ontario Lodge, No. 56, is disputed, they refusing to pay for certain supplies sent, on the ground that they were not received. In each case the supplies were mailed at once, as a reference to my Daily Journal and Day Book will show.

CLAUSE 16.—I have received several letters, asking information relative to organizing Degree Lodges; as there is no provision in our constitution for instituting such Lodges, and ascertaining from Bro. J. L. Ridgely that the Legislation on the subject was local, I applied to Bro. J. B. Nicholson, who kindly sent me copies of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and also a copy of Subordinate Degree Lodge Constitution, with a form of the charter issued by that State to Degree Lodges. At my request, Bro. Cl. T. Campbell of London has drafted a series of articles on the subject, which are herewith submitted.

CLAUSE 17.—There being no definite form laid down in our Constitution for making or submitting appeals, much doubt exists as to the proper course to pursue. I would recomend that extra legislation be had upon this subject at the present session.

CLAUSE 18.—The account of the Grand Lodge of the U. S. for Representative tax and supplies, amounting to \$572.50 is herewith submitted.

CLAUSE 19.—An account from Messrs. Siddons & Dawson, of London, for printing the address of Bro. T. Partridge G. M., of last year, is also presented.

CLAUSE 20.—An account of (\$76) seventy-six dollars is also presented from Bro. J. W. Orr, publisher of the A. O. F. Thirty-six dollars of this account I can vouch for as correct, as that amount is for 18 copies of the *American Odd Fellow* sent to Lodges during 1869, and as ordered at the Session of 1869. Last year there was no provision made for continuing the subscription, but Bro. Orr, without instructions, continued to send the Magazine. If they have been duly received by the lodges, I would recommend that the account be paid, and further that this Grand Lodge continue to subscribe for one copy of the *American Odd Fellow* to each Lodge in this Jurisdiction, as I fully believe the money so spent, productive of a great amount of good.

CLAUSE 21.—The *Odd Fellows Companion*, published by M. C. Lilley & Co., of Columbus, Ohio, has been regularly received by this office; it is a magazine replete with useful information, and should be read by every Odd Fellow.

CLAUSE 22.—I have received a bound volume of the proceedings of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Oregon, from its first session in 1856, to its session in 1866—reprinted.

CLAUSE 23.—In the appointment of Deputy District Grand Masters, I think a reform is very much needed, that office in many cases being a much more important one than is generally supposed. I think that the jurisdiction should be divided into districts, appointing some prominent and posted Brother Deputy over several Lodges—requiring said Deputy to visit each Lodge in his District at least once in each Quarter, to carefully note the working of each Lodge, correct any and all irregularities, and at the end of each Term carefully inspect the Returns of the said Lodges before accepting them from the Lodges or installing their Officers; and that each Lodge visited by its D. D. G. M., should pay that Officer's expenses. I believe such a course would eventuate in the work being more uniformly done and be a benefit to every Lodge. In a jurisdiction growing as rapidly as ours is, it is next to impossible for any Grand Master, no matter how much time he may have at his disposal, to visit every Lodge oftener than once annually, and in the case of new Lodges they have to work upon the instructions received—as they understand them—at the Institution of the Lodges, which in many cases, where there is so much work to do in a single evening, is but very imperfectly understood; thus irregularities creep in, and remain unchecked, may be, until the Representative to this Grand Lodge goes back to his Lodge and corrects them.

CLAUSE 24.—P. G. Master Jas. Woodyatt, has by consulting with the Hon. Treasurer of Ontario, succeeded in having an Act passed during the last Session of the Legislature of Ontario, it being an amendment to Cap. 71, Con. Statutes of Canada, whereby Lodges in this Jurisdiction can become incorporated. I purchased from the Queen's Printer 50 copies of the Act, as assented to, and sent one copy to each Lodge. Some Lodges have complied with the requirements of the Amended Act, and thus become incorporated. Inasmuch as in the case of a Lodge becoming defunct, it might be necessary to use law to get possession of its effects, in order to fully carry out the requirements of our Constitution, in such cases provided, I would

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suggest that the Grand Officers be empowered or instructed to have this Grand Lodge incorporated. This course has been adopted, I believe, with a view to carrying out the wishes of this Grand Lodge, as expressed in a resolution adopted in August, 1867, authorizing the Grand Officers to take such steps as may be necessary to have the Order in Ontario incorporated. The effort then put forth failed, and the first favorable opportunity that presented itself was embraced with the above result.

CLAUSE 25.—I would again suggest the advisability and almost necessity of passing a law to pay our Past Grand Masters mileage and per diem for attendance at our Grand Lodge Sessions. It frequently happens that Past Grand Masters, having received full honors from their respective Lodges, are not elected as Representatives to this Grand Lodge, and consequences over which such Past Grand Officers (who have spent very much valuable time in the service of this Grand Lodge and the order generally) have no control, may prevent their attendance at our Annual Session, and thus the best talent the Jurisdiction possesses becomes shelved, and we lose the benefits we might receive from their counsel and advice, a loss we can ill afford, when so trifling an expense would almost ensure their attendance.

CLAUSE 26.—I find that Art. 11, Clause 3 of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge, has not been observed. I have prepared a book with a view to carrying into effect said Law, which each present member of this Grand Lodge should sign, as well as each new member, upon whom the Grand Lodge Degree shall be conferred.

CLAUSE 27.—One of the injunctions delivered to Noble Grands upon their installation is, that they require their Laws to be frequently read in the Lodge. Were such a course more frequently adopted, I think members would be greatly benefitted and many appeals prevented, as thus Lodges would understand their laws and more faithfully execute them.

CLAUSE 28.—I have prepared and herewith submit a table, shewing the rate of mortality, with amount of benefits paid during the past ten years. Such a table may be interesting and useful, as Lodges which pay certain benefit, should know upon what basis they formed their promises.

CLAUSE 29.—The following appeals have been received by this Grand Lodge, viz.: one from John Richmond, P.G., of Excelsior Lodge, No. 44, Hamilton, appealing against the action of Excelsior Lodge in granting sick benefits to Bro. Dr. J. W. Ferguson, as set forth in the appeal; an appeal from C. B. Taylor, P.G., of Avon Lodge, No. 42, Stratford, now residing in Detroit, appealing against the action of Avon Lodge, in charging him quarterly dues during the time he was illegally suspended by that Lodge, as set forth in his appeal. Also an appeal by M. Blume, P.G., of Canada Lodge, No. 49, against the action of Canada Lodge, in electing Bro. Carmichael to the office of Per. Sec. of that Lodge, and further appealing against the ruling of the D.D.G.M., Bro. H. Blain, in same matter, as set forth in the appeal. An appeal by W. D. Kennedy, P.G., of Covenant Lodge, No. 52, against the action of Covenant Lodge, in reconsidering an unfavorable ballot in the case of Mr. Courans, and further against the ruling of H. Blain, D.D.G.M., in said case, as set forth in the appeal. Three appeals by John Smith, D.D.G.M., of Hamilton, against the action of Unity Lodge, No. 47, as set forth in his appeals.

CLAUSE 30.—I purchased from the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States 50 copies of the revised Digest of Laws just published by that body, all of which I have sold, many to subordinate Lodges, and some to individual members. I have since ordered a further supply of 25 copies, but they have not yet come to hand.





Statement of Receipts—Continued.

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Date.	Names of Lodges.	Miscellaneous.	Charter Fee.	Percentage.		Supplies.	
				\$	c.	\$	c.
Feb. 18	Aron, No. 41...	779 75	90 00	720 01	177 34		
" 24	Maple Leaf, " 57...			24 24	3 25		
" 25	Victoria, " 64...			19 92			
Mar. 2	Hope, " 69...		30 00	11 10	18 63		
" 21	Unity, " 47...			31 57	7 57		
" 21	Excelsior, " 44...			31 30			
" 29	Lucan, " 70...		30 00				
April 28	The Toronto, " 71...		30 00				
" 28	Four Digests,					10 00	
May 9	Two Digests,					5 00	
" 10	Fergus, " 72...		30 00				
" 16	Eastern Star, " 73...		30 00				
June 12	Friendship, " 65...		30 00				
" 12	Exeter, " 67...		30 00				
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" 26	Niagara Falls, " 53...					4 15	
" 26	Friendship, " 65...					22 30	
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July 1	Gore, " 34...					11 80	
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" 5	Bissell, " 51...			17 98			
" 6	St. Thomas, " 76...		30 00				
" 6	Chatham, " 29...			36 23			
" 7	Howard, " 57...			27 22		12 50	
" 7	Avon, " 41...			38 51		7 75	
" 8	Gore, " 34...			28 62			
" 8	Niagara Falls, " 53...			14 76		4 84	
" 8	Collingwood, " 54...			26 94		5 00	
" 8	Barrie, " 63...			12 11			
" 8	Lucan, " 70...			13 84		22 31	
" 10	Exeter, " 67...			10 56		22 31	
" 10	North Star, " 68...			7 37		27 87	
" 10	Frontier, " 45...			32 46		19 97	
" 10	Erie, " 33...			15 12			
" 10	Fidelity, " 55...			22 00		3 70	
" 13	Canada, " 49...			60 75		14 62	
" 13	Covenant, " 52...			71 60		5 50	
" 13	Queen City of Ontario, " 56...			49 37		14 50	
" 13	The Toronto, " 71...			37 13		41 07	
" 13	H. Blain, two Digests,					5 00	
" 13	Huron, " 62...			45 85			
" 13	Digest,					2 50	
" 13	Union, " 16...			47 89		5 00	
" 13	Digest,					2 50	
" 14	Florence Nightingale, " 66...			39 70		33 21	
" 14	Corinthian, " 61...			55 87			
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Statement of Receipts—Continued.

Date.	Names of Lodges.	No.	Miscellaneous.		Charter Fees.		Percentage.		Supplies.	
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July 14	Eastern Star	72	779	7	300	00	1550	02	523	06
" 14	Mt. Zion,	46	...	...	...	...	15	48	...	...
" 15	Warrener,	75	...	...	...	...	13	16	...	...
" 15	Brock,	9	...	...	...	...	24	29	20	67
" 15	Kingston,	59	...	...	...	...	78	84	4	25
" 15	Excelsior,	44	...	...	...	...	50	56	39	80
" 15	Unity,	47	...	...	...	...	47	72	...	...
" 15	Victoria,	64	...	...	...	...	17	18	...	...
" 17	Eureka,	30	...	...	...	...	60	35	2	50
" 17	Forest City,	38	...	...	...	...	56	78	5	00
" 17	Dominion,	48	...	...	...	...	38	80	5	50
" 17	Digest,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	50
" 17	St. Mary's,	36	...	...	...	...	30	93	11	75
" 19	Wardsville,	60	...	...	...	...	9	50	15	58
" 21	Hope,	69	...	...	...	...	5	55	...	...
" 21	Samaritan,	35	...	...	...	...	48	12	11	06
" 21	Corinthian,	61	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	00
" 24	Fergus,	73	...	...	...	...	12	71	22	45
" 24	Erie,	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	00
" 24	Otter,	50	...	...	...	...	19	42	...	...
" 24	Hope,	69	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	87
" 25	Warriner,	75	...	...	...	...	6	96	...	...
" 26	Maple Leaf,	57	...	...	...	...	12	60	44	75
" 27	Huron,	62	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	85
" 27	Eastern Star,	72	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	32
" 28	Bothwell,	74	...	...	30	00	...	...	...	...
" 28	Oxford,	77	...	...	30	00	...	...	...	...
" 28	Samaritan,	55	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	05
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NAME OF LODGE.	P. O. ADDRESS.	Number of Lodge.	Initiated.	Admitted by card.	Re-instated.	Withdrawn by card.	Expelled.	Ceased to be members.		N. P. D.	Suspended.	Contributing Members.	Members in arrears not suspend'd.	Total Membership.
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Brock.....	9 Brockville.....	18	1	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	71	32	103
Union.....	16 St. Catharines.....	38	1	2	...	...	...	15	...	...	...	166	14	181
Chatham.....	29 Chatham.....	31	2	5	3	...	...	2	1	5	115	9	129	
Eureka.....	30 London.....	46	...	1	2	...	...	7	5	6	210	12	228	
Erie.....	33 Pt. Burwell.....	14	1	2	...	...	...	11	1	1	60	...	61	
Gore.....	34 Brantford.....	18	...	1	6	...	...	2	1	3	80	10	93	
Samaritan.....	35 Ingersoll.....	42	2	1	6	...	...	9	...	12	102	5	119	
St. Mary's.....	36 St. Mary's.....	31	3	...	16	...	...	9	1	...	62	29	91	
Forest City.....	38 London.....	36	4	2	4	1	15	2	6	193	26	225		
Avon.....	41 Stratford.....	25	...	3	8	...	...	3	1	...	111	22	133	
Excelsior.....	44 Hamilton.....	38	1	...	13	1	...	1	...	110	56	166		
Frontier.....	45 Windsor.....	14	3	1	3	3	11	1	5	113	10	128		
Mount Zion.....	46 Newbury.....	9	...	7	...	...	...	7	...	21	12	33		
Unity.....	47 Hamilton.....	44	3	...	7	...	...	9	1	110	40	150		
Dominion.....	48 London.....	33	1	...	10	...	...	1	...	108	5	114		
Canada.....	49 Toronto.....	64	3	1	9	...	...	1	16	161	15	192		
Otter.....	50 Tilsonburg.....	22	...	3	1	...	...	1	...	52	4	56		
Bissell.....	51 Mitchell.....	15	...	1	4	...	...	3	2	54	9	65		
Covenant.....	52 Toronto.....	85	4	...	18	...	...	2	1	156	24	161		
Niagara Falls.....	53 Clifton.....	18	...	1	...	...	...	9	...	54	...	63		
Collingwood.....	54 Collingwood.....	17	...	1	18	...	...	...	...	52	...	62		
Fidelity.....	55 Seaforth.....	24	2	...	1	...	...	...	3	55	...	58		
Queen C. of Ont.	56 Toronto.....	79	1	...	5	...	...	1	...	114	6	120		
Maple Leaf.....	57 Orangeville.....	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	20	50		
Howard.....	58 Strathroy.....	36	4	...	5	...	...	...	...	52	7	59		
Kingston.....	59 Kingston.....	30	2	...	1	1	...	...	...	41	...	41		
Wardsville.....	60 Wardsville.....	17	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	27	...	27		
Corinthian.....	61 Oshawa.....	59	2	...	28	...	...	2	1	67	4	71		
Huron.....	62 Goderich.....	54	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	70	6	76		
Barrie.....	63 Barrie.....	38	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	43	...	43		
Victoria.....	* 64 Hamilton.....	18	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	3	32		
Friendship.....	* 65 Petrolia.....	59	6	...	2	...	...	...	...	51	12	63		
Flo. Night ngale*	* 66 Bowmanville..	34	6	...	1	...	...	...	...	39	...	39		
Exeter.....	* 67 Exeter.....	9	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	15		
North Star.....	* 68 Stayner.....	9	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	...	17		
Hope.....	* 69 Harrietsville..	6	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	...	11		
Lucan.....	* 70 Lucan.....	13	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	...	20		
The Toronto.....	* 71 Toronto.....	45	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	56	...	56		
Eastern Star.....	* 72 Whitby.....	15	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	21	...	21		
Fergus.....	* 73 Fergus.....	17	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	...	23		
Bothwell.....	* 74 Bothwell.....	9	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	15	...	15		
Warriner.....	* 75 Port Perry.....	12	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	...	22		
St. Thomas.....	* 76 St. Thomas.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
Oxford.....	* 77 Ingersoll.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		
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\* Instituted since last session.

† No report due.

NAME OF LODGE.	Number of Lodge.		Number rejected.	Degrees Conferred.	Number of Brothers relieved.		Amount paid for Relief of Brothers.		Amount paid for relief of widowed families.	Amount paid for Educating Orphans.		Amount paid for Burying the Dead.		Total Relief.	
	Past Grands.	No. of widowed families relieved.			\$	c.	\$	c.		\$	c.	\$	c.		
Brock.....	9	19	5	63	1	2	60	50	112	00	75	00	247	50	
Union.....	16	31	7	95	2	2	165	00	70	00	.....	.....	235	00	
Chatham.....	29	12	16	111	10	2	108	50	80	00	.....	.....	188	50	
Eureka.....	30	21	11	92	33	16	372	50	280	00	162	00	814	50	
Erie.....	33	10	3	26	8	1	84	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	84	00	
Gore.....	34	19	3	56	7	2	183	07	30	00	67	50	310	57	
Samaritan.....	35	11	9	121	16	1	183	00	20	25	30	00	233	25	
St. Mary's.....	36	14	2	99	6	.....	153	00	.....	.....	54	52	207	52	
Forest City.....	38	14	6	84	35	5	207	00	93	33	135	00	435	33	
Avon.....	41	15	.....	113	13	2	219	77	30	00	60	00	209	77	
Excelsior.....	44	8	5	152	1	3	82	30	50	00	100	25	232	55	
Frontier.....	45	10	1	65	16	4	112	00	149	15	39	15	300	30	
Mount Zion.....	46	4	.....	32	5	.....	22	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	00	
Unity.....	47	5	9	129	.....	.....	128	00	.....	.....	30	60	158	00	
Dominion.....	48	7	4	116	12	.....	62	74	.....	.....	45	00	107	74	
Canada.....	49	6	11	134	8	.....	236	00	15	38	66	00	317	38	
Otter.....	50	5	.....	65	13	2	116	09	30	00	30	90	176	00	
Bissell.....	51	5	.....	54	3	.....	21	00	.....	.....	15	00	36	00	
Covenant.....	52	6	7	287	2	.....	100	00	.....	.....	30	00	130	00	
Niagara Falls.....	53	4	3	32	3	.....	22	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	00	
Collingwood.....	54	5	2	109	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	00	15	00	.....	
Fidelity.....	55	3	4	88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Queen C. of Ont.....	56	2	3	195	5	.....	74	00	.....	.....	31	24	105	24	
Maple Leaf.....	57	3	.....	57	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Howard.....	58	2	1	85	1	.....	6	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	00	
Kingston.....	59	2	3	102	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	00	15	00	
Wardsville.....	60	2	1	16	2	.....	13	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	50	
Corinthian.....	61	3	5	222	7	.....	48	13	.....	.....	18	75	66	88	
Huron.....	62	2	5	209	1	.....	3	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	00	
Barrie.....	63	2	4	56	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Victoria*.....	64	5	4	50	2	.....	24	00	.....	.....	.....	.....	24	00	
Friendship*.....	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Flo. Night'ngale*.....	66	1	.....	137	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Exeter*.....	67	1	.....	26	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
North Star*.....	68	1	1	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Hope*.....	69	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Lucan*.....	70	1	1	43	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
The Toronto*.....	71	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Eastern Star*.....	72	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Fergus*.....	73	.....	.....	51	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Bothwell*.....	74	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
Warriner*.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
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Oxford†.....	77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	
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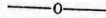
† No report due.



NAME	OF	NAMES OF REPRESENTATIVES
LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	
Brock .....	19	W. H. Cole, W. M. Seaton.
Union .....	16	T. Healey, G. E. Patterson, Louis Dorr, James Elliott.
Chatham .....	29	John Schneider, John Young, George Turner.
Eureka .....	30	J. Hunter, R. Kirkpatrick, J. Heron, G. Powell, sr., J. Atkins.
Erie .....	33	Geo. W. Pontine, Geo. W. Hare.
Gore .....	34	Robt. Mathison, Thos. Woodyatt.
Samaritan .....	35	Jas. F. McDonald, Tjabo Simons, Wm. C. Bell.
St. Marys .....	36	Robt. Barbour, Richard Box.
Forest City .....	38	M. D. Dawson, James Smith, Ed. Beltz, H. E. Buttery.
Avon .....	41	John Dutton, Henry Gibson, James Morrison.
Excelsior .....	44	Wm. Lewis, Jno. Pryke, John Richmond.
Frontier .....	45	Henry McAfee, John Bowden, Wm. Ferguson.
Mount Zion .....	46	J. D. Anderson.
Unity .....	47	A. McKay, T. A. Tarrant, Geo. Midgely.
Dominion .....	48	Cl. T. Campbell, J. J. Dyas, J. Smith.
Canada .....	49	W. R. Roberts, Robt. Taylor, J. Coleman, J. B. How.
Otter .....	50	J. M. Tweedale, Peter Campbell.
Bissell .....	51	Wm. Barley, Thos. Leadston.
Covenant .....	52	H. W. Murdock, F. T. Barker, Hugh Blain, J. F. Eby.
Niagara Falls .....	53	John Bowen, H. Bender.
Collingwood .....	54	James Henry, E. R. Carpenter.
Fidelity .....	55	D. D. Rose, Thos. Foster.
Queen C. of Ont. .....	56	Jas. R. Dunn, Geo. Williams, J. E. Fields.
Maple Leaf .....	57	John Anderson.
Howard .....	58	Henry Nicholson, Hugh McColl.
Kingston .....	59	R. D. Patterson.
Wardsville .....	60	David Freckleton.
Corinthian .....	61	C. S. Male, H. F. Rankin.
Huron .....	62	Thos. Renwick, Robt. Hogarth.
Barrie .....	63	James Sargent.
Victoria* .....	64	Robert Evans.
Friendship* .....	65	J. S. Garner, Thos. Partridge.
Flo. Nightingale* .....	66	R. Fyfe.
Exeter* .....	67	David Johns.
North Star* .....	68	Henry Robertson.
Hope* .....	69	Alex. Dundass.
Lucan* .....	70	E. Mara.
The Toronto* .....	71	M. E. Snider, J. J. Ramsay.
Eastern Star* .....	72	John Irwin of Oshawa.
Fergus* .....	73	John Barr.
Bothwell* .....	74	Dr. W. F. Røpme.
Warriner* .....	75	R. Warriner.
St. Thomas .....	76	C. H. Hankinson.
Oxford .....	77	J. F. Morey.

\* Instituted since last session.

RECAPITULATION.



MEMBERSHIP.

Number of Lodges.....		44
“ Initiated .....	1239	
“ Admitted by Card.....	741	
“ Reinstated .....	21	
“ Withdrawn by Card.....		1421
“ Ceased to be Members, N.P.D.....	184	
“ Expelled .....	106	
“ Deaths.....	7	
		21
		318
	Net Increase.....	1103
“ Of Members per last report.....	2392	
“ Present Actual Membership.....	3495	
“ Of Members in arrears, <i>Suspended and Not Suspended</i> ..	463	
“ Contributing, or Members in Good Standing.....	3032	
“ Of which number there are of Past Grands.....	262	
“ Of Rejections.....	136	
“ Degrees Conferred .....	3376	

RELIEF.

Number of Brothers relieved.....		212
“ “ Widowed families relieved.....		42
Amount Paid for relief of Brothers.....	\$2707 01	
“ “ Widowed families.....	960 11	
“ “ Educating Orphans.....	106 65	
“ “ Burying the Dead.....	942 76	
Total Relief.....	\$4716 53	

FINANCE.

Balance in Grand Treasurer's hands, Aug. 6th, 1870....	\$1810 50
Interest received to date, Aug. 1st, 1871.....	31 79
Realized from Sale of Stock, Bonds, &c.....	747 96
Received for Charter Fees.....	420 00
“ “ Supplies.....	810 46
“ “ Percentage .....	2038 97
Total.....	\$5859 68
Less expended per Treasurer's Statement.....	3037 47
Balance on hand.....	\$2822 21



Expended during the year.	
Balance in Grand Treasurer's hands.....	\$2,822 21
Amount of Annual Receipts of Subordinate Lodges....	2,798 89
"    "    General Fund    "    "    .....	31,538 67
"    "    Widow and Orphan    "    "    .....	23,231 07

## SUPPLIES.

On hand, August 2, 1871.

3 Charge Books, @ \$3 .....	\$9 00
3 Degree " 3 .....	9 00
4 Installation " 2 .....	8 00
10 Rebekah " 2 .....	20 00
97 Visiting Cards 25c .....	24 25
26 Withdrawal " 25c .....	6 50
362 Treasurer's Bonds, 50c. per doz.....	15 00
87 P. G. Certificates, 20 cts. " .....	1 43
111 Rep. " " " .....	1 80
19 Blank Charters for sale.....	38 00
1143 Propositions for Membership.....	17 25
984 Reports thereon.....	14 25
788 Applications for Supplies.....	9 75
Stationery.....	10 00
Total.....	\$184 23

## ASSETS OF THE GRAND LODGE.

Cash in Grand Treasurer's hands.....	\$2822 21
"    Due by Subordinate Lodges .....	172 87
"    Loaned to Grand Encampment.....	100 00
"    Supplies on hand.....	184 23
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	\$3279 31



MORTALITY TABLE.

Ten years,—from 1862 to 1871 inclusive.—June 30th, 1871.

Year.	Membership.	Deaths.	Percentage.	No. relieved.	Am't paid.	Total relief fund W.&O. Benefit.
1862.....	500.....	4.....	1 in 125.....	.....	\$ 211 50.....	\$ 803 00
1863.....	573.....	6.....	1 " 95.....	27.....	399 48.....	858 48
1864.....	512.....	5.....	1 " 102.....	40.....	444 00.....	1040 20
1865.....	539.....	7.....	1 " 77.....	31.....	346 98.....	826 98
1866.....	647.....	11.....	1 " 59.....	82.....	669 00.....	1239 00
1867.....	907.....	1.....	1 " 907.....	79.....	823 00.....	1382 00
1868.....	1103.....	7.....	1 " 157.....	104.....	1335 06.....	2145 24
1869.....	1443.....	7.....	1 " 206.....	111.....	1637 90.....	2547 70
1870.....	1923.....	17.....	1 " 113.....	187.....	2040 54.....	3290 56
1871.....	3442.....	21.....	1 " 159.....	212.....	2707 01.....	4716 53
Average Deaths.....						1 in 134.
Benefits.....						\$21.67.

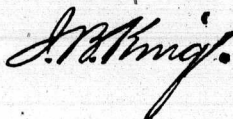
AMOUNTS DUE BY SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Excelsior Lodge, No. 44.....	\$ 14 00
Unity do " 47.....	9 50
Wardsville do " 60.....	12 00
Corinthian do " 61.....	14 03
Barrie do " 63.....	30 26
Victoria do " 64.....	2 10
Friendship do " 65.....	45 20
Bothwell do " 74.....	27 57
St. Thomas do " 76.....	20 66
	\$175 32
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Bissell Lodge, No. 51.....	2 45
	\$172 87

CLAUSE 31.—The annual report of the proceedings of the following named State Grand Lodges have been received:—Vermont, Maine, Massachusetts, Oregon, Rhode Island, Kansas, Nevada, Michigan, New York, New Hampshire, Georgia, Colorado, New York, California, West Virginia, Louisiana, Wisconsin, Indiana, Alabama, South Carolina, Kentucky, Nebraska, Arkansas, Minnesota, Lower Provinces of B.N.A. And of the following named Grand Encampments:—Illinois, Ontario, Iowa, Maine, District of Columbia, Wisconsin, Ohio.

CLAUSE 32.—The Constitution and By-Laws of the following Lodges are herewith submitted:—Brock, No. 9, Chatham, No. 29, Covenant, No. 52, Niagara Falls, No. 53, Collingwood, No. 54, Maple Leaf No. 57, Howard, No. 58, Kingston, No. 59, and Florence Nightingale, No. 66.

All of which is respectfully submitted.



GRAND SECRETARY.

The Grand Representatives then submitted their report as follows:—

## Report of Grand Representatives.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge I. O. O. F., of Ontario,

BROTHERS:—

Your Representatives to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, submit a synopsis of the proceedings of that R. W. Grand Lodge, at its Forty-sixth Annual Session.

The Grand Lodge met in the City of Baltimore, on Monday, the 19th of September, 1870, and closed on the following Saturday.

All the Officers, four Past Grand Sires and one hundred and seventeen representatives were present; forty Grand Lodges and thirty-one Grand Encampments were represented, only one jurisdiction (Arkansas) was unrepresented.

The session was a very busy one, the whole time of the members being devoted to work.

The reports of the Grand Officers are able and instructive documents, written in so concise a manner that to attempt making extracts from them would do them an injustice, we therefore commend a careful perusal of them by all the members, feeling assured that they will well repay the time occupied. They show conclusively that numerically and financially the Order made great progress during the year, and that in moral and social standing, it bids fair to take the foremost place among the institutions of the world.

The decisions of the Grand Sire affecting this branch of the Order, confirmed by the Grand Lodge, are as follows, viz:—

A brother renouncing Odd Fellowship, his Lodge cannot regard such renunciation as a resignation of membership, it has no effect whatever upon his membership or standing in the Lodge.

The position of the Warden is in front of the Right Supporter of the Noble Grand.

Final cards are granted only by vote of the Lodge, the vote to be had by ball ballot.

When charges are to be preferred against the Noble Grand of a Lodge, they are properly placed in the hands of the Vice-Grand, to be brought before the Lodge; but there is no reason why any brother may not prefer such charges.

The vote by which a withdrawal card was authorized cannot be reconsidered or rescinded.

Article twenty-four of the by-laws, prescribes the regalia for Past Officers of every description.

A Grand Master, when visiting *as such* in his own jurisdiction, should wear the regalia and jewels of his office.

The following legislation was had upon reports of committees on the State of the Order:—

A member of a Subordinate Lodge, who is also a Grand Officer, may vote in the Lodge at an election of officers, clothed in his official regalia.

The Noble Grand of a Lodge has no right to put a motion to the Lodge while the Grand Master or Deputy Grand Master is conducting an election therein, or installing the officers.

The official visitations of Fred. D. Stuart, R. W. Deputy Grand Sire to Southern jurisdictions, was approved, and his work commended.

The Grand Lodge Degree is not a necessary qualification for the office of D. D. Grand Master.

It is not imperative on subordinates to have the duties of Chaplain regularly performed on the opening and closing ceremonies.

On reports of the Legislative Committee the following was adopted viz:—

That the law prohibiting the use of the names and numbers of defunct Lodges from being used by new Lodges be not repealed.

That no Lodge-room within the jurisdiction of the Grand Body shall be used for the conferring of any degrees or secret work not provided for by the existing laws of the order; and that any officer of Subordinate or other Lodge or Lodges, who may aid or permit such degrees to be conferred in such Lodge-rooms, shall be guilty of a violation of the laws of the Order, provided that this resolution shall not be interpreted so as to affect any such proceedings as may be had in such Lodge-rooms by other secret associations not under the color of Odd Fellowship.

That the honors of the Order be accorded to D. D. Grand Masters when visiting Subordinates officially.

That Grand Lodges may return surrendered charters, unclaimed for not less than five years, upon the petition of the requisite number, although but one of the petitioners may have been a former member; provided that it must be apparent that due diligence has been had to procure the required number, or no surrendered funds or effects shall be returned with the charter, and that a charter fee be paid.

Several cases of appeal, most of them involving nice points of law and matter of considerable importance to the order, as well as much of interest to individual members, were carefully dealt with by the Committee on Appeals; and were fully discussed and considered by the Grand Lodge; the great length of the reports, covering, as they do, the whole ground in each case, must be considered sufficient reason for not copying them here; they will be found on pages 4857, 4858, 4871, 4873, 4875, 4876, of the journal G. L. U. S.

One of the reports showing the necessity for strict compliance with rules of the G. L. we insert as follows: The Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the appeal of S. G. Rigby from the decision of the Grand Lodge of Lower Provinces of British North America, in the case of Eastern Star Lodge No. 2, *vs.* John R. Harris, respectfully report:—

That said appeal fails to comply with nearly all the requirements of this Grand Lodge in cases of appeal. It is not printed, but a parcel of loose paper containing the evidence taken by the Trial Committee. (Journal of Grand Lodge of United States, 4339.) Therefore your committee offer the following resolution:—

*Resolved*—That this Grand Lodge do not entertain said appeal.

A Special Committee reported on the subject of suspension for non-payment of dues and reinstatement, a series of resolutions, the substance of which is as follows:—

1. One year's arrears subjects members to suspension.
2. May be reinstated within one year, upon payment of one year's dues, conformably to the terms of the local law.
3. After one year, upon payment of the fee charged for initiates of the same age.
4. Applicants for reinstatement and withdrawal card, to join another subordinate in same jurisdiction, within five years from the date of suspension, may be reinstated and granted final cards upon payment of one year's dues and the price of card.
5. After five years from suspension, a member wishing to join another Subordinate in same jurisdiction, shall be *entitled* to receive a dismissal certificate upon payment of one dollar.
6. Any suspended member for non-payment of dues, wishing to unite in another jurisdiction with the Order, shall be *entitled* to receive a dismissal certificate upon payment of one dollar.
7. In all cases when the Subordinate refuses to reinstate, the member applying shall be *entitled* to receive a dismissal certificate upon payment of one dollar.
8. Provision is made for members of extinct subordinates.

9. Authorizing the deposit of dismissal certificate to be provided by Grand Corresponding Secretary as supplies, but no right of visitation to attach in virtue of them. Form of Dismissal Certificate prescribed.

The representatives of Indiana placed upon the journal their protest against the action of the Grand Lodge, in the sixth and seventh resolutions, permitting members in arrears to demand, and compelling Subordinates to grant, certificates of previous membership, with no power to prevent unworthy members obtaining readmission in another jurisdiction on such certificate.

On Digest, the committee recommend and the Grand Lodge adopt, the acceptance of Brother John H. White's Digest, and authorize him to complete it so as to include the legislation of the session of 1870, the publication of the work to be under his immediate supervision, three thousand copies ordered, bound in a style uniform with the revised Journal, and price of the book to be fixed by the Grand Sire, Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, at a prescribed percentage on cost.

A report was adopted authorizing the Grand Officers to take the proper steps for introducing the Order into Barbadoes.

A Special Committee laid on the table an amendment to the Constitution, to authorize payment of mileage and per diem to Past Grand Sires.

A Special Committee of which Representative Harmon, of California, is Chairman, was appointed to prepare a general revision of the Constitution, and to present such revised work at the next session.

A resolution was adopted authorizing Subordinates to admit as non-beneficial, non-affiliated Odd Fellows who have been in membership for ten consecutive years, and who are over fifty years of age, upon terms to be prescribed by the local law.

A Special Committee reported at length on schools and asylums, commending the subject to the earnest favor of the Grand Bodies, and inviting early attention in the premises.

On the subject of the introduction of the Order into Germany, the Grand Lodge approved the course pursued by the Grand Sire and Grand Secretary, express their high appreciation of the service rendered by the Vice-President of the United States, Baron Gerolt, and the Hon. George Bancroft, Generals Banks and Schurz, and tender thanks to them.



The appointment of John F. Morse, P. G. M., as special Deputy Grand Sire for the Germanic States and Switzerland, was fully endorsed, and a vote of thanks was ordered to Templar Lodge, San Francisco, for the open hearted gift of twelve hundred dollars in aid of the work of establishing the Order in Germany.

On the Degree of Rebekah several reports and resolutions were submitted, debated and action taken thereon, the reports will be found on pages 4900, 4901, 4902, 4903, 4823.

A report was adopted recommending that in all cities and towns where Odd Fellows are associated in considerable numbers, efforts should be made to connect with their Lodges, Odd Fellows' Libraries, and setting forth that the object is one of great importance and its encouragement is promotive of the best interests of the Order.

It was resolved, that the representatives be requested to inform their respective jurisdictions that all Lodges subordinate to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, whenever desiring to submit their respective Constitutions, or amendments thereto, to this Grand Body for approval, shall be required first to furnish the Grand Secretary a complete copy of their Constitution, with all amendments thereto, accompanied with a certificate from the State Grand Lodge or Encampment, or Subordinate Lodge or Encampment, (when such Lodge or Encampment may be under the immediate care or jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the United States) attested by the Secretary, and the seal of the Grand Body or Subordinate attached.

A resolution was adopted to the effect that no Lodge, Encampment or Degree Lodge, shall hold any meeting for work or business upon Sunday, except for funeral purposes.

A committee of five was appointed to prepare a more suitable funeral service, and report the same at next session.

In secret session a recognition sign was adopted, with unanimous and decided approval.

Several amendments to the Constitution were proposed, and, under the rule, laid over until next session, they propose change of name; change in the number of votes required to alter the work; that except on this continent the age at which persons may be admitted to the Order be left to local legislation; biennial instead of annual meetings, and that the place of meeting shall not be elsewhere than in the City of Baltimore oftener than once in three years.

The Officers of the Grand Lodge for the present term are:—

FRED. D. STUART,	M. W. Grand Sire,	Washington, D. C.
C. A. LOGAN,	R. W. D. Grand Sire,	Leavenworth, Kansas.
J. L. RIDGELY,	R. W. G., C. and R. Sec'y,	Baltimore, Maryland.
JOSHUA VANSANT,	R. W. Grand Treasurer,	" "
J. W. Venable,	R. W. Grand Chaplain,	Versailles, Kentucky.
S. W. CAYCE,	R. W. Grand Marshal,	Mobile, Alabama.
JAMES SMITH,	R. W. Grand Guardian,	London, Ontario.
JNO. E. CHAMBERLAIN,	R. W. Grand Messenger,	Baltimore, Maryland.

The next session of the Grand Lodge will be held in the City of Chicago on the third Monday of September, 1871.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES WOODYATT, ) REPRESENTATIVES.  
THOS. PARTRIDGE, )

On motion, the Report was referred to the Committee on Distribution.

The Grand Treasurer submitted his annual Report.

## Report of the R. W. Grand Treasurer.

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*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.*

The undersigned would respectfully report the Receipts and Disbursements of this Grand Lodge during the past year.

### Dr.

1870.					
Aug. 5th.,	To amount received from Grand Sec'y and Treas...				\$1810 50
	do do from Grand Sec'y King .....			\$ 30 00	
Sept.	do do do .....			216 45	
Oct.	do do do .....			15 00	
Nov.	do do do .....			537 50	
Dec.	do do do .....			4 00	
1871.					
Jan'y.	do do do do .....			790 85	
Feb'y.	do do do do .....			250 44	
March	do do do do .....			130 44	
April	do do do do .....			40 00	
May	do do do do .....			65 00	
June.	do do do do .....			126 00	
July	do do do do .....			1843 50	
Amount of Receipts for the year, ... ..					\$4049 48
Total amount of Receipts, including balance on hand...					\$5839 68

Aug. 1st, To Balance on hand, ... ..	\$2822 21
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1870.					
Aug. 6th,	By paid Grand Officers and Representatives, Mileage and Per Diem, session of 1870, at Brockville, ...			\$1745 64	
do	do T. Partridge, expenses, instituting Sub-Lodges, &c. ...			85 03	
do	do T. Partridge, incidentals, ... ..			50 00	
do	do London Post Office, G. M.'s postage account to 31st July, 1870 ... ..			8 50	
do	do Grand Secretary King, incidental expenses ... ..			9 50	
do	do H. McAfee, W. Mowatt and T. Brown, incidental expenses ... ..			30 00	
do	do John Grant, services as Janitor, ... ..			6 00	
Sept. 1	do G. L. U. S. account, \$331 American Cur'y, at 85c. ...			287 97	
do 20	do Grand Sec'y King, Sundries, per account ... ..			16 34	
Oct. 1	do Brantford Post Office account to 1st Oct. ... ..			17 31	
Carried forward.....					\$2256 29

		Brought forward.....	\$2256 29
Nov. 12,	By paid	Union Lodge, No. 16, expenses incurred in institut- ing G. L. ....	88 00
do 19	do	Stewart & Mathison, printing Journal & Constitution ...	156 50
do	do	Stewart & Mathison, printing supplies for G. L. ...	26 25
do	do	Copp, Clark & Co., Toronto, 25 Blank Charters ...	15 00
do 24	do	Gore Lodge, No. 34, expenses incurred in institut- ing G. L. ....	40 00
1871			
Jan'y 1	do	Brantford Post Office account, to 1st Jan., 1871 ...	15 84
do 25	do	John Sutherland, stationery ...	8 23
Mar. 24	do	Stewart & Mathison, printing... ..	84 60
April 1	do	Brantford Post Office account to 1st April, 1871... ..	10 21
do 21	do	Hunter, Rose & Co., 50 copies of Bill as passed by the Legislature of Ontario... ..	5 00
June 12	do	W. N. Ford, expenses, visiting Subordinate Lodges ...	60 00
do 15	do	Grand Sec'y King, one year's salary... ..	200 00
do 15	do	Brantford Post Office account to 1st July, 1871 ...	13 08
July 1	do	Stewart & Mathison, printing supplies ...	16 75
do 11	do	Grand Sec'y King, incidentals as per account ...	41 72
do 21	do	Grand Sec'y King, incidentals as per account ...	2822 21
do	do	Balance ... ..	5859 68

A. D. CLEMENT,

GRAND TREASURER.

Moved by Jas. Smith, P.G.M., seconded by Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, that the Reports of the Grand Officers be referred to the Committee on Distribution.—Carried.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committee on Distribution:—Representatives J. Barr, P.G.M., James Smith, P.G.M., and E. Beltz.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned at 2 o'clock, until half-past three.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

TORONTO, August 2nd, 1871.

The R. W. Grand Lodge assembled, pursuant to adjournment,  
 at 3:30 o'clock.

Present—All the Grand Officers and a quorum of Repre-  
 sentatives.

Representative Jno. Barr, from the Committee on Distribu-  
 tion, submitted the following report and resolution, which was  
 agreed to:—

**Report of Committee on Distribution.**

*To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario.*

We your Committee on Distribution submit the following report, viz:  
 That such portions of the Grand Master's Report, and numbered by us be re-  
 ferred as follows:—

- Nos. 1 and 6, to Committee on Petitions.
- To Legislation Committee, Clauses Nos. 2, 8, 9, 10, 11.
- “ State of the Order, Nos. 3, 5.
- “ Laws of Subordinates, No. 4.
- “ On Petitions, No. 6.
- “ Special Committee of five, No. 7.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

- To Committee on Correspondence, Clause 1.
- Finance, “ 3, 4, 6, 11, 15, 20.
- “ Legislation, “ 5, 16, 17, 23, 25.
- “ State of the Order, “ 24.
- “ Laws of Subordinates, Clause 14.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

To Finance Committee, and that the R. W. Grand Representative's Report be  
 referred to Committee on State of Order.

*Resolved*—That the foregoing Report be adopted.

Yours fraternally,

JOHN BARR.  
 EDMOND BELTZ.  
 JAMES SMITH.

Representative H. W. Murdock, on behalf of the Lodges in the City of Toronto, invited the officers and members of the Grand Lodge to attend a Moon-light Excursion to take place on the steamer "City of Toronto," at 9 o'clock this evening.

Representative H. McAfee, P. G. M., seconded by Representative J. Hunter, moved the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:—

*Resolved*.—That the invitation extended by the Toronto Lodges to the R. W. G. Lodge, to attend a Moon-light Excursion this Wednesday evening, be most cordially accepted, and that as many members attend the same as can make it convenient to do so:

Representative J. J. Dyas, moved the following resolution, which was adopted:—

*Resolved*.—That an Assistant Grand Secretary be appointed for the remainder of this session.

Moved by Representative M. E. Snider, seconded by Representative T. Healy, that Representative Thos. Woodyatt be appointed Assistant Grand Secretary.

Moved by Representative James Heron, seconded by Representative J. Atkins, in amendment, that Representative M. D. Dawson be appointed Assistant Grand Secretary.

The amendment prevailed.

Representative M. D. Dawson declined the position, when the question was had upon the motion of Representative Snider, which was adopted.

The Chair then named the following

#### Standing Committees:

*Committee on Returns*.—Representatives George Powell, Senr., John Dutton and T. Simons.

*Committee on Finance*.—Representatives Richard Box, Robert Kirkpatrick and Dr. J. M. Tweedale.

*Committee on Appeals*.—Representatives Henry Robertson, Robert Barbour, H. McAfee, Robert Mathison and James Woodyatt, P. G. M.

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*Committee on Laws of Subordinates.*—Representatives J. J. Dyas, Hugh Blain, W. H. Cole, J. F. McDonald and Hugh McColl.

*Committee on Printing.*—Grand Secretary J. B. King, Representatives Henry Gibson, and G. W. Hare.

*Committee on Legislation.*—Thomas Partridge, P. G. M., S. G. Dolson, P. G. M., and Representatives T. Healy, F. T. Barker and J. S. Garner.

*Committee on the State of the Order.*—H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., Representatives Thomas Woodyatt, Dr. W. F. Roome, Cl. T. Campbell and J. Hunter.

*Committee on Mileage and per Diem.*—Representatives Richard Fyfe, William Barley and C. S. Male.

*Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.*—Representatives H. E. Buttery, H. W. Murdock, Alexander McKay and George Turner.

Representative J. J. Dyas, from the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, submitted the following report, which was agreed to:—

**Report of Committee on Laws of Subordinates.**

GRAND LODGE ROOM, August 2nd, 1871.  
To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario.

Your Committee on "Laws of Subordinates" beg to report, that owing to the great amount of work devolving on the Committee, would recommend that four additional members be added to Committee.

Yours, in Friendship, Love and Truth.

J. J. DYAS.  
H. BLAIN.  
JAMES F. McDONALD.  
HUGH MCCOLL.

The Chair named the following addition to the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, viz:—James Heron, M. D. Dawson, John Bowen and Robert Evans.

An appeal by John Richmond, P. G., of Excelsior Lodge No. 44, against the action of that Lodge, in paying benefits to Brother J. W. Ferguson.

Referred to Committee on Appeals.

An appeal by C. B. Taylor, P. G., of Avon Lodge No. 41, against the action of said Lodge, charging him dues during the time he was illegally suspended by said Lodge.

Referred to Committee on Appeals.

An appeal by M. Blume, P. G., of Canada Lodge No. 49, against the action of said Lodge in electing Brother Carmichael to the office of Per Secretary, and against the ruling of H. Blain, D. D. G. M., in the matter.

Referred to Committee on Appeals.

An Appeal of John Smith, P. G. of Unity Lodge, No. 47, against the action of that Lodge in appropriating money for refreshments and alcoholic drinks as being contrary to the spirit and letter of the law of the Order. Referred to Committee on Appeals.

Also by the same :—An Appeal against the action of Unity Lodge in entertaining a motion to adjourn. Referred to Committee on Appeals.

Also by the same :—An Appeal against the action of the same Lodge in the election of Representative, as not having been held as laid down in Clause 5 of Art. 2, Constitution. Referred to Committee on Appeals.

An Appeal by W. D. Kennedy, P. G. of Covenant Lodge, No. 52, against the action of that Lodge in reconsidering an unfavorable ballot, and further against the ruling of H. Blain, D. D. G. M., in said case. Referred to the Committee on Appeals.

The Chair named the following as a Special Committee to consider and report upon Clause 7 of the Grand Master's report: Rep. H. McAfee, P. G. M.; Jas. Woodyatt, P. G. M.; S. G. Dolson, P. G. M.; R. Barbour, and G. W. Pontine.

H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., from the Committee on the State of the Order, submitted the following report, which was agreed to :—

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### Report of Committee on State of the Order.

*To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario :*

Your Committee on State of the Order find on examination that the work assigned it most properly belongs to the Legislative Committee and beg that it be so referred. We therefore submit the following :

*Resolved*—That the above Report be adopted.

H. C. BINGHAM,  
THOS. WOODYATT,  
JOHN HUNTER,  
CL. T. CAMPBELL,  
W. F. ROOME.

At the request of H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., the Chair instructed the Grand Secretary to read the duties of the several Committees.

The Roll of Lodges was then called for the presentation of business.

Representative James Elliott, of Union Lodge, No. 16, submitted the following :—

In the election of Representatives to the Grand Lodge when there are two a tie and *the lowest*, should they both be dropped, or should the N. G. give his casting vote which of the two should be dropped? and 2nd, If the two lowest are a tie and there are only three altogether, should the highest be declared elected or proceed to ballot for him so that he may have the proper majority.

Representative T. Partridge moved that the questions be referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

Moved in amendment by Rep. J. Heron, That all questions submitted, when presented, be referred to the Committee on Distribution.

Resolved in the negative.

The question recurring on the motion of Representative T. Partridge, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Representative James Smith, P. G. M., submitted the following, which was on motion referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

1st. Has the Outside Guardian any right to leave his place, and come into the Lodge Room and walk around at any time he pleases, and leave the outside door unprotected, without the consent of the Noble Grand?

2nd. Is it correct for him to go in and out of Lodge Room without giving the usual salute to Noble and Vice Grands?

3rd. Has he a right to come into Lodge at his pleasure, and go round the room to any part talking with the brethren and moving resolutions, without the Inside Guardian or some other brother being appointed to take his position while he is in the Lodge Room, he being paid to attend to this Office?

Representative Henry Gibson, of Avon Lodge, No. 41, submitted the following, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order:

I wish to ask your opinion as to whether a special grant of fifty dollars can be donated for any purpose, if proper notice has been given and all Brothers notified and a vote of the Lodge taken?

Representative John Pryke, of Excelsior Lodge, No. 44, submitted the following which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order:

Is it necessary for all the appointed officers in Excelsior Lodge to have attained the Scarlet Degree.

When a Visiting Brother will not comply with the decisions of the Lodge, and will not retire when requested, what steps should the Lodge take to have the N. G. obeyed?

Representative W. Ferguson, of Frontier Lodge, No. 45, submitted the following, which were referred to the Committee on the State of the Order:

Is a Brother in good standing entitled to benefits for one week's sickness, say from the 1st of August to the 8th of do., and reported out of care of Lodge at the latter date?

Is it competent for a Grand Officer to announce himself in his official capacity and having received the grand honors, and afterwards when a question is asked of him for him to state that he is not in his official capacity, but merely paying a friendly visit?

If a candidate for membership be balloted for and rejected, can the Noble Grand order a fresh ballot, without first the Brothers having cast the black balls request a reconsideration?

Representative T. A. Tarrant, of Unity Lodge, No. 47, submitted the following, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order:

*To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario:*

We, the undersigned Representatives of Unity Lodge, No. 47, are instructed by said Unity Lodge to lay the following case before the Grand Lodge for an opinion.

At the regular communication of Unity Lodge, No. 47, held on Wednesday, the 12th day of July, 1871, on the minutes of the previous meeting being read, Bro. P. G. John Smith made several objections to them; one of his objections

was ordered to be corrected, the others being over-ruled the N. G. declared the minutes confirmed. Bro. P. G. John Smith still objecting, he was called to order by the N. G. Bro. John Smith then stated that he was there as the D. D. G. M. on official business, that the N. G. had no power to call him to order, and gave notice that at the next meeting of the Lodge he would bring in a charge of Insubordination against the Lodge and demand its Charter.

The Lodge has since heard nothing more of the matter, and wish now to know what action they can take to obtain reparation for the indignity offered to the Lodge by the D. D. G. M. Bro. John Smith.

T. A. TARRANT,  
ALEX. MCKAY,  
GEORGE MIDGLEY.

Rep. Wm. Barley, of Bissell Lodge, No. 57, submitted the following, which was answered by the Grand Master—Yes.

Is it necessary to notify all Lodges in the Jurisdiction of suspensions, rejections, or expulsions?

Rep. D. Freckleton, of Wardsville Lodge, No. 60, submitted the following, which was referred to Committee on Finance :

Are the Working and Degree Books included in the price paid for a charter, viz. : thirty dollars?

Rep. C. Male, of Corinthian Lodge, No. 61, submitted the following, which was referred to the Committee on State of Order :

Is it right on the election of a Degree Master, for those having no degrees to vote for such officer?

Rep. R. Fyfe, of Florence Nightingale Lodge, No. 66, presented the following, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on State of Order :—

Would it be consistent with the rules of our Order, to provide that in the event of a member in good standing withdrawing by card and going to another Lodge, for the Lodge from which he withdraws to provide that the benefits continue for six months after said withdrawal?

Rep. E. Mara, of Lucan Lodge, No. 70, submitted the following, which was referred to Committee on State of Order :—

Are all Charter Members forming a new Lodge expected to pay a fee into the funds of said new Lodge on deposit of card, or only such of them as were old contributing members of other Lodges?

Rep. T. Partridge, for the Committee on Legislation, submitted the following Report, which was, on motion, adopted :—



### Report of Committee on Legislation.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :-*

Your Committee to whom was referred certain clauses in the Grand Master's Report, numbered as follows, 2, 8, 10 and 11, find that in looking over the Constitution that your Committee have no power or right to take up the question therein referred, and beg most respectfully to report that said clause be referred to the Committee on State of the Order; and also clause 5 in the Grand Secretary's report be referred to the Committee on State of the Order. We therefore submit the following :-

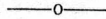
*Resolved,*--That the foregoing Report be adopted.

THOS. PARTRIDGE,  
SAMUEL G. DOLSON,  
T. HEALY,  
J. S. GARNER,  
F. T. BARKER.

On motion of Rep. M. E. Snider, the Grand Lodge adjourned until nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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**Proceedings of the Second Day.**



MORNING SESSION.

TORONTO, WEDNESDAY, August 3rd, 1871.

The Grand Lodge met and was called to order and opened in due form. Prayer by the R. W. Grand Chaplain.

Roll called, present—

W. N. FORD,.....	M. W. GRAND MASTER.	
JOHN GIBSON,.....	R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER	
J. J. RAMSAY,.....	R. W. GRAND WARDEN.	
J. B. KING,.....	R. W. GRAND SECRETARY.	
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F. T. McDONALD,.....	R. W. GRAND CONDUCTOR.	
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H. C. BINGHAM,.....	R. W. GRAND CHAPLAIN.	
M. BLUME,.....	R. W. GRAND HERALD.	
W. H. COLE, )		
W. M. SEATON, )		
TIMOTHY HEALY, )		Brook Lodge, No. 9
LOUIS DORR, )		
G. E. PATTERSON, )		Union Lodge, No. 16
JAS. ELLIOTT, )		
JOHN SCHNEIDER, )		
JOHN YOUNG, )		Chatham Lodge, No. 29
GEORGE TURNER, )		
JOHN ATKINS, )		
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ROBT. KIRKPATRICK, )		Eureka Lodge, No. 80
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JOHN IRWIN,	Eastern Star " No. 72
JOHN BARR,	Fergus Lodge, No. 73
DR. W. F. ROOME,	Bothwell Lodge, No. 74
RICHARD WARRINER,	Warriner Lodge, No. 75
J. F. MOREY,	Oxford Lodge, No. 77

The following account was read, and on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance :—

PORT BURWELL, July 27th, 1871.

*The R. W. G. Lodge of Ontario of the I. O. of O. F., Dr.,*

*To Erie Lodge No. 33.*

To expenses of Representative Wm. A. Glover to G. L. at Brockville,					\$30 00
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To adjourned session to Brantford ... ..					
					\$40 00

The following communication from the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario was read, and, on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance :—

[SEAL.]

OFFICE OF THE GRAND SCRIBE OF THE GRAND  
ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO, I. O. O. F.ODD FELLOW'S HALL, TORONTO, }  
August 1st, 1871. }*J. B. King, Esq., R. W. Grand Secretary Grand Lodge of Ontario.*

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—The Grand Encampment of Ontario being somewhat short of funds to meet their ordinary expenses, most respectfully request that your R. W. Grand Body will not only extend the loan already made to this R. W. Grand Encampment, but would feel very grateful if an additional \$100 were placed at our disposal, to enable us to pursue our work of love. Hoping that the request will meet with the approval of your R. W. Grand Body, and that in the course of another year or two we will be able to refund the whole amount.

I remain, Yours Fraternally,

M. D. DAWSON,

*Grand Scribe and Treasurer.*

A petition from J. B. Traves, Geo. M. Lambert, James Williams, E. G. Chant and J. A. McMurtry, for the institution of a Subordinate Lodge at Port Hope, was read, and referred to the Committee on Petitions.

The following communication (from the R. W. Grand Encampment was read, together with the document mentioned, and, on motion, were referred to the Committee on State of the Order:—

[SEAL.]

OFFICE OF THE GRAND SCRIBE OF THE GRAND  
ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO, I. O. O. F.ODD FELLOW'S HALL, TORONTO, }  
August 1st, 1871. }*J. B. King, Esq., Grand Secretary, Grand Lodge Ontario.*

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER.—By resolution passed at the present session of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, I transmit for perusal by your R. W. Grand Body, a communication of grievance received from several Patriarchs of Burlington Encampment No. 7, regretting that the matter complained of was permitted by Excelsior Lodge; but this Grand Encampment having no jurisdiction over Subordinate Lodges, request that your R. W. Grand Body will take the necessary steps to relieve the Patriarchs from the indignity complained of.

Most sincerely and Fraternally yours

M. D. DAWSON,

*Grand Scribe and Treasurer.*

The following communication from the Odd Fellow's Provident Association was read, and, on motion, referred to a Special Committee.

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The Chair named as the Committee—Representatives John Anderson, M. D. Dawson, J. S. Garner, J. F. Morey and J. J. Dyas. :—

[SEAL.]

ODD FELLOW'S PROVIDENT ASSOCIATION, OF ONTARIO.

HAMILTON, ONT., August 1st, 1871.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, Independent Order Odd Fellows.*

BRETHRÈN.—We beg to submit herewith a copy of the Constitution of this Association, for which we respectfully ask your consideration, and, if you can consistently accord it, such recommendation to the members of the Order as you may deem proper. Profiting by the experience gained during the first two years of its existence, we have made such changes in the management as seem called for, and have recently had it incorporated, so as to give it a legal position in the country as well as to afford the best possible guarantee to its members for the safety of their investments. Steps are now being taken to bring it prominently before the members in this jurisdiction, in the character of an incorporated body, having for its sole object the "Good of the Order," wherefore we respectfully ask the friendly recognition and encouragement of your Right Worthy Body for our undertaking.

We are, Yours in F. L. and T.,

JOHN BARR, PRESIDENT.

THOS. LAWLESS, Sec'y-TREAS.

A petition from Bro. Albert Humphrey, asking for a card of clearance from the Grand Lodge, was read and referred to the Committee on Petitions.

Thomas Brown, P. G., Eureka Lodge No. 30, preferred a charge against the M. W. Grand Master, for dereliction of duty, as Grand Master: "In not enforcing the decision of this R. W. Grand Lodge in the case of appeal taken by P. G. Thomas Brown, vs. Eureka Lodge No. 30, (at the session of 1870,) said appeal having been sustained by the Grand Lodge declaring, that our late Bro. Alexander McIntyre was entitled to all the privileges and benefits of the Order."

The Grand Master vacated the Chair, which was taken by the Deputy Grand Master.

Moved by Representative J. S. Garner, seconded by Representative R. Box, and

*Resolved*—That the charge preferred by Bro. Thomas Brown against our Grand Master, W. N. Ford, Esq., be not received, inasmuch as the whole matter of which he complains is contained in the Grand Master's Report, and Eureka Lodge has been cited to produce certified copies of all proceedings in the matter, and that section of the Grand Master's Report has been already referred to a Special Committee.

Moved by Representative James Smith, P. G. M., seconded by Representative J. J. Dyas, in amendment

— That the communication of Past Representative T. Brown, be laid on the table until after the report of the Special Committee appointed to take into consideration Clause 7 of the Grand Master's Report.

The Chair ruled the motion of Representative J. S. Garner, and the amendment of Representative James Smith, both out of order, and under clause 9 of article 2, Constitution, appointed Representatives A. Purves and Louis Dorr, Tellers, prior to proceeding to elect, by ballot, a committee to try the charge so preferred.

The following resolution was resolved in the affirmative:—

Moved by Representative M. E. Snider, seconded by Representative J. F. Morey, and

*Resolved*—That this Grand Lodge proceed to nominate a committee on the charge preferred.

In pursuance of which the following nominations were made: James Woodyatt, P. G. M., H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., James Smith, P. G. M., H. McAfee, P. G. M., Thomas Partridge, P. G. M., and Representatives J. F. McDonald, William Lewis, Robert Barbour, H. McColl.

The Tellers announced the following committee duly elected: Past Grand Masters James Woodyatt, H. C. Bingham, Thomas Partridge, Henry McAfee and James Smith.

Representative John Schneider, from the Committee on Credentials, submitted the following report, which, on motion, was adopted:—

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**Report of Committee on Credentials.**

To the R. W. Grand Lodge.

Your Committee on Credentials beg to report that we have examined the certificate of Bro. Baird, P. G., of Victoria Lodge No. 64, and find it correct. We therefore recommend that he be instructed in the Grand Lodge Degree, by the Grand Warden, and admitted to a seat in this Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. SCHNEIDER.  
JNO. RICHMOND.  
J. B. KING.

Representative John Dutton, from the Committee on Returns, submitted the following report, which was, on motion, laid on the table:—

**Report of Committee on Returns.**

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.

Your Committee on Returns beg to report that they have examined the Returns of the several Lodges, and find them correct, with the exception of the following:—

Brock Lodge No. 9, error in percentage, over paid \$3.44.

Eric Lodge No. 33, returns 31st December, error in percentage, overpaid, 77 cents.

Eric Lodge No. 33, returns June 30th, error in percentage, due G. L., 68 cts.

Fidelity Lodge No. 55, returns December 31st, 1870, error in percentage, over paid, 80 cents.

Fidelity Lodge No. 55, returns June 30th, error in percentage, due G. L. 9 cents.

Prince Arthur No. 59, returns December 31st, 1870, error in percentage, overpaid \$2.05.

Corinthian Lodge No. 61, returns 40 as initiated, should be 39, making the present membership 74 instead of 75, as returned.

Barrie Lodge, No. 63, returns December 31st, 1870, error in percentage, overpaid, \$4.85.

Victoria Lodge No. 64, returns December 31st, 1870, error in percentage, overpaid, \$2.78.

Exeter Lodge No. 67, returns incorrectly made out, error in percentage, due G. L. \$1.12.

Lucan Lodge No. 70, error in percentage, overpaid, \$7.65.

Warriner Lodge No. 75, no seal on report.

St. Thomas Lodge No. 76, eight initiated, but no names given, no funds returned as received, therefore cannot estimate G. L. percentage—returns altogether incorrect.

Your Committee would wish to impress upon Lodges the importance of making correct returns of *invested* funds. As we observe many Lodges with large receipts, but no invested funds, your committee hold the impression that ac-

curacy in this particular has not in all cases been attended to; they would also call attention to the careless manner in which many of the returns are made out, and, from blots and erasions in the figures, make it almost an impossibility to decipher them, entailing much additional labor upon your committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN DUTTON.  
GEORGE POWELL.  
T. SIMONS.

The following resolution, made in pursuance of notice given at the last session, was referred to the Committee on Legislation:—

Moved by Representative John Richmond, seconded by Representative John Pryke, and

*Resolved*—That Clause 10 of Article 5, Constitution of Subordinates, be expunged.

The report of the Committee on Returns was taken from the table and considered.

The Grand Secretary made an explanation concerning the errors reported of in the returns, when

Representative Thomas Partridge moved, to refer the report back to the committee, with instructions to amend by adding the following, which was agreed to:—

Your committee find that though the errors named appear in the reports as submitted by the several Lodges, the Grand Secretary has corrected them all, and returned to the Lodges all amounts overpaid.

Representative J. Dutton, from the Committee on Returns, submitted their report, amended as instructed by the resolution of Representative Thomas Partridge, which was adopted.

James Woodyatt, P. G. M., from the Committee on Appeals, submitted the following report and resolutions, which were considered and adopted:—

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**Report of Committee on Appeals.**

To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., of Ontario,

C. B. TAYLOR,  
vs.  
AVON LODGE NO. 41. }

The Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the appeal of C. B. Taylor, P. G., late of Avon Lodge No. 41, against the action of said Avon Lodge

Respectfully report, that Bro. C. B. Taylor was suspended by Avon Lodge; that at the session of this R. W. Grand Lodge in 1870, Bro. Taylor appealed from the action of the Lodge; that at the same session this Grand Lodge sustained said appeal, declaring that Bro. Taylor had been illegally suspended.

During the time of such suspension, Bro. Taylor was charged dues on the Lodge Books; Bro. Taylor appeals from the action of the Lodge in so charging him with dues.

Section 1761, Digest, declares suspension from membership works no suspension from arrears.

Therefore your committee offer the following:—

*Resolved*—That the appeal of Bro. C. B. Taylor be dismissed.

JAMES WOODYATT.  
HENRY ROBERTSON.  
HENRY McAFEE.  
ROBERT BARBOUR.  
R. MATHISON.

James Woodyatt, P. G. M., from the Special Committee on that subject, presented the following report and resolution, which were adopted:—

**Report of Special Committee.**

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.

Your committee, to whom was referred the charge preferred by Bro. Thomas Brown, P. G., against the M. W. Grand Master, having carefully examined the same, find that the charge is in no wise sustained.

The action of this R. W. Grand Lodge, at its last session, in regard to the matter complained of, was of such a nature as to leave the M. W. Grand Master no opportunity to do other than he has done, viz: leave the disposal of the question at issue to the decision of this Grand Body at this session.

We therefore submit the following:—

*Resolved*—That the charge against the M. W. Grand Master be dismissed.

JAMES WOODYATT.  
H. C. BINGHAM.  
THOS. PARTRIDGE.  
HENRY McAFEE.  
JAMES SMITH.



The Grand Master, W. N. Ford, at once resumed the Chair.

Representative Henry McAfee, P. G. M., from the Committee on Appeals, submitted the following report and resolution, which were considered:—

**Report of Committee on Appeals.**

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.*

JOHN SMITH, P. G.  
*vs.*  
 UNITY LODGE No. 47.

Your Committee on Appeals respectfully report:—

That in the matter of the appeal of D. D. G. M. John Smith, P. G., against the action of Unity Lodge, they have given the same their careful consideration, and cannot find that said Lodge has violated any law or usage of the Order, in any of the counts complained of in said appeal.

We beg leave, most respectfully, to recommend that said appeal be dismissed and would offer the following:—

*Resolved*—That the foregoing be adopted.

HENRY McAFEE.  
 HENRY ROBERTSON!  
 JAMES WOODYATT.  
 R. MATHISON.  
 ROBERT BARBOUR.

Moved by Representative J. J. Dyas, seconded by Representative H. Blain, and

*Resolved*—That the report be referred back to the committee, with instructions to report the following: "That no Past Grand can be elected a Representative unless present in Lodge meeting, or has sent an excuse in writing for his absence, and his willingness to accept the position."

Representative R. Mathison moved the previous question, which, being ordered by the Lodge, was put by the Chair, as follows:—

"Will the Grand Lodge adopt the resolution of Representative J. J. Dyas?"

Resolved in the negative.

The question recurring, on the adoption of the report, it was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned at one o'clock, for one hour.

## AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock, P.M., Aug. 3, 1871.

The Grand Lodge called to order, all the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives present.

Representative John Richmond, from the Committee on Credentials, submitted the following Supplementary Report, which on motion, was adopted :

**Report of Committee on Credentials.**

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.*

Your Committee on Credentials beg to report that they have received a Past Grand's Certificate in due form from Bro. Peter Goodbow, P. G., of St. Mary's Lodge, No. 36, and would recommend that he be instructed in the G. L. Degree and admitted to a seat in your R. W. Body.

Submitted in F. L. & T.

J. B. KING,  
JOHN RICHMOND,  
JOHN SCHNEIDER.

The Grand Master's account for expenses incurred during the year, amounting to \$156.22, was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following petition, by Representative R. D. Patterson, was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Petitions.

Representative R. D. Patterson, of Kingston Lodge, No. 59, on the part of that Lodge, asked for a new Charter, to be signed as the present one is signed, and liberty to omit from the names of Charter Members thereon, the name of S. A. Cohen, who has been expelled from the Order.

A circular from Bro. J. Jordon, in reference to an Odd Fellow's Benefit Association, was read, and on motion referred to the special Committee to whom was referred the matters relating to the Odd Fellow's Provident Association.

Representative Richard Box, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report, which was, on motion, considered *seriatim*.

### Report of Finance Committee.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.

Your Committee on Finance submit the following Report and Resolutions:—

Having examined the books and vouchers of the R. W. Grand Secretary and Treasurer, we have much pleasure in assuring the Grand Lodge that we find them correct in every particular, and in accordance with their reports, to which you have already listened.

With reference to the application of the Grand Encampment, for an additional loan of one hundred dollars, we would advise that the above amount be granted.

With reference to the following:—

*Resolved*,—That the amount paid to Union Lodge, eighty-eight dollars, (\$88) be considered the full amount of the claim of Union Lodge against this Grand Lodge.

*Resolved*,—That in view of Queen City Lodge not having received supplies sent by the Grand Secretary, they be not required to pay for the same.

*Resolved*,—That the account of Bro. J. W. Orr, amounting to thirty-six dollars, (\$36), be paid, and if the Subordinate Lodges have received the *American Odd Fellow* for last year, would also recommend the subscription for the same to be paid.

*Resolved*,—That the account of the Grand Lodge of the United States, amounting to \$572.50, be paid.

*Resolved*,—That the account of Erie Lodge, No. 33, amounting to \$40.00, be paid.

*Resolved*,—That the account of the Grand Master, amounting to \$156.22, be paid. Also that a special grant of \$50 be made to the G. M., on account of extra labor performed.

*Resolved*,—That the Grand Secretary's salary for the coming year be \$250.00.

*Resolved*,—That the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario request their Representatives to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States to urge the importance of reducing the extremely large profits on the printed supplies furnished by that M. W. G. Body, to their subordinate jurisdictions.

*Resolved*,—That in view of the loss sustained by this Grand Lodge, in the matter of supplies sent by G. S. to Queen City Lodge, No. 56, all supplies hereafter be sent by express.

Fraternally submitted.

RICHARD BOX.  
J. M. TWEEDLE, M. D.  
ROBERT KIRKPATRICK.

Clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, adopted.

On motion to adopt clause 9, it was moved by Representative H. Blain to amend the clause by adding after the word "Express," in the last line, "Or by Registered Letter or by Registered Parcel Post."

The amendment prevailed, and the clause as amended was adopted.

The Report as amended was then adopted.

Representative Robt. Mathison, from the Committee on Appeals, presented the following report, which was considered and adopted.

**Report of Committee on Appeals.**

*To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.*

Your Committee on Appeals beg leave to report :—

M. BLUME,

vs.  
CANADA LODGE AND BRO. H. BLAIN, D. D. G. M. }

In this case Bro. Blume appeals against the action of Canada Lodge No. 49, in electing Bro. Carmichael to the office of Permanent Secretary, contending that the said Brother, at the time of election, had not served a sufficient time in an inferior office to entitle him to be so elected. Also, against the action of Bro. Elain, D. D. G. M., in deciding irregular the proceedings of Canada Lodge in passing a resolution, making the term of office of P. S. one year, without sufficient notice being given in open Lodge, and declaring nominations so made of no effect.

Your committee are of opinion that the objection to the election of Bro. Carmichael is good and sufficient, as a reference to the Minute Book of Canada Lodge shows that the said Brother did not complete a term in an inferior office, and was, therefore, not entitled to the honors.

Touching the appeal against Bro. Blain's action, By-law No. 62 of said Canada Lodge, states, that no motion to repeal, suspend or amend the By-laws, or any part thereof, shall be put to vote until the same shall have been read in open Lodge at two consecutive regular meetings. Notice of motion was not given, consequently, action on such motion, illegally passed, must of necessity, be irregular. We therefore submit the following :—

*Resolved*—That the appeal, in so far as it relates to Canada Lodge, be sustained, and that that part of it objecting to decision of Bro. Blain, D. D. G. M. be dismissed.

Submitted in F. L. & T.,

R. MATHISON  
HENRY ROBERTSON.  
ROBERT BARBOUR.  
HENRY McAFEE.  
JAMES WOODYATT.

Representative Robt. Barbour, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was adopted.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario.*

J. RICHMOND, P. G.,

vs.  
EXCELSIOR LODGE No. 44. }

In the matter of appeal of John Richmond, against his own Lodge Excelsior No. 44, Hamilton, concerning the payment of benefits to Bro. J. W. Ferguson. Your committee find that from the evidence before them, said Brother having

paid his dues after the commencement of his sickness, (being in arrears) was not entitled to benefits.

We therefore respectfully report, that the appeal aforesaid be sustained.  
Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT BARBOUR.  
HENRY ROBERTSON.  
HENRY McAFEE.  
JAMES WOODYATT.  
R. MATHISON.

Representative R. Robertson, from the same committee, made the following report, which was considered:—

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.*

Your Committee on Appeals beg leave to report as follows:—

W. D. KENNEDY,  
*vs.*  
COVENANT LONGE No. 52. }

In this case Bro. Kennedy appeals against the action of Covenant Lodge in recinding a ballot whereby a candidate was rejected because certain members voted who were disqualified, as being in arrears for dues; and against the ruling of the D. D. G. M., who decided that such ballot was void.

Your committee are of opinion that the objection to the votes of members disqualified should have been taken before the ballot, and not afterwards; that a ballot can only be reconsidered in the manner laid down in the Digest, and that the action of the Lodge complained against, and the ruling of the D. D. G. M., on the same were both erroneous.

They, therefore, submit the following:—

*Resolved*—That the appeal of Bro. Kennedy be sustained.

HENRY ROBERTSON.  
JAMES WOODYATT.  
HENRY McAFEE.  
ROBERT BARBOUR.  
R. MATHISON.

Moved by Representative H. Blain, in amendment, seconded by Representative J. J. Dyas, that the appeal be dismissed.

Representative John Pryke moved the previous question, which, being ordered by the Lodge, was put by the Chair as follows:—

“Shall the amendment of Representative H. Blain be adopted?”

Which was resolved in the negative.

The question recurring on the adoption of the report, in was resolved in the affirmative.



Representative Hugh Blain asked permission to appeal to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, against the action of the Grand Lodge.

On motion of Representative J. Richmond, seconded by Representative Thomas Woodyatt, the request of H. Blain was granted.

Representative Hugh Blain, on behalf of Toronto Encampment No. 8, invited the Grand Lodge to attend a Grand Concert to be given at the Horticultural Gardens, in their honor, this evening.

Moved by Representative James Smith, P. G. M., seconded by Representative George W. Hare, and

*Resolved*—That the invitation of Toronto Encampment be accepted with thanks.

Moved by Representative R. Mathison, seconded by Representative ———, in amendment:

That all after the word "Resolved" be struck out, and the following inserted: That so many of the members of the Grand Lodge as do not desire to attend an evening session, attend the Concert.

Resolved in the negative.

The question recurring on motion of Representative James Smith, P. G. M., it was agreed to.

The hour of four o'clock being fixed by the Constitution for the election of officers, that business was proceeded with.

The Chair named Representative James Smith, P. G. M., and J. M. Tweedale, Tellers.

The following nominations were made:—

GRAND MASTER.

Rep. W. F. Roome, nominated H. C. Bingham, P. G. M.

" Robert Taylor, " John Gibson, D. G. M.

" John Barr, " T. Healy, P. D. G. M.

" J. F. Eby, " Rep. Henry Robertson.

Representative T. Healy, declined.

After the first ballot had been declared closed, and previous to counting the ballot, it was ascertained that one Representative had, by mistake, voted twice.

On motion of Representative Thomas Woodyatt, the following was agreed to:—

*Resolved*—That the ballot be destroyed and a new ballot taken.

D. G. M. John Gibson, declared elected on first ballot.

The following nominations were had for

DEPUTY GRAND MASTER:—

Rep. H. Gibson, nominated	Rep. Hugh Blain.
“ R. Mathison, “	“ Henry Robertson.
“ W. R. Roberts, “	“ J. J. Ramsay.
“ Lewis Dorr, “	“ John Murray.
“ James Smith, “	“ E. Beltz.
P. G. C. E. Peirce, “	“ Robert Evans.
Rep. J. M. Tweedale “	“ J. F. McDonald.
“ Cl. T. Campbell, “	“ Robert Kirkpatrick.
“ J. Smith, “	“ John Hunter.
“ D. Freckleton, “	“ W. F. Roome, M. D.
“ J. F. Morey, “	“ P. G., J. B. King.

Representatives E. Beltz, Robert Evans, J. F. McDonald, Robert Kirkpatrick, W. F. Roome, and P. G., J. B. King, declined.

P. G., John Murray elected on third ballot, and so declared.

The following nominations were made for

GRAND WARDEN :

Rep. J. F. Morey, nominated	Rep. J. F. McDonald.
“ James Smith, “	“ John Hunter.
“ H. Blain, “	“ J. J. Dyas.
“ T. A. Tarrant, “	“ John Richmond.
“ J. B. Howe, “	“ H. Blain.
“ R. Mathison, “	“ M. E. Snider.
“ C. E. Peirce, “	“ Robert Evans.
“ J. S. Gainer, “	“ James Henry.

Representative J. F. McDonald declined.

Representatives Robert Evans and J. J. Dyas, withdrew after first ballot.

Representative John Hunter, elected on fifth ballot, and so declared.

Rep. H. McAfee, nominated J. B. King, for R. W. Grand Secretary.

Re-elected by acclamation.

Rep. James Smith, nominated A. D. Clement, for R. W. Grand Treasurer.

Re-elected by acclamation.

FOR GRAND REPRESENTATIVE:

- Rep. J. J. Dyas, nominated James Woodyatt, P. G. M.  
 " W. M. Seaton, " W. N. Ford, P. G. M.  
 " H. McAfee, " J. Barr, P. G. M.  
 " John Hunter, " H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., (declined)

James Woodyatt, P. G. M., re-elected on first ballot.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at nine o'clock a.m., to-morrow.

## Third Day's Proceedings.

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Toronto, August 4th, 1871.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Grand Lodge met at 9 o'clock a. m. Roll called. Present:—

W. N. FORD,.....	M. W. GRAND MASTER.
JOHN GIBSON,.....	R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
J. J. RAMSAY,.....	R. W. GRAND WARDEN.
J. B. KING,.....	R. W. GRAND SECRETARY.
A. D. CLEMENT,.....	R. W. GRAND TREASURER.
JAMES WOODYATT,.....	R. W. GRAND REP. to G. L. U. S.
T. PARTRIDGE,.....	Do Do
THOMAS REID,.....	R. W. GRAND MARSHAL.
F. T. McDONALD,.....	R. W. GRAND CONDUCTOR.
A. McPHAIL,.....	R. W. GRAND GUARDIAN.
H. C. BINGHAM,.....	R. W. GRAND CHAPLAIN.
M. BLUME,.....	R. W. GRAND HERALD.

And a quorum of Representatives.

Prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The minutes of the previous sitting were read and confirmed.

Rep. R. Box, from the Committee on Finance, made the following report, which was considered and adopted:

### Report of Finance Committee.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario.*

We your Committee on Finance beg to offer the following Supplementary Report:—

*Resolved*,—That the Grand Secretary's account, amounting to \$16.22, be paid.

*Resolved*,—That the account of Siddons & Dawson, amounting to \$5.00, be paid.

RICHARD BOX,  
J. M. TWEEDALE, M. D.  
ROBERT KIRKPATRICK.

H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., from the Committee on the State of the Order, made the following report, which was considered *seriatim*, as read :—

**Report of Committee on State of the Order.**

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario.

Your Committee on the State of the Order, offer as their report the following resolutions :—

*Resolved*,—That the consideration of clause 8 and 11, G. M.'s Address, properly belong to the Committee on Petitions, and that they be so referred.

*Resolved*,—That G. M.'s decision No. 1 be approved.

*Resolved*,—That G. M.'s decision No. 2 be approved.

*Resolved*,—That G. M.'s decision No. 3 be approved.

*Resolved*,—That G. M.'s decision No. 4 be amended so as to read: "Yes, either by initiation or by obtaining a Card from the Grand Jurisdiction to which he belongs."

*Resolved*,—That G. M.'s decision No. 5 be approved, when he has the Term P. W., except in his own jurisdiction.

*Resolved*,—That G. M.'s decision No. 6 be approved.

*Resolved*,—That G. M.'s decision No. 7 be approved.

*Resolved*,—That G. M.'s decision No. 8 be approved.

In the election of Representatives to the Grand Lodge when there are two a tie and the lowest, should they both be dropped, or should the N. G. give his casting vote which of the two should be dropped? and 2nd, If the two lowest are a tie and there are only three altogether, should the highest be declared elected or proceed to ballot for him so that he may have the proper majority.

*Resolved*,—That question by Rep. Elliott be answered as follows: "In the case of a tie between the two or more lowest on a ballot, three or more running, a ballot should be taken to decide which of those trying shall drop out; in no case should the N. G. give a casting ballot."

I wish to ask your opinion as to whether a special grant of fifty dollars can be donated for any purpose, if proper notice has been given and all Brothers notified and a vote of the Lodge taken?

*Resolved*,—That question by Rep. H. Gibson be answered, "Yes."

Is it necessary for all the appointed officers in Excelsior Lodge to have attained the Scarlet Degree.

*Resolved*,—That question by Excelsior Lodge, be answered: "No, unless the By-laws require it."

When a Visiting Brother will not comply with the decisions of the Lodge, and will not retire when requested, what steps should the Lodge take to have the N. G. obeyed?

*Resolved*,—That question by Excelsior Lodge be answered, "Prefer a charge against the offender."

Is it competent for a Grand Officer to announce himself in his official capacity and having received the grand honors, and afterwards when a question is asked of him for him to state that he is not in his official capacity, but merely paying a friendly visit?

*Resolved*,—That question by Frontier Lodge be answered: "Competent, but not consistent."



If a candidate for membership be balloted for and rejected, can the Noble Grand order a fresh ballot, without first the Brothers having cast the black ball, request a reconsideration?

*Resolved*,—That question by Frontier Lodge be answered, "No."

Is a Brother in good standing entitled to benefits for one week's sickness, say from the 1st of August to the 8th of do., and reported out of care of Lodge at the latter date?

*Resolved*,—That question by Frontier Lodge be answered "Yes;" unless By-Laws say he shall not receive benefits for first week's sickness.

At the regular communication of Unity Lodge, No. 47, held on Wednesday, the 12th day of July, 1871, on the minutes of the previous meeting being read, Bro. P. G. John Smith made several objections to them; one of his objections was ordered to be corrected, the others being over-ruled the N. G. declared the minutes confirmed. Bro. P. G. John Smith still objecting, he was called to order by the N. G. Bro. John Smith then stated that he was there as the D. D. G. M. on official business, that the N. G. had no power to call him to order, and gave notice that at the next meeting of the Lodge he would bring in a charge of Insubordination against the Lodge and demand its Charter.

The Lodge has since heard nothing more of the matter, and wish now to know what action they can take to obtain reparation for the indignity offered to the Lodge by the D. D. G. M. Bro. John Smith.

*Resolved*,—That question by Unity Lodge be answered as follows: "Try him for insubordination."

Is it right on the election of a Degree Master, for those having no degrees to vote for such officer?

*Resolved*,—That question by Corinthian Lodge be answered: "Yes, where a Subordinate Lodge confers its own degrees."

Would it be consistent with the rules of our Order, to provide that in the event of a member in good standing withdrawing by card and going to another Lodge, for the Lodge from which he withdraws to provide that the benefits continue for six months after said withdrawal?

*Resolved*,—That question by Florence Nightingale Lodge be answered as follows: "May be done as a special grant, but not consistent or advisable as a rule."

Are all Charter Members forming a new Lodge expected to pay a fee into the funds of said new Lodge on deposit of card, or only such of them as were old contributing members of other Lodges?

*Resolved*,—That question by Rep. Mara, Lucas Lodge, be answered as on page 668, Journal of 1870: "All charter members will pay the regular fee for deposit of Card, in accordance with the By-laws of new Lodge."

1st. Has the Outside Guardian any right to leave his place, and come into the Lodge Room and walk around at any time he pleases, and leave the outside door unprotected, without the consent of the Noble Grand?

2nd. Is it correct for him to go in and out of Lodge Room without giving the usual salute to Noble and Vice Grands?

3rd. Has he a right to come into Lodge at his pleasure, and go round the room to any part talking with the brethren and moving resolutions, without the Inside Guardian or some other brother being appointed to take his position while he is in the Lodge Room, he being paid to attend to this Office?

*Resolved*,—That the three questions submitted by James Smith, P. G. M., come more properly within the Province of the Subordinate Lodge and the N. G. thereof.

In the case referred to this Grand Lodge by the R. W. Grand Encampment, your Committee are of the opinion that the entire matter is based on two questions, viz., "Can a possessor of Encampment Degrees wear regalia of such degrees in a Subordinate Lodge?" and, should a brother obey the decisions of the Lodge he is visiting?" We therefore submit the following resolutions:

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*Resolved*,—That Escampnet Regalia may be worn in a Subordinate Lodge by a visitor, but not by a member of the Lodge.

*Resolved*,—That the decisions of a Lodge during its sessions, should be obeyed by visitors as well as members.

*Resolved*,—If a brother has cause of complaint against a Lodge, or officer of a Lodge, or a private member, either for improper legislation or improper language, he should bring his complaint in the form and manner required by law.

H. C. BINGHAM.  
 C. T. CAMPBELL.  
 THOS. WOODYATT.  
 JOHN HUNTER.  
 W. F. ROOME.

Clauses 1 to 12 inclusive, adopted.

On motion to adopt clause 13, Rep. J. Richmond moved to amend by striking out the words, "not consistent."

Resolved in the negative.

On motion to adopt clause 16 of the Report, H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., moved in amendment:

"That question No. 8 by Frontier Lodge No. 55, and all matters relating thereto, be expunged from the minutes."

Resolved in the affirmative.

The rest of the report was adopted, and the report as amended was adopted.

Representative H. E. Buttery, from the Committee on Petition, made the following report, which was considered and adopted:—

#### **Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.**

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario.*

We, your Committee on Petitions, etc, beg leave to report, that we have examined the papers placed in our hands, and find them to be correct, and recommend that the dispensations granted, authorizing the organization of the following Lodges, be confirmed, and that the several Charters be issued to the said Lodges as follows:—

Victoria	Lodge No. 64, at Hamilton.
Friendship	" " 65, at Petrolia.
Florence Nightingale	" " 66, at Bowmanville.
Exeter	" " 67, at Exeter.
North Star	" " 68, at Stayner.
Hope	" " 69, at Harrietsville
Lucan	" " 70, at Lucan.
The Toronto	" " 71, at Toronto.
Eastern Star	" " 72, at Whitby.
Fergus	" " 73, at Fergus.
Bothwell	" " 74, at Bothwell.
Warriner	" " 75, at Port Perry.
St. Thomas	" " 76, at St. Thomas.
Oxford	" " 77, at Ingersoll.

With reference to the communication of Brothers holding Withdrawal Cards from Florence Nightingale Lodge No. 66, asking for a dispensation to organize a Lodge at Port Hope, we beg leave to recommend that the petition be granted.

We have received communications from Lodges at London and Toronto, asking the proper mode of applying for Charters for Degree Lodges.

We can find no procedure laid down for this purpose.

*Resolved*—That the communications be referred to the Committee on Legislation, desiring them to take some action in the matter to supply the want.

With reference to the communication from Bro. Wm. McMath, of Erie Lodge No. 33, asking for a Committee of Investigation in the matter of appeal between him and Erie Lodge, settled at the meeting of this Grand Lodge in 1869.

*Resolved*—That the request be not granted; the said request being informal.

With reference to the communication from Florence Nightingale Lodge No. 66, asking if it be legal to rent their hall to a Lodge of the Orange Institution.

*Resolved*—That the question be answered in the affirmative.

With reference to the communication of Bro. A. Humphery, asking for a Clearance Card from this Grand Body, to enable him to join Wardsville Lodge, his own Lodge having ceased to exist.

*Resolved*—That said communication be referred to the Grand Master, (incoming) advising him to ascertain carefully that the books, etc., of the said defunct Lodge are in the hands of this Grand Body, before granting the same.

In conclusion, your committee feel that it must be gratifying to this R. W. Grand Body to note the increase of our numbers during the past year, there being no less than fourteen new Lodges organized during that time.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. E. BUTTERY,  
T. A. TARRANT.  
GEORGE TURNER.  
ALEX. MCKAY.  
H. W. MURDOCK.

### SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

#### COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS.

A communication from Representative Patterson, of Kingston Lodge No. 59, asking for a new Charter, for the purpose of erasing the name of an expelled charter member.

That this Grand Body has not power to grant the request on the grounds advanced, and therefore offer the following:—

*Resolved*—That the request be not granted.

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On motion, the foregoing was adopted.

Rep. H. E. Buttery, from the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, made the following Report, which was considered and adopted:—

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE.**

*To the R. W. G. Lodge of Ontario.*

In regard to the petition of Prince Arthur Lodge for leave to change their name.

*Resolved*—That the action of the M. W. G. M., be approved.  
In reference to the petition of Bro. Varey, D. D. G. S., of Montreal, asking permission to Mount Royal Lodge No. 1, of Montreal, to initiate candidates resident of Ontario, but nearer to the said Lodge than any in Ontario.

*Resolved*—That the action of the M. W. G. M., in granting the petition be confirmed.

Respectfully submitted.

H. E. BUTTERY.  
T. A. TARRANT.  
ALEX. MCKAY.  
H. W. MURDOCK.

James Woodyatt, P.G.M., from the special committee on that subject, made the following report, which was considered and

That we have had the question at issue before us, and the evidence produced is such as to show conclusively to your committee that Bro. McIntyre was not a member of Eureka Lodge, from the fact that the N. G. had declared said Brother to have forfeited his membership, for nonpayment of dues, at a regular meeting of the Lodge, and ordered that his name be entered on the Black Book, which was done, and there is no evidence to show that any action was ever taken by the Lodge to reinstate him, except, so far only as the Per Secretary appears to have continued his account and received his money, which your committee consider was not sufficient for reinstating this Brother, as that could not be done without the consent of the Lodge at a regular meeting. With these facts before your committee, we consider that there is no further action in the matter necessary by the Grand Lodge, than to report that Eureka Lodge No. 30, is fully justified in withholding benefits from the widow of the late Bro. McIntyre.

We submit the following:—

*Resolved*—That the above report be adopted.

JAMES WOODYATT.  
HENRY McAFEE.  
SAMUEL G. DOLSON.  
G. W. PONTINE.  
WILLIAM BARLEY.

Thomas Brown, Past Grand, asked permission to appeal to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, which was, on motion, granted.

Representative Cl. T. Campbell submitted the following, which stands as a notice of motion to amend the Constitution —

WHEREAS, it is advisable to carry out, as far as possible, the principle of allowing Subordinate Lodges free control of the expenditure of their funds, for those charitable purposes contemplated by our Order, therefore be it

*Resolved*—1st. That Clauses 6 to 10 inclusive, Article V., Constitution Subordinates, be repealed, and the following inserted in their stead:—

“Clause 6.—Every member qualified as required by the By-laws, if rendered incapable of following his usual occupation by any sickness or disability, not occasioned by immoral conduct on his part, shall be entitled to receive from the general fund of this Lodge, such weekly sick benefit as may be fixed by the By-laws.”

“Clause 7.—The Lodge shall, by its By-laws, make such provision as it may deem fit for the payment out of its general fund of benefits, to defray the funeral expenses of a Brother or Brother's wife, and for the relief of Brothers in distress or other deserving persons, and also for the payment from its W. and O. fund of benefits, for the relief of widows and orphans of deceased Brothers.”

That all after the word “quarter,” in Clause 4, Article V., Constitution Subordinates, be struck out, and the following inserted:—

That all after the words “Grand Lodge,” in Clause 9, Article IV., Constitution Subordinates, be stricken out, and the following inserted:—

“The same being twenty-five cents for each unsuspended member on said return.”

Rep. J. Richmond, from the Committee on Credentials, made the following report, which was agreed to:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario.*

Your Committee on Credentials beg to report that they have received a Past Grand's certificate from Bro. Alex. Falconer, of St. Mary's Lodge No. 36, and find the same correct. We would therefore recommend that he be instructed, and admitted to a seat in this R. W. Grand Lodge.

Submitted in F. L. & T.

JOHN RICHMOND.  
J. B. KING.  
J. SCHNEIDER.



Rep. H. Blain submitted the following, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order :

Are the By-Laws of a Lodge binding on visiting brothers. For example, if the By-Laws of one Lodge prohibit smoking in the reception room, and the By-Laws of another permit members to do so, would members of the Lodge granting such permission be bound to comply with the By-Laws of the Lodge prohibiting smoking in the reception room while in session?

Rep. Henry Gibson submitted the following, which was referred to the same Committee :

Is it necessary that a brother holding a card of clearance from the Lodge of which he was previously a member, to be a resident of the place for six months before he can be admitted to said Lodge?

Rep. Alex. McKay submitted the following, which was referred to the same Committee :

On a ballot being taken, and before the result is declared, can the ballot be declared null, on a member who has put in a black ball rising and saying that he put one in by mistake?

Rep. J. M. Tweedale, seconded by Rep. John Schneider, moved the following resolution :

That a Special Committee, consisting of five, be appointed for the purpose of dividing the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Ontario into Districts, the better to facilitate the work of said jurisdiction.

James Woodyatt, P. G. M., moved to amend by adding at the end of the resolution the words, "said committee to report at the next meeting of this Grand Lodge."

Moved by H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., seconded by Rep. W. F. Roome, that the resolution of Rep. Tweedale be laid on the table for one year.

Resolved in the negative.

The question recurring on the amendment by Jas. Woodyatt, P. G. M., it was agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, was then agreed to.

The following resolution was agreed to :

Moved by J. Woodyatt, P. G. M., seconded by Rep. G. Powell, Senr.,

That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to Rep. R. Mathison, for making up and procuring publication in the daily newspapers of so full and accurate reports of the proceedings of this R. W. Grand Body.

The following was agreed to :

Moved by Rep. R. Mathison, seconded by Rep. John Hunter,  
and

*Resolved*.—That the thanks of this Right Worthy Grand Lodge are due to the Grand Trunk and Great Western Railway Companies, for courtesies extended to the members attending this Session, and that the Right Worthy Grand Secretary be instructed to tender the same to the Managers thereof.

The following resolution was agreed to :

Moved by Rep. T. Renwick, seconded by Rep. T. Woodyatt,  
and

*Resolved*.—That the sum of Eight Dollars be paid to Bro. Byron for services as Janitor to the Grand Lodge for the present session.

The following resolution was agreed to :

Moved by Jas. Woodyatt, P. G. M., seconded by Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, and

*Resolved*.—That the Grand Secretary be instructed to convey the thanks of this Grand Lodge to the Subordinate Lodges and Encampment in Toronto, for the handsome manner in which the members of this Grand Lodge have been entertained while in the city, and for the use of their commodious Hall.

Representative J. S. Garner, from the committee on that subject, made the following report, which was considered:—

**Report of Special Committee Appointed on the Provident Association of Ontario and matters referred thereto.**

*To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario.*

Your committee beg leave to report, they have carefully read the Constitution and By-laws of the Provident Association, also the resolutions submitted by Maple Leaf Lodge No. 57, on the same subject. Having had a conference with the Directors of the said Association and having received the fullest information as to the character and standing of the said Association, feel that the best thanks of the R. W. Grand Lodge are due to the Directors and friends of the Provident Association, for their work of faithfulness in this important matter. Your committee cordially recommend this Association to the confidence of the Brethren of Ontario, with the following changes, which have been agreed to by the Directors of the said Association, which are as follows:—

That this R. W. Grand Lodge shall appoint three Directors to have all the rights and privileges as regularly elected members of the said Board, and that the Grand Master shall, each year after his election, appoint said Directors.

That the said Association shall present the annual audited report of the said Association at the annual meeting of this R. W. G. L.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN ANDERSON.  
JAMES F. MOREY.  
J. S. GARNER.  
M. D. DAWSON.  
J. J. DYAS.

On a motion to adopt the report,

H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., moved the previous question, which being ordered by the Lodge, was put by the Chair, as follows:—

“Will the Grand Lodge adopt the report of the committee?”

Resolved in the negative.

Representative T. Partridge, P. G. M., from the Committee on Legislation, made the following report, which was considered, *seriatim*.

#### Report of Committee on Legislation.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario.

Your Committee on Legislation would report as follows:—

1

We heartily concur in the recommendation of the latter part of Clause 9, Grand Master's report, and Clause 23, Grand Secretary's report, as far as practicable.

2

In reference to Clause 16, Grand Secretary's report, we would recommend that a Special Committee be appointed by the R. W. Grand Lodge, with instructions to prepare a Constitution and By-laws for the formation and government of Degree Lodges, and would recommend the adoption (provisionally) by this R. W. Grand Lodge, of the Constitution, etc., presented by Representative CL T. Campbell, of London.

3

In the matter of Clause 17, Grand Secretary's report, would recommend that this R. W. Grand Lodge appoint a Special Committee to prepare a mode of procedure for the guidance thereof, and report at next session of Grand Lodge.

4

Your committee concur in the recommendation of Clause 25, Grand Secretary's report, and recommend that mileage and per diem be allowed to Past Grand Masters, the same as to Grand Officers, including this session.

5

In regard to the motion of Representative Richmond, moved in accordance with a notice of motion given at the last session of this R. W. Grand Lodge, submit the following:—

*Resolved*—That all after the words “see fit,” in Article V., Clause 10, of Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, be, and the same is hereby expunged.

6

Your committee heartily concur in the recommendation of Clause 3, Grand Master's report, and Clause 24, Grand Secretary's report, and recommend the adoption of the same by this R. W. Grand Body.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS PARTRIDGE.  
T. HEALY.  
J. S. GARNER.  
F. T. BARKER.

Clauses 1, 2 and 3 were adopted.

On motion to adopt Clause 4, it was

Resolved in the negative.

On motion to adopt Clause 5,

Moved by Representative John Richmond, seconded by Representative H. Blain,

That the report of the committee be amended by striking out Clause 10 of Article V., Constitution of Subordinates.

Resolved in the negative.

The chair ruled clause 5 of the Committee's Report out of order, it not being in accordance with the notice of motion given by Rep. J. Richmond.

Rep. T. Partridge appealed to the Grand Lodge against the ruling of the chair.

The chair was sustained.

Clause 6 adopted.

The report as amended was adopted.

Rep. J. J. Dyas, from the Committee on the Laws of Subordinates, made the following Report, which was considered and adopted :—

**Report of Committee on Laws of Subordinates.**

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario,

Your Committee beg to report that in regard to Clause 4 of Grand Master's Report, there is nothing particular to note.

In regard to clause 14 of Grand Secretary's Report, we are of opinion that it should be referred to the Finance Committee.

*Resolved*,—That this Report be adopted.

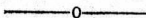
Yours in F. L. & T.

J. J. DYAS.  
 JAS. F. McDONALD.  
 HUGH McCOLL.  
 ROBERT EVANS.  
 H. BLAIN.

Rep. H. Blain submitted the following, which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order:—

Are the Past Official Degrees a necessary qualification for the officers of the Grand Lodge, or for the office of D. D. G. M. ?

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned at one o'clock until half-past two.



**AFTERNOON SESSION.**

FRIDAY, August 4th, 1871.

The Grand Lodge assembled at half-past two, pursuant to adjournment. Present:—

W. N. FORD,.....	M. W. GRAND MASTER.
JNO. GIBSON,.....	R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER
J. J. RAMSAY,.....	R. W. GRAND WARDEN.
J. B. KING.....	R. W. GRAND SECRETARY.
A. D. CLEMENT,.....	R. W. GRAND TREASURER.
JAMES WOODYATT, .....	R. W. GRAND REP. to G. L. U. S.
THOS. PARTRIDGE, .....	“ “
THOMAS REID.....	R. W. GRAND MARSHAL
F. T. McDONALD, .....	R. W. GRAND CONDUCTOR.
A. McPHAIL,.....	R. W. GRAND GUARDIAN. ✓
H. C. BINGHAM,.....	R. W. GRAND CHAPLAIN.
M. BLUME,.....	R. W. GRAND HERALD.

And a quorum of Representatives.



Prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The minutes of last sitting read and confirmed.

Reps. J. J. Dyas, Robt. Kirkpatrick, and Thos. Woodyatt, asked for and obtained leave to go home.

The following resolution was agreed to :

Moved by Rep. McAfee, seconded by M. E. Snider, that in view of the very large increase of new Lodges in this jurisdiction during the past year, and the consequent increase in the responsible and onerous duties of our very efficient Grand Secretary, that an increase of Fifty Dollars be added to the salary of that officer, making the salary three hundred dollars for the current year, dating from the first day of July last past.

The following resolution was adopted :

Moved by Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, seconded by Rep. H. E. Buttery, and

*Resolved*.—That the Secretaries of all Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, shall forward to the R. W. Grand Secretary each year the credentials of their representatives at least two weeks before the date of meeting of the Grand Lodge.

The following was resolved in the affirmative, an amendment by Rep. Jas. Heron to strike out Windsor and insert London having been withdrawn :

Moved by Rep. Louis Dorr, seconded by Rep. J. Bowden, and

*Resolved*.—That when this Grand Lodge adjourn, it do so to meet in the town of Windsor, on the first Wednesday in August, 1872.

Accounts from J. R. Robertson for printing Grand Master's report, and from Stewart & Mathison for printing Grand Secretary's report and statements, were referred to the Finance Committee.

The following resolution was agreed to:—

Moved by Representative Blain, seconded by Representative Barker, and

*Resolved*.—That the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem be instructed to compute Mileage for this session at the rate of four cents per mile each way, and the per diem at the rate of two dollars per day.

Representative Cl. T. Campbell, from the Committee on State of the Order, made the following report, which was considered as read *seriatim*, and adopted:—

### Report of Committee on State of the Order

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario.*

Your Committee, to whom was referred the following questions, offer the accompanying resolutions thereon:—

Question by Rep. H. Blain:

Are the By-laws of a Lodge binding on visiting Brothers. For example, if the By-laws of one Lodge prohibit smoking in the reception room, and the By-laws of another permit members to do so, would members of the Lodge granting such permission be bound to comply with the By-laws of the Lodge prohibiting smoking in the reception room while in session?

*Resolved*—That the above question be answered “yes.”

Question by Rep. H. Gibson:

Is it necessary that a Brother holding a card of clearance from the Lodge of which he was previously a member, to be a resident of the place for six months before he can be admitted to said Lodge?

*Resolved*—That the above question be answered “no.”

Question by Unity Lodge No. 47:

On a ballot being taken, and before the result is declared, can the ballot be declared null, on a member who has put in a black ball rising and saying that he put one in by mistake?

*Resolved*—That the above question be answered as follows: “Yes, before the ballot is declared.”

Question by Rep. H. Blain:

Are the Past Official Degrees a necessary qualification for the officers of the Grand Lodge, or for the office of D. D. G. M.

*Resolved*—That question of Representative Blain be answered “~~no~~ No.”

Respectfully submitted.

H. C. BINGHAM.  
W. F. ROOME.  
CL. T. CAMPBELL.  
THOMAS WOODYATT.  
JOHN HUNTER.

Representative H. McColl, from the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, made the following report, which was considered and adopted:—

### Report of Committee on Laws of Subordinates.

*To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.*

Your Committee on Laws of Subordinates beg to report that they have carefully examined the By-laws of the several Lodges submitted for their consideration, and report them as follows:—

Brock Lodge No. 9—We have found correct, except Clause 3 of Article XII. and Clause 2 of Article XIII, which are contrary to the Digest, page 71, Section 321, and also Clause 4, Article XIII., which is contrary to the Digest, page 379, Section 1777. The By-laws submitted do not comply with the requirements of the Grand Lodge, being neither signed nor sealed.

Chatham Lodge No. 29—We have found correct, except the second Clause of No. 62, which is contrary to the Digest, page 71, section 321. By-laws submitted neither signed nor sealed.

Eureka Lodge No. 30—We have found correct, except the latter part of No. 59 and No. 61, which are contrary to Digest, page 71, Section 321. By-laws have seal impressed but are not signed by the officers.

St. Mary's Lodge No. 36—We have found correct, except as follows: By-laws 49 and 50 are contrary to Section 321, page 71, Digest, and By-law 53 is contrary to Section 1777, page 379.

Forest City Lodge No. 38—We have found correct, except Nos. 79 and 82, which are contrary to Section 321, page 71. Digest G. L. U. S. By-laws sealed but not signed.

Avon Lodge No. 41—We have found correct, except By-laws 57, and 59, which are contrary to Section 321, page 71, Digest.

Mt. Zion Lodge No. 46—We have found correct, except Clause 1, Article I., which is contrary to Clause 5 of Article 2, Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, and Clause 2, Section 2, Article VII., which is contrary to Digest, page 71, Section 321. By-laws neither signed nor sealed.

Dominion Lodge No. 48—We have found correct and properly signed and sealed.

Canada Lodge No. 49—We have found correct, except the latter part of the first Clause of No. 10, which is contrary to Digest, page 7, Section 11, and also No. 52, which is contrary to Digest, page 71, Section 321. By-laws neither signed nor sealed.

Covenant Lodge No. 52—We find correct, except By-law No. 52, which is contrary to Digest, page 71, section 321. By-laws neither signed nor sealed.

Niagara Falls Lodge No. 53—We have found correct, except No. 60, which is contrary to Digest, page 71, Section 321; No. 61, which is considered harsh and, also, impossible to practice, and No. 62, which is contrary to Digest, page 379, Section 1777.

Collingwood Lodge No. 54—We find correct, excepting No. 51, which is contrary to Digest, page 71, section 321. By-laws signed but not sealed.

Maple Leaf Lodge No. 57—We have found correct, except No. 55, which is contrary to Digest, page 71, Section 321; No. 57, also, is contrary to Digest, page 379, section 1777. By-laws have seal impressed but are not signed by the officers.

Howard Lodge No. 58—We have found correct, except No. 58, which is contrary to Clause 321, page 71, Digest G. L. U. S., and No. 60, which does not conform to Section 1777, page 379, Digest.

Kingston Lodge No. 59—We have found correct, except Clause 3, Article III., and Clause 2, Article XIII., which are contrary to Section 321, page 71, Digest, as also Clause 4, Article XIII., which is not in accordance with Section 1777, page 379, Digest.

Wardsville Lodge No. 60—We have found correct, with the following exceptions: The latter part of By-law 38 contravenes Clause 5, Article V., Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, and By-laws Nos. 79 and 82 are contrary to Digest, page 71, Section 321. By-laws neither signed nor sealed.

Corinthian Lodge No. 61—We have found correct, except By-laws 53 and 56 which are not in accordance with Section 321, page 71, of Digest. By-laws submitted are neither signed or sealed.

Huron Lodge No. 62—We have found correct, except in the following particulars: By-law No. 6 contravenes Clauses 7 and 8 of Article 6, Constitution of Subordinates. By-law No. 44 contravenes Clause 10 of Article 10, Constitution of Subordinates, and By-laws Nos. 54 and 57 are contrary to Section 321, page 71, Digest G. L. U. S. In Clause 33, fourth line, the word "time" should be substituted for the word "term." By-laws not signed nor sealed.

Victoria Lodge No. 64—We found correct, except as follows: By-law No. 2 makes no provision for returning the fee (\$2) which accompanies a proposition to a rejected candidate. By-law 43 is contrary to Section 321, page 71, Digest, and By-law 45 is contrary to Section 1777, page 379. By-laws are not signed or sealed.

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Florence Nightingale Lodge No. 66—We have found correct, except By-law 52, which is contrary to Clause 321, page 71, Digest. By-laws are neither signed nor sealed.

Hope Lodge No. 69—We have found correct, except the following: By-law No. 6 makes no provision for returning the fee (\$2) which accompanies a proposition to the rejected candidate. By-law No. 60 is contrary to Clause 5, Article V., of Constitution. By-law 52 and 56 are contrary to Section 321, page 71, Digest. By-law 58 is contrary to Section 1777, page 379, Digest. By-law 64 is contrary to Clauses 7 and 8, of Article VI., Constitution. In By-laws 25, 26 and 27, no provision is made for admitting Ancient Odd Fellows, over 50 years of age, as provided by Clause 5, Article II., of the Constitution.

Lucan Lodge No. 70—We have found correct, except By-laws 49 and 50, which are not in accordance with Section 321, page 71, Digest, and By-law 53, which is contrary to section 1777, page 379.

Warriner Lodge No. 75—We found correct, except By-laws 53 and 56, which are contrary to Section 321, page 71, Digest. By-laws submitted are neither signed nor sealed.

Your committee would also call attention to the omission of the word "elective," in Clause 4, Article 4, Constitution.

Your committee therefore move the adoption of the following resolution:—

*Resolved*—That the foregoing report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. DYAS.  
HUGH McCOLL.  
JAMES HERON.  
HUGH BLAIN.  
JAMES F. McDONALD.  
W. H. COLE.  
JOHN BOWEN.  
ROBERT EVANS.  
M. D. DAWSON.

Representative Richard Box, from the Committee on Finance, made the following report, which was, on motion, considered *seriatim*, and agreed to.

#### Report of Committee on Finance.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.

Your Committee on Finance would beg to report on the following:—

*Resolved*—That the recommendations of the Grand Secretary on Clause 14 G. S. report be adopted.

*Resolved*,—That the account of J. R. Robertson, for printing 150 copies G. M. report, amounting to \$5, be paid.

*Resolved*—That the account of the Brantford *Expositor*, for printing 200 copies G. S. report, amounting to \$27.50, be paid.

All of which we beg to respectfully submit.

RICHARD BOX.  
J. M. TWEEDALE.

Representative W. Barley, from the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, made the following report, which was considered.

**Report of Committee on Mileage and Per Diem.**

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario.

We your Committee on Mileage and Per Diem beg to submit the following table and resolutions, viz:—

**Table of Mileage and per Diem.**

NAME OF LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	Number of Miles Travelled.	No. of Reprs.	Rate per Mile.	Amount of Mileage.		Number of Days.		Total Mileage and per Diem.	NAMES OF REPRESENTATIVES.
					\$	c.	\$	c.		
Brock .....	9	416	2	4	33	28	3	2	44 28	W. H. Cole, W. M. Seaton.
Union .....	16	136	4	4	25	76	3	2	49 76	T. Healy, G. E. Patterson, L. Dorr, Jas. Elliott.
Chatham ...	29	224	3	4	26	88	3	2	44 88	J. Schneider, J. P. Young, G. Turner.
Eureka .....	30	238	5	4	47	60	3	2	77 60	G. Powell, sr., J. Atkins, John Hunter, R. Kirkpatrick, J. Heron.
Erie .....	33	254	2	4	20	32	3	2	32 32	G. W. Pontine, G. W. Hare.
Gore .....	34	150	2	4	12	00	3	2	24 00	R. Mathison, Thos. Woodyatt.
Samaritan ..	35	194	3	4	23	28	3	2	41 28	J. F. McDonald, T. Simons, W. C. Bell.
St. Marys ..	36	200	2	4	16	00	3	2	28 00	R. Barbour, Richard Box.
Forest City ...	38	232	4	4	37	12	3	2	61 12	E. H. Buttery, M. D. Dawson, J. Smith, Ed. Beltz.
Avon .....	41	176	3	4	21	12	3	2	39 12	J. Dutton, H. Gibson, J. Morrison.
Excelsior .....	44	80	3	4	9	60	3	2	27 60	W. Lewis, J. Fryke, J. Richmond.
Frontier .....	45	453	3	4	54	96	3	2	72 96	H. McAfee, J. Bowden, Wm. Ferguson.
Mt. Zion .....	46	306	1	4	12	24	3	2	18 24	J. D. Anderson.
Unity .....	47	80	3	4	9	60	3	2	27 60	A. McKay, T. A. Tarrant, G. Midgley.
Dominion .....	48	232	3	4	27	84	3	2	45 84	Cl T. Campbell, J. J. Dyas, J. Smith.
Canada .....	49	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	3	2	24 00	W. Roberts, R. Taylor, J. Coleman, J. B. Howe.
Otter .....	50	226	2	4	13	08	3	2	30 08	J. M. Tweedale, P. Campbell.
Bissell .....	51	200	2	4	16	00	3	2	28 00	W. Barley, Thos. Leadston.
Covenant .....	52	.....	4	6	.....	.....	3	2	24 00	H. Blain, J. F. Eby, H. W. Murdock, F. T. Barker.
Niagara Falls.	53	166	2	4	13	28	3	2	25 28	John Bowen, H. Bender.
Collingwood ...	54	192	2	4	15	36	3	2	27 36	Jas. Henry, E. R. Carpenter.
Fidelity .....	55	222	1	4	8	88	3	2	14 88	Thos. Foster.
Queen City of Ontario	56	.....	3	4	.....	.....	3	2	18 00	J. Field, J. R. Dunn, Geo. Williams.
Maple Leaf ...	57	80	1	4	3	20	3	2	9 20	John Anderson.
Howard .....	58	272	61	4	10	88	3	2	16 88	Hugh McColl.
Kingston .....	59	322	1	4	12	88	3	2	18 88	R. D. Patterson.

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Wardsville ...	60	298	1	4	11	92	3	2	17	92	D. Freckleton.
Corinthian ...	61	68	1	4	2	72	3	2	8	72	C. S. Male.
Huron ...	62	270	2	4	21	60	3	2	33	60	T. Renwick, R. Hogarth.
Barrie.....	63	126	1	4	5	04	3	2	11	04	Jas. Sargent.
Victoria.....	64	80	1	4	3	20	3	2	9	20	R. Evans.
Friendship ...	65	324	2	4	25	92	3	2	37	92	J. S. Garner, T. Partridge.
FL.Nightingale	66	86	1	4	3	44	3	2	9	44	R. Fyfe.
Exeter ...	67	251	1	4	10	08	3	2	.....	.....	D. Johns.
North Star ...	68	172	1	4	6	88	3	2	12	88	H. Robertson.
Hope.....	69	220	1	4	8	80	3	2	14	80	Alex. Dundas.
Lucan.....	70	232	1	4	9	28	3	2	15	28	E. Mara.
Toronto.....	71	.....	1	4	.....	.....	3	2	6	00	M. E. Snider.
.....	72	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fergus... ..	73	120	1	4	4	80	3	2	10	80	John Barr.
Bothwell ...	74	316	1	4	12	64	3	2	18	64	Dr. W. F. Roome.
Warriner ...	75	100	1	4	4	00	3	2	10	00	R. Warriner.
Oxford... ..	77	194	1	4	7	76	3	2	13	76	J. F. Morey.
<b>G. OFFICERS PRESENT.</b>											
Grand Master. ...	200	.....	4	.....	8	00	3	2	14	00	W. N. Ford.
D. G. Master. ...	176	.....	4	.....	7	04	3	2	13	04	John Gibson.
G. Warden ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	2	6	00	J. J. Ramsay.
G. Secretary ...	150	.....	4	.....	6	00	3	2	12	00	J. B. King.
G. Treasurer... ..	150	.....	4	.....	6	00	3	2	12	00	A. D. Clement.
G. Rep. ....	150	.....	4	.....	6	00	3	2	12	00	Jas. Woodyatt.
do .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	A Representative, Thos. Partridge.
G. Marshal ...	458	.....	4	.....	18	32	3	2	24	32	Thomas Reid.
G. Guardian... ..	232	.....	4	.....	9	28	3	2	15	28	A. McPhail.
G. Chaplain ...	232	.....	4	.....	9	28	3	2	15	28	H. C. Bingham.
G. Herald.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	3	2	6	00	M. Blume.

The foregoing table is computed in accordance with the resolution of this Grand Lodge, at four cents per mile and two dollars per diem.

Your committee beg to move the following resolution:—

*Resolved*—That the foregoing report be adopted, and that the Grand Master do issue orders on the Grand Treasurer in accordance therewith, in favor of the Officers and Representatives.

WM. BARLEY.  
R. FYFE.  
C. S. MALE.

On motion to adopt,

It was moved by Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, seconded by Rep. Jas. Heron, in amendment, that the words M. Blume, Grand Herald, and the figures opposite the same, be stricken out.

Resolved in the affirmative.

The Report as amended was adopted.

Rep. G. W. Hare, from the Committee on Printing, made the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

**Report of the Committee on Printing.**

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.*

Your Committee on Printing beg to report the following resolution : Resolved that the Reports of the several Grand Officers be printed in full in the Journal.

*Resolved.*—That the Grand Secretary have 500 copies of the Journal of Proceedings of the Grand Lodge, appending thereto the new Laws relative to Degree Lodges.

GEO. W. HARE.  
HENRY GIBSON.  
J. B. KING.

The following resolution was agreed to :

Moved by Rep. Blain, seconded by Rep. Hunter, that the sum of Six Dollars be paid to Bro. Blume, for services rendered in the Ante-Room during the present session of this Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary asked and obtained permission to have a new and commodious desk made.

The following resolution was agreed to :

Moved by Rep. M. D. Dawson, seconded by Rep. McColl, that the M. W. Grand Master be authorized by this Grand Lodge, if thought necessary, to appoint the Committee on By-Laws of Subordinates previous to the meeting of the Grand Lodge, and that said Committee be instructed to meet two days previously.

On motion, the Grand Lodge proceeded with the Installation of Officers.

P. D. Grand Master, John Gibson, of Avon Lodge No. 41, Grand Master elect, having been presented by P. G. Masters H. C. Bingham and James Woodyatt, was qualified by the M. W. Grand Master, and took his chair.

P. G. John Murray, of Niagara Falls Lodge No. 53, Deputy Grand Master elect, having been presented by the same Committee, was qualified, and seated to the right of the chair.

P. G. John Hunter, of Eureka Lodge No. 30, Grand Warden elect, having been presented by the same committee, was qualified and conducted to his seat.

P. G. Secretary J. B. King, of Gore Lodge No. 34, Grand Secretary elect, having been presented by the same Committee, was qualified and conducted to his seat.

P. G. Treasurer, Alexander D. Clement, of Gore Lodge No. 34, Grand Treasurer elect, having been presented by the same Committee, was qualified and conducted to his seat.

The M. W. Grand Master made the following appointments, which were unanimously confirmed by the Grand Lodge, and conducted to their respective seats :

- Rep. J. F. McDonald, of Samaritan Lodge, R. W. G. Marshal.
- “ Jno. Schneider, of Chatham Lodge, R. W. G. Conductor.
- “ Geo. W. Pontine, of Erie Lodge, R. W. Grand Guardian.
- “ C. S. Male, of Corinthian Lodge, R. W. Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Master appointed the following District Deputy Grand Masters :—

P. G.,	C. J. Dewey	.....	Brock Lodge.....	No. 9	
“	J. B. McIntyre.....	Union Lodge.....	“	16	
“	Geo. Young,.....	Chatham Lodge.....	“	29	
“	H. E. Buttery,.....	) Eureka Lodge,.....	“	30	
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			Dominion Lodge,.....	“	48
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“	Robt. Mathison.....	Gore Lodge,.....	“	34	
“	Jas. F. McDonald,.....	) Samaritan Lodge.....	“	35	
			Oxford Lodge,.....	“	77
“	Richard Box.....	St. Mary's Lodge.....	“	36	
“	J. Dutton,.....	Avon Lodge.....	“	41	

" John Richmond .....	}	Excelsior Lodge, .....	" 44
		Unity Lodge.....	" 47
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" J. D. Anderson.....		Mt. Zion Lodge.....	" 46
" F. T. Barker, .....	}	Canada Lodge,.....	" 49
		Covenant Lodge,.....	" 52
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The Grand Lodge, on motion, resolved itself into secret session.

After some time spent in secret session, during which the secret work was ably exemplified by Grand Representative James Woodyatt, assisted by P. G. Representative H. M'Afee (Representative T. Partridge being unavoidably absent.)

After which the Grand Lodge resumed its ordinary business.

The new officers made appropriate addresses.

The business of the session having been concluded, the M. W. Grand Master called upon the Grand Chaplain, who offered a prayer.

Whereupon by direction of the M. W. Grand Master, the R. W. Deputy Grand Master proclaimed the Grand Lodge adjourned *sine die* at 7 o'clock P. M., on the third day of the Session.



Grand Secretary.

CORRECTION.—On page 767, the second paragraph from the bottom, should read :

“Representative James Smith, P. G. M., at the request of Richard Wigmore, P. G. M., submitted the following,” &c. &c.



## APPENDIX.

### LIST OF PAST GRAND MASTERS.

*THOS. REYNOLDS, M. D.,.....	BROCKVILLE,	1856 to 1858.
†CHAUNCEY YALE, .....	ST. CATHARINES,	1859.
S. G. DOLSON, .....	do	1860.
WM. BISSELL .....	LONDON,	1861.
H. C. BINGHAM.....	BRANTFORD,	1862.
JAMES WOODYATT.....	do	1863.
JAMES SMITH .....	LONDON,	1864.
JAMES D. TAIT.....	ST. CATHARINES,	1865.
RICHARD WIGMORE.....	LONDON,	1866.
HENRY McAFEE.....	WINDSOR,	1867.
JOHN BARR .....	HAMILTON,	1868.
THOS. PARTRIDGE.....	LONDON,	1869.
WM. N. FORD .....	ST. MARYS,	1870.

\* Died, 14th September, 1859.

† Died, 15th April, 1866.

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The R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Legislation, adopted the following, for the establishment and working of Degree Lodges (provisionally)

## DEGREE LODGES.



CLAUSE 1. Whenever it may appear to the brethren of any Lodge or Lodges in any district under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, that it would be consistent with the interests of the Order to establish a Degree Lodge in such District, it shall be proper for them to authorize ten brothers of the Scarlet Degree to make a written application to this Grand Lodge to that effect.

CLAUSE 2. Such application shall be signed by the full number of the brethren so authorized; and shall be accompanied by the Charter Fee \$5; by a certificate from the D. D. G. M., that the petitioners are properly qualified; and by a certificate over the seal of the Lodge or Lodges with which they are connected, that they are members in good standing, and that they have been duly authorized by their Lodge or Lodges to apply for such Charter.

CLAUSE 3. On receipt of a formal application for a Charter as above required, the Grand Master may issue a warrant for the immediate establishment of a Degree Lodge.

CLAUSE 4. As soon as the necessary authority shall have been obtained from the Grand Master, the brethren petitioning shall summon all Scarlet Degree members in good standing in their Lodge or Lodges, and proceed to the election of officers; after which the D. D. G. M. shall duly institute the Degree Lodge and instal the officers elect, after the manner and form prescribed for the institution, and installation in, Subordinate Lodges—so far as these forms shall be applicable.

CLAUSE 5.—The elective officers of a Degree Lodge shall consist of a N. G., V. G., Secretary; and, if required, a Treasurer. The N. G., on his installation, shall appoint a W., C., I. G., O. G., R. S. N. G. and L. G. N. G.

CLAUSE 6. The N. G. must be a P. G., having the three P. O. Degrees. All other officers must be Scarlet Degree members in good standing in a Subordinate Lodge.

CLAUSE 7.—The application of a brother for any degree, with the fee for the same, must be received by the Subordinate Lodge, where he shall be balloted for by the members of the Degree for which he applies. If he be not opposed by more than three brothers present, he shall be deemed eligible, and a certificate to that effect granted him, which certificate, on being presented to the Degree Lodge, shall be its authority for conferring the Degree. Immediately upon the conferring of any degree, official intimation of the fact shall be made by the Secretary of the Degree Lodge to the R. S. of the Subordinate Lodge.

CLAUSE 8. A Degree Lodge may, with the consent of two-thirds of the members of the Subordinate Lodge or Lodges connected with it present and

voting at a regular meeting of such Subordinate, charge its members an entrance fee and stated dues. Should no fee be charged, the expenses of the Degree Lodge shall be borne by the Lodge or Lodges from which its members are drawn.

CLAUSE 9. A Subordinate Lodge may provide by its By-laws for the payment to the Degree Lodge of a part or the whole of the regular charge for the degrees; in which case the Degree Lodge shall pay to this Grand Lodge 8 per cent of the amount so received.

CLAUSE 10. The Degree Lodges shall make returns to this Grand Lodge every six months of the degrees conferred during the term past, and of its funds, particularizing the sources from whence such funds have been derived.

CLAUSE 11. Any Degree Lodge failing to comply with the requirements of Clause 10 of this article, shall pay to this G. L. a fine of Two Dollars for every month that may elapse before its semi-annual return shall be placed in the possession of this Grand Lodge.

CLAUSE 12. Any Degree Lodge failing to make a return for twelve months shall become liable to the forfeiture of its Charter, which may be recalled by the G. M. or the G. L.; and any Degree Lodge failing to meet for three months shall become extinct, and it shall be the duty of the officers last installed to transmit to this Grand Lodge the Charter, Books, Funds, and other property of said Lodge.

CLAUSE 13. Degree Lodges shall transact their general business in the White Degree.

CLAUSE 14. Loss of good standing or suspension of membership in the Subordinate Lodge, shall at once and similarly affect the member's standing in the Degree Lodge; a re-instatement in the Subordinate shall work immediate re-instatement in the Degree Lodge.

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