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OF THE SAME BODY CONVENED TO RECEIVE

M. J. DURHAM, MOST WORTHY GRAND SIRE

**ON HIS VISIT TO THE TOWN OF WHITBY, ON THE OCCASION
OF THE DEDICATION OF THE NEW HALL OF
EASTERN STAR LODGE NO. 72,**

On the 24th day of May, 1875.

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ADDRESS OF THE OFFICERS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO,
For the Year ending August 1876.

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REV. W. HUGHAN,	- - - -	R. W. GRAND CHAPLAIN. <i>London.</i>

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ON HIS VISIT TO THE

TOWN OF WHITBY,

ON THE OCCASION OF THE DEDICATION OF THE NEW HALL OF
EASTERN STAR LODGE NO. 72.

WHITBY, May 24, 1875.

Pursuant to a call issued by the M. W. Grand Master, the Grand Lodge assembled in special session in the new hall of Eastern Star Lodge No. 72, in the town of Whitby, and was called to order at 11 o'clock, A. M. Wm. Fitzsimmons, M. W. Grand Master, in the chair. Present:

WM. FITZSIMMONS,.....M. W. GRAND MASTER.
H. E. BUTERY,.....R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.
J. T. HORNIBROOK,.....R. W. GRAND WARDEN.
J. B. KING,.....R. W. GRAND SECRETARY.
GEORGE IRWIN,.....R. W. GRAND TREASURER.
JAS. WOODYATT,.....R. W. GRAND REP. to G. L. U. S.
JNO. BARR,.....R. W. GRAND REP. to G. L. U. S.
JOS. CRAIG,.....R. W. GRAND GUARDIAN.

And Representatives from the following Lodges, viz:—29, 34, 38, 41, 44, 45, 46, 47, 49, 52, 55, 56, 57, 64, 65, 66, 67, 71, 72, 75, 78, 79, 81, 85, 100, 105, 109, 110, 111, 112, 123, 129, 136, 137, 142, 143, 144, 145, 148, 154, 155, 158, 163.

The Grand Secretary then by direction of the M. W. Grand Master read the following circular calling the meeting :

OFFICE OF THE M. W. GRAND MASTER,
R. W. GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO, }
BROCKVILLE, April 20th, 1875.

BROTHERS:—

Eastern Star Lodge, No. 72, at Whitby, having made arrangements to dedicate their new hall on Monday, the 24th of May, prox., and having secured the promised attendance of Hon. M. J. Durham, Most Worthy Grand Sire of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, on that occasion, a special meeting of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario is hereby called for that day, viz:—to assemble at the Odd Fellows-Hall, Whitby, at 11 o'clock A. M. on Monday, May 24th, prompt, to receive the Most Worthy Grand Sire, on this visit of that officer to our Dominion. It is earnestly desired that all Lodges will be represented. The expenses of the Representatives and members in attending this Special Session are to be borne by themselves or the Lodges sending them. Reduced railway fares have been secured as per accompanying statement.

I am,

Yours Fraternaly,

Attest: J. B. KING,
Grand Secretary.

WM. FITZSIMMONS,
Grand Master

There being a number of Past Grands in waiting the chair appointed the following a committee on credentials, who presented the following report :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

WHITBY, May 24th, 1875.

To the Officers and Members of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

BROTHERS:

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg to report the following Past Grands present with certificates as Representatives to this Special Session, viz: J. J. Ramsay, Aurora Lodge No. 148; G. W. Jessop, Progress No. 157; Samuel White, Peterboro, No. 111; J. T. White, St. Lawrence Lodge No. 137; B. D. Deering, Durham No. 78; D. McDonald, Western Star Lodge No. 149; Duncan McLean, Manilla Lodge No. 105; Rob't Fraser, Eastern Star Lodge No. 72. Also the following Past Grands, not Representatives: Jno. Welsh

Avon Lodge No. 41, Stratford; A. L. Morden, Napanee Lodge No. 86; J. C. Sills, Gore Lodge No. 34, Brantford; J. H. Cornish, The Toronto Lodge No. 71; W. H. Scott, Peterboro' Lodge No. 111; J. A. McLean, Manilla Lodge No. 105; Ezra A. Bates, Vivian Lodge No. 146; G. W. Lambert, Durham Lodge No. 78; Thos. G. Carson, Bay of Quinté Lodge No. 143; G. H. Carey, Covenant Lodge No. 52; John Craig, Fergus Lodge No. 73; Rob't Adair, Florence Nightingale Lodge No. 66; Walter Blight, Laurel Lodge No. 110.

We recommend that they be instructed in the Grand Lodge degree and admitted to seats.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. KING,
P. B. HATCH,
COMMITTEE.

The M. W. Grand Sire, Bro. M. J. Durham of Kentucky, with other distinguished visitors being announced as in waiting, the Chair appointed the following Past Grand Masters a Committee to wait upon and introduce them: Jas. Woodyatt, H. McAfee and J. Barr; whereupon the Committee retired, and upon returning introduced to the Grand Lodge the following:

M. J. DURHAM,.....M. W. Grand Sire.
SCHUYLER COLFAX,.....P. G. Representative.
J. W. STEBBINS,.....M. W. Grand Master of New York State.
J. H. WHITE,.....R. W. Grand Representative, Albion, N.Y.
R. H. MORRISON,.....R. W. Grand Treasurer of Michigan.
BROTHERS GRIFFIN, WILDER and COWLES, of Albion, N. Y.

Who were appropriately received with the Grand Honors. The M. W. Grand Master then read and presented the following address to the Hon. M. J. Durham, M. W. Grand Sire, viz:

TO HON. M. J. DURHAM,

MOST WORTHY GRAND SIRE, R. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE
UNITED STATES, INDEPENDENT ORDER, ODD FELLOWS.

Worthy Sire and Brother:

I hail with unmixed pleasure your presence with us on this occasion, as it affords me the distinguished honor of extending to you, on behalf of the Order in this country, a hearty and fraternal welcome. To-day, through me

every brother in Ontario takes you by the hand. Welcome to our Dominion. Welcome to the hospitalities of our Lodges and homes. Welcome! thrice welcome! to this celebration on the fifty-sixth birthday of our beloved Queen, two hundred millions of whose subjects are to-day demonstrating in some form or another their intense devotion to the British Throne.

While we, as Canadians, submit a cheerful obedience to our Sovereign, a great majority of our brethren represented by you acknowledge allegiance to different forms of government, and this meeting illustrates the truthfulness of our profession, that in our Order all political organizations are ignored, and that from whatever nation and clime we may come, we meet as brothers and encourage each other as co-laborers in a great and glorious cause. In this commemoration of a day, dear to us as British subjects, we, as Odd Fellows, perform a two-fold homage. We demonstrate our fealty as citizens to our Queen and country, and our devotion to those sublime principles inculcated by the teachings of our Order, the members of which, with their dependents, now number millions, and of which, you, most worthy sir, are the trusty guardian and honored head.

The special work we have on hand on this occasion, which has drawn together this large and enthusiastic assemblage of Odd Fellows, we trust will enable you to carry with you the assurance that the Odd Fellows of Ontario are not sluggards, but, on the contrary, that they are progressing in zeal, in enterprise, and in faith in the Order and its merits, the results of which are shown in the rapid increase in numbers, in wealth, in influence, and, above all, in usefulness and good works. As an evidence of this fact I may state that this Grand Lodge was instituted in 1855, with six lodges—having thirteen representatives and two hundred and eighty members. To-day, we have one hundred and thirty-four lodges, and nearly ten thousand members, having contributed in that time—twenty years—seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000) for the charitable objects of the Order.

We believe that it is by deeds like these that we can best prove in the future, as we have done in the past, that we are Odd Fellows "in spirit and in truth,"—thus affirming, too, the claim we make that Odd Fellowship is a progressive institution. The evidences of progress surrounding us,—this beautiful hall now dedicated to the principles of our order,—the enthusiasm on every hand,—the prominent visitors in our midst,—the renowned statesman and orator who graces this celebration with his presence, his learning and his eloquence,—and, crowning all, the distinguished honor done us, of a visit from the Most Worthy Grand Sire of the Grand Lodge of the

United States, will render the twenty-fourth of May, 1875, a memorable day in the annals of Odd-Fellowship in our jurisdiction.

Believing that Odd Fellowship, not only in this jurisdiction, but in the whole Dominion of Canada, will receive an impetus from the presence of so distinguished an incumbent of the office of Grand Sire in connection with the demonstration of to-day, which will greatly increase our usefulness as a society, and appreciating most highly the honor you have conferred upon us, I wish you, on behalf of this Grand Lodge, convened for that purpose—and our entire Brotherhood in Ontario—a pleasant stay in our midst and a safe journey to your home; and may God, the great Ruler and Preserver of the Universe, continue to bestow His choicest blessings upon you and yours.

On behalf of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

(Signed,)

J. B. KING, Grand Secretary. }
 WHITBY, May 24th, 1875. }

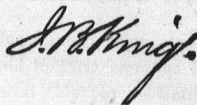
WM. FITZSIMMONS,
 Grand Master.

The Grand Sire replied in an able and happy manner.

Addresses were then made by the Hon. Schuyler Colfax; Grand Representative J. W. Stebbins, Grand Master of New York state; James Woodyatt, P. G. M., Ontario; J. H. White, Grand Representative, Albion, N. Y.; J. Ham Perry, P. G. Patriarch, Ontario, Grand Representative.

The business of the Special Session having been concluded,

The Grand Lodge closed.



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TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

R. W. GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO.

ODD FELLOWS HALL, LONDON

LONDON, August 4, 1875.

The Grand Lodge was introduced into a joint session of the subordinate lodges of London, held in their new and beautiful hall, and welcomed to the "Forest City" by — Hardy, N. G. of Eureka Lodge No. 30, and tendered the use of the hall and ante-rooms for the purposes of the present session.

The M. W. Grand Master, Bro. W. Fitzsimmons, on behalf of the Grand Lodge, accepted the invitation, whereupon the Grand Master took the Chair and called the Grand Lodge to order.

The Grand Marshal and Grand Conductor then, by direction of the Chair, examined all present, whereupon the Grand Chaplain addressed the Throne of Grace.

The roll of Officers and Representatives was then called—
Present :

WILLIAM FITZSIMMONS.....	M. W. Grand Master.....	<i>Brockville</i>
H. E. BUTTERY.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master.....	<i>London</i>
J. T. HORNIBROOK.....	R. W. Grand Warden.....	<i>Toronto</i>
J. B. KING.....	R. W. Grand Secretary.....	<i>Brantford</i>
GEORGE IRWIN.....	R. W. Grand Treasurer.....	<i>Windsor</i>
JAMES WOODYATT.....	R. W. G. Representative.....	<i>Brantford</i>
JOHN BARR.....	do do	<i>Hamilton</i>
GEORGE WALES.....	R. W. Grand Marshal.....	<i>St. Catharines</i>
F. W. JOHNSTON.....	R. W. Grand Conductor.....	<i>Goderich</i>
JOSEPH CRAIG.....	R. W. Grand Guardian.....	<i>St. Marys</i>
WM. BISSELL.....	R. W. Grand Chaplain.....	<i>London</i>

And a Quorum of Representatives.

The Chair then announced the following Committee on
Credentials :

J. B. King, Grand Secretary ; Representatives R. Evans and W. Murphy.

Grand Marshal G. Wales being absent, the chair named J. M. Lawrie
Grand Marshal *pro tem*.

Moved by Rep. J. T. Hornibrook,

Seconded by

That Thos. Woodyatt, P. G., be appointed Assistant Grand Secretary.—
Carried.

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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The Committee on Credentials then presented the following report :

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg to report that upon examination of the returns of the Subordinate Lodges, the following Past Grands have been elected Representatives, viz :

JOHN BRIGGS, } JAMES CURLE, } W. D. GORDONBrook Lodge,.....	No. 9
WALTER CHATFIELD, JOHN B. MCINTYRE, } SAMUEL G. DOLSON, }Cataraqui Lodge,.....	10
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F. G. LEWIS, } W. L. HEALN } ROBERT BARBOUR, }Eureka Lodge,.....	" 30
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We also find the following Past Grands, not representatives, whose certificates have been presented in due form—

W. R. BROWNE,	} Eureka Lodge.....	No. 30
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We therefore submit the following—

Resolved, That the foregoing Representatives and Past Grands having proper certificates, be now admitted to this Grand Lodge, and receive the Grand Lodge degree.

J. B. KING,
ROBERT EVANS,
WM. MURPHY.

J. W. Stokes, R. W. D. Grand Sire, being in waiting, the chair appointed Past Grand Masters James Woodyatt and John Barr, and Grand Representative J. Ham Perry, a committee who waited upon and introduced the distinguished visitor.

The Deputy Grand Sire then addressed the Grand Lodge in an able and happy speech, which was most enthusiastically received.

The following was then unanimously adopted, and complied with by the M. W. Grand Master.

Moved by Jas. Woodyatt, P. G. M.,
Seconded by W. N. Ford, P. G. M.,

That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to J. W. Stokes R. W. Deputy Grand Sire for his visit and words of advice and encouragement.

The Grand Master then announced the following Standing Committees :

COMMITTEES FOR SESSION OF 1875.

Distribution.—John Gibson, P. G. M.; Representatives J. B. McIntyre, J. T. White, C. B. Stevens, W. J. Diamond.

Returns.—Reps. A. R. Narraway, F. F. Lawrence, Charles Greenaway Thomas Colby, F. G. Lewis, E. Burnham.

Finance.—Reps. Hugh Blain, W. J. Hodgson, P. S. Furniss, H. H. Maddock, Geo. Shaw.

Appeals.—Geo. Wright, P. G. M.; S. G. Dolson, P. G. M.; Reps. H. B. Taylor, J. D. Matheson, I. F. Toms.

Laws of Subordinates.—Reps. Cl. T. Campbell, W. F. Roome, W. A. Rawlings, W. S. Campbell, Robert Kirkpatrick.

Legislation.—Thos. Partridge, P. G. M.; John Barr, P. G. M.; Henry McAfee, P. G. M.; and Reps. W. J. Diamond, Robert Barbour.

State of the Order.—James Woodyatt, P. G. M.; W. N. Ford, P. G. M.; Reps. J. Ham Perry, W. D. Gordon, J. J. Dyas, W. G. Mutton.

Mileage and per Diem.—Reps. G. W. Jessop, T. W. Raines, Chas. Packert James Curle, John Newton.

Petitions and Correspondence.—Reps. D. M. Telford, George Wheeler, J. McGaw, P. G. M.; W. Mansell, G. D. McKay, J. E. Durham.

Printing.—Reps. R. Warriner, D. McConachie, John Ashby.

Re-Distribution of Districts.—W. N. Ford, P. G. M.; J. Gibson, P. G. M.; Reps. J. H. Perry, C. B. Stevens, James Curle and John Craig (Fergus).

On motion, the minutes of the last annual session, as printed, were adopted.

The Grand Secretary then read the minutes of the special session, of May 24th, 1875, called to suitably receive the M. W. Grand Sire, when the following was adopted.

Resolved.—That the minutes of the special meeting be adopted, and that the address presented to the Grand Sire be spread upon the journal.

The Grand Master rose to read his report, when the following was adopted:

Moved by Rep. W. J. Diamond, seconded by G. Rep. Jno. Barr,

That the reports of the M. W. Grand Master and the report of the R. W. Grand Secretary be received as printed, and distributed amongst the Representatives.

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GRAND MASTER'S REPORT.

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

OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES.—With the returning year we meet again, not only to review the significant triumphs of Odd Fellowship during another twelve months' campaign, but also to consider questions of the present and legislate for the future.

For the kind Providence that has watched over and sustained us as members of one common brotherhood; for the signal success that has crowned our united efforts during the past year; and for the more than favorable circumstances under which we are convened on this occasion, let our hearts rise in gratitude to God and become vocal with His praise, and let us, as a Lodge, prostrate ourselves at His feet and acknowledge Him as the donor of all our benefits.

1. The following Lodges have been instituted during the year under dispensations, and charters are herewith recommended for the same:—

1 Aurora.....	Lodge No. 148...Aurora.....	Sept. 17, 1874
2 Western Star.....	" 149...Brussels.....	" 29
3 Bertie.....	" 150...Rldgeway.....	Nov. 9
4 Sycamore.....	" 151...Arkona.....	" 24
5 Hayden.....	" 152...Norwich.....	" 26
6 Wildey.....	" 153...Granton.....	" 26
7 Alpha.....	" 154...Almonte.....	Jan. 21, 1875
8 Brougham.....	" 155...Brougham.....	" 29
9 Pyramid.....	" 156...Newmarket.....	Feb'y 18
10 Thamesville.....	" 157...Thamesville.....	Mar. 4
11 Progress.....	" 158...Guelph.....	" 5
12 Oak Leaf.....	" 159...Hamilton.....	" 11
13 Listowell.....	" 160...Listowell.....	" 11
14 Simcoe.....	" 161...Simcot.....	" 18
15 Cookstown.....	" 162...Cookstown.....	" 28
16 Oriental.....	" 163...Cornwall.....	April 15

17 Romeo.....	Lodge No. 164...Stratford.....	April 13, 1875.
18 Beethoven.....	" 165...Brookl'n.....	June 16
19 Oswego.....	" 166...Camboro	" 17
20 Hillsburg.....	" 167...Hillsburg.....	" 18.
21 Sutton.....	" 168...Sutton.....	" 25
22 Stephen	" 169...Durham.....	" 28
23 Rose (Resuscitated)..	" 28...Amherstburg.....	May 6
24 Cataraqui do	" 10...Kingston.....	" 25

The above list of new and resuscitated Lodges exhibits a most gratifying harvest as the result of another year's sowing, and their rapidly increasing membership bears additional testimony of the daily growth of the principles of our Order in the hearts of a loyal and patriotic people.

2. On the 21st January, 1875, I had the pleasure of instituting Alpha Lodge No. 154, at Almonte, and of installing the officers. This Lodge has a good hall and started with every prospect of success.

On the 18th February Bro. Hornibrook, Grand Warden, assisted by several brethren, instituted Pyramid Lodge No. 156, in Newmarket. This Lodge has been instituted under favorable auspices, and its future prospects are bright.

On Tuesday, 15th April, 1875, assisted by brothers from Brockville, Prescott and Iroquois, I instituted Oriental Lodge No. 163, at Cornwall, and installed the officers, and five candidates were initiated. This Lodge is in good hands and is sure to prosper.

On the 16th June I received an application from several brethren in Sutton, praying that D. D. G. M. Warriner be permitted to institute the Lodge in that village. With the consent of D. D. G. M. Mutton, in whose district the Lodge would be located, I allowed D. D. G. M. Richard Warriner to institute Sutton Lodge No. 168.

On the 13th February, 1875, I instituted River Side Degree Lodge No. 7, at Brockville, and installed the officers. This Degree Lodge will be a great benefit, as there are two subordinates working in the town.

With these exceptions all the above Lodges have been instituted by the D. D. G. Masters of the district in which they are located, and to their honor be it reported that in performing the duties of their office, they have, in most cases, given evidence that the confidence reposed in them was not misplaced.

3. Perhaps the most convincing proof that the chariot wheels of Odd Fellowship are steadily rolling onward to victory, gaining additional strength at every revolution, is the fact that several new halls have been dedicated to her benevolent purposes during the past year. I have had the honor of assisting at several of these dedicatory ceremonies and of sharing in their closing festivities, and I must say that as to convenience and architectural design, they compare favorably with those of other benevolent societies, while they at the same time serve as an index to the self-sacrificing energy and enterprising spirit of our devoted brotherhood.

4. A great many applications have been made to me during the past year for permission to hold anniversaries, coupled with the privilege of wearing the regalia of office on these occasions. While I have expressed my unqualified disapprobation of the practice of parading the streets dressed in official paraphernalia, I have, at the same time, given my assent to the wearing of regalia, either at pic-nics or when the doors are thrown open to the public, providing always that no intoxicating liquors be used at these demonstrations, and it is particularly pleasing to me, while I am sure it is alike gratifying to this Grand Lodge, to know that the proviso has, in all cases, been strictly observed.

I think an occasional public demonstration in connection with our Order is productive of much good. First, because on these occasions the humanizing principles and objects of Odd-Fellowship are made known to the public, which, while it cannot do any harm, may be the means of communicating untold blessings to many an orphan child. Secondly, because in these social and intellectual features of our Order we get a glimpse of the net work of the individuality of our brethren and of the part they are acting in the great drama of life, and therefore, in my opinion, in all our associations as much latitude should be given for the play of our social proclivities and for the development of our intellectual powers as could be granted with propriety.

5. As far back as 1867 the question of incorporation for the I. O. O. Fellows in this Province was agitated, and a resolution passed by the Grand Lodge instructing its executive officers to take the requisite measures to secure the Act of Incorporation for the Order in the Province, and up to October 1874 all efforts to secure to us this advantage failed.

In accordance with a resolution of this Grand Lodge, passed at its last annual session, I, with Brothers H. E. Buttery, D. G. M.; J. B. King, G. Sec'y; George Irwin, G. T.; James Woodyatt, P. G. M. and G. Rep.; John Barr, P. G. M. and G. Rep.; and Bro. Thomas Woodyatt, as Solicitor (who was directed

to prepare and arrange the requisite papers), took the necessary proceedings before His Honor Judge Dugan, at Toronto, for the incorporation of the Grand Lodge, under the General Act of last Session of the Legislature of Ontario, for that purpose, and it is my pleasing duty to report that this great key stone to the stability and prosperity of our Order received the impress of the seal of the Government of this Province on the 19th day of November 1874.

6. Very soon after assuming the duties of my office, I issued a circular to the D. Deputies in the jurisdiction, requesting them to make speedy preparation for the efficient discharge of the increased duties and responsibilities of their office, reminding them at the same time that upon their judicious efforts, unflinching zeal, and continued co-operation depended, to a very great extent, the growth and vitality of our Order.

Now, while many of the D. D. G. Masters have put their shoulders to the wheel and performed their work nobly and effectually, I am sorry to say there are others who have not merited quite so high an encomium.

7. It is with feelings of deep regret that I announce the death of our late Brother Dr. John Lawrence, D. D. G. M., of District No. 14, at his residence in Paris, on the 5th of May last. He was a zealous Odd Fellow and an honest man. In his death the Order has lost a devoted member, and the community in which he lived, an upright and useful citizen.

It is only necessary to state in connection with the case of Brother J. A. Montgomery, D. D. G. M. of Districts Nos. 4 and 5, and Past Grand of Durham Lodge, that he was expelled by that Lodge on the 23d March, 1875.

To fill the vacancies caused by the death and expulsion of these brothers, I issued commissions to Bro. A. McAuslin, of Galt, as D. D. G. M. for District No. 14, and Bro. S. A. McMurtry, of Lindsay, as D. D. G. M. for Districts Nos. 4 and 5, who kindly consented to accept and fill the respective offices for the current year.

8. I cannot allow this opportunity to pass without calling your attention to the immediate necessity of legislating to the end that a more timely installation of the officers of the July term may be secured.

According to the present mode of installation each D. D. G. M. has several Lodges, sometimes two or more, meeting on the same night, and if they all wait to be installed by him their returns cannot be made to the Secretary of the Grand Lodge earlier than the 15th or 23d July, which renders it almost

impossible for him to get his annual report ready for the Grand Lodge. This I consider no small grievance, and I would recommend that some constitutional action be immediately taken to redress it.

9. A great many questions of various natures have been submitted to me in reference to the laws of the Order, most of which were easily answered by referring to the Digest. The significance of the following, however, demand a passing notice and place in my report:

Q.—1. Can members of our Order unite with other organizations of Odd Fellows?

A.—No. Members of our Order cannot unite with the Manchester Unity or any other organizations of Odd Fellows.

Q.—2. Can a resident of the United States be admitted to membership in our Lodges?

A.—No. Residence is an elementary qualification for membership. An individual can only have one legal residence.

Q.—3. Can a member lawfully sit in the Lodge or vote when he is more than three months in arrears and not suspended?

A.—A member can sit in the Lodge, but he can neither vote for the election of officers nor for the appropriation of funds.

Q.—4. Can the N. G. leave the chair to make a motion, or to take part in any debate?

A.—No. It is the duty of the N. G. of the Lodge always when present at its meetings to preside.

Q.—5. At the election of officers have tellers a right to vote?

A.—Yes. All Brothers in good standing have the right to vote.

10. The 24th May, 1875, will ever be memorable in the history of Odd Fellowship, for the grand Odd Fellows demonstration held at Whitby in connection with the dedicatory ceremony of the new hall erected by the brethren of that place. Foremost among the brothers of Whitby who agitated the building of such a magnificent structure was J. H. Perry, P. G., whose zeal was not the least abated even in the face of great difficulties, and who rested not content until he saw his cause triumph.

The demonstration was rendered more successful in consequence of the honored visit of our distinguished Bros., the Hon. M. J. Durham, Most Worthy Grand Sire of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States; Grand Master Stebbins, of Rochester, N. Y.; Past Grand Master Colfax, of Indiana; P. G. Master White, compiler of the Digest; and Grand Treasurer Morrison; of Michigan.

In presence of these distinguished visitors, the officers of the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario, and a large number of visiting brethren, assisted by P. G. M. McAfee, as G. Marshal, and P. G. Masters John Murray, of Clifton; John Gibson, of Stratford; James Woodyatt, of Brantford; A. Purvis, of St. Catharines, as G. Herald, and J. B. King, Grand Secretary, I dedicated the new and beautiful hall of Eastern Star Lodge to the purposes of Odd Fellowship; to disseminate Friendship, Love and Truth, and to diffuse Benevolence and Charity in its fullest extent to all its worthy members.

The impressive services of the dedication being over, Bro. J. W. Stebbins, Grand Master of New York, delivered a most brilliant and eloquent dedicatory oration.

He accorded great honor to Eastern Star Lodge No. 72, of Whitby, for the noble stand she had taken, the work she had achieved, and the manner of achievement. He hoped that this Temple would become to the widow, a joy; to the orphan, a song of praise; so should this Lodge, like a mountain spring, send down its rivulet of refreshing waters to fertilize the waste places of our desolate humanity, and commingling with those of its boon sister Lodges, swell to ocean volume the majestic river of Odd Fellowship, as it rolled in a mighty tide wave round the world.

He was followed by P. G. Master Colfax, of Indiana, whose oratorical fame was not diminished, but rather increased by his able speech in behalf of Odd Fellowship. He congratulated the Odd Fellows of Whitby upon their great enterprise, and trusted that, from the new hall would go out the genial and benevolent influences of the Order. He urged each member to study well the sublime principles of Odd Fellowship, which, if acted out, would make them better husbands, better fathers and better citizens than before they became Odd Fellows.

11. With the consent of the Executive, I issued a circular to the several subordinate Lodges in the jurisdiction, requesting a special meeting of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, to be held at Whitby, May 24, at 11 a. m., to receive and welcome the Most Worthy Grand Sire on his visit to our Dominion.

A more convincing proof of the high regard which the brethren of this Province entertain toward those across the waters in the great American Republic could not be, than that of the large representation on the occasion.

The Most Worthy Grand Sire of the Order, together with other distinguished visitors, after being introduced and presented to the Grand Lodge, was received with Grand Honors, when an address of welcome was read and presented to Grand Sire Durham, to which he made a very able and suitable reply.

The expenses of the representatives who attended the special session of the Grand Lodge were paid by their respective Lodges, while the expenses incurred by the Grand Officers were defrayed by themselves, and I trust that any unavoidable expenditure connected with the occasion will be cheerfully borne by the Grand Lodge.

On the 30th March I issued a circular to the Lodges appealing to them for aid in behalf of our brothers in Kansas, who were rendered destitute of fodder for their work cattle and seed for their spring planting, by the ravages of the grasshoppers and drought of the past summer, and heartily and cheerfully did they respond to the call, contributing for their relief \$304.50, and I am sure the contributions would have been ten-fold greater, had it not been for the general stagnation of business and hard times in our own country.

I instructed the Grand Secretary to grant permission to Vermillion Lodge No. 3, Dakota Territory, to appeal to the Lodges in Ontario for aid. Their hall together with paraphernalia and everything connected therewith having been destroyed by fire.

I also instructed the Grand Secretary to call the attention of the brothers in Charlestown, S. C., to the illegality of their appealing to our Lodges for aid without first obtaining permission from the Grand Master of Ontario.

12. I would call the attention of the Representatives to the Canadian Journal of Odd Fellowship, published in Stratford, whose pages are devoted to the interests of our Order. This Journal I consider invaluable to every Odd Fellow; I trust the representatives will give it the support which its importance demands, and hope they will spare no pains to increase its circulation throughout the length and breadth of Ontario.

13. It affords me great pleasure to report that I visited the following Lodges during the year:—

In August I visited Belleville Lodge No. 81; in December, Florence Nightingale No. 66, and Eastern Star Lodge No. 72; in February, Gananoque Lodge

No. 114; in March, Mizpah Lodge No. 127, and Durham Lodge No. 78; in May, Cobourg Lodge No. 136; in June, Amity Lodge No. 80, and Capitol Lodge No. 141; in July, Vivian Lodge No. 146, and Stella Lodge No. 125. I have visited Brock Lodge No. 9, and St. Lawrence Lodge No. 137, on several occasions.

The above Lodges appear to be in a prosperous condition, presided over by able officers, and are now working in harmony and brotherly love.

The reception accorded to me on my official visits during the past year was most cordial. I shall never forget the generous hospitality, the uniform kindness and fraternal regard exhibited to me by my brethren in the various localities I visited. This I shall always bear in grateful remembrance.

14. I have to report that in compliance with the instructions of Grand Lodge last session, in the case of Bro. W. A. Robblin vs. Belleville Lodge No. 81, I directed the Lodge to grant him his withdrawal card, which demand was promptly and cheerfully complied with.

15. The following appeals are in the hands of the Grand Secretary for your determination, viz:—

One from Bro. James Smith, P. G. M., vs. Gore Lodge No. 34, appealing from the action and decision of Gore Lodge in the matter of charges preferred by him against Bro. H. C. Bingham, P. G. M.

An appeal from J. A. Montgomery against the action of Durham Lodge No. 78, on the grounds of informality and want of fairness. Also an appeal from H. F. Tuck, as set forth in his appeal, having been left over from last annual session of Grand Lodge.

Erie Lodge No. 33 asked permission to appeal to G. L. U. S. in the matter of Bro. McMath vs. Erie Lodge, but not having obtained permission from this Grand Lodge, I declined to grant the request.

Nov. 2, I issued a duplicate card to Bro. Rev. St. George Caulfield, of Windsor, as ordered by resolution of Grand Lodge.

March 23, I instructed Grand Secretary to issue a card to Brother James Sills, of late Thames Lodge, Mitchell, the books of that Lodge showing that the brother was entitled to it when that Lodge became defunct. I also ordered Grand Secretary to issue cards to Bros. Samuel McGee, Alexander McGee, Charles Cornwall, Edmund Anderson, J. S. Kolfage, T. M. Kaltehaller, Alonzo Elliott, Simon Kemp, and Jonathan Lane, of late Rose Lodge No. 28, Amherstburg, in pursuance of sections 418 and 424, Digest G. L. U. S.

May 3, I directed Grand Secretary to issue a duplicate card to Brother Jas. Dunbar, Amerstburg, being assured by Brother McAfee that the Brother had lost the original.

May 18, I instructed Grand Secretary to issue a card to Brother Charles Damyon, of late Long Point Lodge, Simcoe, the minute book of that Lodge, showing that he was entitled to it when the Lodge became defunct.

16. January 28, I appointed Cl. T. Campbell, W. A. Rawlings, Robert Kirkpatrick, W. F. Roome and W. S. Campbell, a Committee on Laws of Subordinates, and instructed them to consider and report upon all by-laws submitted.

I also appointed Bros. J. B. King, Cl. T. Campbell and Thomas Woodyatt a Committee to prepare a Model Code of By-Laws for Subordinate Lodges, according to resolution, pages 1244 and 1245, Journal 1874.

17. It affords me great pleasure to be able to congratulate you on the general prosperity of the Order in this jurisdiction; it was never in a more prosperous condition; no difficulties of a serious nature have arisen since our last annual session, and very little has occurred to require executive interference.

Permit me now to tender to the members of this Grand Lodge my sincere thanks for the high and honorable position in which you placed me a year ago. To the Brethren who have been my valued advisers during the past year; to the Brotherhood at large for the fraternal courtesies and hospitalities, wherever it has been my duty and my pleasure to meet them, I return my sincere thanks.

I thank my associated Grand Officers for their hearty co-operation and advice. Especially am I indebted to the R. W. Grand Secretary not only for the valuable aid he has given me, the prompt and kind manner he has answered all enquiries and communications, but for the delicate consideration which he has evinced towards me throughout the year just closed.

And now in conclusion, my brethren, let us be vigilant in the discharge of our duty, and particularly assiduous in cultivating the great principles of our Order. Let them be ever borne in mind as a guide to practical life.

May our example and conduct in life prove a high recommendation and a fair illustration of our principles, and reflect the highest honor upon our profession and character, and when we shall be removed from the labors of the

earthly Lodge, may we be admitted to the brotherhood of the perfect in the Grand Lodge above not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

I shall not detain you longer from the actual business of the meeting, being assured that you will give all subjects that may be brought before you the most careful consideration, and that your decisions will redound to your own honor and the prosperity of our Order.

WM. FITZSIMMONS, Grand Master.

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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
R. W. GRAND SECRETARY
FOR THE
Year ending July 31st, 1875.

LONDON, August 4th, 1875.

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

Your Grand Secretary, in obedience to the requirements of the law, has much pleasure in presenting this, his Ninth Annual Report of the operations of the Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction during the past year, as well as of other matters coming within his sphere of duty.

1. Although the abstract herein shows such a gratifying increase, the exhibit would doubtless have been much more satisfactory, but for the general financial depression of the past year, which has evidently had its effect upon our members as well as upon the general community.
2. The resolution, authorizing printing Journal of 1874, was complied with, and the same distributed to the Subordinate Lodges, as well as a copy to each State Grand Lodge.
3. The customary reduction of rates of fares on the leading lines of Railway, and by the Canadian Navigation Company, have been secured, though I have been unable to make arrangements with the Northern Railway for reduced fares, that Company requiring a guarantee of fifteen tickets, which I was not in a position to give.
4. Your instructions, to prepare for the Grand Lodge of the United States a copy of the report of the Special Committee on the W. D. Kennedy appeal, was complied with; and the appeal and papers of Bro. McMahon, on behalf of Bro. Pryke, certified to and sent to that Grand Body.

5. The returns for term ending 31st December, 1874, were all duly received except that of Shannonville Lodge No. 118. I have made every effort to have these returns in, but without avail. Our Annual Session follows so closely after the end of the term, that it is quite impossible for your Grand Secretary to give you as complete financial and statistical information as is desirable, owing to the fact that many Lodges, without apparent cause, delay sending their returns in until the latest possible moment, say 26th July, as is the case with a number of Lodges this year. You will readily perceive that it is simply impossible to complete and have printed full and complete statistical tables in time for the Annual Session, say August 2d or 3d.

6. The books have to be closed and balance sheet prepared in time for the Auditors' examination. This year I waited until the 24th July, and yet eleven Lodges to hear from; these Lodges appear as delinquents, though the returns and cash of some of them may be received prior to the session. At this writing, July 27th, no returns have been received from Clinton Lodge No. 83, Peabody Lodge No. 99, Gananoque Lodge No. 114, and Shannonville Lodge No. 118. The absence of these reports seriously affects the various totals and averages. If the Grand Lodge would change its annual meeting to some date earlier in the year, or accept a report compiled from the returns for the year ending 31st December, the difficulties complained of might be avoided.

7. Since we last met in annual session there have been twenty-five (25) new Lodges instituted and one resuscitated, making a total of one hundred and forty-one (141) Lodges at present in Ontario, with a membership of 10,200, all working diligently and harmoniously for the advancement of the great principles of universal fraternity. In reference to Catawauqua Lodge No. 10, which is virtually a new Lodge, the charter members would not start the Lodge unless they could obtain the old name and number. The defunct Lodge of that name and number was located in Kingston and ceased before the institution of this Grand Lodge. We had, therefore, nothing to surrender, but it being evidently for the good of the Order to have the Lodge started, and they had every right to select the name, it was considered right to give them the number.

The receipts of the past year have been \$7,639.32, and is given in detail as a supplement to this report.

8. During the year a number of Subordinate Lodges have submitted their by-laws for approval. I have sent the same to the Chairman of the Committee on Laws of Subordinates for examination, and as soon as reported on by that

Committee I have sent a certified copy to the Lodge; thus many Lodges have been enabled to get their by-laws printed and in use without waiting for the annual session of Grand Lodge.

9. The Committee on "Model Code," appointed in conformity with resolution of last year, have prepared and herewith submit for your consideration as an appendix to this report, a "Model Code of By-laws for use of Subordinate Lodges." I believe that, if adopted, they will supply a want that is invariably felt by new Lodges, and I would recommend that the Grand Lodge have copies of this Model Code, with the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges printed, and that each new Lodge be supplied with copies at 10 per cent advance of cost, which will doubtless be far cheaper than the Lodges could get their own by-laws printed for.

10. On account of large amount of supplies on hand, I insured the same for \$1,500 in the Lancashire Fire and Life Insurance Company, and ask your endorsement for so doing, and instruction as to renewing the same upon expiry.

11. Acting under resolution of James Woodyatt, P. G. M., (page 1247, Journal) I asked for tenders for printing Supplies for the year; that of M. D. Dawson & Co. being the lowest and otherwise satisfactory, I accepted. I have consequently been enabled to furnish new Lodges with a complete outfit of books and forms much cheaper than they could get a single set for, and at the same time realize a small profit for this Grand Lodge.

12. The sale of the Digest of Ontario has been seriously retarded, owing to the erroneous idea getting abroad that the Grand Lodge of the United States had at its last session interdicted it, when in fact only the forms, copyrighted by the G.L.U.S., were forbidden. To comply with the instructions of that Grand body, I cut out the "Forms" from each copy sold this year, and pasted in a slip explaining the cause of the mutilation. I would recommend that the representatives to the Grand Lodge of the United States be instructed to use their best efforts to have the late resolution rescinded, so that we may sell those Digests on hand without mutilation, as there is scarcely a Manual extant but contains all the "Forms" we have had printed.

13. Agreeably to instruction contained in the Report of Committee on Legislation, (page 1226, Journal), assisted by Thomas Woodyatt, P. G., I prepared a code of Procedure and Forms to govern Charges and Appeals, the same having been approved by Brother Ford, Chairman of the Committee, which I introduced the resolution, I incorporated the same into the Journal of 1874, so

that it might come into immediate operation. I believe it has been observed in some cases and given satisfaction. It now awaits your action.

14. Barrie Lodge No. 63, has met with a great loss by the burning of their furniture and regalia in the late disastrous fire in that town; the Lodge has been struggling with adverse circumstances for some time, and this last misfortune works seriously upon the Lodge. I would recommend that this Grand Lodge consider the advisability of making the Brothers a donation, or loan them a sum of money to enable them to get once more established, and to encourage them in their efforts to keep their altar fires burning.

15. The very large correspondence of the past year is herewith submitted.

16. The usual courtesies of an exchange of Journals of Proceedings with the several State Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments has been made, among them an interesting Journal from the Grand Lodge of the German Empire has been received; also a bound volume from the Grand Lodge of Texas, being a complete history of the Order in that State up to 1874.

17. The call for aid made by the M. W. Grand Master, on behalf of the sufferers in Kansas by the grasshoppers and drought the past year, was responded to by the following Lodges, viz:—

KANSAS RELIEF.

Kingston Lodge No.	59	.....	\$10 00
Covenant	" 52	.....	10 00
Nipissing	" 79	.....	5 00
Brook	" 9	.....	10 00
Grand River	" 91	.....	5 00
Frontier	" 45	.....	25 00
Peterboro'	" 111	.....	10 00
St. Thomas	" 76	.....	5 00
Port Stanley	" 95	.....	10 00
Waterloo	" 107	.....	5 00
Queen City	" 56	.....	10 00
Sydenham Valley	" 121	5 00
Dosaronto	" 102	5 00
Samaritan	" 35	5 00
Friendship	" 65	10 00
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Reliance " 89.....			20 00
Clinton " 83.....			10 00
Mattland " 119.....			5 00
Oak Leaf " 159.....			5 00
Constellation " 85.....			5 00
Streetsville " 122.....			10 00
Grand Union " 97.....			20 00
Huron " 62.....			10 00
St. Marys " 36.....			10 00

\$304 50

18. With a view to secure the more prompt receipt of Returns and Cash due this Grand Lodge, I would recommend that the Constitution be so amended as to require all returns and cash due by Subordinate Lodges, for the term ending 30th June in each year, to be in the hands of the Grand Secretary not later than the 16th July in each year, the penalty for non-compliance being a forfeiture of the Lodge to representation at the ensuing Session.

19. The Semi-Annual Returns now call for the number of Weeks' Sickness for which benefits have been paid. The subject is one of vital importance to the Lodges, and should in no instance be neglected, so that a complete table may be prepared that will show Lodges in how far they are warranted in promising the benefits their several by-laws call for. For the year ending 30th June, 1875, there have been 3,572 2-7 weeks, benefits, amounting to \$10,371.33, paid to 892 sick brothers, an average of 28 days' sickness and \$11.64 to each; average, \$2.90 per week, and in a total membership of 10,125, an average of 2½ days, or \$1.00 each per year.

20. It is to be regretted that Secretaries will not give a little more attention to making out the returns correctly. It would not take any longer nor be more trouble, to make them right than wrong. A great many Lodges add to current expenses all the cash paid out during the term, even though a great portion be paid out on capital account, as for furniture, regalia, &c. Current

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS,

BY GRAND SECRETARY FOR YEAR ENDING JULY 31, 1875.

DATE.	LODGE.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	TOTAL.
1874						
July	24 Unity Lodge.....	47		\$ 4 50		\$ 4 50
"	28 Charity.....	129		31 20		31 20
"	29 Collingwood.....	54		5 00	12 00	17 00
"	29 North Star.....	68			6 00	6 00
"	30 Mount Zion.....	46		1 00		1 00
"	31 Capitol.....	141		37 70		37 70
Aug.	4 Florence Nightingale.....	66		25 75		25 75
"	5 Ivy.....	99		5 50		5 50
"	5 Lucknow.....	112		35		35
"	5 Gananoque.....	114			7 25	7 25
"	5 Victoria.....	78			15 25	15 25
"	5 Aurora.....	64		3 00		3 00
"	5 Sycamore.....	148	30 00			30 00
"	5 Peterboro'.....	151	30 00			30 00
"	5 Exeter.....	111		16 00		16 00
"	7 North Star.....	67		75		75
"	7 Erie.....	68		4 00		4 00
"	7 St. Thomas.....	33		2 17		2 17
"	7 Laurel.....	76		75		75
"	7 Digest, Ont.....	110		5 07		5 07
"	15 Florence Nightingale.....	60		26 00		26 00
"	15 Supplies.....			3 00		3 00
"	15 Niagara Falls.....			1 00		1 00
"	15 The Toronto.....	53		6 25		6 25
"	15 Alpha.....	71		9 00		9 00
"	15 Gananoque.....	154	30 00			30 00
"	28 Supplies.....	114		1 00		1 00
"	28 Com. on Digest (refund).....			6 00		6 00
"	28 Nith.....			13 00		13 00
"	28 Supplies.....	96		1 00		1 00
Sept.	4 Capitol.....			5 00		5 00
"	4 Supplies.....	141		3 00		3 00
"	4 Fergus Lodge.....			1 00		1 00
"	12 Walkerton.....	73		1 65		1 65
"	14 North Star.....	84		1 00		1 00
"	16 Western Star.....	68		1 00		1 00
"	16 Supplies.....	149	30 00			30 00
"	17 Unity.....			2 00		2 00
"	17 Wentworth Degree.....	47		1 25		1 25
Oct.	1 Supplies.....	2		2 00		2 00
"	1 Livingston.....	130		1 00		1 00
"	1 Capitol.....	141		1 00		1 00
"	1 Capitol.....	141		1 00		1 00

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DATE.		LODGE.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	TOTAL.
Oct.	1	Dosoronto.....	102				
"	1	Manilla.....	105		2 00		2 00
"	2	Supplies.....			2 00		2 00
"	2	Olive Branch.....	88		11 00		11 00
"	6	Gore.....	34		4 00		4 00
"	6	Peaceful Dove.....	135		4 00		4 00
"	10	Supplies.....			6 00		6 00
"	12	Grand Lodge, Vermont			1 00		1 00
"	13	Howard.....	58		45 00		45 00
"	13	Chatham.....	29		5 00		5 00
"	13	Golden Star.....	101		1 25		1 25
"	13	Crescent.....	104		1 00		1 00
"	13	Grand River.....	91		6 00		6 00
"	17	Milton.....	82		4 00		4 00
"	19	Covenant.....	52		1 00		1 00
"	19	Bertie.....	52		1 00		1 00
Nov.	2	Riverside Degree.....	150	30 00			30 00
"	2	Queen City of Ontario..	7	5 00			5 00
"	2	Villey City.....	56		2 00		2 00
"	7	Supplies.....	117		6 00		6 00
"	9	Amity.....	80		3 00		3 00
"	11	Hayden.....	152	30 00			3 00
"	11	Walkerton.....	84		5 00		30 00
"	12	Naomi.....	116		1 00		5 00
"	12	Model.....	117		1 00		1 00
"	12	Durham.....	78		29 65		29 65
"	12	Supplies.....			1 00		1 00
"	18	Belleville.....	81		3 00		3 00
"	21	Supplies.....			5 00		5 00
"	27	Livingstone.....	130		5 00		5 00
Dec.	4	Mystic.....	128		1 00		1 00
"	7	Friendship.....	65		36 25		36 25
"	10	St. Clair.....	106		4 00		4 00
"	12	Supplies.....			2 75		2 75
"	10	Maple Leaf.....	57		6 00		6 00
"	21	Sycamore.....	151		4 15		4 15
"	24	Nipissing.....	79		36 00		36 00
"	24	Samaritan.....	35		9 15		9 15
"	24	St. Marys.....	35		4 15		4 15
1875.]			36		4 90		4 90
Jan.	1	Sarnia.....	126		0 40	12 25	12 65
"	1	Willey.....	159		32 75		32 75
"	1	Harmony.....	115		1 40		1 40
"	4	Brougham.....		30 00			30 00
"	5	Grand Union.....	97			17 25	17 25
"	5	Oxford.....	77		0 75	27 00	27 75
"	6	Orion.....	109		1 90	14 75	16 65

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS—Continued.

DATE.	LODGE.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	TOTAL.
Jan. 6	Minto.....	98		5 90	10 25	16 15
" 7	Olive Branch.....	88		0 40	22 50	22 95
" 7	Kingston.....	59		4 90	28 75	33 65
" 7	Otter.....	50		7 00	23 50	30 50
" 7	Dosoronto.....	102		0 40	10 75	11 15
" 7	Florence Nightingale.....	66		2 95	23 50	26 45
" 7	Bertie.....	150		26 65	7 75	34 40
" 8	Oakville.....	132		0 40	10 75	11 15
" 9	Golden Star.....	101			25 50	25 50
" 9	Ancaster.....	138			5 50	5 50
" 9	Victoria.....	64		0 40	25 75	26 15
" 9	Bay of Quinté.....	143		33 78	6 00	39 78
" 9	St. Marys.....	36			29 25	29 25
" 9	Dominion.....	48			46 50	46 50
" 9	Nith.....	96				9 00
" 9	Constellation.....	85			8 00	13 55
" 9	Brook.....	9		5 55		8 92
" 11	Crescent.....	104		8 92	36 50	45 42
" 11	Reliance.....	89			27 50	27 50
" 11	Napance.....	89		9 40	25 00	34 40
" 11	Amity.....	86		5 40	18 50	23 90
" 11	Erie.....	80			22 00	22 00
" 11	Friendship.....	33			13 25	13 25
" 12	Gore.....	65		6 40	29 00	35 40
" 12	Ivy.....	34		1 24	26 50	27 74
" 12	Hayden.....	90		0 90	16 25	17 15
" 12	Bissell.....	152		0 40	3 50	3 90
" 12	Royal Oak.....	51		0 40	27 00	27 40
" 12	Lucknow.....	108		2 00	10 00	12 00
" 13	Harmony.....	112		1 65	10 25	11 90
" 13	Supplies.....	115			7 75	7 75
" 13	Waterloo.....			1 00		1 00
" 13	Naomi.....	107		0 40	14 00	14 40
" 13	Union.....	115		3 40	10 50	13 90
" 13	Valley City.....	16		0 40	59 25	59 65
" 13	Belleville.....	117		0 40	15 23	15 65
" 13	St. Lawrence.....	81		2 89	24 75	27 64
" 14	Fergus.....	137			8 37	8 37
" 14	Stella.....	73			28 50	28 50
" 14	Clinton.....	125		2 65	4 00	6 65
" 14	St. Lawrence.....	83		0 65		0 65
" 14	Model.....	137		0 40		0 40
" 14	Corinthian.....	147		0 40	5 00	5 40
" 14	Orient.....	61		4 50	30 00	34 50
" 14	Aurora.....	134		0 40	14 00	14 40
" 14	Milton.....	148			5 50	5 50
" 14	Milton.....	92			14 00	14 00
" 15	Warriner.....	75		5 75	21 75	27 50

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DATE.	LODGE.	Number.	Charter Fec.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	TOTAL.
Jan. 15	Nipissing.....	79				
" 15	Manilla.....	105			16 75	16 75
" 15	Saxon.....	120			11 50	11 50
" 15	Eastern Star.....	72			8 50	8 50
" 16	Wildey.....	153		3 00	29 75	32 75
" 16	Empire.....	87		2 75	3 50	6 25
" 16	Lucan.....	70		0 21		0 21
" 16	Maitland.....	129		6 90	13 25	20 15
" 16	Fidelity.....	55		0 25	10 75	11 00
" 16	Western Star.....	149			27 50	27 50
" 16	Huron.....	62		29 09	6 00	35 09
" 16	Livingstone.....	130		3 40	26 75	30 15
" 16	St. Clair.....	106			20 50	20 50
" 18	Capitol.....	141		7 90	16 25	24 15
" 18	Walkerton.....	84			6 50	6 50
" 19	Streetsville.....	122		0 40	13 25	13 65
" 20	The Toronto.....	71		3 90	10 25	14 15
" 20	Laurel.....	110			25 00	25 00
" 20	Covenant.....	52			16 50	16 50
" 20	Queen City of Ontario.....	56			62 75	62 75
" 20	Canada.....	49			53 75	53 75
" 21	Unity.....	47			59 75	59 75
" 21	Vivian.....	146		0 40	62 00	62 40
" 21	Grand River.....	91		29 55	5 25	35 80
" 22	Garnet.....	139			23 25	23 25
" 22	Marion.....	131		44 80	5 00	49 80
" 22	Milton.....	92		2 90	5 25	8 15
" 22	Progress.....		30 00	1 75		1 75
" 25	Hayden.....	152				30 00
" 25	Mizpah.....	127		4 00		4 00
" 25	Queen City of Ontario.....	56		0 35	8 00	8 35
" 25	Clinton.....	83		3 40		3 40
" 25	Samaritan.....	35			14 00	14 00
" 26	Western City.....	93			44 75	44 75
" 26	Chatham.....	29		0 40	21 50	21 90
" 26	Rond Eau.....	40		0 90	41 50	42 40
" 26	Dresden.....	124			20 50	21 40
" 26	Bothwell.....	74			16 00	16 00
" 26	Sydenham Valley.....	121		1 65	15 25	16 90
" 26	Ridgetown.....	144		0 65	7 00	7 65
" 28	Hope.....	69			8 25	8 25
" 28	Wardsville.....	60			9 25	9 25
" 28	Cataract.....	108			11 00	11 00
" 28	Hlverside.....	145			11 75	11 75
" 28	Excelsior.....	44			7 50	7 50
" 28	Forest City.....	38		0 40	47 75	48 15
" 28	Howard.....	58		1 00	72 50	73 50
					38 50	38 50

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DATE.	LODGE.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	TOTAL.
Jan. 28	Unity.....	47		7 00		7 00
" 29	Eureka.....	30		0 40	63 00	63 40
" 29	Frontier.....	45			40 75	40 75
" 29	Beaver.....	82			9 50	9 50
" 29	Leamington.....	140			7 00	7 00
" 29	Concord.....	142		0 40	6 25	6 65
" 29	Samaritan.....	113			7 00	7 00
" 30	Collingwood.....	35			5 50	5 50
" 30	Barrie.....	54			15 25	15 25
Feb. 1	Durham.....	63			5 00	5 00
" 1	Lindsay.....	78		0 50	15 75	16 25
" 1	Peterboro.....	100			15 50	15 50
" 1	Supplies.....	111			16 75	16 75
" 1	Cobourg.....	136		9 00		9 00
" 1	Mizpah.....	127			7 50	7 50
" 2	Pyramid.....	156	30 00	1 00		1 00
" 2	Canada.....	49		1 15		30 00
" 2	Mount Zion.....	46				1 15
" 3	Maple Leaf.....	57			8 00	8 00
" 3	Glencoe.....	133		0 40	13 25	13 25
" 5	St. Thomas.....	76		1 90	8 25	8 65
" 5	Aylmer.....	94			34 50	35 40
" 5	Gananoque.....	114			18 00	18 00
" 6	Dominion.....	48			8 75	8 75
" 13	Charity.....	129		1 90		1 90
" 13	Waterloo.....	107			7 25	7 25
" 13	Rond Eau.....	40		1 00		1 00
" 13	Simcoe.....	161	30 00		8 00	8 00
" 13	Vivian.....	146				30 00
" 15	Excelsior.....	44		1 25		1 25
" 15	Mizpah.....	127		3 00		3 00
" 15	Oak Leaf.....	158	30 00	6 50		6 50
" 17	Thamesville.....	157	30 00			30 00
" 18	Ridgetown.....	144				30 00
" 18	Napanee.....	86		40 55		40 55
" 18	Grand River.....	91		5 00		5 00
" 19	Avon.....	41		1 40		1 40
" 22	Lindsay.....	100			56 25	56 25
" 25	Mystic.....	128			0 25	0 25
" 25	Fidelity.....	55			6 25	6 25
" 25	Listowell.....	160	30 00	13 50		13 50
" 27	Niagara Falls.....	53				30 00
March 2	Pyramid.....	156			28 50	28 50
" 3	Unity.....	47		25 35		25 35
" 6	Palmerston.....	123		6 00		6 00
" 9	Victoria Rebecca Deg... 1	1			9 75	9 75
				8 00		8 00

TOTAL.

16 75
11 50
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18 90
7 65
8 25
9 25
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11 75
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48 15
73 50
38 50

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DATE.	LODGE.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	TOTAL.
Mar. 10	Amity.....	10			0 50	0 50
" 10	Thos. Leadstone, card to Bro. Sills.....					
" 10	Peabody.....	99		0 25		0 25
" 14	Thamesville.....	157			9 75	9 75
" 16	Waterloo.....	107		33 15		33 15
" 16	Supplies.....			3 50		3 50
" 17	Inc. Henry, new Lodge, Cooksville.....		30 00			1 00
" 22	Thomas B. Blyth, new Lodge, Cornwall.....		30 00			30 00
" 23	Naomi.....	116		1 50		1 50
" 24	Clinton.....	83		2 00		2 00
" 27	Grand River.....	91		4 50		4 50
" 29	Friendship.....	65		2 10		2 10
" 30	Peabody.....	99		3 00		3 00
April 1	Harmony.....	115		1 05		1 05
" 8	Aurora.....	148		31 09		31 09
" 8	Forest City.....	38		10 50		10 50
" 12	Oak Leaf.....	159		83 15		83 15
" 15	A. D. Clement, old desk			7 00		7 00
" 19	Romeo.....	161	30 00			30 00
" 19	Sarnia.....	126		5 75		5 75
" 20	Dresden.....	124		1 05		1 05
" 21	Amity.....	80		1 50		1 50
" 21	Mystic.....	128		1 40		1 40
" 21	Bay of Quinte.....	143		4 25		4 25
" 22	Western City.....	93		3 25		3 25
" 22	Erie.....	33		3 67		3 67
" 23	Gore.....	34		2 15		2 15
" 24	Wood.....	54		10 60		10 60
" 25	.....	83		4 70		4 70
" 25	Littleton.....	119		3 00		3 00
" 27	Manque.....	114		10 00		10 00
May 1	Seaside.....	28	30 00	2 25		32 25
" 5	.....	163		33 15		33 15
" 5	..... River.....	97		1 05		1 05
" 8	.....	51		4 00		4 00
" 8	Fidelity.....	55		3 50		3 50
" 8	.....	16		5 00		5 00
" 12	.....	162		33 15		33 15
" 15	.....	75		1 40		1 40
" 18	.....	10	30 00			30 00
" 20	116	30 00			30 00
" 20 Brooklin	116	30 00			30 00
" 25	Walkerton.....	84		3 25		3 25
" 25	Victoria.....	64		1 50		1 50

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TOTAL	DATE.	LODGE.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	TOTAL.
0 50	June 7	Stephen.....	44	30 00			30 00
	" 9	Excelsior.....	151		3 00		3 00
0 25	" 18	Sycamore.....	166		1 75		1 75
9 75	" 25	Oswego.....	101		29 80		29 80
33 15	" 26	Golden Star.....	156		2 00		2 00
3 50	" 29	Pyramid.....	72		4 45		4 45
1 00	July 1	Eastern Star.....	73		4 00		4 00
	" 1	Cl. T. Campbell.....	127		2 00		2 00
30 00	" 3	Fergus.....	127		6 00		6 00
	" 5	Mizpah.....	65			11 25	11 25
30 00	" 5	Friendship.....	91			30 25	30 25
1 50	" 5	Grand River.....	96			23 25	23 25
2 00	" 5	Nith.....	150		40	11 00	11 40
4 50	" 6	Berlin.....	150		10 38	11 25	21 63
2 10	" 6	De Novo.....	107	30 00			30 00
8 00	" 6	Waterloo.....	38		50	16 00	16 50
1 05	" 7	Forest City.....	60		40		40
31 09	" 7	Wardsville.....	95		1 40	9 75	11 15
10 50	" 7	Port Stanley.....	136		40	10 00	10 40
33 15	" 7	Cobourg.....	109			10 00	10 00
7 00	" 7	Orion.....	152			14 25	14 25
30 00	" 7	Hayden.....	115			6 25	6 25
5 75	" 7	Harmony.....	110			8 75	8 75
1 05	" 7	Laurel.....	162			20 25	20 25
1 50	" 7	Cookstown.....	97		1 50		1 50
1 40	" 7	Grand Union.....	126			19 50	19 50
4 25	" 7	Sarnia.....	130			15 00	15 00
3 25	" 7	Livingston.....	16		1 40	28 50	29 90
3 67	" 7	Union.....	148			64 75	64 75
2 15	" 7	Aurora.....	71		75	9 00	9 75
10 60	" 7	The Toronto.....	103			29 00	29 00
4 70	" 7	Cataract.....	92		40		40
3 00	" 8	Milton.....	129			13 25	13 25
10 00	" 8	Charity.....	9			8 50	8 50
32 25	" 8	Brock.....	99			38 25	38 25
33 15	" 8	Peabody.....	105		40		40
1 05	" 8	J. B. McIntyre.....	131		4 00		4 00
4 00	" 8	Manilla.....	62		40		40
3 50	" 8	Marion.....	62		7 00	5 50	12 50
5 00	" 8	Huron.....	55		4 50	26 25	30 75
33 15	" 8	Alliston.....	55	30 00			30 00
1 40	" 9	Fidelity.....	147		15	27 75	27 90
30 00	" 9	Model.....	52			7 25	7 25
30 00	" 9	Covenant.....	78		65	63 25	63 90
30 00	" 9	Durham.....	86			16 75	16 75
3 25	" 9	Napanee.....	59			14 50	14 50
1 50	" 9	Kingston.....	59		3 00	25 75	28 75

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DATE.	LODGE.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	TOTAL.
July 9	Cataraqui.....	10		30 05	3 50	33 55
"	Avon.....	41		10 65	55 50	66 15
" 10	Listowel.....	160		33 15	6 50	39 65
"	Garnet.....	139			6 25	6 25
"	Corinthian.....	61		40	34 50	34 90
"	Lindsay.....	100		4 50	13 50	18 00
" 12	Ancaster.....	138			6 00	6 00
"	Valley City.....	117			17 00	17 00
"	R. Evans, digest.....			4 00		4 00
"	Minto.....	98			11 75	11 75
"	Frontier.....	45		4 50	41 00	45 50
"	Empire.....	87			32 75	32 75
"	W. G. Mutton.....			4 00		4 00
"	Nipissing.....	79			18 75	18 75
"	Maple Leaf.....	57			12 75	12 75
"	Canada.....	49			60 50	60 50
"	Stella.....	125			5 50	5 50
"	Crescent.....	104			34 00	34 00
"	Cataract.....	103			11 50	11 50
"	Vivian.....	146		2 75	6 00	8 75
"	Unity.....	47			60 25	60 25
"	Mt. Zion.....	46			6 75	6 75
"	Niagara Falls.....	53			28 25	28 65
"	Lucknow.....	112		40	11 00	11 00
"	Bothwell.....	74		3 00		3 00
"	Saxon.....	121		30	8 50	8 80
"	Wilkey.....	153			5 25	5 25
"	St. Marys.....	36			31 75	31 75
"	Western Star.....	149		2 50	7 25	9 75
"	Oxford.....	77		65	26 75	27 40
" 13	Orient.....	134			18 50	18 50
"	Streetsville.....	122			11 50	11 50
"	Concord.....	142			6 75	6 75
"	Florence Nightingale.....	66			25 25	25 25
"	Belleville.....	81		3 50	28 00	31 50
"	Hope.....	69			9 50	10 65
"	Glencoe.....	133		1 15	8 50	8 50
"	Bissell.....	51		12 50	28 50	41 00
" 14	Romeo.....	164		24 80	8 25	33 05
"	Peaceful Dove.....	135			10 50	10 50
"	Minto.....	98		1 75		1 75
"	Peterboro'.....	111		1 90	17 75	19 65
"	Capitol.....	141			10 75	10 75
"	Ivy.....	90			15 50	15 50
"	Beaver.....	82			7 25	7 25
"	Bay of Quinté.....	143			8 25	8 25
" 15	Dresden.....	124		3 05		3 05

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TOTAL.	DATE.	LODGE.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	TOTAL.
33 55	July 15	St. Marys.....	36				
66 15	"	Ancaster.....	188		2 00		2 00
39 65	"	Constellation.....	85		40 30		40 30
6 25	"	St. Lawrence.....	137			8 00	8 00
34 90	"	Sycamore.....	157			11 00	11 00
18.00	"	Pyramid.....	156		75	8 00	8 75
6 00	"	Leamington.....	140			10 25	10 25
17 00	"	Palmerston.....	120			8 25	8 25
4 00	"	Domlnion.....	48		9 40	10 00	19 40
11 75	"	Samaritan.....	35			50 75	50 75
45 50	"	Otter.....	50			48 00	43 00
32 75	" 16	Amity.....	80			23 25	23 25
4 00	"	Gore.....	34		3 15	25 25	28 40
18 75	"	Golden Star.....	101			31 50	31 50
12 75	"	Walkerton.....	84		40		40
60 50	"	Stephen.....	169		1 50	11 00	12 50
5 50	"	Aylmer.....	94			2 50	2 50
34 00	"	Erie.....	33		20 76		20 76
11 50	"	St. Thomas.....	76		4 62	11 50	16 12
8 75	"	Aylmer.....	94		8 75	37 00	45 75
60 25	"	Simcoe.....	161			18 50	18 50
6 75	"	Fergus.....	73		33 50	6 50	40 00
28 65	" 17	St. Clair.....	106			17 75	17 75
11 00	"	Exeter.....	67		5 75	19 00	24 75
3 00	"	Howard.....	58		25	11 75	12 00
8 80	"	Royal Oak.....	108			41 25	41 25
5 25	" 19	Progress.....	158			12 75	12 75
31 75	"	Excelsior.....	44		33 15	9 50	42 65
9 75	"	Victoria.....	64			50 75	50 75
27 40	"	Oak Leaf.....	159			27 75	27 75
18 50	"	Oswego.....	166			10 75	10 75
11 50	"	Mizpah.....	127		12 00	2 50	2 50
6 75	"	Chatham.....	29				12 00
25 25	"	Western City.....	93			40 50	40 50
31 50	"	Dresden.....	124			19 25	19 25
10 65	"	Sydenham Valley.....	120			16 25	16 25
8 50	"	Ridgetown.....	144			9 25	9 25
41 00	"	Thamesville.....	157			10 75	10 75
33 05	" 20	Hillsburg.....	167			4 75	4 75
10 50	"	Rond Eau.....	40		29 80		29 80
1 75	"	Warriner.....	75			19 00	19 00
19 65	"	Beethoven.....	165		2 15	22 25	24 40
10 75	"	Sutton.....	168		32 80	3 00	35 80
15 50	"	Brougham.....	155		29 80	4 00	33 80
7 25	"	Manilla.....	105		32 27	3 75	36 02
8 25	"	Naomi.....	116			11 25	11 25
3 05	"	Maitland.....	119			11 00	11 00
						12 00	12 00

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS—*Concluded.*

DATE.	LODGE.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	TOTAL.
July 20	Reliance	89		6 50	25 25	31 75
"	Eastern Star	72		40	32 75	33 15
"	Mount Zion	46		1 40		1 40
"	Olive Branch	88			25 50	25 50
"	Forest City	38			75 25	75 25
"	21 Oriental	163			4 50	4 50
"	Oakville	132			11 50	11 50
"	Queen City of Ontario ..	56		25	58 25	58 50
"	Golden Star	101			26 25	26 25
"	Mystic	128			8 75	8 75
"	Lucan	70			12 25	12 25
"	22 Riverside	145		37 55	10 00	47 55
"	Eureka	30			68 50	68 50
"	Hillsburg	167	30 00			30 00
"	24 *Barrie	63		17 90		17 90
"	*Charity	129		1 40		1 40
			725 00	1840 62	4666 87	7232 49

* Received after the books were closed.

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ASSETS OF THE R. W. GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO, I. O. O. F.
JULY 26, 1875.

Furniture and Regalia.

Two Desks.....	
Chest.....	\$75 00
Letter Press and Shelving.....	4 00
Officers' Regalia.....	9 00
Valise for do.....	138 00
Charter Stones.....	6 00
	52 50
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Stationery and Postage.

P. G. and Rep. Certificates.....	4 00
Blank Return Sheets, Bill Blanks, Letter Paper, Envelopes, &c.	40 00
Postage Stamps.....	8 05
Account Books.....	10 00
Letter Clip and File.....	1 50
6 Institution Books.....	6 00
2 Grand Lodge Degree Books.....	2 50
2 Public Installation Books.....	2 50
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Supplies.

7 Sub. Lodge Charge Books, at \$2 25.....	15 75
7 " Degree Books, at 2 25.....	15 75
4 " Rebekah Books, at 2 25.....	9 00
2 Degree Lodge Installation Books, at \$2 25.....	4 50
244 Withdrawal Cards, at 20 cents.....	48 80
129 Visiting Cards, at 20 cents.....	25 80
19 Dismissal Certificates, at 20 cents.....	3 80
9 Digests G. L. U. S., at \$2 25.....	20 25
780 Digests of Ontario, at 65 cents.....	507 09
2 Interleaves to Digest, at 25 cents.....	0 50
1,402 Propositions, at 23 cents per 100.....	3 22
3,422 Reports on Character, at 23 cents per 100.....	7 87
655 Treasurer's Bonds }.....	7 00
155 Trustee Bonds }	
32 Members' Receipt Books, at \$1 84.....	58 88
34 Per Secretary Receipt Books, at 67 cents.....	22 78
33 Question Books, at 67 cents.....	22 11
30 Orders for P. W. Books, at 63 cents.....	18 90
87 Blank Charters, at 85 cents.....	65 95
221 Odes, at 6 cents.....	13 26
39 Odes, Rebekah, at 6 cents.....	2 34
18 Visitors' Registers, at 65 cents.....	11 50
22 Black Books, at 77 cents.....	16 94
22 Members' Registers, at \$1 10.....	24 20
21 Order Books, at \$1 00.....	21 00
11 Packing Cases, at 15 cents.....	1 65
62 Blank Return Books, at 30 cents.....	18 60
25 Rebekah Certificates, at 30 cents.....	7 50
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STATEMENT A.

Amounts Due by Subordinate Lodges, July 26, 1875.

T. H. Vann.....	\$ 2 50
Grand Encampment.....	200 00
Eureka Lodge, No. 30.....	5 50
Erie " " 33.....	0 78
Frontier " " 45.....	2 40
Canada " " 49.....	0 35
Niagara Falls " 53.....	0 25
Collingwood " 54.....	0 40
Howard " 58.....	0 40
Wardsville " 60.....	1 00
Barrie " 63.....	17 90
Victoria " 64.....	3 50
Exeter " 67.....	0 75
North Star " 68.....	6 90
The Toronto " 71.....	0 65
Oxford " 77.....	1 25
Durham " 78.....	8 25
Napance " 86.....	0 75
Olive Branch " 88.....	9 25
Reliance " 89.....	0 25
Grand Union " 97.....	0 75
Golden Star " 101.....	3 25
Orion " 109.....	2 75
Laurel " 110.....	11 65
Trenton " 113.....	18 35
Gananoque " 114.....	34 15
Shannonville " 118.....	1 40
Maitland " 119.....	4 65
Saxon " 121.....	0 05
Mystic " 128.....	0 60
Charity " 129.....	1 40
Oakville " 132.....	3 00
Cobourg " 136.....	1 10
St. Lawrence " 137.....	0 40
Garnet " 139.....	3 00
Leamington " 140.....	5 20
Capitol " 141.....	1 65
Concord " 142.....	2 75
Bay of Quinte " 143.....	0 27
Riverside " 145.....	1 00
Alpha " 154.....	5 50
Brougham " 155.....	0 10
Stephen " 169.....	29 80
Denovo " 170.....	32 80
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STATEMENT B.

Amounts Overpaid by Subordinate Lodges, July 26, 1875.

Grand Lodge U. S.		\$27 00
St. Marys, No. 36		0 50
Forest City, " 38		9 50
Rond Eau, " 40		0 75
Dominion, " 48		2 50
Covenant, " 52		0 25
Flor. Nightingale, " 66		0 30
St. Thomas, " 76		0 75
Beaver, " 82		0 10
Milton, " 92		4 35
Crescent, " 104		1 35
St. Clair, " 106		0 50
Royal Oak, " 108		3 85
Sydenham Valley, " 120		0 25
Palmerston, " 123		0 25
Dresden, " 124		0 25
Sarnia, " 126		0 24
Model, " 147		0 25
Aurora, " 148		0 25
Bertie, " 150		0 25
Simcoe, " 161		0 25
		0 35
		\$44 79

MORTALITY TABLE.

Ten years—from 1866 to 1875, inclusive.—Compiled to June 30, 1875.

Year.	Member-ship.	Deaths.	Per-centage.	Number relieved.	Am't paid.	Total Relief and W. & O. Benefit.
1866	647	11	1 in 59	82	\$ 669 00	\$ 1,239 00
1867	908	1	1 in 907	79	833 00	1,382 00
1868	1,103	7	1 in 157	104	1,335 60	2,145 24
1869	1,443	7	1 in 207	111	1,637 80	2,547 70
1870	1,923	17	1 in 113	187	2,040 54	3,290 56
1871	3,442	21	1 in 159	212	2,707 01	4,716 53
1872	5,079	25	1 in 202	309	3,976 56	6,277 95
1873	6,745	46	1 in 146	394	6,293 64	10,822 78
1874	8,222	56	1 in 139	689	7,525 12	12,963 27
1875	10,223	52	1 in 196	892	10,371 33	17,857 27
Average deaths			1 in 167.			

REPORT OF AUDITORS.

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario.

Your Auditors appointed to audit the Books and Accounts of the R. W. Grand Secretary, and R. W. Grand Treasurer, beg to report that they have thoroughly investigated, in detail, the books and accounts of the R. W. Grand Secretary, and have found them well and correctly kept, with vouchers in full. In regard to this, we would mention that the Grand Secretary has been at the expense of furnishing office room and safe accommodation for the books and valuable papers without charge to the Grand Lodge. An item, which, were it not for the fact that he freely gives up a good portion of his store and of his safe for the purpose, would necessitate this Grand Body's procuring suitable office room and vault accommodation, at whatever cost, to properly preserve its books and archives. This considerably infringes on his salary which is now none too large, considering the immense proportions to which the work of the order has already attained.

The books and vouchers of your R. W. Grand Treasurer, we have also examined in detail, and found correct.

We would also draw attention to the very large expense attending the annual meeting of your R. W. Grand Body.

WM. BADENACH, }
W. W. GRIFFEY, } AUDITORS.

JULY 28th, 1875.

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Balance to Credit of Capital Account,

WM. BADENACH, }
W. W. GRIFFEY, } Auditors.

JULY 28th, 1875.

RECAPITULATION. †

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1875.

Number of Lodges									
“ Initiated	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	141
“ Admitted by Card	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2369
“ Reinstated	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	351
									85
Total									2805
“ Withdrawn by Card	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	448
“ Suspended	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	617
“ Expelled	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23
“ Deceased	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	52
									1140
Increase	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1665
Membership per last Report	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8525
Present total Membership									10,188

RELIEF.

Number of Brothers relieved									898
“ Widowed families relieved	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	158
Amount paid for Sick Benefits									\$9,744 43
“ “ to Widows and Orphans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,568 44
“ “ for Burying the Dead	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,342 60
“ “ Charity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,532 45
Total Relief									\$16,187 92
Number of Degrees Conferred									7633

STATEMENT OF RELIEF AND AVERAGES FOR YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 1875.

Total number of weeks for which benefits were paid	-	3,566	
Number of Brothers to whom paid		898	
Total Amount paid		\$9,744 43	
Average Amount to each Brother		11 64	
Average Amount per week		2 90	
Of the total Membership 8.92 per cent. received relief			
Receipts of Subordinate Lodges		89,999 50	
Paid for Current Expenses by Lodges		42,476 50	
An average of over 46 per cent. for expenses and 19.53 per cent. for relief			
Thirty-three per cent. added to the capital of Lodges			
Widows and Orphans Fund of Lodges		49,736 78	
General Fund		124,166 56	
Total		\$173,903 34	

† See Abstract of Returns in Appendix.

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[FORM OF CERTIFICATE.]

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE GRAND LODGE
OF ONTARIO, INDEPENDENT ORDER
OF ODD FELLOWS.

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at a general meeting of the said Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd-fellows of Ontario, duly called for the purpose of considering the advisability of granting the consent of the said Grand Lodge to the incorporation of—Lodge, No.—, Independent Order of Odd-fellows, (a branch of and under the jurisdiction of the said Grand Lodge), under the provisions of the Act of the Parliament of the Province of Ontario, passed in the 37th year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, chapter 34, and which meeting was duly called in accordance with the constitution and by-laws of the said Grand Lodge, the consent of the said Grand Lodge to the incorporation of said—Lodge, No.—, under the provisions of the said Act was duly given and this certificate is given for the purpose of evidence under the said Act.

(Seal)

GRAND SECRETARY.

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REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER.

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Geo. Irwin R. W. Grand Treasurer, then submitted the following report—

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

The undersigned would respectfully submit the following Report of the Receipts and Disbursements of this Grand Lodge during the past year—

DR.		
1874.		
Aug. 7,	Received from A. D. Clement late R. W. Grand Treasurer.....	\$4,631 87
Aug. 7,	Received from Grand Secretary.....	61 04
Sept. 30,	" " " ".....	253 99
Oct. 20,	" " " ".....	136 25
Nov. 15,	" " " ".....	135 25
Dec. 12,	" " " ".....	129 65
1875.		
Jan'y 11,	" " " ".....	142 20
" 16,	" " " ".....	640 00
" 20,	" " " ".....	470 92
" 30,	" " " ".....	844 70
Feb'y 1,	" " " ".....	477 19
" 27,	" " " ".....	490 80
March 31,	" " " ".....	170 60
May 10,	" " " ".....	153 19
" 31,	" " " ".....	208 25
June 30,	" " " ".....	76 75
July 14,	" " " ".....	1,196 96
" 19,	" " " ".....	641 25
" 22,	" " " ".....	773 49
" 27,	" " " ".....	584 26
" 31,	Interest on Deposit in Merchants Bank of Canada.....	52 69

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1874.			
August 7,	By paid Grand officers and Representatives mileage and per diem for Session at Kingston, 1874.	\$3,593 24	
"	By paid D. D. Grand Master's expenses.....	367 43	
"	" Wm. C. Trimble & Co. for printing G. Master's and G. Secretary's Report..	52 50	
"	" L. Ferguson and R. McWhinny for expenses in the matter of Erie Lodge...	16 00	
"	" T. Woodyatt for services as assisting G. Secretary.....	20 00	
"	" J. B. King for Express charges.....	8 50	
"	" G. Wright for expenses as G. Master...	50 00	
"	" Wm. Badenach for Auditor and expenses.....	21 00	
"	" Wm. Perry, Janitor.....	6 00	
"	" A. Lanigan, Caretaker.....	6 00	
"	" A. R. Narraway, Auditor.....	15 00	
"	" J. Woodyatt, Chairman of Committee on new Digest.....	136 00	
"	" P. G. Colby, Naomi Lodge, No. 116, installing officers.....	4 00	
"	" Barrie Lodge, No. 63, grant.....	30 00	
31,	" J. T. Johnston for Letter-paper and Envelopes, &c., for G. Master and G. Secretary.....	13 50	
"	" M. D. Dawson, account of printing new Digest.....	167 00	
Sept. 23,	" M. D. Dawson, do., do.....	250 00	
"	" Wm. C. Trimble, on ac. of Printing... Journal, 1874.....	50 00	
30,	" G. Secretary's incidental expenses of office for months of August and September, 1874.....	24 34	
Oct'br 1,	" A. D. Clement for Postage and Stamps for quarter ending 1st of October, 1874		
31,	" Josh. T. Johnston for printing Letter Heads for G. Master and Circulars....	9 25	
Nov'r 25,	" J.W. Lethbridge for prem. on Insurance of Books, Prints, Papers, Desk, &c....	15 00	
30,	" G. Secretary on account of expenses attending visit of G. Officers to Toronto to incorporate G. Lodge of Ontario..	25 45	
"	" J. B. King, incidental expenses.....	17 84	
Dec'r 23,	" M. D. Dawson & Co., for balance printing new Digest.....	232 64	
"	" J. T. Johnston, printing Circulars and Slips for Returns.....	14 65	
31,	" J.B. King, Supplies and Express charges	7 36	
"	" A. D. Clement, Postage to Dec. 31, 1874	33 53	
1875.			
Jan'y 21	" W. C. Trimble & Co. for Printing Journal of 1874, Charters for Degree Lodges, &c.....	252 20	

Carried forward..... \$5,468 49

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Brought forward.....		\$5,468. 49
Jan'y 28, By paid M. D. Dawson & Co. for Printing and Binding and Supplies and Packing-case with new Digest, &c.....		388 45
30, " " R. Grigor, one Black Walnut Desk for G. S. Office.....		50 00
" " " Copp, Clark & Co., 100 charters for Subordinate Lodges.....		85 00
" " " J. B. King, G. Sec., on ac. of salary for the year ending August, 1875.....		150 00
" " " G. Sec. Postage Stamps, Express charges, &c.....		18 87
Feb'y 19, " " J. Sutherland, Books and Stationery..		21 17
25, " " J. L. Ridgely, G. Sec. Supplies to date U. S. cy. \$305 35 at 88½.....		270 24
Mar'h 13, " " J. T. Johnston, Circulars and Labels for G. Sec., Abstract Book for Returns..		16 00
" " " J. B. King on account of Salary.....		250 00
31, " " G. Sec. Incidentals, &c., as per account filed.....		34 46
May 3, " " J. B. King, Postage, Stationery and Express charges.....		32 76
29 " " J. T. Hornibrook for engrossing Address to Grand Sire and Case for the same		29 00
31 " " J. B. King, G. Sec. Envelopes and printing on the same, Treasurer's Bonds, Seal, &c.....		21 98
June 12, " " J. L. Ridgely, Representative tax and Supplies for the G. L. U. S. \$430 50..		370 17
30, " " J. T. Johnston, printing Circulars and Envelopes.....		17 25
" " " G. Sec. Postage Stamps, Express and Duties and Telegraph account.....		15 86
July 23, " " J. B. King, balance of year's salary...		200 00
" " " G. Sec. Incidentals for July.....		38 09
" " " Geo. Irwin, salary as Treasurer.....		100 00
		<u>\$7,577 79</u>
Cash on hand.....		4,693 51

Fraternally submitted,

\$12,271 30

GEORGE IRWIN,

Grand Treasurer.

The following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. W. N. Ford, P. G. M.,
Seconded by Rep. C. B. Stevens,

That Rep. Cl. T. Campbell be appointed reporter of this R. W. Grand Lodge, and that none of the proceedings of this Grand Lodge, be published in the public press without his sanction.

Grand Rep. James Woodyatt, on behalf of the representatives of the G. L. U. S., rose and reported, that, acting upon advice of the Grand Officers, the report of the representatives to this Grand Body of Proceedings of 1874, were printed in the appendix to the journal of this Grand Lodge for that year, and asked the approval of this Grand Body on such action.

Whereupon the following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. G. W. Jessop,
Seconded by Rep. W. G. Mutton,

That the action of the Representatives to the Grand Lodge of the United States in printing their report be approved and the same be referred to the Committee on Distribution.

The following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. J. T. Hornibrook,
Seconded by Rep. J. T. White,

That this Grand Lodge do now adjourn to meet at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

LONDON, August 4, 1875.

The Grand Lodge re-assembled, pursuant to adjournment, at 2 o'clock.

PRESENT.

All the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

The Grand Lodge was opened in due form.

Prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Rep. J. B. McIntyre, from the Committee on Distribution, submitted the following Report with resolution, which was adopted—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

LONDON, August 4, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

We, your Committee on Distribution, beg leave to submit the following Report:

CLAUSE 1. Grand Master's Report to Committee on Petitions.

CLAUSES 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 1st and 3d sections of Clause 7—and Clauses 9, 10—and 1st, 2d, 4th, 5th and 6th sections Clause 11—and Clauses 12, 13, 14—and sections 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Clause 15, and Clauses 16 and 17 of the Grand Master's Report to Committee on State of the Order.

SECTION 3. Clause 11, Grand Master's Report, to the Committee on Finance.

CLAUSE 8. To Committee on Legislation.

SECTIONS 1, 2 and 3, Clause 15, to Committee on Appeals.

CLAUSES 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 1st section Clauses 7, and Clause 8, 12, 13, 17 and 20, and the Mortality Table on page 1353 of the Grand Secretary's Report to Committee on State of the Order; and Clauses 6, 9, 18, 19 and 21, Grand Secretary's Report to Committee on Legislation.

CLAUSES 15 and 16, to the Committee on Correspondance.

CLAUSE 11. To Committee on Printing.

Second Section Clause 7 and Clauses 10 and 14, and 1st and 2d sections Clause 22 and pages 6 and 7, and Statement marked B, and from pages 6 to 20, inclusive, Grand Secretary's Report, also Auditor's Report on page 21 to Committee on Finance.

We therefore submit the following—

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

Fraternally submitted,

J. B. McINTYRE,
JNO. GIBSON,
J. S. WHITE,
W. J. DIAMOND,
C. R. STEVENS,

Rep. Hu. Blain, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following Report, Resolution attached, which was assented to.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

LONDON, August 4, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

Your Committee on Finance beg most respectfully to report that they have examined the Report of the R. W. Grand Treasurer, and find the same correct.

We therefore submit the following—

Resolved, That the above be adopted.

HU. BLAIN,
WM. J. HODGSON,
P. S. FURNESS,
H. H. MADDOCK,
GEO. SHAW

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. W. Chatfield,

Seconded by Rep. Thos. Colby,

That a supplementary committee be appointed for the purpose of dividing the work on Returns, as it would be impossible for the present committee to get through with the work laid out for them this session.

Agreeably thereto, the Chair named the following:

Rep. J. W. Richards, J. W. Cornish, W. Chatfield, G. F. Mountain, T. G. Carson and W. L. Allan.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

We, your Committee on Credentials, having examined the certificates of the following, recommend that the Representatives and P. Grands, as under, be admitted to this Grand Lodge, and instructed in the Grand Lodge degree:

G. W. JOHNSON,	- - -	Aurora Lodge,	- - -	No. 148
WM. M. COMBS,	- - -	Erie,	- - -	" 33
HUGH CAMPBELL,	- - -	Mystic,	- - -	" 128
JOSEPH PATTULLO,	- - -	Maple Leaf	- - -	" 57
R. M. COREY,	- - -	Ayimer,	- - -	" 94
W. M. HENDERSHOTT,	- - -	Livingston,	- - -	" 130
GEO. MITCHELL,	- - -	Sydenham Valley,	- - -	" 120
DR. JOHN STANDISH,	- - -	Orion,	- - -	" 109
F. B. SCHOFFIELD,	- - -	Olive Branch,	- - -	" 88
GEO. D. MACKAY,	- - -	"	- - -	" 88
JOHN HISLOP,	- - -	Dominion,	- - -	" 48
JAMES GOUGH,	- - -	Port Stanley,	- - -	" 95
D. D. CAMPBELL,	- - -	Listowell,	- - -	" 160
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Resolved, that the foregoing be adopted.

J. B. KING,
ROBT EVANS,
W. MURPHY.

The Roll of Lodges was then called for the presentation of business when—

The following questions were asked and referred to committee on the state of the order :

By Rep. S. W. Watson, of Minto Lodge No. 98—

What are our rights as a Subordinate Lodge, working under the Grand Lodge of Ontario, it having become an incorporated body?

By Rep. Wm. Perry, of Kingston Lodge No. 59—

1st. Would an N. G. voting at election of officers make the election illegal?

2d. At what time should the N. G. rise to his feet when opening the Lodge?

By Rep. T. Frankish, of Charity Lodge No. 129—

1st. Can a Noble Grand refuse to submit any motion to a Lodge which he may deem an improper one?

By Rep. J. C. Sills, of Gore Lodge No. 84—

1st. Is a brother acting in contravention of the laws of the order in displaying a *National Flag*, having the Three Links worked on it, from his house on the occasion of a visit by a Sister Lodge to the town in which he resides on a *Public Holiday*, or at a celebration, or when flags or bunting are generally displayed—

2d. Would any distinction be made in the case of such a Flag being displayed on a brother's private dwelling, or from his place of business, he carrying on a Hotel or other business?

By Rep. of R. G. Moles, of Vivian Lodge No. 146—

Has a Noble Grand a right to ballot for a candidate?

By Lucan Lodge No. 70—

When a report from a special committee is read by the Secretary, is it necessary for a motion to receive the report previous to a motion to adopt or amend it; or is it in order, when the report is read by the Secretary to make

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a motion to adopt or amend the report without a motion having been previously made to receive it ?

By Rep. S. W. Lambert of Durham Lodge No. 78—

A committee appointed by the Lodge to investigate a charge against a brother bring in their report; query, has the Lodge the right to refer back the report for further consideration, just reason for such action being given ?

By Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, of Romeo Lodge No. 164—

1st. Can a Lodge make a By-Law limiting the time for which benefits shall be paid to widows and orphans to a certain number of years?

2d. Can a Lodge refuse to pay a widow benefits if she is an inmate of an alms house or other charitable institution.

By Rep. Wm. Strange, of Model Lodge No. 147—

1st. Would it not be for the good of the order for this Grand Body to take some steps for the suppression of swearing and excessive drinking amongst the members of our Fraternity ?

2d. Is it not conduct unbecoming an Odd-fellow ?

3d. Does it not spread an influence in the world at large which is detrimental to the interest of our Order.

By Rep. John Craig, of Fergus Lodge No. 73—

Can members be admitted into a Lodge while candidates are signing the Constitution, or are in the ante room with the Warden, providing their admission at such a time does not interfere with the Initiation Ceremony ?

By Rep. Geo. Midgely, of Unity Lodge No. 47—

1st. Is it competent for any Subordinate Lodge to pass a By-Law to compel any Bro. to pay three months' dues in advance, and declare such Bro. in arrears for 13 weeks if such dues be not paid the first regular meeting in the quarter, as per Section 560, page 121 of the Digest, G. L. U. S. ?

2nd. If a Brother is suspended for N. P. D. can the Lodge reinstate him for a less sum than the full amount of arrears, unless he has been suspended a full year, as per 1768 A, page 377 Digest, G. L. U. S. ?

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3d. A statement is made in a Lodge that a Brother has gained initiation through misrepresentations and no one willing to prefer a charge, can the N. G., by vote of the Lodge, appoint a committee to investigate into the matter and ascertain whether there is sufficient grounds for preferring a charge?

4th. A resolution was moved and duly seconded and declared duly carried by the N. G. and confirmed at the next regular meeting afterwards. A Bro. called the attention of the N. G. to the fact, as he stated, that it was contrary to the By-Laws.

Has the N. G. power to declare such motion out of order and of no effect, no reconsideration having been moved as per Rules of Order?

5th. A Brother having applied for a withdrawal card, no objections being raised, the card was duly granted by ballot. A Lodge Meeting or two afterwards a letter is received casting suspicions of a serious nature upon the Bro. who had applied for the card, can the N. G. order the card to be retained until the matter is investigated by a committee to ascertain if there is sufficient cause for a charge?

6th. Can a charge be received against a Brother holding an unexpired card of withdrawal before such card is annulled by the Lodge?

7th. What vote is necessary to annul such card?

8th. Should the charges not be proven, how does the Brother stand in reference to the card?

9th. Can a Lodge refuse to grant a visiting or withdrawal card to any Brother not under any charges? If so, why is it necessary to vote the one and ballot the other?

9. The Dispensation of Wentworth Degree Lodge No. 2, gives the Degree Lodge the authority to confer the P. O. Degrees. What steps are necessary to procure the obligations necessary for said degrees, or will any of the obligations in the degree ritual answer the said purpose?

By Rep. Newman, of Eureka Lodge No. 30—

If a Vice Grand sends in his resignation in writing, said resignation received and adopted by the Lodge, and candidates nominated to fill the vacancy, can his case be reconsidered at the next Lodge meeting after the minutes have been confirmed, and can he be reinstated in office without re-election?

By Rep. Chas. Packert, of Avon Lodge No. 41—

1st. A Brother, say in the baking and confectionery business, whose duties are attending in his store, and at times, or say each day, to work a few hours in the bakery. He receives a burn on his arm which does not deprive him of the use of his hand, but is nevertheless prevented from working in the bakery for two weeks; but notwithstanding he is in his place of business and attends to his store as usual, and otherwise able to do his usual duties, the only work he is deprived of doing being to work in the bake shop.

Query: Is the said Brother entitled to benefits during the said two weeks?

2d. A Brother, say who has a tailoring establishment, whose duties are to attend to the selling, measuring and cutting garments, as well as to sit on the bench and sew. He meets with an accident, say a broken leg, and is compelled to remain at his house for six weeks. For said time he receives his weekly benefits; after six weeks elapse, for one week he is taken to his place of business and remains there during the day, unable to do anything further than to see that his business is attended to. After this he is able to get to his place of business, say for three weeks on crutches, still is not able to do his usual work, but while there sees that the business is carried on. He overlooks his books and is able to make out a few accounts, and latterly able to hobble into the store and make a sale or occasionally cut a garment; still during the said time is not yet able to use his leg or walk without the assistance of crutches.

Query: Is the said Brother entitled to benefits during the stated time of his being in his place of business, he having done such duties as above stated, though he had not fully recovered?

By Friendship Lodge—

1st. If a member has been suspended and ceased membership for non-payment of dues, and the By-Laws read that any Brother having ceased membership for non-payment of dues may be reinstated within five years after suspension by paying the amount of one year's dues and passing the ballot with not more than two black balls against him, and any brother having paid such dues, and the ballot being passed in his favor, is it necessary for him to be reobligated? If not, what constitutes a reinstatement?

2d. The constitution of our jurisdiction reads that the installation of officers shall take place on the first meetings in January and July; but if

any Lodge violates that law and installs its officers on the same meeting as election, what steps should be taken to rectify such proceedings?

By Rep. J. M. Lawrie, of Empire Lodge No. 87—

1st. Is it legal for the Property Committee of a Lodge to expend the sum of \$4.50 for framing a picture of the P. G.'s and elective officers of said Lodge?

2d. Is it an imperative duty of the N. G. to rise to his feet while putting questions to the Lodge?

By Rep. H. H. Maddock, of Reliance Lodge 89—

1st. Is the N. G. a member ex-officio of all committees?

2d. Can a D. D. G. M. grant a *blank* dispensation to a N. G. for the purpose of conferring degrees, to be filled by N. G., with name of *any brother* and at *any time* he may see fit?

3d. Has the N. G. the privilege of allowing Brothers to enter or retire from the Lodge during initiation?

By Rep. W. F. Roome, of Mt. Zion Lodge No. 46—

When a Brother has served a term in the office of Vice Grand, and having been elected to the office of Noble Grand, would the D. D. G. M. be justified in refusing to install him in said office of N. G. on account of his Lodge not having met twenty-six nights in the term in which he filled the chair of V. G., it being no fault of said Brother that his Lodge did not meet the requisite number of nights to constitute a full term?

By Rep. J. Shaw, of Warriner Lodge No. 75—

A Brother takes a withdrawal card for the purpose of assisting to open a new Lodge; when he wishes to re-enter his former Lodge he is rejected, what course must he pursue to be reinstated?

By Rep. Jas. S. Parmenter, of Valley City Lodge No. 117—

By-Law 28 of our By-Laws reads: The regular contributions to be paid by every Brother of the Lodge into its funds shall be \$1.80 per quarter and on no account whatever shall any Brother be excused from such pay

Under the above By-Law is a Brother entitled to the term password dues for the present quarter not being paid, or would the N. G. be justified in

refusing the password until his dues were paid? If not, would it be lawful to pass a by-law authorizing the N. G. to withhold the password till his dues were paid.

By W. J. Diamond, of Belleville Lodge No. 81—

1st. Is it necessary that D. D. G. Masters have the P. O. degrees?

2d. Can a D. D. G. M. confer the P. O. degrees on P. G.'s? If so, when is the proper time for doing so?

By Rep. J. R. Coulson, of Niagara Falls Lodge No. 53—

A member of a Lodge, not being six months a member of the order, falling sick and being clear on the books at the time of such sickness, is he entitled to benefits on the completion of six months, he being still sick?

Also the following, which was referred to Committee on Legislation—

By Rep. Geo. Midgley, of Unity Lodge No. 47—

Would it not be for the interests of the Order to amend clause 5, art. 2 of the Constitution Subordinate Lodges to read something as follows:

Any Brother desirous of joining this Lodge must present his card of clearance and a proposition to the Lodge, which shall be submitted to a committee the same as a proposition for initiation, and if on the ballot a majority of white balls be cast he shall be declared elected.

Should an Ancient Odd Fellow apply by card or dismissal certificate his proposition shall also be submitted to a like committee, and if on the ballot two-thirds of the balls are white he shall be declared elected.

The following was on motion ordered to be filed—

LONDON, AUG. 4th, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

GENTLEMEN:—I beg leave to submit the following for the consideration of your Grand Lodge—

Accompanying this is a sample photograph of the hall, which I sell for \$1.00 each, but if I can get 100 of your delegates and members to subscribe

or it I will give them for 75 cents each ; or, if the members will agree, I will make another photograph of the hall with your Grand Lodge in front of it and get them up in the same style, and furnish them at the same price on the same conditions. I should take it as a favor if you would kindly bring this before your Lodge and get an expression from its members, and you might kindly send me an answer before 5 o'clock this p. m. In case the Lodge wishes to be photographed with the hall, I will do it to-morrow at 8 o'clock a. m., (before business commences.)

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

J. K. O'CONNOR,

Photographer. }
Gallery ;—Richmond Street, opposite the City Hall }
over Mountjoy's Fruit Store. }

The following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. C. S. Male,

Seconded by Rep. R. Warriner,

That a committee, consisting of Past Grand Masters W. N. Ford and John Gibson, and Representatives J. H. Perry, C. B. Stevens, Jas. Curle and John Craig, of Fergus, be appointed for the reconstruction of Districts.

The following circular was ordered to be filed—

HEART AND HAND OFFICE, G. R. A.,

N. Y. City, July, 1875

To the Grand Masters, Grand Patriarchs, Grand Secretaries, and Grand Scribes of the various Jurisdictions of the I. O. O. F.

DEAR SIRS AND BROTHERS—

As it is our desire to make the HEART AND HAND not only in name, but in truth, an OFFICIAL ORGAN of the Order at large, we respectfully ask that all communications, proclamations, and notices that you may issue for the information of Subordinates in your jurisdiction, be forwarded to this office for publication. While this item will entail expense upon us, and Grand Bodies may or may not wish to pay any part of same, we desire to say that we shall make no formal charge for said work, leaving the matter of compensation exclusively at the option of said Grand Bodies, and no bills for same will be presented.

We desire to make our paper valuable as a medium of communication valuable as a business reference, and intend to take every legitimate method of accomplishing this result. Will you please fill up and return accompanying note.

Fraternally yours,

WM. H. BARNES,

Box 4091

A number of accounts were read and referred to Committee on Finance.

For accounts see Reports of Finance Committee.

The following was referred to the Committee on Legislation—

DUNNVILLE, August 3, 1875.

J. B. King, Grand Secretary I. O. O. F.:

DEAR SIR,—Our Lodge No. 15 C. O. O. F. have unanimously resolved to change from the C. O. to your order, if the arrangement can be made. An attempt has been made before to change, but it was not unanimous. There has been a desire of many of our members for a change, a long time which I felt bound to oppose. I have now finally concluded that a change will be for our benefit. We have a deposit in the bank here (three hundred and fifty dollars). Our liabilities will be about fifty dollars, leaving three hundred dollars clear. We have Lodge property worth from two to three hundred, which we have concluded to take with us undivided. We have had about sixty members good on the books, but will only number now say twenty good. The only difficulty in the way is this: the members feel that to change the order they would be placed at a disadvantage, having to commence anew and work all over again to obtain their present positions in the new Lodge. I have no doubt this could be arranged with you. Our Secretary will write you officially to-morrow, when you will be in a position to give us such information as we require. Our next regular Lodge meeting will be a week from to-night, when we would like to hear from you.

I remain, yours truly,

CHARLES STEVENS,

D. D. G. M. C. O. O. F.

A petition from ten Brothers of Kingston for permission to institute a Degree Lodge, was referred to the Committee on Petitions.

Rep. R. Evans, from the Committee on Credentials, submitted the following report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

LONDON, August 4, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg to report that Richard James Potter, a Past Grand of Ivy Lodge No. 90 in good standing, is at present in the city, but is without a regular certificate which he had, but lost since he left home. The Noble Grand and Secretary of the Lodge—members of this Grand Lodge—vouch for his having passed the chairs, being now in good standing. Your Committee recommend that Brother Richard James Potter be instructed in the G. L. degree and admitted to this Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That the above be adopted.

J. B. KING,
ROBERT EVANS,
WM. MURPHY.

The following was referred to the Committee on Appeals—

Moved by Vice Grand Burns,

Seconded by Past Grand Chipman, and unanimously

Resolved, That Ivy Lodge No. 90 I. O. O. F. feeling that the decision of the R. W. Grand Lodge, at its last annual meeting, in the matter of the appeal of R. H. Dyas against the action of this Lodge in expelling him, has had a very injurious effect upon the interests of Odd Fellowship in Parkhill, and believing that the principles embodied in that decision are contrary to the teachings of the order, inasmuch as we consider that by that decision you ask us as Odd Fellows to uphold and support each other in swindling and fraudulent transactions, we therefore, as honorable men and Odd Fellows would request that your R. W. Grand Body would reconsider your decision in the said matter.

We, the Noble Grand and Rec. Sec., do certify that the above is a correct copy of a resolution passed by Ivy Lodge No. 90, Parkhill, Ont., July 29, 1875.
[SEAL.]

JOHN DAUNCEY, N. G.
E. E. CHIPMAN, R. S.

On motion the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

LONDON, August 4, 1875.

The Grand Lodge re-assembled at 7 p. m., pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called. Present:

All the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

Minutes of afternoon session read and approved.

Rep. W. Murphy from the Committee on Credentials submitted the following report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

LONDON, Aug. 4, 1875.

To the E. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg to report that we have examined the certificate of Bro. Past Grand Thos. W. Smart, Dominion Lodge No. 48, and find that he is entitled to a seat in this Grand Lodge, and recommend that he be instructed in the Grand Lodge Degree

Resolved, That the foregoing be adopted.

W. MURPHY.
J. B. KING.
ROBERT EVANS.

Rep. H. Blain, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

LONDON, August 4, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee beg to submit that they have considered section 3 of clause 11 Grand Master's report, and would recommend that the incidental expenses referred to be paid by this Grand Lodge.

We therefore move the following—

Resolved, That the above be adopted.

HU. BLAIN,
WM. J. HODGSON,
P. S. FURNESS,
GEO. SHAW,
H. H. MADDOCK.

Rep. H. Blain, from the same Committee, submitted the following report, which was considered, and on motion of the Committee was laid over until to-morrow morning session—

Your Committee on Finance beg to submit that they have examined the accounts of the D. D. G. M.'s and find the following correct, and recommend that they be paid:

W. B. Gilleland, D. D. G. M., No. 16.....	\$14 25
L. Ferguson, " " 17.....	17 25
Dr. Fowler, " " 2.....	7 00
C. B. Stevens, " " 11.....	5 75
John Craig, " " 13.....	14 75
F. F. Lawrence, " " 12.....	25 50
G. A. Simpson, " " 3.....	28 00
Robert Evans, " " 15.....	16 30
W. N. Ford, " " 20.....	11 00
W. George Mutton, " " 7.....	16 00
C. T. Campbell, " " 24.....	20 00
John Turner, " " 22.....	26 50
D. M. Telford, " " 19.....	23 40

And that the following be returned—

R. Warriner, District No. 6, and A. McAuslin, District No. 14, for the necessary details, and Henry McAfee, District No. 21, for a reduction of five days' time charged; also that the sum of \$3.50 be deducted from the account of Jas. Henry, District No. 8, being amount charged for second visit to Barrie Lodge, leaving correct amount of \$14.50.

Your Committee would also recommend the payment of the following accounts, which are correct—

Wm. Badenach, expenses from Toronto to Brantford as Auditor.....	\$ 6 00
W. W. Griffey, expenses from Ingersoll to Brantford as Auditor.....	5 00
Brantford Post Office for box rent.....	85
"Brant Union" for printing.....	17 25

Resolved, That the above be adopted.

HU. BLAIN,
WM. J. HODGSON,
H. H. MADDOCK,
P. S. FURNESS,
GEO. SHAW.

Geo. Wright, P. G. M., from the Committee on Appeals, submitted the following report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

LONDON, August 4, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

In the Matter of
JOHN FOLEY

vs.

Maple Leaf Lodge No. 57.

Your Committee on Appeals beg to report that they find that the first clause of Bro. Foley's appeal is sustained on the ground that "indefinite suspensions for causes other than non-payment of dues are not allowed." See clause 1782, White's Digest (5th edition).

Your Committee considering that the appeal was sustained on this clause, deemed it unnecessary to go into the remaining clauses of the appeal.

We therefore beg to submit the following—

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

GEO. WRIGHT, Chairman,
 J. D. MATHISON, Secretary,
 SAML. G. DOLSON,
 ISAAC F. TOMS,
 H. B. TAYLOR.

The following was referred to the Committee on Legislation—

Would it not be to the interests of the Order to amend clause 5, article 2 of the Constitution Subordinate Lodges to read something as follows :

Any Brother desirous of joining this Lodge must present his card of clearance and a proposition to the Lodge, which shall be submitted to a committee the same as a proposition for initiation, and if on the ballot a majority of white balls be cast, he shall be declared elected.

Should an Ancient Odd Fellow apply by card or dismissal certificate his proposition shall also be submitted to a like committee, and if on the ballot two-thirds of the balls are white, he shall be declared elected.

Rep. Hu. Blain, from the Committee on Constitution, submitted the following report, which was considered seriatim and adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION.

LONDON, AUGUST 4, 1875

To the E. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

Your Special Committee appointed to revise the constitution, have to report that, owing to a variety of circumstances, they are unable to give the matter referred to them the consideration which its importance demands. They would therefore recommend :

- 1st. That they be allowed another year in which to report :
- 2d. That all amendments to constitution of Grand or Subordinate Lodges proposed this session be referred to them.

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3d. That they be authorized to have an amended constitution printed, and a copy forwarded to each Subordinate, six months before the next session of this Grand Lodge :

4th. That after this amended constitution has been issued, Subordinates be invited to forward to the Grand Secretary any further amendments they may desire; which amendments shall also be printed and a copy sent to each Subordinate, at least three months before next session, as required by article 93 of the constitution.

We therefore submit the following—

Resolved, that the above be adopted.

C. T. CAMPBELL,
HU. BLAIN,
THOS. WOODYATT
J. B. KING.

Rep. W. J. Diamond, from the Committee on Legislation, submitted the following report, which was considered seriatim and adopted—

LONDON, August 4, 1875.

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

Your Committee on Legislation beg respectfully to submit the following report on the matters referred to them, viz. :

As to Clause 8 of the Grand Master's Report—

Your Committee cannot recommend any change from the existing law.

As to Clause 6 of the Grand Secretary's Report—

They recommend the constitution relative to returns from subordinate Lodges to this R. W. G. Lodge remain as it is, and that it be strictly enforced.

As to Clause 9 of the R. W. G. Secretary's Report—

They submit that the matter therein contained is one that comes entirely under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, and that it be transferred into their hands.

As to Clause 18 of same report—

Your Committee make the same recommendation as to clause 6.

As to Clause 19 of same report—

Your Committee are convinced that the question is one of vital importance, but while admitting this they consider it a matter to be left with the subordinates themselves as to how far they are warranted in paying benefits fixed by their several by-laws.

As to Clause 21 of same report—

Your Committee recommend the adoption thereof, and that the hour of two o'clock to-morrow be fixed for the receiving of such petitions.

As to the questions submitted to your Committee from Unity Lodge No. 47, Hamilton, as to the propriety of amending clause 5, art. 2 of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, they reply in the negative.

As to the communication from Charles Stevens, D. D. G. M. of the C. O. O. F., Dunnville, your Committee submit that this R. W. Grand Lodge has no power to enter into any negotiation or arrangement by which Lodge No. 15 C. O. O. F. or any member of that Order can be admitted to our Order without initiation; but they are of the opinion that by the members of said C. O. O. F. complying with the law relating to admission of members by initiation they may become members of this Order, and in no other manner.

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

HENRY McAFEE,
JOHN BARR,
W. J. DIAMOND,
R. F. BARBOUR.

The following was referred to the Committee on Appeals—

We, the Representatives of Niagara Falls Lodge No. 53, of Clifton, have been instructed by said Lodge to bring a charge against Queen City of Ontario Lodge No. 56, of Toronto, for negligence in neglecting the late John Foster, a member of Niagara Falls Lodge, during his sickness and death in the city of Toronto, we having in February last placed the Brother in charge of the Toronto Lodge, and Toronto Lodge transferred the care of the Brother to Queen City of Ontario Lodge, who accepted the trust and notified us of the

sane. The Brother died at Toronto on Saturday, July 24, of which event we have not received any official notice from Queen City Lodge.

R. C. GUERIN,
T. C. WALSH.

On motion the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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PROCEEDINGS OF SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

Pursuant to adjournment the Grand Lodge reassembled at 9 o'clock A. M.

Roll called. Present :

All the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

The minutes of last evening's session were read and confirmed.

Rep. Wm. Murphy, from the Committee on Credentials submitted the following report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

Your Committee on Credentials beg to report that they have examined the certificates of the following P. G.'s, and recommend that they be instructed in the Grand Lodge degree :

ALEX. DUNDAS.....	Hope 69
C. BARR.....	" "
R. TOOLEY.....	" "
E. A. WOODHOUSE.....	Valley City 117

Resolved, That the foregoing be adopted.

J. B. KING,
ROBERT EVANS,
WM. MURPHY.

The report of the Committee on Finance, which was laid on the table last evening for consideration, was taken up and adopted.

The Roll of Lodges being called, Rep. Geo. Inksater, of Grand River Lodge No. 91, rose in his place and addressed the Grand Lodge as follows—

It is my painful duty to call the attention of the Grand Lodge to the death of an old and highly esteemed member of this Grand Lodge, Bro. Dr. John Lawrence, D. D., G. M., which took place at his residence, in Paris, on Wednesday, May 5th last.

Our esteemed brother, whose death we deplore, was a member of the Order in this country when under the jurisdiction of the now defunct Grand Lodge of British North America. Though he necessarily lost his connection with the Order for a time, from circumstances over which he had no control, he never lost his interest in it, and at the earliest opportunity united with other brethren in the locality in which he resided, in organizing Grand River Lodge No. 91. Of this Lodge he was the first N. G., and for the remainder of his life was an enthusiastic and valuable member.

He was our first representative in this Grand Lodge, and those who have met him at the last few sessions can bear testimony to the valuable services he rendered. Our departed brother fully merited the high opinion in which he was held by those who knew him, whether as a member of this Order, as a municipal officer, in his professional capacity, or in private life, he enjoyed the warm affection of his intimate friends, and the esteem of all with whom he came in contact.

At a ripe old age he passed away to his final rest, leaving behind him a record to serve as a worthy example for those of us who mourn the loss we have sustained.

Moved by Rep. C. B. Stevens,

Seconded by Jno. Gibson, P. G. M.

That the notice of the death of Jno. Lawrence, D. D. G. M., of Paris, be spread upon the journal, and that a letter of condolence be sent by this Grand Lodge to the widow and family of the deceased Brother.

The following was referred to the Committee on Finance—

Moved by Rep. H. McAfee,
Seconded by Rep. J. F. Bell,

That the sum of thirty dollars be donated to Rose Lodge, No. 28, of Amherstburg, that amount being charged them for Charter Fee. They being a Resuscitated Lodge, and, consequently, twice paid for Charter Fee.

The following was referred to the Committee on State of the Order—

If at the time a Brother is initiated, the laws of the Lodge declare that the sum of forty dollars per annum shall be paid to the widow of a deceased Brother, has the Subordinate Lodge the right to reduce the yearly indemnity which was formerly paid to the said widow?

The following was adopted—

Moved by Rep. John F. Bell,
Seconded by Rep. Henry McAfee, P. G. M.,

That the address of each speaker upon any report that may come before this Grand Lodge be confined to twenty minutes.

Rep. R. Evans from the Committee on Credentials submitted the following report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

LONDON, AUGUST 5, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee on Credentials recommend that Brother F. P. G., Howard Lodge No. 58, and Brother John Heard, P. G., St. Thomas Lodge, No. 76, be instructed in the Grand Lodge degree.

Resolved, that the above be adopted.

J. B. KING,
ROBERT EVANS,
WM. MURPHY.

Rep. F. F. Lawrence, from the Committee on Returns, submitted the following report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

We, your Committee on Returns, beg leave to report that we have carefully examined the returns from Lodge Nos. 9 to 114 inclusive, and find that the undermentioned errors appear in the December returns of the following Lodges—

- Erie Lodge, No. 33, error of 1 in total membership.
- Avon Lodge, No. 41, error of four as per last report.
- Mt. Zion Lodge, No. 46, no seal impressed.
- Victoria Lodge, No. 64, not signed by the Noble Grand.
- Exeter Lodge, No. 67, one member reported as *expelled* for non-payment of dues.
- North Star Lodge, No. 68, error of four in present membership.
- Eastern Star Lodge, No. 72, has not the seal impressed.
- Napance Lodge, No. 86, error of three in membership.
- Aylmer Lodge, No. 94, error of three in membership.
- Lindsay Lodge, No. 100, error of one in membership.
- Crescent Lodge, No. 104, error of eleven in membership (the charter members being included, and were returned in a former return).
- St. Clair Lodge, No. 106, error of one in membership.
- Waterloo Lodge, No. 107, no seal, no date and not signed by the Secretary.
- Royal Oak Lodge, 108, error of ten in membership.

The following Lodges were incorrect in the June returns in the matters hereinafter mentioned, viz—

- Erie Lodge, No. 33, error carried from Dec., and error of 3 in present membership.
- Forest City Lodge, No. 38, error of two in number suspended.
- Rond Eau Lodge, No. 40, error of 1 in total membership per last report.
- Otter Lodge, No. 50, name, number and date omitted.
- Bissell Lodge, No. 51, name, number and date omitted.

Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 57, night of meeting not given.

Wardsville Lodge, No. 60, error of 1 in membership as per last report, and error of 4 in present report.

Exeter Lodge, No. 67, night of meeting not given.

Hope Lodge, No. 69, name of Lodge omitted, neither dated nor located.

The Toronto Lodge, No. 71, night of meeting not given.

St. Thomas Lodge, No. 76, error in number suspended, should be 10, instead of 9 as reported.

Oxford Lodge, No. 77, error of two in present membership.

Belleville Lodge, No. 81, not headed, and night of meeting not given.

Napanee Lodge, No. 86, error of two in membership. The number reported as suspended in a former return, now reported as *ceased membership*. Name of representative not given.

Grand River Lodge, No. 91, error of one in present membership.

Aylmer Lodge, No. 94, error of three in membership.

Peabody Lodge, No. 99, error of two in membership as per last return, and of one in the present return; in all, three.

Golden Star Lodge, No. 101, names of Representatives not given.

Crescent Lodge, No. 104, same error as in December return carried into this.

St. Clair Lodge, No. 106, same error as in December return carried into this, and names of Representatives not given.

Royal Oak Lodge, No. 108, error of last return carried through this. Representative's name not given.

Laurel Lodge, No. 110, error of three in membership as brought from last return.

Gananoque Lodge, No. 114, error of one in membership brought from last report.

We therefore submit for adoption the following--

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

A. R. NARRAWAY,
F. F. LAWRENCE,
E. BURNHAM,
THOS. COLBY,
F. G. LEWIS,
C. GRENAWAY.

Rep. J. H. Cornish, from the same Committee, presented the following Supplementary Report, which was considered and adopted :

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.

LONDON, August 5th, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

Your Committee on Returns report, that upon careful examination, we find the following errors in the December returns of the Lodges, as named—

- Naomi Lodge, No. 116, error of \$38.50 in total funds.
- Saxon Lodge, No. 121, night of meeting not given.
- Glencoe Lodge, No. 133, seal omitted.
- St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 137, no seal, nor night of meeting.
- Bay of Quinte Lodge, No. 143, no financial statement given.
- Ridgetown Lodge, No. 144, night of meeting not given.
- Sycamore Lodge, No. 151, 50 cents short in capita tax. Error of two 1/4 membership.

In the June report the following Lodges have incorrect returns, viz.—

- Harmony Lodge, No. 115, and Naomi Lodge, No. 116, name of Representative not given.
- Maitland Lodge, No. 119, no seal impressed and night of meeting not given.
- Palmerston Lodge, No. 123, error of one in membership.
- Dresden Lodge, No. 124, error of one in membership.
- Sarnia Lodge, No. 126, error of one in membership.
- Mystic Lodge, No. 128, receipts incorrectly added, ten dollars in error.
- Livingston Lodge, No. 130, night of meeting not given.
- Cobourg Lodge, No. 136, error of one in number initiated.
- Ancaster Lodge, No. 138, night of meeting not given.
- Capitol Lodge, No. 141, error of two in membership.
- Bay of Quinte Lodge, No. 143, error of one in membership; no financial statement, and 25c. short in tax.

Riverside Lodge, No. 144, no seal attached.
Model Lodge, No. 147, error of one in membership and in per capita tax.
Aurora Lodge, No. 148, error of one in membership.
Bertie Lodge, No. 150, error in number initiated.
Progress Lodge, No. 158, night of meeting not given.
Oak Leaf Lodge, No. 159, no seal and name of Representative not given.
Hillsburg Lodge, No. 167, no financial statement.
Sutton Lodge, No. 168, no financial statement.

In conclusion your Committee beg to report that with the present simple and concise form of return, we fail to see how an efficient Secretary can have any difficulty in making out correct returns, and would earnestly recommend that subordinate Lodges make the office of Recording Secretary as nearly permanent as possible.

We regret to find the item of current expenses in most Lodges very large in proportion to income, and would strongly impress upon Lodges the necessity of economy in expenses voted under this heading.

J. H. CORNISH,
W. L. ALLEN,
W. F. MOUNTAIN,
JAS. RICHARDS,
THOS. G. CARSON,
W. CHATFIELD.

The following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. C. B. Stevens,

Seconded by Rep. J. B. McIntyre,

That a Special Committee be appointed for the purpose of devising some equitable means of curtailing the representation of this R. W. Grand Lodge, and that they be requested to report at this session of the Grand Lodge.

Rep. J. Elias Durham, from the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, submitted the following Report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

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

We, the undersigned Committee on Petitions, submit the following Report on Grand Master's Report, Clause 1—

Resolved, That the following Lodges, which have been working under dispensations during the past year, be granted Charters, viz—

Aurora Lodge.....	No. 148.....	Aurora.
Western Star.....	" 149.....	Brussels.
Bertie.....	" 150.....	Ridgeway.
Sycamore.....	" 151.....	Arkona.
Hayden.....	" 152.....	Norwich.
Wildy.....	" 153.....	Granton.
Alpha.....	" 154.....	Almonte.
Brougham.....	" 155.....	Brougham.
Pyramid.....	" 156.....	Newmarket.
Thamesville.....	" 157.....	Thamesville.
Progress.....	" 158.....	Guelph.
Oak Leaf.....	" 159.....	Hamilton.
Listowell.....	" 160.....	Listowell.
Simcoe.....	" 161.....	Simcoe.
Cookstown.....	" 162.....	Cookstown.
Oriental.....	" 163.....	Cornwall.
Romeo.....	" 164.....	Stratford.
Beethoven.....	" 165.....	Brooklin.
Oswego.....	" 166.....	Canboro.
Hillsburg.....	" 167.....	Hillsburg.
Sutton.....	" 168.....	Sutton.
Stephen.....	" 169.....	Durham.
Alliston.....	" 170.....	Alliston.
Rose (resuscitated).....	" 28.....	Amherstburg.
Cataraqui (resuscitated).....	" 10.....	Kingston.

We therefore move the adoption of the above report.

D. M. TELFORD,
GEO. WHEELER,
J. MCGAW,
WM. MANSELL,
G. D. MACKAY,
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Rep. J. McGaw, P. G. M., from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was adopted—

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

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

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

That the petition of Bros. W. D. Gordon, J. D. Duncan, Geo. Lee, N. Smith, B. J. Faughew, Wm. Perry, J. B. McIver, Geo. C. Kemp, W. I. C. Bethel, Wm. Saunders, scarlet members, duly qualified brothers, be received, and that this Grand Lodge do grant said brothers a charter to open a Degree Lodge in the city of Kingston, Ontario, to be known and hailed as Mystic Degree Lodge.

We therefore submit the following :

That the above report be adopted.

D. M. TELFORD,
GEO. WHEELER,
J. MCGAW, P. G. M.,
WM. MANSELL,
G. D. MACKAY,
J. E. DURHAM.

Rep. D. M. Telford, from the same Committee, submitted the following, which was adopted—

LONDON, August 5th, 1875.

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

Your Committee on Correspondence beg to submit, that in perusing the voluminous correspondence for the past year, we find very many and just complaints that installation of officers has been very indifferently attended to by several of the late District Deputies, which is an evil too important to be overlooked ; and beg to suggest that this Grand Lodge take action at once to secure promptness as far as possible in the future, and that the following District Deputies have failed to report to the Grand Master :

No. 3.—G. A. Simpson.

" 12.—F. F. Lawrence.

" 20.—W. N. Ford.

" 29.—J. F. O'Neil.

Further, we find that a great part of the correspondence to the Grand Master and Grand Secretary has been of the most trivial nature, quite unnecessary, and entailing an endless amount of uncalled for labor on the part of the R. W. Grand Secretary and Grand Master, and would recommend that Subordinates be more select in their correspondence in the future.

We also find that the different correspondence have been regularly answered by the Grand Secretary and Grand Master, and also correctly filed, to the great convenience of your Committee.

We therefore submit the following—

Resolved, That the foregoing be adopted.

D. M. TELFORD,
GEORGE WHEELER,
J. MCGAW, P.G.M.
W. MANSELL,
GEO. D. MACKAY,
J. ELIAS DURHAM.

Rep. Geo. Wheeler, from the same Committee, submitted the following, which was adopted—

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

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

We, the undersigned Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, submit the following report upon communications from P. G. Lovell, of Peabody Lodge, complaint against D. D. O'Neil for negligence in not attending to his duties as District Deputy over Peabody Lodge, Watford, in not answering the several communications forwarded from said Peabody Lodge, whereby the installation of their officers was delayed until the middle of February instead of January, 1875; and also through which neglect they were obliged, from circumstances, to suspend their regular meetings.

Resolved, That said Bro. O'Neil is deserving of the censure of this R. W. Grand Lodge for neglect of duty.

We submit the following:

That the foregoing be adopted.

GEO. WHEELER,
D. M. TELFORD,
J. MCGAW, P. G. M.,
WM. MANSELL,
GEO. D. MACKAY,
J. E. DURHAM,

The following was resolved in the negative—

Moved by Rep. J. S. McMahon,

Seconded by Rep. J. C. White,

That the Grand Secretary be directed to add to the items upon which reports are required to be made by Subordinates to this Grand Lodge, the following facts: The number of members by semi-decades from 21 to 25. 25 to 30, 30 to 35, and so on. The age of each brother receiving benefits. The age of each brother at death. The number of years each widow has been receiving benefits. The number of years in good standing of members suspended or dropped for non-payment of dues.

The following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. J. B. McIntyre,
Seconded by Rep. J. T. White,

That the Committee on Mileage and per Diem be instructed to insert in their report two dollars per diem, and the mileage at four cents per mile for the number of miles travelled.

The following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. J. B. McIntyre,
Seconded by Rep. J. S. McMahon,

That Committees, meeting during interim, be paid mileage and per diem at same rate as representatives to Grand Lodge, and that it be the duty of the Chairman of each Committee to submit the account for such mileage.

Rep. D. McConachie, from the Committee on Printing, submitted the following, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

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

Your Committee on Printing, to whom was referred Clause 11 of the R. W. Grand Secretary's report, beg leave to report as follows:

1st. That we approve of the action of the R. W. Grand Secretary.

2nd. We would recommend he be instructed to receive tenders for the printing of one thousand copies (or more, as he may see fit,) of the proceedings of the present session of this R. W. Grand Body for distribution.

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

D. McCONACHIE,
R. WARRINER,
JOHN ASHLEY.

The following was referred to the Committee on State of the Order—

By Rep. R. G. Moles,
“ George Pearson.

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

In regard to District No. 1, we would beg to call your attention to the fact that we have not received an official visit from D. D. G. M. Mowat during the whole term of his office, and that he has also been very negligent in answering correspondence, and the Lodges we represent have felt it a sore grievance at the manner in which they have been treated. We would beg of you to give the matter your consideration, and take action on the same.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned until 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

AUGUST 5, 1875.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

All the Grand Officers present and a quorum of Representatives.

The minutes of the morning session were read and adopted.

Rep. R. Evans, from the Committee on Credentials, submitted the following report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

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

Your Committee on Credentials have examined the certificates of the following Past Grands and find them correct, and recommend that they be instructed in the Grand Lodge degree and be permitted to take their seats in this Grand Lodge:

P. G. John Farquharson, Avon, 41; P. G. Edward Kinder, Howard, 48;
P. G. Hugh Fitzpatrick, Hope, 69; P. G. Geo. E. Laing, Oxford, 77; D. F.
Jelly, Hope, 69.

Resolved, That the foregoing be adopted.

WM. MURPHY,
J. B. KING,
ROBT. EVANS.

On motion of Rep. J. Ashley, the motion to adopt the report of the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, relating to the censure of D. D. G. M. O'Neil, was reconsidered, and by a unanimous vote referred back to the Committee for reconsideration, in order to hear D. D. G. M. O'Neil's statement.

The hour of two o'clock having arrived, which being set apart for consideration of petitions from Subordinate Lodges for permission to incorporate, the following were read—

Friendship, No. 65	Listowell, 160	Stephen, 169,
Marion 131	Sarnia, 126	Vivian 146
Orient, 134	Sydenham Valley, 120	Valley City 117
Charity, 129	Port Stanley, 95	Pyramid, 156
Maple Leaf, 57	Unity, 49	Stella, 125
Howard, 58	Durham, 78	St. Thomas, 76
Ivy 90	Garnet 139	Beaver 82
Leamington, 140	Grand River, 91	Bertie, 150
Florence Nightingale, 66	Excelsior, 44	St. Lawrence, 137
Golden Star, 101	Cataraqui, 10	Dresden, 124
Harmony, 115	Victoria, 64	Oxford, 77
Laurel, 110	Saxon, 121	Alpha, 154
Warriner, 75	Crescent, 104	Kingston, 59
Corinthian, 61	Oak Leaf, 159	Progress, 158
Fergus, 73	Queen City of Ontario, 56	Naomi, 116
Minto, 98	Orion, 109	Sycamore, 151
Samaritan, 35	Mount Zion, 46	Walkerton, 84
Aylmer, 94.		

When the following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. J. Pattullo,

Seconded by Rep. J. Dodimead,

That the consent of this R. W. Grand Lodge be given to the above Lodges to be incorporated under the provisions of the Act for that purpose.

Rep. W. Murphy, from the Committee on Credentials, submitted the following Report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

LONDON, August 5, 1895.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

Your Committee on Credentials recommend that Bro. Past Grand, William Bell, of Forest City Lodge, No. 38, be instructed in the Grand Lodge Degree.

J. B. KING,
ROBERT EVANS,
WM. MURPHY.

Rep. J. Ham Perry, from the Committee on Stats of the Order, submitted the following Report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

The Committee on the State of the Order submit the following on the Questions from Gore Lodge, No. 34 :

1st. Is a brother acting in contravention of the laws of the Order in displaying a national flag, having the Three Links worked on it, from his house, on the occasion of a visit of a sister Lodge to the town in which he resides, on a public holiday or at a celebration when flags or bunting are generally displayed?

To which we reply :

No; provided his dwelling is detached and no business of any kind carried on therein or attached thereto.

2nd. Would any distinction be made in the case of such a flag being displayed on a brother's private dwelling or from his place of business, he carrying on an hotel or other business?

To which we reply :

Yes. See section 588 A, Digest G.L.U.S.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved, That the foregoing Report be adopted.

J. HAM PERRY,
W. GEORGE MUTTON,
WM. N. FORD,
W. D. GORDON,
J. J. DYAS.

Rep. W. D. Gordon, from the same Committee, submitted the following report, which was adopted—

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee on the State of the Order, to whom were referred several clauses of the Grand Master's and Grand Secretary's report, beg leave to report:

That we congratulate the Order on its continued prosperity, as spoken of by the G. M., and approve of his actions in the following clauses presented for our consideration, viz.: 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, Section 3 of Clause 7, Sections 4, 5, 6 and 7 of Clause 15, and Clauses 16 and 17.

Your Committee join with the Grand Master on expressing his regret at the decease of our old and esteemed brother, Dr. John F. Lawrence, D. D. G. M. of District No. 14, an old and worthy Odd Fellow, stricken down in the midst of his active labors.

We approve of the action of the Grand Master in the appointments he has made to fill the vacancies in Districts Nos. 4 and 5, as well as in District No. 14, as above.

The opening of the new hall, in the fine building erected by Eastern Star Lodge, No. 72, of Whitby, afforded an opportunity of inviting the M. W. Grand Sire to visit Ontario. He, with other distinguished brethren from the United States, aided materially in the success of the demonstration on the occasion.

Your Committee approve of the action of the M. W. Grand Master in calling a special meeting of the Grand Lodge on that occasion.

Clause 9. We approve of the answers to questions 1 and 4. The answer to question 2 requires modification in accordance with sec. 1720 of the Digest of the G. L. U. S., which in the opinion of your Committee is explanatory of, or supplementary to, Sec. 1717. We approve of the answer to question 5, with the addition of the words "except the Noble Grand." See sec. 4, page 24, Ontario Digest. Question 3 should be answered as follows: Such a member can sit in the Lodge with the consent of the Noble Grand, but he is not entitled to vote.

In regard to the clauses of the Grand Secretary's Report referred to your Committee, we approve of clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 12, 29; also clause 13, with

the following addition to section 2 (evidence and witnesses), to be called paragraph 5, viz: Any member of the Order refusing or neglecting to give evidence or produce documentary evidence in his possession, upon the application of the party requiring his testimony, shall then be required by the Committee to give such evidence, and if he still refuses, after being so required by the Committee to give or produce such evidence, he shall be reported to his Lodge, which Lodge shall take such action as they may deem necessary to compel the production of such evidence.

We heartily rejoice that the call for aid to the Kansas sufferers has been so liberally responded to.

We approve of the publication by the Grand Secretary of the mortality tables and statements of relief and averages, and would recommend its continuance, with additional statistical information as to the ages of each member seeking relief.

We submit the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

W. D. GORDON,
 JAMES WOODYATT,
 WM. N. FORD,
 J. J. DYAS,
 J. HAM PERRY,
 W. GEO. MUTTON.

W. N. Ford, P. G. M., from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was considered seriatim as read, and adopted

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee on the State of the Order beg leave to report on the following questions:

By Rep. J. M. Lawrie—

1st. Is it legal for the property Committee of a Lodge to expend the sum of \$4.50 for framing a picture of the P. G. and elective officers of said Lodge?

Answer. It depends upon the By-Laws.

2d. Is it an imperative duty of the N. G. to rise to his feet while putting motions to the Lodge ?

Answer. The usages of the Order require it, but the duty is not absolutely imperative.

By Rep. H. H. Maddock—

1st. Is the N. G. a member ex-officio of all committees ?

Answer. If the By-laws so provide, not otherwise.

2d. Can a D. D. G. M. grant a *blank* dispensation to an N. G. for the purpose of conferring degrees, to be filled up by the N. G., with name of *any* brother and at *any* time he may see fit ?

Answer. No.

3d. Has the N. G. the privilege of allowing Brothers to enter or retire from the Lodge during initiation ?

Answer: No.

By Rep. W. F. Roome—

When a Brother has served a term in the office of Vice Grand, and having been elected to the office of Noble Grand, would the D. D. G. M. be justified in refusing to install him in said office of N. G. on account of his Lodge not having met twenty-six nights in the term in which he filled the chair of V. G., it being no fault of said Brother that his Lodge did not meet the requisite number of nights to constitute a full term ?

Answer: The D. D. G. M. would not be justified by the law in refusing to install him under the circumstances.

By Rep. J. Shaw, of Warriner Lodge No. 75—

A Brother takes a withdrawal card for the purpose of assisting to open a new Lodge; when he wishes to re-enter his former Lodge he is rejected what course must he pursue to be readmitted ?

Answer: He must wait six months and apply again.

By Rep. Jas. S. Parmenter—

Clause 28 of our By-Laws reads: The regular contributions to be paid by every Brother of the Lodge into its funds shall be \$1.80 per quarter and on no account whatever shall any Brother be excused from such payment.

Under the above By-Law is a Brother entitled to the Term Password, his dues for the present quarter not being paid, or would the N. G. be justified in refusing the password until his dues were paid, if not would it be lawful to pass a by-law authorizing the N. G. to withhold the password till his dues were paid?

Answer: If the by-laws require payment in advance he is not entitled, and the N. G. would be justified in refusing.

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. N. FORD,
W. D. GORDON,
J. J. DYAS,
J. HAM PERRY,
JAMES WOODYATT.
W. GEORGE MUTTON.

Jas. Woodyatt, P. G. M., from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was adopted

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee on the State of the Order, report the following in reply to the several questions referred to them, viz:

By Rep. Chas. Packert—

1st. A Brother, say in the baking and confectionery business, whose duties are attending in his store, and at times, o- say each day, works a few in the bakery. He received a burn on his arm which does not deprive him of the use of his hand, but is nevertheless prevented from working in the bakery for two weeks; but notwithstanding he is in his place of business and attends to his store as usual, and otherwise able to do his usual duties, the only work he is deprived of doing being to work in the bake shop.

Query: Is the said Brother entitled to benefits during the said two weeks?

We reply: No.

2d. A Brother, say who has a tailoring establishment, whose duties are to attend to the selling, measuring and cutting garments, as well as to sit on the bench and sew. He meets with an accident, say a broken leg, and is compelled to remain at his house for six weeks. For said time he receives his weekly benefits; after six weeks elapse, for one week he is taken to his place of business and remains there during the day, unable to do anything further than to see that his business is attended to. After this he is able to get to his place of business, say for three weeks on crutches, still is not able to do his usual work, but while there sees that the business is carried on. He overlooks his books and is able to make out a few accounts, and latterly able to hobble into the store and make a sale or occasionally cut a garment; still during the said time is not yet able to use his leg or walk without the assistance of crutches.

Query: Is the said Brother entitled to benefits during the stated time of his being in his place of business, he having done such duties as above stated, though he had not yet fully recovered?

Answer: The Brother is not entitled to benefits; but doubtless cases similar to the above will always receive the generous consideration of the Lodge.

By Rep. W. J. Diamond—

1st. Is it necessary that D. D. G. Masters have the P. O. Degrees?

Answer: No. See Ontario Digest, page 45, clause 5.

2d. Can a D. D. G. M. confer the P. O. Degrees on P. G.'s? If so, when is the proper time for doing so?

We reply: The Grand Lodge may authorize the D. D. G. M. to confer the Degrees. (See sec. 453 Digest.)

By Rep. Geo. Midgely—

The Dispensation of Wentworth Degree Lodge No. 2, gives the Degree Lodge the authority to confer the P. O. Degrees. What steps are necessary to procure the obligations necessary for said degrees, or will any of the obligations in the degree ritual answer the said purpose?

Answer: The Degree Lodge should apply to the Grand Lodge for the proper obligations; the obligations in the Degree Ritual are not sufficient.

By Rep. T. C. Welsh—

A member of a Lodge not being six months a member of the Order, failing sick, and being clear on the books at the time of such sickness, is he entitled to benefits on the completion of the six months, he being still sick?

We reply: See Ontario Digest, page 26, clause 8.

The following was referred to this Committee:

By Reprs. R. G. Moles and George Pearson—

In regard to District No. 1, we would beg to call your attention to the fact that we have not received an official visit from D. D. G. M. Mowatt during the whole term of his office, and that he has also been very negligent in answering correspondence, and the Lodges we represent have felt it a sore grievance at the manner in which they have been treated. We would beg of you to give the matter your consideration and take action on the same.

We reply: That the subject matter of the above paper is under the jurisdiction of the M. W. Grand Master solely.

We respectfully submit the following:

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

JAMES WOODYATT,
J. J. DYAS,
W. GEORGE MUTTON,
W. D. GORDON,
J. HAM PERRY,
WM. N. FORD.

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

The Chair named the following Past Grands as tellers: W. G. Mutton, W. J. Diamond, J. F. Bell.

M. W. GRAND MASTER.

Rep. J. Phillips nominated Rep. J. Ham Perry.
 " W. J. Cripps " " H. E. Buttery, P. D. G. M.
 P. D. G. M., H. E. Buttery, elected.

DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

John Gibson, P. G. M., nominated Rep. Cl. T. Campbell.
 Rep. E. R. Robinson, " " J. T. Hornibrook, G. W.
 " I. J. Davis, " " I. F. Toms.
 John Craig, " " J. Ham Perry. Declined
 P. G. W., J. T. Hornibrook, elected.

GRAND WARDEN.

E. R. Robinson, nominated F. W. Johnson.
 M. D. Dawson, " Cl. T. Campbell. Declined.
 F. F. Lawrence, " C. B. Stevens. Declined after second
 [ballot.
 James Smith, " Robert Evans.
 J. J. Dyas, " J. B. McIntyre.
 E. R. Snider, " G. W. Jessop. Withdrew after first
 [ballot.
 George Pearson " J. W. White. Declined.
 G. H. Fox, " Geo. Wheeler. Declined.
 H. H. Maddock, " J. D. Mathieson. Withdrew after
 [first ballot.
 E. E. Henderson " M. D. Dawson. Declined.
 T. G. Carson " H. B. Taylor. Retired after 2d ballot
 J. Smart " Thos. Brown. Retired after 2d ballot
 C. Greenaway " D.M. Telford. Retired after 2d ballot
 Rep. R. Evans elected on 4th ballot.

R. W. GRAND SECRETARY.

Hu. Blain, nominated P. G. Secretary, J. B. King.
 Rev Wm. Hughan, " Cl. T. Campbell.

J. B. King, P. G. Secretary, elected on 1st ballot.

R. W. GRAND TREASURER.

Hu. Blain, nominated Wm. Badenach.

W. F. Roome, " P. G. T., George Irwin.

S. G. Dolson, " W. Chatfield.

T. E. Colby, " M. E. Snider.

H. Walker, " W. J. Hodgson. Declined.

Geo. Irwin, P. G. Treasurer, elected on 1st ballot.

REPRESENTATIVE TO G. L. U. S.

Rep. E. E. Chipman, nominated W. N. Ford, P. G. M.

" Hugh Blain " Geo. Wright, P. G. M.

" Wm. H. Cole " James Woodyatt, P. G. M.

John Gibson, P. G. M., " R. Wigmore, P. G. M.

W. F. Roome " H. M' Afee, P. G. M. Declined.

Rep. W. Badenach " Wm. Cole.

Geo. Wright, P. G. M., elected on 3rd ballot.

On motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned, to meet at 8 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

The Grand Lodge reassembled at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present, the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

Minutes of afternoon session read and approved.

The following was referred to the Committee on State of the Order—

EXETER, July 19, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

The undersigned, a member of Exeter Lodge, No. 67, respectfully appeals to your R. W. Grand Body against the action of Exeter, No. 67, of the County of Huron, did grant on Thursday, July 6th, the sum of sixty dollars to three brethren, their names being W. Shadack, W. Patch and C. Senior, all of Exeter, two of them being burned out entirely, their names being W. Shadack and W. Patch. C. Senior's things were removed from his premises, but his building escaped the fire. The next day his things were all replaced by the Brethren and his friends, so that his business was carried on as usual

Now, I ask if this Brother is in distress or not, or if they should share alike the money, which was granted in equal shares.

I was not present at that meeting or I would have opposed that grant.

They also granted this money by a vote of the Lodge. They did not notify the members, nor did they appoint a committee to investigate into the matter.

Now, I ask if this is done in a legal way or not. It is not done lawfully according to our By-Laws.

I brought this before the Lodge at the last meeting, on the 13th of July, but no steps were taken to rectify it.

I lay this complaint before you to look into, hoping you will do so and oblige a Brother, as I think this Lodge requires looking to.

The Lodge is but weak, and the funds are not very strong, and if they grant them to Brethren who are not in distress, we shall soon be left with a small amount if there should be a Brother want support from this Lodge.

Brethren, you will please attend to this, and oblige

Yours truly,

JOHN B. MATTICE.

Charges were preferred by two members of the Grand Lodge against other two members, which were referred to Committees regularly elected to try them.

The several Committees reported, and the reports was adopted, recommending that the documents be filed, and that no particulars appear in the Journal.

On motion, Rep. Jas. A. Cline was granted leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Rep. H. Blain, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following Report, which was considered and adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

LONDON, Aug. 5, 1875.

Your Committee on Finance beg to submit the following :

The M. W. Grand Master's account for \$96.86 we find correct, and would recommend that it be paid.

The account of F. G. Lewis, D. D. G. M., of District No. 18, for \$14.10, includes a second visit to Olive Branch Lodge, \$2.25, which your Committee recommend to be deducted, and the balance, \$11.86, paid.

In regard to Bro. J. Taylor's account of \$20, as D. D. G. M., prior to the Session of Grand Lodge, 1874, your Committee are informed by the Rep. of Vivian Lodge that the item of \$6.00, for installing their officers, was paid by said Lodge. Your Committee would therefore recommend that the Grand Secretary be requested to correspond with the several Subordinate Lodges, and pay such accounts as are acknowledged by such Lodges.

Your Committee would also recommend that the following corrected accounts be paid:

Henry McAfee, D. D. G. M., District No. 21.....	\$17 00
R. Warriner, " " " " 6.....	35 00

Also, the account of the Odd Fellows Printing and Publishing Association for printing and binding Model Code of By-Laws, \$16.00, be paid.

Further, that the account of the Committee on same for \$9.00, mileage and per diem, be paid.

Your Committee would also recommend that the sum of \$30.00, Charter fee, be refunded to Rose Lodge, No. 28, Amherstburg. Said Lodge was resuscitated May 6th, 1875.

We therefore submit for adoption the following:

Resolved, That the above be adopted.

HU. BLAIN,
WM. J. HODGSON,
P. S. FURNESS,
GEO. SHAW,
H. H. MADDOCK.

Rep. W. G. Mutton, from the Committee on State of the Order, submitted the following report, which was considered and adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

The Committee on State of the Order submit the following report on questions submitted to them, viz.:

By Rep. Cl. T. Campbell—

1st. Can a Lodge make a By-Law limiting the time for which benefits shall be paid to widows and orphans to a certain number of years?

We reply: Yes. See Constitution of Subordinates, article 5, clause 10.

2d. Can a Lodge refuse to pay a widow benefits if she is an inmate of an alms house or other charitable institution.

We reply: No.

By Rep. Wm. Strange—

1st. Would it not be for the good of the order for this Grand Body to take some steps for the suppression of swearing and excessive drinking amongst the members of our Fraternity?

To which we reply: The necessary steps have already been taken.

2d. Is it conduct unbecoming an Odd-fellow?

We reply: Yes.

3d. Does it not spread an influence in the world at large which is detrimental to the interest of our Order.

To which we reply: It does.

By Rep. John Craig—

Can members be admitted into a Lodge while candidates are signing the Constitution, or are in the ante-room with the Warden, providing their admission at such a time does not delay or interfere with the Initiation Ceremony?

We reply: No.

By Rep. W. E. Stanley—

When a report from a special committee is read by the Secretary, is it necessary for a motion to receive the report previous to a motion to adopt or amend it; or is it in order, when the report is read by the Secretary to make a motion to adopt or amend the report without a motion having been previously made to receive it?

Answer: A motion to receive a report is not necessary, prior to a motion to adopt, to amend or otherwise dispose of it.

By Rep. W. T. Watson—

What are our rights as a Subordinate Lodge, working under the Grand Lodge of Ontario, it having become an incorporated body?

To which we reply: The same as they were before.

By Rep. Wm. Perry—

1st. Would an N. G. voting at election of officers make the election illegal?

We reply: Not necessarily.

2d. At what time should an N. G. rise to his feet when opening the Lodge?

Answer: See Ritual.

By Rep. J. Frankish—

1st. Can a Noble Grand refuse to submit any motion to a Lodge which he may deem an improper one?

We reply: A Noble Grand can rule a motion out of order subject to appeal to the Lodge.

By Rep. Chas. Packert—

The Noble Grand declares the order of business open under the head of initiation, and directs the Warden to prepare the Lodge. Immediately on such declaration being made, and before he placed the Lodge in the charge of the Vice Grand, a number of members are desirous to retire, would the Noble Grand do right in preventing the said Brothers to retire until after the order of initiation had been closed?

We reply: The matter is in the discretion of the Noble Grand until the Lodge is placed in charge of the Vice Grand.

We therefore move the adoption of the above report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. GEO. MUTTON,
J. HAM PERRY,
JAMES WOODYATT,
W. D. GORDON,
J. J. DYAS,
WILLIAM N. FORD.

Rep. Geo. D. McKay, from the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, to whom the matter referred was recommitted, presented the following Report, which was considered and adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

We, your Committee, to whom was referred the report of the same, beg leave to submit the following amended report in the case of Peabody Lodge versus D. D. O'Neil:

It seems the letters and telegrams forwarded from said Lodge were addressed to Sarnia instead of Point Edward, his place of residence—the officers of said Lodge having taken his address from the last Journal of the proceedings of this R. W. G. Lodge, which was incorrect.

That D. D. O'Neil asserts he never received any communications from said Lodge of any kind.

That the Rep. of Peabody Lodge has heard the explanations of D. D. O'Neil, and is satisfied therewith.

We therefore submit for adoption, the following :

Resolved, That the vote of censure passed by this Grand Lodge be withdrawn.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. M. TELFORD,
GEORGE WHEELER,
J. MCGAW, P. G. M.,
WM. MANSELL,
GEO. D. MCKAY,
J. ELIAS DURHAM.

Rep. W. D. Gordon, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report, which was considered and adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee on the State of the Order beg to report as follows on the questions referred to them, viz.:

1st. If a member has been suspended and ceased membership for non-payment of dues, and the By-Laws read that any Brother having ceased membership for non-payment of dues may be reinstated within five years after suspension by paying the amount of one year's dues and passing the ballot with not more than two black balls against him, and any brother having paid such dues, and the ballot being passed in his favor, is it necessary for him to be reobligated? If not, what constitutes a reinstatement?

We reply: No, the above conditions and signing the Constitution and By-Laws constitute reinstatement.

2d. The constitution of our jurisdiction reads that the installation of officers shall take place on the first meetings in January and July; but if any Lodge violates that law and installs its officers on the same meeting as election, what steps should be taken to rectify such proceedings?

We reply: Prefer a charge against the installing officer.

By Rep. Newman—

If a Vice Grand sends in his resignation in writing, said resignation received and adopted by the Lodge, and candidates nominated to fill the vacancy, can his case be reconsidered at the next Lodge meeting after the minutes have been confirmed, and can he be reinstated in office without re-election?

Answer: No.

By Rep. Geo. Midgely—

1st. Is it competent for any Subordinate Lodge to pass a By-Law to compel any Bro. to pay three months' dues in advance, and declare such Bro. in arrears for 13 weeks if such dues be not paid the first regular meeting in the quarter, as per Section 560, page 121 of the Digest, G. L. U. S.?

Answer: Yes.

2nd. If a Brother is suspended for N. P. D. can the Lodge reinstate him for a less sum than the full amount of arrears, unless he has been suspended a full year, as per 1768 A, page 377 Digest, G. L. U. S. ?

Answer: No.

3d. A statement is made in a Lodge that a Brother has gained initiation through misrepresentations and no one willing to prefer a charge, can the N. G., by vote of the Lodge, appoint a committee to investigate into the matter and ascertain whether there is sufficient grounds for preferring a charge?

Answer: If no charge preferred, no action can be taken.

4th. A resolution was moved and duly seconded and declared duly carried by the N. G. and confirmed at the next regular meeting afterwards. A Bro. called the attention of the N. G. to the fact, as he stated, that it was contrary to the By-Laws.

Has the N. G. power to declare such motion out of order and of no effect, no reconsideration having been moved as per Rules of Order ?

Answer: No.

5th. A Brother having applied for a withdrawal card, no objections being raised, the card was duly granted by ballot. A Lodge Meeting or two afterwards a letter is received casting suspicions of a serious nature upon the Bro. who had applied for the card, can the N. G. order the card to be retained until the matter is investigated by a committee to ascertain if there is sufficient cause for a charge ?

Answer: No, unless a charge is preferred.

6th. Can a charge be received against a Brother holding an unexpired card of withdrawal before such card is annulled by the Lodge ?

Answer: Yes.

7th. What vote is necessary to annul such card ?

Answer: A majority vote, but the card should not be annulled except upon charges proven.

8th. Should the charges not be proven, how does the Brother stand in reference to the card ?

Answer: He stands the same as before the charge was brought.

9th. Can a Lodge refuse to grant a visiting or withdrawal card to any Brother not under any charges? If so, why is it necessary to vote the one and ballot the other?

We reply: See section 308 Digest G. L. U. S.

We submit the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

W. D. GORDON,
WM. N. FORD,
J. J. DYAS,
JAMES WOODYATT,
W. GEO. MUTTON,
J. HAM PERRY.

Geo. Wright, P. G. M., from the Committee on Appeals, presented the following Report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

NIAGARA FALLS LODGE, No 53,
vs.
QUEEN CITY OF ONTARIO LODGE, No. 56. }

Your Committee, to whom was referred certain charges by the representatives of Niagara Falls Lodge against Queen City of Ontario Lodge, for neglect in the case of the deceased Bro. John Foster, beg to report that on examination of the matter, they are of opinion that it does not come within their jurisdiction. They request, therefore, to be relieved from further consideration of the case.

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

GEO. WRIGHT,
H. B. TAYLOR,
ISSAC F. TOMS,
J. D. MATHIESON,
S. G. DOLSON.

Thos. Woodyatt, P. G., from the Special Committee on a Model Code of By-Laws, submitted the following Code, which was referred to the Committee on Laws of Subordinates—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MODEL CODE OF BY-LAWS.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario

In accordance with the resolutions passed at the last session of the Grand Lodge, the following Model Code of By-Laws has been prepared, and is submitted for your approval and for recommendation to Subordinate Lodges. The forms for Charges and Appeals, which the Grand Secretary was ordered to prepare, are also appended.

Respectfully submitted.

J. B. KING,
THOS. WOODYATT.

MEMBERSHIP.

1. Free white persons who have arrived at the age of twenty-one years, of good moral character, in sound health, having some visible means of gaining a livelihood, and who believe in a Supreme Being, the Creator and Preserver of the Universe, may be proposed for Membership in this Lodge by Initiation.

2. One week's notice shall be given, verbally in open Lodge, of intention to propose a Candidate for Membership.

3. No application for Membership shall be made known to any person except a Member of this Order, until after the same shall have been determined favorably by election.

4. Applications for Membership shall be in the prescribed form, and shall be accompanied by the sum of Two Dollars (\$2,) which sum shall be placed to the credit of the Candidate's initiation fee, provided he appear for initiation within thirteen (13) weeks; otherwise such deposit shall be placed to the credit of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund; but in the event of rejection it shall be returned to the Candidate.

5. Should a Candidate fail to come forward for Initiation within thirteen weeks after being accepted for Membership, the proposition of such Candidate shall forthwith become null and void.

6. Every Brother on his admission to the Lodge shall sign an agreement to abide by its Constitution and By-laws, and to pay all legal demands against him, so long as he shall remain a member thereof; and shall give his place of residence to the P. S.; and whenever he changes his residence he shall notify the P. S. of such change, or forfeit his claim to the attention of the Visiting Committee.

7. No Brother shall enter the Lodge during preparation for initiation, or during the ceremony, or leave the Lodge during such preparation or ceremony.

8. In balloting for Members, the ballot box shall be placed in full view of the N. G., and the result having been inspected by the N. G., the Warden shall proceed with it to the chair of the V. G., who having inspected the same, shall announce the state of the ballot, and the N. G. shall declare the result to the Lodge.

MEETINGS.

9. This Lodge shall hold its Regular Meetings every evening, from the 1st of April to the 1st of October, at 8 o'clock, and from the 1st of October to the 1st of April, at 7.30 o'clock. The N. G. may summon a Special Meeting whenever he shall deem it necessary, or when requested to do so by five Members in good standing; provided always that not less than eight hours' notice of the time and object be given by the Secretary, by means of a written or printed circular, to every Brother of the Lodge residing in Town.

10. Five Members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, at any Regular or Special Meeting.

11. No business, other than that for which such Meeting may be specially called, shall be discussed at any such meeting.

12. This Lodge shall hold its Regular Degree Meetings on the
..... in each month, for the purpose of conferring Degrees.

OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES.

13. Before proceeding to open the poll for an Election of Officers, the N. G. shall appoint two Brothers of the Scarlet Degree, in good standing, to be tellers, whose duty it shall be to guard the ballot box, to count the votes given, and to make return thereof to the N. G. and to the Lodge.

14. In the Grand Initiation, the lots, and the Constitution

15. Every must be clothed

16. It shall be the duty of the Warden to report the performance of the duties of the Grand Lodge to the Grand Master.

17. It shall be the duty of the Grand Lodge to exercise the same before the Grand Master, while in the necessary, good standing; for; to fill the original ballot for balloting except the

14. In balloting for the Elective Officers of the Lodge, and for delegates to the Grand Lodge, or other Officers, when more than one Candidate is in nomination, the names of the respective Candidates shall be written upon the ballots, and the election shall in other respects be conducted as provided by the Constitution.

QUALIFICATION FOR OFFICE.

15. Every Candidate for Office must have attained the Scarlet Degree, and must be clear on the books, and otherwise in good standing.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

16. It shall be the duty of the Junior P. G. to attend regularly the Meetings of the Lodge, to act as sitting P. G. for the term of six months; to deliver the charge of that Office at initiations, or to see that the same be done by a P. G. or N. G.; to register in a book, to be kept for that purpose, the name and residence of every widow, and the name, age and residence of every orphan child receiving Benefits from the funds of the Lodge; to watch over their welfare and interest; to visit them, if residing in this place or within one mile thereof, at least once in each quarter, and oftener if necessary; to report their condition to the Lodge whenever occasion may require; and to perform all other duties pertaining to his Office; and to act as Outside Conductor.

17. It shall be the duty of the N. G. to preside in the Lodge; to enforce a due observance of the Constitution and By-Laws, and proper respect for the Grand Lodge; to see that all the Officers of the Lodge, and the Members of Committees, perform their respective duties as enjoined by the respective Charges and Laws; to take care that all Fines not requiring a vote of the Lodge for their imposition, be punctually charged on the books of the P. S.; to exercise a vigilant supervision in regard to all irregularities subjecting Brothers to Fines or other Penalties, at the vote of the Lodge; to bring the same before the Lodge whenever known to him without fear or favor; to take charge of the Charter of the Lodge; to have it always in the Lodge while in session; to summon Special Meetings whenever he may consider it necessary, or when requested to do so by any five Members of the Lodge, in good standing; to appoint all Officers and Committees, not otherwise provided for; to fill by appointment all vacancies occurring in Committees or in Offices originally filled by his appointment; to examine the ballot box after every ballot for Members; to ascertain and announce to the R. S. the result of all ballotings and votes; to give the casting vote in case of a tie on any question except those decided by ballot; to present a copy of the Constitution and By-

Laws to each Brother on admission; to ascertain from the P. S. his receipts since last Lodge night, and announce the same to the Lodge; to cause the R. S. to invite Brothers to attend the Funeral of any Brother for whom the Lodge may be chargeable with a Funeral Benefit; to take charge of such Funeral in the absence of competent relatives; to receive the amount of, and regulate the disbursements; to draw upon the Treasurer for all sums voted by the Lodge, and necessary for the payment of any Benefits due under these Laws; to act as Chairman of the Visiting Committee; and in the absence of any Elective Officer, or other Officer appointed by the N. G., he shall appoint a qualified Brother *pro. tem.*, to perform the duties of such Officer; he shall perform all other duties pertaining to his Office by the Constitution, or By-Laws of the Lodge, or by the Charges and Usages of the Order; and shall not make, or second any motion, or take part in any debate while in the Chair, except in case of appeal from his decision.

18. It shall be the duty of the V. G. to assist the N. G., and in his absence to take his Chair; to appoint his own Supporters, and the Minority of all Committees on Character; to assist in examinations of the ballot at elections for membership; to act as a member of the Visiting Committee, and whenever the N. G. is absent, to act as Chairman thereof; to take special charge of the door under the N. G.; and to perform such other duties as are prescribed by the Charges of his office and the Usages of the Order.

19. It shall be the duty of the R. S. to keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Lodge; to take charge of, and keep in safety, the Seal of the Lodge; to keep carefully, and in good order, all Books, Papers and other property belonging to his Office, and to deliver the same to his successor in like good order; to fill up all Certificates and Cards granted by the Lodge; to write, and duly dispatch and copy into the letter book, all Communications ordered by this Lodge, and to read the same at the next Regular Meeting, under the head of unfinished business; to issue punctually all notices required by order of the N. G. or of the Lodge; to inform all Candidates of their election or rejection, but without disclosing any other fact or circumstance connected therewith; to examine the Black Book in reference to all nominations for membership, and acquaint the Committee on Character with the result of such examination; to fill out for the Chairman of such Committee a notice containing the names of the Committee, and also that of the Candidate; to preserve and file all written resolutions, motions, accounts, and reports upon which action has been taken by the Lodge; to keep written up in good order, all books placed in his charge, and to carefully preserve all papers left with him; to attest all warrants for moneys ordered to be paid at regular meetings; to advise the P. S. of all votes of the Lodge imposing any assess-

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ment, or imposing or remitting any fine; and also all fines otherwise incurred by any Brother; and shall, at the second meeting in each month, enter upon the minutes of the Subordinate Lodge a statement, containing the name of every Brother who received Degrees at the last Degree Meeting, and also what Degree or Degrees he then received, and shall record the same in a rate book; and perform all such other duties pertaining to the office of the R. S. as may be required of him by the Lodge, or his Charge of Office; and for such service shall be entitled to receive the amount of \$.....during his term of office.

20. It shall be the duty of the P. S. to keep just and true accounts between the Lodge and its Members; to charge and collect punctually all Dues, Charges, Assessments and Fines; to report to the Lodge from time to time, the names of all Brothers who may neglect to pay the same; to notify every Brother by means of a written or printed circular, mailed to his address, at least two weeks previous to the close of each quarter, of the amount of his arrears, and the amount of regular dues for the three months in advance; to call the special attention of every Brother owing dues for eleven or seventeen calendar months, as the case may be, to the provisions of these Laws in such cases, by means of a written or printed notice, to be mailed to his address; to advise the R. S. from time to time, of the names of all Brothers owing dues for twelve or eighteen calendar months, to the end that such provisions may be punctually carried into effect; to receive all moneys due the Lodge and pay over the same forthwith to the Treasurer, taking his receipt for the same; to furnish the Lodge at the first Meeting in each Term with a written statement of all moneys received by him during the past Term; to have his books written up for the Finance Committee, within twenty-four hours after the last Meeting in each Term; to deliver up in good order for his successor, all books, papers, and other property pertaining to his Office; to make out at the end of his term, for the Grand Lodge, a full return of the proceedings of the Lodge during the Term; for such services he shall be paid quarterly, at the rate of \$.....per annum.

21. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive from the P. S. all moneys of the Lodge, and carefully take charge of, and deal with, the same, in such manner as may be required by the By-Laws of the Lodge, or by any vote of the Lodge, duly passed in conformity therewith; to pay all warrants signed by the N. G. on account of benefits due under these laws, and also all other warrants signed by the N. G. and R. S., but none others; to keep a correct account of all moneys coming into his hands; to advise the P. S. punctually of the state of his books whenever the said may require the levying of an Assessment under these Laws; to lay before the Lodge a statement of its

receipts and disbursements, at the first Regular Meeting in each Term; to have his books written up for the Finance Committee within twenty-four hours after the last Regular Meeting in each Term; and to deliver up, when legally called upon, all moneys, bonds, papers, books and other property of the Lodge, which may be in his possession or charge, to his successor in office, or to any other Brother or Brothers whom the Lodge may appoint to receive the same. Prior to his installation in office, the Treasurer shall give to the N. G. and V. G. or to the Lodge, as the case may be, a bond with two sureties, to be approved by the Lodge, for the term for which he may serve, subject to such penalties and on such conditions, as from time to time may be prescribed by the Lodge.

22. There shall be three Trustees of this Lodge, who shall, at the second Meeting in January in each year, be elected by ballot. The duties of the Trustees shall be to take charge of the Funds of the Lodge, except such Funds as may be deemed necessary to remain in the hands of the Treasurer, and invest the same subject to the approval of the Lodge. Each Trustee, before entering upon his Term of Office, shall give a bond, with two sureties, to the N. G. and V. G., or to the Lodge, as the case may be, to be approved by the Lodge, for the faithful performance of his duties as such Trustee. All Brothers elected as Trustees must be members of the Scarlet Degree at the time of their election.

23. It shall be the duty of the Warden to take charge of the Regalia, and other property of the Lodge, except when a keeper is employed for that purpose; to act as Chairman of the Property Committee, and perform such other duties as are prescribed by the Charges of his Office.

24. The Chaplain shall assist in opening and closing the Lodge, according to the requirements of his office.

25. Every Officer who may be required to state his duties or to deliver any charge in the Lodge, shall commit his part to memory within two weeks after his installation.

DISMISSAL OF OFFICERS.

26. Any Officer charged with improper conduct in office, or conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow, may be suspended from office, by a vote of two-thirds of the Brothers of the Lodge present and voting, on any motion to that effect; provided always, that he has first received a fair trial according to Art. VI. clauses 6—11, of Constitution.

COMMITTEES.

27. The N. G., on the night of his installation, shall appoint (subject to the approval of the Lodge) the following Standing Committees, to serve for the current Term, viz.: A Visiting, a Finance, and a Property Committee.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

28. The Visiting Committee shall consist of seven Members, of whom the N. G. and V. G. shall be two, *ex officio*.

29. It shall be the duty of each Member of this Committee (on the day set apart for him), to visit every sick Brother of this Lodge, after receiving information of his illness (provided he be in this place or within one mile thereof), and to render him such necessary aid as the law provides or the Lodge directs.

30. It shall be the duty of the Chairman of this Committee to make such arrangements that sick brothers of this Lodge, if within one mile of this place, shall be visited at least once each day during their illness, by one or more Members of this Committee; to keep a correct roll of the names of the Brothers, in the order in which they were initiated, for the use of the Committee (the roll to be furnished by the P. S.); and when circumstances require, it shall be the duty of each Member, on the day set apart for him to visit, to call upon so many of the Brothers, in the order in which their names have been enrolled, as may be necessary to secure the attendance and services of at least two Brothers to watch nightly with sick Brothers.

31. It shall be the duty of each Member notified to attend the sick, to inform the N. G. at the same time such notice is given, whether he will attend or not, and when he is unable to attend, except for sickness, he shall be charged \$1, and his place supplied as in case of residents out of the place. Should any Member not inform the N. G. of his inability to attend, or neglect to attend after signifying that he would, then the Lodge, on motion, can order that he be fined an additional sum of one dollar, as the circumstances of the case may permit; but in no case shall the Member so notified be exempted from paying the Fine of One Dollar, as specified in the foregoing part of this clause (unless he was ill himself); all of which Fine or Fines shall be placed in a Special Fund, for the relief of sick or indigent Members.

32. In the case of contagious or infectious diseases, it shall not be incumbent on Members of this Committee to visit, personally, or of other Brethren's

to watch ; and if attendance be required, the Committee shall employ a competent nurse, to be paid from the Funds of the Lodge.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

33. The Finance Committee shall consist of three Members, whose duty it shall be to inspect and report upon all accounts referred to them by the Lodge, at the Regular Meeting next following; and shall audit the books and accounts of the P. S. and T. at the end of each Semi-Annual Term, and make a written report thereon; also a report in full of the Financial Affairs of the Lodge at the second Regular Meeting in each Term; and audit the accounts of all Officers or Committees charged with the receipt or expenditure of moneys of the Lodge.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE.

34. The Property Committee shall consist of three Members, including the Warden, who shall be Chairman thereof, whose duty shall be to take charge of all Regalia and other effects of the Lodge, not especially entrusted to particular Officers or to other Committees; to procure such articles as may be necessary, or as the Lodge may direct; to cause all repairs to be made to the Regalia, or other Lodge property, as to them may seem fit, or the Lodge direct; and to make a full, written report of their proceedings, at the last Meeting in each Term.

35. This Committee shall, in no case, expend a greater sum in any one Term than ten dollars, without the consent of the Lodge in regular form.

COMMITTEES ON CHARACTER.

36. It shall be the duty of all Committees on Character, to ascertain carefully, the age, state of health, profession, habits, and character of the candidates referred to them; and to make report thereon to the Lodge at the next Regular Meeting.

DISMISSAL OF COMMITTEES.

37. Any Committee, or Member or Members of Committee, failing to discharge their duties to the satisfaction of the Lodge may be discharged therefrom by vote of the Lodge to that effect; and every Committee, or Member or Members thereof, thus discharged, shall forthwith surrender on demand to that effect, to the N. G. or such Brother or Brothers as the Lodge may appoint, all books, papers, moneys and other properties of the Lodge which may be in his or their hands.

ADMISSION FEE.

38. Every person admitted into this Lodge by Initiation, or as an Ancient Odd Fellow, shall pay an Entrance Fee of eight dollars (\$8); and every Brother admitted by Card three dollars (\$3).

QUARTERLY DUES.

39. The regular contributions, payable by every Brother who may be a Member of this Lodge, at the time of passing these By-Laws, shall be at the rate of six dollars (\$6) per year, or one dollar fifty cents (\$1.50) per quarter—payable at or before the close of each Quarterly Term. Every person hereafter admitted into this Lodge, shall pay into its funds—at or before the close of each quarterly term—according to his age at the time of admission, at the rate following, that is to say:—At the age of 21, \$6 per year; from 22 to 35 inclusive, an additional 12c. for each year; from 36 to 40 inclusive, an additional 20c. for each year; from 41 to 45 inclusive, an additional 28c. for each year; from 46 to 50 inclusive, an additional 36c. for each year; and over 50, an additional 60c. for each year.

TABLE OF QUARTERLY DUES.

AGE WHEN ADMITTED.	YEARLY RATE.	QUARTER'S DUES.
21	\$ 6.00	\$ 1.50
22	6.12	1.53
23	6.24	1.56
24	6.36	1.59
25	6.48	1.62
26	6.60	1.65
27	6.72	1.68
28	6.84	1.71
29	6.96	1.74
30	7.08	1.77
31	7.20	1.80
32	7.32	1.83
33	7.44	1.86
34	7.56	1.89
35	7.68	1.92
36	7.88	1.97
37	8.08	2.02
38	8.28	2.07
39	8.48	2.12
40	8.68	2.17
41	8.86	2.24
42	9.24	2.31
43	9.52	2.38
44	9.80	2.45
45	10.08	2.52
46	10.44	2.61
47	10.80	2.70
48	11.16	2.79
49	11.52	2.88
50	11.88	2.97

OTHER CHARGES.

40. The charges for Degree in this Lodge shall be \$2 for each of the Degrees. The amount of such charges must be deposited in the hands of the P. S. before any Brother can be balloted for to obtain a Certificate entitling him to receive such Degrees, but shall be returned by the P. S. should such Candidate be refused.

41. For every Visiting or Withdrawal Card there shall be a charge of 25 cents.

42. For every Special Notice sent to a Brother who is eleven calendar months in arrears, the P. S. shall enter on his books, and add to the amount to be stated in such notice as in arrears, 25 cents, and for every Special Notice sent to a Brother under Suspension for arrears, he shall add to the account of arrears against him, and include in such notice a further sum of 50 cents, which charges shall become due on the receipt of such notice.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' AND GENERAL BENEFIT FUND.

43. There shall be carried to the credit of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund all moneys which, at the time of the passing of these By-Laws, may be at the credit of the said Fund; one-fifth part of all quarterly dues; all Fines for neglect of duty; all donations and bequests which may be made thereto; and all Proposition Fees of accepted Candidates who do not appear for initiation within the required time; and all moneys raised by Assessment in aid thereof. All other moneys accruing to the Lodge shall be carried to the account of the General Benefit Fund.

ASSESSMENTS.

44. Whenever any Benefit, or Benefits, may become due and payable, from either of the Funds of this Lodge in the course of any one quarter, if the books of the Lodge do not show sufficient amount to the credit of such Fund to meet such Benefit, then the P. S. shall forthwith raise, in aid of such Fund, by an Assessment, to be laid in equal proportions upon all the Members of the Lodge, the amount necessary to meet such Benefit or Benefits.

INVESTMENT OF FUNDS.

45. Investment of all moneys of the Lodge, which it may not be deemed necessary to keep in the immediate charge of the Treasurer, to meet ordinary disbursements, shall be made in and by the name of the Lodge (*if incorporated*), otherwise in the names of the Trustees of the Lodge, from time to time

in such manner and with such security as the Lodge may require; provided always that no part of the Funds shall be loaned to any Member of the Lodge. All evidences or certificates of such investments shall be kept by the Trustees, and all dividends, interest, or other income accruing therefrom shall be duly demanded and received by them, and the amount thereof paid over forthwith to the P. S. for delivery to the Treasurer.

46. All moneys of the Lodge, not invested as aforesaid, shall remain in the hands of the Treasurer, subject to the By-Laws and orders of the Lodge.

47. No motion in any way relating to the investment of the Funds of this Lodge as provided by the By-Laws, shall be put to vote at any Meeting, whether regular or special, unless two weeks' notice of such motion has been given by the mover; nor shall any motion for the appropriation of money (other than for the general purposes of the Lodge, and for the relief of members of this or distant Lodges), be put to vote, unless two weeks' notice has been given, and a written or printed copy of such motion sent to the address of every Member. Nor shall any such motion for the investment or appropriation of money be carried unless two-thirds of the Members present vote in its favor.

SICK BENEFITS.

48. Every Brother who has been a Member of this Lodge for the space of six months, and is in good standing, if rendered incapable of following his usual occupation by sickness or disability, not proceeding from drunkenness or other immoral conduct on his part, shall receive a benefit during such sickness or disability at rates following, that is to say:—If he shall have attained the Scarlet Degree, \$3 per week; if he shall not have attained the Scarlet Degree, \$1.50 per week, provided always that no Benefit shall be paid for less than one week's sickness or disability.

49. In the event of its being necessary under the By-Laws for the Lodge to provide and pay for a nurse to attend upon any sick Member, he shall receive only one-half of the amount to which he would be entitled under the preceding By-Law.

50. Whenever any Benefit shall accrue to the account of a Brother, payment shall be required therefrom of such quarterly dues as may be chargeable to the close of the then current quarter.

51. In case a Brother shall leave this place while in receipt of Benefits as aforesaid, it shall rest with the Lodge by vote whether or not the contingen-

cies of the case are such as to require the continuance of such Benefit during his absence.

52. If the Brother be a non-resident, it shall be necessary that a statement or statements of his case, setting forth the nature of his sickness or disability and the time of its commencement and duration, be transmitted to the N. G. of this Lodge, certified by the N. G. of the Lodge nearest to the place where he may be for the time resident or detained, and under the seal of such Lodge; or, if he be not near any Lodge, by a Justice of the Peace, or a Clergyman, or a licensed Physician, and such Brother shall thereupon receive the Benefit provided by the preceding By-Laws.

53. No Brother shall be paid Benefits except by special vote of the Lodge.

54. No Brother while under charges duly preferred against him on any matter pertaining to his right to Benefits shall be entitled to such Benefits, but if afterwards acquitted in due course, he shall be then forthwith entitled to receive any Benefit or Benefits which but for such charges would have become payable to him while the same were pending.

55. No Brother who shall be indebted to this Lodge to the amount of one quarter's dues, shall become entitled to any Benefits until six weeks after such arrears shall have been paid in full.

56. No Brother who has been suspended for any cause other than non-payment of dues shall, on any account, become entitled to any Benefits within the term of six calendar months after he shall have been reinstated.

57. No Brother shall be entitled to any Benefit for sickness commencing while under disabilities.

FUNERAL BENEFITS.

58. On the decease of any *bona fide* Brother in good standing in this Lodge, the sum of \$30 shall be allowed as a Funeral Benefit.

BENEFITS TO WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

59. The widow of any deceased Member of this Lodge in good standing at the time of his decease, he having attained the Scarlet Degree, shall receive from the Funds of the Lodge, the sum of \$30 per annum. The widow of a Brother having attained the Royal Blue Degree, shall receive the sum of \$25 per annum; and the widow of a member of a lower Degree shall receive the sum of \$20 per annum; the whole of the above to be paid quarterly during widowhood.

60. Should any deceased Brother leave no widow or should his widow afterwards die, the said quarterly sum shall be paid in like manner for the benefit of his orphan child or children, if any there be under the age of fifteen years—the interest of each such child in each such Benefit ceasing as he or she shall attain the age of fifteen, unless in the case of any female child or children it be otherwise ordered by the Lodge.

61. Should any widow be guilty of unbecoming conduct, the Lodge may withdraw from such widow the Benefit above set forth, and grant the same to the orphan child or children of the deceased Brother under the age of fifteen.

62. Should the widow of a deceased Brother marry again, while any child or children of such Brother shall still be under the age of fifteen years, it shall be optional with the Lodge to grant such Benefit, or any part thereof, to such child or children.

63. No motion affecting the Benefits of any widow or orphan in the manner referred to in the previous three clauses shall be put to vote unless two weeks' notice thereof be given; nor shall such motion be adopted unless two-thirds of the Members present vote in its favor.

64. Should the family of a deceased Brother be in need of a protector or guardian, the Lodge shall, to the best of its power, protect and assist them, and endeavor to place them in such a position as to enable them to be useful to themselves and to society.

RELIEF IN SPECIAL CASES.

65. Whenever it may become known that any Brother of this Lodge has been reduced to a state of pecuniary distress by any sudden and unlooked for dispensation, his case shall be referred to a Special Committee of three Brothers, whose duty it shall be to examine into the same, and report to the Lodge whether any or what sum in their opinion should be granted for relief, and it shall be competent for the Lodge, by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the Brothers present, to grant him any sum not exceeding \$50.

66. If a Member of a distant Lodge apply for relief, on the presentation of his Card, his case shall be referred to the N. G., and two or more Members who have attained the Scarlet Degree, who shall examine him, and if satisfied they shall be at liberty to contribute at once a sum not exceeding five dollars. They shall report their action to the Lodge at the next Regular Meeting, when, if necessary, such further sum may be voted as shall be deemed proper—not exceeding \$10.

FINES.

67. Any Officer of the Lodge or Member of Committee neglecting to perform his duty, and failing to give a satisfactory excuse, may be fined such sum as the Lodge may see fit, not exceeding \$2.

68. All fines incurred by Brothers, or imposed by the Lodge, shall be forthwith charged by the P. S. to the account of the Brother incurring them, and shall become due and payable, in all respects, as though they formed part of the Regular Quarterly Dues for the ensuing quarter.

SUSPENSION, EXPULSION AND REINSTATEMENT.

69. Any Brother, being twelve calendar months in arrears, shall, on due report thereof to the Lodge, be declared by the N. G. to be suspended from Membership; unless, on account of any special circumstances, the Lodge see fit by vote, to determine a further term of payment, in no case to exceed three months.

70. Any Brother being eighteen calendar months in arrears, shall, on due report to the Lodge, be declared by the N. G. to have ceased to be a Member, unless, on account of any special circumstances, the Lodge see fit, by vote, to determine a further term of payment, though in no case to exceed six calendar months.

71. Any Brother guilty of improper language or conduct in Lodge; or who shall bring charges against a Brother on evidence which the Lodge shall not regard as sufficient to warrant him in so doing; or who shall knowingly misrepresent the qualifications of any Candidate for admission; or who shall abuse or attempt to abuse in any way the benevolent intentions of the Order; or who shall be found guilty of fraud in any business transaction, or of other dishonorable conduct, or of habitual drunkenness, or immorality, or of any infraction of the laws of the land, shall be suspended from membership or expelled, as the Lodge may by vote determine.

72. No Brother shall be permitted to appear in Lodge while under suspension from Membership, nor until after he shall have paid up all dues to the Lodge charged or chargeable against him, as well during the term of his suspension as previous thereto.

73. If any Member of this Lodge shall disclose the rejection of a Candidate for initiation or for admission by Card, he shall be subject to expulsion or such other punishment as the majority of the Lodge may determine; and whenever such rejection occurs this clause shall be read to the Lodge.

REGALIA.

74. All Officers shall wear the Regalia of their respective Offices while present in the Lodge, and all Members the Regalia of the highest Subordinate Lodge Degree they have attained.

DEGREES.

75. No application for Degrees shall be entertained, until the applicant, or other Brother in his behalf, presents to the N. G. a certificate from the P. S., as required by the Constitution. The application shall be made known to the Lodge, but no ballot taken thereon, unless at a Regular or Special Meeting of the Lodge, opened in the Degree applied for.

76. On the rejection of any application for Degrees, the charge obtained for the same shall be at once refunded, or placed to the Brother's credit as he may desire.

CARDS.

77. The Lodge may by open vote grant a Visiting Card to any Brother in good standing on his paying up all dues accruing during the period for which such Card is desired, including the fee for the Card. Withdrawal Cards shall be balloted for, after the applicant has paid all dues and charges to date—including the fee for the Card; and if a majority of white balls appear, shall be granted.

REFRESHMENTS.

78. All spirituous, vinous and malt liquors shall be excluded from the Lodge Room, and ante-rooms, when under the control of this Lodge.

AMENDMENTS.

79. No motion to repeal, suspend or amend these By-Laws, or any part thereof, shall be put to vote until the same shall have been read in Lodge at three consecutive Regular Meetings; nor shall the consideration of, or voting upon, any such motion be postponed after such third reading, unless by a majority vote of the Lodge; nor shall such motion be declared to prevail unless, upon the final division thereon, two-thirds of the Brothers present and voting shall vote in favor of it.

RULES OF PROCEDURE ON TRIALS.

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1st.—All charges against members of this Order shall be drawn substantially in the manner prescribed in "Form A," and be submitted direct to the Lodge of which the accused is a member, in duplicate, signed by a member of the Order in good standing. The general charge shall be an averment of "Conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow," followed by specification or specifications, stating the time place and circumstances of the offence or offences.

2d.—The Lodge shall, immediately after the reading of the charge, choose by ballot a Committee of five, as near as possible from among the peers of the accused, three of whom shall be a quorum, to whom the charge shall be referred. In selecting this Committee only one name shall be written upon any ballot, and the first elected shall be the convener thereof.

3d.—The accused or accuser, or any member of the Lodge acting for either of them, may challenge, for cause, any name appearing on the ballot. The grounds of challenge shall be stated and considered by the Lodge, and a majority vote shall be necessary to sustain the objection made.

4th.—The Secretary shall affix the seal of the Lodge to one copy of the charge and specifications, and certify it substantially according to "Form B," and serve or cause the same to be served upon the accused, either personally or by leaving it at his usual place of residence. The Secretary shall also certify under Seal the duplicate charge, and deliver it to the Convener of the Committee, with the notice, according to "Form C," of these rules.

5th.—The accused shall, within one week from the receipt by him of the charge and specifications, serve his plea or answer to the same upon the

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Convener of the Committee, by either or several of the answers shown in "Form E."

6th.—The Convener of the Committee shall, on receipt of the pleas in defence, or at the expiration of the time limited therefor, with reasonable diligence call a meeting of the Committee, to attend which the accuser and accused shall be served with personal notice if they can be found, or by leaving the same at their usual place of residence, according to "Form D," at least one week prior to the time fixed for trial.

7th.—At the meeting a Chairman and Secretary shall be appointed, and the trial proceed by examination of the parties and witnesses on their behalf. Either party may amend their proceedings, by leave of the Committee.

8th.—The report of the Committee shall state their finding on each specification of the charge, according to "Form F," and shall be accompanied by an accurate record of their proceedings, rulings and decisions, together with the original evidence taken during the trial, which shall be submitted to the Lodge within a reasonable time after the case has been submitted to them. Should there be a minority report, it may be presented in a similar manner at the same time. The minutes of the Committee should show—

- I. The date and place of each meeting, and the parties present.
- II. The exceptions taken by either party, and the decisions thereon.
- III. Parol evidence in full, subscribed by the witnesses.
- IV. All documentary evidence marked as exhibits.

9th.—The finding of the Committee shall be entered in the Lodge minutes by the Secretary, who shall forthwith notify both parties that the report has been submitted, and all parties shall be entitled to make a copy thereof.

10th.—The Lodge shall take up the report for consideration at the regular meeting to be held two weeks after it has been submitted, and may amend, affirm or reverse the finding of the Committee upon any one or all of the allegations in the charge or their ruling thereon.

11th.—The final decision of the Lodge shall be notified to both parties by the Secretary, immediately.

12th.—Either party may appeal from the decision of the Lodge to the Grand Lodge, within three months from the action of the Lodge thereon. The Lodge shall transmit to the Grand Secretary a copy of all the proceedings, regularly certified, upon receiving the costs and charges of copying and mailing the same.

FORM A.

CHARGE AND SPECIFICATIONS.

To.....Lodge No..... I. O. O. F.:

The undersigned, a member in good standing of.....Lodge No. does hereby charge Bro. A. B. of Lodge No. with conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow; the grounds of such charge being more fully set forth in the following specifications, to wit:

1st.—For that he, the said A. B., did on the day of 187 , at the (Specify the offence and circumstances, and continue with further specifications. Each separate thing in violation of law to be under a separate piece in the charge.)

Contrary to the laws and usages of the Order.

Date (Signed)

B. B.

FORM B.

NOTICE OF CHARGE TO THE ACCUSED.

(Date) 187

Bro. I herewith enclose a copy of charge and specifications preferred against you by Of The same was referred to a Committee consisting of (give names) You are required to file your answer to the charge and specifications, according to the form prescribed, within one week from the service of this notice with the first named member of the Committee, who will notify you of the time and place of trial.

Fraternally,

..... Secretary.

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FORM C.

NOTICE TO CONVENER OF COMMITTEE.

(Date) 18

To Bro.

I enclose you a charge preferred by..... against..... which charge was referred to..... (give names) for trial of which Committee you are Convener. The accused was served with a copy of the charge on the day of, and notified to file his answer thereto with you within one week, when you will cause the Committee to meet and proceed with the trial.

Fraternally,

..... Secretary.

FORM D.

NOTICE TO ACCUSER OR ACCUSED.

(Date) 18

To A. B. or C. D. (as the case may be, one to each party).

The Committee on trial of the charge and specifications made by against will meet at on the day of at o'clock P. M., to hear and determine the same. You are required to attend with your witnesses, and (prosecute or defend the same, as the case may be.)

I am, yours fraternally,

..... Convener of Committee.

FORM E.

PLEAS IN DEFENCE.

I, A. B., mentioned in the charge and specifications preferred by B. B., on the..... day say:

1st.—That the offence in the charge mentioned is not within the legal jurisdiction of the Lodge,

2nd.—That I am not guilty.

3rd.—Guilty.

4th.—I admit the fact stated but will justify the alleged offence

5th.—The complaint is frivolous.

A. B.

 FORM F.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRIAL.

(Date) 18

To Lodge No. I. O. O. F. :

The undersigned (*a majority of the*) Committee appointed to investigate the charge and specifications preferred by against respectfully report as follows: (*State the finding on each specification.*) The minutes of the Committee, evidence taken, and papers pertaining to the trial are submitted herewith.

(Signed by Committee.)

 FORM G.

DECLARATION OF WITNESS.

You sincerely declare upon your honor as an Odd Fellow, that the evidence you shall give in the matter of against now pending, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. Thus you declare.

Geo. Wright, P. G. M., from the Committee on Appeals, presented the following report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

LONDON, Aug. 5, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

IN THE APPEAL OF JOHN B. MATTICE, }
 vs. }
 EXETER LODGE, No. 67. }

Your Committee to whom was referred the appeal of Brother John B. Mattice, of Exeter Lodge, No. 67 against the action of said Lodge in granting relief to Brother C. Senior, beg leave to present the following report :

They find that the Brother presenting the appeal has furnished no documentary or other evidence in support of his statements.

They recommend, therefore, that the consideration of said appeal be laid over until the next session of Grand Lodge for further evidence.

We therefore move for adoption the following :

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

GEO. WRIGHT,
 H. B. TAYLOR,
 ISSAC F. TOMS,
 J. D. MATHIESON,
 S. G. DOLSON.

Rep. H. B. Taylor, from the same Committee submitted the following report, which was adopted—

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

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

IN THE MATTER OF R. H. DYAS, }
 vs. }
 IVY LODGE, No. 90. }

Your Committee, to whom was referred the petition of Ivy Lodge to this R. W. Grand Lodge (see Journal, page 1186) asking for a reconsideration of its

action in the case of Brother R. H. Dyas, beg to report that they are of opinion that the subject does not lie within their jurisdiction as a Committee on Appeals. They request, therefore, that they be relieved from further consideration of the question.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. WRIGHT,
H. B. TAYLOR,
ISAAC F. TOMS,
J. D. MATHISON,
S. G. DOLSON,

Rep. I. F. Toms, from the same Committee, submitted the following report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

LONDON, August 6, 1875.

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

IN THE APPEAL OF J. A. MONTGOMERY, }
vs. }
DURHAM LODGE, No. 78. }

Your Committee to whom was referred the appeal of Brother J. A. Montgomery, of Durham Lodge, No. 78, beg leave to present the following report :

They find on careful consideration of all facts of the case that the action of Durham Lodge was very irregular throughout, and they deemed it necessary to enter into the several specifications of the appeal.

They also are of the opinion that as Brother Montgomery acknowledged before the charges were laid against him at all, that he had behaved very indiscreetly in charging Brother McMullin as he did, and offered ample apology to the said Brother, which was accepted by him, the action of the Lodge was extremely harsh in the form of punishment it inflicted, namely that of expulsion.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the appeal of Brother Montgomery be sustained, and that Durham Lodge be instructed to reinstate the said Brother J. A. Montgomery forthwith.

We therefore submit for your approval the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. WRIGHT,
J. D. MATHIESON,
ISAAC F. TOMS,
SAMUEL G. DOLSON.

The Lodge, at 12 o'clock (midnight), adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

PROCEEDINGS OF THIRD DAY.

LONDON, August 6, 1875.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment.

The roll of Officers and Representatives was then called—
Present:

WILLIAM FITZSIMMONS.....	M. W. Grand Master
H. E. BUTTREY.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master
J. T. HORNIBROOK.....	R. W. Grand Warden
J. B. KING.....	R. W. Grand Secretary
GEORGE IRWIN.....	R. W. Grand Treasurer
JAMES WOODYATT.....	R. W. G. Representative
JOHN BARR.....	do do
F. M. LAWRIE (<i>pro tem</i>).....	R. W. Grand Marshal
F. W. JOHNSTON.....	R. W. Grand Conductor
JOSEPH CRAIG.....	R. W. Grand Guardian
WM. BESSELL.....	R. W. Grand Chaplain

And a Quorum of Representatives.

Those present having been declared duly qualified, the Grand Chaplain offered prayer, whereupon the Grand Lodge was declared duly opened.

The minutes of last night's session were read and approved.

An account from the Committee on Laws of Subordinates was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion the following was adopted—

Moved by Rep. C. B. Stevens,

Seconded by Rep. C. Senior,

That the hour of 10 o'clock, forenoon to-day, be set apart by this R. W. Grand Lodge for the purpose of the exemplification of the secret work and conferring of the Past Official Degrees.

The following was, on motion, laid on the table until this afternoon—

Moved by Rep. G. W. Jessop,

Seconded by Rep. J. Pattullo,

That when this Grand Lodge adjourn it do so to meet in the town of Guelph, on the first Wednesday in August, 1876.

Representatives P. S. Furness, Dr. W. F. Roome, D. G. Mitchell and J. Frankish asked for and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, from the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, submitted the following Report, which was considered and adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LAWS OF SUBORDINATES.

LONDON, August 6, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee have examined the By-laws of the undermentioned Lodges, and would recommend their approval, with the corrections in each case noted. The first twenty-two (22) were examined at interim sessions of

the Committee, held by authority of a resolution passed at last session of Grand Lodge, and the report thereon submitted to the M. W. Grand Master.

The authorities for the corrections will be found at the end of the Report, as in former years.

Your Committee would repeat the recommendation so often made, that Lodges, on receiving from the Grand Secretary the amended and approved copy of their By-laws, should have the corrections printed on slips, and pasted in their proper places in the By-laws.

A number of the Lodges still neglect to obey the imperative requirements of this Grand Lodge, to submit their By-laws for approval:

AMITY LODGE, No. 80, BELLEVILLE.

An amendment, changing night of meeting. *Approved.*

MINTO LODGE, No. 98, HARRISTON.

Amendment providing for a special meeting for degree work. *Approved.*

ROYAL OAK LODGE, No. 108, FORBES.

a. Only one copy of some By-laws in MSS., not properly certified. By-laws not numbered.

b. Page 2, second line from bottom; after word "effect," insert "and the consent of Grand Lodge thereto, except in cases of suspension for N. P. D."

c. Page 8. *Disabilities.* In first line of this By-law, after word "charges" insert, "on any matter pertaining to his right to benefits."

LAUREL LODGE, No. 110, YORKVILLE.

* Constitution incorrect in following clauses: Art. 11, clauses 5, 8 and 13; Art. III., clause 7; Art. IV., clause 4; Art. V., clauses 6 and 10; Art. VI., clauses 3, 4, 10, 12 and 15.

d. By-law 8, 27th page, 25th line. After word "Lodge," insert, "except those decided by ballot."

e. By-law 27, 7th line. Strike out, "after which age none shall be admitted."

PETERBORO' LODGE, No. 111, PETERBORO'.

* Constitution incorrect in following clauses: Art II., clauses 5, 8, 13; Art. III., clause 7; Art. IV., clauses 1, 4, 6; Art. V., clauses 6, 10; Art. VI., clauses 3, 4, 5, 10, 12 and 15.

f. By-law 10, 22nd page, 5th line. After word "Committees," insert, "originally appointed by him."

d. 17th line. After word "Lodge," insert, "except those decided by ballot."

g. Page 23, 7th line. Strike out, "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

c. By-law 51, 2nd line. After word "him," insert, "on any matter pertaining to his right to benefits."

b. By-law 58, 4th Line. After word "effect," insert, "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in cases of suspension for N. P. D."

NAOMI LODGE, No. 116, MARKHAM.

* Constitution incorrect in following clauses: Art. II., clauses 1, 5, 18; Art. III., clause 7; Art. IV., clauses 1, 4, 6; Art. V., clauses 6, 10; Art. VI., clauses 3, 4, 10, 12, 15.

f. By-law 9, 23rd line. After word "Committees," insert, "originally appointed by him."

d. 28th line. After word "Lodge," insert, "except those decided by ballot."

MARION LODGE, No. 131, RENFREW.

a. By-laws, not signed.

* Constitution incorrect in following clauses: Art. II., clauses 5, 8, 13; Art. III., clause 7. Art. IV., clauses 1, 3, 6; Art. V., clauses 6, 10; Art. VI., clauses 3, 4, 10, 12, 15.

h. By-laws. Art. 1, clause 5. After word "clearance," insert, "or a Dismissal Certificate."

i. Art. I., clause 10. Strike out entire clause.

j. Art II., clause 7. Strike out, "not being an officer of this Lodge."

k. Art. III., clause 1, 15th line. Strike out all after word "officer," and insert, "such brother shall be balloted for by some member, and declared elected unanimously."

l. Art. 3, clause 6. Strike out entire clause.

f. Art. IV., clause 2, 28th line. After word "Committees," insert "originally appointed by him."

m. 30th line. Strike out, "except balloting for membership and for the election of officers."

d. 33rd line. After word "Lodge," insert, "except those decided by ballot."

n. Art. V., clause 1, 12th line. After word "preceding," insert, "and, provided also, that the accused has received a fair trial according to the provisions of the Constitution."

- o. Art. XI., clause 8, 7th line. Strike out all after word "widowhood."
- c. Art. XII., clause 2. Strike out.
- b. Art. XV., clause 4, 6th line. After word "effect," insert, "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for N. P. D."
- g. Art. IV., clause 3, 4th line. After word "chair," strike out, "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

OAKVILLE LODGE, No. 132, OAKVILLE.

- * Constitution incorrect in Art. II., clauses 5, 8, 13; Art. III., clause 7; Art. IV., clauses 1, 3, 4, 6; Art. V., clauses 6, 10; Art. VI., clauses 3, 4, 5, 10, 12, 15.
- f. By-law 9, 25th line. After word "Committee," insert, "originally appointed by him."
- d. By-law-9, 41st line. After word "Lodge," insert, "except those decided by ballot."
- p. By-law 46. Strike out "\$25," and insert \$20."
- b. By-law 62, 6th line. After word "effect," insert, "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in cases of suspension for N. P. D."

PEACEFUL DOVE LODGE, No. 135, CANNINGTON

Has made in MSS. the corrections ordered at last session. *Approved.*

GARNET LODGE, No. 139, MOUNT FOREST.

- * Constitution incorrect in Art. II., clause 1, and Art. IV., clauses 1, 3, 6.
- g. By-law 1, 4th line. Strike out, "or Secretary."
- m. By-law 9, page 21, 9th line. After word "votes," strike out, "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."
- d. 18th line. After word "Lodge," insert, "except those decided by ballot."
- g. By-law 10, 2nd line. Strike out, "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."
- e. By-law 27, 4th line. Strike out, "after which age none shall be admitted."

CAPITOL LODGE, No. 141, OTTAWA.

- * Constitution incorrect in Art. II., clauses 5, 8, 13; Art. III., clause 7; Art. IV., clauses 1, 4, 6; Art. V., clauses 6, 10; Art. VI., clauses 3, 4, 10, 12, and 15.
- m. By-law 9, 6th line. Strike out, "except balloting for membership and election of officers."
- a. 8th line. After word "Lodge," insert, "except those decided by ballot. ;

BAY OF QUINTE LODGE, No. 143, PICTON.

a. Only one copy of the By-laws of Belleville Lodge, with amendments in MSS. Not certified.

* Constitution incorrect in Art. II, clauses 5, 8, 13; Art. III, clause 7; Art. IV, clauses 1, 4, 6; Art. V, clauses 6, 10; Art. VI, clauses 3, 4, 10, 12, 15.

s. The Lodge has also undertaken to alter the Constitution in Art. V, clauses 2, 3, 4.

j. Art. II, clause 7, Strike out, "not being an officer of this Lodge."

i. Art. III, clause 4. Strike out.

n. Art. V, clause 1, 9th line. After word "preceding," insert, "and provided also, that the accused has received a fair trial, according to the provisions of the Constitution."

RIDGETOWN LODGE, No. 144, RIDGETOWN.

a. By-laws not certified. The corrections on printed slips should be pasted in their appropriate places, and not left on separate sheets.

* Constitution incorrect in Art. II, clauses 1, 5, 8, 13; Art. III, clause 7; Article IV, clauses 1, 4, 6; Art. V, clauses 6, 10; Art. VI, clauses 3, 4, 10, 12, 15.

e. By-law 1, strike out "between the age of 21 and 50 years," and insert "not less than 21 years of age."

t. By-law 21, strike out all after third line, and insert "when the number of members returned in the next preceding semi-annual report is less than 100, one representative; if over 100 and less than 200, two representatives; if over 200, three representatives."

l. By-law 23, strike out all after word "Lodge" in tenth line.

f. By-law 27, 21st line, after word "committees" insert "originally appointed by him."

m. 23rd line, strike out "except ballot for membership."

d. 26th line, after word "Lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."

g. By-law 28, 3rd line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

n. By-law 27, add to this by-law: "And provided, also, that the accused has received a fair trial, according to the provisions of the Constitution, Art. V, clauses 6, 11."

VIVIAN LODGE, No. 146, ARNPRIOR.

By-laws in MS.

e. Art. 1, clause 1, 2nd line, strike out "and not over 50." Clause 5, strike out.

j. Art. II, clause 7, strike out "not being an officer of this Lodge."

k. Art. III, clause 1, last line, strike out all after word "office," and in-

sert "each brother shall be balloted for by some member, and declared elected unanimously."

l. Art. III, clause 6, strike out.

n. Art. IV, clause 1, 4th line, after word "done," insert "by some qualified P. G."

f. Art. IV, clause 2, 10th line, after word "committees" insert "originally appointed by him."

m. 21st line, strike out "except ballotings for membership and the election for officers."

d. 23rd line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

n. Art. V, clause 1, 8th line, after word "preceding," insert: "And provided, also, that the accused has received a fair trial in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, Art. VI, clauses 6, 11."

c. Art. XII, clause 3, strike out.

c. Art. XIII, clause 2, 1st line, after word "him" insert "on any matter pertaining to his right to benefits."

b. Art. XV, clause 4, 4th line, after word "effect" insert: "And the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in cases of suspension for N. P. D."

r. Art. XVI, clause 1, strike out "January," and insert "July."

WESTERN STAR LODGE, No. 149, BRUSSELS.

By-laws in MS.

m. By-law II, 6th line, strike out "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."

d. 7th line, after word "Lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."

By-law 35. It would be advisable to prepare a table of quarterly dues on the basis of this By-law, and append it thereto.

c. By-law 64, strike out.

b. By-law 71, 26th line, after word "effect" insert: "And the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in cases of suspension for N. P. D."

BERTIE LODGE, No. 150, RIDGWAY.

By-laws in MS.

w. By-law 4, 5th line, strike out all after word "Lodge."

z. By-law 5, 5th line, strike out all after word "Constitution."

y. By-law 6, strike out.

z. By-law 8, last line, after word "vote" insert "by ballot."

d. By-law 16, 30th line, after word "requisite," insert "except those decided by ballot."

n. By-law 22, add to this By-law: "And provided, also, that the accused

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- c. By-law 57, strike out.
- c. By-law 58, 2d line, after word "charges," insert "on any matter pertaining to his right to benefits."
- aa By-law 67, strike out.
- b. By-law 71, 6th line, after word "effect," insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in cases of suspension for N. P. D."

SYCAMORE LODGE, No. 151, ARKONA.

By-laws in MS.

- w. By-law 3, strike out last two lines.
- z. By-law 5, strike out all after word "Constitution" in 5th line.
- y. By-law 6, strike out.
- d. By-law 15, 31st line, after word "requisite" insert "except those decided by ballot."
- n. By-law 21, add to this by-law : "And provided, also, that the accused has received a fair trial in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution"
- e. By-law 32, strike out all prohibiting the admission of persons over 50 years of age.
- c. By-law 59, 2d line, after word "charges" insert "on any matter pertaining to his right to benefits."
- aa. By-law 68, strike out.
- b. By-law 76, 6th line, after word "effect," insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for N. P. D."

PYRAMID LODGE, No. 156, NEWMARKET.

- * Constitution incorrect in Art. II, clauses 1, 5, 8, 9, 13; Art. III, clause 7; Art. IV, clauses 1, 4, 6; Art. V, clauses 6, 10; Art. VI, clauses 4, 10, 12, 15,
- u. By-Law 8, 6th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
- f. By-Law 9, 25th line, after word "Committees," insert "originally appointed by him."
- d. 41st line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."
- e. By-Law 27, 9th line, strike out "after which age none shall be admitted."

MODEL LODGE, No. 147, WYOMING.

- * Constitution incorrect in Art. II, clauses 1, 5, 8, 9, 13; Art. III, clause 7; Art. IV, clause 1, 4, 6, 9; Art. V, clause 4, 6, 10; Art. VI, clause 3, 4, 5, 10, 12, 15.

f. By-Law 14, 11th line, after word "Committees," insert "originally appointed by him."

m. 13th line. Strike out "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."

w. By-Law 63, 3d line, strike out "unless by consent of the N. G., and then only in urgent cases."

aa. By-Law 76 strike out.

* The "Order of Business," on page 43, should form Rule of Order II. The rules following should be numbered to correspond.

SYDENHAM VALLEY LODGE, No. 120, WALLACEBURG.

w. By-Law 5, strike out "unless by consent of the N. G., and then only in urgent cases."

z. By-Law 8, 6th line, strike out "unless the P. S. is present to vouch for his compliance therewith."

y. By-Law 9, strike out.

bb. By-Law 18, 5th line, strike out all after "\$5."

n. By-Law 28. Add to this By-Law the following: "And provided also that said Brother has first received a fair trial according to Constitution, Art. VI, clauses 6, 11."

cc. By-Law 31, strike out last clause, marked "b."

e. By-Law 38, 13th line, after word "which," strike out the following words: "None shall be admitted by initiation, and"—

aa. By-Law 70, strike out.

UNITY LODGE, No. 47, HAMILTON.

d. By-Law 8, 2d line of page 20, after the word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

By-Law 60. The Lodge will amend this By-Law so that it shall not apply to a Brother suspended for non-payment of dues (but not ceased membership) if he offers to pay the full amount of his arrears.

BROCK LODGE, No. 9, BROCKVILLE.

a. Only one copy and not certified.

f. Art. I, clause 18, strike out.

l. Art. III, clause 6, strike out.

m. Art. IV, clause 2, 20th line, strike out "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."

d. 23d line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

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n. Art. V, clause 1, 8th line, after word "preceding," insert "and provided also that such officer has received a fair trial, according to Constitution, Art. VI, clause 6, 11."

SAXON LODGE, No. 121, AILSA CRAIG.

f. By-Law 11, 24th line, after word "Committees," insert "originally appointed by him."

d. 40th line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

g. By-Law 12, 3d line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

c. 14th line, after word "him," insert "on any matter pertaining to his right to benefits."

HAYDEN LODGE, No. 162, NORWICHVILLE.

l. By-Law 16, strike out.

m. By-Law 19, 27th line, strike out "except ballotings for membership."

z. 29th line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

g. By-Law 21, 3d line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

* Page 60, "Order of Business" conflicts with the Order in Rule II, on page 63, as arranged by the Grand Lodge. The latter must govern.

ORION LODGE, No. 109, GEORGETOWN.

* Constitution incorrect; Art. II, clauses 5, 13; Art. III, clause 7; Art. IV clauses 1, 6; Art. V, clauses 6, 10; Art. VI, clauses 4, 10, 12, 15.

dd. By-Law 4, strike out "allowed to vote" and insert "admitted."

u. By-Law 9, 6th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

m. By-Law 10, 20th line, strike out "except balloting for membership and election of officers."

d. 23d line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

n. By-Law 19. Add to this By-Law, "and provided also that such officer has first received a fair trial in accordance with Constitution, Art. VI, clauses 6, 11."

LINDSAY LODGE, No. 100, LINDSAY.

u. By-Law 15, 6th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

m. By-Law 16, 30th line, strike out "except balloting for membership and election of officers."

d. 34th line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

g. By-Law 17, 4th line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

n. By-Law 21. Add to this By-Law, "and provided also that such officer has first received a fair trial according to Constitution, Art. VI, clauses 6, 11."

MANILLA LODGE, No. 105, MANILLA.

* Constitution incorrect, Art. III, clause 9.

g. By-Law 1, 5th line, strike out "or Secretary," and insert "in the absence of the N. G."

u. By-Law 8, 5th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

m. By-Law 9, 23d line, strike out "except ballotings for membership and the election of officers."

d. 25th line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided ballot."

g. By-Law 10, 3d line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

AURORA LODGE, No. 148, AURORA.

* Constitution incorrect, Art. III, clause 9.

u. By-Law 7, 6th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

d. By-Law 8, 42d line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

e. By-Law 27, 8th line, strike out "after which age none shall be admitted."

TRENTON LODGE, No. 113, TRENTON.

a. Only one copy, not certified.

f. By-Law Art. II, clause 7, strike out "not being an officer of the Lodge."

i. Art. III, clause 4, strike out.

u. Art. IV, clause 2, 5th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

m. Art. IV, clause 3, 21st line, strike out "except ballotings for membership and the election of officers,"

d. 23d line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

g. Art. IV, clause 4, 3d line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

n. Art. V, clause 1, 8th line, after word "preceding," insert "and provided also that such officer has first received a fair trial, according to Constitution, Art. VI, clauses 6, 11."

o. Art. XI, clause 7, strike out all after word "life" in 10th line.

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BISSELL LODGE, No. 51, MITCHELL.

- * Constitution incorrect, Art. V, clause 7, 8.
- u. By-Law 8, 4th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
- d. By-Law 9, 2d line on page 13, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

UNION LODGE, No. 16, ST. CATHARINES.

- j. By-Law Art. II, clause 7, strike out "not being an officer of the Lodge."
- l. Art. III, clause 2, strike out all after "vote," in 9th line.
- u. Art. 3, clause 3, 3d line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
- d. Art. 3, clause 4, 23d line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."
- g. Art. III, clause 6, 3d line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."
- n. Art. III, clause 15. Add to this By-Law: "And provided also that such officer has first received a fair trial, according to Constitution, Art. VI, clauses 6, 11."

EMPIRE LODGE, No. 87, ST. CATHARINES.

- j. By-Law Art. II, clause 7, strike out "not being an officer of the Lodge."
- l. Art. III, clause 2, strike out all after "vote," in 9th line.
- u. Art. II, clause 3, 4th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
- d. Art. III, clause 4, 23d line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."
- g. Art. 3, clause 6, 3rd line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."
- n. Art. III, clause 15. Add to this By-Law: "And provided also that such officer has first received a fair trial, according to Constitution, Art. VI, clauses 6, 11."

AMITY LODGE, No. 80, BELLEVILLE.

- * Constitution incorrect, Art. I, clauses 1, 5, 8, 9, 13; Art. III, clause 7; Art. IV, clauses 1, 4, 6; Art. V, clauses 6, 10; Art. VI, clauses 3, 4, 5, 10, 12, 15.

- n. By-Law 9, 4th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
 f. By-Law 10, 13th line, after word "Committees," insert "originally appointed by him."
 m. 14th line, strike out "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."
 d. 16th line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."
 n. By-Law 19. Add to this By-Law: "And provided also that such officer has first received a fair trial, according to Art. VI, clauses 6, 11, Constitution."
 ee. By-Law 28, strike out last two lines.
 aa. By-Law 38, 9th line, add "all fines collected."

STELLA LODGE, No. 125, CARLETON PLACE.

- * Constitution incorrect, Art. II, clause 5; Art. IV, clauses 3, 4; Art. VI, clause 9.
 l. By-Laws, Art. III, clause 6, strike out.

DOSORONTO LODGE, No. 102, MILL POINT.

- j. Art. II, clause 7, strike out "not being an officer of the Lodge."
 l. Art. III, clause 2, strike out all after "vote" in 14th line.
 u. Art. III, clause 3, 8th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
 d. Art. III, clause 4, 32d line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."
 g. Art. III, clause 6, 4th line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."
 n. Art. III, clause 15. Add to this By-Law: "And provided also that such officer has first received a fair trial, according to Art. VI, clauses 6, 11, Constitution."

SIMCOE LODGE, No. 161, SIMCOE.

- f. By-Law II, 8th line, after word "Committees," insert "originally appointed by him."
 m. 9th line, strike out "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."
 * Page 27, Order of Business incorrect.

ORIENT LODGE, No. 134, WELLAND.

- * Constitution incorrect, Art. II, clauses 5 and 9; Art. VI, clause 9; Art. VIII, clause 6 (this last is not a part of Constitution of Subordinates).

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- y. By-Laws, Art. I, clause 7, 4th line, strike out all after word "for."
- j. Art. II, clause 7, strike out "not being an officer of this Lodge."
- l. Art. III, clause 2, 10th line, strike out all after word "vote."
- u. Art. III, clause 3, 5th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
- f. Art. III, clause 4, 21st line, after word "Committees," insert "originally appointed by him."
- m. 23d line, strike out "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."
- d. 26th line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."
- g. Art. III, clause 6, 3d line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."
- n. Art. III, clause 15. Add to this By-Law: "And provided also that such Brother has first received a fair trial, according to Constitution, Art. VI, clauses 6, 11.
- c. Art. VII, clause 3, strike out.
- e. Art. VII, clause 6, 2d line, after word "him," insert "on any matter pertaining to his right to benefits."
- b. Art. VII, clause 15, 5th line, after word "effect," insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto.

BELLEVILLE LODGE, No. 81, BELLEVILLE.

* Constitution incorrect, Art. II, clauses 5, 8, 13; Art. III, clause 7; Art. IV, clauses 1, 4, 6; Art. V, clauses 6, 10; Art. VI, clauses 3, 4, 10, 12, 15.

- j. By-Laws, Art. II, clause 7, strike out "not being an officer of the Lodge."
- i. Art. III, clause 4, strike out.
- u. Art. IV, clause 2, 5th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
- m. Art. IV, clause 3, 23d line, strike out "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."
- d. Art. IV, clause 3, 26th line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."
- g. Art. IV, clause 4, 3d line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."
- n. Art. V, clause 1, 9th line, after word "preceding," insert "and provided also that such officer has first received a fair trial, according to Art VI, clauses 6, 11, Constitution."

ROMEO LODGE, No. 164, STRATFORD.

Approved.

RIDGETOWN LODGE, No. 144, RIDGETOWN.

By-Laws in MS. approved.

NIAGARA FALLS LODGE, No. 53, NIAGARA FALLS.

* Constitution incorrect, Art. II, clauses 8, 13; Art. III, clause 7; Art. IV, clauses 1, 4, 6; Art. V, clauses 6, 10; Art. VI, clauses 3, 4, 10, 12, 15.

x. By-Law 6, strike out last line.

y. By-Law 7, strike out "no application shall be made known to the Lodge."

u. By-Law 15, 4th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

d. By-Law 16, 20th line, after word "requisite," insert "except on questions decided by ballot."

n. By-Law 23. Add to this By-Law: "And provided also that the accused has first received a fair trial, according to Art. VI, clauses 6, 11, Constitution of Subordinates.

aa. By-Law 70, strike out.

SAMARITAN LODGE, No. 85, INGERSOLL.

l. By-law 16, strike out.

u. By-law 18, 6th line, after word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

m. By-law 19, 27th line, strike out "except ballotings for membership."

d. 29th line, after word "Lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."

g. By-law 21, 3rd line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

* Page 60, strike out "order of business."

OXFORD LODGE, No. 77, INGERSOLL.

l. By-law 16, strike out.

u. By-law 18, 6th line, after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

m. By-law 19, 37th line, strike out "except balloting for membership."

d. 27th line, after word "Lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."

g. By-law 21, 3rd line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

* Page 60, strike out "order of business."

CONSTELLATION LODGE, No. 85, BURGESSVILLE.

l. By-law 16, strike out.

u. By-law 18, 6th line, after word "done" insert by a P. G. or N. G."

m. By-law 19, 27th line, strike out "except ballotings for membership."

d. 29th line, after word "Lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."

- g.* By-law 21, 3rd line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."
- * Page 60, strike out "order of business."

QUEEN CITY LODGE, No. 56, TORONTO.

- u.* By-law 17, 5th line, after word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
- m.* By-law 18, 24th line, strike out "except in case of election of candidates for membership."
- d.* 36th line, strike out "in case of election of officers," and insert "those decided by ballot."
- c.* By-law 71, strike out.

WILDEY LODGE, No. 153, GRANTON.

Approved.

GRAND RIVER LODGE, No. 91, PARIS.

- a.* Only one copy not certified.
- * Constitution incorrect in Art. II, clauses 5, 8, 13; Art. III, clause 7; Art. IV, clauses 1, 6; Art. V, clauses 6, 10; Art. VI, clauses 4, 10, 12, 15.
- u.* By-law 11, 4th line, after word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
- f.* By-law 12, 2nd line on page 19, after word "committees" insert "originally appointed by him."
- m.* 4th line, strike out "except ballotings for membership."
- d.* 6th line, after word "Lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."
- g.* By-law 14, 2nd line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."
- aa.* By-law 59, strike out.

OSWEGO LODGE, No. 166, CANBORO.

- a.* Only one copy not certified.
- * Constitution incorrect in Art. II, clauses 1, 5, 8, 9, 13; Art. III, clause 7; Art. IV, clauses 1, 4, 6, 9; Art. V, clauses 4, 6, 10; Art. VI, clauses 3, 4, 10, 12, 15.
- u.* By-law 5, 5th line, after word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
- f.* By-law 6, 4th line on page 23, after word "committees" insert "originally appointed by him."
- d.* 7th line, strike out "in the election of officers," and insert "those decided by ballot."
- g.* By-law 7, 3rd line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."
- e.* By-law 21, strike out "but no person shall be initiated over the age of 50."
- c.* By-law 43, 2nd line, after word "him" insert "on any matter pertaining to his right to benefits."

KINGSTON LODGE, No. 59, KINGSTON.

- i. Article I, clause 19, strike out.
- j. Art. II, clause 7, strike out "not being an officer of the Lodge."
- v. Art. IV, clause 1, 5th line, after word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
- m. Art. IV, clause 2, 24th line, strike out "except balloting for membership and for the election of officers "
- d. 23th line, after word "Lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."
- g. Art. IV, clause 3, 3rd line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."
- n. Art. V, clause 1, 8th line, after word "preceding" insert "provided also, that the accused has first received a fair trial in accordance with the Constitution, Art. VI, clause 6, 11."

BAY OF QUINTE LODGE, No. 143, PICTON.

- * Constitution incorrect, Art. VI, clause 9.
- j. By-laws, Art. II, clause 7, strike out "not being an officer of the Lodge."
- u. Art. IV, clause 2, 5th line, after word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
- m. Clause 3, 25th line, strike out "except ballotings for membership and the election of officers."
- d. 27th line, after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."
- g. Clause 4, 3rd line, strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."
- n. Art. V, clause 1, 10th line, after word "preceding" insert "provided also, that the accused has first received a fair trial, according to Constitution, Art. VI, clauses 6, 11."
- e. Art. XIII, clause 1, 2nd line, after word "him," insert "on any matter pertaining to his right to benefits."

Your Committee submit the following:

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

CL. T. CAMPBELL,
W. S. CAMPBELL,
WM. A. RAWLINGS,
ROBT. KIRKPATRICK,
W. F. ROOME.

AUTHORITIES FOR ABOVE CORRECTIONS.

* Lodges that have Constitution or Rules of Order incorrect are referred to Ontario Digest, pp. 161-174, and to Journal of Grand Lodge of Ontario, pp. 1253-1256.

- a. Duplicate copies authenticated by Seal of Lodge, and signatures of N. G. and Secretary should be submitted.—Constitution Subordinates, Art. VIII, clause 2.
- b. Suspended members cannot be restored before the term of suspension has expired, without consent of Grand Lodge.—Digest G. L. U. S., 1697.
- c. A member under charges retains all his rights, except those specified in Digest G. L. U. S. 1828, 1832, 325a.
- d. N. G. has a casting vote in all cases of tie, except where the vote is by ballot.—Ontario Digest, p. 82, section 6.
- e. Membership cannot be restricted to persons not over a certain age.—Digest G. L. U. S. 1093b.
- f. N. G. can only fill vacancies in offices originally filled by his appointment.—Journal G. L. Ontario, p. 1245.
- g. In absence of N. G. the V. G. takes the chair.—Digest G. L. U. S., 1877, 1879.
 - A. Constitution Subordinates, Art. II, clause 5, as amended in 1874.
 - i. The G. L. U. S. provides the form of Visiting Card.—Digest G. L. U. S., p. 222.
- j. Officers, as well as members, are required to wear regalia of their station rank.
 - k. Constitution Subordinates, Art. III, clause 7, as amended in 1874.
 - l. Blank votes are to be counted.—Digest G. L. U. S., 1914.
- m. Though other officers or members may assist at examination of ballot box, or scrutiny of votes, and announce the condition of the vote, the N. G. alone must declare the result.—Journal G. L. U. S., pp. 6236, 6315.
- n. Every member must have a trial before he can be punished.—Constitution Subordinates, Art. VI., clauses 6-12.
- o. Lodge cannot make a By-law dispensing with payment of benefits.—Digest G. L. U. S., 152, 1311.
- p. Funeral benefit for a brother's wife not to exceed half the amount fixed for funeral benefit for a brother.—Constitution Subordinates, Art. V, clause 8.
- q. N. G. alone can call special meetings, or a V. G. when acting as N. G.—Constitution Subordinates, Art. IV, clause 2.
- s. A Subordinate Lodge cannot alter its Constitution.—Constitution Subordinates, Art. VIII, clause 5.
- t. Constitution of Grand Lodge, clause 9.
- u. P. G.'s charge can only be given by a P. G. or N. G.—Digest G. L. U. S. 925.
- v. Constitution Subordinates, Art. IV, clause 6.
- w. No one can leave the room during initiation.—Charge Book.
- x. Every brother, before receiving any of the Degrees, must present a cer-

tificate from P. S. that he has paid for them, and is not in arrears.—Constitution Subordinates, Art. II, clause 10.

y. Degrees must be applied for when Lodge is open in the Initiatory Degree.—Digest G. L. U. S., 465.

z. Voting for a Withdrawal Card must be by ballot.—Digest G. L. U. S., 243.

aa. Not right to fine a P. G., because the returns to the G. L. have not been made and forwarded.

bb. Qualifications for elective officers are fixed by Constitution, Art. III.

cc. Cannot refuse a brother his benefit simply because his illness arose from some cause outside of his ordinary business avocation, provided it was not the result of immoral conduct.

dd. No member should be admitted into the room unless in the regalia of his rank or station.—Digest G. L. U. S., 1661.

ee. A ballot cannot be declared void because the N. G. or the Lodge has neglected to enforce one of its By-laws in regard to procuring a physician's certificate.

The hour of ten o'clock having arrived, which, by resolution, was set apart for the exemplification of the secret work, Grand Representatives James Woodyatt and John Barr proceeded to do that duty.

After some time spent in secret session the Grand Lodge resumed the ordinary business,

When the following was adopted—

Moved by Rep. Cl. T. Campbell,

Seconded by Rep. John J. Shaw,

That members of this Grand Lodge, not representatives, who have been serving on Committees, be paid mileage and per diem, and that the Committee on Mileage be instructed so to report.

Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, from the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, presented the following report, which was adopted—

**SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LAWS OF
SUBORDINATES.**

LONDON, August 6, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee have examined the Model Code submitted to them, and they would advise that it be adopted by this Grand Lodge and recommended to subordinates with certain alterations, which will make it read as follows:

BY-LAWS.

1. One week's notice shall be given, verbally in open Lodge, of intention to propose a Candidate for Membership.
2. No application for Membership shall be made known to any person except a Member of this Order, until after the same shall have been determined favorably by election.
3. Applications for Membership shall be in the prescribed form, and shall be accompanied by the sum of Two Dollars (\$2) which sum shall be placed to the credit of the Candidate's initiation fee, provided he appear for initiation within thirteen (13) weeks; otherwise such deposit shall be placed to the credit of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund; but in the event of rejection it shall be returned to the Candidate.
4. Every Brother, on his admission to the Lodge, shall sign an agreement to abide by its Constitution and By-Laws, and to pay all legal demands against him, so long as he shall remain a Member thereof; and shall give his place of residence to the P. S., and whenever he changes his residence he shall notify the P. S. of such change, or forfeit his claim to the attention of the Visiting Committee.
5. No Brother shall enter or retire from the Lodge during initiation.
6. In balloting for Members, the ballot box shall be placed in full view of the N. G., and the result having been inspected by the N. G., the Warden shall proceed with it to the chair of the V. G., who, having inspected the same, shall announce whether the ballot is favorable or unfavorable, and the N. G. shall declare the result to the Lodge.

MEETINGS.

7. This Lodge shall hold its Regular Meetings every.....evening, from the 1st of April to the 1st of October, at 8 o'clock, and from the 1st of October to the 1st of April, at 7:30 o'clock. The N. G. may summon a Special Meeting whenever he shall deem it necessary, or when requested to do so by five Members in good standing; provided always that not less than eight hours' notice of the time and object be given by the Secretary, by means of a written or printed circular, to every Brother of the Lodge residing in Town.

8. Five Members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, at any Regular or Special Meeting.

9. No business, other than that for which such Meeting may be specially called, shall be discussed at any such Meeting.

10. This Lodge shall hold its Regular Degree Meetings on the
..... in each month, for the purpose of conferring Degrees.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

11. Before proceeding to open the poll for an Election of Officers, the N. G. shall appoint two Brothers of the Scarlet Degree, in good standing, to be tellers, whose duty it shall be to guard the ballot box, to count the votes given, and to make return thereof to the N. G. and to the Lodge.

12. In balloting for the Elective Officers of the Lodge, and for delegates to the Grand Lodge, or other Officers, when more than one Candidate is in nomination, the names of the respective Candidates shall be written upon the ballots, and the election shall in other respects be conducted as provided by the Constitution.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

13. It shall be the duty of the Junior P. G. to attend regularly the Meetings of the Lodge, to act as sitting P. G. for the term of six months; to deliver the charge of that Office at initiation, or to see that the same be done by a P. G. or N. G.; to register in a book, to be kept for that purpose, the name and residence of every widow, and the name, age and residence of every orphan child receiving Benefits from the Funds of the Lodge; to watch over their welfare and interest; to visit them, if residing in this place or within one mile thereof, at least once in each quarter, and oftener if necessary; to report their condition to the Lodge whenever occasion may require;

and to perform all other duties pertaining to his Office, and to act as Outside Conductor.

14. It shall be the duty of the N. G. to preside in the Lodge; to enforce a due observance of the Constitution and By-Laws, and proper respect for the Grand Lodge; to see that all the Officers of the Lodge, and the Members of Committees, perform their respective duties as enjoined by the respective Charges and Laws; to take care that all fines not requiring a vote of the Lodge for their imposition, be punctually charged on the books of the P. S.; to exercise a vigilant supervision in regard to all irregularities subjecting Brothers to Fines or other Penalties, at the vote of the Lodge; to bring the same before the Lodge whenever known to him without fear or favor; to take charge of the Charter of the Lodge; to have it always in the Lodge while in session; to summon Special Meetings whenever he may consider it necessary, or when requested to do so by any Five Members of the Lodge in good standing; to appoint all Officers and Committees, not otherwise provided for; to fill by appointment all vacancies occurring in Committees or in Offices originally filled by his appointment; to examine the ballot box after every ballot for Members; to ascertain and announce to the R. S. the result of all ballotings and votes; to give the casting vote in case of a tie on any question except those decided by ballot; to present a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws to each Brother on admission; to ascertain from the P. S. his receipts since last Lodge night, and announce the same to the Lodge; to cause the R. S. to invite Brothers to attend the Funeral of any Brother for whom the Lodge may be chargeable with a Funeral Benefit; to take charge of such Funeral in the absence of competent relatives; to receive the amount of and regulate the disbursements; to draw upon the Treasurer for all sums voted by the Lodge, or necessary for the payment of any Benefits due under these Laws; to act as Chairman of the Visiting Committee, and in the absence of any Elective Officer, or other Officer appointed by the N. G., he shall appoint a qualified Brother *pro tem.*, to perform the duties of such Officer; he shall perform all other duties pertaining to his Office by the Constitution, or By-Laws of the Lodge, or by the Charges and Usages of the Order; and shall not make or second any motion, or take part in any debate while in the Chair, except in case of appeal from his decision.

15. It shall be the duty of the V. G. to assist the N. G., and in his absence to take his Chair, except during an initiation, visitation of Grand Officers or other important occasion, when he may cause the same to be done by a P. G.; to appoint his own Supporters, and the Minority of all Committees on Character; to assist in examinations of the ballot at election for member-

ship; to act as a member of the Visiting Committee, and whenever the N. G. is absent to act as Chairman thereof; to take special charge of the door under the N. G., and to perform such other duties as are prescribed by the Charges of his office and the Usages of the Order.

16. It shall be the duty of the R. S. to keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Lodge; to take charge of, and keep in safety, the Seal of the Lodge; to keep carefully, and in good order, all Books, Papers and other property belonging to his Office, and to deliver the same to his successor in like good order; to fill up all Certificates and Cards granted by the Lodge; to write, and duly dispatch and copy into the letter book, all Communications ordered by this Lodge, and to read the same at the next Regular Meeting, under the head of unfinished business; to punctually issue all notices required by order of the N. G. or of the Lodge; to inform all Candidates of their election or rejection, when the proposer of such Candidate declines to do so, but without disclosing any other fact or circumstance connected therewith; to examine the Black Book in reference to all nominations for membership, and acquaint the Committee on Character with the result of such examination; to fill out for the Chairman of such Committee a notice containing the names of the Committee, and also that of the Candidate and referees; to preserve and file all written resolutions, motions, accounts and reports upon which action has been taken by the Lodge; to keep written up in good order, all books placed in his charge, and to carefully preserve all papers left with him; to attest all warrants for moneys ordered to be paid at regular meetings; to advise the P. S. of all votes of the Lodge imposing any assessment, or imposing or remitting any fine; and also all fines otherwise incurred by any Brother; and shall, at the second meeting in each month, enter upon the minutes of the Subordinate Lodge a statement, containing the name of every Brother who received Degrees at the last Degree Meeting, and also what Degree or Degrees he then received, and to record the same in a separate book; and perform all such other duties consistent with his office, as may be required of him by the Lodge, or his Charge of Office; and for such service shall be entitled to receive the amount of \$..... during his term of office.

17. It shall be the duty of the P. S. to keep just and true accounts between the Lodge and its Members; to charge and collect punctually all Dues, Charges, Assessments and Fines; to notify every Brother, by means of a written or printed circular, mailed to his address, at least two weeks previous to the close of each quarter, of the amount of his arrears, and the amount of regular dues for the three months in advance; to call the special at-

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tion of every Brother owing dues for eleven or seventeen calendar months, as the case may be, to the provisions of these Laws in such cases, by means of a written or printed notice, to be mailed to his address; to advise the N. G., from time to time, of the names of all Brothers owing dues for twelve or eighteen calendar months, to the end that such provisions may be punctually carried into effect; to receive all moneys due the Lodge and pay over the same forthwith to the Treasurer, taking his receipt for the same; to furnish the Lodge at the first meeting in each term with a written statement of all moneys received by him during the past term, to have his books written up for the Finance Committee, within twenty-four hours of the last Meeting in each Term; to deliver up in good order for his successor, all books, papers and other property pertaining to his Office; to make out at the end of his term, for the Grand Lodge a full return of the proceedings of the Lodge during the term, and for such services he shall be paid quarterly, at the rate of \$..... per annum.

18. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive from the P. S. all moneys of the Lodge, and carefully take charge of, and deal with the same, in such manner as may be required by the By-Laws of the Lodge, or by any vote of the Lodge, duly passed in conformity therewith; to pay all warrants signed by the N. G. on account of benefits due under these laws, and also all other warrants signed by the N. G. and R. S., but none others; to keep a correct account of all moneys coming into his hands; to advise the P. S. punctually of the state of his books whenever the said P. S. may require the levying of an Assessment under these Laws; to lay before the Lodge a statement of its receipts and disbursements, at the first Regular Meeting in each Term; to have his books written up for the Finance Committee within twenty-four hours after the last Regular Meeting in each Term; and to deliver up, when legally called upon, all moneys, bonds, papers, books and other property of the Lodge, which may be in his possession or charge, to his successor in office, or to any other Brother or Brothers whom the Lodge may appoint to receive the same. Prior to his installation in office, the Treasurer shall give to the N. G. or V. G. or to the Lodge, as the case may be, a bond with two sureties, to be approved by the Lodge, for the term for which he may serve, subject to such penalties and on such conditions, as from time to time may be prescribed by the Lodge.

19. There shall be three Trustees of this Lodge, who shall, at the second Meeting in January in each year, be elected by ballot. The duties of the Trustees shall be to take charge of the Funds of the Lodge, except such Funds as may be deemed necessary to remain in the hands of the Treasurer,

and invest the same, subject to the approval of the Lodge. Each Trustee, before entering upon his Term of Office, shall give a bond, with two sureties, to the N. G. and V. G., or to the Lodge, as the case may be, to be approved of by the Lodge, for the faithful performance of his duties as such Trustee. All Brothers elected as Trustees must be members of the Scarlet Degree at the time of their election.

20. It shall be the duty of the Warden to take charge of the Regalia, and other property of the Lodge, except when a keeper is employed for that purpose; to act as Chairman of the Property Committee, and perform such other duties as are prescribed by the Charges of his Office.

21. The Chaplain shall assist in opening and closing the Lodge, according to the requirements of his office.

22. Every officer who may be required to state his duties or to deliver any charge in the Lodge, shall commit his part to memory within two weeks after his installation.

DISMISSAL OF OFFICERS.

23. Any Officer charged with official misconduct may be suspended or dismissed from office, by a vote of two-thirds of the Brothers of the Lodge present, and voting on any motion to that effect; provided always that he has first received a fair trial, according to Art. VI, clause 6-11, of Constitution.

COMMITTEES.

24. The N. G., on the night of his installation, shall appoint (subject to the approval of the Lodge) the following Standing Committees, to serve for the current Term, viz.: A Visiting, a Finance, and a Property Committee.

VISITING COMMITTEE.

25. The Visiting Committee shall consist of seven Members, of whom the N. G. and V. G. shall be two, *ex officio*.

26. It shall be the duty of each Member of this Committee (on the day set apart for him), to visit every sick Brother of this Lodge, after receiving information of his illness (provided he be in this place or within one mile thereof), and to render him such necessary aid as the law provides or the Lodge directs.

27. It shall be the duty of the Chairman of this Committee to make such arrangements that sick brothers of this Lodge, if within one mile of this

place, shall be visited at least once each day during their illness, by one or more Members of this Committee; to keep a correct roll of the names of the Brothers, in the order in which they were initiated, for the use of the Committee (the roll to be furnished by the P. S.); and when circumstances require, it shall be the duty of each Member, on the day set apart for him to visit, to call upon so many of the Brothers, in the order in which their names have been enrolled, as may be necessary to secure the attendance and services of at least two Brothers to watch nightly with sick Brothers.

28. It shall be the duty of each Member notified to attend the sick, to inform the N. G. at the same time such notice is given, whether he will attend or not, and when he is unable to attend, except for sickness, he shall be charged \$1, and his place supplied as in case of residents out of the place. Should any Member not inform the N. G. of his inability to attend, or neglect to attend after signifying that he would, then the Lodge, on motion can order that he be fined an additional sum of one dollar, as the circumstances of the case may permit; but in no case shall the Member so notified be exempted from paying the Fine of One Dollar, as specified in the foregoing part of this clause (unless he was ill himself.)

29. In the case of contagious or infectious diseases, it shall not be incumbent on Members of this Committee to visit, personally, or of other Brothers to watch; and if attendance be required, the Committee shall employ a competent nurse, to be paid from the Funds of the Lodge.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

30. The Finance Committee shall consist of three Members, whose duty it shall be to inspect and report upon all accounts referred to them by the Lodge, at or before the Regular Meeting next following; and shall audit the books and accounts of the P. S. and T. at the end of each Semi-Annual Term, and make a written report thereon; also a report in full of the Financial-Affairs of the Lodge at the second Regular Meeting in each Term; and audit the accounts of all Officers or Committees charged with the receipt or expenditure of moneys of the Lodge.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE.

31. The Property Committee shall consist of three Members, including the Warden who shall be Chairman thereof, whose duty it shall be to take charge of all Regalia and other effects of the Lodge, not especially entrusted to particular Officers or to other Committees; to procure such articles as

may be necessary, or as the Lodge may direct; to cause all repairs to be made to the Regalia, or other Lodge property, as to them may seem fit, or the Lodge direct; and to make a full, written report of their proceedings, at the last Meeting in each Term.

32. This Committee shall, in no case, expend a greater sum in any one Term than ten dollars, without the consent of the Lodge in regular form.

COMMITTEES ON CHARACTER.

33. It shall be the duty of all Committees on Character, to ascertain carefully, the age, state of health, profession, habits, and character of the candidates referred to them; and to make report thereon to the Lodge at the next Regular Meeting.

DISMISSAL OF COMMITTEES.

34. Any Committee, or Member or Members of Committee, failing to discharge their duties to the satisfaction of the Lodge may be discharged therefrom by vote of the Lodge to that effect; and every Committee, or Member or Members thereof, thus discharged, shall forthwith surrender on demand to that effect, to the N. G. or such Brother or Brothers as the Lodge may appoint, all books, papers, moneys and other properties of the Lodge which may be in his or their hands.

ADMISSION FEE.

35. Every person admitted into this Lodge by Initiation, or as an Ancient Odd Fellow, shall pay an Entrance Fee of five dollars (\$5); and every Brother admitted by Card three dollars (\$3).

QUARTERLY DUES.

36. The regular contributions, payable by every Brother who may be a Member of this Lodge, at the time of passing these By-Laws, shall be at the rate of six dollars (\$6) per year, or one dollar fifty cents (\$1.50) per quarter—payable at or before the close of each Quarterly Term. Every person hereafter admitted into this Lodge, shall pay into its funds—at or before the close of each quarterly term—according to his age at the time of admission, at the rate following, that is to say:—At the age of 21, \$6 per year; from 22 to 35 inclusive, an additional 12c. for each year; from 36 to 40 inclusive, an additional 20c. for each year; from 41 to 45 inclusive, an additional 25c. for each year; from 46 to 50 inclusive, an additional 36c. for each year; and over 50, an additional 60c. for each year.

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TABLE OF QUARTERLY DUES.

AGE WHEN ADMITTED.	YEARLY RATE	QUARTER'S DUES.
21		
22	\$ 6.00	\$ 1.50
23	6.12	1.53
24	6.24	1.56
25	6.36	1.59
26	6.48	1.62
27	6.60	1.65
28	6.72	1.68
29	6.84	1.71
30	6.96	1.74
31	7.08	1.77
32	7.20	1.80
33	7.32	1.83
34	7.44	1.86
35	7.56	1.89
36	7.68	1.92
37	7.88	1.97
38	8.08	2.02
39	8.28	2.07
40	8.48	2.12
41	8.68	2.17
42	8.96	2.24
43	9.24	2.31
44	9.52	2.38
45	9.80	2.45
46	10.08	2.52
47	10.44	2.61
48	10.80	2.70
49	11.16	2.79
50	11.52	2.88
	11.88	2.97

OTHER CHARGES.

37. The charges for Degrees in this Lodge shall be \$2 for each of the first three Degrees and three dollars each for the fourth and fifth. The amount of such charges must be deposited in the hands of the P. S. before any Brother can be balloted for to obtain a Certificate entitling him to receive such Degrees, but shall be returned by the P. S. should such Candidate be refused.

38. For every Visiting or Withdrawal Card there shall be a charge of 30 cents.

FUNDS.

39. There shall be carried to the credit of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund all moneys which, at the time of the passing of these By-Laws, may be at-

the credit of the said Fund; one-third part of all quarterly dues; all Fines for neglect of duty; all donations and bequests which may be made thereto; and all Proposition Fees of accepted Candidates who do not appear for initiation within the required time; and all moneys raised by Assessment in aid thereof. All other moneys accruing to the Lodge, except such as may be provided for any special fund, shall be carried to the account of the General Benefit Fund.

ASSESSMENTS.

40. Whenever any Benefit, or Benefits, may become due and payable, from either of the Funds of this Lodge in the course of any one quarter, if the books of the Lodge do not show sufficient amount to the credit of such Fund to meet such Benefit, then the P. S. shall forthwith raise, in aid of such Fund, by an Assessment, to be laid in equal proportions upon all the Members of the Lodge, the amount necessary to meet such Benefit or Benefits.

INVESTMENT OF FUNDS.

41. Investment of all moneys of the Lodge, which it may not be deemed necessary to keep in the immediate charge of the Treasurer, to meet ordinary disbursements, shall be made in and by the name of the Lodge (*if incorporated*), otherwise in the names of the Trustees of the Lodge, from time to time in such manner and with such security as the Lodge may require; provided always that no part of the Funds shall be loaned to any Member of the Lodge. All evidences or certificates of such investments shall be kept by the Trustees, and all dividends, interest, or other income accruing therefrom shall be duly demanded and received by them, and the amount thereof paid over forthwith to the P. S. for delivery to the Treasurer.

42. All moneys of the Lodge, not invested as aforesaid, shall remain in the hands of the Treasurer, subject to the By-Laws and orders of the Lodge.

43. No motion in any way relating to the investment of the Funds of this Lodge as provided by the By-Laws, shall be put to vote at any Meeting, whether regular or special, unless two weeks' notice of such motion has been given by the mover; nor shall any motion for the appropriation of money (other than for the general purposes of the Lodge, and for the relief of members of this or distant Lodges), be put to vote, unless two weeks' notice has been given, and a written or printed copy of such motion sent to the address of every Member. Nor shall any such motion for the investment or appropriation of money be carried unless two-thirds of the Members present vote in its favor.

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SICK BENEFITS.

44. Every Brother who has been a Member of this Lodge for the space of six months, and is in good standing, if rendered incapable of following his usual occupation by sickness or disability, not proceeding from drunkenness or other immoral conduct on his part, shall receive a benefit during such sickness or disability at rates following, that is to say:—If he shall have attained the Scarlet Degree, \$3 per week; if he shall not have attained the Scarlet Degree, \$2.00 per week, provided always that no Benefit shall be paid for less than one week's sickness or disability.

45. In the event of its being necessary under the By-Laws for the Lodge to provide and pay for a nurse to attend upon any sick Member, he shall receive only one-half of the amount to which he would be entitled under the preceding By-Law.

46. Whenever any Benefit shall accrue to the account of a Brother, payment shall be required therefrom of such quarterly dues as may be chargeable to the close of the then current quarter.

47. In case a Brother shall leave this place while in receipt of Benefits as aforesaid, it shall rest with the Lodge by vote whether or not the contingencies of the case are such as to require the continuance of such Benefit during his absence.

48. If the Brother be a non-resident, it shall be necessary that a statement or statements of his case, setting forth the nature of his sickness or disability and the time of its commencement and duration, be transmitted to the N. G. of this Lodge, certified by the N. G. of the Lodge nearest to the place where he may be for the time resident or detained, and under the seal of such Lodge; or, if he be not near any Lodge, by a Justice of the Peace, or a Clergyman, or a licensed Physician, and such Brother shall thereupon receive the Benefit provided by the preceding By-Laws.

49. No Brother while under charges duly preferred against him on any matter pertaining to his right to Benefits shall be entitled to such Benefits, but if afterwards acquitted in due course, he shall be then forthwith entitled to receive any Benefit or Benefits which but for such charges would have become payable to him while the same were pending.

50. No Brother who shall be indebted to this Lodge to the amount of one quarter's dues, shall become entitled to any Benefits until six weeks after such arrears shall have been paid in full.

51. No Brother shall be entitled to any Benefit for sickness commencing while under disabilities.

FUNERAL BENEFITS.

52. On the decease of any Brother in good standing in this Lodge, the sum of \$30 shall be allowed as a Funeral Benefit.

53. On the decease of the wife of any brother in good standing, he shall receive the sum of \$15 to assist in her funeral expenses.

BENEFITS TO WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

54. The widow of any deceased Member of this Lodge in good standing at the time of his decease, he having attained the Scarlet Degree, shall receive from the Funds of the Lodge, the sum of \$30 per annum. The widow of a Brother having attained the Royal Blue Degree, shall receive the sum of \$25 per annum; and the widow of a member of a lower Degree shall receive the sum of \$20 per annum; the whole of the above to be paid quarterly during widowhood.

55. Should any deceased Brother leave no widow or should his widow afterwards die, the said quarterly sum shall be paid in like manner for the benefit of his orphan child or children, if any there be under the age of fifteen years—the interest of each such child in each such Benefit ceasing as he or she shall attain the age of fifteen, unless in the case of any female child or children it be otherwise ordered by the Lodge.

56. Should any widow be guilty of unbecoming conduct, the Lodge may withdraw from such widow the Benefit above set forth, and grant the same to the orphan child or children of the deceased Brother under the age of fifteen years.

57. Should the widow of a deceased Brother marry again, while any child or children of such Brother shall still be under the age of fifteen years, it shall be optional with the Lodge to grant such Benefit, or any part thereof, to such child or children.

58. No motion affecting the Benefits of any widow or orphan in the manner referred to in the previous three clauses shall be put to vote unless two weeks' notice thereof be given; nor shall such motion be adopted unless two-thirds of the Members present vote in its favor.

59. Should the family of a deceased Brother be in need of a protector or guardian, the Lodge shall, to the best of its power, protect and assist them,

and endeavor to place them in such a position as to enable them to be useful to themselves and to society.

RELIEF IN SPECIAL CASES.

60. Whenever it may become known that any Brother of this Lodge has been reduced to a state of pecuniary distress by any sudden and unlooked for dispensation, his case shall be referred to a Special Committee of three Brothers, whose duty it shall be to examine into the same, and report to the Lodge whether any and what sum in their opinion should be granted for relief, and it shall be competent for the Lodge, by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the Brothers present, to grant him any sum not exceeding \$50.

61. If a Member of a distant Lodge apply for relief, on the presentation of his Card, his case shall be referred to the N. G., and two or more Members who have attained the Scarlet Degree, who shall examine him, and if satisfied they shall be at liberty to contribute at once a sum not exceeding five dollars. They shall report their action to the Lodge at the next Regular Meeting, when, if necessary, such further sum may be voted as shall be deemed proper—not exceeding \$10.

FINES.

62. Any Officer of the Lodge or Member of Committee neglecting to perform his duty, and failing to give a satisfactory excuse, may be fined such sum as the Lodge may see fit, not exceeding \$2.

63. All fines incurred by Brothers, or imposed by the Lodge, shall be forthwith charged by the P. S. to the account of the Brother incurring them, and shall become due and payable, in all respects, as though they formed part of the Regular Quarterly Dues for the ensuing quarter.

SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION.

64. Any Brother, being twelve calendar months in arrears, shall, on due report thereof to the Lodge, be declared by the N. G. to be suspended from Membership; unless, on account of any special circumstances, the Lodge see fit by vote, to determine a further term of payment, in no case to exceed three months.

65. Any Brother being eighteen calendar months in arrears, shall, on due report to the Lodge, be declared by the N. G. to have ceased to be a Member, unless, on account of any special circumstances, the Lodge see fit, by vote,

to determine a further term of payment, though in no case to exceed six calendar months.

66. Any Brother guilty of improper language or conduct in Lodge; or who shall bring charges against a Brother on evidence which the Lodge shall not regard as sufficient to warrant him in so doing; or who shall knowingly misrepresent the qualifications of any Candidate for admission; or who shall abuse or attempt to abuse in any way the benevolent intentions of the Order; or who shall be found guilty of fraud in any business transaction, or of other dishonorable conduct, or of habitual drunkenness, or immorality, or of any infraction of the laws of the land, shall be suspended from membership or expelled, as the Lodge may by vote determine.

67. No Brother shall be permitted to appear in Lodge while under suspension from Membership, nor until after he shall have paid up all dues to the Lodge charged or chargeable against him, as well during the term of his suspension as previous thereto.

68. If any Member of this Lodge shall disclose the rejection of a Candidate for initiation or for admission by Card, he shall be subject to expulsion or such other punishment as the majority of the Lodge may determine; and whenever such rejection occurs this clause shall be read to the Lodge.

REGALIA.

69. All Officers shall wear the Regalia of their respective Offices while present in the Lodge, and all Members the Regalia of the highest Subordinate Lodge Degree they have attained.

DEGREES.

70. Application for Degrees shall be made in the Lodge while open in the Initiatory Degree, but no ballot taken thereon unless at a Regular or Special Meeting of the Lodge, opened in the Degrees applied for.

71. On the rejection of any application for Degrees, the charge obtained or the same shall be at once refunded, or placed to the Brother's credit as he may desire.

CARDS.

72. The Lodge may by open vote grant a Visiting Card to any Brother in good standing on his paying up all dues accruing during the period for which this Card is desired, including the fee for the Card. Withdrawal Cards

shall be balloted for, after the applicant has paid all dues and charges to date—including the fee for the Card; and if a majority of white balls appear shall be granted.

REFRESHMENTS.

73. All spirituous, vinous and malt liquors shall be excluded from the Lodge Room, and ante-rooms, when under the control of this Lodge.

AMENDMENTS.

74. No motion to repeal, suspend or amend these By-Laws, or any part hereof, shall be put to vote until the same shall have been read in Lodge, at three consecutive Regular Meetings; nor shall the consideration of, or voting upon, any such motion be postponed after such third reading, unless by a majority vote of the Lodge; nor shall such motion be declared to prevail unless, upon the final division thereon, two-thirds of the Brothers present and voting shall vote in favor of it.

The form of Charges and Rules of Procedure on trials of brothers, we approve entire.

Your Committee submit the following:

Resolved, That the above be adopted.

CL. T. CAMPBELL,
W. S. CAMPBELL,
ROBT. KIRKPATRICK.
WM. A. RAWLINGS,
W. F. ROOME.

Jas. Woodyatt, P. G. M., from the Committee on State of the Order, submitted the following Report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

LONDON, August 6, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

The Committee on State of the Order submit the following Report:

By Rep. R. G. Moles—

Has the Noble Grand a right to ballot for a candidate?

Answer: Yes.

By Rep. J. Frankish—

If, at the time that a Brother is initiated, the laws of the Lodge declare that the sum of Forty Dollars per annum shall be paid to the widow of a deceased Brother, has the Subordinate Lodge the right to reduce the yearly indemnity which was formerly paid to the said widow?

Answer: Yes.

By Rep. G. W. Lambert—

A Committee appointed by the Lodge to investigate a charge against a Brother brings in their report. Query: Has the Lodge the right to refer back the report for further consideration, just reasons for such action being given?

Answer: No. The Lodge can vary the recommendation of the Committee. See clause 12, page 1256, Journal Grand Lodge Proceedings 1874. Also clauses 10, 11, Art. VI, Constitution Subordinate Lodges, Journal 1874.

We submit the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing Report be adopted.

JAMES WOODYATT,
J. HAM PERRY,
W. GEORGE MUTTON
W. D. GORDON,
J. J. DYAS,
WM. N. FORD.

Geo. Wright, P. G. M., from the Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the appeal of Bro. James Doherty vs. Bissell Lodge, No. 51, left over from the session of 1873 (see Journal of Proceedings, page 1013), submitted the following Report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

LONDON, Aug. 6, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

IN THE MATTER OF
JAS. DOHERTY
vs.
BISSELL LODGE, No. 51.

Your Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the appeal of Bro. James Doherty against Bissel Lodge, No. 51, beg to report as follows:

1. We find that the documents that were required in the report of the Committee on Appeals of last year, although applied for by the R. W. Grand Secretary, have not been furnished by said Lodge.

2. We therefore recommend that the R. W. Grand Secretary be requested to communicate with Bissel Lodge and demand the required documents, under the penalty of forfeiture of its Charter in case of failure.

We therefore respectfully submit the following:

Resolved, That the above Report be adopted.

GEO. WRIGHT,
SAMUEL G. DOLSON.
ISAAC F. TOMS,
H. B. TAYLOR,
J. D. MATHIESON.

Rep. J. D. Mathieson, from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

LONDON, August 6, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

IN THE MATTER OF
H. F. TUCK
-vs-
RELIANCE LODGE, No. 89. }

Your Committee, to whom was referred the appeal of Bro. H. F. Tuck against the decision of Reliance Lodge, No. 89, beg to report as follows:

That on careful examination of all the papers and documents relating to this case, your Committee find, first, that the charge was somewhat informal in not being strictly according to the prescribed form, but that as the evidence was such as to substantiate the charge, the case of the appellant was in no way prejudiced.

They find, secondly, that other informalities are alleged, of which no proof has been produced.

They find, thirdly, from examination of the minutes of the Lodge, that the proceedings of the Lodge by which the brother was tried and expelled were entirely regular.

They therefore recommend that the appeal be dismissed.

We respectfully submit the following:

Resolved, That the above Report be adopted.

J. D. MATHIESON,
GEO. WRIGHT,
SAMUEL G. DOLSON,
ISAAC F. TOMS,
H. B. TAYLOR.

The following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. W. G. Mutton,
Seconded by W. N. Ford, P. G. M.,

That in case Wm. Murphy, P. G., now occupying the position of N. G. of Wardsville Lodge, No. 60, should see fit to resign his position of N. G., this R. W. Grand Lodge instructs, and by this resolution does instruct the D. D. G. M. of District No. 19, to instal into that position Bro. M. G. Munroe, who was elected N. G. by said Lodge, but who was not installed because the Lodge did not complete twenty-six nights of meeting in last term.

At 12:30 o'clock the Grand Lodge adjourned until 2 o'clock.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

LONDON, AUGUST 6, 1875.

The Grand Lodge reassembled at 2 o'clock, pursuant to adjournment.

Present, the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

Minutes of this morning's session were read and approved.

The following was referred to the Committee on Legislation—

DUNNVILLE, August, 3, 1875.

J. B. KING, ESQ. :

DEAR SIR,—At the last meeting of this Lodge it was unanimously concluded to change this Lodge from the Canadian Order to that of the Independent Order, with its funds undivided, if satisfactory conditions can be made. This Lodge has about \$300 in cash, and Lodge Furniture about \$200. Our next meeting night will be Tuesday, the 10th of this month. If convenient, you will please let us know how matters can be consummated.

Yours, &c.,

A. T. STEWART,
Secretary.

Thos. Partridge, P. G. M., from the Committee on Legislation, submitted the following Report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION.

LONDON, August 6, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

IN THE MATTER OF
 JAMES SMITH, P. G. M., }
 P. }
 GORE LODGE, No. 34. }

Your Committee on Legislation present the following upon the communication of Mr. A. T. Stewart, Secretary of Dunnville Lodge, Canadian Order of Odd Fellows :

Resolved, That the questions have been fully answered in the last clause of the former report of your Committee submitted to this R. W. Grand Lodge on Wednesday last.

Respectfully submitted.

THOS. PARTRIDGE,
 W. J. DIAMOND,
 H. MCAFEE.

Rep. G. W. Jessop, from the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, submitted the following report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

LONDON, August 6, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

The Committee on Mileage and Per Diem herewith submit tabular statement of mileage and per diem, which Officers and Representatives are entitled to receive in accordance with the resolution adopted at the present session, and offer the following :

Resolved, That the mileage and per diem in the accompanying table to each Officer and Representative is hereby ordered to be paid.

GEO. W. JESSOP,
 CHAS. PACKERT,
 JAS. CURLE.

TABLE OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

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TABLE OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

LODGE	LOCATION.	Number of Lodge...	Miles Travelled...	Mileage.....	Number of Days....	Per Diem.....	Total.....	REPRESENTATIVES.
GRAND OFFICERS.								
Wm. Fitzsimmons, G. M.	Brookville.....	640	\$ 25 84	\$ 6 00	31 84			
H. E. Buttrey, D. G. M.	London.....	230	9 20	6 00	6 00			
J. T. Hornbrook, G. W.	Toronto.....	350	5 20	6 00	15 20			
J. B. King, G. S.	Brantford.....	220	8 80	6 00	13 20			
Geo. Irwin, G. T.	Windsor.....	220	4 40	6 00	14 80			
Jas. Woodyatt, G. Rep.	Brantford.....	110	4 40	6 00	10 40			
John Barr, G. Rep.	Hamilton.....	154	6 16	6 00	12 16			
F. W. Johnston, G. C.	Goderich.....	222	8 88	6 00	14 88			
Joseph Craig, G. G.	St. Marys.....	46	1 84	6 00	7 84			
Wm. Blissell, G. Chaplain.	London.....	9	646	6 00	6 00			
Brock.....	Brookville.....	10	25 84	6 00	31 84		John Briggs.	
do.....	do.....	16	646	6 00	31 84		James Curie.	
Cataraqui.....	Kingston.....	16	552	6 00	28 08		W. B. Gordon.	
Union.....	St. Catharines.....	16	216	6 00	8 64		Walter Chatfield.	
do.....	do.....	16	216	6 00	8 64		John H. McIntyre.	
Chatham.....	do.....	20	198	6 00	11 12		Samuel G. Dolson.	
do.....	Chatham.....	20	128	6 00	8 32		Rev. John Rennie.	
Eureka.....	do.....	30	128	6 00	8 32		Chas. P. Lennox.	
do.....	London.....	30	.....	6 00	.....		Rev. Wm. Hughan.
do.....	do.....	30	.....	6 00	.....		Geo. Powell, Sr.
Erie.....	do.....	33	.....	6 00	.....		Geo. Newman.
Gore.....	Port Burwell.....	34	38	6 00	9 92		Wm. M. Combs.	
do.....	Brantford.....	110	4 40	6 00	10 40		A. R. Narravay.	

TABLE OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM—(CONTINUED.)

LODGE.	LOCATION.	Miles Travelled....	Mileage.....	Number of Days...	Per Diem.....	Total.....	REPRESENTATIVES.
34 Gore.....	Brantford.....	110 \$	4 40	3	6 00	10 40	J. C. Sills.
35 Samaritan.....	do.....	38	1 52	3	6 00	7 52	F. G. Lewis.
36 do.....	do.....	38	1 52	3	6 00	7 52	W. J. Hearn.
37 St. Marys.....	St. Marys.....	46	1 84	3	6 00	7 84	Robt. Broun.
38 do.....	do.....	46	1 84	3	6 00	7 84	James Robinson.
39 Forest City.....	London.....	.....	.....	3	6 00	6 00	Geo. St. J. P. W.
40 do.....	do.....	.....	.....	3	6 00	6 00	John J. P. W.
41 do.....	do.....	.....	.....	3	6 00	6 00	John Fletcher.
42 Rond Eau.....	Blenheim.....	152	6 08	3	6 00	12 08	E. T. Burnell.
43 Avon.....	do.....	66	2 64	3	6 00	8 64	Wm. Gibson.
44 do.....	do.....	66	2 64	3	6 00	8 64	Chas. Packert.
45 Excelsior.....	do.....	154	6 16	3	6 00	8 64	Thos. T. Irving.
46 do.....	do.....	154	6 16	3	6 00	12 16	John S. McMahon.
47 do.....	do.....	154	6 16	3	6 00	12 16	J. C. White.
48 Frontier.....	do.....	154	6 16	3	6 00	12 16	Thos. Cox.
49 do.....	do.....	220	8 80	3	6 00	14 80	Henry McAfee.
50 Mt. Zion.....	do.....	220	8 80	3	6 00	13 96	John F. Bell.
51 Unity.....	Newbury.....	74	2 96	5	10 00	13 96	Wm. F. Rice.
52 do.....	do.....	154	6 16	3	6 00	12 16	Raymond Walker.
53 do.....	do.....	154	6 16	3	6 00	12 16	Joseph H. Wilson.
54 do.....	do.....	154	6 16	3	6 00	12 16	Geo. Midgeley.
55 Dominion.....	London.....	.....	.....	3	6 00	6 00	E. H. Cooper.
56 do.....	do.....	.....	.....	3	6 00	6 00	J. Dyas.
57 do.....	do.....	.....	.....	3	6 00	6 00	Henry Bell.

TABLE OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM—(CONTINUED.)

LODGE.	LOCATION.	Miles Travelled....	Mileage.....	Number of Days...	Per Diem.....	Total.....	REPRESENTATIVES.
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Canada.....	49 Toronto.....	230	\$ 9 20	3	6 00	\$ 15 20	T. A. Thompson.
do	49 do	230	9 20	3	6 00	15 20	G. H. Quarrington.
Otter.....	49 do	230	9 20	3	6 00	16 20	W. F. Mountain.
Bissell.....	50 Tilsonburg.....	82	3 28	3	6 00	9 28	Walter Allen.
do	51 Mitchell.....	92	3 68	3	6 00	9 68	W. R. Davis.
Covenant.....	51 do	82	3 68	3	6 00	9 68	John S. Langlais.
do	52 Toronto.....	230	9 20	3	6 00	15 20	H. Blain.
do	52 do	230	9 20	3	6 00	15 20	J. Dillworth.
Niagara Falls.....	53 Chifton.....	238	9 52	3	6 00	15 20	Thos. Coiby.
do	53 do	238	9 52	3	6 00	15 52	R. C. Guerin.
Collingwood.....	54 Collingwood.....	418	16 72	3	6 00	15 52	T. C. Welsh.
Fidelity.....	55 Seagarth.....	114	4 56	3	6 00	22 72	John H. Duncan.
do	55 do	114	4 56	3	6 00	10 56	John A. Cline.
Queen City.....	56 Toronto.....	230	9 20	3	6 00	19 56	F. W. Duncann.
do	56 do	230	9 20	3	6 00	15 20	Jas. Richards.
Maple Leaf.....	57 do	330	9 20	3	6 00	15 20	W. H. Perry.
Howard.....	57 Orangeville.....	330	13 50	3	6 00	19 20	Jas. Patullo.
do	57 do	330	13 50	3	6 00	7 60	C. Greenaway.
Kingsion.....	58 do	49	1 60	3	6 00	7 60	Jas. Fullerton.
do	58 do	552	32 08	3	6 00	28 08	J. W. Lee.
Wardsville.....	59 do	552	32 08	3	6 00	28 08	Wm Perry.
do	60 Wardsville.....	578	3 12	3	6 00	9 12	W. Murphy.
Corinthian.....	61 Oshawa.....	296	11 92	3	6 00	17 92	Daniel McKay.

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Oxford.....	77 Ingersoll.....	38	\$ 1 52	3	\$ 6 00	7 52	John Size.
Durham.....	78 Port Hope.....	356	14 24	3	6 00	20 24	Geo. W. Lambort.
Nipissing.....	79 Uxbridge.....	312	12 48	3	6 00	18 48	Geo. Wheeler.
Amity.....	80 Prescott.....	672	26 88	3	6 00	32 88	John Hill.
Belleville.....	81 Belleville.....	672	26 88	3	6 00	32 88	Andrew Bucham.
"	"	456	18 24	3	6 00	24 24	W. J. Diamond.
Beaver.....	82 Ray Haven.....	456	18 24	3	6 00	24 24	Allan McFee.
Clinton.....	83 Glen.....	280	11 20	3	6 00	17 20	John McNutt.
Walkerton.....	84 Walkerton.....	132	5 28	3	6 00	11 28	Jno. Smith.
Constellation.....	85 W. Horton.....	352	14 08	3	6 00	20 08	A. B. St. John.
Napanee.....	86 Bay Settlement.....	500	3 20	3	6 00	9 20	Chas. E. Burgess.
Empire.....	87 Napanee.....	216	8 64	3	6 00	14 64	Sam'l W. Chambers.
"	88 St. Catharines.....	216	8 64	3	6 00	14 64	Jno. M. Laurie.
Olive Branch.....	89 W. d'Arce.....	56	2 24	3	6 00	8 24	Frederic R. Schoffe.
"	"	56	2 24	3	6 00	8 24	Geo. D. McKay.
Palliance.....	89 G. P. ph.....	252	6 08	3	6 00	10 08	H. I. Maddock.
"	"	108	3 04	3	6 00	10 24	E. E. Chirman.
Grand River.....	90 P. Hill.....	64	3 76	3	6 00	9 76	Geo. Inkster.
Milton.....	91 P. Hill.....	204	8 16	3	6 00	14 16	J. D. Matheson.
Western City.....	92 Milton.....	192	7 32	3	6 00	11 12	Rob't R. Allan.
"	93 Chatham.....	52	2 08	3	6 00	8 08	R. M. Corry.
Port Stanley.....	95 Port Stanley.....	50	2 00	3	6 00	8 00	Man'el Payne.

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Nith	New Hamburg	86	93	3 68	3	\$ 6 00	\$ 9 68	Samuel Merner.
Grand Union	Berlin	87	118	4 72	3	6 00	10 72	N. Jeffrey.
Minto	Harriston	88	368	12 32	3	6 00	18 32	E. W. Watson.
Peabody	Watford	89	66	2 64	3	6 00	8 64	Jno. Lovell.
Lindsay	Lindsay	100	412	17 68	3	6 00	23 68	E. E. Henderson.
Golden Star	Brampton	101	209	8 00	3	6 00	14 00	Jas. Phillips.
Dosoronto	Brampton	101	209	8 00	3	6 00	14 00	Wm. A. Mitchell.
Cataract	Mill Point	102	314	20 56	3	6 00	26 56	Jno. Newton, M. D.
"	Drummondville	103	412	17 68	3	6 00	23 68	Chas. Lacey.
"	Hamilton	104	194	6 16	3	6 00	12 16	Jno. Johnston.
Manilla	Hamilton	104	194	6 16	3	6 00	12 16	Jno. Johnston.
St. Clair	Manilla	105	350	14 00	3	6 00	20 00	Thos. Austin.
Waterloo	Point Edward	106	134	5 32	3	6 00	11 32	John Twomey.
Royal Oak	Gat	107	182	5 88	3	6 00	11 88	Jno. Ashley.
Orion	Forrest	108	182	5 88	3	6 00	11 88	Simon Maltory.
Laurel	Georgetown	109	334	7 36	3	6 00	13 36	Jno. Standish.
Peterboro'	Yorkville	110	232	9 28	3	6 00	15 28	James F. Johnston.
"	Peterboro'	111	232	9 28	3	6 00	15 28	James F. Johnston.
Trenton	Lacknow	112	218	18 72	3	6 00	24 72	Samuel White.
Gananoque	Trenton	113	298	19 64	3	6 00	25 64	A. D. Kennedy.
Harmony	Gananoque	114	582	17 28	3	6 00	23 28	Jno. W. Redick.
Naomi	Branford	115	586	23 44	3	6 00	29 44	A. McF. Redick.
"	Markham	116	110	4 40	3	6 00	10 40	John Dedman.
Valley City	Markham	116	274	10 80	3	6 00	16 80	Geo. Rankin.
"	Dundas	117	140	5 60	3	6 00	11 60	Jas. S. Palmerton.

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Matland	119 Wingham	308	3	6 00	18 32	Jno. Dinsley.
Sydenham Valley	120 Wainceburg	162	2	6 00	12 48	Geo. Mitchell, M. D.
Saxon	121 Aisa Craig	90	3	6 00	9 60	Jos. Rosser.
Streetsville	122 Streetsville	229	3	6 00	14 86	R. Graydon.
Palmerston	123 Palmerston	298	3	6 00	17 92	Wm. Reel.
Dresden	124 Dresden	164	3	6 00	12 56	D. Willistone.
Stella	125 Carlton Place	736	3	6 00	35 44	Robert Little.
Sarnia	126 Sarnia	122	3	6 00	10 88	Henry Neil.
Mispah	127 Belleville	456	3	6 00	24 24	F. Sommerville.
Charity	128 Kilbride	284	3	6 00	14 16	Frugl Campbell.
Livingstone	129 Sunderland	386	3	6 00	19 44	F. Frankish
Marion	130 Thorold	324	3	6 00	14 86	Wm. Williams
Oakville	131 Rentfrew	826	2	4 00	12 96	A. M. Hendershot.
Glencoe	132 Oakville	188	3	6 00	38 80	Geo. Pierson.
Orient	133 Glencoe	188	3	6 00	13 52	James G. Helier.
Peaceful Dove	134 Welland	362	3	6 00	8 48	D. A. Ferguson.
Cobourg	135 Cammington	338	3	6 00	15 36	McCannachie.
St. Lawrence	136 Cobourg	308	3	6 00	19 52	Wm. Thomson.
Ancaster	137 Brockville	646	3	6 00	20 72	Wm. Barr.
Garnet	138 Ancaster	146	3	6 00	31 84	T. White.
Leamington	139 Mount Forest	328	3	6 00	11 84	W. H. Thurreson.
Capitol	140 Leamington	288	3	6 00	19 12	David Martin.
	141 Ottawa	780	3	6 00	17 52	Wm. McSween.
			3	6 00	37 20	J. McGaw.

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 11 60 Jas. S. Palmerton.

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Concord	Kingsville	142	29	\$ 8 88	3	\$ 6 00	\$ 14 88	Wm. McCane.
Bay of Quine	Edgemoor	143	34	21 60	3	6 00	27 60	Thomas G. Carson.
Ridgetown	Ridgetown	144	18	5 52	3	6 00	11 52	R. G. Wilson.
Riverside	Irvington	145	688	27 92	3	6 00	33 92	J. Francis.
Vivian	Aurora	146	786	31 44	3	6 00	37 44	R. G. Miles.
Model	Western Star	147	90	3 60	3	6 00	9 60	Wm. Strange.
Aurora	Bertie	148	260	11 60	3	6 00	17 60	G. W. Johnson.
Western Star	Hayden	149	212	8 48	3	6 00	14 48	H. R. Simale.
Sycamore	150 Ridge	150	240	9 60	3	6 00	15 60	W. L. Allen.
Hayden	151 Aurora	151	138	5 52	3	6 00	11 52	W. H. Hoover.
Wilkey	152 Norfolk	152	180	8 60	3	6 00	14 60	Thos. Barry.
Alpha	153 Cranston	153	26	1 04	3	6 00	7 04	Alex. Grant.
Brougham	154 Almonte	154	750	30 00	3	6 00	36 00	T. W. Rames.
Pyramid	155 Erouhant	155	324	12 96	3	6 00	18 96	G. W. Wonch.
Thamesville	156 Newmarket	156	298	11 92	3	6 00	17 92	G. H. Fox.
Progress	157 Thamesville	157	98	3 92	3	6 00	9 92	N. L. Patterson.
Oak Leaf	158 Guelph	158	162	6 08	3	6 00	12 08	Geo. W. Jessop.
Listowel	159 Hamilton	159	154	6 16	3	6 00	12 16	W. J. Hodgeson.
Simcoe	160 Listowel	160	138	5 52	3	6 00	11 52	D. Campbell.
Cookstown	161 Simcoe	161	488	18 12	3	6 00	24 12	P. S. Furness.
Oriental	162 Cookstown	162	328	13 12	3	6 00	19 12	Wm. Moss.
Romeo	163 Cornwall	163	762	30 48	3	6 00	36 48	Wm. Morait.
Beethoven	164 Stratford	164	66	2 64	3	6 00	8 64	Cl. T. Campbell.
	165 Brooklyn	165	304	12 16	3	6 00	18 16	A. Parker.

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Beethoven	164 Straitsford	762	30 48	3	6 00	19 12	Wm. Ross.	
.....	165 Brooklin.....	86	2 64	5	10 00	36 48	Wm. Mowatt.	
.....	.....	304	12 16	3	6 00	12 64	Cl. T. Campbell.
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 16	J. A. Parker.
Hillsburg.....	167 Hillsburg.....	252	10 08	3	6 00	16 08	R. H. Perry.	
Sutton.....	168 Sutton	340	13 60	3	6 00	19 60	R. Warriner.	
Steven.....	169 Durham.....	384	15 36	3	6 00	21 36	C. B. Stevens.	
BY-LAWS COMMITTEE, AND PAST GRAND MASTERS, AS PER RESOLUTION.	St. Catharines	216	8 64	5	10 00	18 64	W. A. Rawlings.	
.....	Brantford	110	4 40	5	10 00	14 40	W. S. Campbell.	
.....	London .....	.....	.....	3	6 00	6 00	Thos. Partridge.
.....	St. Marys.....	46	1 84	3	6 00	7 84	Wm. N. Ford.	
.....	Straitsford.....	66	2 64	3	6 00	8 64	John Gibson.	
.....	Toronto	230	9 20	3	6 00	15 20	George Wright, P. G. M.	
.....	London .....	.....	.....	5	10 00	10 00	Robt. Kirkpatrick.
.....	do .....	.....	.....	3	6 00	6 00	D. M. Tolford.
.....	do .....	.....	.....	3	6 00	6 00	Jas. Smith.
.....	St. Catharines.....	216	8 64	3	6 00	6 00	Thos. Partridge.	
.....	.....	.....	.....	3	6 00	14 64	H. C. Bingham.
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1244 00	\$2994 64

Geo. Wright, P. G. M., from the Committee on Appeals, submitted the following Report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

LONDON, August 5, 1875.

In the Matter of
JAMES SMITH,
v.s.
GORE LODGE.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the appeal of James Smith, P. G. M., against the decision of Gore Lodge, No. 34, in the matter of charges preferred by the said Bro. James Smith against H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., having carefully considered all the circumstances relating to the said Appeal, beg leave to submit the following Report:

Your Committee, in entering upon the consideration of this very painful case, found the matter so voluminous as to render their work both burdensome and exceedingly complicated.

They would suggest in this connection the propriety of making Appeals as concise as possible and divesting them of all generalities, so that the Committee might be able to grasp as speedily as may be, the vital points of such appeals.

Your Committee find the following to be a brief statement of the facts elicited by the investigation:

On the 15th of July, 1874, Bro. James Smith preferred a charge in Gore Lodge, No. 34, against Bro. H. C. Bingham for conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow, the grounds of such charge being stated in the sequel.

That a Committee was appointed by the said Lodge to investigate the charges against the said H. C. Bingham; that after a full and impartial investigation of all the circumstances relating to the case, the Committee gave their report, the substance of which is as follows:

That charge No. 2 for embezzlement was fully sustained, and that all the other charges were either not proven or withdrawn by appellant, or being matters of account were beyond the jurisdiction of the Committee, and they recommended that Bro. H. C. Bingham be suspended for the space of twelve calendar months.

That this report was submitted to the Lodge at its regular meeting on the 27th day of May, 1875.

That the motion for suspension was read at the following meeting on the 3rd day of June, 1875, as well as at the next meeting on the 10th day of June, 1875, which last meeting the accused was summoned to attend.

That by resolution of the Lodge the report of the Committee was amended by striking out all after the word "default," and inserting the following:

In regard to the first charge, the facts appear as follows:

That in the year 1869 the accused H. C. Bingham, was appointed agent at the city of London of the National Life Insurance Company of the United States, of which Messrs. S. A. Kean & Co., of Detroit, were the general agents. In the usual course of business a bond was required from the agent, Bingham, for the due performance of his duties. At the request of Bingham, Jas. Smith became his bondsman in the sum of \$1,000, and at that time he was the only bondsman the Company required. As the business of the Company increased they demanded further security, and another bond of \$1,000 was given by Thomas Partridge to the Company for Bingham, and at his request, at which time Messrs. Snover and Mothersill were the general agents of the Company at Detroit. Afterwards the firm of Snover & Mothersill dissolved partnership, and the business was carried on alone by Snover, and he required new bonds to be given to him personally. In compliance with his request the bonds which had been given by the parties mentioned to the firms mentioned were cancelled and surrendered, and new bonds taken from Smith and Partridge to Snover, which are the bonds mentioned in the first and second charges of the complainant. These bonds are dated on the 15th May, 1871, and we find at that time and for some months previous and afterwards, that Smith and Partridge were at bitter enmity with each other, and holding no intercourse or friendly relations. There was no fraud or misrepresentation on the part of Bingham in procuring the said bonds or any of them.

As to the second charge, the first portion of it is included in the comments on the first charge, and the latter part is embraced in the reference to the sixth charge.

As to the third charge, it is based on a difference between Smith and Bingham, involving money accounts, the amount of liability being disputed by the accused. The claim, if any, is a matter of civil contract, which involves close and patient scrutiny and impartial investigation into intricate and conflicting accounts extending over a number of years; a matter purely for adjudication by the courts of the land, and one over which the Committee or Lodge have no jurisdiction or power to enter upon. See Digest G. L. U. S. 1082, which unquestionably supports this view. See also *Dyas vs. Ivy*

dge, Ontario, 1186, Session of 1874.

As to the 4th charge of wilfully, fraudulently and dishonestly obtaining the signature of Smith to a note for \$300, the facts appear in evidence as follows: At Bingham's request Smith endorsed a note for \$300 on December 8th, 1870, payable in 12 months, which was paid on maturity by Bingham. On January 3rd, 1872, Smith endorsed a note for Bingham for \$300, payable in three months, which was renewed on April 6th, 1872, for three months; on July 9th, 1872, renewed again for three months, and went to protest on Oct. 12th, 1872. On Oct. 14th, 1872, renewed for one month for \$300. On Nov. 18th following, that note retired and endorsement taken as before on note for \$250 at 30 days. On Dec. 31st, 1872, renewed for \$250 at 15 days, retired at maturity, and on January 8th, 1873, note endorsed by Smith for \$200 at two months; rehewed on March 11th, 1873, for two months; renewed on May 14th, 1873, for two months; renewed on July 17th, 1873, for two months; renewed on Sept. 20th, 1873, for two months; renewed on Nov. 24th, 1873 for two months, becoming due on the 27th January, 1874, when the business of the National Life Insurance Company was out of Bingham's hands, his bondsman Smith holding the receipts and policies of the Company which had been formerly sent to Bingham; the interest on the several renewals of the said notes and costs having been paid in the meantime by Bingham. The endorsement by Smith for Bingham was a matter of accommodation, and there was no fraud or dishonesty practised by Bingham in obtaining the continued and repeated use of Smith's name as an endorser, Smith admitting there was no misrepresentation on the part of the accused.

On the 5th charge. It is a matter of account between the accuser and the accused, on which we did not enter, for the reasons stated to the 3d charge.

On the 6th charge. In which we considered, as well the latter part of the 2d charge, we find by the admissions of the accused, made previous to and at the time of his arrest for fraud and embezzlement, he was a defaulter to the National Life Insurance Company in the sum of \$1034 or thereabouts, in American currency. That the fact of his being in default was known to all his sureties in the month of March, 1873, and at an earlier date to his bondsman Partridge, who had by his own testimony endorsed a note or notes for Bingham, in order to procure money to meet amounts in arrears to the Company. That the said Partridge had knowledge at different times of a deficiency existing in the account with the Company, as well as Smith, from whom loans were obtained by Bingham to meet deficiency in returns. That the fact of Bingham being in arrears was well known to the General Agent

of the National Life Insurance Company, Mr. Snover, who had made drafts at various times for the amount overdue by the said Bingham to the Company, and that the said Snover did on one occasion, long prior to the arrest of Bingham, take the note of the said Bingham for \$100, and two notes of other parties for \$150 each to cover arrears due the Company. That at the instance of his bondsmen, Smith, Partridge and McDonald, and on an information laid by them before the Police Magistrate of the city of London on the 9th day of February, 1874, for fraud and for embezzling the moneys of the said National Life Insurance Company, the said Bingham was arrested and brought to trial before the said Police Magistrate, as mentioned in the said sixth charge. On such charge he was committed for trial to a higher court. On that commitment the said Bingham was brought to trial on the 2d day of April, 1874, in the Interim Sessions, before Judge Wm. Elliott, of the County of Middlesex, the said Thomas Partridge being examined as a witness on behalf of the prosecution. The said Judge, on hearing the evidence adduced and a statement of what might be adduced on behalf of the prosecution, dismissed the said charges of fraud and embezzlement against the said Bingham, acquitting him of the said charges, and released and discharged him from custody. The said trial and acquittal are admitted by the accuser Smith in his said 6th charge. The verdict of the said court stands unimpeached and unquestioned. We find from the evidence of the said Snover, that he was requested by both Bingham and his counsel acting for him, to appear and give evidence at such trial, and was not requested to stay away from the hearing as charged.

With these facts, and the record of the said Court being produced before us, we are of the opinion that the finding of the said court, a regularly constituted court of the land, should be accepted as evidence of the facts which appear therein. The charges of embezzlement now made by the said Smith are identically the same as those on which the trial was had before the court, and we are of the opinion that it is the incontrovertible law of our country that a verdict obtained in a former action is conclusive evidence of such fact in a subsequent action where the same matter is in issue, and where the party is either the same or identical in interest. The Laws of our Order recognize the laws of the land, "and no person on being admitted to membership in the Order loses any rights he had in possession as a citizen. "The laws of the land and the courts which administer them are the surest "and most proper means by which justice can be obtained." (See Journal G. L. U. S., 3252, Catlin Appeal.) And to order the accused to stand a new trial upon matters which the courts of the land have already adjudicated upon and rendered a verdict of acquittal, "would be against all law, all justice, all

right, and all precedent." (See Digest G. L. U. S., 101.)

As to 7th charge. For the reasons already mentioned, we are of the opinion that the charge is not sustained. The accuser does not present any evidence of fraud and embezzlement other than that referred to in the charge immediately foregoing, and the amounts that may be due and owing by the accused to various individuals is not a proper subject for investigation by this Committee.

As to the 8th charge. A matter of account between Wm. Davis and the accused.

As to the 9th charge. A matter of account between F. B. Beddome and the accused, we deem not proper subjects of investigation for the reasons stated as to the third charge.

As to the 10th charge. No evidence adduced, and the charge abandoned by the accuser.

The 11th charge was withdrawn by the complainant.

As to the 12th charge. We find that the accused made use of the language referred to, so far as it concerns Smith and Partridge, not McDonald, and that it was spoken after the arrest of Bingham and after his release from custody, while smarting under the wrong or supposed wrong done him.

We are, therefore, of opinion that the charges presented and evidence adduced in support thereof fall against the accused, and that the complaint should be dismissed.

That the Lodge thereupon passed a resolution, dismissing the case.

Your Committee are of opinion that the objection by Gore Lodge "that the case having been tried by a civil court and the defendant acquitted," it is therefore not competent for the Order to adjudicate upon the same charge, is not well taken, and for the following reasons:

They find on inquiry, that the most material witness in the case was inaccessible by the court in the trial referred to, and that therefore the evidence was to a certain extent incomplete.

That in view of this circumstance it was quite competent for Gore Lodge to entertain and deal with the charges preferred by Bro. Smith, receiving all

evidence having any bearing upon the case.

They would therefore recommend that the Appeal be sustained, and that the entire subject be referred back to the Lodge for reconsideration, with instructions to receive all evidence having any important influence in the disposition of the case.

We therefore submit the following:

Resolved, That the above Report be adopted.

GEORGE WRIGHT,
SAMUEL G. DOLSON,
J. D. MATHIESON,
ISAAC F. TOMS,
H. B. TAYLOR.

On motion, permission was granted to Gore Lodge, No. 34, to appeal to G. L. U. S., in the above case.

Rep. H. Blain, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following Report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

LONDON, August 6, 1875.

To the E. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee on Finance beg to make the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the account of J. F. O'Neill, D. D. G. M., District No. 23, Sarnia, be paid, \$28.13.

Resolved, That the account of J. D. Matheson, D. D. G. M., District No. 9, Milton, be paid, \$25.00.

Resolved, That the account of D. M. Telford for three days on Committee, be paid, \$6.00.

Resolved, That the account of Committee on Laws of Subordinates, as follows, be paid:

W. A. Rawlings.....\$12 00

Cl. T. Campbell.....28 00

\$40 00

Resolved, That the salary of the R. W. Grand Secretary be six hundred dollars for the present year.

Resolved, That Bro. Thos. Woodyatt, for his services as Assistant Grand Secretary, be paid the sum of twenty dollars.

Resolved, That Bros. Wm. Badenach and W. W. Griffey, for services as Auditors of the books and accounts of this R. W. Grand Lodge, be paid the sum of fifteen dollars each.

Resolved, That Bro. John Mitchell, Janitor, and Wm. Jury, Caretaker, be paid six dollars each.

We therefore beg to submit the following:

Resolved, That the above resolutions be adopted.

Fraternally submitted.

HU. J. BLAIN,
WM. J. HODGSON,
P. S. FURNESS,
H. H. MADDOCK.
GEO. SHAW.

Rep. Hu. Blain, from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was adopted—

LONDON, August 6, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee beg to report that in clause 7, section 2, of the Grand Secretary's Report, the receipts of the past year have been \$7,639.43, being 11 cents in excess of the sum printed.

Clause 10. Your Committee endorse the action of the Grand Secretary, and would recommend the renewal of the policy, as suggested.

Clause 14. Your Committee have carefully enquired into the facts of the case, and fully appreciate the situation of Barrie Lodge. Their misfortunes are of such a nature as should certainly receive the warmest sympathy of our Order; assurances have been given that the members are determined to earnestly adhere to the continued interests of the Lodge. Your Committee would therefore recommend that the sum of fifty dollars be donated to Barrie

Lodge, and permission be granted to apply to their sister Lodges in this Jurisdiction for further assistance.

Clause 22, sec. 2. Your Committee find the Items of Interest, \$52.69, and Charters, \$785, correct. The accuracy of the Items of per Capita Tax and Supplies cannot be determined; the aggregate is, however, correct, except the 11 cents referred to in our report on clause 7, sec. 2.

Pages 6 and 7, and statement marked B on page 8, correct.

Page 20. Your Committee have examined the balance sheet, Grand Lodge of Ontario, up to 27th July, 1875, as certified by the Auditors, and find it correct.

Your Committee can only account for the number of mistakes in the statement of receipts in the G. S.'s Report through clerical errors; the short time allowed the G. S. to get his Report printed precludes an opportunity of properly revising them. Your Committee would therefore recommend more promptitude of Subordinate Lodges in sending in their returns.

With reference to the suggestion of the Auditors, your Committee would recommend that the sum of \$75 be paid the Grand Secretary for office and vault accommodation for the books and other property of the Grand Lodge

We therefore beg to submit the following :

Resolved, That the above Report be adopted.

Fraternally submitted.

HU. B. LAIN,
WM. J. HODGLON;
H. H. MADDOCK,
P. S. FURNESS,
GEO. SHAW.

W. N. Ford, P. G. M., from the Committee on Districts, submitted the following report, which was adopted—

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE REDISTRIBUTION OF DISTRICTS.

LONDON, August 7, 1875.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee, appointed to rearrange the several Districts, beg leave

to report as follows:

We recommend that Bissel Lodge, No. 51, be struck off District 21 and attached to District No. 25.

That St. Clair Lodge, No. 106, Royal Oak, No. 108, and Sycamore, 151, be attached to District No. 21 and struck off No. 24.

That Howard Lodge, No. 58, be struck off District No. 20 and attached to No. 24.

That Hope Lodge, No. 69, be struck off District No. 20 and attached to No. 19, and Otter Lodge, No. 50, be struck off District No. 19 and attached to No. 18.

That Wardsville Lodge, No. 60, Mount Zion, No. 46, Glencoe, No. 133, be struck off No. 20, and Bothwell Lodge, No. 74 off No. 23, and formed into a new District, to be called No. 26.

That District No. 6, be divided into two Districts—North and South Ontario,—North Ontario to be called District No. 27.

We move the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

W. N. FORD, P. G. M.,
JOHN GIBSON, P. G. M.,
C. B. STEVENS,
J. HAM PERRY.

On motion the following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. J. D. Mathieson,

Seconded by Rep. Jas. Pattullo,

That the Representatives of this Grand Lodge to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States be instructed to endeavor to secure such modification of the action taken by that Grand Body at its last session in regard to Digest of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, by which we may be permitted to dispose of the

present edition of its Digest without mutilation.

The installation of Officers was then proceeded with.

Past Grand Masters Jas. Woodyatt and Geo. Wright introduced H. E. Buttrey, Grand Master elect, who was duly installed into the office of Most Worthy Grand Master for the ensuing year.

Past Grand Masters John Gibson and W. N. Ford introduced Deputy Grand Master elect J. T. Hornbrook, who was duly installed into that office.

Past Grand Masters Wm. Bissell and S. G. Dolson introduced the R. W. Grand Warden elect, Brother Robert Evans, who was duly installed into that office.

Past Grand Masters W. N. Ford and John Gibson presented J. B. King, R. W. Grand Secretary elect, who was duly installed.

Past Grand Master J. Barr and Rep. J. Ham Perry introduced Brother Geo. Irwin, the R. W. Grand Treasurer elect, who was duly installed.

The Most Worthy Grand Master appointed the following officers:

Brother J. T. White.....	R. W. Grand Marshal.
Brother W. W. Griffey.....	R. W. Grand Conductor.
Brother D. M. Telford.....	R. W. Grand Guardian.
Brother W. Hughan.....	R. W. Grand Chaplain.

On motion the following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. H. Blain,

Seconded by Rep. E. E. Chipman,

That the Representatives of this Grand Lodge to R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States be instructed to submit to that body for decision the following questions, viz.:

1st. A Subordinate Lodge has a By-Law requiring the dues of its members to be paid quarterly in advance; would the N. G. be justified in withholding the T. P. W. from a Brother who had paid his dues up to say one week in the quarter?

23. Could the Lodge legally withhold or refuse payment of benefits to such a Brother if he fell sick previous to the end of such quarter?

On motion the following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. J. S. McMahon,

Seconded by Rep. G. W. Jessop,

That all P. G. Masters attending the present session not already provided for be paid their mileage and per diem the same as Representatives.

On motion the following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. Geo. Midgley,

Seconded by Rep. J. H. Wilson,

That the question submitted by Unity Lodge, No. 47, referring to clause 560, page 121, of White Digest, in reference to dues in advance, be submitted by the M. W. Grand Master to the M. W. Grand Stire for his decision on said clause or bearing upon the said question and answer.

On motion the following was resolved in the affirmative—

Moved by Rep. J. S. McMahon,

Seconded by Rep. J. S. Parmenter.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary issue in duplicate circulars to Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction in December next and that the Subordinate Lodges be *required* to insert the information asked for; said questions and answers to cover one year from January 1st to December 31st, 1875, one copy of said circular to be returned to the Grand Secretary and the other to be retained in possession of the Lodge and that the following be the information required:

The number of members by semi-decades from 21 to 25, 25 to 30, 30 to 35, and so on.

The age of every Brother receiving benefits.

The age of every Brother at death.

The number of years widows now on the Lodge have been receiving benefits.

The number of years in good standing of members suspended or dropped during the year for non-payment of dues.

On motion the following was resolved in the negative—

Moved by W. N. Ford, P. G. M.,

Seconded by Rep. J. Robinson,

That this R. W. Grand Lodge subscribe for one copy of the "Canadian Journal of Odd Fellowship," published at Stratford for each Subordinate Lodge in this jurisdiction for one year, for the purpose of encouraging that Journal in its good work.

Representative W. J. Diamond, of Belleville Lodge, No. 81, I. O. O. F., gives notice—

That he will move a resolution at the next meeting of this Grand Lodge amending clause 9 of the Constitution of this R. W. Grand Lodge by striking out the words "over 200, three Representatives," in the last line of said clause, and inserting the words, "and in no event shall there be more than two Representatives from any one Lodge," in lieu thereof.

The motion by Rep. G. W. Jessop, which was laid on the table at the morning Session, as follows—

"Resolved, That when this Grand Lodge adjourn, it do so to meet in the town of Guelph."

Was now taken up and considered, when

Rep. C. B. Stevens, seconded by Rep. ———, moved to amend by striking out "Guelph," and inserting "Walkerton."

Rep. W. J. Diamond, seconded by Rep. ———, moved to amend the amendment by striking out "Walkerton," and inserting "St. Catharines."

The question being on the amendment to the amendment Rep. W. J. Diamond, it was agreed to.

The question now recurring on the amendment of Rep. C. B.

Stevens, as amended, it was agreed to.

The original motion, as amended, was then put and adopted.

The Chair then named the following D. D. G. M.'s:

No.	COMPRISING.	NAME OF	
		D. D. G. M.	P. O. ADDRESS.
1.	Counties of Leeds, Grenville, Dundas, Stormont, Glengary, Prescott, Russell, Carleton, Lanark and Renfrew, (excepting Village of Gananoque).....	Jas. McGaw,	P. G. M.....Ottawa.
2.	" Frontenac, Lennox, Ad- dington and Village of Gananoque	Dr. F. Fowler	.....Kingston.
3.	" Prince Edward and Hast- ings.....	A. McFee	.....Belleville.
4.	" Northumberland and Peter- borough.....	S. A. McMurtry	.....Lindsay.
5.	" Durham and Victoria.....		
6.	" South Ontario.....	D. McKay	.....Oshawa.
7.	" North Ontario.....	R. Warriner	.....Pt. Perry.
8.	" York.....	Jas. E. Johnston	.....Toronto.
9.	" Simcoe.....	Jas. Henry	.....Collingwood.
10.	" Peel and Halton.....	Amos S. Gillett	.....Milton.
11.	" Grey.....		
12.	" Bruce.....	C. B. Stevens	.....Walkerton
13.	" Huron.....	W. J. Hayward	.....Wingham
14.	" Wellington and Town of Orangeville.....	G. W. Jessop	.....Guelph.
15.	" Brant and South Riding of Waterloo (excepting Vil- lage of New Hamburg).....	Jno. Dodimead	.....Brantford.
16.	" Wentworth and Hald- mand.....	J. S. McMahon	.....Hamilton
17.	" Lincoln and Welland.....	Jno. Coulson	.....Clifton.
18.	" Elgin and Norfolk, and Town of Tilsonburg.....	L. Ferguson	.....St. Thomas
19.	" Oxford (excepting Town of Tilsonburg) and Village of Harrietsville.....	Geo. D. McKay	.....Woodstock.
20.	" Middlesex East and West (excepting the Villages of Harrietsville, Wardeville, Newbury, Glencoe and Strathroy) and the City of London.....	Geo. Shaw	.....London.

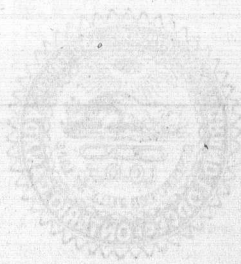
No.	COMPRISING.	NAME OF	
		D. D. G. M.	P. O. ADDRESS.
21.	Perth South (except Town of Mitchell) and Middlesex North and the Village of Pt. Edward, Forest and Arkona.....	W. N. Ford,	P. G. M. St. Marys.
22.	Counties of Essex.....	Jno. McNutt.....	Ruthven.
23.	Kent (excepting Village of Bothwell).....	R. R. Allen.....	Chatham.
24.	Lambton (except Villages of Pt. Edward, Forest and Arkona).....	Elisha Burnham.....	Petrolia.
25.	North Perth, North Waterloo, and Villages of Mitchell and New Hamburg..	W. Jaffray.....	Berlin.
26.	Villages of Wardsville, Newbury, Glencoe and Bothwell.....	W. Murphy.....	Wardsville

The business of the session being concluded, on motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned at 5:30 P. M. the third day of the Session.



J. W. King

GRAND SECRETARY.



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REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVES
TO THE
R. W. GR AND LODGE,
OF THE UNITED STATES,
SESSION OF 1875.

HELD AT INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

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To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Representatives to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States beg leave to submit the following summary of the proceedings of that R. W. Grand Body at its session, held in the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, commencing on the 20th and ending on the 26th September, 1875:

The proceedings were conducted under the very able direction of the M. W. Grand Sire, Hon. M. J. Durham.

The subjoined General Returns prepared by the venerable and distinguished R. W. Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary, demonstrate very conclusively that the Order has continued to advance during the past year with undiminished vigor, and that the interest and sympathy which it has elicited from the benevolent public, so far from experiencing any abatement, have been materially heightened and intensified.

GENERAL RETURNS.

	Year 1873.	Year 1874.	Increase.	Decrease.
Grand Lodges.....	46	46		
Subordinate Lodges.....	5,486	5,987	501	
Rebekah Degree Lodges.....	512	632	120	
Grand Encampments.....	36	38	2	
Subordinate Encampments..	1,512	1,630	118	
Lodge initiations.....	57,454	55,005		2,449
Lodge members.....	414,815	438,701	23,886	
Encampment members.....	80,131	83,445	3,314	
Relief by Lodges.....	\$1,335,937 33	\$1,374,742 54	\$38,805 21	
Relief by Encampments....	150,737 06	158,708 36	7,971 30	
Relief by Rebekah Lodges...	3,560 33	4,542 51	982 18	
Total relief.....	1,490,274 72	1,537,993 41	47,718 69	
Revenue of Lodges.....	3,939,793 62	4,006,331 26	66,537 64	
Revenue of Encampments...	478,469 06	465,995 01		\$12,484 05
Revenue of Rebekah Lodges	17,788 40	38,664 22	22,925 82	
Total revenue.....	4,434,001 08	4,510,980 49	76,979 41	

Again we have cause for rejoicing at our onward career, notwithstanding the past year has been one of great business depression. Our progress, if not so extended as we could have wished, has been solid, and indicates a general undiminished devotion to the cause. Advices from every quarter express the utmost confidence, that when commerce and the industries of the country shall have resumed a healthful channel, Odd Fellowship will share, with its accustomed good fortune, in the common welfare.

DECISIONS.

The following are the decisions of the M. W. Grand Sire during recess, and the action taken upon them by the Grand Lodge—

A great many questions have been propounded to me for my decision. Many of them were so plain and simple, I have not deemed it necessary to report them. Many questions have been propounded by Subordinate Lodges, and the private members under the various State jurisdictions; these I have refused to answer, because it was not my duty so to do, and also because it would not have been treating with due respect the various officers of those jurisdictions by answering questions which they had a right to decide. In some instances these questions came in the nature of an appeal from the de-

decisions of said officers. The 1st Sec. of the 4th Art. of the Constitution of the G. L. of U. S. defines my powers and duties in this regard, and beyond and outside of that I cannot go. The following decisions I desire to report for your approbation or rejection :

First. A member in good standing in his Lodge is entitled to pecuniary benefits while sick and unable to attend to his ordinary avocation, although he may have an income sufficient for his support.

Second. It is lawful for a Subordinate Lodge to donate its funds for any purpose within the object and scope of the Order.

Third. The general management and conduct of Degree Lodges are subjects of local legislation.

Fourth. That a Grand Lodge of a State must grant an appeal from its decision to the Grand Lodge of the U. S. ; and that in vacation, the Grand Master cannot grant said appeal.

Fifth. That a Subordinate Encampment should not use its funds to procure street uniform.

Sixth. That a member of a Subordinate Lodge, desiring to join an Encampment, should join the nearest Encampment to his residence in the same jurisdiction.

Seventh. That a brother in good standing cannot be kept out of his Grand or Subordinate Lodge while the minutes of the preceding meeting are being read, if he desires to enter and can work his way into the Lodge.

Eighth. That the Grand Encampment of Ohio has no right to assign as a Representative of a district a patriarch who is not a member of an Encampment in the district he is assigned to represent.

Ninth. That the law authorizing the N. G. of a Lodge to communicate the semi-annual password to a brother of another Lodge, at the request of the N. G. of the Lodge to which he may belong, under the seal of the Lodge, applies to the N. G.'s in the same jurisdiction, and not in different jurisdictions.

Tenth. That when a member of an Encampment has been dropped for the non-payment of dues, it is not imperative upon the Encampment to reinstate him, although he may offer to pay up all his dues ; but if they refuse to reinstate him, they should grant him a Dismissal Certificate.

Eleventh. That when a person has been elected to receive all the Encampment Degrees, and a dispensation has been granted to confer them all at the same meeting, it is lawful for another Encampment in the same jurisdiction to confer said degrees at the request of the Encampment in which he was elected.

Twelfth. That there is no law compelling Subordinate Lodges to send their members to a Degree Lodge to receive the degrees, although the Degree Lodge may be in the same city or town.

Thirteenth. That while Subordinate Encampments are in session, transacting their ordinary business, the members should not wear their street uniform.

Fourteenth. That a member of an Encampment, clothed in street uniform, presenting himself for admission while the Encampment is transacting its ordinary business, may be admitted; but should be compelled to clothe himself in proper regalia while he remains in the Encampment.

Fifteenth. That what is meant by a ballot, is when the N. G. declares the ballot closed, and announces the result.

Sixteenth. That a Lodge or Encampment, with its officers, can, in a body, visit another Lodge or Encampment outside of its jurisdiction without cards or the A. T. P. W.

Seventeenth. That the Washington Monument is not such an object or purpose as is contemplated by our laws, to which the funds of a Subordinate Lodge can or should be appropriated.

Eighteenth. That the law of the last session, prescribing a street uniform, is supreme, and virtually abrogates any law of a State Jurisdiction in conflict with it.

Nineteenth. That a P. G. of the R. P. Degree can and may wear a jewel of yellow metal. (See Digest, 1655.)

Twentieth. That a record of a trial in the Courts upon a charge of the violation of the laws of the land, is *prima facie* proof of the facts appearing therein, and where charges are preferred against a brother for a violation of the laws of the Order, the same he has been tried for in the Courts, the record in the Courts is competent proof in the trial in the Lodge, and is conclusive, unless other evidence be introduced besides that in the record; and

on such trial, either party may introduce such evidence as is not embraced in the record.

The following report of the Judiciary Committee was adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the decisions made by the M. W. Grand Sire, and submitted for your approval, respectfully recommend that the 1st, 2d, 3d, 5th, 7th 8th, 9th, 10th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th be approved. The 4th, 6th, 11th, 15th and 16th should be modified as follows:

4th. A Grand Master can not grant an appeal from the action of his Grand Lodge.

6th. It is left to local State legislation to regulate whether or not a member of a Subordinate Lodge shall join the nearest Encampment to his residence.—Dig. 1718.

11th. That when a person has been elected to receive all the Encampment degrees, and has received the patriarchal degree, and a dispensation has been granted to confer the other degrees at the same meeting, it is lawful for another Encampment in the same jurisdiction to confer these degrees at the request of the encampment in which he was elected and admitted to the Initiatory or Patriarchal degrees.

15th. A ballot is closed when it is so declared by the presiding officer.

16th. That a Lodge or Encampment, with its officers, can, in a body, visit another Lodge or Encampment outside of its jurisdiction without cards, or the A. T. P. W., but it is necessary that the one of their first two officers in charge of such visiting body must be in possession of the A. T. P. W. and have his card.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Judiciary Committee, to whom was recommitted the fourteenth decision of the M. W. Grand Sire, with instructions, etc., respectfully report in pursuance of such instructions, the following:

14th. That a member of an Encampment, clothed in street uniform presenting himself for admission while the Encampment is transacting its

ordinary business, shall be treated the same as if he presented himself without such uniform.

Rev. Gary, of Maryland, from the Legislative Committee, made the following report, which was adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Legislative Committee to whom was referred the "Resolution of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, on the subject of 'Charity and Relief,'" to be found on page 18 of the Journal, beg leave to report: That the subject is of supreme importance, and seems to demand the immediate attention of this body. Although ours is mainly a beneficial association, yet we have taken the front rank in voluntary contributions; for, singular to relate, the donations made by our Order have even exceeded the ordinary bounds of charity. Such bounty, under the name of "relief," has grown into a system, and has reached such proportions as to call for the greatest care and consideration. That particular form of "relief," which consists of the creation of a fund contributed for the assistance of a particular section of the country suffering under some severe and destructive calamity, has of late assumed an importance which demands our wisest counsels. The Order on such occasions has astonished the world by its liberality, and taken a front place in the ranks of charity. It may also be stated that the funds provided for such purposes have generally been administered in such a manner as to shed great lustre upon all concerned. Yet instances have occurred in which, after supplying the wants of the afflicted, a surplus has been left, which, in the opinion of many should have been returned to the donors or placed under the control of this body. Such considerations, will no doubt greatly affect future action in such cases, unless some legislation of this body shall secure the proper working of such administration of relief. They therefore submit the following.

1. *Resolved*, That when any jurisdiction shall suffer under some great calamity, and a relief committee shall be duly authorized to receive and disburse money to the sufferers, it shall be the duty of the M. W. Grand Master of such jurisdiction to see that the Treasurer of such fund shall execute and deliver to him a bond to secure the money placed or to be placed in his hands for the purposes of relief.

2. *Resolved*, That one of the conditions of said bond shall be that, should there be any surplus left in his hands after the purpose for which such fund is contributed have been completed and performed, then that said obligor

shall pay the same to the Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge of the United States upon the order of the M. W. Grand Sire.

3. *Resolved*, That in such an event as is set forth in the first resolution, any committee appointed to administer a relief fund shall be required, within a reasonable time, to make to the Grand Master of the jurisdiction a full and complete report of their proceedings in the premises, and especially if there should be a surplus of money on hand, to report the amount thereof.

4. *Resolved*, That should any surplus of said moneys be reported as aforesaid, the Grand Master shall notify the M. W. Grand Sire of the same, who shall forthwith proceed to draw for the same to the order of the Grand Treasurer.

5. *Resolved*, That any such surplus of moneys that shall come to the hands of the Grand Treasurer as aforesaid, shall be invested and held by him under the orders of this Grand Lodge, to be kept for such purposes of special relief as may seem best to conserve the purposes for which they were contributed.

The following preamble and resolutions, and report of Committee, regarding the meeting of the next Session of the Grand Lodge in the city of Philadelphia, and the action taken upon them, will not be without interest to this R. W. Grand Lodge:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Committee to whom was referred the Preamble and Resolutions, relative to the next session of the Grand Lodge of the United States, and a participation in the celebration of the Centennial of the existence of the United States of America, after a full consideration of the importance of the subject, and of the vast interests that are involved therein, respectfully beg leave to report that the remarkable success of the Order in the United States could not have been attained under hostile Governments, nor among a people that did not possess a certain homogeneity of character; that whilst it may and does overleap political barriers, and overcome sectional divisions, its progress is retarded by local prejudices. Covering, as the United States do, an immense extent of territory, an area was presented wherein the Order might work out, without hinderance, except from human frailty, some of its grand problems for the amelioration of the ills to which humanity is subject. In return for the advantages presented, the Order has not been unmindful of its obligations, nor has it been ungrateful to the country upon whose soil it has flourished. Its example has been of inestimable value, its teachings and influences have been of that character that if the people of the whole country

had been deeply and truly impressed by them, the battle fields, where the men in blue and the men in gray met in mortal conflict, and beneath whose surface thousands now repose, would have known no more bitter struggle than that of the husbandman wresting a livelihood from the stubborn soil, countless widows and orphans would not have been deprived of their natural protectors and left as they have been, desolate, but peaceful means would have been found for the settlement of all disputes in the past, as it is the hope of every philanthropist that they will be in the future.

Vastness of territory and remoteness of population bring with them some disadvantages; local prejudices are apt to arise, and these are too often unhappily fostered to the detriment of the nation. Against these prejudices Odd Fellowship has ever steadily set its face, fraternal unity being the cardinal, underlying principle, the basis upon which the Order stands. At the Annual Convocations of the Grand Lodge of the United States, representative men from every State in the Union have for many years assembled; they have learned to know and to "love one another," despite all local prejudices, they have carried to their homes a sincere regard for men from other sections of the country, which was healthful in its effects, and was only restricted in its beneficent results by the comparative paucity of the membership.

The annual session held in Nashville, in September, 1860, was remarkable in many respects, not only was it among the last of the convocations wherein men from every portion of the land met for deliberation prior to the war, but it was characterized throughout its entire proceedings by the absence of irritating topics, or the introduction of any measures upon which the members would naturally divide according to their party affiliations or their places of abode. The Journals of the Grand Lodge also exhibit what the records of probably no other organization can show—no resolutions nor measures adopted, or even introduced, during the long, sad weary years of the war, that would not then, and do not now command the hearty, unequivocal support of the entire membership North and South. While other ties were rent asunder by the whirlwind of passion that swept over the land, the fraternal ties of our great brotherhood remained unshaken, and the Unity of Odd Fellowship was preserved amid all the conflicting elements.

The annual session of September, 1865, in the city of Baltimore, exhibited the beneficent results of the power of fraternal association. Once more the sky was blue and the winds were laden with the songs of peace. Representatives from the South and the North took their seats again in the Grand

Lodge, with credentials unquestioned, hand met hand in fraternal grasp and heart went out to heart in loving sympathy, and there was but one spirit that pervaded the Senate of American Odd Fellowship, and that was the living, vital spirit of Fraternity, which is but another name for Love.

The Sémi-Centennial celebration of the introduction of the Order into America, brought many members together to rejoice over its peaceful triumphs, but there was no session of the Grand Lodge of the United States in connection therewith, and some portions of the country were not represented. In view of the above hastily recited facts, and of others that might be adduced, it would seem to be eminently right and proper that upon the august occasion now under consideration, that the great Brotherhood that did what it could, on the one hand to prevent war, and on the other to soften its hardships, then to welcome with unbounded joy the blessings of peace, should assemble and marshal its peaceful battallions in the city of "Brotherly Love," in attestation of fraternal unity, and its unwavering adherence to love and fidelity to our common humanity which stand among its golden tenets; and also, that the Grand Lodge of the United States should convene in the City of Philadelphia, and approve by its presence, and its participation in the ceremonies, the outpouring of thanksgiving that the occasion will naturally inspire in the hearts of a Brotherhood whose homes and whose halls are scattered over, and yet are not confined to the North American continent.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the appended preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, The R. W. Grand Lodge and the R. W. Grand Encampment of Pennsylvania have invited the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States to hold its Annual Communication in the City of Philadelphia, in September, 1876; and,

WHEREAS, There are many reasons independent of fraternal courtesy why the invitation should be accepted, prominent among which are the facts that the year 1876 is the centennial of the United States of America and Philadelphia the spot where the American nation was born, and where an event of so much importance in the history of the human race will be commemorated; and

WHEREAS, The Independent Order of Odd Fellows, whose lifetime on this continent is more than half that of the American nation, has prospered under the benign influences of American institutions, and participates largely

in the emotions which the Centennial is calculated to inspire; therefore be it

Resolved, That the invitations of the R. W. Grand Lodge and the R. W. Grand Encampment of Pennsylvania are hereby cordially accepted, and that the next Annual Communication of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States be held in the City of Philadelphia in September, 1876.

Resolved, That Wednesday, September 20th, 1876, be set apart by the Order for a general gathering of the brotherhood, and a grand public demonstration, in the city of Philadelphia in commemoration of the establishment and the perpetuation of the American nation.

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary be and he is hereby directed to invite the respective R. W. Grand Lodges and the R. W. Grand Encampments under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States to participate as bodies, or by delegations, in the fraternal comingling of the Order in Philadelphia.

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Lodges and the R. W. Grand Encampments under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States be requested to invite the Subordinate Lodges and Encampments under their respective jurisdictions as bodies or delegations to participate with them in the demonstration.

Resolved, That in the recognition and approval of the proposed celebration, Lodges and Encampments shall have sufficient warrant to make appropriations to carry out the objects of the demonstration in such a manner as they in their judgment shall deem proper.

Resolved, That in view of the adoption of the foregoing resolutions, the M. W. Grand Sir be requested when issuing the usual proclamation for the celebration of the 26th of April, to call the attention of the brotherhood to the Centennial Celebration, leaving it optional to celebrate either or both.

Resolved, That a committee of nine be appointed to make such arrangements as may be necessary to carry the above resolutions into effect, and to co-operate with the authorities of the Order in Pennsylvania in making the proposed celebration successful and creditable to the brotherhood.

The Chair announced the following as the Committee:—P. G. Sir, J. B. Nicholson; Repr. Fitzhugh, of Virginia; Leech, of Iowa; Glenn, of Georgia; Porter, of California; Wright, of Ontario; St. John, of New York; Barrows, of Mississippi; Bell, of Ohio.

NEW LEGISLATION.

The following amendments to the Constitution, Grand Lodge U. S. was adopted :

On motion of Rep. Lamberton, of Pennsylvania, the Lodge proceeded to consider the pending amendments to the constitution which were adopted :

Amend Article IV. of the constitution, by striking out the whole of Section 3, and inserting in lieu thereof, the following, to-wit :

SECTION 3. In the case of death, resignation or removal from office of the M. W. Grand Sire, or in case he should absent himself for six months or upwards, beyond the limits of the United States and the British North American possessions, or in case of his inability from physical causes, to discharge the duties of his office, the R. W. Deputy Grand Sire shall act in his place and shall have and enjoy all the powers and privileges and exercise the duties of said office until the next communication of this Grand Lodge. In case of the death, resignation, removal, absence or inability of both the M. W. Grand Sire, and the R. W. Deputy Grand Sire, all said duties and powers shall be exercised by the Junior Past Grand Sire competent to fill said office, and at the first communication thereafter, the Grand Lodge shall proceed to elect and instal a M. W. Grand Sire for the unexpired term, and to fill any vacancy that may be occasioned thereby; provided, however, that a mere temporary or transient visit beyond said limits, not exceeding the aforesaid period of time, shall not be so construed as to work a forfeiture of the office.

The following resolution was adopted in relation to the limit of time at which appeals shall hereafter be received and considered at any session of the Supreme Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That, hereafter, no appeals will be considered by this Grand Body at any Session thereof, unless the papers in such an appeal shall have been placed in the hands of the Grand Secretary, on or before the first day of the Session.

Art. 14 of the By-laws was amended, so as to read as follows :

ARTICLE XIV.—No brother can be admitted to visit or deposit his Card in a Lodge or Encampment out of the State, District or Territory where he resides, unless he presents a card as furnished under the signatures of the proper officers and seal of the Lodge or Encampment of which he is a mem-

ber, and signed on the margin, in his own proper handwriting, and prove himself in the A. T. P. W., and in the degree in which the Lodge is open; *Provided*, nevertheless, a brother may always visit, if introduced by a Grand Representative, or any elective officer of the Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment within whose jurisdiction he wishes to visit, Grand Representatives of either branch being hereby authorized to introduce visiting brothers into both Subordinate Lodges and Encampments in their several jurisdictions; but in all such cases the presiding officer of the same shall be satisfied that the brother introducing such visitor is a Grand Representative of the Jurisdiction to which said Lodge or Encampment belongs. *And provided further*, That the holder of a dismissal certificate regularly issued by a Lodge or Encampment may deposit the same in any other Lodge or Encampment, as the case may be, under such rules and upon such conditions as the Jurisdiction in which it is offered for deposit may prescribe; but he shall not be required to be in possession of the A. T. P. W., nor can he visit a Lodge or Encampment by virtue of such certificate.

The following were adopted:

Resolved, That if an Odd Fellow shall renounce the Order, he thereby forfeits all benefits to which by law he may be entitled, from the time of his renunciation.

Resolved, That the Committee on the State of the Order be requested to define the proper manner of granting visiting cards, whether by a formal ballot, or whether the announcement by the chair "that such card will be granted, if no objection, the brother being clear of the books," respectfully report that no ballot is necessary, but the application must be passed upon by the Lodge. (Sec. 242, Digest.) This may be done by a formal motion made and seconded, and put by the chair, or it may be done by the presiding officer stating that "the card will be granted if there be no objection." The latter is by general consent of the Lodge, and in such case the card is granted by the action of the Lodge as much as in the former. Very much of the legislation of all bodies is done by general consent.

Rep. White, of New York, from the same Committee, made the following Report, which was adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred the inter-

rogatory of Rep. Rawlings, of Maryland, as follows:

"When a withdrawal card has been granted to a member, and the recipient forgets the A. T. P. W., has the N. G. of the Lodge from which the brother withdrew, authority to again communicate the A. T. P. W. on the presentation of the card within one year from the date of its issue?"

Respectfully report that the N. G. has the authority to again communicate the word, and it is his duty so to do.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Committee on the State of the Order, to whom were referred the interrogatories presented by Rep. Stern, of Nevada, as follows: First. Is it necessary to pass the ballot box to the Senior Warden, either before or after balloting? Second. Is it obligatory upon the Chief Patriarch and Senior Warden to wear the Robes (prescribed by this R. W. Grand Lodge) during the conferring of Degrees? respectfully report as to the first, that this whole matter is left to local legislation. This Grand Lodge decided last year that "State Grand Jurisdictions might authorize their Subordinates to enact By-Laws providing that the V. G. or other officers might assist the N. G. in the examination of the ballot, and make known the result of his examination, the N. G. alone having the prerogative of deciding whether the candidate is elected or rejected" (Sec. 127a Digest) and this rule applies equally to Encampments.

The second question assumes that there are Robes prescribed by the Grand Lodge of the United States for the Chief Patriarch and Senior Warden, which is not the case. The revised Encampment Ritual contains all the prescribed Robes, which are those of the High Priest, Guards, etc., and when they shall be worn, and it nowhere speaks of Robes for the Chief Patriarch or the Senior Warden, and as a consequence those officers are not required to wear Robes during initiation.

The following is the action had in reference to the subjects brought before the Grand Lodge by your special instructions:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States

The Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the interrogatories from the Grand Lodge of Ontario, submitted by Rep. Wright, p. 60, Daily Journal, respectfully report:

This Grand Lodge has held that the subject of dues is one peculiarly for the legislation of State Grand Bodies, and any interference therewith on the part

of this body is objectionable, (Digest, 575), and as a corollary that the time to which an account for dues must be settled to entitle a member to receive the P. W. of the current term, is a question to be determined according to the laws of the State Jurisdiction in which it arises, and not by this Grand Lodge (Digest, 1538), subject to the general law that the dues to a Lodge accrue weekly, and only for the convenience of the Lodge are paid at stated periods, and that at any time it is the right of a brother to pay his dues. (Digest, 560.) Regulations upon the questions referred to your committee are left to the Subordinate Jurisdiction.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

Having considered the subject referred to them, respectfully offer the following:

Resolved, That the Grand Lodge of Ontario be and is hereby requested to surrender to this R. W. Grand Lodge the Digest which was published by it; the same having been printed and bound therewith the various forms, etc., contrary to and in violation of the laws of this Grand Body, whose sole property the same is, but this without any intention of violating any of the laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States on their part.

Resolved, That the supplies surrendered under the action of the above resolution, be transferred to the Committee on Printing Supplies.

Your Representatives beg to state, that on consultation with the Committee on Printing and Supplies, after the close of the Session, it was agreed to recommend that a royalty of ten cents per volume be charged for the balance of the present edition of the Ontario Digest, to the Grand Lodge of Ontario. We trust that the arrangement will meet with the approval of this R. W. Grand Lodge, as the most favorable that could be made under the circumstances.

A very considerable number of appeals was presented and disposed of. We propose to give such reports of the Committee on these Appeals as may be of interest or importance to us in this Jurisdiction:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

In the matter of the appeal of Eastern Lodge No. 7, of Washington, D. C., from the action of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, your committee offer the following report: It appears that Joseph Mundell, a

member of Eastern Lodge No. 7, after having been under the care of the Lodge for nearly two years, and receiving weekly benefits, died. In accordance with his request he was buried by the Masonic fraternity, who took entire charge of the funeral, excluding Eastern Lodge from participation in the ceremonies incident thereto, and defraying the expenses of the burial out of their own treasury. It further appears that the laws of Eastern Lodge provide that thirty dollars be paid to the family of a deceased brother toward defraying the funeral expenses, and also that one hundred dollars, as a funeral benefit, shall be paid to the family. No expense was incurred by the family for the burial, and the Lodge declined to pay anything for the funeral expenses, but it did duly pay one hundred dollars, funeral benefit, to the widow of Bro. Mundell. An appeal was taken from the action of the Lodge to the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, for refusing to pay the thirty dollars towards funeral expenses. The Grand Lodge, upon the report of a committee to whom the matter was referred, adopted a resolution directing Eastern Lodge, No. 7, to pay to the family of J. Mundell thirty dollars, funeral expenses. From this decision of the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia, Eastern Lodge No. 7 appeals to this Grand Lodge. The principle has long been settled that when the By-laws of a Lodge make a clear distinction between funeral benefits and funeral expenses, the Lodge cannot be required to pay anything on account of funeral expenses where the deceased brother was buried without expense to the family. See White's Digest, sec. 197, and the references therein given. Your committee recommend, therefore, that the appeal of Eastern Lodge No. 7, of Washington, D. C., be sustained.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Committee on Appeals, in the matter of the appeal of R. D. Mowry, on behalf of Ophir Lodge, No. 171, of the Jurisdiction of California, against the Grand Lodge of that State, respectfully report, that it appears that Bro. H. J. Hartnagel of said Lodge, who was without family, died; and it was found that the Lodge would have owed his family, had he left one, on account of his funeral benefits, a sum of money, which sum was claimed by his Executor. The matter was brought before the Grand Lodge of California, and the committee to whom it was referred reported "that the legal representatives of a deceased brother, other than his widow, orphan children or dependent relatives, are not entitled to his beneficiary dues." Said Grand Lodge did not agree with this report, but instead thereof adopted the following:

"It being suggested that there are dependent relatives of the deceased

brother, namely, an aged father and sisters, in destitute circumstances, the Grand Lodge holds that such dependent relatives are entitled to the sum named in the By-laws of the Lodge. A demand of an Executor, made on behalf of dependent relatives, should be recognized by the Lodge."

From this action of the Grand Lodge of California, Bro. Mowry appeals. There are two questions presented in this case which it will be well for this Grand Lodge to settle:

First—When the Lodge is responsible for funeral benefits, and there are dependent relatives of a deceased brother on whose account the same would be due, is the Lodge to deliver the funds to such relatives, or shall it pay the same to the legal representatives of the deceased?

Second—Who are such dependent relatives as shall be recognized as legitimate claimants of such funds?

Your Committee do not find any case wherein the subject has been considered by this Grand Lodge, except that the petition of Sangamon Lodge, No. 6, of Illinois, reported on page 3118 of the proceedings of this Grand Lodge for the year 1859, and in that case there was no attempt made to settle the second of the above questions; and as to the first, this Lodge decided, "That as to legal representatives of a deceased brother, this Order does not recognize them as having any claim upon the beneficiary dues to a member." And this, we think, was a correct decision.

Your Committee suppose that by the term "legal representative," used by the Committee in the last named case, they meant personal representative; that is, the Executor or Administrator of the person deceased. It is a part of the functions of the personal representative of a deceased person to pay the debts of the deceased, but it is no part of the design of our Order to pay such debts; that which Odd Fellowship bestows is for the comfort of a brother and his family, and to relieve and administer to their personal and present needs. If we pay the personal representative, he must use the money as he does the other funds of the estate. He will have no right to withhold it from creditors and devote it to the family.

In the appeal now before us, the Grand Lodge of California decided that a demand by an executor, made on behalf of dependent relatives, should be recognized by the Lodge. From this decision the appeal was taken, and for this cause, if for no other, the decision should be reversed.

As to the second question, "Who are the dependent relatives of a deceased brother to be recognized as the legitimate claimants of his benefits?"

It is the policy of our Laws to assist a brother in life, and to aid and pro-

fect his family, if he has one, after his death. It is not the object of our Organization to render aid to others besides the immediate family of the deceased brother. If he have no immediate family, widow, child or other immediate family relative, who was, before his death, dependent on him for support, then he has left no one who has a legitimate claim upon the Order. If he leaves a father, mother, brother, sister, or other indigent relative, who is a member of another family, and was not, in the life-time of the deceased, dependent upon him, such indigent relative has no lawful claim on the Lodge of the deceased, not having been a member of his family. If it be claimed that there are such dependent relatives, there should be some proof of the fact, which does not appear in the present case. On the contrary, the Committee reported to Grand Lodge of California that there were no such relatives. If, however, in any case there were such relatives, your Committee are of the opinion that, after due proof of the fact, the Lodge should pay money due on account of the deceased brother to such relatives directly, and never to the personal representative of the deceased.

There is another question which is indirectly presented in this appeal, which is this—the By-law of Ophir Lodge governing this subject has the following provision:

"If no funeral expenses are incurred by the death of a Brother, no appropriation shall be made from the funds of the Lodge," and it appears from the records that the deceased was buried by the Order of Druids. If the Order of Druids paid all of the expenses of his funeral, then, in the opinion of your Committee, under said provision of the By-law, Ophir Lodge is not bound to pay anything as funeral expenses; wherefore your Committee recommend that the appeal of Bro. Mowry be sustained.

To the E. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

Wm. H. Barnes, P. G. M., appeals from the action of the Grand Lodge of New York, in affirming the following decisions of Grand Master Stebbins, of that jurisdiction:

1. That the N. G. of a Subordinate Lodge cannot confer the five Subordinate Degrees.
2. That a Daughter of Rebekah forfeits her membership if she marries a person who is not an Odd Fellow.
3. That it is not imperative that the Bible should be in a Lodge room when said Lodge is in session.

In regard to the first point of appeal, the right to confer the "five Subordinate Degrees" is guaranteed to Subordinate Lodges by their charters. The Digest G. L. U. S.—459a—defines it as "an inherent right," and no State Grand authority is competent to contravene it. The authority thus given to the Subordinate Lodge, is consequently given to its N. G., as its officer.

The law of the Grand Lodge of New York, on which the decision of Grand Master Stebbins is predicated. viz. : That the conferring of degrees "is strictly a prerogative belonging to the D. D. G. M.," being a contravention of the chartered rights of Subordinates, and the enactments of the G. L. U. S., is, of course, inoperative.

On the second point of appeal, it is defined on page 21, Deg. of Reb. C. B., how the annual P. W. is to come into the possession of a Daughter of Rebekah, who may be a widow, and when her right to have the same communicated to her ceases. Her forfeiture, by marriage to any other than an Odd Fellow to retain the rights of membership, in the opinion of your Committee, virtually forfeits the membership itself.

In submitting this opinion, your Committee are aware that this Grand Lodge has rendered some decisions which seem to be, in a measure, in conflict with the directions and instructions of the C. B., but your Committee deem said directions and instructions to be paramount and binding, and their recommendation is in accordance therewith.

As to the third matter of appeal, the C. B., page 34, says the Holy Bible is an integral part of Odd Fellowship, and it is so regarded by the G. L. U. S., and it is necessary that it should be present in every Lodge while open for business.

Your Committee offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That the appeal of Wm. H. Barnes, P. G. M., on the first and third points thereof be sustained, and on the second point be dismissed.

Rep. Porter, of California, made the following report, which was adopted :

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States :

The Committee on Appeals, in view of the fact that a large proportion of the appeal papers, which are sent to this Grand Lodge, are defective in form, causing to the Committee great difficulty properly to consider them, and

sometimes a necessity for the return thereof for correction, have provided a set of forms which they believe will be of service to all persons engaged in the matter of appeals, and will tend to facilitate the business of this Grand Lodge. Wherefore they ask this Grand Lodge to recommend that the several State Jurisdictions adopt said forms, with such alterations, if any, as the laws or usages of said jurisdiction may require.

Persons bringing appeals should bear in mind that in Form No. 1, under the head of "Specifications," there should be a full statement of the offense, with place, time, and circumstances; and if any more than one specification, this should be observed in each.

[No. 1.]

CHARGES.

To..... LODGE, No....., I. O. O. F.
The undersigned, a member of..... Lodge, No....., I. O. O. F., under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the..... I. O. O. F., hereby charges..... a member of..... Lodge, No....., with having been guilty of..... as more fully appears by the following

SPECIFICATIONS:

- First:.....
- Second:.....
- Third:.....

[No. 2.]

SUMMONS.

..... LODGE, No....., I. O. O. F.,
To....., 18.....
SIR AND BROTHER:—You are hereby notified that on the..... day of..... A. D. 18..., Charges and Specifications—of which a

certified copy, under the seal of the Lodge, is herewith served on you—were preferred against you and filed in said Lodge, and were referred for trial to the undersigned Committee.

You are hereby summoned to appear before said Committee, at.....
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.....day of..... A. D. 18...., at..... o'clock.....
M. of that day, to make answer to said Charges and proceed with the trial thereof. In default of which, you will be reported to said Lodge as being guilty of contempt thereof.

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..... } Committee.

(To be endorsed on the back of No. 2.)

..... LODGE, No....., I. O. O. F.
..... 18....

I hereby Certify, That on the.....day of..... A. D. 18...., at the..... State of..... I served the within Summons, also the Charges and Specifications, referred to therein, by delivering to and leaving with said.....
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the accused, a copy of said Summons, attached to a copy of the Charges and Specifications against him, certified under the seal of the Lodge.

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..... Member of said Lodge.

(To be endorsed on the back of No. 2.)

SUMMONS.

—TO—

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Filed this.....day of..... A. D. 18....

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..... Secretary of Committee.

(To be endorsed on the back of No. 2.)

I hereby admit due service of the within Summons, also of a duly certified copy, under the seal of the Lodge, of the Charges and Specifications, referred to herein, this.....day of.....18....

[No. 8.]

SUBPENA.

..... LODGE, No., I. O. O. F.

To.....18....

You are hereby notified and required to appear before the Committee heretofore appointed to try the charges preferred by Brother.....

against Brother.....

at..... on theday of..... A. D. 18...., at..... o'clock, M. of that day, to testify as a witness therein, on behalf of said.....

By order of the Committee,

Secretary of Committee.

(To be endorsed on back of No. 3.)

SUBPENA.

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(To be endorsed on the back of No. 3.)

..... LODGE, No....., I. O. O. F.
..... 18.....

I hereby certify, That on the.....day of.....A.
D. 18....., I served the within Subpoena on.....
.....by delivering to and leaving with him a copy thereof, in
the.....County of.....

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Member of said Lodge.

hereby accept service of the within Subpoena, at.....
.....this.....day of.....
A. D. 18.....

[No. 4.]

REPORT OF COMMITTEE.

To..... LODGE, No....., I. O. O. F.

Your Committee, heretofore appointed to try the charges preferred
against.....
by Brother.....
report that the accompanying documents contain the proceedings of, and
the evidence taken before, said Committee.

That, from all that appeared to said Committee in said case, they find
Brother.....
.....as to the Specifications of the
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[No. 5.]

NOTICE OF FILING REPORT.

..... LODGE, No..... I. O. O. F.
..... 18....

To.....

SIR AND BROTHER:—Take notice, that the Committee, heretofore appointed to try the charges preferred against you by Brother.....

..... have this day filed their report herein.

You have two weeks from the date of receiving this notice within which to file your exceptions thereto.

Yours in F., L. and T.,

.....
Recording Secretary.

(To be endorsed on the back of No. 5.)

NOTICE OF FILING REPORT.

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(To be endorsed on the back of No. 5.)

..... LODGE, No....., I. O. O. F.
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I hereby certify, That I served the within notice on.....
..... by delivering to and leaving with him
a copy thereof, this..... day of..... A. D. 18...., at the
place aforesaid)

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Recording Secretary.

[No. 6.]

BILL OF EXCEPTIONS.

To..... LODGE No....., I. O. O. F.
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The undersigned hereby presents the following Bill of Exceptions to

the report of the Committee, heretofore made herein relative to the charges preferred against him by Brother.....
 also to the proceedings of and the testimony taken before said Committee;
 also to the actions and proceedings of said Lodge, relative to said charges.

First: Said charges and specifications are in sufficient to show the commission of the offense charged by the accused herein; in this:

NOTICE AND GROUNDS OF APPEAL.

To..... LODGE, No....., I. O. O. F.

Take notice that the undersigned hereby appeals from the action and judgment of this Lodge in the matter, of charges preferred against him by Brother..... on the following grounds:

First: The evidence was insufficient to sustain said charges or the report of the Committee, herein in this (here insert wherein the evidence was insufficient.)

Second: Errors committed at the trial, and by the trial committee as follows: (Here insert the error complained of.)

The following proposed amendment to the Constitution of the R. W. Grand Lodge was laid on the table:

Amend Article XII of the Constitution of the R. W. Grand Lodge, by striking out the word "third" in the first line, and insert the word "first," so that the article shall read as follows, to wit:

This Grand Lodge shall meet annually on the first Monday of September, at nine o'clock a. m., at such place as the Grand Lodge shall from time to time determine. It may also meet on its own adjournment. It may also meet specially on the call of the Grand Sire, of which the Grand Sire shall cause three months notice to be given to the Representatives of the several State, District or Territorial Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments, communicating to them the purpose for which the special meeting is called; and in no case shall any business be transacted at a special meeting unless notice thereof has been given as above stated.

The following series of resolutions, expressive of the deep sense of gratitude felt by the members of the R. W. Grand Lodge for the fraternal and other courtesies tendered by the brethren and prominent citizens of the city of Indianapolis :

Resolved, That the thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge be and the same are hereby tendered to the public press of the city of Indianapolis, for their promptness in procuring and publishing such full and comprehensive proceedings of this R. W. Grand Body during the present session.

Resolved, That the thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge are eminently due to the Committee of Arrangements of the Brotherhood of Indiana, for the complete comfort and satisfaction which their action has afforded the members of this Grand Lodge.

WHEREAS, The reception accorded to the Grand Lodge of the United States on the occasion of its annual session in the city of Indianapolis by the Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment of Indiana, by our brother Odd Fellows of Indianapolis, by the public authorities of the State and city, merits our most cordial and hearty thanks ; therefore,

Resolved. That the princely hospitalities and kindly greetings which have met us upon every hand during our sojourn among this intelligent and fraternal people, will be long remembered and cherished as an unmistakable expression of their sympathy with the exalted principles of that noble Order, whose willing servants we are, and whose sovereignty we here represent.

Resolved, That to Governor Hendricks, Mayor Caven, Senator Morton and P. G. R. Schuyler Colfax, and to all whom they represent, and to the press of this city, we owe our grateful thanks, and hereby desire to assure them that the memory of their kind offices will be borne with us to our homes, to be long treasured, as among our most pleasant memories.

Resolved, That as a slight token of the good faith of the foregoing resolutions, and as a desire to leave in the city of Indianapolis some memento of our visit, the R. W. Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary is hereby requested to forward, as soon as convenient, a full set of the bound Journals of the Grand Lodge of the U. S. including the proceedings of the present session, to the State Library of Indiana, asking acceptance of the same as an indication of the pleasurable experiences of the members of this Body at this Annual Communication.

Resolved, That copies of the foregoing resolutions, under the seal of the Grand Lodge, and attested by the Grand Secretary, be sent severally to

the Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment of Indiana, to Gov. Hendricks and Mayor Caven, and that copies of these resolutions be furnished to the papers of this city for publication.

Your Representatives cannot close this report without a word of explanation regarding the delay which has occurred in its completion. By an unfortunate miscarriage of the Journal of Proceedings for the last day of the session we were unable to proceed further until we could procure it from another source. We have felt deeply our responsibility in the circumstances; but we have lost no time in proceeding to the completion of our work just as soon as possible after the material was at our disposal.

With many thanks for the distinguished honor we have enjoyed at your hands in being elected as your Representatives to the Supreme Legislative Body of our beloved Order, this report is respectfully submitted,

JOHN BARR.

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List of Past Grand Masters.

*THOMAS REYNOLDS, M. D.....	BROCKVILLE, 1856 to 1858.
†CHAUNCEY YALE.....	ST. CATHARINES, 1859.
S. G. DOLSON,	do 1860.
WILLIAM 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.
THOMAS PARTRIDGE,.....	LONDON, 1869.
WILLIAM N. FORD,.....	ST. MARYS, 1870.
JOHN GIBSON,	STRATFORD, 1871.
JOHN MURRAY,	CLIFTON, 1872.
GEORGE WRIGHT, M. D.....	TORONTO, 1873.
WM. FITZSIMMONS,	BROCKVILLE, 1874.

* Died 14th September, 1859.

† Died 15th April, 1866.

Special attention of Subordinate Lodges is called to the following resolutions, adopted by the Grand Lodge of the United States, at the session held in Atlanta, Ga., in Sept., 1874:

IMPOSTERS TO BE EXPELLED.

Resolved, That a member of the Order in good standing, evidenced by holding an unexpired Visiting Card, issued in conformity to the laws of the Order by his Lodge or Encampment, and having the A. T. P. W., being in distress, or pretending so to be, and needing money, and who having asked for and received from a Lodge or Encampment, or a member thereof, a sum of money under the assurance and promise that he will return or repay the same within a given time, or so soon as he returns home, but who shall neglect so to do after a reasonable time thereafter, without a satisfactory excuse being rendered, shall be deemed guilty of conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow; and due notice of such facts having been officially communicated to his Lodge by the Lodge or Encampment so loaning him the money, it shall be the duty of his Lodge to notify him of such indebtedness or loan, and to demand payment thereof, and if he then refuse or neglect to pay the same, his Lodge shall prefer charges against him, try him, and if found guilty, and without sufficiently mitigating circumstances, to expel him from the Order. If there be such mitigating circumstances, then to impose such penalty as the Lodge may deem best.

Resolved, That the respective State Grand Lodges cause the foregoing resolution to be embodied in their proceedings, and the attention of the Subordinate Lodges and Encampments especially called to it.

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JOHN LAWRENCE, M. D.,

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GRAND RIVER LODGE, No. 91.

DIED

AT PARIS, MAY 5th, 1875.

AGED 62 YEARS AND 21 DAYS.

SUBORDINATE LODGES.

LODGES.	Number.	LOCATION.	Night of Meeting.
Brock	9	Brockville	Tuesday.
Cataraqui.....	10	Kingston.....	Tuesday.
Rose	28	Amerstburgh	Thursday.
Union.....	16	London.....	Tuesday.
Chatham.....	29	Port Burwell.....	Thursday.
Eureka.....	30	Brantford.....	Thursday.
Erie.....	33	Ingersoll	Wednesday.
Gore	34	St. Marys.....	Tuesday.
Samaritan.....	35	London.....	Monday.
St. Marys.....	36	Blenhelm.....	Friday.
Forest City.....	38	Stratford	Wednesday.
Rond Eau.....	40	Hamilton.....	Thursday.
Avon	41	Windsor.....	Wednesday.
Excelsior.....	44	Newbury.....	Thursday.
Frontier.....	45	Hamilton.....	Wednesday.
Mt. Zion.....	46	London.....	Wednesday.
Unity.....	47	Toronto.....	Friday.
Dominion.....	48	Tilsonburg.....	Monday.
Canada.....	49	Mitchell.....	Monday.
Otter.....	50	Toronto.....	Tuesday.
Bissell.....	51	Clifton.....	Tuesday.
Covenant.....	52	Collingwood	Alternate Thursday.
Niagara Falls.....	53	Seaforth.....	Wednesday.
Collingwood	54	Toronto.....	Wednesday.
Fidelity	55	Orangeville.....	Thursday.
Queen City of Ontario.....	56	Strathroy.....	Wednesday.
Maple Leaf.....	57	Kingston.....	Friday.
Howard.....	58	Wardsville.....	Monday.
Kingston.....	59	Oshawa.....	Thursday.
Wardsville.....	60	Goderich.....	Thursday.
Corinthian.....	61	Barrie.....	Monday.
Huron.....	62	Hamilton.....	Tuesday.
Barrie.....	63	Petrolia.....	Friday.
Victoria.....	64	Bowmanville.....	Wednesday.
Friendship.....	65	Exeter.....	Tuesday.
Florence Nightingale.....	66	Stayner.....	Alternate Friday.
Exeter.....	67	Harreysville.....	Saturday.
North Star	68	Lucan.....	Tuesday.
Hope.....	69	Toronto.....	Monday.
Lucan.....	70	Whitby.....	Tuesday.
The Toronto	71	Fergus.....	Tuesday.
Eastern Star.....	72	Bothwell.....	Tuesday.
Fergus.....	73	Port Perry.....	Monday.
Bothwell.....	74	St. Thomas.....	Wednesday.
Warriner.....	75	Ingersoll.....	Wednesday.
St. Thomas.....	76	Port Hope.....	Tuesday.
Oxford.....	77	Uxbridge.....	Thursday.
Durham.....	78	Prescott.....	Wednesday.

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SUBORDINATE LODGES.

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LODGES.	Number.	LOCATION.	Night of Meeting.
Nipissing.....	79	St. Catharines.....	Monday.
Amity.....	80	Chatham	Tuesday.
Belleville.....	81	Belleville	Thursday.
Beaver.....	82	Ruthven	Tuesday.
Clinton.....	83	Clinton.....	Friday.
Walkerton.....	84	Walkerton.....	Tuesday.
Constellation.....	85	Burgessville.....	Friday.
Napanee.....	86	Napanee.....	Tuesday.
Empire.....	87	St. Catharines	Tuesday.
Olive Branch.....	88	Woodstock	Thursday.
Reliance.....	89	Guelph.....	Monday.
Ivy.....	90	Parkhill.....	Monday.
Grand River.....	91	Paris.....	Thursday.
Milton.....	92	Milton.....	Thursday.
Western City.....	93	Chatham	Alternate Tuesday.
Aylmer.....	94	Aylmer.....	Wednesday.
Port Stanley.....	95	Port Stanley.....	Tuesday.
Nith.....	96	New Hamburg	Monday.
Grand Union.....	97	Berlin.....	Thursday.
Minto.....	98	Harriston	Friday.
Peabody.....	99	Watford.....	Friday.
Lindsay.....	100	Lindsay.....	Thursday.
Golden Star.....	101	Brampton	Thursday.
Dosoronto.....	102	Mill Point.....	Thursday.
Cataract.....	103	Drumondville.....	Monday.
Crescent.....	104	Hamilton	Thursday.
Manilla.....	105	Manilla	Friday.
St. Clair.....	106	Point Edward.....	Wednesday.
Waterloo.....	107	Galt.....	Thursday.
Royal Oak.....	108	Forest.....	Monday.
Orion.....	109	Georgetown	Monday.
Laurel.....	110	Yorkville.....	Monday.
Peterboro.....	111	Peterboro'.....	Monday.
Lucknow.....	112	Lucknow.....	Thursday.
Trenton.....	113	Trenton.....	Friday.
Gananoque.....	114	Gananoque	Tuesday.
Harmony.....	115	Brantford	Monday.
Naomi.....	116	Markham	Tuesday.
Valley City.....	117	Dundas.....	Monday.
Shannonville.....	118	Shannonville	Thursday.
Matland.....	119	Wingham.....	Wednesday.
Sydenham Valley.....	120	Wallaceburg	Thursday.
Saxon.....	121	Alisa Craig.....	Friday.
Streetsville.....	122	Streetsville.....	Wednesday.
Palmerston.....	123	Palmerston.....	Friday.
Dresden.....	124	Dresden.....	Thursday.
Stella.....	125	Carlton Place.....	Tuesday.
Sarnia.....	126	Sarnia.....	Monday.
Mispah.....	127	Belleville.....	Monday.
Mystic.....	128	Kilbride.....	Friday.
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LODGES.	Number.	LOCATION.	Night of Meeting.
Charity	129	Sunderland	Tuesday.
Livingston	130	Thorold	Tuesday.
Marion	131	Renfrew	Wednesday.
Oakville	132	Oakville	Monday.
Glencoe	133	Glencoe	Wednesday.
Orient	134	Welland	Tuesday.
Peaceful Dove	135	Cannington	Friday.
Cobourg	136	Cobourg	Friday.
St. Lawrence	137	Brockville	Monday.
Ancaster	138	Ancaster	Monday.
Garnet	139	Mt. Forest	Tuesday.
Leamington	140	Leamington	Thursday.
Capitol	141	Ottawa	Friday.
Concord	142	Kingsville	Friday.
Bay of Quinte	143	Pictou	Wednesday.
Ridgetown	144	Ridgetown	Wednesday.
Riverside	145	Iroquois	Friday.
Vivian	146	Arnprior	
Model	147	Wyoming	Monday.
Aurora	148	Aurora	Tuesday.
Western Star	149	Brussels	Thursday.
Bertie	150	Ridgeway	Monday.
Sycamore	151	Arkona	Tuesday.
Hayden	152	Norwich	Friday.
Willey	153	Granton	Wednesday.
Alpha	154	Almonte	Monday.
Brougham	155	Brougham	Thursday.
Pyramid	156	New Market	Tuesday.
Thamesville	157	Thamesville	Thursday.
Progress	158	Guelph	Friday.
Oak Leaf	159	Hamilton	Tuesday.
Listowell	160	Listowell	Tuesday.
Simcoe	161	Simcoe	Thursday.
Cookstown	162	Cookstown	Tuesday.
Oriental	163	Cornwall	Wednesday.
Romeo	164	Stratford	Tuesday.
Beethoven	165	Brooklin	Wednesday.
Oswego	166	Canboro	Thursday.
Hillsburg	167	Hillsburg	Friday.
Sutton	168	Sutton	Friday.
Stephen	169	Durham	Monday.
Denovo	170	Pt. Elgin	No return.

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Brook	9	19	1			5	17	1	156	153	86	3	20	9	20
Cataraqui	10	3	11						14						
Union	16	34	2		3	3			229	259	48	4	166	36	10
Rose	28	9	8						17						
Chatham	29	8	1	4	2	2	12		165	162	48		47	15	6
Eureka	36	19	1	2	1	1	15		269	274	98		295	45	20
Erie	33	4						14		59	49	2	1	34	8
Gore	34	15	1	2		3	7	2	104	110	48		25	6-7	9
Samaritan	35	15			2	2	28		189	172	40	4	75	21	
St. Marys	36	20			1				108	127	64	2	22	13	
Forest City	38	27	4	2	3	5	16		290	299	102	5	186	40	6
Rond Eau	40	4				1	8	1	81	75	29	6	5	3	2
Avon	41	28	1	1	1	15	3		211	222	74	5	156	1-6	28
Excelsior	44	19	1	4	5	3	32		219	203	80	2	234	29	8
Frontier	45	21	2		2	2	16		161	164	74	1	26	9	12
Mt. Zion	46	7				1	6		27	27	13		1	1	
Unity	47	31	1	1	1	13	17		239	241	193	8	134	47	
Dominion	48	35	2	6	1			9	171	203	142	2	91	21	3
Canada	49	44	3	2	3	7	26		229	242	126	2	119	23	7
Otter	50	19	1		1	3	9	1	87	93	60	2	57	23	5
Bissell	51	15	2	1		4	14		114	114	79	6	42	18	
Covenant	52	30	2		2	13	16	1	253	253	98	3	100	22	4
Niagara Falls	53	19	1		1	4	8		106	113	46	4	29	11	1
Collingwood	54	13	3	1				1	55	70	56			11	1
Fidelity	55	21	3			3	7	1	98	111	112	2	39	8	1
Queen City	56	35		3	1	7			202	233	117		95	9	6
Maple Leaf	57	4	1	4		2	22		66	51	25	3	23	4	2
Howard	58	20		1		4	2		150	165	42	4	64	1-2	21
Kingston	59	16		1			17	17	120	103	65	6	16	5	1
Wardsville	60	4	1			2	3		43	43	13		23	8	2
Corinthian	61	37			2	4	10		117	138	164	4	111	2-7	35
Huron	62	21	1	3	1	4	10		101	105	126	4	26	9	
Barrie	63	13	1	20		11			23	56	2				
Victoria	64	22	2		2	9			98	111	113		17	7	1
Friendship	65	8	1	2		9	2		121	121	37	2	14	7	4
Flor Nightingale	66	9		5	1	8	6	1	103	101	48	2	34	8	1
Exeter	67	13				5	1		40	47	32	1	9	7	
North Star	68	11	2	3			4		24	36	22		13	4	
Hope	69	15				3			26	38	21	1	24	8	

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Brock.....	9	\$ 59 50	\$300 00	\$ 25 00	\$ 15 00	52	\$ 488 04	64	\$ 887 62
Cataraqui.....	10	59 10	44	59 10
Union.....	16	592 00	170 00	14 75	145 00	40	1939 47	78	2861 22
Rose.....	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chatham.....	29	181 00	75 00	54 00	30 00	23	363 40	27	653 41
Forest City.....	30	811 66	488 00	.....	80 00	62	486 13	19	1715 79
Erie.....	33	87 00	.....	5 00	15 00	40	85 00	32	172 00
Gore.....	34	90 50	120 00	7 00	.....	17	251 93	29	496 38
Samaritan.....	35	220 00	70 00	103 36	60 00	33	551 45	40	1004 81
St. Marys.....	36	63 00	.....	10 00	.....	8	210 15	24	283 15
Forest City.....	38	638 86	284 20	42 00	75 00	39	294 30	12	1834 36
Rond Eau.....	40	12 00	24 00	.....	.....	8	273 09	58	325 09
Avon.....	41	431 45	30 00	20 00	40 00	22	324 70	13	906 15
Excelsior.....	44	815 00	126 66	.....	208 50	75	794 11	52	1944 27
Frontier.....	45	80 00	220 00	117 00	60 00	38	1001 64	80	1478 64
Mt. Zion.....	46	8 00	.....	.....	.....	2	66 92	49	69 92
Unity.....	47	421 00	.....	98 60	50 00	23	1443 60	58	2067 20
Dominion.....	48	279 50	42 00	.....	45 00	17	204 00	12	630 50
Canada.....	49	332 50	82 58	31 23	180 00	32	652 44	33	1280 75
Otter.....	50	236 50	67 50	10 00	30 00	43	269 79	34	613 79
Bissell.....	51	122 25	.....	.....	.....	17	423 42	60	545 72
Covenant.....	52	223 00	52 00	64 90	80 00	20	716 04	85	1136 94
Niagara Falls.....	53	58 00	87 50	7 50	45 00	26	45 00	6	450 44
Collingwood.....	54	21 00	90 00	.....	15 00	27	203 01	43	329 01
Fidelity.....	55	117 00	30 00	.....	32 00	11	307 03	19	586 03
Queen City.....	56	186 00	60 00	147 68	47 00	29	704 38	46	1145 07
Maple Leaf.....	57	36 00	16 00	.....	.....	10	262 58	52	314 58
Howard.....	58	174 25	.....	18 00	15 00	15	443 68	33	650 93
Kingston.....	59	37 50	15 00	10 00	34 75	8	657 24	59	754 49
Wardsville.....	60	85 50	30 00	.....	.....	44	21 81	10	117 31
Corinthian.....	61	331 50	45 00	5 00	75 00	28	389 29	24	845 79
Huron.....	62	70 00	.....	10 00	.....	7	395 07	36	475 07
Barrie.....	63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	152 25	51	152 25
Victoria.....	64	59 50	22 50	34 30	78 85	23	212 03	25	407 18
Friendship.....	65	42 00	.....	15 00	.....	9	324 40	54	382 40
Flor Nightingale.....	66	104 50	30 00	.....	75 00	29	337 85	47	547 35
Exeter.....	67	29 75	15 00	12	160 45	45	211 20
North Star.....	68	17 00	7	171 50	75	188 50
Hope.....	69	54 50	15 00	19	82 90	23	152 40

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Lucan	70	10	2			11		1	55	55	35	3	9	4	
The Toronto	71	29	4	2	3	11	32		127	116	41	1	38	7	
Eastern Star	72	24	7		1	8			109	131	163	6	69	8	2
Fergus	73	18	2	1		13	6		69	71	66	2	23 4-7	9	
Bothwell	74	6				10			60	56	21	1	9	3	2
Warriner	75	7				6	7		95	89	49	1	20 1-4	7	
St. Thomas	76	37	4			5	11		122	147	133	1	84	14	
Oxford	77	25				11	1		92	105	39	1	33	10	
Durham	78	10	1			3	3	1	63	67	54	1	19	3	
Nipissing	79	15	1			4			63	75	43	2	32	5	2
Amity	80	30		1	1	2			75	101	49	4	7	1	2
Belleville	81	16	4			6	3		101	112	100	3	26 3-7	7	
Beaver	82	6	1						34	41	27			1	
Clinton	83	13							47	60	60	1	2	2	
Walkerton	84	9				4	10		49	44	30	1	33	7	
Constellation	85	8				4	6		34	32	28		22	3	
Napanee	86	10	1	1		3	12		66	63	34	2	36	5	2
Empire	87	34	1			3	6		105	131	26	5	50	14	
Olive Branch	88	25	1	3	1	5	6		85	102	87	1			
Reliance	89	12	2	1		13			100	102	54	8	25	7	2
Ivy	90	6	3	2		5	8	2	66	62	24		27	10	
Grand River	91	19	1		1	2	2	1	79	93	96		1	36	10
Milton	92	10				4	9		56	53	45		6	1	
Western City	93	11		1	1	2	15		83	77	33	3	55	17	1
Aylmer	94	15	2	2	1	3	17		77	75	27		77	8	
Port Stanley	95	10				1	1		32	40	35	1	6	5	2
Nith	96	11				1	1	1	36	44	34	2	17	4	
Grand Union	97	24				4			58	78	102		11	3	
Minto	98	11				3	2		40	47	19	3	13	1	
Peabody	99	7		1		7	8	1	41	32	7		1	1	
Lindsay	100	10	2			4	14		59	54	54	1	6	4	
Golden Star	101	22	2		2	2	2		87	105	103	2	29	11	
Dosoroito	102	3		2		1			38	42	16		3	2	2
Cataract	103	12	1			3	2		38	42	16		3	2	
Crescent	104	41	4			2	3		85	125	73	5	18	11	
Manilla	105	4				5	2		48	45	29		33	4	
St. Clair	106	16	2	1		2	2		59	74	75	4	30 1-2	6	
Waterloo	107	21				3	1		47	64	40	1	8	5	
Royal Oak	108	7	2		1	9	5		47	41	28	1	7	2	

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Lucan.....	70	\$ 27 00	22 25	132	65 00	15	14 25
The Toronto.....	71	123 40	5 00	105 00	222	697 38	57	930 78
Eastern Star.....	72	227 00	30 00	37 00	65 00	34	291 26	27	650 26
Fergus.....	73	68 00	.....	122 50	40 00	32	266 11	36	496 61
Bothwell.....	74	18 00	27 50	20 00	.....	22	113 73	39	189 22
Warriner.....	75	60 79	.....	25 00	.....	18	111 81	17	141 81
St. Thomas.....	76	208 00	.....	50 00	15 00	22	408 40	33	691 40
Oxford.....	77	110 00	.....	.....	.....	16	357 31	52	467 31
Durham.....	78	45 00	.....	.....	.....	8	242 62	47	287 62
Nipissing.....	79	87 00	25 00	5 00	.....	21	291 28	53	408 28
Amity.....	80	21 00	22 50	10 00	.....	9	514 31	93	567 81
Belleville.....	81	76 25	.....	20 00	20 00	11	712 05	67	828 30
Beaver.....	82	.....	.....	.....	10 00	5	224 58	109	284 58
Clinton.....	83	6 00	.....	11 00	.....	3	178 83	31	201 83
Walkerton.....	84	79 00	.....	.....	.....	27	253 96	88	332 96
Constellation.....	85	61 00	.....	5 00	.....	2	177 57	58	243 57
Napanee.....	86	106 75	22 50	15 00	12 50	39	157 85	39	314 60
Empire.....	87	151 50	.....	.....	.....	17	457 35	52	608 85
Olive Branch.....	88	.....	.....	42 13	30 00	8	354 78	39	417 91
Reliance.....	89	79 80	30 00	75 20	20 00	23	284 87	32	629 76
Ivy.....	90	77 00	.....	8 00	16 00	21	320 39	66	421 39
Grand River.....	91	64 00	.....	.....	30 00	11	1067 44	125	1161 44
Milton.....	92	18 00	.....	.....	20 00	5	235 09	33	272 09
Western City.....	93	107 00	55 00	15 00	30 00	35	231 60	39	476 10
Aylmer.....	94	82 50	.....	.....	30 00	24	181 00	39	293 50
Port Stanley.....	95	16 00	22 50	10 00	30 00	22	174 82	50	313 82
Nith.....	96	51 00	.....	.....	20 00	18	172 19	44	243 19
Grand Union.....	97	30 00	.....	37 40	.....	8	363 81	44	431 21
Minto.....	98	64 00	.....	5 00	15 00	24	124 27	36	214 27
Peabody.....	99	3 00	.....	.....	.....	2	209 95	100	212 95
Lindsay.....	100	38 00	.....	.....	.....	9	292 09	71	330 09
Golden Star.....	101	85 00	17 50	.....	60 00	18	328 67	36	491 17
Dosoronto.....	102	7 20	20 00	5 00	.....	12	151 66	58	183 96
Cataract.....	103	46 00	.....	.....	.....	12	232 69	64	278 69
Crescent.....	104	66 00	.....	20 00	25 00	10	414 11	42	590 11
Manilla.....	105	50 62	.....	5 00	.....	12	105 85	29	160 83
St. Clair.....	106	91 00	.....	.....	.....	11	339 56	39	430 56
Waterloo.....	107	26 00	14 54	7	203 70	34	266 78
Royal Oak.....	108	19 00	50 00	24	412 73	147	481 73

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Orion.....	109	10	1	1	4	6	57	57	36	6	6	5		
Laurel.....	110	35	2	4	0	51	78	71	4	9	4			
Peterboro.....	111	10	3	3	64	71	51	4			
Lucknow.....	112	9	1	37	44	28	1	5	3	.....	.....	.....
Trenton.....	113	13	1	1	23	21	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Gananoque.....	114	12	1	1	29	37	26	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harmony.....	115	16	2	20	35	51	.....	6	1	.....	.....	.....
Naomi.....	116	14	1	3	44	60	1	14	7	.....	.....	.....
Valley City.....	117	25	1	1	47	68	84	3	34	11	.....	.....	
Shannonville.....	118	No	RE	TU	RN	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mattland.....	119	10	2	2	41	47	48	1	131-2	5	.....	.....	
Sydenham Valley.....	120	14	1	1	24	37	39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Saxon.....	121	6	2	1	31	34	40	1	9	3	.....	.....	
Streetsville.....	122	17	3	32	46	48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Palmerston.....	123	12	2	2	3	1	31	39	60	1	27	10		
Dresden.....	124	18	1	3	1	51	66	60	3	5	1	.....		
Stella.....	125	10	1	7	18	22	42	1	1	1	.....	.....	
Sarnia.....	126	16	8	1	36	59	87	3	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mizpah.....	127	17	6	5	27	45	55	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mystic.....	128	18	1	1	18	35	62	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Charity.....	129	12	1	23	34	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Livingstone.....	130	60	1	53	114	157	4	40	8	.....	.....	.....
Marion.....	131	7	1	20	22	21	.....	6	1	.....	.....	.....
Oakville.....	132	14	1	1	34	46	62	1	8	5	.....	.....	
Glencoe.....	133	10	1	1	25	34	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orient.....	134	37	1	1	37	74	124	8	.....	.....	.....	.....
Peaceful Dove.....	135	19	2	7	29	42	97	8	1	.....	.....	.....
Cobourg.....	136	13	1	1	27	39	44	4	8	3	.....	.....	
St. Lawrence.....	137	17	1	1	27	44	74	1	5	1	.....	.....	
Ancaster.....	138	10	.....	14	24	33	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Garnet.....	139	11	2	5	1	18	25	66	4	1	.....	.....	
Leamington.....	140	14	.....	19	33	28	1	6	2	.....	.....	.....
Capitol.....	141	31	2	1	1	11	42	41	.....	.....	.....	.....
Concord.....	142	12	.....	15	27	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bay of Quinte.....	143	18	.....	16	34	72	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ridgetown.....	144	25	1	17	43	46	5	3			
Riverside.....	145	41	7	40	104	1			
Vivian.....	146	16	8	24	56	1			
Model.....	147	19	11	2	28	32	1			

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ABSTRACT FROM SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS.

LODGE.	Number.	Paid for the Relief of Bros...	Paid for Relief of Widowed Families	Paid for Charity	Paid for Burying the Dead.	Percentage of Relief	Current Expenses	Percentage of Expenses	Total Expenditure.
Orion.....	109	\$ 17 00	\$	\$	21 00	8	349 73	81	387 73
Laurel.....	110	19 00				2	307 04	43	311 94
Peterboro.....	111			10 00		2	310 64	68	320 64
Lucknow.....	112	15 00				4	178 22	56	194 22
Trenton.....	113				24 00	9	197 82	66	221 82
Gananoque.....	114						287 00	125	287 00
Harmony.....	115	21 00		5 00		4	114 58	18	140 58
Naomi.....	116	30 00				7	193 92	44	223 92
Valley City.....	117	84 00			50 00	16	366 00	45	712 40
Shannonville.....	118								
Maitland.....	119	26 00				5	284 39	55	320 40
SydenhamVally.....	120			35 00		12	86 73	30	121 73
Saxon.....	121	29 00				10	67 02	25	209 50
Streetsville.....	122	23 00		5 00		6	229 47	52	257 47
Palmerston.....	123	47 00				11	360 72	84	407 72
Dresden.....	124	7 50		10 00		3	292 73	53	310 73
Stella.....	125	3 00		2 00		2	199 67	85	204 67
Barnia.....	126						670 66	107	670 66
Mispah.....	127						464 19	63	464 19
Mystics.....	128						243 25	62	243 25
Charity.....	129	5 00				1			5 00
Livingston.....	130	109 00			15 00	10	667 86	54	791 86
Marion.....	131	18 00				7	242 36	84	260 36
Oakville.....	132	23 00			40 00	11	378 65	69	441 65
Glencoe.....	133						283 18	96	283 18
Orient.....	134								323 50
Peaceful Dove.....	135	3 00		5 00		1	448 34	88	456 34
Cobourg.....	136	20 00				5	274 08	75	294 08
St. Lawrence.....	137	7 50				2	274 17	70	281 67
Ancaster.....	138						191 81	83	191 81
Garnet.....	139	12 00				6	220 04	108	232 04
Leamington.....	140	14 40				6	248 95	104	263 35
Capitol.....	141	4 00				1	321 42	68	325 62
Concord.....	142						310 84	87	310 84
Bay of Quinte.....	143						478 36	55	868 37
Ridgeway.....	144	10 00				2	467 78	106	477 78
Riverside.....	145			20 00		3	319 86	50	339 86
Vivian.....	146						219 84	75	219 84
Model.....	147						495 99	93	495 99

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LODGE.	Number.....	Initiated.....	Admitted by Card.....	Reinstated.....	Deceased.....	Withdrawn by Card.....	Suspended.....	Expelled.....	Membership per Last Report.....	Present Membership.....	No. Degrees Conferred.....	Rejected.....	Total No. of Weeks' Sickness.....	No. of Brothers Relieved.....	Widowed Families Relieved.....
Aurora.....	148	30	7	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	35	92	1	.....	.....	.....
Western Star.....	149	28	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29	73	2	6	4	.....
Bertie.....	150	35	10	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	44	114	4	7	1	.....
Sycamore.....	151	23	10	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	32	79	4	.....	.....	.....
Hayden.....	152	20	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	47	1	.....	.....	.....
Willey.....	153	11	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25	26	.....	.....	.....	.....
Alpha.....	154	20	6	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	25	47	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brougham.....	155	9	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	13	2	.....	.....	.....
Pyramid.....	156	38	8	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	41	33	6	.....	.....	.....
Thamesville.....	157	11	9	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	19	13	1	.....	.....	.....
Progress.....	158	21	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38	63	3	.....	.....	.....
Oak Leaf.....	159	31	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	55	1	2	1	.....
Listowel.....	160	19	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27	52	1	.....	.....	.....
Simcoe.....	161	21	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26	56	2	.....	.....	.....
Cookstown.....	162	24	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	63	.....	.....	.....	.....
Oriental.....	163	11	7	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	18	20	1	.....	.....	.....
Romeo.....	164	18	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33	14	1	.....	.....	.....
Beethoven.....	165	6	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Oswego.....	166	3	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Hillsburg.....	167	2	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sutton.....	168	11	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	12	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stephen.....	169	3	7	10	15
	2369	351	85	52	448	617	23	8518	10183	7633	270	3566	898	164

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LODGE.	Number.	Paid for the Relief of Bros.	Paid for Relief of Widowed Families	Paid for Charity	Paid for Burying the Dead	Percentage of Relief	Current Expenses	Percentage of Expenses	Total Expenditure.
Aurora.....	148	\$ 16 00				2	\$ 605 06	86	\$ 621 06
Western Star.....	149						410 39	89	410 39
Bertie.....	150	24 50			15 00	6	410 75	67	450 25
Sycamore.....	151						410 75	123	571 79
Hayden.....	152						571 79	35	188 94
Wilkey.....	153						108 94	35	188 94
Alpha.....	154						158 00	54	158 00
Brougham.....	155						33 32	9	33 32
Pyramid.....	156						202 80	73	202 80
Thamesville.....	157						356 09	69	356 09
Progress.....	158						85 18	68	258 78
Oak Leaf.....	159	6 00		5 00			167 20	29	167 20
Listowel.....	160					2	199 29	43	210 29
Simcoe.....	161						113 63	36	119 63
Cookstown.....	162						71 10	21	71 10
Oriental.....	163						248 26	69	248 26
Romeo.....	164								
Beethoven.....	165						78 60	24	78 60
Oswego.....	166						113 04	73	113 04
Hillsburg.....	167								
Sutton.....	168						22 00	24	22 00
Stephen.....	169								
	\$9744 43	2568 44	\$1532 45	2342 60	17-98	42476 50	47-10	\$58664 42	

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LODGE.	Number.	Per Capita Tax.	Receipts During Term.	General Fund.	Widows and Orphans' Fund.	Total of all Funds.	Date of Institution.
Brock.....	9	74 75	768 65	\$ 1133 90	\$ 1400 00	\$ 2633 90	Mar. 5, 1846
Catarqui.....	10	3 59	136 00	76 90	76 90	76 90	
Union.....	16	124 00	2461 30	13802 02	8478 18	22280 20	Mar. 16, '46
Rose.....	28	4 25	186 79	70 00	4 36	74 36	
Chatham.....	29	82 00	1317 09	1738 80	1380 29	3119 09	Jan. 13, '54
Eureka.....	30	135 50	2215 92	4241 32	2645 98	6887 30	Feb. 2, "
Erle.....	33	26 00	265 92	951 62	616 27	1567 89	Oct. 5, "
Gore.....	34	54 00	1265 10	2996 23	1474 25	4470 48	Dec. 25, "
Samaritan.....	35	87 75	1350 97	2369 94	1481 62	3791 56	Jan. 13, '56
St. Marys.....	36	61 00	871 85	6980 30	2274 20	9254 50	Nov. 6, "
Forest City.....	38	147 25	2473 65	6659 98	3098 58	9758 56	Feb. 9, '57
Rond Eau.....	40	39 25	467 60	353 68	148 93	502 61	
Avon.....	41	111 75	2390 56	6457 63	1591 00	8048 33	Jan. 9, '61
Excelsior.....	44	98 50	1518 15	2309 04	1160 06	3469 10	" 9, '63
Frontier.....	45	81 75	1240 42	5343 55	138 40	5481 95	" 27, '64
Mt. Zion.....	46	14 75	135 37	227 15	156 10	383 25	" 18, '66
Unity.....	47	122 25	2462 07	3067 95	1425 67	4493 62	Apr. 3, '67
Dominion.....	48	97 25	2122 29	3940 00	1360 00	5300 00	Sep. 18, "
Canada.....	49	120 25	1945 60	2778 20	694 53	3472 73	Jan. 14, '68
Otter.....	50	46 75	791 68	1786 78	268 27	2655 15	Mar. 16, "
Bissell.....	51	55 50	695 07	1379 85	823 97	1703 82	et. 15, "
Covenant.....	52	126 00	2013 17	3187 52	1293 25	4480 77	" 22, "
Niagara Falls.....	53	56 75	720 46	949 26	556 23	1505 49	Apr. 20, '69
Collingwood.....	54	32 75	462 57	578 06	75 18	658 24	Oct. 7, "
Fidelity.....	55	55 25	1549 30	1484 96	410 47	1895 43	Mar. 8, '70
Queen City.....	56	112 00	1478 02	1994 73	725 28	2720 01	" 10, "
Maple Leaf.....	57	26 00	500 15	59 65	234 40	294 05	" 24, "
Howard.....	58	79 75	1335 49	2173 16	856 41	3029 57	" 17, "
Kingston.....	59	54 50	1100 18	1493 85	376 93	1870 78	Apr. 14, "
Wardsville.....	60	21 75	217 14	445 33	75 36	520 69	" 26, "
Corinthian.....	61	64 50	1601 91	977 98	763 52	1741 50	May 5, "
Huron.....	62	53 00	1097 91	1058 19	543 40	1601 59	" 31, "
Barrie.....	63	10 75	296 00	46 20	22 75	68 95	July 31, "
Victoria.....	64	53 50	845 50	849 81	253 90	1103 71	Aug. 22, "
Friendship.....	65	59 25	628 45	1541 40	441 41	1932 81	Jan. 13, '71
Flor Nightingale	66	48 75	718 50	902 88	473 00	1376 88	" 25, "
Exeter.....	67	21 75	369 18	337 56	169 68	507 24	" 27, "
North Star.....	68	15 50	226 50	64 73	89 11	103 84	Mar. 3, "
Hope.....	69	18 75	356 04	298 74	117 84	416 58	" 23, "

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LODGE.	Number	Per Capita Tax	Receipts During Term	General Fund	Widows and Orphans' Fund	Total of all Funds	Date of Institution
Lucan.....	70	\$ 27 00	\$ 412 97	\$ 815 23	\$ 212 00	\$ 1027 23	Mar.30, '71
The Toronto.....	71	54 00	1022 94	621 22	295 31	916 53	May 8, "
Eastern Star.....	72	62 50	1065 81	2205 98	472 25	2678 23	" 11, "
Fergus.....	73	35 75	718 40	643 56	481 30	1124 86	" 31, "
Bothwell.....	74	29 25	293 49	171 19	117 84	289 03	June 23, "
Warriner.....	75	44 00	645 74	1090 22	332 66	1422 88	" 27, "
St. Thomas.....	76	71 25	1223 08	1057 33	396 14	1453 47	July 14, "
Oxford.....	77	53 25	677 08	1278 79	235 14	1513 93	" 27, "
Durham.....	78	32 50	514 57	340 70	313 97	654 67	Aug.18, "
Nipissing.....	78	35 50	544 60	217 24	119 69	336 93	Oct.12, "
Amity.....	80	47 25	552 50	1181 64	250 90	1382 44	" 12, "
Belleville.....	81	52 75	1061 11	374 95	372 78	747 73	Dec.13, "
Beaver.....	82	19 75	206 01	800 00	71 69	871 69	Jan.12, '72
Clinton.....	83	29 00	458 86	387 49	172 54	560 03	" 16, "
Walkerton.....	84	24 25	285 50	305 56	120 61	426 17	" 17, "
Constellation.....	85	16 00	305 47	33 76	85 94	119 70	" 22, "
Napanee.....	86	33 75	396 94	602 04	67 89	669 93	Feb. 8, "
Empire.....	87	61 25	881 20	1200 40	271 69	1472 09	Mar.13, "
Olive Branch.....	88	48 00	894 08	931 51	251 70	1183 21	" 14, "
Reliance.....	89	50 50	878 12	1277 74	254 01	1531 75	" 15, "
Ivy.....	90	31 75	484 46	79 84	184 29	264 13	Apr.24, "
Grand River.....	91	46 50	853 13	424 47	313 36	737 83	May 31, "
Milton.....	92	27 25	709 26	380 84	141 21	522 05	June 11, "
Western City.....	93	40 75	583 86	386 63	134 33	520 96	" 13, "
Aylmer.....	94	38 00	453 96	152 54	129 32	281 86	" 14, "
Fort Stanley.....	95	19 00	349 62	451 13	75 19	526 32	July 16, "
Nith.....	96	20 00	383 75	276 67	132 15	408 84	" 30, "
Grand Union.....	97	36 75	810 03	470 11	155 26	625 37	Aug. 2, "
Minto.....	98	22 00	346 25	421 56	100 10	521 66	" 3, "
Peabody.....	99	17 75	208 38	298 40	96 21	394 61	Sep. 11, "
Lindsay.....	100	29 00	410 30	1007 49	161 98	1169 47	" 24, "
Golden Star.....	101	51 75	900 61	472 04	322 09	794 13	Oct. 10, "
Dosoronto.....	102	21 25	259 04	474 46	55 37	529 83	Nov.15, "
Cataract.....	103	23 25	382 40	385 00	67 00	452 00	Dec. 5, "
Crescent.....	104	56 00	974 57	667 26	396 13	1063 39	Jan.31, '73
Manilla.....	105	22 75	359 85	387 16	127 91	515 07	Feb.26, "
St. Clair.....	106	34 50	855 75	763 90	172 90	936 80	" 27, "
Waterloo.....	107	30 00	598 40	662 29	118 64	780 93	Mar.10, "
Royal Oak.....	108	20 25	286 72	3 55	38 61	42 16	" 18, "

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LODGE.	Number	Per Capita Tax	Receipts During Term	General Fund	Widows and Orphans' Fund	Total of all Funds	Date of Institution
Orion	109	29 00	430 05	160 68	146 90	307 58	Mar. 20, '73
Laurel	110	36 00	715 90	819 10	111 77	930 87	May 5, "
Peterboro	111	34 50	454 45	728 43	124 20	852 63	" 13, "
Lucknow	112	21 25	316 68	252 15	99 97	352 12	" 9, "
Trenton	113	12 00	270 50	81 99	14 00	95 99	June 11, "
Gananoque	114	18 25	229 50	1 00	31 00	32 00	" 16, "
Harmony	115	16 50	645 59	639 87	166 00	805 87	" 26, "
Naomi	116	21 50	442 13	159 14	67 83	226 97	July 1, "
Valley City	117	32 25	801 65	702 85	151 31	854 16	" 10, "
Shannonville	118						" 31, "
Mattland	119	22 50	532 89	137 68	102 47	240 15	Aug. 4, "
Sydenham Vally	120	16 25	282 51	97 59	37 81	135 40	Sep. 5, "
Saxon	121	17 00	272 27	82 40	47 92	130 32	" 17, "
Streetsville	122	21 75	442 00	256 53	91 70	348 23	Nov. 28, "
Palmerston	123	19 50	425 50	343 75	58 90	402 65	Jan. 1, '74
Dresden	124	32 50	551 38	305 06	86 59	392 55	" 8, "
Stella	125	9 50	235 10	60 81	55 30	116 11	" 23, "
Sarna	126	27 00	619 05	736 86	79 30	815 66	" 26, "
Mizpah	127	19 25	734 00	1080 20	31 80	1112 00	Feb. 6, "
Mystic	128	15 25	391 60	116 32	33 50	148 82	" 19, "
Charity	129	15 75	332 65	40 15	38 73	78 88	Mar. 3, "
Livingston	130	49 00	1219 68	621 33	88 86	710 19	" 3, "
Marion	131	10 75	279 11	300 00	39 08	339 08	" 5, "
Oakville	132	22 25	542 21	40 21	89 83	130 04	
Glencoe	133	16 75	293 80	32 42	22 20	54 62	" 11, "
Orient	134	32 50	1192 63	571 55	47 58	619 13	" 25, "
Peaceful Dove	135	19 75	509 25	60 81	55 30	116 11	" 27, "
Cobourg	136	17 25	366 25	80 00		80 00	
St. Lawrence	137	19 75	390 58	111 68	27 82	139 50	Apr. 10, "
Ancaster	138	11 50	230 75	47 39	49 07	96 46	" 14, "
Garnet	139	11 25	204 00	39 66	7 20	46 86	" 29, "
Leapington	140	15 25	239 62		19 29	19 29	May 7, "
Capitol	141	17 00	473 12	115 91	16 32	132 23	" 13, "
Concord	142	13 00	359 32	23 44	38 87	62 31	" 25, "
Bay of Quinte	143	14 25	875 81				June 5, "
Ridgetown	144	19 00	438 47	38 94	33 44	72 38	" 11, "
Riverside	145	17 50	635 00	158 52		158 52	
Vivian	146	11 25	294 85	171 70	21 98	193 68	
Model	147	12 00	533 19	49 70	32 90	81 60	July 27, "

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LODGE.	Number	Per Capita Tax	Receipts During Term	General Fund	Widows and Orphans' Fund	Total of all Funds	Date of Institution
Aurora	148	14 25	702 88	24 47	28 77	53 24	Sep. 17, '74
Western Star	149	13 25	458 80	22 51	16 00	38 51	" 29, "
Bertie	150	18 75	611 60	330 53	35 32	365 85	Nov. 9, "
Sycamore	151	12 25	463 38	93 95	13 14	107 09	" 24, "
Hayden	152	9 75	311 39	190 77	11 67	202 44	" 26, "
Wildley	153	8 75	289 25	97 70	9 55	107 25	" 26, "
Alpha	154	6 25	372 00	752 00		752 00	Jan. 21 '75
Brougham	155	3 75	279 25	76 45	7 85	84 30	29 "
Pyramid	156	10 25	510 30	438 96	14 31	453 27	Feb. 18 "
Thamesville	157	4 75	125 00	43 02	3 40	46 42	Mar. 4 "
Progress	158	9 50	565 90	383 26	13 45	396 71	Mar. 5, "
Oak Leaf	159	10 75	460 00	226 00	23 71	249 71	" 11, "
Listowell	160	6 50	310 94	188 37	2 94	191 31	" 11, "
Simcoe	161	6 50	343 37	264 60	7 67	272 27	" 18, "
Cookstown	162	5 50	358 00	109 74		109 74	" 26, "
Oriental	163	4 50	165 00	165 00		165 00	Apr. 15, "
Romeo	164	8 25	274 90	191 92	4 38	196 30	" "
Beethoven	165	3 00	154 85	154 00		154 00	June 16, "
Oswego	166	2 50	85 00	79 80	9 60	89 40	" 17, "
Hillsburg	167	2 25	12 50				" 18, "
Sutton	168	4 00	92 00	70 00		70 00	" 25, "
Stephen	169	2 50	124 00	347 60	2 40	350 00	" 28, "
Grand Total	\$4849 75	\$89999 50	\$124166 56	\$49736 78	\$173903 34	

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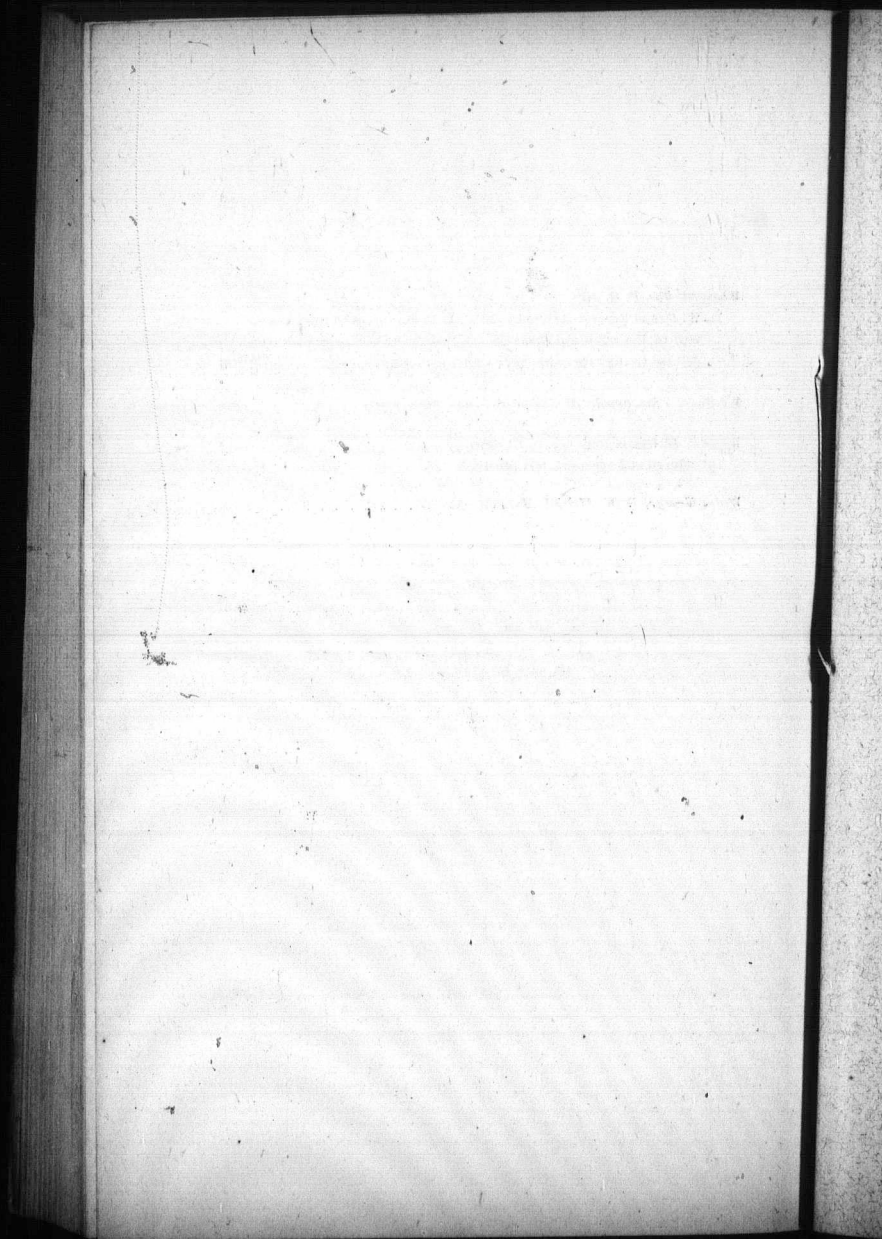
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