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Report of the Proceedings

OF THE

NINTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

ODD-FELLOWS,

Relief Association

OF CANADA.

Held in the Hall of Catarqui Lodge, No. 10, I. O. O. F.,

KINGSTON, ONT.,

ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30TH, 1884.



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NADA.

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FE FOWLER, M. D.

MACALISTER.

. KING.

ANIEL CALLAGHAN.

ERS.

R. CARNOVSKY,

R. GAGE,

J. McCAMMON, M. D.,

W. DUNN,

ROY.

DIRECTORS.

J. HAM PERRY.....Whitby.

JOHN GIBSON.....Stratford.

L. FERGUSON.....St. Thomas.

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REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS

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NINTH ANNUAL MEETING

—OF THE—

Odd - Fellows' Relief Association

OF CANADA,

Held in the City of Kingston, Ontario, on
Wednesday, January 30th, 1884.

The Association assembled in annual meeting on
Wednesday, January 30th, 1884, in the Hall of
CATARAQUI LODGE, No. 10, I.O.O.F., at 7.30 o'clock P.M.

The President, DR. FOWLER, in the chair.

In addition to the resident members, the following
were present from a distance: Brothers L. FER-
GUSON, St. Thomas; W. ROBSON, Whitby; E. G.
CHANT, Port Hope; W. H. FUGE, Gananoque; J. T.
TENNANT, Brockville.

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On motion, the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting was dispensed with, printed copies being in the hands of the members, and were approved as printed.

The President, in a short speech, addressed the meeting, congratulating the Association upon the very satisfactory state of its affairs, and called upon the Vice-President, BRO. A. MACALISTER, to read the report of the Directors.

DIRECTORS' REPORT.

In presenting the Ninth Annual Report, your Directors are again in a position to congratulate the members on the continued prosperity of the Association.

During the past year BRO. W. D. GORDON, who has been the faithful Secretary of this Association since its inception, resigned his position, having accepted an honorable appointment under the Dominion Government, as Captain of one of the new Infantry Schools lately instituted, which involved his residence in the City of Fredericton, N.B. In consideration of the valuable services rendered the Association by him, the Directors unanimously voted the sum of one hundred dollars to purchase a suitable testimonial. Three handsome pieces of plate, having a suitable inscription thereon, were purchased and duly presented to him at a meeting of resident members, held in Cataraqi Lodge Room. This action will, we trust, meet your approbation.

The vacancy thus created has been filled by the appointment of BRO. W. KING, a Brother we believe eminently qualified to carry on the good work done by our former Secretary. BRO. KING has excellent

business qualities, and in addition has a great deal of experience in the working of the Association, having been for years in the same office with Bro. GORDON, during which time he assisted him in the work.

We have to congratulate the Association on the small death rate for the past year, there having only been five deaths in Class A.; four of the policies were paid by assessments, the fifth from surplus accruing from assessments. In Class B. there were three deaths; all these claims were paid by assessments.

The total claims paid since last Annual Meeting amount to

EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS,

as follows:

Death claims, Class A	£6,000
“ “ Class B.....	2,000

One thousand of above Class B. was paid after Books were made up, Drafts having been issued immediately prior thereto.

Three of your Directors retire this year, viz: R. CARNOVSKY, R. GAGE and DR. JAS. MCCAMMON, all of whom are eligible for re-election.

The vacancy caused by Bro. KING's appointment as Secretary, was filled by the appointment of Bro. W. B. LITTLE.

The membership of the Association on 30th December, 1883, is as follows:

CLASS A.

Number of members last report.....	1,164
Number of members accepted to date.....	360
Total.....	1,524
Less number of members died.....	5
Less number forfeited and withdrawn.....	51
	56
Present membership of Class A.....	1,468

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The present membership in each Class is as follows:

First Class	568
Second Class	592
Third Class	248
Fourth Class	60
Total.....	1,468

CLASS B.

Number of members last report.....	490
Number accepted to date.....	160
Total.....	650
Less number died.....	3
Less number forfeited and withdrawn.....	26
	} 29
Present membership of Class B.....	621
Present membership of Class A	1,468
Total membership, A and B.....	2,089

The Directors having thought it advisable to appoint BRO. E. G. CHANT Superintendent of Agencies for the year, have now much pleasure in reporting his successful services. His report will be found in report of proceedings of the annual meeting.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FIFE FOWLER,
President.

W. KING,
Secretary.

KINGSTON, 30th January, 1884.

On motion of Bro. L. FERGUSON, seconded by Bro. GEO. W. ANDREWS, supported by Bros. FOBSON, TENANT and FUGE, the report of the Directors was received and adopted.

The financial statement of the affairs of the Association, and the Auditors' Report thereon, were read by the Secretary as follows:

THE ODD-FELLOWS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF CANADA.

CLASS A.

Cr.

Balance Sheet for Financial Year ending 31st December, 1883.

Dr.		Cr.
<i>Balance Sheet for Financial Year ending 31st December, 1883.</i>		
Postage stamps on hand.....	\$ 21 06	Permanent Fund 30th Dec. 1882 \$1701 70
Office furniture	69 60	Surplus of year 1883.....
Frontenac Loan and Investment Socy'	3,893 48	Reserve Fund
	\$3,984 14	\$3984 14

Cr

Statement of Revenue and Expenditure for year ending 31st December, 1883.

Dr.		Cr
<i>Statement of Revenue and Expenditure for year ending 31st December, 1883.</i>		
Secretary's Salary	\$500 00	Admission Fees
Treasurer's	50 00	Annual Call
Directors' fees	62 00	Assessments
Medical Examiner's fees for examining applications.....	25 20	Interest
Auditors' fees for 1883	15 00	
" unpaid F. Rowland 1882	7 50	
Office rent	100 00	
Books and stationery	77 13	
Electrotype for certificates.....	19 50	
Rubber stamps	10 50	
Postage, telegrams & Bank commission.....	109 50—	
Rent of Hall at Toronto, Special Meeting in 1882.....	10 00	
Printing and advertising	185 00	
	1171 33	\$1630 00
		1165 70
		6947 93
		126 47

Carried forward..... \$9870 10

Carried forward

CLASS A. — (Continued.)

Dr. *Statement of Revenue and Expenditure for year ending 31st December, 1883.* **Cr**

<i>Brought forward.....</i>	\$1171 33	<i>Brought forward.....</i>	\$9870 10
Commission on Assessments.....	299 83		
General Agents' expenses.....	308 00		
Commission on applications.....	708 50		
Benefits paid.....	6000 00		
Testimonial to W. D. Gordon..	100 00		
Surplus carried to Permanent Fund	1282 44		
	\$9870 10		\$9870 10

Examined and found to be correct.

J. B. McIVER, }
 F. ROWLAND, }
Auditors.

DANIEL CALLAGHAN,
Treasurer.

THE ODD-FELLOWS' BUILDING, 1200 N. 10TH ST., PHOENIX, ARIZONA.

THE ODD-FELLOWS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF CANADA.

CLASS B.

Cr.

Balance Sheet for year ending 31st December, 1883.

Dr.	
Postage stamps on hand.....	\$ 14 22
Frontenac Loan & Investment Society	1278 51
	<u>\$1292 73</u>
	Permanent fund, surplus 1882... \$137 58
	" " 1883... 1155 15 - 1292 73
	<u>\$1292 73</u>

Cr.

Statement of Revenue and Expenditure for year ending 31st Dec. 1883.

Dr	
Secretary's salary.....	\$100 00
Auditors' fees, J.B. McIver 1883...	5 00
" " F. Rowland 1882..	2 50
Postage and Bank Commission.	39 54
Printing and advertising.....	147 14
Commission on applications	96 25
" " on assessments.....	122 50
Benefits paid	63 23
Surplus carried to Permanent Fund.....	1000 00
	<u>1154 15</u>
	\$2584 27
	Admission fees
	Assessments
	Interest
	<u>\$ 266 00</u>
	2310 98
	7 89

J. B. McIVER, } Auditors.
 F. ROWLAND, }
 Examined and found to be correct. DANIEL CALLAGHAN, Treasurer.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

To the President, Directors and Members of the Odd-fellows' Relief Association of Canada.

BRETHREN,—Having completed the audit of the books and vouchers of your Association for the year ending 31st December, 1883, we beg to report that we found the same to be correct and true in every particular, with the exception that your late Secretary, Bro. W. D. GORDON, had made a clerical error in the addition in his cash book, whereby there is due to him the sum of twenty dollars and ten cents (\$20.10), also that the books of your officers have been carefully and neatly kept.

We also certify to the correctness of statements of classes A. and B., respectively presented herewith.

The accompanying certificate of the Manager of the Frontenac Loan and Investment Society states correctly the balances on deposit in the Savings Bank in classes A. and B. respectively on 31st December last.

Fraternally yours,

J. B. McIVER,)
F. ROWLAND,) Auditors.

KINGSTON, 30th January, 1884.

On motion of Bro G. W. ANDREWS, seconded by Bro. J. T. TENNANT, the financial statement and Auditors' report were received and adopted.

The following report from Bro. E. G. CHANT, Superintendent of Agencies for the past year, was then read, and on motion of Bro. ROBSON, seconded by Bro. TENNANT, the report was received and adopted, and a vote of thanks tendered to Bro. CHANT, which was suitably acknowledged by him.

GENERAL AGENT'S REPORT.

PORT HOPE, Jan. 8th, 1884.

To the President and Directors of the Odd-Fellows' Relief Association of Canada.

GENTLEMEN AND BROTHERS,—Having had conferred upon me the honor of an appointment as Superintendent of Agencies of your Association for the year now closed, I deem it right that I should give a short detail of my visit to the various lodges, in the jurisdictions of Ontario and Quebec.

The selecting of local agents, I am convinced, is one of very great importance. The commission paid for the work and attention required of them, being only nominal, it is difficult at all times to find one willing to fill the position. I found in many cases little or no interest was given to the work in behalf of the Relief Association, the excuse being that it occupied too much time for the small remuneration given. It was only occasionally I met with some noble-hearted brother, who, not looking to the pecuniary benefit to themselves, gave much valuable time for the interest of the members of their own lodge, believing that the benefits derived from the Relief Association was one of the greatest privileges in connection with Oddfellowship. I was much surprised to find that many local agents and members generally were not at all posted with the working or history of the Association, many fancying it was merely an experiment on the part of the promoters, and that we were the only existing Relief Association in the order generally, and were agreeably surprised to learn that kindred Associations had existed for the last thirty-six years, in the different jurisdictions of Oddfellowship in the United States, with a total membership of 350,000, and that during that long period of time, every just claim had been faith-

fully and punctually paid, and further, that the average death rate for that period had not reached more than six and a half per thousand members. Such a noble record every good Oddfellow should have every reason to feel proud of. In our Relief Association we find that after an existence of over nine years, the death rate has only reached an average of five in the thousand, with a steadily increasing membership. This showing reflects great credit on the Directors, for the care taken in accepting none but good risks.

Very much could be done by local agents in adding names to our list, if they were to bring it more frequently to the notice of the members of their lodges, by making a few remarks under the head of good and welfare.

I am quite confident that notwithstanding the great pecuniary benefit to be derived by members joining the Relief, it is not exempt from that immutable law so fully exemplified in all associations, whether Life, Fire or Mercantile, that if allowed to become stagnant, becomes defunct. Perseverance, energy and life must be continually infused, in order to keep up the interest and permanency of the institution.

I sincerely hope that all the local agents will in the future aid the Directors by their influence in increasing our list of members, so that the coming year may still surpass the very satisfactory record of the year just closed.

Wishing you every success in the noble, though gratuitous, labor for the benefit of the widows and orphans of our beloved order, I remain yours,

Respectfully and Fraternaly,

E. G. CHANT,
Supt. Agencies.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of three Directors, to fill vacancies occasioned by the expired terms of Bros. R. CARNOVSKY, R. GAGE and DR. JAMES McCAMMON. These three brothers were unanimously re-elected for the ensuing three years.

BRO. L. FERGUSON, of St. Thomas, was re-elected a Non-Resident Director for three years.

On motion of Bro. G. W. ANDREWS, seconded by Bro. TENNANT, FLEMING ROWLAND and JOHN B. McIVER were elected Auditors.

On motion of Bro. GAGE, seconded by Bro. DUNN, it was resolved that the thanks of the members are due to the various Local Agents, for the valuable services rendered by them during the past year.

Moved by Bro. TENNANT, seconded by Bro. ROBSON and resolved, that the thanks of the Association are due to the President, Directors, Treasurer and Secretary, for the attention given to the business of the Association during the year just closed.

It was then moved by Bro. R. GAGE, seconded by Bro. J. T. TENNANT and unanimously resolved, that the untiring interest taken in our Association by the *Dominion Oddfellow*, is deserving of our warmest thanks, and we again recommend it to Oddfellows everywhere.

Some discussion having arisen as to the advisability of having a larger number of Non-Resident Directors,

Bro. A. MACALISTER gave notice that he would move, at the next annual meeting, an amendment to Section 2 of Article IV. of the Constitution, to provide for the election of an additional number of Non-Resident Directors.

Bro. A. MACALISTER also gave notice, that he would at the next annual meeting move to amend Section 1, Article III. of the Constitution, to abolish the office of Treasurer, and to combine the office of Secretary and Treasurer in one person.

Bro. A. MACALISTER moved, seconded by Bro. R. GAGE, that 3,000 copies of these proceedings be printed and distributed to members and others. Carried.

No other business appearing the annual meeting adjourned.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

The Board of Directors met at the Office of the Association, after the annual meeting, for the election of officers for the ensuing year, and all the officers were re-elected.

W. KING,
Secretary.

STATEMENT OF BENEFITS

PAID FROM DATE OF ORGANIZATION, 12TH MAY, 1874, TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1883.

Showing Number of Deaths, Number of Certificate, Name of Deceased, Name and Number of Lodge, Date of Death, Cause of Death, Age at Death, Amount Paid to Beneficiary, and to Whom Paid.

No. of Assessment.	No. of Certificate.	NAME.	NAME AND NO. OF LODGE.	RESIDENCE.	DATE OF DEATH.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	Age at Death	Amount paid to beneficiary.	To Whom Paid.
1...	267	Geo Tyner.....	Amity.....80	Prescott.....	Jan. 25, '76	Inflam'n Lungs..	25	\$ 650 00	Mother
2...	435	Geo. M. Debus.	Grand Union...97	Berlin.....	April 14, '76	Hem'or'ge Lungs	45	750 00	Widow.
3...	21	Alex. Robb	Kingston.....53	Kingston.....	June 2, '76	Rup. blood vesl	55	760 00	do
4...	180	Jno. A. Parker.	Eastern Star ..72	Whitby.....	July 20, '76	Cancer.....	37	775 00	do
5...	526	C. Mitchell	St. Thomas.....76	St. Thomas...	Oct. 20, '76	Typhoid fever....	45	800 00	do
6...	199	Samuel James.	Corinthian	Oshawa.....	Mar. 12, '77	Pneumonia.....	39	820 00	do
7...	56	W.W. Phillips..	Mizpah	Belleville....	May 6, '77	Inflam'n lungs...	32	825 00	do
8...	583	Thos. B. Fox....	Naomi.....116	Markham.....	May 18, '77	Tumor on brain	24	825 00	do
9...	926	Wm. Percival..	Brock.....9	Brockville....	July 2, '77	Gangrene.....	41	825 00	do
10...	215	H.J.Macdonnell	Eastern Star...72	Whitby.....	July 9, '77	Disease of brain.	54	825 00	do
11...	145	Franc's Morgan	Nipissing.....79	Uxbridge.....	Aug. 12, '77	Chron. laryng's..	41	825 00	do
12...	1052	A. Beauchamp	Mount Royal...1	Montreal.....	April 29, '77	Killed at fire....	34	750 00	do
13...	908	Jas. Wallace ..	Dresden.....124	Dresden.....	Jan. 25, '78	Typhoid fever....	36	825 00	do
14...	1205	O. T. P. Manuel	Corinthian.....61	Oshawa.....	April 1, '78	Disease of brain.	37	825 00	Execs

STATEMENT OF BENEFITS.—Continued.

No. of Assessee	No. of Certificate	NAME.	NAME AND No. OF LODGE.	RESIDENCE.	DATE OF DEATH.	CAUSE OF DEATH.	Age at Death	Amount paid to beneficiary.	To whom paid.
15	887	Jacob Garner.	Scotia.....199	Pt. Robinson	Aug. 28, '78	Sunstroke.....	41	825 00	Widow.
16	7	Alex. Smith jr.	Kingston.....59	Kingston.....	Sept. 12, '78	Heart disease....	40	825 00	do
17	781	L. C. Munro.	Fergus.....73	Fergus.....	Jan. 26, '79	Congestion lungs	40	825 00	Exec'or
18	717	Hv. McGaffey.	Oriental.....36	Stanstead, Q.	Mar. 12, '79	Cancer stomach.	58	825 00	Widow.
19	662	W. Ballfour.	Garnet.....13	Mt. Forest..	Aug. 9, '79	Heart disease....	41	825 00	do
20	173	W. Cullen.....	Eastern Star 72	Whitby.....	Aug. 12, '79	Jaundice.....	53	825 00	do
21	322	Joh. Till.....	Eastern Star 72	Whitby.....	Oct. 3, '79	Paralysis brain..	40	825 00	do
22	553	John Black....	Avon.....41	Stratford....	Dec. 4, '79	Typhoid fever....	40	825 00	do
23	22	John Henry....	Gananoque...114	Gananoque....	Feb. 13, '80	Congestion lungs	30	825 00	do
24	22	John Henry....	Oriental.....36	Rock Isl'd, Q.	Feb. 13, '80	Vay. dis. of heart	54	850 00	do
25	837	Samuel Knight	Corinthian...61	Oshawa.....	M. r. 31, '80	Pleuro-pneum'a	28	850 00	do
26	1193	James Allen	Peterboro....111	Peterboro....	Aug. 12, '80	Consumption...	27	850 00	Mother
27	998	James Martin.	Wardsville...64	Wardsville...	Sept. 17, '80	Congestion lungs	35	900 00	Widow.
28	528	Wm. Murphy...	Kingston.....59	Kingston.....	Sept. 24, '80	Acute rheu'tism.	34	900 00	do
29	143	Jos. Corrie...	Avon.....41	St. Thomas..	Dec. 21, '80	Inflam. bowels..	42	900 00	Sister
30	928	R. I. Mather...	Sydenham V. 120	Brockville..	Feb. 3, '81	Congestion lungs	39	900 00	Widow.
31	747	W. B. Lundy...	Ark.....181	Wallaceburg	Feb. 4, '81	Killed by a fall..	34	900 00	do
32	1447	W. L. Crane....	Nipissing.....79	Springfield..	Mar. 25, '81	Typhoi fever....	39	900 00	do
33	146	Wm. Low.....	Brock.....9	Unionville...	Oct. 20, '81	Cancer stomach.	49	900 00	do
34	307	James Curle...	Deseronto....102	Brockville...	Nov. 13, '81	Vay. dis. of heart	50	900 00	do
35	949	T. McConnell..	Paceful Delvel 135	Deseronto....	Nov. 27, '81	Railroad accid't	32	1000 00	do
36	119	Arch. McKay...	Belleville.....81	Cannington...	Jan. 5, '82	Fell off a bridge.	44	1000 00	do
37	1433	Jas. A. Clark..	Belleville.....81	Belleville.....	Jan. 10, '82	Typhoid pneum.	41	1000 00	do

35	1638	Jos. C. Stacey..	St. Thomas.....76	St. Thomas..	Feb. 9,	'82	Congestion brain	43	1000 00	widow
36	1793	Wm Wynne	International 228	Inter'l Bridge	June 4	'82	Killed by tr in	34	1000 00	do
37	1089	David Carlisle.	Peterboro...111	Peterboro	June 28,	'82	Comp. of brain	33	1000 00	do
38	729	A.F.B. Patron..	Oakville.....36	Stauslead	Sept. 7,	'82	Malign't tumor	56	1000 00	do
39	996	E.J. Hagamad...	Oakville.....132	Oakville.....	Oct. 7,	'82	Typhoid fever	31	1000 00	Mother
40	1808	Robt. Salvadge	Avon.....41	Stratford	Oct. 7,	'82	Typhoid fever	45	1000 00	Widow
41	1482	Alb't W. Smith	Chatham.....29	Chatham	Nov. 12,	'82	Paralysis brain	45	1000 00	Parents
42	1696	Rev. R. Pattison	Warriner.....75	Laskay	Dec. 4,	'83	Phthisis	37	1000 00	do
43	401	John J. Odbert	Avon.....41	Stratford	Mar. 12,	'83	Co gest'n brain	47	1000 00	Wid w
44	254	J. A. Phillip, o.	Warriner ... 75	Port Perry ...	Sept. 18,	'83	Phthisis	44	1000 00	& son.
	162	Jon Wolfenden	Eastern Star...72	Whitby	Sept. 6,	'83	Inflam. bowels.	44	1000 00	Widow
	1144	Wm. Walker....	Grand River...91	Brantford....				43255 00		
CLASS B.										
1	156	Wm. Murphy...	Wardsville ... 60	Wardsville	Sept. 24,	'80	Congest'n lungs...	35	500 00	Widow
2	190	Jos Corrie	Avon.....41	S. Thomas	Feb. 3,	'81	Inflam. bowels.	42	500 00	Sister
3	249	W. B. Lundy...	Sydenham V. 120	Wallaceburg	Mar. 25,	'81	Killed by a fall..	34	500 00	Widow
4	180	W. L. Crane...	Ark.....181	Springfield	Oct. 29,	'81	Typhoid fever...	39	500 00	do
5	272	Jas. A. Clark...	Belleville.81	Belleville....	Feb. 4,	'82	Typhoid pneu....	41	500 00	do
6	408	Jos. C. Stacey..	St. Thomas....76	St. Thomas	Feb. 9,	'82	Congest'n brain	43	500 00	do
7	235	Al. W. Smith.	Chatham.....29	Chatham	Nov. 12,	'82	Paralysis brain...	25	500 00	Parents
	440	Rev. R. Pattison	Warriner.....75	Laskay.....	Dec. 4,	'82	Purpura heu'g a	44	500 00	Widow
							<i>Cause of Disability.</i>		\$4000 00	
1	1364	W. Sudworth...	Samanitan ...35	Ingersoll	April 12,	'79	Gunshot	52	400 00	Self.
9	1500	Wm. Bladon....	St. Thomas...76	St. Thomas...	Mar. 12,	'81	Spinal Injury	40	500 00	do.

TOTAL CLAIMS PAID.

Class "A." - Death Claims	\$43255 00
Class "A." - Disability Claims	900 00
Class "B." - Death Claims	4000 00
Total	\$48155 00