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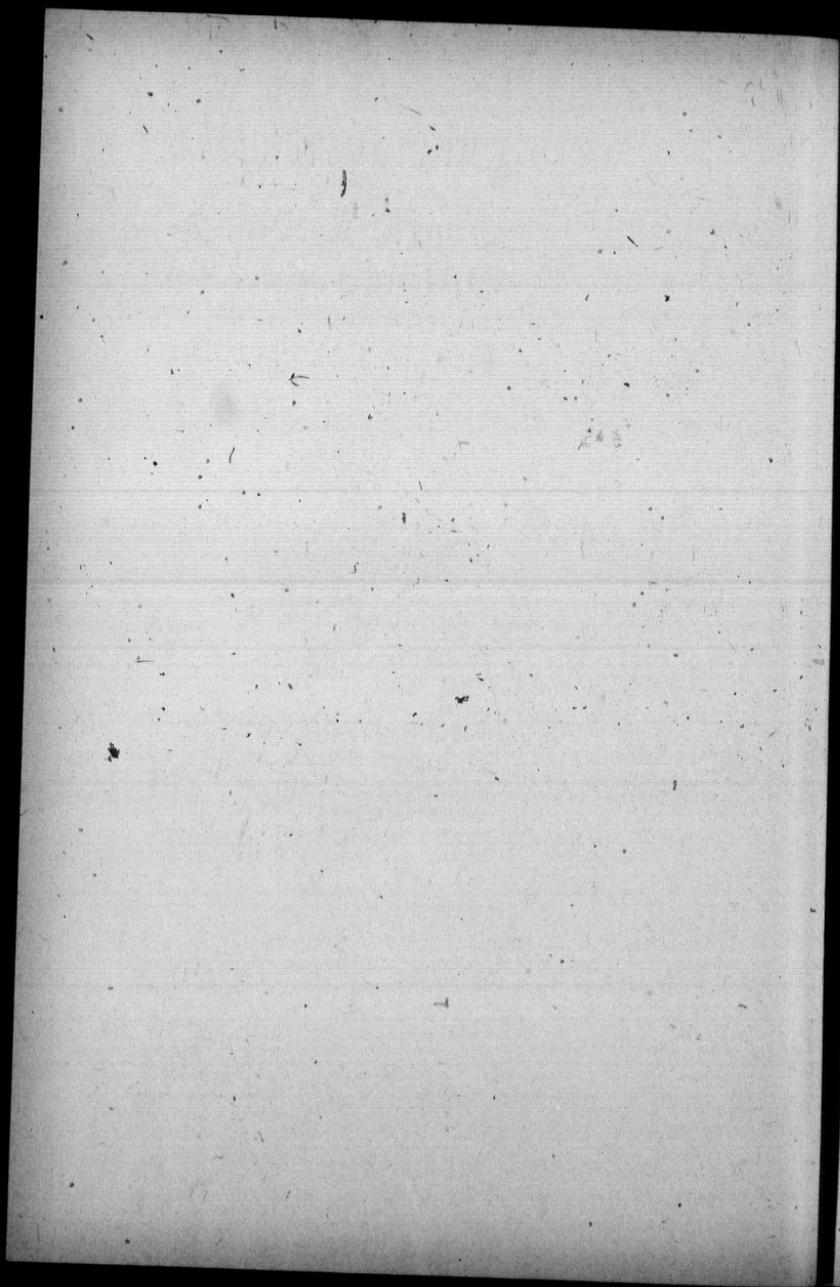
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ANNUAL CONVENTION  
OF THE  
**Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias of Ontario**

HELD IN  
WINDSOR, ONT., AUGUST 27-28, 1900  
PYTHIAN PERIOD, XXXVII.

The Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Ontario, assembled in Annual Convention in the Castle Hall of Friendship Lodge, No. 16, and was called to order by Grand Chancellor Mackay, at nine o'clock a.m.

Present, the following Grand Officers:—

JOHN S. MACKAY ..... Grand Chancellor.  
WALTER G. HAYNES ..... Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.  
JOHN P. MACLEOD ..... Grand Master of Exchequer.  
E. K. BARNSDALE ..... Grand Inner Guard.  
A. G. MACDONALD ..... Grand Outer Guard.

And—

R. H. MCCONNELL ..... Supreme Representative.  
D. J. PEACE ..... " "  
F. J. FITZGERALD ..... Past Grand Chancellor.  
A. G. McWHINNEY ..... " "  
W. H. MURCH ..... " "  
THOS. ELLIOTT ..... " "  
GEO. H. MITCHELL ..... Chairman Judiciary Committee.  
A. R. WHITE ..... Chairman Finance Committee.  
J. G. WILSON ..... Chairman Printing Committee.

The Grand Vice-Chancellor, Grand Prelate, and Grand Master-at-Arms, being absent, the Grand Chancellor appointed

P. G. C. MURCH, as Grand Vice-Chancellor.  
P. G. C. ELLIOTT, as Grand Prelate.  
P. G. C. FITZGERALD, as Grand Master-at-Arms

to assume their stations.

The roll of lodges being called, the following were represented :  
Nos. 1, 2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 26, 30, 31, 36,  
37, 42 and 45.

A quorum of lodges being present, the Grand Lodge was opened in regular form.

The Grand Chancellor appointed Grand Representatives H. E. Wiley, of No. 30, and R. Cadwallader, of No. 2, to fill vacancies on Committee on Credentials.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the credentials of Past Chancellors and Grand Representatives, which were referred to the Committee on Credentials.

Representative H. E. Wiley, of No. 30, from the Committee on Credentials, presented the following report, which was adopted :

#### REPORT No. 1, COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Your Committee on Credentials begs leave to report, that it has examined the credentials of the following Past Chancellors, and find that they are entitled to receive the Grand Lodge Rank.

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| J. C. Park .....        | of No. 2 |
| G. Park .....           | " 2      |
| C. E. Burkholder .....  | " 3      |
| J. A. Shouldice .....   | " 10     |
| C. V. Campbell .....    | " 11     |
| J. Hall .....           | " 11     |
| H. Roe .....            | " 12     |
| G. A. Ingram .....      | " 12     |
| A. D. Jackson .....     | " 14     |
| O. L. Lewis .....       | " 15     |
| A. Z. Wagner .....      | " 16     |
| J. J. Spiers .....      | " 16     |
| A. E. Fitzgerald .....  | " 17     |
| E. Burt .....           | " 17     |
| A. Coulter .....        | " 18     |
| W. F. Stevens .....     | " 18     |
| W. G. VanWinckell ..... | " 20     |
| W. J. Stewart .....     | " 20     |
| Thos: Gough .....       | " 26     |
| G. McBeth .....         | " 26     |

|                        |   |    |
|------------------------|---|----|
| R. Cornyn .....        | " | 26 |
| R. J. Thomson .....    | " | 26 |
| R. A. E. Burns .....   | " | 30 |
| B. D. Humphrey .....   | " | 30 |
| G. Scheumaker .....    | " | 31 |
| A. Ramsperger .....    | " | 31 |
| E. L. Sutherland ..... | " | 34 |
| G. Campbell .....      | " | 34 |
| W. T. James .....      | " | 36 |
| C. Sourbier .....      | " | 36 |
| W. Mottashed .....     | " | 37 |
| D. Cranston .....      | " | 37 |
| G. J. Foot .....       | " | 42 |
| A. H. King .....       | " | 42 |
| J. Forbes: .....       | " | 45 |

Fraternally submitted,

H. E. WILEY, of No. 30.

R. CADWALLADER, of No. 2.

The Grand Master-at-Arms retired and introduced the following Past Chancellors, on whom the Grand Lodge Rank was conferred:—

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| G. Park .....           | of No. 2 |
| J. Hall .....           | " 11     |
| G. A. Ingram .....      | " 12     |
| A. D. Jackson .....     | " 14     |
| J. Spiers .....         | " 16     |
| A. E. Fitzgerald .....  | " 17     |
| E. Burt .....           | " 17     |
| A. Coulter .....        | " 18     |
| W. G. VanWinckell ..... | " 20     |
| R. A. E. Burns .....    | " 30     |
| A. Ramsperger .....     | " 31     |
| G. Campbell .....       | " 34     |
| W. T. James .....       | " 36     |
| D. Cranston .....       | " 37     |
| A. H. King .....        | " 42     |

Representative H. E. Wiley, of No. 30, from the Committee on Credentials, presented the following report, which was adopted:

## REPORT No. 2, OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Your Committee on Credentials begs leave to report that from the Official Record of last Convention, or from Certificates in proper form presented at this Convention, it finds the Past Chancellors in the first column are entitled to seats in the Grand Lodge as Grand Representatives for the year ending December 31st, 1899, and from the certificates submitted by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, the Past Chancellors in the second column are also entitled to seats as Grand Representatives, their respective lodges being entitled to additional representatives under the provisions of section 219, Grand Statutes.

| Name of Lodge. | No. | Year ending Dec. 31st, 1899. | Additional.       |
|----------------|-----|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Mystic         | 1   | F. Edmand                    | R. J. Villiers.   |
| Myrtle         | 2   | G. Park                      | R. Cadwallader.   |
| Red Cross      | 3   | J. Burns                     | M. Meston.        |
| Rokeby         | 9   | E. E. Parker                 |                   |
| Prospect       | 10  | H. A. Plastow                | G. Burdick.       |
| Algoma         | 11  | J. Hall                      |                   |
| Rathbone       | 12  | M. J. Baker                  | G. A. Ingram.     |
| Olive          | 14  | A. D. Jackson                |                   |
| Marmion        | 15  | G. Massey                    |                   |
| Friendship     | 16  | W. J. Tomlinson              | J. Spiers.        |
| Petrolia       | 17  | E. Burt                      | A. E. Fitzgerald. |
| Queen City     | 18  | A. Coulter                   |                   |
| Amicus         | 20  | W. G. VanWinckell            | H. R. Hamilton.   |
| White Lily     | 26  | R. Cornyn                    |                   |
| Toronto        | 30  | R. A. E. Burns               | H. E. Wiley.      |
| Bismarck       | 31  | H. Morris                    | A. Ramsperger.    |
| Zorra          | 34  | Geo. Campbell                |                   |
| Calanthe       | 36  | W. T. James                  |                   |
| Columbian      | 37  | D. Cranston                  |                   |
| Hamlet         | 42  | A. H. King                   |                   |
| Woodstock      | 45  | A. Bicknell                  |                   |

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. WILEY, of No. 30.

R. CADWALLADER, of No. 2.

Moved and seconded by Supreme Representative Peace and P.G.C. Murch, "That the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal forward a telegram to Grand Vice-Chancellor Jones expressing the sympathy of this Grand Body at his absence on account of sickness." Carried unanimously.

The Grand Chancellor made the following announcements :

Hours of business : morning session, 9 to 12 o'clock ; afternoon session, 2 to 6 o'clock.

Official press reporter, J. G. Wilson, of No. 20.

The roll was then called and the following Grand Representatives answered same :—

|             |       |       |                                    |
|-------------|-------|-------|------------------------------------|
| Mystic,     | No. 1 | ..... | R. J. Villiers.                    |
| Myrtle,     | " 2   | ..... | G. Park, R. Cadwallader.           |
| Red Cross,  | " 3   | ..... | J. Burns, M. Meston.               |
| Rokeby,     | " 9   | ..... | E. E. Parker.                      |
| Prospect,   | " 10  | ..... | H. A. Plastow, G. Burdick.         |
| Algoma,     | " 11  | ..... | J. Hall.                           |
| Rathbone,   | " 12  | ..... | M. J. Baker, G. A. Ingram.         |
| Olive,      | " 14  | ..... | A. D. Jackson.                     |
| Marmion,    | " 15  | ..... | G. Massey.                         |
| Friendship, | " 16  | ..... | J. Spiers.                         |
| Petrolia,   | " 17  | ..... | E. Burt, A. E. Fitzgerald.         |
| Queen City, | " 18  | ..... | A. Coulter.                        |
| Amicus,     | " 20  | ..... | W. G. VanWinckell, H. R. Hamilton. |
| White Lily, | " 26  | ..... | R. Cornyn.                         |
| Toronto,    | " 30  | ..... | R. A. E. Burns, H. E. Wiley.       |
| Bismarck,   | " 31  | ..... | H. Morris, A. Ramsperger.          |
| Zorra,      | " 34  | ..... | G. Campbell.                       |
| Calanthe,   | " 36  | ..... | W. T. James.                       |
| Columbian,  | " 37  | ..... | D. Cranston.                       |
| Hamlet,     | " 42  | ..... | A. H. King.                        |
| Woodstock,  | " 45  | ..... | A. Bicknell.                       |

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal proceeded to read the minutes of last session, when on motion of Supreme Representative McConnell, seconded by Representative Bicknell, of No. 45, the further reading of the same was dispensed with, and the Official Record as printed was adopted as read.

The Grand Chancellor announced the following Standing Committees, the names appearing in italics being appointed to fill vacancies :—

JUDICIARY :

G. H. Mitchell, No. 1 ; *W. G. VanWinckell*, No. 20 ; F. Edmand, No. 1.

## STATE OF THE ORDER.

A. Bicknell, No. 45; G. A. Ingram, No. 12; R. J. Villiers, No. 1.

## FINANCE.

A. R. Whyte, No. 31; E. E. Parker, No. 9; W. J. Robertson, No. 20.

## MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

A. R. Whyte, No. 31; E. Burt, No. 17; H. A. Plastow, No. 10.

## GRIEVANCES.

H. Morris, No. 31; J. Hall, No. 11; A. E. Fitzgerald, No. 17.

## SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS.

G. Massey, No. 15; G. Burdick, No. 10; A. H. King, No. 42.

## WARRANTS AND CHARTERS.

J. Burns, No. 3; H. R. Hamilton, No. 20; H. A. Plastow, No. 10.

## CREDENTIALS.

H. E. Wiley, No. 30; R. Cadwallader, No. 2; J. Spiers, No. 16.

## PRINTING.

J. G. Wilson, No. 20; H. E. Wiley, No. 30; W. G. Haynes, G.K.R.S.

Also a Special Committee on Distribution:

J. Burns, No. 3; H. R. Hamilton, No. 20; A. Ramsperger, No. 31.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the semi-annual reports of lodges for the year 1899, which were referred to the Committee on Reports.

The Reports of the Grand Chancellor, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and the Grand Master of Exchequer, were presented in printed form and referred to the Committee on Distribution.

## REPORT OF GRAND CHANCELLOR.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Domain of Ontario:*

BRETHREN,—At the Grand Lodge session at Woodstock, in 1898, I was elected to the position of Grand Vice-Chancellor, a position which as a rule does not entail a great deal of labor or thought on the incumbent.

At London, in 1899, from what I could learn there was a strong feeling in favor of placing Brother Murch, P.G.C., a second time in the chair. The Grand Lodge recognizing the ability of Brother Murch during his year of

office and the careful painstaking manner in which he conducted the affairs of the Grand Domain at a rather critical period in its history.

Brother Murch, however, refused the proffered honor and the office, with all its honors and responsibilities devolved upon me and I can certainly echo the sentiment of my predecessor that it was with serious doubts of my ability to carry out the grave trusts that I assumed the office of Grand Chancellor.

The Grand Lodge, by its mandate, made clear my duty to a great extent. It was to permit the central and home lodges to look after their own interests and thus give the Grand Chancellor an opportunity to visit the outlying lodges of the Domain, especially those in the Algoma District. Complying with this direction of the Grand Lodge I made my first official visit on August 14th, 1899, to

ALGOMA LODGE, NO. 11, SAULT STE. MARIE.

This lodge had not been visited for a number of years but in spite of neglect from the Grand Lodge from year to year, it still retains a great deal of the vitality of its early days, due to a great extent to the energy and perseverance of that old friend of our order, D.G.C. Biggings.

I was met at the wharf by a number of the brethren and directed to comfortable quarters at the Algonquin Hotel, and in the evening held a good meeting in the Castle Hall, at which a large number of brethren were present and the three ranks conferred by the local lodge in a very creditable manner (although some parts may have been a little old fashioned, due no doubt to the lack of visits from Grand Lodge officers). The members appeared very enthusiastic and the lodge in a healthy condition and my reports from there since continue to give the same good impression. One pleasant feature of the gathering was the large number of brethren from the Michigan "Soo" who were present and added not a little to the interest of the subsequent proceedings which consisted of a pleasant supper, speeches and songs, patriotic, fraternal and otherwise. It must be an advantage to both lodges to be so close to each other as to be able to visit and fraternize in the way these two lodges do, showing Pythian charity stronger than national prejudice. My first visit as Grand Chancellor was certainly an encouraging one and was made very pleasant by the kindness of the officers of the lodge to myself and Bro. James Forbes, C.C. of Woodstock Lodge, who accompanied me, driving us around to see the main attractions of their beautiful town and portions of the surrounding country. On the pressing invitation of the American brethren who were present at our meeting, I paid a flying visit to the Michigan side where we were received very kindly, shown their new Castle Hall, "a thing of beauty," and driven about their city to all points of interest and again made to feel that Pythianism is not limited by international boundary lines. My next visit was on August 16th, to

OLIVE LODGE, NO. 14, BRUCE MINES.

We were met by a number of the committee appointed by the lodge and

driven to the village of Bruce Mines, where, in the afternoon, we met a considerable number of the brethren, and in the evening had a large gathering in their Castle Hall, many coming from 12 to 20 miles to the meeting, some staying all night and some finding their way over the "kopjes" with which that region abounds, in the very early hours of the morning. The Castle Hall is in a single story building, with frosted windows, and cannot be a good place for the conventions of the lodge as it is not secure enough from intrusion.

Two ranks were conferred, second and third, and the older members of the order there expressed themselves as delighted with the new suggestions as to the manner in which the different ranks should be conferred. As a result of our visit a large number of new members were secured, so much so that at the request of D.G.C. Smyth a dispensation was granted by me to permit Olive Lodge to hold weekly meetings, instead of bi-monthly as formerly, in order to accommodate the large influx of new material into the lodge. After the lodge business was over a delightful time was spent to a late hour at a banquet spread at Bro. Wickett's with the usual programme of speeches, songs and music. The next day the train did not leave till late in the afternoon and the brethren drove us to see some of the many mines for which that part of New Ontario is so famous, after which we were royally entertained and dined by our genial, whole-souled D.G.C. Brother W. R. Smyth, at his home hamlet, "Rydal Bank."

I can only hope that our visit has been as beneficial to the order there as it was pleasant to us. Leaving Sault Ste. Marie on Friday we reached

#### PORT ARTHUR AND FORT WILLIAM

on Saturday evening, where we met our former D.G.C.'s Bros. J. J. Wells and Geo. Hodder, Bro. Cook and a number of the other brethren whose faces were familiar landmarks in former meetings of Grand Lodge. With the assistance of Bros. Wells and Hodder I got up a meeting on Monday evening, the 21st, in the Port Arthur Castle Hall, of about 15 or 20 of the former members of both lodges. The brethren present seemed very anxious to have the order revived in their midst and after a long discussion, in which all or nearly all present took part, it was unanimously agreed that a new lodge at Port Arthur should be started out of the former members of the two lodges. The brethren vied with each other in their kind attentions, driving us out to the romantic Kakabeka Falls and other points of interest and generally making it pleasant for us. I left in the full belief that a lodge would be in existence there in a very short time but although both the G. K. of R. and S. and myself have since written a number of letters to find out if any progress has been made we could not obtain a reply until a few days ago when I received a letter from Bro. Wells, dated July 16th, 1900, reporting that in the absence of some one to take the responsibility the matter had gradually dropped and nothing has been done. Here is just where a good organizer could have found a grand

field for his efforts. The charters and paraphernalia of these two lodges should at once be handed over to the Grand Lodge. My next visit was on January 25th, 1900, to

CALANTHE LODGE, NO. 36, BRANTFORD.

My visit to this lodge had been postponed from time to time for various reasons to the above date. I arrived there about noon and was met at the station by P.G.C. Elliot and D.G.C. James and driven about the city. In the afternoon I saw a number of the officers and members of the lodge and in the evening had a very pleasant gathering in the Castle Hall with an attendance of twenty or thereabouts, when the officers were installed. After the business of the lodge and a short address from myself the company repaired to a restaurant near by where a splendid time was put in by the Pythian brethren present and some prospective ones, the speeches of the brethren indicating a strong desire to keep in touch with the progressive spirit of our order and to increase the numbers and interest in the lodge. To be brief, I was very "agreeably disappointed" by the numbers present and the spirit displayed both in the Castle Hall and at the after meeting. On January 29th I visited

MARMION LODGE, NO. 15, AT CHATHAM,

reaching there about noon and visiting the officers and brethren through the afternoon. This should be a very progressive lodge as it is blessed with the presence of several enthusiastic and prominent Pythians, such as P. G. C.'s McKellar and Rispin, D.G.C. Geo. Massey and others. I visited Brother McKellar at his own house, he being ill at the time. In the evening we had a goodly number in the lodge room when the officers were installed, Brother P.G.C. Rispin taking the C.C. chair and a good set of other officers appointed. The officers and members are a magnificent set of men but a little bit too exclusive, so much so as to weaken their chances as against lodges who are not so particular as to social position of their membership. After all "The rank is but the guinea stamp, The man's the gold for a' that."

After the lodge meeting a fine banquet was spread and instructive and entertaining speeches and songs indulged in. The ability shown indicates what could be done if exercised in furthering the strength of the lodge and aims of the order. And this does not apply alone to Marmion Lodge. On the 31st January I visited

HAMLET LODGE, NO. 42, STRATFORD.

The lodge at Stratford is in a very healthy condition and the members and officers turned out in large numbers, being the only lodge in old Ontario visited by me in which the numbers in the Castle Hall were equal to those at the festive board. I installed the officers. This lodge deserves credit for its present strong position, both numerically and financially, in face of the fact that it started its career under rather discouraging circumstances, three deaths in its ranks during the first year of its existence having completely depleted its

treasury and to a great extent discouraged its members. Its recuperative vitality may be judged by the fact that the quarter ending June 30th, 1899, saw eleven new members added to the lodge. On February 13th I visited

RATHBONE LODGE, NO. 12, ST. THOMAS.

They had no work on but that was not necessary as few members of Grand Lodge have not seen the ranks conferred by Rathbone team in their own effective manner. Other attractions prevented such a large turn out as I had expected. The meeting was rather of an informal character with short addresses from myself and members of the lodge and a smoking concert and supper after. With such men as Brothers McConnell, Murch and others looking after the interest of Pythianism in St. Thomas there is not much danger ahead. On March 6th I paid my official visit to the different lodges in

TORONTO,

who were all gathered in the Castle Hall of Amicus Lodge, No. 20, on Elm street. The place was crowded with the Toronto brethren and a large contingent from both Red Cross and Bismarck Lodges in Hamilton. The third rank was conferred in a manner I have never seen equalled, by a team from the two Hamilton lodges. Red Cross has long been known for its graphic interpretation of our beautiful ritual, but all present on this occasion expressed themselves as delighted and as never having seen the third rank so interestingly conferred.

The banquet afterwards and the speeches and songs were such as one would expect from a joint gathering of the ambitious city under the hill and the capital of Ontario, splendid in every detail. My next visit was on the 23rd April, to

PETROLIA LODGE, NO. 17, PETROLIA.

I arrived in the evening and was met by my genial D.G.C. Dunlop, our old familiar friend John Read, and a number of others. The meeting in the Castle Hall was more or less informal, consisting of a short address by myself and the customary resolutions. No ranks were conferred. The subsequent banquet, at which a large number of the brethren were present, was also grazed by the presence of the Mayor and a number of the town council. This lodge appears to be in a good condition but a larger number present in the Castle Hall on a special occasion might reasonably be looked for. On July 25th I paid my final official visit to

WOODSTOCK LODGE, NO. 45, WOODSTOCK.

I will leave it to my successor to speak of this lodge. Suffice it to say that I found them all, officers and members helpful and sympathetic in their relations to me in my year's somewhat difficult task.

## DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS

The following Deputies were appointed by me:—

|       |          |       |                                |
|-------|----------|-------|--------------------------------|
| No. 1 | District | ..... | Morris, Linz, Windsor.         |
| " 2   | "        | ..... | George Massey, Chatham.        |
| " 3   | "        | ..... | G. W. Davey, St. Thomas.       |
| " 7   | "        | ..... | B. Dunlop, Pejrolia.           |
| " 8   | "        | ..... | D. Cranston, London.           |
| " 9   | "        | ..... | C. Curtis, Woodstock.          |
| " 10  | "        | ..... | W. T. James, Brantford.        |
| " 11  | "        | ..... | D. A. Bedwell, Hamilton.       |
| " 13  | "        | ..... | A. H. King, Stratford.         |
| " 22  | "        | ..... | J. G. Wilson, Toronto.         |
| " 45a | "        | ..... | E. Biggings, Sault Ste. Marie. |
| " 45b | "        | ..... | W. R. Smyth, Bruce Mines.      |

These gentlemen, or a good many of them, have rendered valuable assistance during my term.

## NEW LODGES.

Through the efforts of Brothers E. B. Galpin, of London, and Charles Beckett, of Strathroy, a new lodge was instituted at the latter place on Thursday, July 26th, 1900, a good team from London conferring the ranks.

Another new lodge has been instituted at Embro, on Monday, July 30th, 1900, chiefly owing to the efforts of Bro. James Forbes, of Woodstock Lodge, No. 45. This Lodge was instituted by a team from Woodstock Lodge, No. 45, of which Brother Forbes is C.C.

These lodges start out in their Pythian career with good chances in their favor. Let me give them this hint, that their future depends, to a great extent, on themselves.

## DISPENSATIONS GRANTED.

I have granted the following dispensations:

To Olive Lodge, No. 14, to hold weekly conventions instead of bi-monthly as formerly.

To Petrolia Lodge, No. 17, Petrolia, to hold a concert for the benefit of "Our Boys" in South Africa.

To Bismarck Lodge, No. 31, Hamilton, to change its lodge room to Red Cross Castle Hall, and to change the night of meeting from Friday to Tuesday evening.

I have refused to grant dispensations in a number of cases to permit petitions to be circulated in the domain asking for money, for what appeared to me selfish purposes, for instance, to build a new Castle Hall for a certain subordinate lodge, etc.

I have also refused dispensations in a few cases (where in my opinion, it would be injudicious to grant them) for conferring the three ranks in one night.

There seems a conflict between Section 253, of the Supreme Statutes, and Section 73, of the Grand Statutes on this point, which should, I think, be rectified.

## OFFICIAL CIRCULARS.

I had occasion to issue only one official circular. This was with reference to the neglect of some lodges, or perhaps disobedience in not obeying the mandates of the order as to the exclusion of bar-tenders and others from becoming members of our order. Lodges may as well understand that a clear case of disobedience to this very salutary rule will render them liable to have their charters revoked.

## EASTERN ONTARIO.

Considerable correspondence has taken place between myself and Brother F. A. Lockhart, Deputy Supreme Chancellor of Montreal, with reference to the Grand Domain ceding the Eastern portion of Ontario to the Quebec district. The Supreme Chancellor has expressed his willingness to approve of any fair arrangement made. I am personally in favor of it for two reasons: 1st, it would give sufficient territory to Quebec district, containing a population likely to join the order, to form a new Grand Domain if properly handled, and, 2nd, the experience of the past has shown that the Eastern portion of Ontario is too far removed from the west to permit effective handling, the result being that lodges, such as those at Smith's Falls, Almonte, Carleton Place and other places once flourishing institutions have been permitted to die of neglect. Brother Lockhart urged me to cede the territory at once. After conferring with prominent members of the domain however, I decided to let the Grand Lodge decide the matter, whether any territory should be granted, and if so, what particular part.

In this connection, I may mention, that hearing of a possibility of starting a lodge at Ottawa, I communicated with Brother Genslinger there, enclosing form of application for new lodge, and was surprised to find that Brother Lockhart already assumes jurisdiction in that city, or attempted to by sending one of his forms. With great reluctance I objected, unless the lodge were started under my jurisdiction. This fact only shows, however, that it may be better for the order that these Eastern portions of the domain be handed over, and that possibly it might be better, that all north-west of Sault St. Marie be part of the Grand Domain of Manitoba.

Since writing the above I have had a satisfactory explanation from Brother Lockhart as to his connection with the Ottawa proposed lodge.

## ORGANIZER.

A good deal of discussion has been evoked since the Committee on State of the Order, at the last session of Grand Lodge, brought forward the question of the appointment of a paid organizer. It is impossible to compete with other beneficiary orders without an officer of this kind. The last Grand Lodge recognized this in its report on P.G.C. Murch's official report.

The only question is as to how he shall be paid. Three months work of a good organizer would add more to the number of the order in Ontario than three years' work of the Grand Chancellor. There are several suggestions as to the expenses; one is, Biennial Sessions, leaving the sum that the extra session would cost in the treasury. I certainly disapprove of this suggestion, I consider that we would lose in interest more than we would gain in other ways. Dropping the per diem allowance of Grand Lodge members is another method proposed. The effect of that would be to make the Grand Lodge members pay the organizer. A higher per capita tax is another method proposed but to which there are grave objections.

Last year's Grand Lodge suggested \$25.00 per lodge instituted. Why not double that amount out of the charter fees, or in lodges already constituted, give the organizer one-half of the initiation fees for the members accepted by the lodge. It would pay, and the vote of the former members would be a protection against improper persons being admitted. The report of every D.G.C. in the domain who has mentioned the subject, is in favor of an organizer.

#### RAINBOW LODGE, NIAGARA FALLS.

This is a place where a lodge should be a success. Lack of time has prevented me from giving it the consideration it deserved. I would respectfully suggest that the next Grand Chancellor take this matter up at an early date. It would be a beautiful place for a meeting of Grand Lodge, and there are a number of good Pythians there; the nucleus of a strong lodge.

#### OTHER DEFUNCT LODGES.

I have also been in communication with the former members of Berlin and Galt lodges but without success so far. These are two beautiful towns in the centre of our domain and will, I am confident, before long become centres from which will radiate light to brighten and bless mankind around them.

Syracuse Lodge, No. 39, Toronto Junction, at the time it became defunct was in debt over \$80 with only \$30.37 in the treasury. The principal officers were away and there was difficulty in getting the money. I gave my personal guarantee to the bank, sent the money to Brother Haynes and he settled all debts with the amount.

#### GENERAL OBSERVATIONS.

I was pleased to receive a letter of thanks from Queen City lodge to the Grand Lodge for the honor conferred on one of their members, Bro. L. M. Jones, in electing him Grand Vice-Chancellor. I regret to learn, however, that Bro. Jones is at present in very poor health. He has the best wishes of Grand Lodge for his speedy recovery.

I am also pleased to be able to say that in answer to the Supreme Chancellor's question as to deaths of Past Grand Chancellors or Supreme Representatives in the last two years, I could and did report that there were none. Let us hope that the next two years will be equally propitious.

I would like to see more interest taken in the Endowment Rank and if an organizer is appointed he should be instructed to particularly emphasize the benefits to be derived from this branch of the order.

I cannot close without comment on the careful energetic manner in which the business of Grand Lodge is handled by our Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, Walter G. Haynes, and Grand Master of Exchequer, John P. McLeod, their promptness and thoroughness leaving nothing to be desired.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion let me say that I feel extremely grateful to Grand Lodge for the honor conferred on me and to the officers and brethren of the domain from whom I have received the greatest consideration and kindness.

Yours, in F., C. and B.,

J. S. MACKAY,  
*Grand Chancellor.*

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### REPORTS OF DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS.

MORRIS LINZ, D.G.C., District No. 1.

I would like to see official organizer to revive old lodges, visit and lecture to lodges, making the work more perfect, which would undoubtedly be a great benefit to our lodges. Official organizer to be paid by whom he is employed.

Have much pleasure in submitting the name of Past Chancellor Wm. J. Tomlinson, as my successor.

Windsor, June 28th, 1900.

GEO. MASSEY, D.G.C., District No. 2.

Rokeby Lodge, No. 9, which was only resuscitated in March, 1899, is doing grandly, well officered and enthusiastic.

Marmion Lodge is virtually dead. With a membership composed of the best in the city it only meets three or four times a year so as to elect officers, pay dues, get off reports, etc. A good organizer would find plenty of material. The lodge needs a good tonic.

I have been asked to again stand for Deputy Grand Chancellor.

Chatham, June 27th, 1900.

G. W. DAVEY, D.G.C., District No. 3.

Rathbone Lodge, No. 12, being all right there is no room for criticism. Past Chancellor Henry Roe has been recommended for Deputy Grand Chancellor for the ensuing term.

St. Thomas, July 3rd, 1900.

B. DUNLOP, D.G.C., District No. 7.

No special remarks. My successor, as recommended, is Past Chancellor A. E. Fitzgerald.

Petrolia, July 7th, 1900.

D. CRANSTON, D.G.C., District No. 8.

I hereby beg to tender my report of this district during the last year. There are three lodges in the city, Myrtle, No. 2, Prospect, No. 10, and Columbian, No. 37. I officially visited the lodges twice during the year and found both Myrtle and Prospect Lodges very well up in their work. I hear that Myrtle is sending a team to Strathroy to organize a new lodge and I am sure they will give it every attention, as they have some very attentive officers. Prospect Lodge, No. 10, though the strongest lodge in the district, don't show up at the meetings as they should to give Pythianism the forward movement which it deserves, although the officers have their work well memorized.

Columbian Lodge, No. 37—I am sorry to state that the majority of its members do not attend as regularly as they should, the consequence being not able to form quorum, in fact I think it is very near the same in all the lodges. I should advise Columbian Lodge to amalgamate with one of the other lodges, although I shall be very sorry to see it as they have a good field to work in.

At a meeting of the Past Chancellors, held in Columbian Lodge (fifteen Past Chancellors being present) Past Chancellor B. Noble, of Prospect Lodge, No. 10, was recommended, by vote, for appointment as D.G.C. for the ensuing term. At the same meeting those present started to form a Past Chancellors Association for the purpose of meeting about every three months in order to discuss Pythianism. Final arrangements will be made at next meeting of Columbian Lodge.

I think there is a great lack of brotherly love and the members of the order do not appear to take a good hold of the work excepting the officers of the lodges.

London, July 20th, 1900.

COURT CURTIS, D.G.C., District No. 9.

No special remarks. Court Curtis has again been recommended for Deputy Grand Chancellor for the ensuing term.

Woodstock, July 12th, 1900.

W. T. JAMES, D.G.C., District No. 10.

I am sorry that I cannot give more favorable reports. Calanthe seems to be unfortunate in losing members through leaving the city, and other causes over which we have no control, but I am pleased to state that our financial position is No. 1. We have just appointed a lodge surgeon which we hope will benefit us we having been without one for years. Name of successor not given.

Brantford, July 1st, 1900.

D. A. BEDWELL, JR., D.G.C., District No. 11.

There are in this district two lodges, Red Cross, No. 3, and Bismarck, No. 31, both of them doing excellent work at present and making members, and I am pleased to report that the new members are taking an active interest in the work. I have officially visited both lodges, installed their officers, and communicated the S.A.P.W. The full staff of officers of Red Cross commit the work to memory, and on every occasion the rank of Knight is given in the long form. The majority of the officers of Bismarck commit the work to memory. On the evening of March 6th, 1900, the Hamilton brethren paid a fraternal visit to the Toronto lodges, going by special train over the C.P.R. Red Cross took along her paraphernalia and with her renowned King and Senate exemplified for the Toronto brethren the long form of the Knights Rank. After lodge work we sat down to a magnificent banquet provided by the Toronto brethren and with speech and song they gave us a very warm reception.

The Endowment Rank is progressing exceedingly well. During the month of June three members of Red Cross were added to the list, making a total from that lodge of twenty-eight. My predecessor reported that his lodge had no member in the Endowment Rank. I am indeed very much pleased to report that Bismarck Lodge has now eight members in that rank.

To the officers and members of Red Cross and Bismarck Lodges I extend my sincere thanks for the many courtesies I have received during my term as D.G.C. At a meeting of the Past Chancellors, held last evening, July 12th, 1900, Past Chancellor A. Ramsperger was unanimously recommended for appointment as D.G.C. Bro. Ramsperger is an enthusiastic Pythian and will, I am sure make a good officer.

Hamilton, July 13th, 1900.

A. H. KING, D.G.C., District No. 13.

Mostly all societies are in the habit of occasionally sending an organizer which means quite an addition to the membership. Might do good in our case. The name of my successor is Past Chancellor F. J. Corrie.

Stratford, June 30th, 1900.

J. G. WILSON, D.G.C., District No. 22.

I beg herewith to tender you my report as your Deputy during the past year and take the opportunity to make several suggestions which I think would assist in advancing the order not only in this district but throughout the Province. While not able to report any wonderful growth here we can safely claim that taken as a whole we have been in much better working order than during the previous year, and the conventions held have been generally interesting and profitable. While a number of the officers have not memorized their work as they should have done, the fact that there are always several members present capable of taking the chairs in the various ranks ensures a good quality of rank work, and I think will compare favorably with the order elsewhere. Several members have left the city during the year which has been a serious loss to their respective lodges, notably Chancellor Commander Hartwell, of Mystic, No. 1 ; Vice-Chancellor Queen, of Amicus, No. 20, and Bro. A. W. E. Hancock, of Toronto, No. 30.

In this district the belief is very general that what we need is an organizer. While there are many men in the order who can and do devote a great deal of time to its interests we should have a man whose whole time would be at the disposal of the Grand Executive, to organize new lodges and to resuscitate and assist the old ones. If such a man could be secured, with a present interest in the order, he might be elected to one of the Executive offices, say G. V. C., which would give him a standing he would find useful in his work. I believe if an appeal is made to Supreme Lodge to allow us biennial Grand Lodge sessions for a time, the financial part of this important factor will greatly facilitate matters. Another medium for good work which was referred to in the report from this district last year, and which has since been supplied by private enterprise, is a Pythian publication devoted entirely to the interests of the order in Canada. Thanks to Bro. Powers, of Montreal, this we have in an excellent form, and it now remains for our Grand Lodge to devise some ways or means by which copies may be put in the hands of all our members every month. The *Pythian Review* is a credit to the order and I trust that you may be able to arrange details whereby every member of the order in Ontario will be kept regularly in touch with the various sections and departments of work. If an arrangement can be made whereby Grand Lodge will pay so much per capita and each lodge a certain amount, thereby having every member in

the order practically a subscriber, it will be found an excellent means of keeping up the interest.

The visit you paid us on the occasion of the Hamilton Knights invasion of the city was one of the bright spots of the term, and has done much to encourage the members in their work.

An amplified team was formed during the winter and worked the rank several times but it is not yet on a definite and working basis as it ought to be, and as we hope to see it in the near future.

Mystic Lodge, No. 1, has done good work during the year. Their monthly reunions have done much to interest their members, and while the removal of their Chancellor Commander, J. Louis Hartwell, was a serious loss the other members are not lacking in enthusiasm.

Queen City, No. 18, has not been holding regular conventions for some time. A move was made to the Temple Building early in the year to see if it would arouse the members but it has not caused them to turn out in even quorum quantities. Financially they are in excellent shape but personal interest seems sadly lacking.

Amicus, No. 20, has held all its conventions during the year but has done little in the line of new candidates which is the principal mainstay of the order. The office of Vice-Chancellor was left vacant by the removal of Bro. D. Queen to Ottawa, and he has been much missed as he was one of their best workers. Two propositions were received at the last meeting in June, too late to show in their total of members.

Toronto, No. 30, has been very much alive all year. Thanks to an energetic set of financial officers the members are kept in good standing and attendance is generally good. They seldom have a convention without rank work and are in excellent shape financially and otherwise. The removal of Bro. A. W. E. Hancock to the Maritime Provinces, was a loss to the lodge as he was very energetic in securing new members.

I have attended nearly all the conventions of the lodges during my term and have pleasure in presenting the name of Past Chancellor H. R. Hamilton as my successor, he having been chosen after a warm competition by the Past Chancellors of the district.

Toronto, July 11th, 1900.

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EDWARD BIGGINGS, D.G.C., District No. 45a.

Owing to family affliction and death my attendance at the lodge meetings has been of late below par, therefore I am pleased to report that the Past Chancellors have granted me release from duty by appointing an able successor

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in the person of Past Chancellor Henry Dubois. I think the prospects for a very strong lodge here are particularly good at this time.

Sault Ste. Marie, June 28th, 1900.

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W. R. SMYTHE, D.G.C., District No. 45b.

During the last year Olive has not added many to its membership roll, although a few good men have joined us but I am proud to report that "what (membership) we have we'll hold," and that the lodge as a whole is in a very healthy condition. I have again been recommended for Deputy Grand Chancellor for this district.

Rydal Bank, July 4th, 1900.

LODGE INSPECTION BY DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS.

| Lodge No. | Do officers commit work to memory? | How is the work rendered? | Are the officers regular in attendance? | Do members exhibit interest in lodge? | What is the average attendance? | Are any members in Endowment Rank? | Can you state how many? | What amount of fire insurance? | State number of rituals by actual count? | Are rituals and secret work properly secured? | Is paraphernalia in good order? | Are the books of officers well kept? | How does lodge stand as compared with other societies in your locality? | How often have you officially visited lodge? |
|-----------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| 1         | Yes                                | Good                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 15                              | Yes                                | 32                      | \$1000                         | 4  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Good  | oft'n  |
| 2         | Yes                                | Good                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 22                              | Yes                                | 7                       | \$400                          | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Good  | 2  |
| 3         | Yes                                | Good                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 20                              | Yes                                | 28                      | \$800                          | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Best  | 2  |
| 9         | Partly                             | Fair                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 20                              | ....                               | No                      | .....                          | 4  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Well  | 2  |
| 10        | Yes                                | Good                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 20                              | Yes                                | 19                      | \$300                          | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Good  | 2  |
| 11        | Some                               | Good                      | Fairly                                  | Yes                                   | 10                              | Yes                                | 9                       | \$400                          | 5  | Yes   | Fair                            | Yes                                  | Fair  | 2  |
| 12        | Yes                                | Good                      | Fair                                    | Yes                                   | 20                              | Yes                                | 2                       | \$500                          | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Good  | 3  |
| 14        | No                                 | Fair                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 20                              | Yes                                | 7                       | None                           | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Top   | 1  |
| 15        | No                                 | None                      | No                                      | No                                    | 6                               | Yes                                | 3                       | ....                           | 5  | Yes   | Fair                            | Yes                                  | Badly   | 5  |
| 16        | Yes                                | Fair                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 12                              | Yes                                | No                      | \$550                          | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Good  | oft'n  |
| 17        | Yes                                | Fair                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 15                              | Yes                                | 6                       | \$500                          | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Good  | 2  |
| 18        | No                                 | None                      | No                                      | No                                    | 5                               | No                                 | No                      | .....                          | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | .....   | oft'n  |
| 20        | Yes                                | Good                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 15                              | Yes                                | 16                      | \$300                          | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Good  | oft'n  |
| 30        | Yes                                | Good                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 25                              | Yes                                | 19                      | \$250                          | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Good  | oft'n  |
| 31        | Some                               | Fair                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 15                              | Yes                                | 8                       | None                           | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Good  | 2  |
| 36        | Yes                                | Fair                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 10                              | Yes                                | 8                       | \$400                          | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Fair  | oft'n  |
| 37        | No                                 | Fair                      | Yes                                     | Fair                                  | 15                              | Yes                                | 2                       | \$200                          | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Good  | 2  |
| 42        | Yes                                | Fair                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 14                              | Yes                                | 1                       | \$200                          | 5  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Fair  | oft'n  |
| 45        | Yes                                | Good                      | Yes                                     | Yes                                   | 9                               | Yes                                | 6                       | None                           | 4  | Yes   | Yes                             | Yes                                  | Fair  | 1  |

Where blanks appear the D.G.C. has not sent the required details.

## REPORT OF GRAND KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL,  
GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO, K. OF P.

TORONTO, AUGUST 1st, 1900.

P. P. XXXVII.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Ontario:*

BROTHERS,—According to custom, and the requirements of the Grand Statutes, I have the pleasure to herewith present for your consideration the twenty-eighth Annual Report of the business transactions of this Domain, and the second submitted to you since my assuming office.

The year 1899, as might have been expected, considering the slaughter of the previous year, has about held its own as far as membership is concerned, and while we cannot bring before you an increased membership such as we would wish, we have reason to be thankful that none of the tactics of 1898 had to be resorted to. Suspensions were numerous as usual, and this knotty problem still remains unsolved. The non-attendant at lodge is usually the first to drop out, followed by the member who has not had occasion to draw any sick benefit for a long time (and there are several of this class), forgetting though he may not have suffered bodily ailment himself that in keeping up his dues in his lodge he is helping to alleviate the suffering of some poorer brother and thus following the fundamental principles of our order. The only alternative is to get them into the Endowment Rank and suspensions will be at a minimum

Our Grand Lodge session convening so late this year gives me an opportunity to state that nearly every lodge reports an increased membership at the end of the June term. We can also report two new lodges instituted at Strathroy and Embro. This is certainly encouraging and we trust that now we have started "sprouting" again that we will continue to do so. There are several good towns and cities in Ontario that would not require very hard drumming to institute lodges of our order and I am always pleased to correspond and give full information necessary to any Knight or outsider wishing to start a charter list. I would suggest that the expenses allowed by the Grand Lodge for this work should be brought more fully to the notice of the indi-

How often have you officially visited lodge?

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vidual members as the majority do not appear to be aware of the fact that for their services in organizing lodges we allow a remuneration sufficient to cover expenses.

#### SUPPLIES.

Certain supplies must only be procured from this office, and are enumerated in the price list issued last year, but I am under the impression that several of the Subordinate Lodges must be getting same from some other source as their requirements seem few and far between. I think this matter should be brought to the attention of the Deputy Grand Chancellors to inquire into.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS.

All items pertaining to the good and welfare of our order, as embodied in the reports of the Grand Chancellor and his Deputies, should certainly be in the possession of Subordinate Lodges previous to the conventions of Grand Lodge, and the fact that our Grand Lodge session will be somewhat limited this year leads me to suggest that the Representatives have their instructions and suggestions in concise form so that no time may be lost in the adoption or rejection of same. For this purpose the Executive reports are issued, as last year, as early as possible.

#### FINANCES.

The finances of Grand Lodge are now assuming a respectable amount, as can be seen from my report, and the Grand Master of Exchequer should be commended for his further increasing same by judicious investment. I am also pleased to report that there is a substantial increase in both the Benefit and General Funds of the Subordinate Lodges as compared with previous years.

#### PYTHIAN PUBLICATIONS.

These papers are being regularly received at this office, thanks to the editors of same, but especially would I draw the attention of our Grand Lodge to the *Pythian Review*, published and edited by Past Grand Chancellor F. A. Powers, of Montreal, and which I think is entitled to consideration at our coming session.

#### FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Forty-nine out of the fifty-four Grand Domains appoint a Committee on Fraternal Correspondence, and have their reports embodied in the Grand Lodge Journals, and for the small additional expense I have no hesitation in saying that we can learn more and become better acquainted through this medium than in any other way, and thus "see ourselves as others see us."

#### SOUTH AFRICAN VOLUNTEERS.

Some of our members having volunteered for active service in South Africa are now busy "wiping something off the slate." We should commend their patriotic efforts and the names of these brothers should have a prominent place in the next issue of our Grand Lodge Journal.

ENDOWMENT RANK.

This branch of our order is still making progress in our Domain. There is yet room for several more Sections and I trust those lodges that are not yet represented will see the error of their ways. The following is the status of the Endowment Rank in the Grand Domain of Ontario, up to May 31, 1900.

|          |                        |                |                  |        |          |
|----------|------------------------|----------------|------------------|--------|----------|
| 54....   | Mystic, No. 1.....     | Toronto.....   | S. E. Hall.....  | 32.... | \$55,000 |
| 570....  | Friendship, No. 16.... | Windson....    | C. H. Ashdown..  | 17.... | 30,000   |
| 688....  | Algoma, No. 14.....    | S. S. Marie .. | E. Biggings....  | 9....  | 18,000   |
| 774....  | Red Cross, No. 3....   | Hamilton...    | J. Burns.....    | 25.... | 48,000   |
| 825....  | Pro-pect, No. 10....   | London.....    | S. A. Webb.....  | 21.... | 31,000   |
| 975....  | Marmion, No. 15....    | Chatham....    | H. Robinson....  | 3....  | 6,000    |
| 1405.... | Petrolia, No. 17....   | Petrolia....   | E. Burt.....     | 2....  | 4,000    |
| 2423.... | Olive, No. 14.....     | Bruce Mines.   | T. J. McCort...  | 8....  | 9,000    |
| 3642.... | Woodstock, No. 45...   | Woodstock....  | J. S. MacKay...  | 6....  | 6,000    |
| 4159.... | Amicus, No. 20....     | Toronto.....   | J. G. Wilson.... | 12.... | 10,500   |
| 4173.... | Toronto, No. 30....    | Toronto.....   | W. F. Daniel..   | 19.... | 23,000   |
| 4323.... | Myrtle, No. 2.....     | London.....    | E. B. Galpin...  | 7....  | 6,000    |
| 4518.... | Bismarck, No. 31....   | Hamilton...    | M. Mueller....   | 8....  | 7,000    |
| 4714.... | Calanthe, No. 36....   | Brantford...   | F. W. Ryerson..  | 9....  | 9,000    |

Lodges not represented in Endowment Rank are : Rokeby, No. 9, Rathbone, No. 12, Queen City, No. 18, Columbian, No. 37, and Hamlet, No. 42. Now, Brothers, correspond with Bro. W. J. Robertson, Organizer in Ontario for Endowment Rank, 45 Adelaide Street East, Toronto, and get into a good thing.

*Recapitulation.*

|                            |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| No. of Sections.....       | 14        |
| No. of Members.....        | 178       |
| Amount of Endowment .....  | \$262,500 |
| Increase during past year— |           |
| No. of Sections.....       | 2         |
| No. of Members.....        | 27        |
| Amount of Endowment .....  | \$32,000  |

*General Status of Endowment Rank.*

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Total Membership.....                           | 62,235          |
| Insurance in force.....                         | \$110,719,000   |
| Assets.....                                     | \$493,567.50    |
| Paid to beneficiaries of deceased members ..... | \$14,546,335.00 |

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF THE ORDER.

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| Total membership as at December 31st, 1899..... | 491,672 |
| Net gain during the year .....                  | 21,689  |

The above membership does not include the subordinate lodges not within the domain of a Grand Lodge, which had an aggregate membership of 715 on December 31st, 1898, and from which complete reports for 1899 have not yet been received. They are located in Mexico, Cuba, Hawaii Island, Quebec and Alaska.

## SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS.

I cannot close without thanking the Keepers of Records and Seal for the great assistance they have rendered me in forwarding so promptly to this office the semi-annual returns of their respective lodges, and also to the Masters of Exchequer for their equally prompt remittance of the capitation tax to the Grand Master of Exchequer. The questions regarding the dispositions of Subordinate Lodge Funds were inserted in the semi-annual reports according to instructions of last Grand Lodge and the answers are embodied in same and should be referred to the committee which advised this course.

## FINANCES OF GRAND LODGE.

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Balance on hand, May 31st, 1899 .....              | \$545 74 |
| Received from all sources during fiscal year ..... | 1361 95  |
| Interest on deposit .....                          | 19 01    |
|  | <hr/>    |
| Total disbursements .....                          | 1926 70  |
|  | 1143 13  |
| Balance on hand May 31st, 1900 .....               | 783 57   |

## STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS.

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
| Renewal of Registry with Ontario Government .....        | \$25 00   |
| Rent of G.L. Room from Jan. 1st, to Dec. 31st, 1899..... | 60 00     |
| Expenses of G. C. Murch .....                            | 120 55    |
| Expenses of G. C. MacKay, to Port Arthur, etc.....       | 44 25     |
| Salary of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal .....         | 300 00    |
| Guarantee Bond, G. M. of E .....                         | 5 00      |
| Official Reporting, J. G. Wilson .....                   | 4 00      |
| Caretaker Prospect Lodge .....                           | 5 00      |
| Expenses of Grand Lodge Convention, 1899.....            | 345 64    |
| Printing Official Record .....                           | 63 40     |
| Sundry printing .....                                    | 33 00     |
| Express, duty, postage and stationery.....               | 60 80     |
| Supplies from Supreme Lodge .....                        | 25 33     |
| Expenses D. G. C. Massey, District No. 2 .....           | 5 00      |
| Supreme Lodge Capitation Tax, April 1st, 1900.....       | 46 16     |
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|  | \$1143 13 |

Vouchers are on file for all of the above.

Accompanying this report are statements shewing the totals of the debit and credit side of all accounts in the ledger and the balances May 31st, 1900, the profit and loss, and our assets and liabilities, also statement of the membership and finances of the subordinate lodges for the year ending December 31st, 1899.

Fraternally submitted,

*Walter C. Hayes*

Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.

## STATEMENT

Showing the totals of the Debit and Credit sides of all Accounts in the Ledger  
and the Balances, May 31st, 1900.

| FOLIO. | ACCOUNTS.             | Face of Ledger. |           | Balances,<br>May, 31st, 1900. |           |
|--------|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------|
|        |                       | Dr.             | Cr.       | Dr.                           | Cr.       |
| 1      | Stock .....           |                 | \$1183 17 |                               | \$1183 17 |
| 4      | Cash .....            | \$1926 70       | 1143 13   | \$783 57                      |           |
| 20     | Supplies .....        | 591 16          | 205 61    | 385 55                        |           |
| 52     | Mdse. Expenses .....  | 1117 80         | 1117 80   |                               |           |
| 61     | Per Capita tax .....  | 1157 00         | 1157 00   |                               |           |
| 81     | Profit and Loss ..... | 1284 99         | 1284 99   |                               |           |
| 95     | Supreme Lodge .....   | 71 49           | 71 49     |                               |           |
| 101    | Mystic " .....        | 83 75           | 76 75     | 7 00                          |           |
| 107    | Myrtle " .....        | 76 85           | 75 85     | 1 00                          |           |
| 113    | Red Cross " .....     | 156 50          | 156 50    |                               |           |
| 126    | Rokeby " .....        | 33 00           | 33 00     |                               |           |
| 131    | Prospect " .....      | 108 50          | 108 50    |                               |           |
| 134    | Algoma " .....        | 47 50           | 47 50     |                               |           |
| 139    | Rathbone " .....      | 95 00           | 95 00     |                               |           |
| 146    | Olive " .....         | 50 90           | 51 00     |                               | 10        |
| 150    | Marmion " .....       | 28 00           | 27 50     | 50                            |           |
| 155    | Friendship " .....    | 103 00          | 103 00    |                               |           |
| 159    | Petrolia " .....      | 69 25           | 69 25     |                               |           |
| 163    | Queen City " .....    | 98 00           | 98 00     |                               |           |
| *171   | Amicus " .....        | 71 25           | 67 25     | 4 00                          |           |
| 193    | Toronto " .....       | 125 00          | 125 00    |                               |           |
| 196    | Bismarck " .....      | 78 25           | 78 25     |                               |           |
| 208    | Calanthe " .....      | 31 00           | 28 50     | 2 50                          |           |
| 210    | Columbian " .....     | 31 25           | 32 10     |                               | 85        |
| 220    | Hamlet " .....        | 43 50           | 43 50     |                               |           |
| 226    | Woodstock " .....     | 30 50           | 30 50     |                               |           |
|        |                       | 7510 14         | 7510 14   | 1184 12                       | 1184 12   |

\* Since paid.



**MEMBERSHIP OF SUBORDINATE LODGES**

GRAND DOMAIN OF ONTARIO.

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Number of members January 1st, 1899 ..... | 1156        |
| Initiated during the year .....           | 105         |
| Admitted by Card .....                    | 6           |
| Re-instated .....                         | 36          |
| <b>Total</b> .....                        | <b>1303</b> |

*From which deduct:*

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| Withdrawn during the year .....                      | 20          |
| Suspended .....                                      | 113         |
| Died .....   | 16          |
| <b>Total number of members Dec. 31st, 1899</b> ..... | <b>1154</b> |

**RANK.**

|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Past Grand Chancellors .....   | 14          |
| Past Chancellors .....         | 175         |
| Knights .....                  | 949         |
| Esquires .....                 | 6           |
| Pages .....                    | 10          |
| <b>Total as above</b> .....    | <b>1154</b> |
| Rejected during the year ..... | 5           |

**FINANCES OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.****RECEIPTS.**

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Balance as at December 31st, 1898 .....         | \$12326 91        |
| Received from all sources during the year ..... | 9291 77           |
|   | <b>\$21618 68</b> |

**EXPENDITURE.**

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Expended for relief .....     | \$3740 02  |
| “ “ other purposes .....      | 4313 32    |
|                               | 8053 34    |
| Balance Dec. 31st, 1899 ..... | \$13565 34 |

**ASSETS.**

|                                       |                   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Benefit Fund .....                    | \$11731 48        |
| General Fund .....                    | 1833 86           |
| Lodge property .....                  | 4973 36           |
| Paraphernalia .....                   | 3963 18           |
|                                       | <b>\$22501 88</b> |
| Liabilities .....                     | 155 71            |
| Net Assets, December 31st, 1899 ..... | <b>\$22346 17</b> |

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF LODGES FOR THE YEAR 1899.

| No.      | Balance Dec. 31st 1898 | Receipts. | Expended. | BALANCES DEC. 31ST, 1899. |               |          | Total.    | Value of Furniture. | Paraphernalia. | Total Assets. | Liabilities. | Net Assets. |
|----------|------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|---------------|----------|-----------|---------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
|          |                        |           |           | Benefit Fund.             | General Fund. | Total.   |           |                     |                |               |              |             |
| 1        | \$114 14               | \$406 43  | \$366 45  | \$142 50                  | \$11 62       | \$154 12 | \$1901 25 | \$150 00            | \$2205 37      | .....         | .....        | \$2205 37   |
| 2        | 416 62                 | 813 82    | 936 93    | 293 51                    | .....         | 293 51   | 400 00    | 220 00              | 913 51         | 40 00         | .....        | 873 51      |
| 3        | 2875 28                | 1033 83   | 849 11    | 2717 16                   | 342 84        | 3060 00  | .....     | 600 00              | 3660 00        | .....         | .....        | 3660 00     |
| 9        | 77 25                  | 208 12    | 124 65    | 94 17                     | 66 55         | 160 72   | .....     | 435 00              | 295 72         | .....         | .....        | 295 72      |
| 10       | 458 32                 | 922 04    | 475 58    | 779 81                    | 124 97        | 904 78   | 953 75    | 250 00              | 2108 53        | .....         | .....        | 2108 53     |
| 11       | 472 97                 | 368 23    | 285 68    | 545 47                    | 10 05         | 1555 52  | 175 00    | 125 00              | 855 52         | .....         | .....        | 855 52      |
| 12       | 1389 95                | 572 74    | 597 45    | 1455 24                   | .....         | 1455 24  | 100 00    | 500 00              | 2055 24        | .....         | .....        | 2055 24     |
| 14       | 666 01                 | 444 40    | 332 98    | 571 67                    | 205 56        | 777 53   | 100 00    | 168 55              | 1046 08        | .....         | 1 84         | 1046 08     |
| 15       | 540 73                 | 118 38    | 163 25    | 493 86                    | .....         | 493 86   | 60 00     | 70 00               | 645 86         | .....         | .....        | 645 86      |
| 16       | 896 31                 | 766 35    | 626 49    | 768 22                    | 267 95        | 1036 17  | 752 50    | 200 00              | 1088 67        | .....         | 17 43        | 1088 67     |
| 17       | 546 85                 | 765 43    | 542 33    | 490 93                    | 279 02        | 769 95   | 331 76    | 231 25              | 1332 97        | .....         | .....        | 1332 97     |
| 18       | 645 30                 | 287 89    | 279 02    | 604 41                    | 49 85         | 654 26   | 35 00     | .....               | 689 26         | .....         | .....        | 689 26      |
| 20       | 236 67                 | 334 49    | 393 73    | 210 43                    | .....         | 210 43   | .....     | 300 00              | 510 43         | .....         | .....        | 510 43      |
| 30       | 1545 77                | 734 95    | 726 92    | 1564 48                   | 9 32          | 1573 80  | 480 00    | 480 00              | 2053 80        | .....         | 65 94        | 2053 80     |
| 31       | 385 58                 | 544 58    | 660 75    | 199 86                    | 69 61         | 269 41   | 133 50    | 77 50               | 480 41         | .....         | .....        | 480 41      |
| 36       | 319 13                 | 143 06    | 158 20    | 277 25                    | 26 74         | 303 99   | .....     | 100 00              | 403 99         | .....         | .....        | 403 99      |
| 37       | 52 00                  | 195 25    | 338 72    | 79 67                     | 108 86        | 188 53   | .....     | 100 00              | 288 53         | .....         | .....        | 288 53      |
| 42       | 386 62                 | 365 58    | 130 65    | 230 19                    | 211 36        | 441 55   | 18 60     | 118 87              | 570 02         | .....         | 21 50        | 570 02      |
| 44       | 218 31                 | 226 11    | 184 45    | 210 41                    | 49 56         | 259 97   | .....     | 117 00              | 388 97         | .....         | .....        | 388 97      |
| 12326 91 | 9291 77                | 8053 34   | 11731 48  | 1833 86                   | 13565 34      | 3963 18  | 4973 36   | 3963 18             | 22501 88       | 155 71        | .....        | 22346 17    |

NUMERICAL STATEMENT FOR 1899.

| NAME.      | NO. | LOCATION.        | No. members   |            |             |                   |            |            |       |                           |                         |                 | Total No. |          |           |        |
|------------|-----|------------------|---------------|------------|-------------|-------------------|------------|------------|-------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------|----------|-----------|--------|
|            |     |                  | Dec. 31, 1898 | Initiated. | Reinstated. | Admitted by Card. | Suspended. | Withdrawn. | Died. | No. members Dec. 31, 1899 | Past Grand Chancellors. | Past Chanc'l's. |           | Knights. | Esquires. | Pages. |
| Mystic     | 1   | Toronto          | 45            | 6          | 2           | 2                 | 3          | 3          | 1     | 49                        | 2                       | 9               | 37        | 1        | 1         | 49     |
| Myrtle     | 2   | London           | 71            | 11         | 2           | 5                 | 1          | 4          | 74    | 10                        | 62                      | 118             | 2         | 3        | 74        |        |
| Red Cross  | 3   | Hamilton         | 136           | 9          | 1           | 3                 | 2          | 2          | 141   | 2                         | 21                      | 118             | 1         | 1        | 141       |        |
| Rokeby     | 9   | Wallaceburg      | 29            | 6          | 1           | 3                 | 2          | 1          | 31    | 1                         | 1                       | 29              | 1         | 1        | 31        |        |
| Prospect   | 10  | London           | 125           | 2          | 4           | 25                | 1          | 104        | 3     | 18                        | 83                      | 31              | 1         | 1        | 104       |        |
| Algoma     | 11  | Sault Ste. Marie | 34            | 9          | 4           | 2                 | 2          | 43         | 3     | 8                         | 34                      | 1               | 1         | 1        | 43        |        |
| Rathbone   | 12  | Olive            | 73            | 4          | 1           | 2                 | 2          | 74         | 3     | 9                         | 60                      | 1               | 1         | 1        | 74        |        |
| St. Thomas | 14  | Bruce Mines      | 40            | 4          | 1           | 1                 | 2          | 42         | 10    | 31                        | 1                       | 1               | 1         | 1        | 42        |        |
| Marmion    | 15  | Chatham          | 36            | 1          | 1           | 7                 | 3          | 1          | 26    | 2                         | 6                       | 18              | 1         | 1        | 26        |        |
| Friendship | 16  | Windsor          | 105           | 3          | 2           | 5                 | 3          | 102        | 17    | 84                        | 1                       | 1               | 1         | 1        | 102       |        |
| Petrolia   | 17  | Petrolia         | 70            | 1          | 7           | 1                 | 14         | 2          | 1     | 62                        | 7                       | 55              | 1         | 1        | 62        |        |
| Queen City | 18  | Toronto          | 50            | 2          | 2           | 1                 | 7          | 2          | 44    | 6                         | 38                      | 44              | 1         | 1        | 44        |        |
| Amicus     | 20  | Toronto          | 61            | 3          | 2           | 11                | 1          | 1          | 54    | 11                        | 40                      | 2               | 1         | 1        | 54        |        |
| Toronto    | 30  | Toronto          | 107           | 10         | 8           | 2                 | 9          | 2          | 117   | 15                        | 101                     | 117             | 1         | 1        | 117       |        |
| Bismarck   | 31  | Hamilton         | 48            | 1          | 1           | 2                 | 2          | 29         | 1     | 3                         | 21                      | 29              | 1         | 1        | 29        |        |
| Calanthe   | 36  | Bramford         | 28            | 1          | 3           | 8                 | 2          | 28         | 5     | 37                        | 1                       | 31              | 1         | 1        | 28        |        |
| Columbian  | 37  | London           | 35            | 3          | 3           | 3                 | 3          | 43         | 3     | 31                        | 5                       | 37              | 1         | 1        | 43        |        |
| Hamlet     | 42  | Stratford        | 34            | 12         | 1           | 3                 | 3          | 3          | 31    | 5                         | 25                      | 31              | 1         | 1        | 31        |        |
| Woodstock  | 45  | Woodstock        | 1156          | 1105       | 36          | 6                 | 113        | 20         | 16    | 1154                      | 14                      | 1175            | 949       | 6        | 10        | 1154   |

## ROSTER OF LODGES, DOMAIN OF ONTARIO, 1900.

| LODGE.     | No. | LOCATION.    | Nights of Meeting. | Cattle Hall.        | Chanc. Com.     | P.O. Address.    | K. of K. S.      | P.O. Address.    |
|------------|-----|--------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Mystic     | 1   | Toronto      | 2 and 4 Tuesday    | Pythian Hall.       | E. L. Hartwell. | 305 Yonge St.    | C. Deverall      | 39 Denison Ave   |
| Myrtle     | 2   | London       | Every Tuesday      | Richmond St.        | Jas. Dean       | London           | M. E. Brown      | 249 Oxford St.   |
| Red Cross  | 3   | Hamilton     | Monday             | 24 John St. W.      | T. W. Shaver.   | Catherine St. S. | Thos. Pettler    | 219 Main St. E.  |
| Rokeby     | 9   | Wallaceburg  | " Wednesday        | James & Nelson      | E. E. Parker.   | Wallaceburg      | D. W. Stonhouse  | Wallaceburg.     |
| Prospect   | 10  | London       | " Monday           | Dundas & Clar.      | Frank Cooke.    | 310 Simcoe St.   | Jos. Sipple      | 453 Central Ave  |
| Algona     | 11  | St. Marie.   | " Tuesday          | Dawson Bldg.        | J. A. Templeton | Sault Ste. Marie | R. J. Templeton. | Sault Ste. Marie |
| Rathbone   | 12  | St. Thomas.  | " Wednesday        | Talbot St.          | W. A. Burns.    | St. Thomas       | J. J. Teetzel    | St. Thomas.      |
| Olive      | 14  | Bruce Mines. | " Wednesday        | (Lawford St.)       | A. R. Cade.     | Bruce Mines.     | W. H. Wickett.   | Bruce Mines.     |
| Marmion    | 15  | Chatham      | " Monday           | King & 6th Sts.     | O. L. Lewis.    | Chatham          | P. S. Coate      | Chatham.         |
| Friendship | 16  | Windsor      | " Monday           | Sandwich St. W.     | J. E. D'Avignon | Windsor          | W. J. Tomlinson  | Box 203, Wind'g  |
| Petrolia   | 17  | Petrolia     | 2 and 4 Monday     | McMillan Block      | C. H. Fraser    | Petrolia         | John Read        | Box 205, Pet'ria |
| Queen City | 18  | Toronto      | 1 and 3 Friday     | Temple Bldg.        | F. E. Bryan     | Woodbine         | W. J. Stevens.   | Toronto P. O.    |
| Amicus     | 20  | Toronto      | 1 and 3 Tuesday    | St. George's H[all] | W. E. McMillan  | 44 Scott Street. | W. A. n.         | 383 Church St.   |
| Toronto    | 30  | Toronto      | 1 and 3 Thursday   | Temple Bldg.        | Thos. J. Hill   | 10 E. Broad St.  | R. W. Williams   | 139 Grange Ave   |
| Bismarck   | 31  | Hamilton     | Every Tuesday      | 24 John St. W.      | G. H. Nicholson | 31 King Will in  | H. Morris        | 224 King St. E.  |
| Calanthe   | 36  | Brantford    | 2 and 4 Thursday   | Market St.          | J. Davidson     | Brantford.       | H. A. Tipper     | Brantford.       |
| Columbian  | 37  | London       | 1 and 3 Thursday   | Dundas St.          | Fred. Tallett.  | 572 Elias street | D. Cranston      | Wolsley Barr's   |
| Hamlet     | 42  | Stratford    | Every Wednesday    | Forester's Block    | C. Farquharson  | Stratford        | Wm. Mitchell.    | Stratford.       |
| Woodstock  | 45  | Woodstock    | 2 and 4 Wednesday  | Dundas St.          | Jas. Forbes     | Woodstock        | Alf. Bicknell    | Woodstock.       |

## REPORT OF GRAND MASTER OF EXCHEQUER.

HAMILTON, August 1st, 1900.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge :*

I herewith submit for your consideration the report of this office for the fiscal year ending May 31st, 1900.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN P. MACLEOD,  
*Grand Master of Exchequer.*

## RECEIPTS.

|         | LODGE                                      | No. | Capita Tax. | Supplies. |
|---------|--|-----|-------------|-----------|
| 1899.   | Balance from last term .....               |     |             | \$545 74  |
| June    | 1—Interest on deposit to May 31st. . . . . |     |             | 5 13      |
| "       | 3—Friendship .....                         | 16  |             | \$1 00    |
| "       | 3—Mystic .....                             | 1   |             | 5 00      |
| "       | 26—Queen City .....                        | 18  | \$24 00     |           |
| "       | 29—Mystic .....                            | 1   | 25 50       |           |
| "       | 29—Toronto .....                           | 30  | 58 50       |           |
| "       | 30—Olive .....                             | 14  | 21 00       |           |
| July    | 3—Bismarck .....                           | 31  | 29 00       |           |
| "       | 3—Algoma .....                             | 11  | 20 00       |           |
| "       | 4—Red Cross .....                          | 3   | 70 00       |           |
| "       | 5—Rokeby .....                             | 9   | 16 50       |           |
| "       | 6—Myrtle .....                             | 2   | 34 50       |           |
| "       | 7—Woodstock .....                          | 45  | 15 00       |           |
| "       | 8—Mystic .....                             | 1   |             | 50        |
| "       | 10—Amicus .....                            | 20  | 26 50       |           |
| "       | 19—Prospect .....                          | 10  | 52 50       |           |
| "       | 31—Rathbone .....                          | 12  | 37 50       |           |
| Aug. 8— | Columbian .....                            | 37  | 17 35       |           |
| "       | 14—Mystic .....                            | 1   |             | 2 50      |
| "       | 15—Hamlet .....                            | 42  | 21 00       |           |
| "       | 24—Friendship .....                        | 16  | 51 00       |           |
| "       | 29—Petrolia .....                          | 17  | 31 50       |           |

|       | LODGE                        | No. | Capita Tax. | Supplies. |
|-------|------------------------------|-----|-------------|-----------|
| Sept. | 1—Hamlet                     | 42  |             | 1 00      |
| "     | 2—Marmion                    | 15  | 14 50       |           |
| "     | 18—Rathbone                  | 12  |             | 2 25      |
| "     | 23—Rokeby                    | 9   |             | 1 00      |
| "     | 23—Myrtle                    | 2   |             | 85        |
| "     | 30—Calanthe                  | 36  | 14 00       |           |
| Oct.  | 6—Prospect                   | 10  |             | 1 50      |
| "     | 14—Rathbone                  | 12  |             | 15 25     |
| "     | 14—Red Cross                 | 3   |             | 1 50      |
| "     | 27—Mystic                    | 1   |             | 12 00     |
| Nov.  | 20—R. Ironside               |     |             | 1 25      |
| "     | 20—Toronto                   | 30  |             | 3 00      |
| "     | 20—G. L. Card, J. F. Scholes |     |             | 2 00      |
| Dec.  | 28—Mystic                    | 1   | 24 50       |           |
| "     | 28—Toronto                   | 30  | 59 00       |           |
| "     | 29—Algoma                    | 11  | 21 50       |           |
| "     | 30—Bismarck                  | 31  | 30 00       |           |
| 1900. |                              |     |             |           |
| Jan.  | 4—Prospect                   | 10  | 52 00       |           |
| "     | 4—Myrtle                     | 2   | 37 50       | 75        |
| "     | 9—Hamlet                     | 42  | 21 50       |           |
| "     | 9—Red Cross                  | 3   | 70 50       |           |
| "     | 11—Mystic                    | 1   |             | 6 00      |
| "     | 11—Petrolia                  | 17  | 31 00       |           |
| "     | 12—Olive                     | 14  | 21 00       | 6 00      |
| "     | 12—Woodstock                 | 45  | 15 50       |           |
| "     | 12—Prospect                  | 10  |             | 1 25      |
| "     | 12—Amicus                    | 20  | 27 00       |           |
| "     | 15—Queen City                | 18  | 22 00       |           |
| "     | 16—Bismarck                  | 31  |             | 4 50      |
| "     | 20—Columbian                 | 37  | 14 00       |           |
| "     | 22—Rokeby                    | 9   | 15 50       |           |
| "     | 23—Calanthe                  | 36  | 14 50       |           |
| "     | 24—Rathbone                  | 12  | 37 00       |           |
| "     | 24—Prospect                  | 10  |             | 1 25      |
| "     | 26—Marmion                   | 15  | 13 00       |           |
| "     | 31—Friendship                | 16  | 51 00       |           |
| Feb.  | 14—Petrolia                  | 17  |             | 4 75      |
| "     | 19—Red Cross                 | 3   |             | 4 50      |
| Mar.  | 8—Rathbone                   | 12  |             | 3 00      |
| "     | 10—G. L. Card, E. Betts      |     |             | 4 00      |
| "     | 10—G. L. Card, J. R. Snedden |     |             | 4 00      |

| Lodge                           | No. | Capita Tax. | Supplies.         |
|---------------------------------|-----|-------------|-------------------|
| Mar. 10—Queen City              | 18  | 22 00       |                   |
| “ 10—Toronto                    | 30  | 2 00        |                   |
| “ 23—Bismarck                   | 31  | 13 75       |                   |
| “ 29—Myrtle                     | 2   | 2 25        |                   |
| Apr. 2—Red Cross                | 3   | 10 00       |                   |
| May 29—G. L. Card, Philip Davey |     | 2 00        |                   |
| “ 29—Algoma                     | 11  | 6 00        |                   |
| “ 29—Amicus                     | 20  | 5 00        |                   |
| “ 29—Toronto                    | 30  | 50          |                   |
| “ 29—G. L. Card, S. J. Sheridan |     | 2 00        |                   |
| “ 29—Queen City                 | 18  | 10 00       |                   |
| “ 29—Toronto                    | 30  | 2 00        |                   |
| “ 29—Mystic                     | 1   | 75          |                   |
| “ 29—G. L. Card, C. A. Wenino   |     | 2 00        |                   |
| “ 29—Queen City                 | 18  | 20 00       |                   |
| “ 30—Petrolia                   | 17  | 75          |                   |
| “ 31—Columbian                  | 37  | 75          |                   |
| “ 31—Amicus                     | 20  | 8 75        |                   |
| “ 31—Interest to May 31st, 1900 |     | 13 88       |                   |
|                                 |     | \$1157 85   | \$223 11 \$545 74 |

EXPENDITURE.

|                              |                               |     |         |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----|---------|
| 1899.                        |                               |     |         |
| June 19—Ontario Government   | Renewal of Registry           | 568 | \$25 00 |
| “ 19—W. Haynes, G. K. R.S.   | Rent P. O. Box to June 30.    | 569 | 4 00    |
| July 4—Wm. McBean            | Rent G. L. Room               | 570 | 30 00   |
| “ 15—W. H. Murch, P. G. C.   | Expenses and Sundries         | 571 | 120 55  |
| “ 15—J. P. Macleod, G. M. E. | Postage, etc                  | 572 | 6 50    |
| “ 15—W. Haynes, G. K. R.S.   | Salary to July 12th, 1899.    | 573 | 150 00  |
| “ 18—J. G. Wilson            | Typewriting, postage, G. L.   | 574 | 4 00    |
| “ 15—J. P. Macleod, G. M. E. | Caretaker, G. L. London       | 575 | 5 00    |
| Aug. 8— “ “ “                | Renewal Guarantee Bond        | 576 | 5 00    |
| July 12— “ “ “               | Grand Lodge Expenses          | 577 | 345 64  |
| Aug. 3—W. Haynes, G. K. R.S. | Postage, cartage, etc.        | 579 | 16 90   |
| Nov. 8— “ “                  | Salary to Oct. 12, 1899       | 580 | 75 00   |
| “ 24—C. A. Abraham           | G. L. Journal, Ex. Rept. etc. | 581 | 83 40   |
| Dec. 9—J. S. MacKay, G. C.   | Expenses, Algoma Lodges.      | 582 | 44 25   |
| 1900.                        |                               |     |         |
| Jan. 1—W. Haynes, G. K. R.S. | Supplies, etc.                | 583 | 12 45   |
| “ 8—R. L. C. White           | Supplies, Sup. Lodge          | 584 | 1 40    |
| “ 9—Wm. McBean               | Rent G. L. Room               | 585 | 30 00   |
| Feb. 9—W. Haynes, G. K. R.S. | Salary to Jan. 14, 1900       | 586 | 75 00   |

|  |     |                  |
|--|-----|------------------|
| Feb. 19—Geo. Massey, D.G.C.... Expenses as D.G.C.....  | 587 | 5 00             |
| Mar. 10—R. L. C. White ..... S.L. Capitation Tax.....  | 588 | 46 16            |
| May 5—Thos. G. Soole ..... Printing.....               | 589 | 6 50             |
| “ 5—W. Haynes, G. K.R.S.... Sundry Expenses, etc. .... | 500 | 23 95            |
| “ 5—J. P. Macleod..... Printing.....                   | 591 | 3 50             |
| “ 29—R. L. C. White ..... Supplies.....                | 592 | 23 93            |
| Total.....   |     | <u>\$1143 13</u> |

## RECAPITULATION.

## RECEIPTS.

|                                     |                  |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Balance on hand May 31st, 1899..... | \$545 74         |
| Received from all sources.....      | 1380 96          |
| Total.....                          | <u>\$1926 70</u> |

## EXPENSES.

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| Expenditure to May 31st, 1900... ..     | 1143 13         |
| Total cash on hand, May 31st, 1900..... | <u>\$783 57</u> |

Past Grand Chancellor McWhinney suggested that we have suitable badges for this grand body to be worn during the conclave of the Uniform Rank in the neighboring city of Detroit.

It was moved and seconded by Supreme Representatives McConnell and Peace, "That a committee of three be appointed to procure same, the cost to be left to said committee." Carried.

The following committee was named: Past Grand Chancellor McWhinney, Grand Master of Exchequer Macleod, and Past Grand Representative Linz, of No. 16.

Moved and seconded by Supreme Representative Peace and Grand Representative Morris, of No 31, "That the Executive Reports be referred to Committee on Distribution." Carried.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal read a lengthy letter from the Grand Domain of Arkansas, re Pythian Sanitarium, which on motion was referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

The Grand Chancellor then called for reports from the Standing Committees.

Chairman Whyte, of No. 31, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT No. 1, COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance begs leave to report that it has examined the books of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and the Grand Master of Exchequer, and have compared them with the accounts and vouchers and find them correct, viz:—

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| We find on hand June 1st, 1899.....        | \$545 74 |
| Received from per capita tax .....         | 1157 85  |
| Received from supplies.....                | 223 11   |
|  | <hr/>    |
| From which has been paid by warrants ..... | 1926 70  |
|  | 1143 13  |
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| Balance on hand May 31st, 1900.....        | 783 57   |

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. WHYTE, of No. 31.

E. ESTELL PARKER, of No. 9.

Chairman Wilson, of No. 20, from the Committee on Printing, presented the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

Your Committee begs leave to report that in accordance with instructions tenders were invited from all master printers in the order. Two tenders were received, that of Thos. G. Soole being the lower the contract was awarded to him.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. WILEY, of No. 30.

JAS. G. WILSON, of No. 20.

The Grand Outer Guard announced a deputation in the ante room.

The Grand Chancellor declared a recess and the Grand Master at-Arms introduced Mayor John Davis, A. McNee, Vice-President of the Board of Trade, M. K. Cowan, M.P., R. J. Sutherland, Q.C., and Chancellor Commander J. E. D'Avignon, of Friendship Lodge, No. 16.

The Mayor gave the following address of welcome :

*To the Grand Chancellor and Members of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, of the Knights of Pythias :*

SIRS,—One of the pleasantest duties devolving upon the head of a municipality is that of extending a welcome to a body of distinguished visitors, and I assure you that it is with more than usual sincerity and gratification that I now, in the name of the citizens at large, welcome you to this young but prosperous and ambitious city. As a community we feel flattered by your selection of this place for the holding of your annual convention and we trust and believe that you will in no sense regret your choice. Nature has done much for Windsor and strangers while here may observe attractions that are not to be found in any other Canadian town, and which, to minds given to reflection, cannot fail of appreciation and admiration. I earnestly hope that the important business bringing you together will be happily disposed of so as to allow you ample opportunity under the guidance of well-informed and faithful resident members of your order, to become personally acquainted with the attractions referred to, alike by land and water. I am aware that the immense assembly of Knights of Pythias from every section of the United States and Canada, which is to occupy the current week in the neighbouring city of Detroit, will of necessity command no small degree of your attention, yet we will indulge

the hope that you nevertheless will afford opportunity for the exercise of hospitality and general good-fellowship towards your Grand Lodge by not only the Windsor Pythians but by the Windsor people as a community.

JOHN DAVIS, *Mayor*.

Vice-President A. McNee, of the Board of Trade, M. K. Cowan, M.P., and R. J. Sutherland, Q.C., also addressed the Grand Lodge, followed by J. E. D'Avignon, Chancellor Commander of Friendship Lodge, No. 16, with the following welcome :

*To the Grand Chancellor and the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, Domain of Ontario :*

SIR,—On behalf of the Pythians of Windsor, we heartily welcome you and the Grand Lodge to our city. We feel that in holding your 29th Annual Convention within our gates you are honoring our city, and we hope that your stay with us may be so agreeable as to tempt you to come again, and can assure you that your repeated visits will always be welcomed. We have learned with much satisfaction that during your incumbency of the office the number of lodges, the membership and the financial position of the order has materially improved, and we hope this progress may continue.

With a good deal of pride we call your attention to the beauties of our river and to its shipping, which is greater than that of any other port in the world, also to the many places of historical interest in this vicinity and the magnificent city across the river, where, after you have finished your labors here, you will have an opportunity to join in the large and splendid gathering attendant upon the meeting of the Supreme body.

We hope you will enjoy all these pleasures and believe that your present convention will not only be a pleasant one but also productive of much good in the interests of, and for the prosperity of the order in this Domain.

Signed on behalf of Friendship Lodge, No. 16.

J. E. D'AVIGNON, C. C.

Grand Chancellor Mackay replied, thanking them for their kind words and wishes, stating that the delegates were very favorably impressed with the beauty of Windsor and assuring them that our visit must necessarily be a pleasant one.

Past Grand Chancellor Murch also replied.

The deputation then withdrew and Grand Lodge was called to order.

Grand Representative Burns, of No. 3, from the Special Committee on Distribution, presented the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

Your Committee on Distribution, to whom was referred the reports of Grand Lodge officers, recommend as follows :

1. That so much of the Report of the Grand Chancellor as refers to "Official Visits," "New Lodges," "Eastern Ontario Organizer," "Defunct Lodges," and "Reports of Deputy Grand Chancellors," be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

2. That so much of said report as refers to "Deputy Grand Chancellors," "Dispensation Granted," and "Official Circular," be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

3. That so much of the report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal as refers to "Introductory Remarks," "Executive Reports," "Pythian Publications," "Fraternal Correspondence," "South African Volunteers," "Membership of Subordinate Lodges," and "Financial and Numerical State of Subordinate Lodges," be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

4. That so much of said report as refers to "Supplies," be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

5. That so much of said report as refers to "Endowment Rank," be referred to a Special Committee.

6. That so much as refers to "Semi-Annual Returns," be referred to Committee on Reports.

7. That so much of said report as refers to "Finances of Grand Lodge," "Debit and Credit Statement," "Profit and Loss Account," "Financial Statement," and the "Report of the Grand Master of Exchequer," be referred to the Committee on Finance.

JOHN BURNS, of No. 3.

A. RAMSPERGER, of No. 31.

H. R. HAMILTON, of No. 20.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal then read the following, which was referred to the Committee on Warrants and Charters :

*To the Grand Lodge of Pythians, of Ontario :*

The undersigned, by authority and on behalf of Woodstock Lodge, No. 45, of Woodstock, Ont., working under a warrant dated May 18th, 1895, would respectfully report that our lodge is in good working condition and that its future prospects of permanency are also good. The officers are punctual

in the performance of their duties, and the attendance of the members is regular. The membership now numbers 26, being an increase of 8 since institution, and we have \$276.06 in the treasury. We, therefore, pray that your Grand body will grant the lodge a charter in lieu of the warrant and enclose herewith the fee of five dollars.

JAMES FORBES, C. C.

ALFRED BICKNELL, K. R. S.

Dated this 28th day of July, 1900.

Grand Representative Hamilton, of No. 20, from Committee on Warrants and Charters, presented the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT No. 1—ON WARRANTS AND CHARTERS.

Your Committee to whom was referred the application of Woodstock Lodge, No. 45 for a charter in lieu of a warrant under which they are now working recommend that a charter be granted to said lodge. The fee of \$5 accompanies the application.

Fraternally submitted,

H. R. HAMILTON, of No. 20.

R. A. E. BURNS, of No. 30.

Chairman Mitchell, of No. 1, from the Committee on Judiciary, presented the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT No. 1—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

Your Committee on Judiciary beg to submit the following report of its work since the last convention of Grand Lodge :

On October 18th, 1899, it examined a new code of by-laws submitted by Toronto Lodge, No. 30, and made the following amendments thereto :

Sec. 9. Re Payment of Dues.—Added to section the words, "Up to and including the last regular convention of the lodge in any quarter, and any payment made to him after said last convention and prior to the end of the quarter shall date only from the first day of the succeeding quarter" (Sec. 248, G. S.)

Sec. 22. Funeral Benefits to Beneficial Members.—This section provided only funeral benefits to be paid when a member at the time of his decease was entitled to receive such benefits and was not approved, but referred back to have provision made for the payment of at least \$20 for such members, whether they were entitled to sick benefits or not.

Sec. 26. Duties of Lodge Surgeon.—This section provided that for the examination of candidates "he shall receive a fee of 50c," to which was added the words: "such fee to be paid by the applicant and such examination shall be in accordance with Sec. 285, G. S."

Sec. 39. Executive Committee.—Regarding report of committee to the lodge it read: "Shall be reported to the lodge in writing and receive the endorsement of the same before any action can be taken thereon," which was amended by inserting after the word "same," the words, "as may be required under these by-laws."

Sec. 51. Benefit Fund.—This section provided that this fund "shall be held exclusively for the payment of the sick, funeral, and widows and orphans or dependent relatives benefits," to which was added the words, "as provided for in these by-laws."

A copy of the by-laws amended as above were sent to the lodge but were not resubmitted to your committee for its approval and certificate, consequently it is natural to suppose that no further action was taken by the lodge.

At the same meeting the following amendment to the by-laws of Mystic Lodge, No. 1, was approved: Amend the last clause of Sec. 6 by striking out the words, "for reinstatement the amount of dues for the year for which suspended," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "for reinstatement, \$3.00."

On November 23rd, 1899, it examined a new code of by-laws submitted by Friendship Lodge, No. 16, and made the following amendments thereto.

Sec. 2. Membership.—This section read, "All applications for membership must be made on prescribed forms as provided by the lodge," and your committee struck out the words, "as provided by the lodge," and inserted in lieu thereof the words, "and not otherwise."

Sec. 4. This section read, "Applicants shall be required to pass a satisfactory medical examination," to which was added, "and such examination must be in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 285, G. S.," also a note that "if any fee is charged by physician in addition to his salary," the following words must be added, "and the fee therefor shall be paid by the applicant."

Sec. 9. Payment of Dues.—To make this comply fully with Sec. 248, G. S., the following words were added, "subject to the provisions of this section payment may be made to the Master of Finance at any time or place."

Sec. 10. Assessments.—This read, "Assessments shall be levied according to Sec. 252, G. S.," and was not approved. The section of the G. S. referred to is permissive only, and if advantage of it is desired to be taken a by-law must be definitely formulated.

Secs. 13 and 15. Both of these sections refer to fines and assessments, but are inoperative until a by-law, as referred to under Sec. 10, is formulated and approved.

Sec. 17. Suspension for Non-Payment of Dues.—This section provided for notification at the end of twelve months, "and if arrears are not paid within thirty days after such notice he shall be suspended." The words, "he

shall be suspended," were stricken out and the following inserted in lieu thereof, "action shall be taken as provided in Sec. 324, G. S."

Secs. 19 and 20. Funeral Benefits.—Not approved, as no provision was made as to whom such benefits should be paid.

Secs. 21 and 22. Death Benefits.—Not approved, as not recognized by G. S. If such additional benefits are desired to be paid it must be in conformity with Sec. 260, G. S.

Sec. 23. Stricken out as its provision is fully covered by Sec. 22 when properly constructed, as advised by committee.

Sec. 24. When funeral expenses are paid by lodge, their being no relatives of the deceased member.—If expenses amount to over \$40 and there are any sick benefits due to the deceased member, such benefits may be applied to said funeral expenses, but the committee added the proviso, "but nothing in this section shall be construed as permitting the lodge to use the widow and orphans' benefits for any such purpose."

Sec. 25. Medical Examiner.—After the words, "who shall examine applicants for membership," was added the words, "and report the result of such examination to the lodge on the form prescribed in Sec. 285, G. S."

Sec. 26. Medical examination by a regular qualified medical doctor upon applicants who are non-residents of the City of Windsor accepted. This section amended by adding same words as in preceding section.

Sec. 27. Visiting and Relief Committee.—Section amended by adding the words, "The C. C. and V. C., shall, *ex-officio*, be members of the Committee.

Sec. 28. Attendant for Sick Member.—Provided for expenses to be paid by assessment on members as per Sec. 252, G. S. The words, "as per Sec. 252, G. S.," were stricken out.

These by-laws were approved as altered or amended, except as to Secs. 10, 19, 20, 21 and 22, which would require to be amended by the lodge and submitted to the Committee on Judiciary, but the committee have heard nothing further in regard to them.

On March 28th, 1900, the committee examined a code of by-laws submitted by Bismarck Lodge, No. 31, and made the following amendments thereto:

Sec. 3. Applications for Membership.—"Forms provided by the lodge," was made to read, "forms provided by the Supreme Lodge."

Sec. 9. "Dues become payable on the first day of January, April, July and October," to which was added the words, "without notice."

Sec. 10. Assessment for Benefits—This section provided for an assessment upon all the members, and was amended to read, "upon all beneficial

members," and at the end of section was added the following words, "except in case of the funeral benefit of a non-beneficial member, when the assessment shall be levied upon every member."

Sec. 16. Funeral Benefits.—This section contained a proviso which read, "is clear on the books of the lodge." This was stricken out and the following substituted, "is not in arrears to the amount of three months dues," thus making the section conform to the qualifications for sick benefits previously laid down in the by-laws.

Sec. 25. Salary to Outer Guard—This section provided for "an annual salary of not more than \$30, payable quarterly." The words, "not more than," were stricken out, as a by-law must be definite.

Sec. 26. The word "Constitution" was changed to "Grand Statutes."

Sec. 36. Amendments.—A change was made to make it read the same as Sec. 275, G. S., and the following words were stricken out, "but shall not be subject to amendment except by consent of the meeting at which final action is to be had on the proposition," this being directly contrary to the provisions of Sec. 276, G. S.

These changes being all compulsory the by-laws as altered were approved.

On July 18th, 1900, a code of by-laws submitted by Queen City Lodge, No. 18, were examined and amended as follows:

Sec. 1. Conventions.—This section provided that the lodge should meet in the "Temple Building," which was stricken out, as provision is made in the G. S. that the place of meeting of a lodge may be changed by dispensation from the Grand Chancellor.

Sec. 9. Re-Payment of Dues.—Added to section the words, "up to and including the last regular convention of the lodge in any quarter, and any payment made to him of the said last convention and prior to the end of the quarter shall date only from the first day of the succeeding quarter." (See 248, G. S.)

Sec. 11. Arrears.—Contained the word "party," changed to "member."

Sec. 25. Duties of Surgeon.—Added to second sub-section the words, "said fee to be paid by the applicant and said examination to be in accordance with Sec. 285, G. S."

With the foregoing compulsory alterations the by-laws were approved.

A communication from Petrolia Lodge, No. 17, was submitted to the committee by the G. K. R. S. desiring to know "if under the Grand Statutes it is permissible for a lodge to have three funds," to which the following answer was sent:

As a general proposition I may say that power is not to be presumed beyond the language used in the Constitution of an order, but in this particular case it is so plainly defined that it is hard to conceive how the question could arise.

Chap. xiv. Relating to the disposal of the funds of a lodge.

Sec. 239. The funds of a lodge shall consist of two classes (not three, four or half a dozen, but simply *two*), viz.: the Benefit Fund and the General Fund. This provides for two funds, and gives a name to each.

Sec. 241. This section provides that the lodge at each convention must decide what proportion of the receipts shall be deposited to the credit of the Benefit Fund, and lays down what the minimum amount shall be, and then says, "and the *balance* shall be deposited to the credit of the General Fund."

Under the Grand Statutes a lodge can have but two funds.

The finding of the committee was unanimous.

Truly submitted,

GEO. H. MITCHELL, of No. 1.

CHAS. DEVERALL, of No. 1.

FRANK EDMAND, of No. 1.

On motion of Representatives Burns, of No. 3, and Hamilton, of No. 20, the communication from Missouri, was referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

The Grand Inner Guard having announced the presence of Past Chancellor W. J. Tomlinson, of No. 16, in the ante room, desirous of receiving the Grand Lodge Rank, he was admitted and the Grand Lodge Rank conferred.

The Grand Chancellor then called upon Supreme Representative Daniels, of Ohio, to address the Lodge, which he did in a very pleasing manner.

Chairman Mitchell, of No. 1, from the Committee on Judiciary, presented the following report, which was adopted :

#### REPORT No. 2, OF THE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred certain portions of the report of the Grand Chancellor, beg to report as follows :

1. Deputy Grand Chancellors.—The appointment of deputies is the special prerogative of the Grand Chancellor and your Committee are pleased to learn that those brothers who were honored with the position have rendered valuable assistance to the Grand Chancellor.

2. Dispensations Granted.—To Olive Lodge, No. 14, "To hold weekly conventions instead of bi-monthly as formerly," is not approved. The Grand Statutes provide for weekly conventions and by dispensation for bi-monthly or monthly. If, under the latter, lodges have in their by-laws provided for such

conventions and desire to change to weekly it must be done by amendment to their by-laws. Those granted to Petrolia and Bismarck Lodges are approved.

Appeals for aid do not come under the head of dispensations but are regulated by Chap. XVII., Title II., Grand Statutes, and, during recess of the Grand Lodge, are entirely at the discretion of the Grand Chancellor. So far as permission to circulate is concerned your Committee are in full accord with the Grand Chancellor in refusing permission for reasons stated.

The reference of the Grand Chancellor regarding dispensation "for conferring the three ranks in one night," is rather ambiguous. The inference is that in some cases such dispensations have been granted. If so he has exceeded his authority. Section 73, G. S., provides for the granting of seven dispensations and states that the Grand Chancellor shall have power to grant these and *none other*. There is no conflict between this Section and No. 253 of the Supreme Statutes which reads: "One week must elapse between the conferring of any two ranks upon the same person, except at the first four conventions of a new lodge, and *except as otherwise permitted by dispensation.*" This simply means that if a Grand Lodge desires to take advantage of the exception there is a way by which it can be done but the way must be provided for, and if provided for it shall be by dispensation. For anything not included in the authorized list a Grand Chancellor cannot grant a dispensation for Sec. 10, Art. VI., Grand Lodge Constitution provides: "The Grand Chancellor shall have power to grant such dispensations as the Grand Lodge may authorize by law." That it was not an oversight in excluding this subject from the list of dispensations is evidenced by Sec. 293, G. S., which provides: ". . . and in all cases, except the first four conventions of a new lodge, including institution, one week must elapse between the conferring of any two ranks upon the same person."

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. MITCHELL, of No. 1.

W. G. VANWINKLELL, of No. 20.

Representative King, of No. 42, from the Committee on Reports, presented the following which was adopted:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS.

We, the Committee on Semi-Annual Reports, beg to state that we have examined Semi-Annual Reports for June and December, 1899, and find them to correspond with books of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and that we find books very neat and correct.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. KING, of No. 42.

GEO. BURDICK, of No. 10.

GEO. MASSEY, of No. 15.

The Grand Inner Guard announced the presence of Supreme Chancellor Sample and several Supreme Representatives.

The Grand Chancellor ordered them to be admitted.

Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald introduced Supreme Chancellor Thomas G. Sample and Superintendent of Organizers of the Endowment Rank, Mr. Edward Atkinson, of Chicago, Ill., and they were received with Supreme honors.

The Supreme Chancellor started his address by taking off his coat and then giving one of the grandest speeches ever heard in Canada. His address on the beauties of the order and on the quality of the men who are being made Knights, and who should be made Knights, was grand. He strongly appealed to the members to practice the fraternity which was taught and when John Smith is sick to go out of their way and shake hands with him, tell him the boys miss him and will be glad to see him out again, and make him feel that he is a brother in real truth, and he will look for the next man to open the door and let a little sunshine in. He announced that the membership of the order now amounted to 513,000 and was growing rapidly. The Endowment Rank also came in for a good word and he gave a short resume of the advantages to be gained by pushing this section of our order. Over 65,000 members in the order are evidence of the advance of this branch and the fact that to-day we are paying over \$320,000 every three months to the widows and children of deceased brothers; since institution over \$15,000,000 has been paid to those left behind, and this in itself he considered the best advertisement the order could ever receive. His appeal to the members to see that their wives and children were not left to the charity of the world, was very eloquent and made an impression that will not soon be forgotten. The Uniform Rank was also strongly recommended to the attention of those present and he instanced the fact that when President McKinley called for volunteers over 5,000 members of the uniform rank responded at once. Striding forward to the Union Jack on the altar he laid his hand upon it and called on our members to be as devoted to our grand

old flag as they were to theirs and, amid the ringing huzzas of those present he paid a magnificent compliment to the Knights who live under the Queen's flag.

Past Supreme Representative Edward Atkinson also spoke on Pythianism in general with special reference to the Endowment Rank. He congratulated the order in Ontario on the manner in which they had worked to implant the order here and wished them every success in their work. He sketched the general work of the Endowment Rank during its history and showed how the rates of the order were based on a solid foundation and that the members ran it just as they pleased as the control was entirely in their own hands. They made it a certainty that their wives and children were looked after at their death and saw to it that they were left independent of the charity of the world. He called on the members to assist Bro. Robertson, the Organizer of the Rank in Ontario, in making the Rank one of the central points in our order.

The Supreme Chancellor then exemplified the secret work for the benefit of the Representatives.

After a hearty vote of thanks passed to the visitors the Grand Lodge adjourned for lunch.

## FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at three o'clock and on roll call the following answered their names :

|                         |                                   |
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| JOHN S. MACKAY .....    | Grand Chancellor.                 |
| WALTER G. HAYNES .....  | Grand Keeper of Records and Seal. |
| JOHN P. MACLEOD .....   | Grand Master of Exchequer.        |
| E. K. BARNSDALE .....   | Grand Inner Guard.                |
| A. G. MACDONALD .....   | Grand Outer Guard.                |
| R. H. MCCONNELL .....   | Supreme Representative.           |
| D. J. PEACE .....       | " "                               |
| F. J. FITZGERALD .....  | Past Grand Chancellor.            |
| A. G. MCWHINNEY .....   | " "                               |
| W. H. MURCH .....       | " "                               |
| THOS. ELLIOTT .....     | " "                               |
| GEO. H. MITCHELL .....  | Chairman Judiciary Committee.     |
| A. R. WHYTE .....       | Chairman Finance Committee.       |
| J. G. WILSON .....      | Chairman Printing Committee.      |
| P. G. C. MURCH, as      | Grand Vice-Chancellor.            |
| P. G. C. ELLIOTT, as    | Grand Prelate.                    |
| P. G. C. FITZGERALD, as | Grand Master-at-Arms              |

## And the following Representatives—

|                        |                                   |
|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Mystic, No. 1 .....    | R. J. Villiers.                   |
| Myrtle, " 2 .....      | G. Park, R. Cadwallader.          |
| Red Cross, " 3 .....   | J. Burns, M. Meston.              |
| Rokeby, " 9 .....      | E. E. Parker.                     |
| Prospect, " 10 .....   | H. A. Plastow, G. Burdick.        |
| Algoma, " 11 .....     | J. Hall.                          |
| Rathbone, " 12 .....   | M. J. Baker, G. A. Ingram.        |
| Olive, " 14 .....      | A. D. Jackson.                    |
| Marmion, " 15 .....    | G. Massey.                        |
| Friendship, " 16 ..... | J. Spiers, W. J. Tomlinson.       |
| Petrolia, " 17 .....   | E. Burt, A. E. Fitzgerald.        |
| Queen City, " 18 ..... | A. Coulter.                       |
| Amicus, " 20 .....     | W. G. VanWinkell, H. R. Hamilton. |
| White Lily, " 26 ..... | R. Cornyn.                        |
| Toronto, " 30 .....    | R. A. E. Burns, H. E. Wiley.      |
| Bismarck, " 31 .....   | H. Morris, A. Ramsperger.         |
| Zorra, " 34 .....      | G. Campbell.                      |
| Calanthe, " 36 .....   | W. T. James.                      |
| Columbian, " 37 .....  | D. Cranston.                      |
| Hamlet, " 42 .....     | A. H. King.                       |
| Woodstock, " 45 .....  | A. Bicknell.                      |

Representative Bicknell, of No. 45, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report, which on motion was taken up clause by clause, and adopted as amended :

REPORT No. 1.—COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

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

1. Your Committee take pleasure in congratulating some of the officers of the Grand Lodge for the efficient manner with which they have performed their several duties, but at the same time feel that the Grand Executive should be censured for not carrying out suggestion of last convention in not having printed a number of pamphlets setting forth concisely the objects of the order and the benefits to be derived therefrom, referred to in Report No. 4, of Committee on State of the Order.
2. At the last Grand Lodge meeting a report was unanimously adopted to attend the Supreme Lodge at Detroit, in uniform, and P.G.C. Ironside, of London, was appointed Secretary of the Committee. Numerous communications were sent to him but little or no satisfaction was received in reply as to what was being done by the Committee. It would seem the Special Committee actually did nothing in the matter except report, but left it entirely to the Subordinate Lodges, and "what was everybody's business was nobody's business." Your Committee think that the Executive Committee should have taken the matter in hand and had the same been done the attendance from Ontario to the Supreme Lodge convention would have been largely increased.
3. Your Committee are pleased to note that the visit of the Grand Chancellor to the lodges in Northern Ontario was made and hope that his visit will prove of some lasting benefit to the order in that section and that during the present year that a lodge at Port Arthur and Fort William may be reorganized and put on a good footing. We would suggest that the Grand Lodge Representative from that district take the matter up without delay. We are pleased to note that more interest is being taken in Calanthe Lodge, No. 36, Brantford, and hope that the enthusiasm may continue.
4. Your Committee would respectfully suggest to the Grand Chancellor that he should endeavor to have a meeting of his deputies at some convenient time and place and instruct them in the secret work of the order, and see that there is uniformity in the secret work of the order and that the Grand Chancellor, when making official visits should exemplify the work in such lodges where he may deem it necessary.
5. Taking the Grand Domain of Ontario as a whole it is regrettable to note that, there has been practically no progress and that less than half the lodges that have been instituted in the past are now in existence, and that very

little effort has been made to revive defunct lodges. We might particularly mention Galt, Berlin, Niagara Falls and Toronto Junction, where there seems to be a splendid field for Pythianism.

We commend the zeal of Brothers E. B. Galpin, of London, and Charles Beckett, of Strathroy, and the other members through whose instrumentality the Strathroy Lodge was instituted, and also congratulate P. C. Jas. Forbes, of Woodstock Lodge, on the formation of Zorra Lodge, in Embro, Oxford Co. The efforts of these members show what can be done when practical interest is taken.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALFRED BICKNELL, of No. 45.

R. J. VILLIERS, of No. 1.

G. A. INGRAM, of No. 12.

The Grand Lodge Rank was then conferred on the following Past Chancellors: G. Campbell, of No. 34; E. L. Sutherland, of No. 34.

Representative Bicknell, of No. 45, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented Report No. 2, State of the Order.

Moved and seconded by Representatives Coulter, of No. 18, and Whyte, of No. 31, "That this report be struck out." Carried.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal read the following communication, which on motion was received and fyled:

ST. THOMAS, August 25th, 1900.

To WALTER G. HAYNES, *G. K. R. S.*

I regret to advise you that owing to my departure for England next week it will be impossible for me to join you at Windsor on Monday. I had hoped to be present and give some of the boys a run for a higher office in the Grand Lodge, on which I am free to admit I had serious designs, but, although my hopes are shattered in that direction, I am still with you all in spirit and wish you every success for a successful and pleasant session. Give my very kindest regards to all the members and convey to them my regrets as above,

Fraternally yours,

A. E. DOMVILLE, *Grand Prelate.*

The Grand Chancellor then gave permission to Past Grand Chancellor E. Allison Powers, of Montreal, to address the Grand Lodge. He accordingly gave a statement of the affairs in Quebec

Province, where the government insisted on all societies depositing \$5000 before being allowed to do business in the Province, and asked our Grand Lodge to assist in getting the Supreme Lodge to make the deposit so that they could get the benefit of the Endowment Rank and also membership in the order, the government insisting on the lodges going out of business if the deposit be not at once put up. The following motion was put and carried :

Moved by Past Grand Chancellor Elliott, seconded by Grand Master of Exchequer Macleod, and carried unanimously,

"That this Grand Lodge petition the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, under the seal of this Grand Lodge and the signature of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, asking that the prayer of our Pythian brethren of the Province of Quebec be complied with by the Supreme Lodge; and that such petition be forwarded to the Supreme Lodge through our Supreme Representatives."

The Grand Master-at-Arms, having obtained permission, introduced the following visitors :

Supreme Representative C. A. Webb, of Ashville, N.C.

Supreme Representative H. P. Brown, of Cleburne, Texas.

G. K. R. S. H. O. Case, of Hartford, Conn.

" W. T. Hollowell, of Goldsboro, N.C.

" W. S. O'Brien, of Denver, Col.

" H. Miller, of Weatherford, Texas.

Each addressed the Grand Lodge and they were given a loyal reception.

Past Grand Chancellor Elliott replied on behalf of the Grand Lodge.

Chairman Mitchell, of No. 1, from the Committee on Judiciary, presented the following reports, which were adopted :

#### REPORT No. 3—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

Your Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred that portion of the report of the Grand Chancellor relating to "official circular," beg to report that in its opinion there was no necessity to issue a circular in regard to the question at issue.

The G. C. says: "This was with reference to the neglect of some lodges, or perhaps disobedience, in not obeying the mandate of the order as to the exclusion of bar tenders and others from becoming members of the Order."

Where there is smoke there must be fire, and if the G. C. had cause for suspicion he should have had an investigation and either had a clearance made or punishment meted out to the offending members or lodge. In such a case as this there should be no half-way measures. The law is plain, and no applicant, member, or lodge can violate it and plead even ignorance as an excuse.

It is the opinion of your Committee that the G. C. should be requested to place the facts of the case as he had them in the hands of his successor, and that an investigation should be held and the law administered in accordance with the facts.

Respectively submitted,

GEO. H. MITCHELL, of No. 1.

W. G. VANWINCKEL, of No. 20.

#### REPORT No. 4—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

Your Committee on Judiciary to whom was referred that portion of the report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, relating to "supplies," beg to report that if said officer has such impression he should report same to the G. C. and request that his deputies be instructed to make an investigation.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. MITCHELL, of No. 1.

Representative Bicknell, of No. 45, from Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report, which, on motion, was taken up clause by clause and adopted as amended:

#### REPORT No. 3—STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee to whom was referred the reports of the Grand Chancellor and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, beg to report as follows:

1. With reference to that part of the G. C.'s report, referring to ceding the eastern portion of Ontario to the Quebec district, your Committee are not in favor of this suggestion, as the Province of Ontario is none too large for a Grand Domain. Pythianism in Ontario largely radiates from Toronto and Hamilton, and the City of Ottawa is no further from these points than Windsor. Although the Grand Lodge is now small, there is nothing to prevent it covering the whole of Ontario, if properly fostered. While deeply regretting the loss of Smiths' Falls, Carlton Place and Almonte, we think they can be recuscitated by judicious handling. "Wh at we have we'll hold."

2. Referring to the *Pythian Review*, your Committee commend the zeal of P. G. C., E. A. Powers, of Montreal, in publishing such an excellent

Pythian paper, and would recommend that all the subordinate lodges would do their utmost to increase the circulation and interest of the *Pythian Review*.

3. Your Committee would recommend the appointment of an energetic Committee on Fraternal Correspondence, so as to keep in touch with the outside world of Pythianism.

4. With reference to members of the Order who are, or have been, on active service in South Africa, we would recommend that the suggestion of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal to have the names of these worthies occupy a prominent place in the next issue of the Grand Lodge Journal be adopted. We know these brothers will do their duty to their country as all Pythian Knights should.

5. We are pleased that the Printing Committee and the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal have assisted the Grand Lodge Committees in placing the reports of the Grand Lodge officers in the hands of the representatives at such an early date before the Grand Lodge convention, and would recommend that in future a copy be also sent to each subordinate lodge, so that the same could be discussed prior to the Grand Lodge convention.

6. Some of the reports of the D. G. C.'s are lacking in interest, nothing being stated about the progress of the Order in their districts. Surely the officers appointed as D. G. C.'s take sufficient interest in their work to inform the Grand Lodge of the progress and interest taken in their respective districts. We are pleased to hear the reports of D. G. C.'s D. Cranston, D. A. Bedwell, jr., and J. G. Wilson, as they give the Grand Lodge and members an idea of how the Order is progressing, and to our minds show that interest *that* is really required by a D. G. C.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALFRED BICKNELL, of No. 45.

R. J. VILLIERS, of No. 1.

G. A. INGRAM, of No. 12.

Clause 1--That it lay over till next convention.

Cluses 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6--Adopted.

Past Grand Chancellor Powers, of Montreal, and Editor of the *Pythian Review*, spoke on behalf of his paper, recommending it to the favorable notice of Grand Lodge.

Moved and seconded by Representatives Wilson and Hamilton, of No. 20, "That Grand Lodge donate the sum of \$100 towards the above paper, and that 5 copies be forwarded to each subordinate lodge. Motion lost.

It being six o'clock, the Grand Chancellor declared a recess till 8.30 a.m. Tuesday.

## SECOND DAY—AUGUST 28th.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 8.30 a.m., and the following reported at roll call :

|  |                                   |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| JOHN S. MACKAY .....                         | Grand Chancellor.                 |
| WALTER G. HAYNES .....                       | Grand Keeper of Records and Seal. |
| JOHN P. MACLEOD .....                        | Grand Master of Exchequer.        |
| E. K. BARNSDALE.....                         | Grand Inner Guard.                |
| A. G. MACDONALD.....                         | Grand Outer Guard.                |
| R. H. MCCONNELL.....                         | Supreme Representative.           |
| D. J. PEACE .....                            | “ “                               |
| F. J. FITZGERALD.....                        | Past Grand Chancellor.            |
| A. G. MCWHINNEY .....                        | “ “                               |
| W. H. MURCH .....                            | “ “                               |
| THOS. ELLIOTT .....                          | “ “                               |
| GEO. H. MITCHELL .....                       | Chairman Judiciar Committee.      |
| A. R. WHYTE .....                            | Chairman Finance Committee.       |
| J. G. WILSON .....                           | Chairman Printing Committee.      |
| P. G. C. MURCH, as Grand Vice-Chancellor.    |                                   |
| P. G. C. ELLIOTT, as Grand Prelate.          |                                   |
| P. G. C. FITZGERALD, as Grand Master-at-Arms |                                   |

And the following Representatives—

|                        |                                    |
|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Mystic, No. 1.....     | R. J. Villiers, F. Edmand.         |
| Myrtle, “ 2 .....      | G. Park, R. Cadwallader.           |
| Red Cross, “ 3.....    | J. Burns, M. Meston.               |
| Rokeby, “ 9.....       | E. E. Parker.                      |
| Prospect, “ 10.....    | H. A. Plastow, G. Burdick.         |
| Algoma, “ 11.....      | J. Hall.                           |
| Rathbone, “ 12.....    | M. J. Baker, G. A. Ingram.         |
| Olive, “ 14.....       | A. D. Jackson.                     |
| Marmion, “ 15.....     | G. Massey.                         |
| Friendship, “ 16.....  | J. Spiers, W. J. Tomlinson.        |
| Petrolia, “ 17.....    | E. Burt, A. E. Fitzgerald.         |
| Queen City, “ 18.....  | A. Coulter.                        |
| Amicus, “ 20.....      | W. G. VanWinckell, H. R. Hamilton. |
| White Lily, “ 26 ..... | R. Cornyn.                         |
| Bismarck, “ 31.....    | H. Morris, A. Ramsperger.          |
| Zorra, “ 34.....       | G. Campbell.                       |
| Calanthe, “ 36.....    | W. T. James.                       |
| Columbian, “ 37.....   | D. Cranston.                       |
| Hamlet, “ 42.....      | A. H. King.                        |
| Woodstock, “ 45.....   | A. Bicknell.                       |

Representative Bicknell, of No. 45, from Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report, which was taken up clause by clause, and as amended adopted :

REPORT No. 4—COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee beg to submit the following report :

1. With reference to the appointment of an Organizer, many of the lodges throughout the domain seem to be of the opinion that the same should be made without delay. Your Committee have fully considered the subject of appointing a permanent Organizer, and have been forced to the conclusion that, however, much the same may be desired, it is beyond the means of the Grand Lodge at the present time.

2. We would suggest for the consideration of the Grand Lodge that the appropriation of a sum not to exceed \$500 be placed at the disposal of the Executive Committee for the purpose of securing an energetic and reliable man to act as Organizer for a period of say at least three months, commencing from about the 1st of October.

3. If such a man can be secured we would recommend that his first duties should be to increase the membership of the present lodges and resuscitate the defunct lodges. We also suggest that particular attention be paid to securing members for the Endowment Rank, as members thus secured very seldom allow themselves to become suspended, having then a financial stake in the Order.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALFRED BICKNELL, No. 45.

R. J. VILLIERS, No. 1.

G. A. INGRAM, No. 12.

Clauses 1 and 3—Adopted.

Clause 2—"That the sum of \$300 be placed at the disposal of the Grand Executive to be used to the best advantage." Carried.

Representative Bicknell, of No. 45, from Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT No. 5—STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee beg to submit the following report :

1. At the last Grand Lodge session your Committee recommended that the Grand Keeper of Records and Seals obtain returns from subordinate lodges relating to the disposition of their lodge funds. Sec. 239 of the Grand Statutes provides that the funds must be deposited to the credit of the lodge

in a chartered bank in Ontario, duly authorized to receive deposits. Sec. 244 requires that all checks to be drawn on either fund must be signed by the Master of Exchequer and countersigned by the Chancellor Commander after an order has been regularly passed and a warrant served on the Master of Exchequer.

We find from the semi-annual returns of December 31, 1899, that the above sections have not been complied with by the following lodges:

Myrtle, No. 2, London—Funds not in chartered bank.

Red Cross, No. 3, Hamilton—Cheques not signed by Master of Exchequer.

Prospect, No. 10, London—Funds not in chartered bank.

Rathbone, No. 12, St. Thomas—Funds not in chartered bank; cheques not countersigned by Chancellor Commander, but only by Master of Exchequer.

Marmion, No. 15, Chatham—Funds not deposited to credit of Marmion Lodge, No. 15, K. of P., but only to credit of K. of P.

Columbian, No. 37, London—Funds not in chartered bank.

Hamlet, No. 42, Stratford—Funds not deposited to credit of Hamlet Lodge, No. 42, K. of P.; deposits not divided in bank into Benefit Fund and General Fund; cheques not signed by Chancellor Commander or Master of Exchequer, but by three trustees.

Woodstock, No. 45—Funds not deposited to credit of Lodge; funds not divided in bank into Benefit Fund and General Fund; cheques not countersigned by Chancellor Commander.

From the return from No. 45, June 30, 1900, it appears that lodge has complied with the Grand Statutes, but none of the other lodges above mentioned appear to have seen the error of their ways.

During the recess of Grand Lodge your Committee requested the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal to call the attention of any lodges who had not complied with the requirements of the above sections, 239 and 244.

2. Your Committee would recommend that the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal notify the above lodges that the above requirements of the Grand Statutes must be strictly complied with.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALFRED BICKNELL, No. 45.

R. J. VILLIERS, No. 1.

G. A. INGRAM, No. 12.

Moved and seconded by Past Grand Chancellors McWhinney and Elliott, "That a vote of thanks be tendered to the officers

and members of Friendship Lodge, No. 16, for their courteous and kind treatment of this Grand Body during this convention. Carried.

Grand Representative Tomlinson replied to same.

Moved and seconded by Past Grand Chancellor Elliott, and VanWinckell, of No. 20, "That the time and place of next annual convention be now brought up. Carried.

Brantford and Hamilton extended invitations. On a vote being put Hamilton was chosen. The date to be the 2nd Tuesday in July, 1901.

Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald spoke on the subject of the grand parade of the Uniform Rank in Detroit during the afternoon.

Representative Tomlinson, of No. 16, stated that all who wished to join in the parade would be attached to Friendship Lodge, No. 16, of Windsor.

Chairman Whyte, of No. 31, from the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, presented their report, which was adopted and warrant ordered in favor of the Grand Master of Exchequer for the amount :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

| NAMES.            | OFFICE OR LODGE. | NO. OF DAYS. | MILRS  | PER DIEM. | MILEAGE | TOTAL.  |
|-------------------|------------------|--------------|--------|-----------|---------|---------|
| J. S. MacKay      | G.C.             | 2            | 138    | \$4 00    | \$8 28  | \$12 28 |
| W. G. Haynes      | G.K.R.S.         | 2            | 225    | 4 00      | 13 50   | 17 50   |
| J. P. Macleod     | G.M.E.           | 2            | 186    | 4 00      | 11 16   | 15 16   |
| E. K. Barnsdale   | G.I.G.           | 2            | 142    | 4 00      | 8 52    | 12 52   |
| A. G. MacDonald   | G.O.G.           | 2            | 280    | 4 00      | 16 80   | 20 80   |
| R. H. McConnell   | S.R.             | 2            | 111    | 4 00      | 6 66    | 10 66   |
| D. J. Peace       | S.R.             | 2            | 186    | 4 00      | 11 16   | 15 16   |
| F. J. Fitzgerald  | P.G.C.           | 2            | 110    | 4 00      | 6 60    | 10 60   |
| A. McWhinney      | P.G.C.           | 2            | 110    | 4 00      | 6 60    | 10 60   |
| W. H. Murch       | P.G.C.           | 2            | 111    | 4 00      | 6 66    | 10 66   |
| Thos. Elliott     | P.G.C.           | 2            | 163    | 4 00      | 9 78    | 13 78   |
| G. H. Mitchell    | Chair. Jud.      | 2            | 225    | 4 00      | 13 50   | 17 50   |
| A. R. Whyte       | Chair. Fin.      | 2            | 186    | 4 00      | 11 16   | 15 16   |
| J. G. Wilson      | Ch. Print.       | 2            | 225    | 4 00      | 13 50   | 17 50   |
| F. Edmand         | 1                | 1            | 225    | 2 00      | 13 50   | 15 50   |
| R. J. Villiers    | 1                | 2            | 225    | 4 00      | 13 50   | 17 50   |
| G. Park           | 2                | 2            | 110    | 4 00      | 6 60    | 10 60   |
| R. Cadwallader    | 2                | 2            | 110    | 4 00      | 6 60    | 10 60   |
| J. Burns          | 3                | 2            | 186    | 4 00      | 11 16   | 15 16   |
| M. Meston         | 3                | 2            | 186    | 4 00      | 11 16   | 15 16   |
| E. E. Parker      | 9                | 2            | 69     | 4 00      | 4 14    | 8 14    |
| H. A. Plastow     | 10               | 2            | 110    | 4 00      | 6 60    | 10 60   |
| G. Burdick        | 10               | 2            | 110    | 4 00      | 6 60    | 10 60   |
| J. Hall           | 11               | 2            | 310    | 4 00      | 18 60   | 22 60   |
| M. J. Baker       | 12               | 2            | 111    | 4 00      | 6 66    | 10 66   |
| G. A. Ingram      | 12               | 2            | 111    | 4 00      | 6 66    | 10 66   |
| A. D. Jackson     | 14               | 2            | 280    | 4 00      | 16 80   | 20 80   |
| G. Massey         | 15               | 2            | 45     | 4 00      | 2 70    | 6 70    |
| E. Burt           | 17               | 2            | 115    | 4 00      | 6 90    | 10 90   |
| A. E. Fitzgerald  | 17               | 2            | 115    | 4 00      | 6 90    | 10 90   |
| A. Coulter        | 18               | 2            | 225    | 4 00      | 13 50   | 17 50   |
| W. G. VanWinckell | 20               | 2            | 225    | 4 00      | 13 50   | 17 50   |
| H. R. Hamilton    | 20               | 2            | 225    | 4 00      | 13 50   | 17 50   |
| R. Cornyn         | 26               | 2            | 110    | 4 00      | 6 60    | 10 60   |
| R. A. E. Burns    | 30               | 1½           | 225    | 3 00      | 13 50   | 16 50   |
| H. E. Wiley       | 30               | 1½           | 225    | 3 00      | 13 50   | 16 50   |
| H. Morris         | 31               | 2            | 186    | 4 00      | 11 16   | 15 16   |
| A. Ramsperger     | 31               | 2            | 186    | 4 00      | 11 16   | 15 16   |
| G. Campbell       | 34               | 2            | 130    | 4 00      | 7 80    | 11 80   |
| W. T. James       | 36               | 2            | 163    | 4 00      | 9 78    | 13 78   |
| D. Cranston       | 37               | 2            | 110    | 4 00      | 6 60    | 10 60   |
| A. H. King        | 42               | 2            | 142    | 4 00      | 8 52    | 12 52   |
| A. Bicknell       | 45               | 2            | 138    | 4 00      | 8 28    | 12 28   |
|                   |                  |              | 168 00 | 426 36    | 594 36  |         |

A. R. WHYTE, of No. 31.  
H. A. PLASTOW, of No. 10  
ED. BURT, of No. 17.

Moved and seconded by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, and Representative Morris, of No. 31, "That the sum of \$5 be granted to the janitor." Carried.

Moved and seconded by Past Grand Chancellor Murch, and Representative Hamilton, of No. 20, "That the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal procure Past Grand Chancellor's jewels for the present out-going Grand Chancellor and for his successors."

Several amendments were put, but the original motion carried.

A general discussion of the Endowment Rank by Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald and Representatives Burns, of No. 3, Wilson, of No. 20, and Burdick, of No. 10, was then held, and the members were urged to particularly push this part of the Order.

Representative Bicknell, of No. 45, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report, which was adopted :

#### REPORT No. 6—STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee beg to report as follows :

1. We desire to emphasize the fact that we consider that the stability of the Order largely depends on the Endowment Rank. Looking at other societies we cannot help but notice that the feature upon which they obtain and hold their membership is the insurance part of their order. We believe where a member of this Order has a financial interest in it by way of an endowment certificate it is not likely that he will allow himself to be suspended, and we would strongly urge upon the Grand Lodge to adopt some scheme to advance the cause of the Endowment Rank.
2. Your Committee notices from the lodge inspection by D. G. C.'s that some of the lodges are not carrying insurance on their furniture and paraphernalia. We would recommend that same be done.
3. We would suggest that Grand Representatives when they receive the Official Record should read the various reports contained therein to their respective lodges, as it is very often the case that hardly any members of the subordinate lodges ever read the Official Records.
4. Your Committee have before us the communication from the Grand Lodge of Missouri, dated November 28th, 1899, with reference to establishing a Pythian sanitarium in Hot Springs, Arkansas, and would suggest that the Supreme Representatives use their discretion in dealing with the matter in the Supreme Lodge convention.

5. Your Committee are pleased to note the improved condition of the finances of Grand Lodge and subordinate lodges. We desire to congratulate Rokeby Lodge, No. 9, Wallaceburg; Bismarck Lodge, No. 31, Hamilton; Hamlet Lodge, No. 42, Stratford; Red Cross, No. 3, Hamilton; Myrtle Lodge, No. 2, London; Algoma, No. 11, Sault Ste. Marie, and Toronto Lodge, No. 30, Toronto, in obtaining an increase in their membership.

6. We would suggest that in order to induce members of subordinate lodges to take more interest in their work, that entertainment committees be appointed, so as to make lodge conventions bright and active without much expense.

ALFRED BICKNELL, No. 45.

R. J. VILLIERS, No. 1.

G. A. INGRAM, No. 12.

There being no further committees to report the Grand Chancellor stated he would proceed with the

#### NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Past Grand Chancellors Elliott and McWhinney were appointed scrutineers.

For the office of Grand Chancellor the following were nominated: G. M. of E., J. P. Macleod, of No. 3; P.G.C. W. H. Murch, of No. 12; P.G.C. Elliott, of No. 36.

The last two declined the nomination and a ballot was then cast by the Grand Master-at-Arms, on behalf of the Grand Representatives, in favor of G.M. of E. Macleod, and the Grand Chancellor declared him duly elected.

For the office of Grand Vice-Chancellor the following were nominated: Grand Inner Guard E. K. Barnsdale, of No. 42, and Representatives Wilson, of No. 20, Bicknell, of No. 45, Tomlinson, of No. 16, and Cadwallader, of No. 2.

The ballot resulted in favor of Grand Inner Guard Barnsdale, and the Grand Chancellor declared him duly elected.

For the office of Grand Prelate the following were nominated: Grand Outer Guard A. G. MacDonald, of No. 14, and Representatives Bicknell, of No. 45, Tomlinson, of No. 16, Villiers, of No. 1, and Wilson, of No. 20.

The ballot resulted in favor of Representative Tomlinson, and the Grand Chancellor declared him duly elected.

For the office of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, the present incumbent, Walter G. Haynes, was nominated, and being the only nominee a ballot was cast by the Grand Master-at-Arms on behalf of the Grand Representatives, and the Grand Chancellor declared him re-elected.

For the office of Grand Master of Exchequer the following were nominated: Past Grand Chancellors Murch and Fitzgerald, and Representatives Burns, of No. 3, and Whyte, of No. 31.

Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald and Representative Whyte declined the nomination.

The ballot resulted in favor of Past Grand Chancellor Murch, and the Grand Chancellor declared him duly elected.

For the office of Grand Master-at-Arms, the following were nominated: Grand Outer Guard MacDonald, and Representatives Plastow, of No. 10, Wilson, of No. 20, and Bicknell, of No. 45.

The ballot resulted in favor of Representative Plastow, and the Grand Chancellor declared him duly elected.

For the office of Grand Inner Guard, the following were nominated: Grand Outer Guard MacDonald and Representative Meston, of No. 3.

The ballot resulted in favor of Grand Outer Guard MacDonald, and the Grand Chancellor declared him duly elected.

For the office of Grand Outer Guard, the following were nominated: Representatives Burt, of No. 2; Linz, of No. 16; Meston, of No. 3; Hamilton, of No. 20, and Burdick, of No. 10.

The ballot resulted in favor of Representative Burdick, and the Grand Chancellor declared him duly elected.

A vote of thanks was then passed to the scrutineers for their services.

## INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

Installation of the Grand Lodge Officers then took place, the ceremony being performed by Past Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald, as Supreme Chancellor; Past Grand Chancellor Elliott, as Supreme Prelate; Past Grand Chancellor McWhinney, as Supreme Master-at-Arms.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal then announced the names of the newly elected Grand Lodge officers as follows:

- J. P. MACLEOD, of No. 3. . . . . Grand Chancellor.
- E. K. BARNSDALE, of No. 42. . . . . Grand Vice-Chancellor.
- W. J. TOMLINSON, of No. 16. . . . . Grand Prelate.
- W. G. HAYNES, of No. 30. . . . . Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
- W. H. MURCH, of No. 12. . . . . Grand Master of Exchequer.
- H. A. PLASTOW, of No. 10. . . . . Grand Master-at-Arms.
- A. G. MACDONALD, of No. 14. . . . . Grand Inner Guard.
- G. BURDICK, of No. 10. . . . . Grand Outer Guard.

They were then duly and regularly installed as the Grand Lodge Officers of the Grand Domain of Ontario, for the ensuing term, and each were called upon for a few words.

Grand Chancellor Macleod announced that he would appoint the Standing Committees and furnish the names to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, for publication in the Official Journal for 1900.

The Grand Lodge was closed in regular form at 1 p.m. Will meet July 9th, 1901, in Hamilton.

A true copy.

*Walter G. Haynes*

*Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.*



## REPORT OF THE SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

*To the Grand Chancellor, Officers and Members of the Grand Domain of Ontario :*

Dear Sir and Brothers,—Your representatives to the twenty-first session of the Supreme Lodge, which was held in the City of Detroit, Mich., August 28th to September 6th, 1900, beg to submit their report of the proceedings :

Before the formal opening addresses of welcome were delivered by Hon. W. C. Maybury, Mayor of Detroit, and Geo. H. Lusk, Grand Chancellor of Michigan, to which responses were made by Supreme Chancellor Sample.

The Supreme Lodge having been opened in ritualistic form, the Supreme Lodge Rank was conferred on 61 Past Grand Chancellors, amongst whom were W. H. Murch and J. S. Mackay, of Ontario. In addition to the Supreme Lodge officers, representatives were present from 54 Grand Domains.

The reports of the Supreme Chancellor, the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, the Supreme Master of Exchequer, the Board of Control of the Endowment Rank, and the Major-General of the Uniform Rank were presented in printed form.

Supreme Representative Buckles presented a souvenir in the shape of an album, containing the pictures of the Supreme Lodge officers and representatives, in behalf of the State of California.

Past Grand Chancellor J. C. de La Mare, of New York, was appointed by the Supreme Chancellor to fill the vacancy on the Supreme Tribunal, occasioned by the death of Supreme Tribune Gale, of Massachusetts.

San Francisco, California, was chosen as the next place of meeting, and the second Tuesday in August, 1902, as the time.

The afternoon of Tuesday, August 28th, was devoted to the grand parade of the Uniform Rank, which was reviewed by the Supreme Lodge officers and representatives. It was a grand pageant, and commanded the admiration of the thousands who lined the streets through which it passed. We noticed with pleasure a division from the Maritime Provinces and a delegation from Hamlet Lodge, No. 42, Stratford.

A number of amendments to the Supreme Statutes were proposed, some of which were adopted, and in view of the fact that the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal was ordered to compile and have printed in one volume all

amendments enacted since 1894 it will be unnecessary for us to go into detail, but append here a few which may be of interest at the present.

Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, that Section 233 of the Supreme Statutes be so amended as to read :

" Any Knight in good standing in a subordinate lodge shall be eligible to any office in the lodge of which he is a member ; but no member shall hold two offices in a subordinate lodge simultaneously. Provided, that a lodge may by by-law prescribe that the duties of Master of Finance shall be performed by the Keeper of Records and Seal."

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias that Section 317, Chapter XIII., Title IV., be amended to read as follows :

Section 317. No meeting of a subordinate lodge shall be legal unless its warrant or charter be displayed in the manner required by the Supreme Constitution. The flag of the country in which such lodge is located should also be displayed therein.

Section 2. That said original Section 317 be and the same is hereby repealed.

Section 271. The holder of a transfer card may apply, subject to the provisions of Title IV., Chapter III., Sections 240, 241 and 242, Supreme Statutes, for membership to the lodge to which such transfer card is addressed, and shall attach such transfer card to his application, and accompany the same with the application fee provided by law. Provided, that if, under the provision of said Chapter III. the permission of the lodge of issue to make such application is required, then such transfer card shall be deemed and taken as such permission ; and provided further, that the holder of such transfer card, making such application, shall not be required to state therein that he has been a resident for six months of the domain in which such application is made, as is required by Section 243 of the Supreme Statutes.

A proposition to amend Article X., Section 13, of the Supreme Constitution, so that the same shall read :

" Each Grand Lodge shall provide by law for the holding of regular conventions annually or biennially. Provided, however, that not more than one convention shall be held in any calendar year."

This proposition is referred to each Grand Domain to instruct their representatives, and would become law in 1902 if passed by Supreme Lodge.

A proposition to amend Section 293, Chapter VIII., Title IV., of the Supreme Statutes, entitled, " To provide for the re-instatement to membership of former members of the Order who were suspended for non-payment of arrearages."

Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, that Section 293, Chapter VIII., Title IV., of the Supreme Statutes, be, and the same is hereby, amended to read as follows :

Section 293. A former member of the Order who was suspended from membership in his subordinate lodge and in the Order for non-payment of arrearages, who desires to be restored to such membership, may make application therefor to the subordinate lodge by which he was so suspended. Such application shall be accompanied by such sum as the by-laws of such lodge may prescribe for re-instatement, which amount shall not be more than the amount of membership fee in said lodge at the time of said application

Second—This amendment shall take effect and be in full force from and after its adoption.

Third—That original Section 293, Chapter VIII., Title IV., of the Supreme Statutes as amended in 1898, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

A proposition to amend Section 326, Chapter XV., Title IV., of the Supreme Statutes, entitled, "Relating to the fees that shall be charged for membership in a subordinate lodge within the domain of a Grand Lodge."

Be it enacted by the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, That Section 326, Chapter XV., Title IV., of the Supreme Statutes, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows :

Section 326. The fee to be charged by a subordinate lodge for reinstatement to membership therein of a member suspended for non-payment of arrearages shall be as prescribed by the subordinate lodge from which he was suspended. The total amount of the reinstatement fee must be paid into the exchequer of the lodge before an applicant for reinstatement can be legally restored to membership, which amount shall not be more than the amount of membership fee in said lodge at the time of said application.

Second—This amendment shall take effect and be in full force from and after its adoption.

Third—That original Section 326, Chapter XV., Title IV., of the Supreme Statutes as amended in 1898, be, and the same is hereby repealed.

The Committee made the following report relative to the Quebec matter, *re* \$5,000 deposit required by the Provincial Government :

Your Committee on Endowment Rank, to whom was referred that part of the Supreme Chancellor's report relating to compliance with the insurance laws of the Province of Quebec, and properly qualifying under said laws in order to continue in operation the Endowment Rank, as well as the subordinate lodges of the Order now established, beg leave to report as follows :

We have given these requirements careful consideration—the only contention being a deposit of \$5,000 in cash, with the proper Provincial officer, upon

which the Department guarantees interest at the rate of 3 per cent., payable annually—the entire subject having been heretofore considered by the Board of Control at several of its preceding quarterly sessions. It appears, however, that the Board could not see its way clear to make the deposit on behalf of the Endowment Rank, it being claimed by the Attorney General that, exclusive of the operations of the Endowment Rank in the Province, a deposit of \$5,000, as required by law, would be necessary by reason of the laws of the Order requiring subordinate lodges to pay a minimum funeral benefit of \$20, on a failure of which the lodges must disband, thus causing the Order to become practically extinct.

Your Committee has patiently heard the claims advanced by Brother Powers, Past Grand Chancellor, and Brother Bain, of Montreal, who have made a special visit to Detroit, that the matter might be thoroughly presented—their sacrifice of time and money, and their earnest and zealous appeal to this Supreme Lodge, to save the Order in their Province, is highly commendable, and an example of true Pythian courage.

It appears that our Order is still in its infancy in Quebec, their being about 200 members, of whom 27 hold membership in the Endowment Rank, placed in a Section in Chicago.

If the deposit is made, the full amount must remain so long as the Order is alive or a certificate of membership of a resident brother is in force—practically for all time. Again, there is no assurance that the amount of deposit now required may not be increased, in which event a compliance for a further deposit would become compulsory, or forfeiture of the membership result. Under these circumstances, your Committee recommend that the matter be referred to the Board of Control for their action as may seem proper.

Supreme Chancellor Sample moved to strike out the words "can not." Accepted by the Committee. Report as amended adopted.

The report of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal shows: 54 Grand Lodges, 6,740 subordinate lodges, 492,506 total membership. Being a gain for the year of 58 new lodges, 21,708 new members.

Since last biennial report, warrants for the institution of subordinate lodges not within the domain of a Grand Lodge have been issued as under:

Hilo Lodge, No. 7, at Hilo, Hawaiian Islands. Warrant issued December 2, 1898, and forwarded to H. E. Waity, D. D. S. C. No report of institution received.

North Star Lodge, No. 2, at Douglas, Alaska. Warrant issued July 19, 1899. Lodge instituted October 12, 1899, by George A. Knight, D. D. S. C.

Rathbone Lodge, No. 6, at Westmount, Quebec. Warrant issued November 13, 1899. Lodge instituted November 20, 1899, by F. A. L. Lockhart, D. D. S. C.

Havana Lodge, No. 1, Havana, Cuba. Warrant issued February 26, 1900. Lodge instituted March 12, 1900, by J. J. Warren, who was afterwards appointed D. D. S. C.

Alaska Lodge, No. 1, at Juneau, Alaska, a warrant for which had been issued as stated in last report, but report of the institution of which had not at that time been received, was instituted April 4, 1899, by George A. Knight, afterwards appointed D. D. S. C.

Ivanhoe Lodge, No. 5, at Montreal, Quebec, a warrant for which had been issued as stated in last report, was instituted June 14, 1898, by James R. Bain, D. D. S. C., but the report of the institution was not received until after the close of the last convention.

The Supreme Master of Exchequer reported a balance on hand of \$30,342.87.

The Major-General of the Uniform Rank reported the organization of 71 new divisions and 10 delinquent companies that have been reorganized.

The report of the Board of Control of the Endowment Rank shows.

|                                    |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Total Membership .....             | 64,515          |
| Amount of Endowment .....          | \$113,840,000   |
| Resources of the Rank .....        | \$494,372.00    |
| Amount Paid to Beneficiaries ..... | \$14,865,883.37 |

The Grand Chancellor, Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and other officers have been furnished with the Daily Journal and other Reports.

The following officers were elected and duly installed by Past Supreme Chancellor Woodruff, assisted by P. S. C.s Ritchie and Colgrove :

|                                     |                                      |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Supreme Chancellor .....            | Ogden H. Fethers, of Wisconsin.      |
| “ Vice-Chancellor .....             | Tracy R. Bangs, of North Dakota.     |
| “ Prelate .....                     | C. F. Easley, of New Mexico.         |
| “ Keep. of Records and Seal .....   | R. L. C. White, of Tennessee.        |
| “ Master of Exchequer .....         | Thos. D. Meares, of North Carolina.  |
| “ Master at Arms .....              | Wm. Simmons, of Delaware.            |
| “ Inner Guard .....                 | F. E. Beane, of Maine.               |
| “ Outer Guard .....                 | John W. Thompson, of Washington.     |
| President Board of Control .....    | John A. Hinsey, Chicago, Ill.        |
| Major-General of Uniform Rank ..... | Jas. R. Carnahan, Indianapolis, Ind. |

Fraternally submitted,

D. J. PEACE,

R. H. McCONNELL,

*Supreme Representatives.*

## APPENDIX.

### Roster of the Grand Lodge, 1900-1901.

#### GRAND LODGE.

|                              |                                   |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| J. P. Macleod, Hamilton      | Grand Chancellor.                 |
| E. K. Barnsdale, Stratford   | Grand Vice-Chancellor.            |
| W. J. Tomlinson, Windsor     | Grand Prelate.                    |
| W. G. Haynes, Toronto        | Grand Keeper of Records and Seal. |
| W. H. Murch, St. Thomas      | Grand Master of Exchequer.        |
| H. A. Plastow, London        | Grand Master-at-Arms.             |
| A. G. Macdonald, Bruce Mines | Grand Inner Guard.                |
| G. Burdick, London           | Grand Outer Guard.                |

#### SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

|                             |                                  |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| R. H. McConnell, St. Thomas | Term ending December 31st, 1901. |
| D. J. Peace, Hamilton       | Term ending December 31st, 1903  |

#### PAST GRAND CHANCELLORS.

(In Order of Seniority.)

|                                    |                             |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| * Rt. Rev. R. B. Ussher, of No. 1. | W. E. Rispen, of No. 15.    |
| G. H. Mitchell, of No. 1.          | R. H. McConnell, of No. 12. |
| J. S. King, M.D., of No. 20,       | A. G. McWhinney, of No. 10. |
| J. Chapman, of No. 3.              | Thos. Elliott, of No. 36.   |
| D. J. Peace, of No. 3.             | Robt. Ironside, of No. 10.  |
| P. D. McKellar, of No. 15.         | W. H. Murch, of No. 12.     |
| F. J. Fitzgerald, of No. 22.       | J. S. Mackay, of No. 45.    |
| J. B. Davidson, of No. 12.         |                             |

\* Illinois, 1873.

## DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS.

- No. 1, District County of Essex. . . . . W. J. Tomlinson, Windsor.  
Comprising Lodge No. 16.
- No. 2, " County of Kent . . . . . Geo. Massey, Chatham.  
Comprising Lodges No. 9 and 15.
- No. 3, " County of Elgin . . . . . Henry Roe, St. Thomas.  
Comprising Lodge No. 12.
- No. 7, " County of Lambton . . . . . A. E. Fitzgerald, Petrolia.  
Comprising Lodge, No. 17.
- No. 8, " County of Middlesex . . . . . R. Noble, London.  
Comprising Lodges Nos. 2, 10, 26, 37.
- No. 9, " County of Oxford . . . . . Court Curtis, Woodstock.  
Comprising Lodges No. 34 and 45.
- No. 10, " County of Brant . . . . .  
Comprising Lodge No. 36.
- No. 11, " County of Wentworth . . . . . A. Ramsperger, Hamilton.  
Comprising Lodges No. 3 and 31.
- No. 13, " County of Perth . . . . . F. J. Corrie, Stratford.  
Comprising Lodge No. 42.
- No. 22, " County of York . . . . . H. R. Hamilton, Toronto.  
Comprising Lodges No. 1, 18, 20, 30.
- No. 45, " Algoma District . . . . . (a) H. Dubois, Sault Ste. Marie  
(b) W. R. Smythe, Rydal Bank.  
Comprising Lodges No. 11 and 14.

## GRAND LODGE STANDING COMMITTEES.

## JUDICIARY.

G. H. Mitchell, No. 1; H. E. Wiley, No. 30; R. J. Villiers, No. 1.

## STATE OF THE ORDER.

John Burns, No. 3; A. Bicknell, No. 45; A. Ramsperger, No. 31.

## FINANCE.

A. R. Whyte, No. 31; T. G. Soole, No. 30; E. E. Parker, No. 9.

## MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

A. D. Jackson, No. 14; G. Massey, No. 15; S. A. Webb, No. 10.

## GRIEVANCES.

G. Park, No. 2; R. A. E. Burns, No. 30; T. Spiers, No. 16.

## SEMI-ANNUAL REPORTS.

H. R. Hamilton, No. 20; A. H. King, No. 42; M. J. Baker, No. 12.

WARRANTS AND CHARTERS.

R. Cadwallader, No. 2; R. Cornyn, No. 26; E. Burt, No. 17.

CREDENTIALS.

G. A. Ingram, No. 12; W. G. VanWinckell, No. 20; J. Hall, No. 11

PRINTING.

J. G. Wilson, No. 20; Arthur Bryan, No. 18; W. G. Haynes, G. K. R. S.

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE.

George H. Mitchell, No. 1.

CONVENTIONS OF GRAND LODGE.

|                      |                      |                  |
|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Institution .....    | Toronto .....        |                  |
| Special .....        | Toronto .....        | April 9th, 1872. |
| Second .....         | Toronto .....        | May 30th, 1872.  |
| Third .....          | Hamilton .....       | June 25th, 1873. |
| Fourth .....         | Chatham .....        | " 3rd, 1874.     |
| Fifth .....          | Toronto .....        | " 2nd, 1875.     |
| Sixth .....          | London .....         | " 7th, 1876.     |
| Seventh .....        | Sarnia .....         | " 12th, 1877.    |
| Eighth .....         | Hamilton .....       | " 11th, 1878.    |
| Ninth .....          | Windsor .....        | " 10th, 1879.    |
| Tenth .....          | London .....         | " 8th, 1880.     |
| Eleventh .....       | Toronto .....        | " 14th, 1881.    |
| Twelfth .....        | St. Catharines ..... | " 13th, 1882.    |
| Thirteenth .....     | Hamilton .....       | " 12th, 1883.    |
| Fourteenth .....     | Windsor .....        | " 10th, 1884.    |
| Fifteenth .....      | London .....         | " 9th, 1885.     |
| Sixteenth .....      | Toronto .....        | July 12th, 1886. |
| Seventeenth .....    | Hamilton .....       | June 14th, 1887. |
| Eighteenth .....     | Owen Sound .....     | " 5th, 1888.     |
| Nineteenth .....     | Chatham .....        | July 2nd, 1889.  |
| Twentieth .....      | Smith's Falls .....  | June 10th, 1890. |
| Twenty-first .....   | London .....         | " 9th, 1891.     |
| Twenty-second .....  | St. Thomas .....     | " 14th, 1892.    |
| Twenty-third .....   | Petrolia .....       | " 13th, 1893.    |
| Twenty-fourth .....  | Windsor .....        | Aug. 21st, 1894. |
| Twenty-fifth .....   | Hamilton .....       | July 9th, 1895.  |
| Twenty-sixth .....   | Toronto .....        | " 14th, 1896.    |
| Twenty-seventh ..... | Berlin .....         | " 13th, 1897.    |
| Twenty-eighth .....  | Woodstock .....      | " 12th, 1898.    |
| Twenty-ninth .....   | London .....         | " 11th, 1899.    |
|                      | Windsor .....        | Aug. 27th, 1900. |

## ROLL OF LODGES AND PAST CHANCELLORS.

Those in Italics have not received the Grand Lodge Rank.

### Mystic Lodge, No. 1, Toronto.

Instituted Feb. 22, 1872. Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday. P.O. Address, Pythian Hall.

|                       |                 |                         |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Armstrong, Jos.       | Hall, S. F.     | <i>Sherridan, S. J.</i> |
| Deverall, Chas.       | McConkey, Thos. | Sparks, A. J.           |
| Edmand, F.            | Oliver, Robt.   | Villiers, R. J.         |
| <i>Gerrald, W. J.</i> | Scholes, J. F.  |                         |

### Myrtle Lodge, No. 2, London.

Instituted Feb. 23rd, 1872. Meets every Tuesday.

|                     |                    |                      |
|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Bloomgarten, Samuel | Harding, Fred.     | <i>Reid, R. H.</i>   |
| Cadwallader, R.     | Parkinson, T. A.   | <i>Willis, H. A.</i> |
| Carrothers, R. A.   | Park, G.           | <i>Wray, Jno. D.</i> |
| Galpin, E. B.       | <i>Park, J. C.</i> |                      |

### Red Cross Lodge, No. 3, Hamilton.

Instituted Feb 26th, 1872. Meets every Monday. P.O. Address, 219 Main St. E.

|                          |                        |                        |
|--------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| <i>Burkholder, C. E.</i> | Dunnett, Geo.          | Macleod, J. P.         |
| Beasley, Thos. S.        | <i>Faulkner, F. J.</i> | Meston, M.             |
| Bedwell, D. A., Jr.      | <i>Ford, W. H.</i>     | Midgley, Geo.          |
| Brown, J. L.             | Irwin, R.              | <i>McLean, Hugh</i>    |
| Burns, John              | Johnson, Hy.           | Pedler, Thos.          |
| Childs, W. H.            | Leishman, F. J.        | <i>Phibbs, Geo. D.</i> |
| Curtis, C.               | Lumsden, W. W.         | <i>Schults E.</i>      |

### Rokeby Lodge, No. 9, Wallaceburg.

Reinstituted March 1st, 1899. Meets every Wednesday.

*Parker, E. E.*

### Prospect Lodge, No. 10, London.

Instituted June 23rd, 1889. Meets every Monday.

|                        |                         |                  |
|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Burdick, G.            | Noble, R.               | Smeaton, D.      |
| Carroll, W. A.         | Plastow, H. A.          | Smith, W.        |
| English, W. M.         | Poulton, R.             | Southcott, S. J. |
| <i>Maker, J.</i>       | <i>Shaw, T. M.</i>      | Webb, S. A.      |
| <i>Mitchell, T. F.</i> | <i>Shouldice, J. A.</i> | Whittaker, F. W. |
| Moffatt, W. J.         | <i>Siipple, J. W.</i>   | Widden, H. J.    |

**Algoma Lodge, No. 11, Sault Ste. Marie.**

Instituted August 2nd, 1875.

Meets every Monday.

|                 |                   |                 |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Biggings, E.    | Cunningham, W. R. | Hunter, W. G.   |
| Brown, W.       | Dubois, H.        | Jenkins, Jno.   |
| Campbell, C. V. | Hall, J.          | Taylor, Geo. H. |

**Rathbone Lodge, No. 12, St. Thomas.**

Instituted Feb. 10th, 1890.

Meets every Tuesday.

Address P.O. Box 801.

|                  |                 |                  |
|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Baker, M. J.     | Davey, G. W.    | Robertson, J. S. |
| Bell, J. A.      | Domville, A. E. | Roe, H.          |
| Broderick, T. L. | Ingram, G. A.   | Stacey, J.       |
| Brown, E. S.     |                 |                  |

**Olive Lodge, No. 14, Bruce Mines.**

Instituted May 20th, 1890.

Meets every Wednesday.

|                |                  |                |
|----------------|------------------|----------------|
| Cullis, H.     | Knight, John     | Snider, Fred.  |
| Fleming, Wm.   | Macdonald, A. G. | Wickett, W. H. |
| Jackson, A. D. | Smyth, W. R.     | Weightman, W.  |
| Jackson, D.    |                  |                |

**Marmion Lodge, No. 15, Chatham.**

Instituted May 23rd, 1876.

Meets every Monday.

|                 |            |                 |
|-----------------|------------|-----------------|
| Atkinson, G. K. | Massey, G. | Richards, W. G. |
| Douglas, G. B.  | Mercer, R. | Robinson, Hy.   |
| Lewis, O. L.    |            |                 |

**Friendship Lodge, No. 16, Windsor.**

Instituted Oct. 26th, 1876.

Meets every Monday.

P.O. Box 203.

|                |                 |                  |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Andrews, W. R. | Forsch, John H. | McWhinney, Thos. |
| Ashdown, C. H. | Grosscup, J. A. | Neal, Fred.      |
| Bangham, R.    | Housen, F.      | Robinson, C. H.  |
| Cates, W. A.   | Linz, M.        | Spiers, John     |
| Elliott, G. H. | Leavitt, A.     | Tomlinson, W. J. |
| Fleming, A. H. | Mason, D. W.    | Wagner, A.       |

**Petrolia Lodge, No. 17, Petrolia.**

Instituted Jan. 9th, 1891.

Meets 2nd and 4th Monday.

|             |                   |                 |
|-------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Burt, E.    | Fitzgerald, A. E. | Sanson, Wm.     |
| Dunlop, B.  | Pitkin, G. S.     | Van Tuyl, B. S. |
| Endress, C. | Read, John        |                 |

**Queen City Lodge, No. 18, Toronto.**

Instituted July 31st, 1891.

Meets 1st and 3rd Friday.

Temple Building.

|              |               |                   |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Bryan, A. W. | Jones, L. M.  | Shannessey, W. M. |
| Coulter, A.  | Rosenthal, L. | Stevens, W. J.    |

**Amicus Lodge, No. 20, Toronto.**

Instituted Feb. 15th, 1893. Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday. P.O. Address, St. George's Hall.  
 Bowie, E. F. *Madill, J.* *Stewart, W. J.*  
 Fox, W. H. Murrell, W. A. VanWinckell, W. G.  
 Hamilton, H. R. Robertson, W. J. Wilson, J. G.  
 Huffman, M. P. *Simpson, W. J.*

**White Lily Lodge, No. 26, Strathroy.**

Instituted 1900. Meets  
 Cornyn, R. *McBeth, G.* *Thomson, R. I.*  
*Gough, T.*

**Toronto Lodge, No. 30, Toronto.**

Instituted Sept. 29th, 1887. Meets 1st and 3rd Friday. Temple Building.  
 Alexander, A. A. Gray, J. F. *Peaker, J. W.*  
 Bedingfield, Geo. Haynes, W. G. Soole, Thos. G.  
 Burns, R. A. E. *Humphrey, B. D.* Stutchbury, W. H.  
 Clarke, E. F. Little, J. L. *Taylor, J. M.*  
 Elliott, A. Macdonald, W. C. Wiley, H. E.  
 Flett, Fred. W.

**Bismarck Lodge, No. 31, Hamilton.**

Instituted April 21st, 1887. Meets every Tuesday.  
 Belz, Adam Lackner, A. E. Schumaker, G.  
 Belz, Hy. Morris, H. Whyte, A. R.  
*Ferguson, Robt.* Ramsperger, A.

**Zorra Lodge, No. 34, Embro.**

Instituted 1900. Meets  
 Campbell, G. *Sutherland, E. L.*

**Calanthe Lodge, No. 36, Brantford.**

Instituted Dec. 5th, 1892. Meets 2nd and 4th Thursday.  
 Bloomfield, R. A. James, W. T. *Rye, F. W.*

**Columbian Lodge, No. 37, London.**

Instituted Dec. 16th, 1892. Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday.  
*Bonney, R.* Cranston, D. *Roughley, G. R.*  
 Case, J. Johnston, E. H. Simmons, J.  
*Cooper, A. T.* *Mottashed, W.*

**Hamlet Lodge, No. 42, Stratford.**

Instituted August 16th, 1894. Meets every Wednesday. P.O. Box 415.  
 Barnsdale, E. K. *Fool, G. I.* King, A. H.  
 Corrie, Fred. J. *Hodgins, Elijah* *Nopper, A. R.*

**Woodstock Lodge, No. 45. Woodstock.**

Instituted May 14th, 1895.

Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday.

Bicknell, A.

*Kennedy, D. M.*

*Tisdale, W. M.*

Forbes, J.

Rapson, C. E.

Lodges are requested to examine the foregoing list and notify the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal of any errors. The omission of any Past Chancellor who should be included will be due to the fact that he has not been reported by his lodge, and until a duly authenticated certificate has been filed with the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal no one can be recognized as being entitled to the honor of Past Chancellor.

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SUPREME LODGE, AND OFFICERS OF THE GRAND DOMAIN OF ONTARIO,  
FROM INSTITUTION, 1872, TO 1900 INCLUSIVE.

| YEAR. | SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES. | GRAND CHANCELLORS. | VICE-CHANCELLORS.  | GRAND PRELATES.     |
|-------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1872. | W. D. Kennedy            | W. C. Morrison     | J. B. How          | Geo. W. Cooley.     |
| 1873. | "                        | Colin H. Rose      | Geo. Midgley       | J. P. Dinsmore.     |
| 1874. | Geo. H. Mitchell         | "                  | W. Hawthorne       | Geo. Midgley.       |
| 1875. | "                        | John S. King       | P. D. McKellar     | Jas. Smith.         |
| 1876. | "                        | "                  | Geo. H. Leslie     | E. H. Meager.       |
| 1877. | "                        | "                  | J. H. Lumsden      | E. H. Johnston.     |
| 1878. | "                        | "                  | A. J. Rattray      | H. Bryant.          |
| 1879. | "                        | W. F. Taylor       | F. Sanagan         | F. Sanagan.         |
| 1880. | "                        | J. H. Lumsden      | J. Chapman         | P. A. Alkman.       |
| 1881. | "                        | A. J. Rattray      | R. Dodds           | D. J. Peace.        |
| 1882. | "                        | Jesse Chapman      | D. J. Peace        | W. Dougan.          |
| 1883. | "                        | Geo. H. Leslie     | W. J. Vale         | W. J. Vale.         |
| 1884. | "                        | D. J. Peace        | W. Townsend        | "                   |
| 1885. | "                        | P. D. McKellar     | W. J. Vale         | "                   |
| 1886. | "                        | Jesse Chapman      | R. Bingham         | R. Bingham.         |
| 1887. | "                        | "                  | J. S. King         | F. J. Fitzgerald.   |
| 1888. | "                        | "                  | J. W. Higginbotham | L. E. Tate.         |
| 1889. | A. J. Rattray            | P. H. Drayton      | L. E. Tate         | W. F. Sorley.       |
| 1890. | "                        | P. D. McKellar     | R. H. Jarvis       | J. P. Macleod.      |
| 1891. | "                        | R. H. Jarvis       | J. Blackwood       | W. F. Morphy        |
| 1892. | "                        | F. J. Fitzgerald   | W. F. Morphy       | I. B. Davidson.     |
| 1893. | D. J. Peace              | I. B. Davidson     | W. E. Rispen       | W. M. English.      |
| 1894. | John S. King             | W. E. Rispen       | R. S. Van Tuyl     | W. C. Macdonald.    |
| 1895. | "                        | R. H. McWhinney    | W. Hill            | W. Hill.            |
| 1896. | "                        | A. G. McWhinney    | W. C. Macdonald    | W. C. Macdonald.    |
| 1897. | F. J. Fitzgerald         | Thomas Elliott     | R. Ironside        | Rev. F. R. Ghent.   |
| 1898. | "                        | "                  | W. H. Murch        | W. H. Murch.        |
| 1899. | R. H. McConnell          | W. H. Murch        | J. S. Mackay       | Rev. R. Von Pirsch. |
| 1899. | "                        | D. J. Peace        | L. M. Jones        | E. A. Cates.        |
| 1900. | "                        | "                  | E. K. Barnsdale    | E. A. Domville      |
|       |                          |                    |                    | W. J. Tomlinson     |

OFFICERS OF THE GRAND DOMAIN OF ONTARIO, FROM INSTITUTION, 1872, TO 1900,  
INCLUSIVE.—Continued.

| YEAR.  | GRAND K. R. S.   | GRAND M. OF E. | GRAND M. AT A.    | GRAND I. G.      | GRAND O. G.       |
|--------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 1872.. | John Richmond    | J. E. How      | T. A. Robinson    | R. Matthews      | J. Brown.         |
| 1873.  | Geo. H. Mitchell | "              | Jas. Rough        | J. G. Brown      | J. McPherson.     |
| 1875.  | "                | "              | J. McPherson      | A. J. Rattray    | L. Hamberger,     |
| 1876.  | "                | "              | J. M. Smith       | W. H. Rooks      | H. Finlay.        |
| 1877.  | "                | "              | A. J. Rattray     | J. Chapman       | C. Frink.         |
| 1878.  | "                | "              | W. H. Rooks       | W. Williams      | W. Smellie.       |
| 1879.  | "                | "              | J. A. P. Thompson | J. Rombough      | I. P. Secord.     |
| 1880.  | "                | "              | P. A. Aikman      | G. W. Plastow    | E. C. Jackson.    |
| 1881.  | "                | "              | D. J. Peace       | Geo. Patey       | I. H. Harris.     |
| 1882.  | "                | "              | F. Campbell       | J. McDonald      | R. Dodds.         |
| 1883.  | "                | "              | W. J. Vale        | P. Burroughs     | J. Fitzgerald     |
| 1884.  | "                | "              | S. E. Hall        | F. J. Fitzgerald | John Kay.         |
| 1885.  | "                | "              | R. Bangham        | J. D. Simpson    | T. S. Beasley.    |
| 1886.  | "                | "              | F. J. Fitzgerald  | J. H. Chaperon   | J. S. Bradley.    |
| 1887.  | "                | "              | I. S. Beasley     | J. Bradley       | A. McNaughton.    |
| 1888.  | "                | "              | B. G. Davis       | G. C. Fowle      | H. Mercer.        |
| 1889.  | "                | "              | J. Blackwood      | "                | R. Irwin.         |
| 1890.  | "                | "              | H. F. Duck        | W. C. Mapletoram | W. C. Mapletoram. |
| 1891.  | "                | "              | G. C. Fowle       | Wm. Smith        | E. W. Pyke.       |
| 1892.  | "                | "              | "                 | R. Poulton       | R. Poulton.       |
| 1893.  | "                | "              | W. J. Carkeek     | H. E. Young      | H. E. Young.      |
| 1894.  | "                | "              | W. C. Mapletoram  | J. S. Mackay     | J. J. Wells.      |
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| 1896.  | "                | "              | J. Stacey         | J. L. Little     | E. K. Barnsdale.  |
| 1897.  | "                | "              | H. E. Young       | T. A. Parkinson  | E. K. Barnsdale.  |
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| 1899.  | "                | "              | Jackson L. Little | "                | "                 |
| 1899.  | "                | "              | T. A. Parkinson   | "                | "                 |
| 1899.  | "                | "              | E. K. Barnsdale   | "                | "                 |
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