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ADDRESS OF THE OFFICERS
OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO,

For the Year ending August, 1877.

J. HAM PERRY,		M. W. GRAND MASTER
	<i>Whitby.</i>	
DR. CL. T. CAMPBELL,		R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.
	<i>Stratford.</i>	
DR. FIFE FOWLER,		R. W. GRAND WARDEN.
	<i>Kingston.</i>	
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	<i>Brantford.</i>	
WM. BADENACH,		R. W. GRAND TREASURER.
	<i>Toronto.</i>	
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	<i>Brantford.</i>	
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	<i>Toronto.</i>	
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	<i>Seaforth.</i>	
J. ELIAS DURHAM,		R. W. GRAND CONDUCTOR.
	<i>Petrolia.</i>	
A. MCFEE,		R. W. GRAND GUARDIAN.
	<i>Belleville.</i>	
DR. R. W. BELL,		R. W. GRAND CHAPLAIN.
	<i>Carleton Place.</i>	

ADDRESS OF THE MEMBERS
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TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

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ODD FELLOWS' HALL, ST. CATHARINES.

St. CATHARINES, Aug. 2nd, 1876.

A Special Meeting of Union and Empire Lodges being in session, the Grand Marshal announced the Grand Lodge of Ontario as in waiting. Whereupon the officers and members present were admitted, introduced, and appropriately received.

Noble Grand, *pro tem*, Bro. T. Healey, in an effective speech of welcome, tendered to the R. W. Grand Lodge for the uses of the present session, the Lodge and ante-rooms, which were accepted by the M. W. Grand Master.

The Grand Master, Bro. H. E. Buttrey, took the chair and called the Grand Lodge to order, and directed the "Grand Mar-

shal and Grand Conductor to examine all present, who having reported all correct; the Grand Chaplain addressed the throne of grace as follows :

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

The Committee on Credentials presented the following report, which was adopted, whereupon the Representatives and Past Grands named were admitted, obligated and instructed, by the R. W. Grand Warden :

Report of Committee on Credentials.

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

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

W. FITZGERIMONS	}	Brock	.....No.	9
E. ABBOTT,				
W. H. MATTI,	}	Cataraqui	10
JAS. KEENAHAN,				
WALTER CHATFIELD,	}	Union	16
W. B. GILLELAND,				
ROBERT KAY,	}	Rose	28
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JOS. PEERS,	}	Chatham	29

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HUGH B.
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WM. GEORGE, JOS. NEWMAN, D. BARTON, }	Eureka	No. 80
J. H. HOSSIEL,	Erie	" 88
A. R. NARRAWAY, THOS. WOODYATT, }	Gore	" 84
WALTER BERRY, GEO. DENNIS, }	Samaritan	" 85
R. BARBER, JOHN BARTLETT, }	St. Mary's	" 86
THOS. G. LOWE, JOHN W. FLETCHER, }	Forest City	" 88
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THOMAS STEEL	Rond Eau	" 40
THOS. J. IRVING, JOHN WELSH, }	Avon	" 41
CL. T. CAMPBELL, J. S. McMAHON, }	Excelsior	" 44
JOHN PRYKE, JOSEPH S. EDGAR, }	Frontier	" 45
JOHN BOWDEN, WM. F. ROOME,	Mt. Zion	" 46
GEO. MIDGLEY, JOS. H. WILSON, }	Unity	" 47
ROBT. COULTER, WM. F. HOWELL, }	Dominion	" 48
HENRY BELL, H. J. BOYD, }		
J. NETTLETON T. A. THOMPSON, }	Canada	" 49
R. DODDS, CHARLES THOMPSON, }	Otter	" 50
JOHN SMITH, W. R. DAVIS, }	Bissell	" 51
J. M. O'CONNOR, HUGH BLAIN, }	Covenant	" 52
L. McFARLANE, GEO. SCHOFIELD, }		
REUBEN R. LAW, R. F. CARTER, }	Niagara Falls	" 53
JOHN H. DUNCAN,	Collingwood	" 54

JOHN CAMPBELL, } M. MORRISON, }	Fidelity	No. 55
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FIFE FOWLER, } D. GIBB.....	Kingston	" 59
ROBERT GOTT, } JAMES McFEDRIES, }	Wardsville	" 60
NIEL CAMPBELL, } JOSEPH BECK, }	Corinthian	" 61
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JOHN McNUTT	Belleville.....	" 81
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" 60	GEO. INKSATER	Grand River	" 91
" 61	R. JONES	Milton	" 92
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" 63	W. M. LYON	Aylmer	" 94
" 64	MANUEL PAYNE	Port Stanley	" 95
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WM. McSWEEN	Leamington	" 140
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GEO. BROADWELL	Concord	" 142
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ALSO THE FOLLOWING PAST GRANDS :

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J. P. GULLOT	Frontier	" 45
J. C. SECORD.....	Otter	" 50
W. JENNINGS	Florence Nightingale...	" 66
E. GRIGG	Clinton	" 88
WM. HEENEY, J. E. CUFF, R. S. NESS, T. W. CHAMBERS,) Empire	" 87
JOHN GORDON, JOHN MORRISON	Olive Branch	" 88

RICHARD JONES	Milton	No. 92
J. H. MCGASKILL, }	Livingstone.....	" 180
W. A. KENNEDY, }		

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. W. Chatfield,
Seconded by Rep. Jas. Kernahan, and

Resolved,—That John E. Cuff P. G. be appointed special reporter for this R. W. Grand Lodge, and that none of the proceedings be printed without his sanction.

The Roll of Officers and Representatives was now called.
The following were present :—

OFFICERS.

H. E. BUTTREY.....	M. W. GRAND MASTER.
J. T. HORNIBROOK	R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.
ROBERT EVANS.....	R. W. GRAND WARDEN.
J. B. KING	R. W. GRAND SECRETARY.
WM. BADENACH	R. W. GRAND TREASURER.
DR. GEORGE WRIGHT.....	R. W. GRAND REPRESENTATIVE.
J. T. WHITE.....	R. W. GRAND MARSHAL.
W. W. GRIFFEY.....	R. W. GRAND CONDUCTOR.
D. M. TELFORD.....	R. W. GRAND GUARDIAN.

REPRESENTATIVES.

Fitzsimmons, Abbott, Brock, No. 9; Martin, Catarauqui, No. 10; Kernahan, Chatfield, Gilleland, Union, No. 16; Kay, Rose, No. 28; Patton, Peers, Chatham, No. 29; George, Newman, Barton, Eureka, No. 30; Hosiel, Erie, No. 33; Narraway, Woodyatt, Gore, No. 34; Berry, Dennis, Samaritan, No. 35; Bartlett, St. Mary's, No. 36; Lowe, Fletcher, Porter, Forest City, No. 38; Steele, Rond Eau, No. 40; Irving, Welsh, Campbell, Avon, No. 41; McMahon, Excelsior, No. 44; Midgley, Wilson, Coulter, Unity, No. 47; Howell, Bell, Boyd, Dominion, No. 48; Nettleton, Thompson, Dodds, Canada No. 49; Davis, O'Connor, Bissell, No. 51; Blain, Schofield, Covenant, No.

52; Law, Carter, Niagara Falls, No. 53; Duncan, Collingwood, No. 54; Campbell, Morrison, Fidelity, No. 55; Donogh, Bird, Richards, Queen City, No. 56; Francis, Harrison, Howard, No. 58; Guy, Fowler, Kingston, No. 59; Gibb, Wardville, No. 60; Gott, McFedries, Corinthian, No. 61; Campbell, Beck, Huron, No. 62; Powell, Barrie, No. 63; Hunter, Victoria, No. 64; Sinclair, Friendship, No. 65; Burden, Florence Nightingale, No. 66; Senior, Exeter, No. 67; Tooley, Hope, No. 69; McLean, Lucan, No. 70; Ritchie, Mutton, The Toronto, No. 71; Taylor, Perry, Eastern Star, No. 72; Perry, Fergus, No. 73; Proctor, Bothwell, No. 74; Murray, Ferguson, St. Thomas, No. 76; Andrews, Oxford, No. 77; Russell, Nipissing, No. 79; Buckham, Huntingdon, Amity, No. 80; McFee, Tracy, Belleville, No. 81; McNutt, Beaver, No. 82; Callender, Clinton, No. 83; St. John, Walkerton, No. 84; Graham, Napanee, No. 86; Parnell, Gourley, Empire, No. 87; Maddock, McGregor, Reliance, No. 89; Burns, Ivy, No. 90; Rutherford, Western City, No. 93; Lyon, Aylmer, No. 94; Payne, Port Stanley, No. 95; Jaffray, Grand Union, No. 97; Watson, Minto, No. 98; Howden, Peabody, No. 99; Henderson, Lindsay, No. 100; McBride, Mitchell, Golden Star, No. 101; McGaughey, Dosoronto, No. 102; Austine, Crescent, No. 104; Edwards, Manilla, No. 105; O'Neil, St. Clair, No. 106; Nellis, Waterloo, No. 107; Thomas, Royal Oak, No. 108; Wheeler, Orion, No. 109; Lauder, Laurel, No. 110; Scott, Peterboro', No. 111; Tennant, Lucknow, No. 112; McLellan, Trenton, No. 113; Landon, Gananoque, No. 114; Dickson, Harmony, No. 115; Wilson, Naomi, No. 116; Parmenter, Valley City, No. 117; Cassie, Maitland, No. 119; Howard, Sydenham Valley, No. 120; Nevills, Saxon, No. 121; Owens, Streetsville, No. 122; Scott, Palmerston, No. 123; Rudd, Dresden, No. 124; Bell, Stella, No. 125; Neal, Sarnia, No. 126; Mills, Mizpah, No. 127; Smith, Mystic, No. 128; Brown, Williams, Livingstone, No. 130; Addison, Marion, No. 131; Colecock, Orient, No. 134; Thompson, Peaceful Dove, No. 135; Menish, St. Lawrence, No. 137; Martin, Garnet, No. 139; McSween, Leamington, No. 140; Gallagher, Capital, No. 141; Broadwell, Concord, No. 142; Conger, Bay of Quinte, No. 143; Wilcocks, Ridgetown, No. 144; Fink, Riverside, No. 145; Black, Vivian, No. 146; Marshall, Model, No. 147; Pease, Aurora, No. 148; Nott, Western Star, No. 149; Mathews, Bertie, No. 150; Hoover, Sycamore, No. 151; Raines, Alpha, No. 154; Wonch, Brougham, No. 155; Decow, Thamesville, No. 157; Jessop, Progress, No. 158; Hodgson, Oak Leaf, No. 159; Noxon, Listowel, No. 160; Wallace, Cookstown, No. 162; Johns, Romeo, 164; Wyatt, Beethoven, No. 165; Roberts, Oswego, No. 166; Winlaw, Sutton, No. 168; Harris, Stephen, 169; Wilson, Denova, 170; Diekey, Alliston, No. 171; Stevens, Emerald, No. 173; Lyman, Danneey, No. 176; Paulin, Montana, No. 177; Sommerville, Madoc, No. 179; Hugo, Owen Sound, No. 180; Prout, Ark, No. 181; Bowman, Germania, No. 184; Stevens, Dufferin, No. 186; Wright, Cypress, No. 187.

The following Past Grand Masters were also in attendance,
viz. :—

S. G. DOLSON, P.G.M.	HENRY McAFEE, P.G.M.
JAMES WOODYATT, P.G.M.	THOMAS PARTRIDGE, P.G.M.
JAMES SMITH, P.G.M.	W. N. FORD, P.G.M.
RICHARD WIGMORE, P.G.M.	JOHN GIBSON, P.G.M.
JOHN MURRAY, P.G.M.	

Rep. Thos. Woodyatt was nominated as Assistant Grand Secretary.

Moved by Rep. Thos. Woodyatt,
Seconded by Rep. Hu Blain,

That Rep. A. R. Narraway be appointed Assistant Grand Secretary for the present session, and that he receive \$2 per day in addition to his mileage and per diem.

Rep. J. W. Fletcher, seconded by Rep. J. J. Porter, moved to amend by striking out the words "A. R. Narraway" and inserting the name of C. B. Stevens.

By consent the amendment was withdrawn, and the motion of Rep. Thos. Woodyatt adopted.

The Grand Master appointed Bro. Friesman, of Union Lodge, as Outside Guardian.

On proceeding to read the minutes of last year's meeting, the following was agreed to :

Moved by Rep. John Campbell,
Seconded by Rep. Thos. Woodyatt,

That the minutes of last session as printed be considered as read, and adopted.

The Chair named the following Standing Committees :

Distribution.—H. McAfee, P.G.M.; R. Wigmore, P.G.M.; Representatives John Powell, Jos. S. Edgar, Geo. Midgley.

Returns.—Reps. J. Donogh, John Welsh, J. W. Fletcher, Chas. Senior, Allan McFee, S. Burden.

Finance.—Reps. Hu. Blain, Jas. Smith, P.G.M.; A. H. McGaughey, H. H. Maddock, J. J. Dixon.

Appeals.—Geo. Wright, P.G.M.; Reps. H. B. Taylor, W. Fitzsimmons, P.G.M.; W. George Mutton, John Campbell.

Laws of Subordinates.—Reps. Cl. T. Campbell, W. S. Campbell, R. Kirkpatrick, W. A. Rawlings.

Legislation.—Thos. Partridge, P.G.M.; Reps. L. McFarlane, W. Jaffray, T. T. Irving, W. F. Howell.

State of the Order.—W. N. Ford, P.G.M.; Jas. Woodyatt, P.G.M.; Reps. F. Fowler, J. S. McMahon, J. H. Perry, J. Ritchie, Jr.

Mileage and Per Diem.—Reps. G. W. Jessop, T. W. Raines, E. E. Henderson, C. B. Johns, J. F. O'Neil.

Petitions and Correspondence.—Reps. W. H. Scott, C. Thompson, J. H. Mills, J. S. Huntingdon, H. J. Boyd.

Printing.—J. B. King, G. S.; Reps. H. P. Nellis, W. R. Davis.

Re-Distribution of Districts.—John Gibson, P. G. M.; Reps. Robert Tracey, John Menish, C. B. Stevens, Robt. Kay.

The Grand Master presented his annual Report, which was distributed without being read, and referred to the Committee on Distribution.

GRAND MASTER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

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

OFFICERS AND REPRESENTATIVES.—We are permitted, under the pleasure of the Supreme Grand Master and Ruler of all our destinies, to meet again after the repose of a year to hold this our twenty-second annual session; one which must prove to be of importance in the annals of Odd Fellowship, rendered so from the vast amount of legislation which will come before you for your earnest deliberation.

Though we have not increased as rapidly in membership as could be desired, yet our growth has been of a permanent character. Our losses are of that nature that they are rather of an advantage to us by losing those who took no interest in the Order and were detrimental to our growth.

I do not think our Order ever rested on a more solid basis than at present, and if we profit as we should by the present session our future will show an increasing brightness, and thus be instrumental in continuing and furthering those principles which command the admiration of the whole world.

You are, in obedience with the duty and the claims of the Lodges which you represent, called on to conform with the requirements of the constitution to legislate for hundreds of Lodges and thousands of deserving members. You are urged to do so without fear or partiality, and to cast aside all preconceived ideas of any matter which may be brought before you for legislation, and decide solely on the merits of such cases. I sincerely hope and trust that each and every member of this Grand Lodge will take exception to anything which they may deem wrong until all differences have been explained and legally settled. Every Representative should so keep the responsibility of his position in consideration that he may be impelled with the best of motives, and be able to return to his Lodge with the satisfaction that he has used his best judgment on all questions that may come before this Grand body.

When elected to the high and responsible position of Grand Master, I felt the honor of representing you; and recognizing the field of labor which I owed the Order, I decided to put forth every effort to advance and increase this our widely extended Brotherhood, and presumed upon a pleasant intercourse and direct acquaintance with the members generally. But immediately after my first visit it pleased our Universal Father to prostrate me upon a bed of affliction for a period of five months, so that I was compelled to forego all my arrangements for visiting.

Ever mindful of the principles of our Order, I hope you will aid me in overcoming such troubles and grievances that may tend to conflict with the dictates and laws of this Grand Lodge, which we should under all circumstances espouse.

In regard to new Lodges, the past year has been one of prosperity, for which we have reason to be thankful. The following have been instituted during the year and are now at work under dispensation, which I trust will meet your approval, and that you will at once issue their respective charters:

	1875.
Alliston, No. 171, Alliston	Aug. 2
Penetangore, No. 172, Kincardine	Sept. 7
Emerald, No. 173, Dunqville	Sept. 29
Dolman, No. 174, Ayr	Oct. 15
Lorne, No. 175, West Lorne	Oct. 23
Danucey, No. 176, Widdier	Nov. 24
Montana, No. 177, Wroxeter	Nov. 24
Wellington Square, No. 178, Wellington Square	Dec. 6
	1876.
Madoc, No. 179, Madoc	Jan. 10
Owen Sound, No. 180, Owen Sound	Jan. 20
Ark, No. 181, Springfield	Jan. 27
Tecumseh, No. 182, Otterville	Feb. 10
Teeswater, No. 183, Teeswater	Feb. 23
Germania, No. 184, Waterloo	Feb. 28
Live Oak, No. 185, Greenville	Mar. 28
Dufferin, No. 186, Flesherton	Apr. 4
Cyprus, No. 187, Bradford	June 7
Cambridge, No. 188, Preston	May 31
Parry Sound, No. 189, Parry Sound	July 19

I received applications from Springford and Gorrie, which I refused to grant; the first-named place having a population of only two hundred, and

being within two miles of Otterville, where there is at the present time a good Lodge and a population of some eight hundred. In reference to Gorrie, it would draw its charter members principally from Wroxeter Lodge, which only has some twenty or twenty-five members, and I could not see that it would be for the good of the Order to build up one Lodge at the expense of another. I also received an application from Sault Ste. Marie, and on account of the distance, and none of the applicants having been members (the most of them being M. O. O. F.), I thought best to defer action till this Grand Lodge met, so that they might decide on the applications above recited.

During recess I have received the following questions, to which I have given the annexed answers :

Ques.—Does the Grand Lodge consider beer an intoxicating drink?

Ans.—Yes; decidedly so.

Ques.—Does an amendment become law as soon as passed?

Ans.—Yes, unless the time is specified when it shall come into force.

Ques.—Is it in the power of a Subordinate Lodge to make the by-law declaring dues payable in advance; and if a brother fails to pay at such times can he be declared in arrears the second night of the quarter?

Ans.—Yes.

Ques.—Can a brother be tried on a charge when absent?

Ans.—No; but can be expelled for contempt if notice is served at his last known address; but can on his return demand a fresh trial.

Ques.—Can the ante-rooms be used for card playing after Lodge has adjourned?

Ans.—Decidedly no: the rooms of the Lodge shall not be used for any such purpose.

Ques.—Is a Scarlet Member qualified to act as V. G.?

Ans.—Yes.

Ques.—When an applicant has been balloted for and elected can a Lodge refuse to initiate him?

Ans.—No; but if any misrepresentation has been made for the purpose of procuring his admittance, a charge can be preferred.

Ques.—Can the N. G. receive nominations after passing that order of business?

Ans.—No.

Ques.—How many nights are required to qualify a V. G. for the office of N. G.?

Ans.—Twenty-six.

Ques.—Is a P. G. eligible for election as N. G.?

Ans.—Yes.

Ques.—Can you nominate and elect the same night to fill a vacancy?

Ans.—Yes.

Ques.—Can an applicant with card be received in membership, he being without the A. T. P. W.?

Ans.—No; but can get an order from his Lodge, so that the N. G. of the Lodge to which he applies can communicate it to him. If an expired card, he can be admitted as an ancient O. F.

Ques.—Can an applicant be admitted before he has resided in the place six months?

Ans.—No.

Ques.—Can applicants be admitted as honorary members who are over fifty years of age, providing they do not require benefits?

Ans.—No; the laws forbid Lodges having honorary members of any age.

Ques.—If a member who has paid a portion of his quarter's dues, and is taken sick before the expiration of the same quarter, is he entitled to benefits?

Ans.—Yes.

Ques.—Is a Per. Secretary obliged to give receipts?

Ans.—Should do so in all cases when pass books are not used.

Ques.—If a brother in good standing is admitted while the Warden is distributing a ballot, has such brother a right to vote on said ballot?

Ans.—Yes.

Ques.—Is the sitting N. G., who has previously served twenty-six nights as N. G., eligible as Representative?

Ans.—Yes.

Ques.—Can the D. D. G. M. be tried by the Lodge of which he is a member?

Ans.—Yes.

Ques.—Must the members chosen to try a D. D. G. M. be P. G.'s, or is any member eligible to serve?

Ans.—If there are not sufficient P. G.'s, the next in rank are qualified to act.

I regret to report that I have had a very unpleasant and painful duty to perform in carrying out the instructions issued by the Grand Lodge to Durham Lodge, No. 78, in the matter of appeal of Bro. Montgomery vs. Durham Lodge No. 78.

The mandate of this Grand Body upon the report of Committee on Appeals being that Bro. Montgomery should be reinstated. On Sept. 1st, 1875, I received a series of resolutions from Durham Lodge No. 78, refusing to comply with the demands of the Grand Lodge. This being in direct violation of their obligations, and keeping in view mine when accepting the office of G. M., I had no alternative but to inform them that if they persisted I would be compelled to suspend them as a Lodge. I subsequently deprived them of their Charter and Seal, and notices to that effect were issued to the various Lodges of the jurisdiction. Having acquitted myself of what I felt satisfied was simply my official duty, I received communications of no welcome nature threatening the G. L. as well as myself, with a lawsuit, and by way of intimidation that they had received legal advice in the premises. I felt annoyed to think that any member or members, should so far forget themselves, to a greater extent, by issuing two circulars to the Lodges, the tenor of which invited the Lodges to open rebellion—quoting law to create sympathy for them, thereby losing sight of the fact of a proper channel through which to lay their complaint. The G. L. had acted in the matter, and though her action may have been unlawful, it is not in the province of one of her subordinates to openly refuse to obey her commands, and further to deputise Bro. Chant to lecture in their behalf throughout the jurisdiction, thus presenting only one side of the question at issue. Upon the merits of the case as presented to this G. L., you will have to legislate; and being fully persuaded of the cardinal virtues of our fellowship—Friendship, Love and Truth—that you will give them that fair play asked for in their unwarrantable and unbrotherly circular. I have no desire to infringe upon your patience, but earnestly desire that you may accomplish as satisfactory a settlement as this much vexed question deserves, so that there may not be any future difference of opinion or diversity of procedure. I cannot permit the occasion to pass without thanking Bro. McMurtry, D. D. G. M., for his zealous, prompt and impartial cooperation in this uncalled for trouble and refusal of compliance with their duty, unsurpassed by any Lodge, and perhaps equalled by none. I would therefore refer the Committee to the correspondence in this case.

I have further to report the result of the appeal to me of Bro. Munroe, N. G. elect, against the action of Alpha Lodge No. 154.

In the term commencing July 1875 they elected their officers in accordance with the law, viz., calling the rolls and using paper ballots. When the night of installation arrived the usual questions were asked, when one of the brethren objected to the installation of the N. G. elect on account of his being a hotel keeper. The brother who was appointed by D. D. G. M. McGaw to install, held that the objection was good and declared the election illegal, and appointed a special night to re-elect officers, which election was proceeded with, after which they were installed. I received an appeal from Bro. Munroe, who was elected to the office of N. G. on the regular night; and on the receipt of it I sent the appeal to Bro. McGaw, requesting him to investigate the first election, and if he found it to be a legal one to order those who had been elected at the special meeting to vacate their seats, and instal those who had been previously elected. I afterwards received a communication from Bro. McGaw to the effect that he found the first election in every respect legal, and that he had followed out my instructions, based upon the law in the matter at issue. See correspondence.

BROTHERS.—I cannot permit this occasion to pass without testifying to the inflexible integrity of one of our officers, whose permanent absence in this session was caused by the fatal accident which occurred Thursday, May 18th. Father and son alike succumbed to the fell stroke. A brother whose acquaintance and company I enjoyed even the hour previous to the dire calamity which soon terminated his earthly career. He was one of the many who proffered his hand to me with the earnest hope that I might be strong again. A few short minutes flit by, all is excitement, and I am compelled to witness the quivering and death-stricken form of our deceased Brother Irwin, Grand Treasurer. He left me in the prime of health and full of hope in expectation of meeting in a few hours his loving family at home. His suffering soon terminated in the presence of sympathizing brothers and friends at 5.50.

In accordance with duty, all that was mortal was attended by a deputation consisting of Bros. Wigmore, P.G.M.; T. Partridge, P.G.M.; E. R. Robinson, T. Brown, J. J. Dyas, W. T. Howell, P.G.; T. Harding, J. W. Fletcher, P.G., to the station at Windsor, where they were met by the brethren of Frontier Lodge No. 45, who escorted his remains to his late home and sorrowing friends. In the meantime the son's injuries gave evidence of the near approach of death, his massive frame yielding on the evening of Saturday: Sunday being arranged for the funeral of both victims. The brethren of Frontier Lodge left nothing undone to perfect arrangements. Our American brethren in Detroit, who had become cognizant of the death, turned out in large numbers. The Encampment branch in their full uniform under a competent Marshal, and accompanied by their band, together with the Canadian Odd

Fellows of the various Lodges along the line, mourners and sympathizing friends congregated to make up one of the largest funeral corteges ever seen in the Town of Windsor as a tribute to our departed brother. Every heart seemed to respond to the beat of the drum in the dead march to the tomb. Let us then make wise provision for the future and not wait until the opportunity is past.

Consequent on the death of Bro. Irwin, on the 6th June I called the Executive of the Grand Lodge to meet in Hamilton to elect a Treasurer to fill the vacancy. Owing to continued ill-health and the restriction placed on me by my physician I was unavoidably absent. The Executive proceeded to election, the choice falling on Bro. Badenack of Toronto, who has given bonds to the amount of six thousand dollars, which were approved.

I received a circular from the office of the M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nevada, requesting permission to appeal to the various Lodges in this jurisdiction in behalf of several Lodges in the said State for relief, on account of losses by fire; which request I granted in accordance with the sublime principles of our Order.

I regret to inform you that Shannonsville No. 118 has forfeited its Charter and effects owing to the financial depression which has prevailed throughout the Province during the past year.

I cannot refrain from expressing the deep gratitude I feel for the prompt and continued assistance I have received from the D. D. G. M.'s in the discharge of the various duties that have been entrusted to them, some of them being very difficult and perplexing. I am pleased that my office gave me opportunities for keeping up a lively intercourse with them, and of cultivating that cordiality which tends so much toward inspiring our young and increasing organization. It is with pleasure I note the energy and indefatigable efforts of some of them, aiding by their action the increase of Lodges and membership of a very important and reliable nature. In exceptional cases there has been no manifestation of their labor, perhaps from a want of stimulus or that their field of labor was full, thereby rendering them so listless that they have not even reported to me anything which has occurred. I trust they will not long continue in this position, but at once put forth their efforts and give to the Order such assistance as they are capable of. With a sincere desire for the individual health and prosperity of each D. D. G. M., I thank them for their co-operation.

I have pleasure in reporting the rapid strides of our Order, notwithstanding the general depression. One of the most noted comes to me from C. B.

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Stevens, D. D. G. M., who reported the institution of Penetangore Lodge No. 172, on the 7th September, 1875, assisted by brothers from a distance, this Lodge being successful in practical labor and energy formed under the most favorable circumstances, rendered conspicuously so by 31 being initiated and one admitted by card. The receipts being \$387.50, thus justifying the anticipations of those who labored for its inception. I am pleased to report that upon authority given by me to C. B. Stevens, D. D. G. M., he laid the corner stone of the Town Hall of Port Elgin on the 17th August, using the form laid down in White's Digest. The ceremony being imposing and well conducted, meeting the wishes of those interested and the approbation of the large concourse of people in attendance. The zeal and energy of this officer have been fully recognized. Nothing can be more satisfactory than to note the continued prosperity of the Lodges and the number of new halls being dedicated to the trifold uses of Odd Fellowship, thus giving evidence of the full recognition of our title. I have been prevented from participating in these demonstrations, but am fully satisfied with the efficiency of the work, and that success will attend all their efforts.

I am in receipt of printed invitation from the joint committee of arrangement of the Centennial celebration on Wednesday, September 20, prior to the meeting of the G. L. of U. S.

Full particulars are laid down in the communication. I have left the matter in abeyance for the consideration and action of this Grand Body, and would recommend a committee be appointed to consider and report.

I notice we have in connection with our Order mutual aid associations, which are in a flourishing condition; one situated in the City of Kingston in the east; the other in the city of Hamilton in the west. The operations of these associations thus far have been beneficial, paying promptly on the death of a brother a goodly sum to his widow or family at a time when most needed; and I have no doubt they in many instances relieve society of a great burden. I have pleasure in recommending these associations to the Order generally. Hoping this report will meet your approval, and the business of the Lodge may be transacted to the satisfaction of all,

Yours fraternally,

H. E. BUTTREY,
GRAND MASTER.

The Grand Secretary submitted his annual report and tables, which was referred to the Committee on distribution.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF
J. B. KING, R. W. GRAND SECRETARY,

FOR THE
YEAR ENDING 31ST JULY, 1876.

St. CATHARINES, August 2nd, 1876.

To the *M. W. Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.* :—

1. In presenting this my Tenth Annual Report of the transactions of my office and of the general working of the Order in Ontario for the past year, I do so with mingled feelings of pleasure and sadness.—Pleased that the life of our Grand Master, which was so seriously threatened, has been preserved, and that he is with us to-day to guide and direct our counsels; that our labours have been so abundantly blessed; that so many of us have been spared to meet again, to grasp each other's hand, to renew old associations; to recount the pleasant memories recalled by our meeting, and to review the experience of the past and legislate for the future;—and of sadness in missing from his accustomed place our late Grand Treasurer, Bro. George Irwin, who, while at his post of duty, was suddenly called from time to eternity. This sad and sudden event forcibly reminds us of the uncertainty of life, too short at the longest, to spend a moment in useless strife or unpleasant thoughts; may we rather improve the hours as they go, at all times striving to promote harmony and prosperity in our border, and to inculcate that beautiful doctrine of "peace and good will" among all men.

2. The various duties assigned to me by resolution, as well as the usual routine of office, have been attended to, and the correspondence of the year herewith submitted.

3. Immediately after the close of the last session I received tenders for printing the Journal. That of Bro. Josh. T. Johnson, of the *Brant Union*, being the lowest, and otherwise satisfactory, I accepted. Believing that the best interests of this Grand Lodge would be served by placing upon the desk of each representative a copy of the Journal of the previous year, I had (300) two hundred extra copies printed, making (1,200) twelve hundred copies of the Journal, as authorized by the resolution ordering the Journal of Proceedings to be printed.

4. The Journals of the several State Grand Lodges have been received, and the compliment acknowledged by sending a Journal of our last session to each.

5. A very great many Lodges and members are asking for copies of our proceedings for back years. I find that there are but a very few copies of our complete history in existence, and should they get lost or destroyed it would be impossible to obtain the information therein contained from any other source. I believe the interests of the Order would warrant a reprint of the whole work, and am satisfied that, when printed, enough copies would be sold to reimburse the outlay. The matter certainly merits your consideration.

6. A number of lines of supplies, procured by order of this Grand Lodge two years since, have been sold out. They were found to be very convenient not only in giving new Lodges a uniform, complete outfit, but cheaper for old Lodges. I would recommend that the Grand Secretary be authorized to have printed a sufficient number of such supplies to last the coming year.

7. A copy of the report of the Committee on Appeals, as adopted by this Grand Lodge, was sent to Durham Lodge No. 78, and the Lodge requested to govern itself accordingly. A reply was received, refusing to obey the instructions of the Grand Lodge, which was at once referred to the M. W. Grand Master.

8. A copy of the same Committee's report, so far as it related to the appeal of James Doherty vs. Bissell Lodge No. 51, was sent to that Lodge, and the papers required have been received, and will be laid before the Committee on Appeals.

9. Also sent Gore Lodge No. 34 a copy of the report of the Committee on Appeals in the matter of James Smith, P.G.M, vs. Gore Lodge, and requested them to be governed thereby.

10. An appeal of Hugh Walker vs. Belleville Lodge, also an appeal of Bro.

W. J. Diamond *vs.* the same Lodge, with papers, are herewith presented; also an appeal of Bro. George Schofield *vs.* Metropolitan Degree Lodge, with papers.

11. The duplicate copy of constitution and by-laws of the Lodges named in the report of the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, together with a copy of said report so far as it related to the individual Lodge, was sent, and the Lodges requested to make the required alterations and amendments.

12. A number of Lodges have sent in their by-laws for approval, each of which has been sent to the chairman of the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, and have been reported upon. As these reports were received, the result has been forwarded to the Lodges interested, in order that they might make the corrections ordered, and, if deemed advisable, get them printed.

13. Commissions were duly sent to the several District Deputy Grand Masters, together with a circular, requesting them to be zealous in their duties. I have received letters from a number of Lodges complaining that they have not during the year received an official visit, and in some cases that the term P. W. had not been sent them for weeks after the first meeting in the term. Neglects of this kind may in some instances cause lodges a great deal of trouble. It is earnestly to be hoped that in selecting a District Deputy Grand Master a Brother will be chosen who will faithfully discharge the duties, even though he has to do it at some inconvenience and sacrifice of personal comforts.

14. Charters were duly sent to the new Lodges as authorized, and in most cases the warrants have been returned and filed.

15. A copy of the resolution passed upon the death of our late Brother, Dr. John Lawrence, was sent to his widow, and its receipt acknowledged.

16. The resolutions of thanks to the Railroad and Steamboat Companies, passed at the late session, were duly forwarded, and the several Companies have granted similar reduced fares for the present session.

17. The following Lodges have been instituted during the year by authority of Warrants issued by the M. W. Grand Master:—

Alliston.....	Lodge No. 171..	Alliston.....	August 2, 1875
Penetangore.....	" " 172..	Kincardine.....	Sept. 7
Emerald.....	" " 173..	Dunnville.....	" 29
Dolman.....	" " 174..	Ayr.....	Oct. 15
Lorne.....	" " 175..	West Lorne.....	" 28
Donsec.....	" " 176..	Widder.....	Nov. 24
Montana.....	" " 177..	Wroxeter.....	" 24
Wellington Square.....	" " 178..	Wellington Square...	Dec. 6

Madoc.....	Lodge No. 179..	Madoc.....	Jan. 10, 1876
Owen Sound.....	"	" 180..Owen Sound.....	" 20
Ark.....	"	" 181..Springfield.....	" 27
Tecumseh.....	"	" 182..Otterville.....	Feb. 10
Teeswater.....	"	" 183..Teeswater.....	" 23
Germania.....	"	" 184..Waterloo.....	" 28
Live Oak.....	"	" 185..Greensville.....	Mar. 28
Dufferin.....	"	" 186..Flesherton.....	April 4
Cypress.....	"	" 187..Bradford.....	June 7
Cambridge.....	"	" 188..Preston.....	May 31
Parry Sound.....	"	" 189..Parry Sound.....	July 19

18. Received from Bro. S. F. Burdett, Grand Secretary, of Kansas, a draft on New York for \$76.12 gold, being 25½ per cent. of amount contributed by the Lodges in this jurisdiction to their relief, together with a number of pamphlets giving a full account of the receipts and disbursements of the Relief Committee, one copy of which I sent to each subscribing Lodge, and asked what disposition they would make of their amount. In most cases the sum was placed to the credit of the Lodge, though in some instances it was returned to the Lodge at once.

19. Received from the Representatives to the Grand Lodge of the United States, instructions that upon the payment of a royalty of ten (10) cents per copy of the Digest of Grand Lodge of Ontario we could go on and sell the same without mutilation. I issued a circular to the Subordinates, urging the necessity of Lodges and members being provided with so useful a work. Wrote the Grand Secretary, G. L. U. S., Bro. J. L. Ridgely, to know if we should pay the royalty as the work was sold. Received in reply the answer that it was the intention of the Grand Lodge of the United States that we should pay for all the copies in our hands at once. Upon inquiry, I find that we can have the objectionable features (copyrighted forms) removed and the book rebound at a considerable less cost than the ten cents per copy. In doing so we would be enabled to add our new constitution, &c., as amended at the present session, and the Digest complete to date, making the work more valuable and enhancing its sale. I would recommend that such a course be adopted.

20. I received from Mr. W. H. Frazer, Secretary of the Centennial Commission, a letter asking for photographs, sketches, &c., of halls belonging to Lodges of our Order in Ontario. Referred same to the Grand Master, and by his direction issued a circular, asking Lodges to comply with the request. Only some half-dozen Lodges complied, and but three of those received were framed. The large photograph sent by Eastern Star Lodge did not arrive

until after the Commission had closed, else those received, though few, would have been sent.

21. Shannonville Lodge No. 118 not having reported for some time, I requested Bro. McFee, D.D.G.M., to proceed to Shannonville and ascertain the cause and if possible to get them going again. He reported that owing to the fact that the village was very small, and many of the members having removed from the place there were not a sufficient number of resident members to successfully work the Lodge, and suggested that the best course to adopt was to close the Lodge, saying that their furniture if sold would not quite meet their liabilities. By authority of the Grand Master, I entrusted Bro. A. McFee to take possession of their Charter, books, &c., and forward the same to me, allowing them to retain their furniture to meet existing liabilities. A schedule of effects received is on file.

22. According to our constitution, sec. 62, Lodges indebted to the Grand Lodge are not entitled to a vote. All the Lodges named in Schedule A are thus disfranchised, and though I have made every effort to secure the prompt receipt of returns, cash, &c., I have, in the instances named, failed. The fault lies principally in the carelessness of Secretaries in making out their returns. Some of the returns are received without signature of officers, without the name of the Lodge or the location from which it comes, without seal, in fact with as little information as can well be got into it. It appears to me that what is worth doing is worth doing well, and a very little trouble on the part of Secretaries would save your Grand Secretary the very unpleasant duty of referring to these delinquencies. The Statistical Table is not complete at this writing, owing to the absence of the returns from Oriental Lodge No. 163, Hillsburgh Lodge No. 167 and Cypress Lodge No. 187. I see of no way to cure the evil better than to refuse mileage and per diem to Representatives from Lodges disfranchised according to the section above quoted.

23. Received from Col. W. J. DeGress, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Chili, a copy of the resolutions passed by that body, extending fraternal greetings to this Grand Lodge, &c., &c. (See letter marked "C.")

24. The Special Committee on Constitutions having completed their work, the same was printed, as per resolution adopted at the last session, and a copy sent to each Lodge, with a circular requesting that all amendments to the same be submitted by Lodges at an early date. The proposed Constitution and the amendments thereto will be duly presented by the Committee for your consideration.

25. Immediately on receipt of the December returns, I compiled and issued an abstract of information for the Lodges, and sent, also, a copy to the lead-

ing papers of the Dominion. I find that the same was copied into very many papers, thus making the information general. This has entailed a trifling expense as well as considerable trouble, but I believe has fully repaid the outlay.

26. A number of Lodges have made enquiry in view of forming Rebekah Degree Lodges. I have invariably replied that Legislation was in progress, looking to the formation and government of such Lodges, and as the Committee on Constitution has such legislation to present it would be well very carefully to consider the matter, taking into consideration the experience of other jurisdictions regarding this Degree. In States where it at one time most flourished we find most discouraging reports. If these Rebekah Lodges are, as shown, so short lived, is it well to encourage them further? Would it not be better to make such legislation as would allow Lodges to meet specially once each month to confer the degree and spend the remainder of the evening in social intercourse? The importance of the subject seems to warrant me in giving one extract which fully meets my views:

"After six years' trial of the experiment (Rebekah Degree Lodges) those who were its most earnest advocates are reluctantly forced to confess that the attempt to sustain Lodges of this Degree under distinct Charters has thus far proved a lamentable failure. Petitions, memorials and resolutions are presented at every session of the G. L. U. S., asking for additional legislation, in the hope of curing existing defects. But there are inherent difficulties which, to those who have most carefully considered the subject, seem to be beyond the reach of legislation. It is by no means certain that any good has been accomplished through the instrumentality of these Lodges which might not have been as easily effected without their aid; while serious injury to the Order must in many cases result from their continued existence * * * * * But is it well to encourage the organization of bodies that are almost inevitably doomed to a brief and unprofitable career?"
—N. C. Nason, *Grand Sec'y of Illinois.*

27. The office of R. W. Grand Treasurer becoming vacant by the death of our lamented Brother, George Irwin, which sad event occurred near London, by a railway accident, and which doubtless will be fully reported by the M. W. Grand Master, I was directed by that officer to call a special meeting of the Executive officers to elect a successor in accordance with sec. 28 Constitution of Grand Lodge. In pursuance of said call the Executive officers (excepting the Most Worthy Grand Master, who was prevented by illness) met in the city of Hamilton, and there duly elected Bro. Badenach, P.G., of Laurel Lodge No. 110, to fill the vacancy. The minutes of said meeting are on file. It was hoped that

the accounts of our late Grand Treasurer would have been closed and transferred without the expense of a trip to Windsor; but on corresponding with Bro. Henry McAfee, P. G. M., who was acting on behalf of the family of our deceased Brother Irwin, difficulties arose which it seemed could only be satisfactorily explained by a personal visit and audit of accounts; therefore, by direction of the Grand Master, I proceeded to Windsor, and soon had the business settled, and had the amount at the credit of our late Grand Treasurer in the Merchants' Bank transferred to our present Grand Treasurer, said amount being \$3039 52, in which was included accrued interest \$84 83, leaving \$2,954 69 of capital. My books called for \$2,990 96. There thus appears a discrepancy of \$36 27 in favour of this Grand Lodge. Being duly authorized I proceeded to Toronto, and received from Bro. Badenach his bonds duly executed, and forwarded the same to the Grand Master.

28. In response to the appeal of the Grand Lodge of Nevada for aid, the sum of \$96, gold, was contributed by the below-named Lodges. The amount was duly forwarded to Bro. F. V. Drake, Grand Secretary of Nevada, and the receipt thereof duly acknowledged:—

Chatham	Lodge No. 29.....	\$ 5 00
Otter.....	" " 50.....	5 00
Kingston	" " 59.....	15 00
Friendship.....	" " 65.....	4 00
Warriner.....	" " 75.....	5 00
St. Thomas.....	" " 76.....	5 00
Nipissing	" " 79.....	5 00
Amity.....	" " 80.....	5 00
Belleville.....	" " 81.....	5 00
Grand River.....	" " 91.....	5 00
St. Clair.....	" " 106.....	5 00
Saxon	" " 121.....	10 00
Dresden.....	" " 124.....	2 00
Peaceful Dove	" " 135.....	5 00
Aurora	" " 148.....	10 00
Romeo	" " 164.....	5 00
		\$96 00

29. The following is an abstract from the Cash Book, and shows the financial transactions of the past year, a complete statement of which, together

with a Balance Sheet and an abstract from the Returns will be found on another page:—

Balance on hand Aug. 1st, 1875.....		\$4640 82
Received for Charter fees.....	\$ 580 00	
Supplies.....	1217 48	
Capita tax.....	5384 77	
Kansas refund.....	76 12	
Interest.....	187 52	
Returned on Expense account.....	11 84	
		7407 68
Paid Expenses.....	\$12048 50	
" Supplies.....	\$5084 96	
" Postage and Stationery.....	664 98	
" Huron Lodge, Kansas relief returned..	166 89	
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Now in Treasurer's hands.....		\$6129 67

The discrepancy between the above balance and the balance shown by the Grand Treasurer is accounted for by the amount due from our late Grand Treasurer.

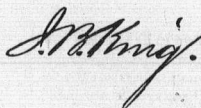
30. I have received circulars from the Grand Lodge of the United States and from the Joint Committee of the Order in Pennsylvania, inviting this Grand Lodge to participate in the general Centennial celebration of the Order in Philadelphia, on the 20th September next. (See letter "D.")

31. After closing this report, a letter was received from Bro. Thomas B. Blyth, P. G. of Oriental Lodge No. 163, Cornwall, saying that their Lodge room, with entire contents, was destroyed by fire on the 25th inst. Their returns, which had been neglected, were burned. Mystic Lodge No. 128, Killbride and Rond Eau Lodge No. 40 have also suffered severely by fire. These fires have in some instances necessitated the Lodges' appealing to sister Lodges for aid, when, had they taken the precaution of insuring their effects, such a necessity would have been averted.

32. Nine years ago to-day I presented my first annual report to this Grand Lodge, then composed of twenty-three members, in this Hall then in the thriving Town of St. Catharines. That report was considered very encouraging, showing fourteen Lodges, with one thousand and fifty members, and our annual income of \$1,094 24, having paid for relief \$1,382. What food for the reflective mind the change a few short years has wrought! To-day we meet in the proud City of St. Catharines, and it is my great pleasure to report one hundred and fifty-six Lodges having a membership of 11,322, and our annual

receipts \$98,214.07, having paid for relief \$19,408.20; the present session being composed of two hundred and twenty members, representing nearly every county in our fair Province, a record of prosperity which speaks a volume for the real merit of Odd Fellowship, for surely no society that was not really worthy could possibly secure such a hearty public endorsement. Very many of the able workers of then are still the zealous workers of now, though some have been called home. Let us then be inspired by the noble history of the past and prove true in our devotion to the principles expressed in our motto. Never falter in well doing. Let us prove true to our obligations, our duty and our sense of right, knowing that in due season we shall reap if we faint not. Let us display the same zeal in the future as in the past, and we will have a record for the next decade that shall far excel its predecessor.

Respectfully submitted,



GRAND SECRETARY.

(Copy.)

"C."

I. O. O. F., R. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHILI.

VALPARAISO, December 11th, 1875.

At the session of the Grand Lodge of the Republic of Chili, I. O. O. F., held in Valparaiso on the 11th day of December, 1875, the following preambles and resolutions were unanimously adopted:—

Whereas, the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States having granted a charter for a Grand Lodge in this Republic, which Grand Lodge, the first in South America, was regularly instituted on the 18th day of November, 1875, by the Hon. C. A. Logan, S.D.G.S., P.G.S., it is incumbent on this Grand Lodge to notify all sister Grand Lodges of an event of such paramount importance to the prosperity and advancement of our beloved Order in this distant part of the world, and also to convey to them the fraternal greetings of this Grand Lodge; and

Whereas, fraternal interchanges of communications and publications between Grand Lodges being calculated to promote in a high degree the interests of our Order, be it

Resolved, That the fraternal greetings and cordial salutations of this R. W. Grand Lodge be and are hereby tendered to all our sister Grand Lodges throughout the globe, and while asking them to rejoice with us over the consummation of an event of such vast importance as is the institution of a Grand Lodge to a jurisdiction which, in the short space of eighteen months, has given birth to seven vigorous Subordinate Lodges and one Subordinate Encampment, we sincerely pray that every blessing may attend their labours in behalf of our friendly Order;

Resolved, That all sister Grand Lodges throughout the globe be respectfully asked to forward to us copies of their printed Journals in exchange for those of this Grand Lodge;

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Secretary be instructed to transmit to all sister Grand Lodges a copy of these preambles and resolutions, under the official seal of this Grand Lodge.

WM. J. DEGRESS,
GRAND SECRETARY.

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"D."

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL JOINT COMMITTEE OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE
CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION, No. 142 NORTH SIXTH STREET,
PHILADELPHIA, March 31st, 1876.

SIR AND BROTHER:—

In addition to the formal invitation of the Grand Lodge of the United States, the Order in Pennsylvania extends a fraternal invitation to the Grand and Subordinate bodies in your jurisdiction to participate in the Centennial celebration of the Order in Philadelphia, on the 20th of September, 1876. I would respectfully suggest that you take immediate steps to effect an organization that will aid in making a successful and unprecedented demonstration of the strength of our Order on that day.

Enclosed are copies of circulars sent to every Lodge and Encampment in this State, in order that you may know that we are preparing for the grand event, and that you may, should you deem it necessary, correspond with the chairman of any of the committees or directly with this office.

I would respectfully suggest, that as speedily as possible you obtain such information from your Subordinates as may lead to an approximation of the probable number of Lodges or members and uniformed Patriarchs who may be expected from your jurisdiction, as the immense number of visitors to this city, from the opening to the closing of the Centennial demonstrations, will render it necessary that early preparation for the reception and accommodation of visitors of our Order be made with as little delay as possible, and this can only be accomplished by all interested taking an active part in gathering all needed information as promptly as it can be obtained and transmitted.

All communications, suggestions or inquiries from you will receive due consideration and prompt replies.

Sir and Bro.,

Respectfully and Fraternaly,

GEO. BERTRAM,

Chairman Committee on Correspondence.

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ASSETS OF THE R. W. GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO, I. O. O. F.,
22ND JULY, 1876.

FURNITURE AND REGALIA.

Two Desks.....	\$ 75 00
Chest.....	4 00
Letter Press and Shelving.....	9 00
Officers' Regalia.....	100 00
Valise for do.....	6 00
Charter Stones.....	52 50
	246 50

STATIONERY AND POSTAGE.

Six Institution Books.....	6 00
Two Grand Lodge Degree Books.....	2 50
Two Public Installation do.....	2 50
Account Books.....	10 00
Postage Stamps.....	15 07
P. G. and Rep. Certificates.....	7 00
Blank Returns Sheets, Bill Heads, Letter Paper & Envelopes	30 00
Letter Clip and File.....	1 50
	74 57

SUPPLIES.

Six Rebekah Degree, at \$2.25.....	13 50
35 Visiting Cards, at 20c.....	7 00
134 Withdrawal Cards, at 20c.....	26 80
103 Dismissal Certificates, at 20c.....	20 60
38 Funeral Ceremony, at 25c.....	9 50
71 Anniversary do do.....	17 75
104 Rebekah Odes, at 6c.....	6 24
120 Subordinate Lodge Odes.....	7 20
21 Diplomas, at 50c.....	10 50
300 Treasurers Bonds, say.....	3 00
1989 Proposition, 25c. per 100.....	4 97
2164 Reports, at 25c. per 100.....	5 41
42 Officers' Roll Books.....	26 00
43 Visitors' Registers, at 65.....	27 95
44 Black Books, at 77c.....	33 88
38 Return Books, at 30c.....	11 40
6 Packing Cases, at 15c.....	0 90
61 Blank Charters, at 85c.....	53 55
10 Question Books, at 67c.....	6 70
3 Orders for A. P. G., at 63c.....	1 83
2 Digest G. L. U. S., at \$2.25.....	5 50
731 Digest G. L. of Ont., at 67c.....	475 15
12 Rec. Secretary's Receipt Books, at 67c.....	8 04
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STATEMENT A.

AMOUNTS DUE BY SUBORDINATE LODGES, JULY 22ND, 1876,		
T. H. Vann	14	\$ 2 50
Victoria, Rebekah Degree Lodge	18	0 55
Cataraqui Lodge No. 10	86	0 25
Chatham " " 29	89	1 00
Eureka " " 30	41	1 50
Rond Eau " " 40	53	4 50
Frontier " " 45	59	0 65
Covenant " " 52	73	6 25
Queen City of Ontario Lodge No. 56	81	0 25
Howard Lodge No. 58	85	6 50
Wardsville " " 60	89	2 00
Corinthian " " 61	91	0 50
Barrie " " 63	95	0 25
Victoria " " 64	97	0 13
The Toronto " " 71	111	1 20
Eastern Star " " 72	118	0 25
Bothwell " " 74	117	1 00
Durham " " 78	125	3 75
Belleville " " 81	131	0 01
Constellation " " 85	139	10 75
Reliance " " 89	147	0 50
Grand River " " 91	151	0 02
Milton " " 92	153	1 76
Aylmer " " 94	157	7 75
Peabody " " 99	167	0 25
Lindsay " " 100	169	0 50
Laurel " " 110	189	27 90
Trenton " " 113	195	18 35
Gananoque " " 114	197	1 00
Shannonville " " 118	205	1 40
Palmerston " " 123	215	0 75
Dresden " " 124	217	1 26
Livingstone " " 130	229	0 75
Cobourg " " 136	241	13 35
Leamington " " 140	249	0 50
Bay of Quinte " " 143	255	10 75
Riverside " " 145	259	1 00
Sycamore " " 151	271	10 25
Alpha " " 154	281	5 58
Oswego " " 165	305	1 50
Donovo " " 170	313	32 55
Wellington Square	329	0 10
Owen Sound " " 180	338	32 80
Teeswater " " 183	339	31 80
Dufferin " " 186	345	33 55
Parry Sound " " 189	351	32 08
Mystic Degree Lodge No. 8	626	2 75
Frontier " " 9	627	2 75
W. D. Gordon	641	1 10
Cl. T. Campbell	642	5 19
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STATEMENT B.

AMOUNTS OVERPAID BY SUBORDINATE LODGES, JULY 22ND 1876.

	Lodge No.	PAGE	
Brook	9	35	\$ 1 25
Erie	" 33	43	0 47
Gore	" 34	45	1 25
St. Marys	" 36	49	1 50
Forest City	" 38	51	0 50
Unity	" 47	63	0 50
Kingston	" 59	87	2 00
Huron	" 62	93	0 75
Friendship	" 65	99	1 12
Exeter	" 67	103	0 75
North Star	" 68	105	1 00
Hope	" 69	107	0 75
Beaver	" 82	133	0 10
Walkerton	" 84	137	2 25
Napanee	" 86	141	0 25
Ivy	" 90	149	2 50
Western City	" 93	155	0 75
Grand Union	" 97	163	5 25
Crescent	" 104	177	3 75
St. Clair	" 106	181	0 50
Royal Oak	" 108	185	6 85
Orion	" 109	187	0 46
Peterborough	" 111	191	2 50
Naomi	" 116	201	1 25
Maitland	" 119	207	2 75
Saxon	" 121	211	0 25
Oakville	" 132	233	0 50
Capitol	" 141	251	1 75
Model	" 147	263	0 25
Bertie	" 150	269	0 25
Willey	" 153	279	0 25
Pyramid	" 156	285	0 58
Thamesville	" 157	287	1 00
Oak Leaf	" 159	291	0 75
Simcoe	" 161	295	0 85
Hillsburgh	" 167	307	0 25
Alliston	" 171	315	0 25
Live Oak	" 185	343	0 25
Cypress	" 187	347	3 00
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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS—Continued.

Date.	Lodge.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	Total.
1875.						
Sept.	5 Chatham	29	\$	\$ 2 75	\$	\$ 2 75
"	5 Valley City	117		1 00		1 00
"	20 Supplies	20		1 00		1 00
"	20 Dresden	124		5 50		5 50
"	20 Emerald	173	30 00			30 00
"	24 Sydenham Valley	120		1 00		1 00
"	26 Grand Union	97		6 00		6 00
"	27 Collingwood	54		3 50		3 50
"	30 Waterloo	107		3 00		3 00
"	30 Victoria	64		2 25		2 25
Oct.	5 Niagara Falls	53		7 75		7 75
"	5 Lucknow	112		2 75		2 75
"	11 Dolman	174	30 00			30 00
"	11 Florence Nightingale	66		1 00		1 00
"	21 Emerald	173		32 80		32 80
"	21 Livingstone	130		6 25		6 25
"	21 Orient	134		10 00		10 00
"	22 Wellington Square	178	30 00			30 00
"	22 Grand River	91		1 63		1 63
"	22 Collingwood	54		7 50		7 50
"	26 Fergus	73		0 25		0 25
"	26 Lorne	175	30 00			30 00
Nov.	1 Manitoba	1		14 75		14 75
"	1 Maitland	119		6 00		6 00
"	1 Montana	177	30 00			30 00
"	1 The Toronto	71		2 50		2 50
"	4 Peaceful Dove	135		3 00		3 00
"	5 St. Marys	36		1 00		1 00
"	15 Friendship	65		3 00		3 00
"	15 Dauncey	176	30 00			30 00
"	20 Otter	50		2 00		2 00
"	20 John Fitz (card)			0 25		0 25
"	27 Dolman	174		32 80		32 80
"	27 Montana	177		32 80		32 80
Dec.	2 Madoc	179	30 00			30 00
"	5 Pyramid	156		14 50		14 50
"	13 Streetsville	122		8 00		8 00
"	13 Belleville	81		6 00		6 00
"	20 S. McGee			0 50		0 50
"	20 Owen Sound	180	30 00			30 00
"	28 Dominion	48		4 50		4 50
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1876.						
Jan.	1 Ark.	181	30 00			30 00
"	4 Waterloo	107			16 00	16 00
"	4 Bertie	150			12 50	12 50

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Date.	Lodge.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	Total.
1876.						
Jan.	4 Harmony	115	\$	\$	\$ 9 50	\$ 9 50
"	5 Oxford	77	.....	1 25	27 25	28 50
"	5 Union	16	.....	.....	65 50	65 50
"	5 Port Stanley	95	.....	10 50	11 00	21 50
"	5 Orion	109	.....	.....	1 00	1 00
"	5 Emerald	173	.....	2 30	.....	2 30
"	5 Forest City	38	.....	1 50	.....	1 50
"	5 Brock	9	.....	.....	35 75	35 75
"	5 Alpha	154	.....	5 50	7 50	13 00
"	5 Fergus	73	.....	.....	19 25	19 25
"	5 Bothwell	74	.....	1 00	15 00	16 00
"	6 Niagara Falls	53	.....	.....	26 75	26 75
"	6 Covenant	52	.....	.....	60 00	60 00
"	6 Dolman	174	.....	.....	7 00	7 00
"	6 Gore	34	.....	3 00	26 00	29 00
"	7 Livingstone	130	.....	.....	32 50	32 50
"	7 Unity	47	.....	3 00	58 75	61 75
"	7 Avon	41	.....	3 50	54 75	58 25
"	7 Milton	92	.....	.....	7 90	7 90
"	7 Frontier	45	.....	.....	40 00	40 00
"	7 Gananoque	114	.....	33 90	.....	33 90
"	7 Samaritan	177	.....	32 80	.....	32 80
"	7 Aylmer	35	.....	.....	42 00	42 00
"	7 Stella	94	.....	.....	16 75	16 75
"	7 Sarnia	125	.....	.....	7 50	7 50
"	8 Empire	87	.....	1 00	.....	1 00
"	8 Oakville	132	.....	.....	31 50	31 50
"	8 Golden Star	101	.....	.....	10 00	10 00
"	8 Valley City	117	.....	.....	27 25	27 25
"	8 Bissell	51	.....	.....	19 25	19 25
"	8 Rose	28	.....	.....	31 50	31 50
"	8 Collingwood	54	.....	.....	5 75	5 75
"	8 Victoria	64	.....	.....	14 25	14 25
"	8 Romeo	164	.....	.....	23 50	23 50
"	8 Belleville	81	.....	6 25	10 25	10 25
"	10 Palmerston	123	.....	1 25	29 75	36 00
"	10 Oak Leaf	159	.....	.....	11 00	12 25
"	10 Grand Union	97	.....	.....	13 25	13 25
"	10 Amity	80	.....	1 25	21 25	21 25
"	10 St. Clair	106	.....	.....	24 25	25 50
"	10 Grand River	91	.....	.....	19 25	19 25
"	10 Bay of Quinte	143	.....	0 27	21 23	21 23
"	10 Erie	33	.....	.....	8 75	9 02
"	11 Queen City of Ontario	56	12 25	12 25
"	11 Canada	49	50 50	50 50
"	11 Orient	134	58 50	58 50
"	11 Oxford	77	1 50	21 50	21 50
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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS—Continued.

Total.	Date.	Lodge.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	Total.
	1876.						
\$ 9 50	Jan. 11	Huron	62	\$	\$	\$ 28 75	\$ 28 75
28 50	" 12	Stephen	169	"	"	5 75	5 75
65 50	" 12	Penetangore.....	172	"	"	14 50	14 50
21 50	" 12	Denovo	170	"	"	6 75	6 75
1 00	" 12	Lucknow	111	"	"	12 25	12 25
2 30	" 12	Simcoe	161	"	"	7 75	7 75
1 50	" 13	Lucan	70	"	"	14 25	14 25
35 75	" 13	Dosoronto	102	"	"	10 00	10 00
13 00	" 13	Cookstown	162	"	0 75	6 50	6 50
19 25	" 13	Exeter	67	"	2 75	12 50	13 25
16 00	" 13	Glencoe	133	"	"	9 50	9 50
26 75	" 13	Naomi	116	"	"	11 25	14 00
60 00	" 13	Durham.....	78	"	"	18 00	18 00
7 00	" 13	Florence Nightingale..	66	"	"	25 25	25 25
29 00	" 13	Beaver	82	"	"	10 00	10 00
32 50	" 13	Minto.....	98	"	"	13 50	13 50
61 75	" 13	Model.....	147	"	2 00	"	2 00
58 25	" 13	Warriner	75	"	"	19 50	19 50
7 90	" 13	Charity	129	"	0 75	8 50	9 25
40 00	" 13	Peaceful Dove.....	135	"	"	12 50	12 50
33 90	" 13	Nipissing	79	"	"	19 25	19 25
32 80	" 13	Manilla	105	"	"	11 25	11 25
42 00	" 13	Clinton	83	"	"	15 00	15 00
16 75	" 13	Vivian	146	"	"	8 50	8 50
7 50	" 13	Eureka	30	"	"	69 50	69 50
31 50	" 13	Germania	184	30 00	"	"	30 00
10 00	" 15	The Toronto.....	71	"	"	24 25	24 25
27 25	" 16	Aurora	148	"	4 81	"	4 81
19 25	" 16	Fidelity	55	"	"	29 00	29 00
31 50	" 17	Orient	134	"	3 00	"	3 00
5 75	" 17	Grand Union	97	"	1 00	"	1 00
14 25	" 17	Streetsville.....	122	"	"	12 50	12 50
23 50	" 17	Walkerton	184	"	1 50	12 50	14 00
10 25	" 17	Mizpah	127	"	"	12 75	12 75
36 00	" 17	Hayden	152	"	"	8 75	8 75
12 25	" 17	Dauncey	176	"	"	7 25	7 25
13 25	" 18	Cataract	103	"	"	10 25	10 25
21 25	" 18	Excelsior	44	"	"	43 00	43 00
25 50	" 18	Unity	47	"	1 75	"	1 75
19 25	" 18	Reliance	89	"	"	25 00	25 00
21 23	" 18	Progress	158	"	6 25	15 25	21 50
9 02	" 18	Maple Leaf	57	"	"	13 25	13 25
12 25	" 18	Alliston	171	"	"	6 00	6 00
50 50	" 18	Concord	142	"	2 75	7 50	10 25
58 50	" 18	Hillsburgh	167	"	0 25	4 75	5 00
21 50	" 18	Kingston	59	"	6 75	25 75	32 50
1 50	" 18	Cataraqui.....	10	"	"	7 50	7 50
	" 18	Napanee	86	"	"	13 50	13 50

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Date.	Lodge.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	Total.
1876.						
Jan. 19	St. Lawrence	137	\$	\$.0 40	\$ 12 25	\$ 12 65
" 19	Garnet	139			7 00	7 00
" 19	Brougham	155			4 25	4 25
" 19	Beethoven	165			5 75	5 75
" 19	Corinthian	61			35 25	35 25
" 19	Eastern Star	72			29 25	29 25
" 19	Nith	96			11 25	11 25
" 19	Ivy	90			19 50	19 50
" 19	Model	147			9 25	9 25
" 20	Trenton	113			6 00	6 00
" 20	Penetangore	172		32 80		32 80
" 20	Riverside	145		0 75	12 00	12 75
" 21	Wellington Square	178		32 70	6 50	39 20
" 21	Lorne	175			4 50	4 50
" 22	St. Thomas	76			36 25	36 25
" 22	Listowel	160			8 50	8 50
" 22	Western Star	149		0 50	9 25	9 75
" 22	Orion	109			14 21	14 21
" 24	Hope	69			10 75	10 75
" 24	Montana	177			5 25	5 25
" 24	Laurel	110			22 25	22 25
" 24	Aurora	148			12 00	12 00
" 24	Sutton	188		1 00		1 00
" 25	Leamington	140			9 25	9 25
" 25	Tecumseh	182	30 00			30 00
" 26	Union	16		2 75		2 75
" 26	Ancaster	138			6 50	6 50
" 26	Frontier Degree	9	5 00			5 00
" 27	Teeswater	183	30 00			30 00
" 27	Clinton	83		3 50		3 50
" 27	Emerald	173		6 75		6 75
" 27	Eastern Star	72		3 00		3 00
" 27	Chatham	29		9 00		9 00
" 28	Peterboro'	111			17 00	17 00
" 28	Mizpah	127			9 25	9 25
" 28	Rond Eau	40			16 50	16 50
" 28	Ridgetown	144			12 75	12 75
" 28	Sydenham Valley	120			10 75	10 75
" 28	Chatham	29			39 50	39 50
" 28	Western City	93			17 25	17 25
" 28	Thamesville	157			6 50	6 50
" 28	Dresden	124			17 75	17 75
" 29	Mt. Zion	46			4 75	4 75
" 29	W. H. Hender			1 40		1 40
" 29	Friendship	65			27 50	27 50
" 29	Sarmia	126			15 50	15 50
" 29	Capital	141			12 75	12 75
" 31	Crescent	104			29 25	29 25

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS—Continued.

Total.	Date.	Lodge.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	Total.
\$ 12 65	Feb.	2 Oriental	163	\$	\$	\$ 5 50	\$ 5 50
7 00	"	2 Forest City	38			75 25	75 25
4 25	"	2 Saxon	121			9 25	9 25
5 75	"	3 Cookstown	162				
35 25	"	3 Fergus	73		1 50		1 50
29 25	"	3 Orion	109		3 88		3 88
11 25	"	3 Wildey	153		1 50		1 50
19 50	"	4 Marion	131			6 00	6 00
9 25	"	5 Maitland	119		2 75	5 75	8 50
6 00	"	5 Howard	58			10 00	10 00
32 80	"	5 Olive Branch	88			38 50	38 50
12 75	"	7 Cl. T. Campbell				26 25	26 25
39 20	"	10 Oakville			1 56		1 56
4 50	"	10 St. Marys	132		4 00		4 00
36 25	"	10 Royal Oak	36			32 75	32 75
8 50	"	10 Orion	108			12 50	12 50
9 75	"	14 Lucknow	109		1 00		1 00
14 21	"	15 Peabody	112		3 00		3 00
10 75	"	15 Barrie	99			8 25	8 25
5 25	"	17 Otter	63			6 00	6 00
22 25	"	17 Gananoque	50		0 15	25 00	25 15
12 00	"	21 Eureka	114			9 00	9 00
1 00	"	21 Empire	30		5 50		5 50
9 25	"	21 Palmerston	87		6 75		6 75
30 00	"	25 Live Oak	123		4 75		4 75
2 75	"	26 Capital	185	30 00			30 00
6 50	"	1 Oswego	141		1 25		1 25
5 00	Mar.	1 Valley City	166			3 50	3 50
30 0	"	6 Peterboro'	117		1 85		1 85
3 50	"	6 Lindsay	111		0 13		0 13
6 75	"	11 Dufferin	106			13 00	13 00
3 00	"	11 Mystic	186	30 00			30 00
9 00	"	13 Warriner	124		1 00		1 00
17 00	"	24 Golden Star	75		3 25		3 25
9 25	"	29 Exeter	101		0 50		0 50
16 50	April	3 Amity	67		1 00		1 00
12 75	"	4 Listowell	80		1 13		1 13
10 75	"	4 Waterloo	160		4 63		4 63
39 50	"	5 Orient	107		0 25		0 25
17 25	"	12 The Toronto	134		0 50		0 50
6 50	"	12 Wellington Square	71		1 25		1 25
17 75	"	12 Wardaville	178		6 00		6 00
4 75	"	17 Gore	60		1 00	4 50	5 50
1 40	"	27 Union	34		3 50		3 50
27 50	"	27 Aurora	16		8 75		8 75
15 50	"	28 Cyprus	148		0 35		0 35
12 75	May	1 Samaritan	187	30 00			30 00
29 25	"	8 Live Oak	35		6 00		6 00
			195		33 80		33 80

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS—Continued.

Date.	Lodge.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	Total.
1876.						
May	8 Sarnia	126	\$	\$ 0 25	\$	\$ 0 25
"	8 Otter	50	.....	2 75	.....	2 75
"	24 Walkerton	84	.....	5 00	.....	5 00
"	24 Cambridge	188	30 00	.....	.....	30 00
June	16 Crescent	104	.....	11 15	.....	11 15
"	17 Cohongr.	136	.....	3 00	.....	3 00
"	17 Cambridge	188	.....	31 15	.....	31 15
"	24 Cyprus	187	.....	33 90	.....	33 90
"	24 Parry Sound	189	30 00	.....	.....	30 00
"	28 Stephen	169	.....	35 80	.....	35 80
"	28 Niagara Falls	53	.....	3 00	.....	3 00
"	28 Tecumseh	182	.....	.....	3 75	3 75
"	28 Gorrie	190	30 00	.....	.....	30 00
"	28 Royal Oak	108	.....	5 00	.....	5 00
"	28 Eastern Star	72	.....	3 50	.....	3 50
"	28 W. H. Thuerston .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 80
"	28 Beethoven	165	.....	2 75	.....	2 75
"	28 F. Wright .....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	1 00
"	28 Grand Union	97	.....	1 50	.....	1 54
"	29 Ancaster	138	.....	3 00	.....	3 00
July	1 Cyprus	187	.....	3 00	.....	3 00
"	3 Ivy	90	.....	3 00	.....	3 00
"	4 Manila	105	.....	6 25	.....	6 25
"	4 Covenant	52	.....	0 25	.....	0 25
"	4 Oxford	77	.....	.....	28 25	28 25
"	4 Port Stanley	95	.....	0 25	11 00	11 25
"	4 Bissell	51	.....	0 25	.....	0 25
"	4 Sarnia	126	.....	.....	13 50	13 50
"	4 Golden Star	101	.....	1 25	.....	1 25
"	4 Harmony	118	.....	.....	9 00	9 00
"	5 Garnet	139	.....	8 75	.....	8 75
"	5 North Star	68	.....	6 90	.....	6 90
"	5 Clinton	88	.....	.....	14 00	14 00
"	6 Dolman	174	.....	.....	8 25	8 25
"	6 Orion	109	.....	.....	16 50	16 50
"	6 Milton	92	.....	.....	12 00	12 00
"	6 Bertie	150	.....	4 85	14 00	18 85
"	6 Eureka	30	.....	.....	71 50	71 50
"	6 Waterloo	107	.....	.....	18 50	18 55
"	6 Union	16	.....	.....	66 75	66 73
"	6 Bothwell	74	.....	3 13	12 00	15 75
"	6 Model	147	.....	.....	9 75	9 75
"	6 Avon	41	.....	6 00	54 75	60 75
"	6 Fidelity	55	.....	.....	30 75	30 60
"	7 Grand River	91	.....	.....	23 25	23 25
"	7 Cataract	103	.....	5 75	.....	5 75
"	7 Cambridge	188	.....	4 25	.....	4 25
"	7 Dominion	48	.....	.....	50 75	50 75

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS—Continued.

Total.	Date.	Lodge.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	Total.
\$ 0 25	July 7	Fergus	73	\$	\$	\$ 19 25	\$ 19 25
2 75	" 7	Howard	58			38 50	38 50
5 00	" 7	Beaver	82			11 00	11 00
30 00	" 7	St. Lawrence	137			14 00	14 00
11 15	" 7	Valley City	117			20 75	20 75
3 00	" 7	Trenton	113			6 75	6 75
31 15	" 7	Naomi	116		0 25	11 25	11 50
33 90	" 7	Aurora	148		8 05	11 75	19 80
30 00	" 7	Bissell	51			33 00	33 00
35 80	" 7	Wildely	153			6 25	6 25
3 00	" 7	Dosoronto	102			9 75	9 75
3 75	" 7	Marion	131		4 20	6 50	10 70
30 00	" 7	Manilla	105			11 25	11 25
5 00	" 8	Alpha	154		1 35	7 50	8 85
3 50	" 8	Erie	33			12 50	12 50
11 80	" 8	Hope	69			10 00	10 00
2 75	" 8	Constellation	85			8 75	8 75
1 00	" 8	Lindsay	100		7 75	13 75	21 50
1 54	" 8	Oswego	166			3 25	3 25
3 00	" 8	Western Star	149			10 25	10 25
3 00	" 8	Livingstone	130			36 75	36 75
3 00	" 8	Reliance	89			27 25	27 25
6 25	" 8	Progress	158		0 25	19 00	19 25
0 25	" 8	Beethoven	165			7 00	7 00
25 25	" 8	Brougham	155			5 25	5 25
00 11 25	" 8	Cataract	103			10 50	10 50
0 25	" 8	Montana	177			6 00	6 00
50 13 50	" 10	Empire	87			35 50	35 50
1 25	" 10	Grand Union	97			18 00	18 00
00 9 00	" 10	Emerald	173			8 25	8 25
8 75	" 10	Cookstown	162		2 75	8 25	11 00
6 90	" 10	Live Oak	185			5 75	5 75
00 14 00	" 10	Excelsior	44			44 00	44 00
25 8 25	" 10	Hayden	152			9 50	9 50
50 16 50	" 10	Riverside	145			13 00	13 00
00 12 00	" 10	Amity	80			23 75	23 75
00 18 85	" 10	Minto	98		1 85	13 75	15 63
50 71 50	" 11	Friendship	65			23 75	23 75
50 18 55	" 11	Samaritan	35		0 50	43 50	44 00
75 66 73	" 11	Ancaster	138			5 50	5 50
00 15 15	" 11	Garnet	139			8 50	8 50
75 9 75	" 11	Capital	141			12 50	12 50
75 60 75	" 11	Sutton	168			9 00	9 00
75 30 60	" 11	Charity	129			7 50	7 50
25 23 25	" 11	Wellington Square	178			8 50	8 50
5 75	" 12	Romeo	164			12 75	12 75
4 25	" 12	Wardsville	60			4 75	4 75
75 50 75	" 12	Dauncey	176			9 75	9 75

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS—Continued.

Total.	Lodge.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	Total.
1876.						
July	12 Harmony	115		\$ 1 00	\$	\$ 1 00
"	12 Forest City	38			72 25	72 25
"	12 Niagara Falls	53			26 75	26 75
"	12 Alliston	171			9 25	9 25
"	12 Belleville	81			31 00	31 00
"	12 Mizpah	127			14 00	14 00
"	12 Nipissing	79		0 85	18 00	18 85
"	13 J. C. White			3 00		3 00
"	13 Canada	49			62 50	62 00
"	13 Unity	47		6 00	58 75	64 75
"	13 Otter	50			25 75	25 75
"	13 Lucan	70		0 25	14 75	15 00
"	13 Huron	62		3 00	30 00	33 00
"	13 Royal Oak	108			12 50	12 50
"	13 Stella	125			6 75	6 75
"	13 Olive Branch	88			22 63	22 63
"	13 Rose	28			6 75	6 75
"	13 Dominion	48			47 75	47 75
"	13 Pyramid	156			12 75	12 75
"	13 The Toronto	71			22 70	22 70
"	13 Peterboro	111			17 50	17 50
"	13 Brock	9			35 00	35 00
"	13 Howard	58		1 50		1 50
"	13 Nith	96		0 50	13 25	13 75
"	13 Exeter	67		0 25	14 00	14 25
"	13 Aylmer	94			15 50	15 50
"	13 Glencoe	133			9 25	9 25
"	14 Palmerston	123			11 50	11 50
"	14 Gore	34			27 00	27 00
"	14 Queen City of Ontario	56			52 75	52 75
"	14 Warriner	75			20 75	20 75
"	14 Frontier	45		6 25	40 75	47 00
"	14 Tecumseh	182		31 80		31 80
"	14 Bay of Quinte	143		0 25		0 25
"	14 Napanee	86		4 75	20 50	25 25
"	14 North Star	68			11 00	11 00
"	14 Listowel	160			11 50	11 50
"	14 Madoc	179		32 80	4 75	37 55
"	15 Excelsior	44		0 25		0 25
"	15 Germania	184		32 80	6 50	39 30
"	15 Oak Leaf	150			14 25	14 25
"	15 Florence Nightingale	66			24 45	24 45
"	15 Orient	134			20 00	20 00
"	15 Cataraqui	10		4 00	11 50	15 50
"	15 Kingston	59			27 25	27 25
"	15 Gananoque	114			8 50	8 50
"	15 Maple Leaf	57			13 25	13 25
"	15 Golden Star	101			26 50	26 50

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS—Continued.

Total.		Date.	Lodge.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	Total.
	\$ 1 00	July 15	Streetsville	122			\$ 9 00	\$ 9 50
25	72 25	" 15	Mystic	128	\$		10 50	10 50
75	26 75	" 15	Collingwood	54			9 40	9 40
25	9 25	" 15	Walkerton	84		0 50	16 50	17 00
00	31 00	" 15	Lucknow	112			13 50	13 50
00	14 00	" 15	Stephen	169			6 50	6 50
00	18 85	" 15	Denovo	170			9 50	9 50
50	3 00	" 15	Owen Sound	180			4 50	4 50
75	62 00	" 15	Taeewater	183			7 50	7 50
75	64 75	" 15	Dufferin	186			2 75	2 75
75	25 75	" 17	Leamington	140		5 45	10 25	15 75
75	15 00	" 17	Concord	142			9 00	9 00
00	33 00	" 17	Cobourg	136			11 75	11 70
50	12 50	" 17	Corinthian	61		19 00	35 75	54 75
75	6 75	" 17	Eastern Star	72			32 25	32 25
63	22 63	" 17	Saxon	121			15 25	15 25
75	6 75	" 17	St. Clair	106			19 00	19 00
75	47 75	" 17	Sycamore	151			10 25	10 25
75	12 75	" 17	St. Marys	36			35 75	35 75
70	22 70	" 17	Ivy	90			19 50	19 50
50	17 50	" 17	St. Thomas	76		8 95	38 00	46 95
00	35 00	" 17	Simcoe	161			9 25	9 25
25	1 50	" 17	Lorne	175		32 80	6 75	39 55
00	13 75	" 17	Ark	181		32 80	4 25	37 05
00	14 25	" 18	Peaceful Dove	135			13 75	13 75
50	15 50	" 19	Feabody	99			8 00	8 00
25	9 25	" 19	Vivian	146			6 00	6 00
50	11 50	" 19	Mystic	128		13 50	10 50	24 00
00	27 00	" 19	Sydenham Valley	120		1 75	12 50	14 25
75	52 75	" 19	Thamesville	157			8 25	8 25
75	20 75	" 19	Chatham	29			40 00	40 00
75	47 00	" 19	Western City	93			17 00	17 00
31	80	" 19	Ridgetown	144			10 25	10 25
0	9 25	" 19	Dresden	124			17 75	17 75
50	25 25	" 20	Victoria	64		6 50	24 75	31 25
00	11 00	" 20	Rond Eau	40		33 05	11 75	44 80
50	11 50	" 20	Maitland	119			12 25	12 25
75	37 55	" 20	Crescent	104			37 00	37 00
0	25	" 20	Barrie	63			9 25	9 25
50	39 30	" 20	Penetangore	172		4 00	19 75	23 75
25	14 25	" 20	Victoria, Rebekah	1		2 20		2 20
45	24 45	" 20	Merchants' Bank, for Int.					84 83
00	20 00							
50	15 50							
25	27 25							
50	8 50							
25	13 25							
50	26 50							
				580 00	1217 43	5384 77	7407 68	

Balance Sheet R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario I. O. O. F., to 31st July, 1876.

ACCOUNTS.	Page.	Inventory		Trial Balance.		Profit and Loss.		Stock.		Resources and Liabilities.	
		DR.	CR.	DR.	CR.	DR.	CR.	DR.	CR.	DR.	CR.
Stock	1	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Per Capita Tax	3		7674 26					5 00	6368 55		
Treasurer	620			6129 87		5472 50				8129 67	
Charities	8					550 00				780 37	
Supplies	636	780 37				866 39					
Expenses	12				3187 34						
Stationery and Postage	616	74 57								74 57	
Furniture and Regalia	15	246 50								246 50	
Interest and Discount	634			2 25		209 16					2 25
G. L. U. S.	26										
Donations	...					80 00					
Statement A.	...			521 58							521 57
Statement B.	...			80 68							80 68
		1101 44	7754 94	7754 94							
				Net Profit.		1320 71					
				6598 05							
				Capital.		7674 26					
				Total Assets.		7679 26	7679 26				7754 94
				Total Liabilities.							80 68
				Capital.							7674 26
											7754 94

Examined and found correct,
 H. L. BRAIN
 A. R. NARBAY, } Auditors.
 July 28th, 1876.

Total Liabilities.....	80 00
Capital	7874 36
	7754 94

AUDITORS' REPORT.

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

Your Auditors appointed to examine the books and accounts of the R. W. Grand Secretary and R. W. Grand Treasurer beg to report:—

They have carefully audited the books of the R. W. Grand Secretary, and found them correct, and kept in the most satisfactory way.

The books of the late R. W. Grand Treasurer we have examined, and found them to correspond with the books of the R. W. Grand Secretary. The vouchers were not produced. The books show a balance due the Grand Lodge of \$86.27.

The books, with the proper vouchers attached, of the R. W. Grand Treasurer have been audited and found correct.

Fraternally submitted,

HU. BLAIN
A. R. NARRAWAY, } Auditors.

Brantford, July 27th, 1876.

Examined and found correct,
HU. BLAIN
A. R. NARRAWAY, } Auditors.
July 28th, 1876.

SUPPLEMENTARY RECEIPTS.

Since 21st July, the date of closing the books, the following amounts have been received:—

Date.	Lodge.	Number.	Charter Fee.	Supplies.	Fes. Capita Per.	Total.
1876.						
July 22	Mount Zion	46	\$	\$	\$ 4 75	\$ 4 75
" 22	Riverside	145		1 00		1 00
" 22	W. D. Gordon			1 10		1 10
" 22	Oakville	132			10 75	10 75
" 22	Friendship	65		0 13		0 13
" 24	The Toronto	71			1 20	1 20

MORTALITY TABLE.

Ten years—from 1867 to 1876, inclusive.—Compiled to June 30, 1876.

Year.	Membership.	Deaths.	Percentage.	No. relieved.	Am't paid.	Total Relief and W. O. & Benefit.
1867....	908.....	1.....	1 in 907	79.....	\$ 833 00.....	\$ 1,382 00
1868....	1,103.....	7.....	1 in 157	104.....	1,335 60.....	2,145 24
1869....	1,443.....	7.....	1 in 207	111.....	1,637 80.....	2,547 70
1870....	1,923.....	17.....	1 in 113	187.....	2,040 54.....	3,290 56
1871....	3,442.....	21.....	1 in 159	212.....	2,707 01.....	4,716 53
1872....	5,079.....	25.....	1 in 202	309.....	3,976 56.....	6,277 95
1873....	6,745.....	46.....	1 in 146	394.....	6,293 64.....	10,822 78
1874....	8,222.....	56.....	1 in 139	689.....	7,525 12.....	12,963 27
1875....	10,223.....	52.....	1 in 196	892.....	10,371 33.....	17,857 27
1876....	11,322.....	73.....	1 in 155	998.....	11,556 77.....	19,403 20
Average deaths.....		1 in 209.				

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SUMMARY FROM THE SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS, YEAR ENDING 31st
JULY, 1876.

(See Appendix for complete statistics.)

Total.

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Benefit and
benefit.
32 00
45 24
47 70
90 56
6 53
77 95
2 78
3 27
7 27
3 20

Number of Lodges	156	
Initiated	2269	
Admitted by Card	266	
Reinstated	65	
Total		2600
Withdrawn by Card	386	
Suspended	980	
Expelled	22	
Died	73	1461
Increase		1139
Membership per last Report		10183
Present total Membership		11,322

RELIEF.

Number of Brothers relieved	998	
" Widowed families relieved	180	
Paid for Sick Benefits		\$11,556 77
" to Widows and Orphans		3,688 55
" for Burying the Dead		2,481 08
" for Charity		1,676 80
Total Relief		\$19,403 20
Total number of weeks sickness for which Benefits were paid		4,988.4-7
" of Brothers to whom paid		998
Total amount paid		\$11,556 77
Average to each Brother		11 58
" amount per week		2 34
Of the total membership, 1 in each 11 received relief		
Average mortality, 1 in 155.09		
Receipts of Subordinate Lodges		\$98,214 07
Paid for current expenses by Subordinate Lodges		44,987 87
An average of over 45.8 per cent. for expenses, and 19.75 per cent. for relief.		
Thirty-four per cent. of receipts added to capital of Lodges ..		
Widow and Orphans Fund of Lodges		101,517 69
General Fund of Lodges		283,569 30
Total		\$385,086 99

REPORT
OF THE
R. W. GRAND TREASURER
FOR
YEAR ENDING JULY 27TH, 1876.

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The Grand Treasurer read his report, which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Dr.

1875.			
Aug. 1,	To cash on hand.....		\$4693 51
Oct. 5,	" " received from Grand Secretary	\$ 301 70	
Nov. 10,	" " " " " "	159 93	
1876.			
Jan'y 4,	" " " " " "	158 10	
Jan'y 10,	" " " " " "	169 62	
Feb'y 9,	" " " " " "	2631 95	
Mar. 23,	" " " " " "	348 34	
April 2,	" " " " " "	54 23	
June 27,	" " " " " "	139 66	
July 8,	" " " " " "	261 09	
" 17,	" " " " " "	1500 00	
" 24,	" " " " " "	1543 78	
" 27,	Interest on deposit	84 83	
			7353 23
	Received by late Grand Treasurer and not handed to W. Badenach		\$1204674 36 27
	By cash paid warrants Nos. 64 to 133 inclusive		\$12010 47 5917 07
	By balance cash on hand.....		\$ 6093 40

1875.
Aug. 6,

Aug. 13,
Aug. 31,

Sept. 17,
Sept. 30.

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1875.				
Aug. 6,	Warrant 64,	W. B. Gilleland, D.D.G.M.	\$	14 25
"	"	65, L. Ferguson, D.D.G.M.		17 25
"	"	66, Dr. Fowler, D.D.G.M.		7 00
"	"	67, C. B. Stevens, D.D.G.M.		5 75
"	"	68, John Craig, D.D.G.M.		14 75
"	"	69, F. F. Lawrence, D.D.G.M.		25 50
"	"	70, G. A. Simpson, D.D.G.M.		28 00
"	"	71, John Turner, D.D.G.M.		26 50
"	"	72, Robert Evans, D.D.G.M.		16 80
"	"	73, W. N. Ford, D.D.G.M.		11 00
"	"	74, W. G. Mutton, D.D.G.M.		16 00
"	"	75, Cl. T. Campbell, D.D.G.M.		20 00
"	"	76, D. M. Telford, D.D.G.M.		23 40
"	"	77, Jas. Henry, D.D.G.M.		14 50
"	"	78, W. Badenach, Auditors' Expenses		6 00
"	"	79, W. W. Griffey, "		5 00
"	"	80, Brant Union, Printing		18 75
"	"	81, W. Fitzsimmons, Grand Master, Expenses		96 86
"	"	82, F. G. Lewis, D.D.G.M.		11 86
"	"	83, H. McAfee, D.D.G.M.		17 00
"	"	84, R. Warriner, D.D.G.M.		35 00
"	"	85, Odd Fellows' Journal, Printing		16 00
"	"	86, Committee on By-Laws		9 00
"	"	87, Rose Lodge No. 28, Charter Fee returned		30 00
"	"	88, J. F. O'Neil, D.D.G.M.		28 13
"	"	89, J. D. Matheson, D.D.G.M.		25 00
"	"	90, D. M. Telford, D.D.G.M., 1875		6 00
"	"	91, W. A. Rawlings, D.D.G.M.		12 00
"	"	92, W. W. Griffey, Auditor		15 00
"	"	93, W. Badenach, "		15 00
"	"	94, Cl. T. Campbell, Committee		58 00
"	"	95, Thos. Woodyatt, Assistant-Secretary		20 00
"	"	96, John Mitchell, Janitor		6 00
"	"	97, W. Jury, Caretaker		6 00
"	"	98, Barrie Lodge, Donation		50 00
"	"	99, Jas. Henry, D.D.G.M. 1874		6 00
"	"	100, R. Wigmore, P.G.M.		6 00
"	"	101, W. A. Rawlings, Committee on By-Laws		18 64
"	"	101½, Rent P. O. Box		85
"	"	102, Mileage and Per Diem Session 1875	2994	64
Aug. 13,	"	103, J. L. Ridgely, account		24 08
Aug. 31,	"	104, G. Sect'y, Expenses \$34.46, Supplies \$12.28.		46 74
"	"	105, J. T. Johnston, Printing		16 70
"	"	106, W. C. Trimble, "		37 80
Sept. 17,	"	107, J. L. Ridgely, U. S. Currency \$296.25		256 90
Sept. 30,	"	108, Grand Secretary, Expense account		11 57
"	"	109, W. C. Trimble, Printing		16 25
"	"	110, J. B. King, Rent		75 00
Oct. 13,	"	111, A. McAuslan, D.D.G.M. 1874		5 75
Carried forward				\$424 67

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Brought forward		\$	
Oct. 30, Warrant	112, J. T. Johnston, Printing		50 00
Nov. 25, "	113, W. Howell, Insurance		11 25
Nov. 30, "	114, Grand Secretary, Expense account		15 86
"	115, J. T. Johnston, Printing		18 75
Dec. 30, "	116, Grand Secretary, Expense account		58 95
"	117, J. T. Johnston, Printing		380 10
1876.			
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The above report is respectfully submitted.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario
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Rep. Cl. T. Campbell from the Committee on Revision of Constitution submitted their printed report, which on motion of the Committee was laid on the table and ordered to be taken up for consideration as the first order of business on Thursday morning.

(As the report referred to was not finally adopted, and the same substance given as a notice of motion to amend the present Constitution, and will appear as such in the appendix, I consider it advisable not to insert the report here.—J. B. KING, Grand Secretary.)

The following was unanimously accepted :

UNION, LODGE, No. 16, I. O. O. F.,
ST. CATHARINES, Aug. 2nd, 1876.

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

On behalf of the committee appointed by Union Lodge, No. 16, I. O. O. F. I am instructed to extend to your Right Worthy Grand Body a cordial invitation to join us in a procession at four o'clock p.m. to-day, from this Hall to Montebella Park, where addresses of welcome will be presented.

Members are requested to appear in regalia.

Faternally yours,

W. A. RAWLINGS,
SEC. OF COMMITTEE.

The following was adopted :

Moved by Rep. Thos. Woodyatt,

Seconded by Rep. G. W. Jessop,

That Subordinate Lodges desiring to become incorporated, present their request to this R. W. Grand Lodge as the first order of business in Thursday afternoon meeting.

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The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by P. G. M. Henry McAfee,
Seconded by W. Badenach, G. Treas.,

That a special committee of three be appointed to draft resolutions on the sudden and untimely death of our late E. W. Grand Treasurer, Bro. George Irwin.

The Chair named as the Committee Representatives Hu Blain,
Cl. T. Campbell and W. B. Gilleland.

On motion the Grand Lodge adjourned at 12:15 m. to meet again at 2 o'clock p.m.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

ST. CATHARINES, August 2, 1876.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Grand Lodge met at 2 o'clock ;
all the Grand Officers and a majority of Representatives present.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The following was adopted :

Moved by Rep. Cl. T. Campbell,
Seconded by Rep. A. L. Bowman,

That the Grand Lodge provide the Committee on Mileage and per diem
with a railroad guide and map, and all other necessary documents.

Rep. John Graham, from the Committee on Credentials, pre-
sented the following report, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Credentials.

ST. CATHARINES, August 2, 1876.

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

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

We find that Bro. Frank Gordon has been reported as elected to repre-
sent Simcoe Lodge No. 161, but is not present. Bro. Leonard Ferguson, of

St. Thomas, presents a certificate and telegram from that Lodge, setting forth that Bro. Gordon is detained on account of an accident, and that he (Bro. Ferguson) has been elected to serve in Bro. Gordon's stead, we therefore recommend that Bro. Leonard Ferguson be admitted as the representative of Simcoe Lodge.

We therefore submit the following:

Resolved,—That the above report be adopted.

JOHN GRAHAM,
GEORGE D. McKAY,
J. B. KING.

The following was adopted :

Moved by Rep. Jas. Richards,

Seconded by Rep. John Donogh,

That a Committee be elected for the purpose of trying the charge preferred by Niagara Falls Lodge No 53, against Queen City of Ontario Lodge No. 56, and now pending in this Grand Lodge.

In accordance therewith the undersigned Committee was duly elected, viz:—Jas. Woodyatt, P. G. M., Wm. N. Ford, P. G. M., John Gibson, P. G. M., Jas. Smith, P. G. M., Thos. Partridge, P. G. M.

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. C. B. Stevens,

Seconded by Rep. R. H. Perry,

That the hour of 8 o'clock this evening be set apart for the purpose of conferring the P. O. Degrees and exemplification of the unwritten work.

A number of accounts from the District Deputy Grand Masters, &c., were read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

(See Reports of Committee on Finance.)

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business, when the following question was submitted and referred to the Committee on Finance :

Question submitted by R. Kay, Rep. of Rose Lodge No. 28 :

A Lodge became defunct, and the members in good standing divided the funds. When the Lodge was resuscitated, two members acknowledged receiving a share of the funds, which they have no right to retain. To whom must this money be paid? Grand Lodge or the Subordinate? The Lodge had been defunct for about seventeen years.

During the reading of the above, the Grand Guardian announced Bro. J. W. Stebbins, M. W. Grand Master of the State of New York, as in waiting, whereupon the Chairman named the following a Committee to wait upon and introduce our distinguished visitor, viz:—Jas. Woodyatt, P.G.M., John Gibson, P.G.M., and Rep. J. Ham. Perry.

Bro. Stebbins was accordingly introduced, and appropriately received with the Grand Honors.

Rep. J. Ham. Perry, in a suitable address, submitted the following, which was carried unanimously :

Moved by Rep. J. Ham. Perry,
Seconded by Jas. Woodyatt, P.G.M.,

That the thanks, fraternal regards, and a cordial welcome of this Grand Lodge, be and is hereby extended to our illustrious visitor, Bro. J. W. Stebbins, M. W. Grand Master of the State of New York.

To which Bro. Stebbins made a suitable reply.

The calling of the Roll of Lodges, which was suspended to receive Bro. J. W. Stebbins, was now resumed, when the following questions were presented :

From Excelsior Lodge, No. 44 :

A point of order is raised in a lodge, and we have nothing to guide us in our Constitution or digest, by what parliamentary practice are we to be guided?

From Unity Lodge No. 47:

1st. A proposition is duly moved and seconded and put to the Lodge. A Brother moves to amend said motion by striking out certain words and inserting other words, so as to amend the motion; a Brother moves to amend the amendment; on being put to the Lodge, it is lost; the amendment is then put and carried that the motion shall be amended; the N. G. then rises to put the motion as amended, can any brother then move to still further amend the motion at that stage of proceedings? The N. G. ruled that he could not receive any further amendment, the Lodge having amended the motion, but that he must put the motion as amended. Was that decision correct?

2nd. By-Law No. 40 of this Lodge reads, "That no motion in any way relating to the investment of the funds of this Lodge, or any part thereof, or for the appropriation or expenditure of the funds of this Lodge over the amount of ten dollars, for other purposes than those laid down in these By-Laws, shall be put to the Lodge without due notice of motion being given, and said notice being read at two regular Lodge meetings." In accordance with that By-Law, a Brother gave notice that in two weeks he would move that the sum of thirty dollars be donated to the joint library of this Lodge and Crescent Lodge, on certain conditions. At the proper time the motion was made, seconded and put to the Lodge, when without any previous notice a Brother moved to amend by striking out thirty and inserting forty-five. A point of order was raised that the amendment would grant fifteen dollars contrary to the above By-Law. The N. G. ruled the amendment in order, and upon appeal, the D. D. G. M. sustained the decision of the N. G. Was that decision correct? Can an amendment to a motion granting money be entertained if said amendment is for a larger sum than the motion, no previous notice being given of such amendment? Could it be considered as being read at two Lodge meetings?

3rd. Can a member, suspended for N. P. D. but not declared dropped from the books, come to the Lodge, pay his dues, and be reinstated or unsuspended without any vote or action of the Lodge, at any time he might choose to do so, he having been suspended either by a by-law or motion for that purpose.

4th. What different position does a Brother stand in suspended for N. P. D. from one dropped from the books, so far as regards actual membership in the Lodge? Should a suspended member be counted in total membership, or is he to all intents and purposes as though he was dropped from the books.

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5th. Clause 70 of our By-Laws reads, "That no motion to repeal, suspend or amend these By-Laws, or any part thereof, shall be put to vote until the same shall have been read at two consecutive regular Lodge meetings." A Brother gives notice to amend a certain By-Law, and at the proper time such motion is put to the Lodge, can the N. G. entertain an amendment to the motion, no previous notice having been given of such an amendment? Could such amendment be considered as read at two Lodge meetings? Our D. D. G. M. has decided that such amendment would be in order. Is that decision correct?

By Dominion Lodge No. 48 :

Has the D. D. G. M. the right to communicate the A. P. W. of the Degree of Rebekah to the Noble Grand of a regularly instituted Rebekah Degree Lodge, when installing that officer in the January term. If so, what construction does this Grand Lodge put upon the obligation of the N. G. as laid down in the B. D. installation book?

By Rep. Boyd :

Can a brother, visiting by card, enter a Subordinate Lodge with Encampment Regalia only, he stating that he is in possession of the Encampment Degrees, but his card representing him as a member of the Scarlet Degree.

By Rep. H. Bell, Dominion Lodge No. 48 :

A charge was brought against a Brother for conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow; Lodge proceeds to elect a committee; a Brother was present who was in arrears; roll called; said Brother voted; ballot declared illegal by N. G. During the taking of the next ballot said Brother pays up and proceeds to cast his vote. The N. G. rules that said Brother cannot vote for said committee. Was the N. G. right in his ruling?

By Rep. W. R. Davis, Bissell Lodge No. 51 :

1st. Where a D. D. G. M. fails to put in an appearance, can a Lodge instal officers without permission from said D. D. G. M.?

2nd. Is a Senior P. G. joining another Lodge by card to be considered a Senior P. G. in the Lodge so joined?

3rd. Can a Junior P. G. instal officers in the absence of the D. D. G. M., while a Senior Past Grand is in the Lodge room?

4th. Can a Past Grand instal officers without himself being in possession of the Pass Word for the current term?

By Rep. Gott and McFedries, Corinthian No. 61:

Would it be in order to receive and discuss communications on political matters?

Pending the reading of which, the following was agreed to:

Moved by J. Gibson, P. G. M.,

Seconded by Rep. A. R. Narraway,

That the call of Lodges be laid over, and that this Grand Lodge do now receive the Report of the Committee on Distribution.

R. Wigmore, P. G. M., from the Committee on Distribution, submitted the following Report, which was adopted:—

Report of Committee on Distribution.

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

Your Committee on Distribution respectfully report:

1st. That Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 14, 15 and 18 of the Grand Master's Address, and also that Clauses Nos. 2, 13, 16, 20, 21 and 23 of the Grand Secretary's Report, be referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

2nd. That Clauses Nos. 7 and 8 of the Grand Master's Address, and Clauses Nos. 14 and 17 of the Grand Secretary's Report, be referred to the Committee on Petitions.

3rd. That Clauses Nos. 10 and 11 of Grand Master's Address, also Clauses 7, 8 and 9 of Grand Secretary's Report, be referred to a Special Committee appointed by this Grand Lodge.

4th. That Clause No. 10 in Grand Secretary's Report be referred to the Committee on Appeals.

5th. That Clause No. 12 of the Grand Master's Address, also Clauses Nos. 1 and 27 of Grand Secretary's Report, be referred to a Special Committee from this Grand Lodge.

6th. That Clauses 13 and 16 of Grand Master's Address, and Clauses Nos. 18, 19, 22, 28, 29, 31, 32, and pages from 10 to 24, also 31 and 33 of the Grand Secretary's Report, be referred to Committee on Finance.

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7th. That Clause No. 17 of Grand Master's Address, also Clause No. 30 of Grand Secretary's Report, be referred to a Special Committee from this Grand Lodge.

8th. That Clauses Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6 and 25 of Grand Secretary's Report be referred to Committee on Printing.

9th. That Clauses Nos. 11 and 12 of Grand Secretary's Report be referred to Committee on Laws of Subordinate.

10th. That Clause No. 24 of Grand Secretary's Report be referred to Committee on Constitution.

11th. That Clause No. 26 of Grand Secretary's Report be referred to the Committee on Legislation.

Respectfully,

HENRY McAFEE, CHAIRMAN,
 RICH'D WIGMORE,
 JOHN POWELL,
 JOSEPH S. EDGAR,
 GEORGE MIDGLEY.

The hour of four o'clock having arrived, the Grand Lodge adjourned until eight o'clock in the evening, in order to take part in the procession and reception at the Montebello Park, agreeably to the invitation accepted.

EVENING SESSION.

ST. CATHARINES, August 2, 1876.

8 o'clock p. m.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Grand Lodge met.

M. W. Grand Master Bro. H. E. Buttrey presiding.

All the officers and a majority of Representatives present.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

The following request was granted, on motion of Thos. Part-
ridge, P. G. M., the new charter to be given free of charge :

ST. CATHARINES, August 2, 1876.

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

I hereby make application to this Right Worthy Grand Body, in behalf
of Rond Eau Lodge No. 40, for a duplicate of the Charter of said Lodge, our
original Charter having been destroyed by fire, together with the Lodge room
and all the effects appertaining thereto. In view of our loss we therefore
humbly appeal to the favorable consideration of this Grand Body.

Yours in F. L. and T.,

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The following was referred to the Committee on Constitution :

By Lucan Lodge No. 70:

Resolved,—That this Lodge suggests that the words "Or disproportionate to the offence committed," be struck out.

The following was adopted :

Moved by John Gibson, P. G. M.,

Seconded by J. T. Hornibrook, D. G. M.

That the Address of Welcome, presented in the Montebello Gardens this afternoon, to this Grand Lodge, be spread upon the Journal of Proceedings.

Address.

St. CATHARINES, August 2, 1876.

Most Worthy Grand Master,

Officers and Members,

Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario,

I.O.O.F.:

In behalf of the Lodges of this City, and of the assembled Brethren of the Order of this jurisdiction, it is my pleasant duty to extend to you a cordial and hearty welcome.

You have met in Annual Session to-day to consider the state of, and provide for the general welfare of our Order.

The Brethren in this District fully appreciate the high compliment paid them in selecting this City as the place of holding your Twenty-second Annual Communication.

Your presence with us to-day has an appropriateness somewhat unusual. It is right and proper that the most progressive Institution of the age, should hold its Annual Session in this the youngest and most prosperous city in our Province, and no occasion could be more interesting to the Fraternity, in whose name I speak to-day, than the appearance here of the Grand Lodge, to whose enactments we all render such cheerful obedience.

When last it was the privilege of the Brethren of Union Lodge to welcome your Right Worthy Grand Body among them, Odd Fellowship was but in its infancy in this District.

In the few years that have elapsed since that time, it has grown beyond the most sanguine expectations, and to-day, instead of extending to you the hand of a single Lodge, it is my duty and privilege to stretch forth, on behalf of seven active and growing Lodges, the hand of welcome.

Coming under such happy auspices, and in such large numbers, we have every confidence that your meeting will be pleasant, your intercourse harmonious, your deliberations marked with wisdom, and the result of your session most beneficial to the Order for which you legislate.

While congratulating ourselves upon the success which has attended the career of Odd Fellowship in this District, we feel that we should also congratulate your Right Worthy Grand Body upon the marked progress made in the numerical and Financial strength of our Beloved Order in this jurisdiction, as well as upon its establishment and extension in other jurisdictions within the boundaries of that great and glorious Empire upon which the sun never sets, and of which our Province is a portion.

In whatever direction we look we find the Banner of Odd Fellowship floating, and as the years pass by, new fields are peacefully conquered in the interests of humanity, and our benevolent institutions assert their commanding power.

You have come among us for the purpose of holding your Annual Communication, to review the labor of the past, and to counsel together for future usefulness.

May the God of the Widow and the Orphan be with you, and watch over the deliberations of your session, that when you go hence to your homes and to your Lodges, it will be with a broader and deeper sense of the high and responsible obligations which you, in common with the rest of us, have taken at the Altar of Friendship, Love and Truth.

Hoping that your meeting may be harmonious and profitable, and that each one of you may enjoy his stay in our midst, we exclaim with the sincerest fraternal regard: Welcome, thrice welcome, one and all.

Fraternally yours,

JAMES HARRIS, N. G.,
L. D. WINCHESTER, R. S.,
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A number of accounts were read and referred to the Committee on Finance. (See reports of Committee on Finance for Accounts.)

The Grand Lodge proceeded to appoint a Committee, as provided for, in the Report of the Committee on Distribution, in the matter of Durham Lodge, when the following was adopted :

Moved by Rep. R. Coulter,
Seconded by Rep. J. H. Watson,

That Rep. J. Pryke be appointed a member of the Committee.

On the motion to appoint Rep. Charles Stevens a member of the Committee, the following was carried :

Moved by Thos. Partridge, P. G. M., and duly seconded,

That the motion be laid on the table.

The following was adopted :

Moved by Rep. A. Noxon,
Seconded by Rep. T. T. Irving,

That the resolution appointing Rep. John Pryke a member of the Special Committee to consider Clauses 10 and 11 of the Grand Master's Report, and Clause 7 of the Grand Secretary's Report, be reconsidered.

Upon the reconsideration the following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. Thos. Woodyatt,
Seconded by Rep. J. S. McMahan,

That nominations be first received for the appointment of the Special Committee to consider Clauses 10 and 11 of the Grand Master's Report, and Clause No. 7 of the Grand Secretary's Report, and then proceed to the election of five members to constitute such Committee.

In accordance therewith, a number of Representatives were nominated.

The following was agreed to :

Resolved,—That in order to save time the Chair appoint a committee of three to select from among the Representatives in nomination a committee of five to act upon the Committee in question.

The Chair named Past Grand Masters Thos. Partridge, James Woodyatt and H. McAfee.

Rep. Hu Blain, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following Report, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Finance.

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

ST. CATHARINES, August 2, 1876.

Your Committee have carefully examined the Treasurer's Report, and find it correct.

It appears from the Report that there is a deficit in the late Treasurer's Account of \$36.27, which your Committee would recommend be charged to his account, and deducted from the amount due him for salary.

Your Committee are quite persuaded that had our late Grand Treasurer been spared to submit a personal Report it would have been entirely satisfactory, and can readily understand how the receipt of a number of small sums of uncurrent money, not bankable, would accumulate to the above amount.

It is therefore with the deepest feelings of sorrow that your Committee have to refer to so painful a subject as the sudden and unexpected loss of our R. W. Grand Treasurer.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. BLAIN,
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Rep. Hu Blain, from the same Committee, presented the following Report, which was adopted:

Report of Committee on Finance.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to report, that we have examined and find correct the following D. D. G. M. Accounts, and recommend that they be paid:

Dr. Fowler, Kingston	\$ 7 00
A. McFee, Belleville	32 00
R. Warriner, Port Perry	20 05
W. J. Hayward, Wingham	40 00
John Dodimead, Brantford	15 90
John Coulson, Clifton	21 70
L. Ferguson, St. Thomas	30 75
G. D. McKay, Woodstock	21 50
John McNut, Ruthven	16 00
R. Allen, Chatham	32 48
W. Jaffrey, Berlin	25 06

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Resolved,—That the above be adopted.

H. BLAIN,
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A. H. McGAUGHEY,
JAMES SMITH,

Rep. Hu Blain from the same Committee presented the following report, which was adopted:

Report of Committee on Finance.

St. CATHARINES, August 2, 1876.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the question by Rep. R. McKay of Rose Lodge, No 28, begs leave to recommend that it should be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

HU BLAIN,
A. H. McGAUGHEY,
JOHN J. DICKSON,
H. H. MADDOCK,
JAMES SMITH.

Thos. Partridge, P.G.M, from the Special Committee on that subject submitted the following report, which was adopted :

To the B. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

We, your Committee for selecting a Special Committee in the matter of Durham Lodge, recommended by the report of the Committee on Distribution, respectfully suggest that the following brothers and Representatives constitute said Committee, viz.:

John Gibson, P. G. M., Stratford; Rep. L. Ferguson, St. Thomas; Rep. C. B. Stevens, Walkerton; Rep. F. Fowler, Kingston; Rep. R. Barbour, St. Mary's.

We respectfully submit the following:

Resolved,—That the above be adopted.

THOS. PARTRIDGE,
JAMES WOODYATT,
HENRY McAFEE.

August 2nd, 1876.

The Grand Lodge, on motion, adjourned, to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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MORNING SESSION.

ST. CATHARINES, August 8, 1876.

The Grand Lodge assembled at 9 o'clock a.m.

Roll called. Present:—

H. E. BUTTREY.....	M. W. Grand Master
J. T. HORNIBROOK.....	R. W. Deputy Grand Master
ROBT. EVANS	R. W. Grand Warden
J. B. KING.....	R. W. Grand Secretary
WM. BADENACH	R. W. Grand Treasurer
GEORGE WRIGHT	R. W. Grand Representative
J. J. WHITE	R. W. Grand Marshal
W. W. GRIFFEY	R. W. Grand Conductor
D. M. TELFORD.....	R. W. Grand Guardian
W. HUGHSON	R. W. Grand Chaplain

And Representatives from a majority of Lodges.

These present having been reported correct, the Grand Chaplain offered prayer; whereupon the Grand Marshal by direction declared the Grand Lodge duly open.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

The following was unanimously adopted:

Moved by Wm. N. Ford, P.G.M.,
Seconded by Jno. Murray, P.G.M.,

Whereas,—The Fire Brigade of the City of St. Catharines having had last evening a splendid torch light procession in honor of this Grand Lodge; and

Whereas,—Their efforts have been during our stay in this city to cater for the amusement and pleasure of the members of this Grand Lodge; therefore be it

Resolved,—That the thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge be and are hereby tendered to the Fire Department of the City of St. Catharines in appreciation of their very successful torch light procession of last evening, given in honor of the Grand Lodge:

Resolved,—That a copy of the above be sent to the Fire Department through their Chief Engineer, Mr. F. P. Begy.

The calling of the roll of Lodges for the presentation of questions was now resumed, when the following were read, and each as read referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

WARDVILLE, August 1st, 1876.

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

BRETHREN,—At the regular meeting of our Lodge held last evening, July 31st, the following account was presented by Bro. Jas. Freckelton:

"Wardsville Lodge, No. 60, I. O. O. F.,
To Jas. E. Frickelton Dr.
To five terms as Permanent Secretary at \$10 per term.. \$50 00"

When it was moved by Bro. Murphy, seconded by Bro. Kerby:—That the subject of the above account be laid before your Right Worthy Grand Body by our Secretary, and that he be instructed to furnish your Worthy Body with a statement of the whole case; and our Lodge be governed by your decision in the matter.—Carried.

In conformity with the above resolution I beg leave to state the following facts, which our Representative, P. G. Giff, will corroborate:

1st.—That our Lodge was organized on the 26th of April, 1870, when our late Bro. P. G. Frickelton took charge of the getting up of our By-laws, and entrusted the printing of them to Bro. Dawson, of the *Herald* office, London,

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Ont., who did without our instructions insert a paragraph in the clauses relating to the duties of Recording and Permanent Secretaries that they should be paid at the rate of \$10.00 per term each for their services.

2nd.—When the above paragraph was observed it was understood by all our members that it should never be law, and that the Secretary should never be paid for service, as our situation as a rural Lodge and our small membership would not allow the payment of officers.

3rd.—That the demand was never made on the Lodge for such services until the fall of 1875, when a brother who had served fifteen months as Secretary made a claim for \$25.00 when he was threatened with suspension for non-payment of dues, which the Lodge refused to pay, but referred the matter to the Worthy Grand Master, who decided that the brother should be paid; but the Lodge has never done so as yet, on the ground that the demand for payment being made two years after service as Secretary, the brother was only making it in order to liquidate his indebtedness to the Lodge for dues.

4th.—Would your Worthy Body be pleased to give a decision whether our Lodge is liable to pay these claims, when it was understood that no pay was to be allowed—although no motion appears in the books of the Lodge to that effect,—but the matter was left to the honor of our members; and would a brother be justified in making such demand two years after doing service?

5th.—If your Worthy Body decides that we are liable to pay the \$75 claimed by these two brothers it will in the end be the means of depleting our treasury completely, as it will establish a precedent, and every brother in the Lodge so inclined who has rendered service as Secretary will then make his claim for services.

Hoping your Worthy Body will give the above your serious consideration, I remain

Yours fraternally,

WM. MURPHY,

Rec. and Per. Secretary,

Wardsville Lodge No. 60.

By Rep. G. M. Francis :

1st.—If a Lodge fails to meet twenty-six nights without sufficient cause what is the penalty?

2nd.—If a Vice-Grand be absent more than a majority of the nights in any term without an excuse being offered, could said Vice-Grand be eligible

for the office of Noble Grand without further service, when not sufficient cause was shown why said officer did not attend regularly?

By Rep. C. Hunter :

Can members enter or retire from a Lodge while a candidate is in the ante room being prepared to work his way into the Lodge room? That is, is the initiation considered finished before the candidate has been introduced as a brother?

By Rep. A. Buckham :

Is it necessary that a Lodge that has taken the benefit of the Act termed "An Act for the incorporation of Benevolent Societies, and that the necessary documents have been legally drawn up and deposited in the registry office in the town where said Lodge belongs: will it be the duty of said Lodge to apply to this Grand Lodge for permission to incorporate under them, or is aforementioned incorporation all that is necessary.

By Rep. P. Rutherford :

1st.—A brother charged another brother with being accessory to helping another brother to defraud his creditors. The brother brought a charge against him for doing so. A committee was appointed to investigate the same. The majority of the committee reported the charge as not proven, but recommended that the brother be reprimanded for using the language which he did. The matter came before this Lodge, when some of those who were present at the investigation said that all the evidence given at the time of trial was not taken down. Could the Lodge refer the matter back to the same committee for further consideration and take down the evidence which they did not take down at the time of trial?

2nd.—When an appeal against a committee's report to hear charges against a brother is sustained by the Lodge, can the Lodge refer the charges back to the committee for further consideration on the ground of their not having taken down the whole evidence given at the time of trial for their consideration?

3rd.—Can the Lodge order the erasing of a motion out of the minutes of the R. S. book without first moving for a reconsideration?

4th.—Can a member of another Lodge be on a committee in a Lodge of which he is not a member—the brother being O. G., and according to By-laws the O. G. is to be a member of the Property Committee?

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5th.—Can the N. G. cast a ballot for an elective officer while occupying the chair as N. G.?

By Rep. W. F. Howell :

Is it not proper for the Degree Master of a regular Degree Lodge to be in possession of the A. T. P. W. ?

By Rep. J. S. Tennant :

A By-law states that all dues must be paid in advance. When is a brother three months in arrears ?

By Rep. H. B. Taylor :

1st.—Does the fact of a brother being in arrears for dues for a certain time suspend said brother from membership without action of his Lodge? If so, what is the prescribed time?

2nd.—When does a brother cease membership for non-payment of dues ?

3rd.—Is the vote required to reinstate a brother, a majority vote, or will three black balls reject?

By Rep. M. Addison :

1st.—If a P. S. elected for one year is elected to an office at the end of six months, is he eligible for office if handing in his resignation previous to election?

2nd.—Whose duty is it to call the roll of officers; the P. S. or R. S. ?

By Rep. Wm. McSween :

Can a Lodge legally vote more than the regular funeral benefit upon the death of a *bona fide* brother, he not being at all in indigent circumstances at the time of his death?

By Rep. L. H. Pease :

1st.—Can a member of a Subordinate Lodge compel his Lodge to pay his doctor's bill when the Lodge has not duly elected a Physician ?

2nd.—Has the Grand Lodge power to compel its D. D. G. M., to visit every Lodge in his jurisdiction at least once during the year?

By Rep. W. J. Hodgson :

A Lodge having by its By-laws provided for a Physician, is it necessary that candidates for that position should be present at election, or in the event of absence and no excuse having been sent in must the name be dropped?

By Rep. N. Dickey :

A brother joins our Lodge by card, being in connection with the Order some eight years. Does he pay dues according to his age when admitted to our Lodge, or when he first joined Oddfellowship?

By Rep. E. C. Landon :

A brother meeting with an accident, and being not clear on the books at the time, the Lodge grants him a sum of money and cancels his dues which are then due; also grants him six months' dues in advance, together with a visiting card for that length of time. Has he any claim on the Lodge for any benefits accruing during the term of said visiting card, or can he claim any benefits during the time he was laid up from such accident?

By Rep. J. S. Parmenter :

Rule 4 of Rules of Order of Subordinates reads as follows:

“No questions shall be put by the presiding officer unless regularly moved and seconded, nor be open for consideration until so put.”

In accordance with the above rule of order would it be in order for a brother in rising to make a motion to precede his motion with any lengthened remarks relative to the merits of the motion he is about to make?

The Chair announced the following Committee on the Centennial correspondence in accordance with the report of the Committee on Distribution, viz.:

Jas. Woodyatt, P.G.M.; John Gibson, P.G.M.; Henry McAfee, P.G.M.; John Murray, P.G.M., and Rep. J. Ham Perry.

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The following was accepted on motion of Rep. C. Tooley, seconded by Rep. J. J. Porter :

UNION LODGE ROOM,
ST. CATHARINES, Aug. 3, 1876.

To the G. M., Officers and Representatives of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.:

DEAR SIRS AND BROS.,—On behalf of Union Lodge I extend to your R. W. Grand Body a cordial invitation to a moonlight excursion this evening, Aug. 3rd, by Steamer Pictou, from Lock 2 to Queenston and return.

Fraternally Yours,

WM. A. RAWLINGS,
Sec. Committee.

Rep. G. D. McKay from the Committee on Credentials presented the following report, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Credentials.

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario :

We, your Committee on Credentials, having examined the certificate of Past Grand G. J. Fitzsimmons of The Toronto Lodge, No. 71, and J. T. Johnston of Harmony Lodge, No. 115, recommend that they be admitted to this Grand Lodge and instructed in the Grand Lodge Degree.

Resolved, That the foregoing be adopted.

GEO. D. MACKAY,
J. B. KING,
JNO. GRAHAM.

The report of the Committee on Constitution as submitted, together with the amendments proposed thereto, was now taken up and considered clause by clause.

(Owing to the fact that the report of the Committee on Constitution was not adopted, and a notice having been given by Rep. Thos. Woodyatt to amend the present constitution by substituting the amended constitution as proposed by the Committee—same to be considered at our next session—I deemed it well not

to print the report here. It will be found under notices to amend the constitution of Grand Lodge, &c., &c.—J. B. KING, G. Secretary.)

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

On motion to adopt the amendments proposed by the Hamilton Lodges to clause (8), Rep. John Pryke called for the yeas and nays, which being taken resulted as follows, and the amendment declared lost:

YEAS.—Pryke, Midgley, Wilson (of Unity), Coulter, Campbell (of Huron), Ferguson (of St. Thomas), Austine, Tennant—8.

NAYS.—Fitzsimmons, Abbott, Chatfield, Kay, Patton, Peers, George, Newman, Barton, Hosiel, Narraway, Woodyatt, Berry, Dennis, Bartlett, Lowe, Portor, Steel, Irving, Welsh, Campbell, McMahon, Edgar, Bowden, Howell, Bell, Boyd, Nettleton, Thompson, Dodds, Davis, O'Connor, Blain, McFarlane, Schofield, Law, Carter, Duncan, Campbell, Morrison, Bird, Shaw, Francis, Harrison, Guy, Gott, Beek, Powell, Hunter, Sinclair, Burden, Bishop, Tooley, Ritchie, Mutton, Taylor, Perry, Procter, Andrews, Cole, Russell, Buckham, Huntingdon, McFee, Tracey, McNutt, Callander, St. John, Snyder, Graham, Parnell, Gourley, Sutherland, McKay, Maddock, McGregor, Burns, Inksater, Jones, Rutherford, Lyon, Payne, Pressprich, Jaffrey, Watson, Howden, McBride, Mitchel, Campbell, Edwards, Nelles, Thomas, Wheeler, Lander, Scott, Landon, Wilson, Parmenter, Cassey, Howard, Nevills, Scott, Rudd, Bell, Neal, Mills, Smith, Lucas, Brown, Williams, Wood, Ferguson, Colcock, Thompson, Barr, Menish, Martin, McSween, Broadwell, Conger, Wilcocks, Black, Marshal, Pease, Nott, Hoover, Couzens, Grant, Wonch, Noxen, Wallace, Harris, Wilson, Dickey, Peckham, Stevens, Shoemaker, Wilton, Lyman, Paulin, Bastedo, Hugo, Laycock, Bowman, Stevens—146.

The question now being to adopt the amendment to clause eight (8) as proposed by Eureka Lodge, No. 80, it was adopted.

Moved by Rep. J. S. McMahon,

Seconded by Rep. J. S. Parmenter,

That owing to a misapprehension on the part of a number of members in voting on the last resolution, viz., the amendment proposed by Eureka Lodge No. 80, that the same be now reconsidered.—Adopted.

The question being to adopt the amendments proposed by Eureka Lodge, No. 30, it was declared lost.

The question now being to adopt the amendment to same clause as proposed by Brock Lodge, No. 9, the Chair declared the same to be out of order.

Clause eight as submitted by the Committee was adopted.

On proceeding to consider clause nine, the following was allowed to be put and was carried:

Moved by Rep. J. S. McMahon,
Seconded by Rep. J. J. Patton, and

Resolved, That leave of absence be granted to Representative J. Mattice of Oriental Lodge, Cornwall, for the remainder of the Session; he having received a telegram advising him of a sudden and severe affliction in his family—the death of his child,—and that the Grand Treasurer be instructed to forward to him the amount of his mileage.

Pending the discussion on clause nine (9) of report of Committee on Constitution, the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at two o'clock this p.m.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

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 ST. CATHARINES, August 3, 1876.
 2 o'clock p.m.

The Grand Lodge assembled, and duly opened, pursuant to adjournment. Deputy Grand Master J. T. Hornibrook in the chair.

Roll called. Present: All the Grand Officers, and a majority of Representatives.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

The Report of the Committee on Constitutions, which was under consideration when this Grand Lodge adjourned, was now taken up, when the following was adopted :

Moved by Rep. Jas. S. Parmenter,
 Seconded by Rep. W. S. Wallace,

That it is deemed advisable, by this R. W. Grand Body, to take no further action on the matter of Revision of Constitution at its present session, unless the other business of the session will permit.

The following was agreed to :

Moved by Rep. J. F. O'Neil,
 Seconded by Rep. Robt. Tracy,

That the Grand Secretary be requested to require the Recording Secretaries of Lodges to inform this Grand Lodge, at the time of making their

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A number of accounts were read and referred to the Committee on Finance. (See reports of Committee on Finance.)

Rep. Fife Fowler, from the Special Committee on that subject, submitted the following report:

Report of Special Committee.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee, to whom was referred secs. 10 and 11 of Grand Master's Report, and sec. 7 of Grand Secretary's Report, beg leave to report as follows:

That after examination of papers bearing on above named sections, your Committee would recommend that this Grand Lodge approve of the action of the Grand Master in suspending Durham Lodge.

But as Durham Lodge surrendered its charter and effects promptly and sorrowfully on the demand of the Grand Master, and as the brothers connected with the suspended Lodge are apparently desirous of being again placed on an equal footing with other Lodges, your Committee recommend that the Grand Master be instructed to proceed in company with two other members of this Grand Lodge, as soon as practicable after his election, to Port Hope to confer with these brothers, and if possible, bring about such an understanding as to justify the Grand Master in returning them their charter and effects.

REPORT
All which is respectfully submitted.

Therefore Resolved, that this Report be adopted.

JOHN GIBSON.
FIFE FOWLER.
LEONARD FERGUSON.
C. B. STEVENS.

The question being to adopt the Report, the following was agreed to:

Moved by Rep. W. H. Scott,
Seconded by Rep. R. Tracy,

That the Report of the Special Committee, to whom was referred Clauses

10 and 11 of the Worthy G. M.'s Address be not now concurred in, but that the consideration thereof be postponed till to-morrow morning.

The following was submitted, and on motion of Rep. Dr. McFarlane, seconded by Rep. J. S. McMahon, the same was referred to the Committee on Legislation:

ODDFELLOWSHIP.

The following scheme for the readjustment of the fees has been under the consideration of a special committee representing the several lodges in Toronto and Yorkville, and has been very favorably received:

If four-fifteenths of the dues are to be applied to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund, \$1.60, which is four-fifteenths of \$6.00, is the annual cost of a risk of \$134.73 at the youngest age, 21. The same amount would carry a risk at age of 40 of only \$73.64; at age of 50, \$1.60 a year would carry a risk of only \$48.74.

But in view of the unequal arrangement for the different ages, it would be more advisable to take a less proportion of the dues—say one-fifth, or \$1.20. This will carry a risk of \$100.00 at age 21, and take from the Initiation Fee a proper amount at the different ages to meet the increasing cost of the increasing ages; that amount is here shown.

At the age of 21 \$1.20,* or, more correctly, \$1.18-75 is the net annual cost of a risk of \$100.00.

The General Benefit Fund is not an increasing liability with age, except the burial portion of it, consequently there is no necessity for taking more from the older members than from the younger for that purpose.

One hundred dollars would not be anything like sufficient to purchase an annuity of \$40 a year, but that sum might be more than doubled in a life-time by profits. Besides, all members who die do not leave widows or any other liabilities.

*The dues are payable quarterly, and sometimes not till the end of the year, and for that reason \$1.23 should be applied to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund instead of \$1.20 as proposed, making 32 cents each quarter.

AGE.	RESERVE AT END OF YEAR.
21	\$ c.
22	1 51
23	1 60
24	2 18
25	2 78
26	3 41
27	4 05
28	4 73
29	5 43
30	6 16
31	6 91
32	7 70
33	8 51
34	9 36
35	10 24
36	11 16
37	12 11
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39	14 13
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Present Cash Value of a Temporary Annuity of \$40 a year for Ten Years.		Cash Value of a Temporary Annuity of \$40 a year for Fifteen years.	Cash Value of an Annuity of \$40, payable at the end of each year during life.
AGE.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.
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50	287 91	367 76	453 04
55	278 42	349 03	408 08
60	264 42	322 38	349 42
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It is considered that ten years will be about the average which an annuity will be required to be paid, so that the first column will best illustrate the amount required at the death of each member.

These values, and those on the first page, are computed from the Actuaries' Table of Mortality and five per cent interest.

It must be remembered that when a member dies the Annuity Fund for the benefit of his widow must be on hand, and that he leaves such a liability in addition to the Reserve Fund. By this system the solvency of a Lodge can be determined at any time.

In deducting the amount which is to be added to the Widows' and Orphans' Fund from the Initiation Fee, it will be found that the Initiation Fee is too low at the middle ages, most so at age 40.

In order to correct this error, let us assume a certain liability at the death of each member and the amount required to meet this liability at the different ages.

If \$6.00 is the proper amount for general or level purposes we should consider the amount of liability incurred by the death of each member and the increase of the Initiation Fee, to meet the greater probability of dying as age advances. Suppose we assume that \$100.00 will meet a widow and orphans' claim, and take \$1.20 a year from the dues at all ages. Now, to put the older members on an equality with the youngest, add the reserve shown on first page, and to meet the funeral benefit claim let us assume \$25† as the proper amount, we should add to the Initiation Fee, in addition to the other reserve, one-fourth of that amount to meet this increasing liability.

So that the Initiation Fee is made up as follows:—\$6.00 to meet a general or level liability and the reserve on \$100.00, commencing at age 21,

† It is expected that the \$25 will be increased to \$40, the amount required by profits.

Cost of Initiation.

AGE.	NEW RATES		OLD RATES	DIFFERENCE
	\$	c.	\$	c.
21	6	00	6	00
22	6	64	6	00
23	7	31	6	00
24	8	00	6	00
25	8	73	6	00
26	9	48	6	00
27	10	26	6	00
28	11	07	6	00
29	11	91	6	00
30	12	79	6	00
31	13	70	6	50
32	14	64	7	00
33	15	62	7	50
34	16	64	8	00
35	17	70	8	50
36	18	80	9	50
37	19	95	10	50
38	21	14	11	50
39	22	38	12	50
40	23	67	13	50
41	25	01	15	50
42	26	41	17	50
43	27	87	19	50
44	29	37	21	50
45	30	93	23	50
46	32	52	26	50
47	34	16	29	50
48	35	85	32	50
49	37	56	35	50
50	39	32	38	50
51	41	10	43	50
60	58	61	88	50

contingency of death being provided for by the dues:

and the reserve on \$25.00, which is equal to one-fourth of that shown on first page. These added together make the Initiation Fee rates shown here.

If the Widows' and Orphans' Fund was to be met from the dues, the amount taken from the dues should be increased according to the age at entry, as follows:

This is the- oretically equiv- alent to the other plan, but is not the best way.	AGE AT ENTRY.	\$	c.
		21	1	20
	25	1	32
	30	1	53
	35	1	80
	40	2	17
	45	2	67
	50	3	35

This plan would increase the due as follows:

If this principle were applied, the Initiation Rates might be reduced as follows, the con-	AGE.	DUES.
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This plan is arithmetically correct, but would not be most practicable. Men could join easily, and would leave more readily, benefiting the Lodge but very little. The gains or extra profits which we calculate on would not be realized. Besides, \$6.00 in dues is as much as members like to pay each year.

AGE.	INITIATION.
21	\$6 00
25	6 53
30	7 36
35	8 34
40	9 54
45	10 98
50	12 67

Devised and computed by

A. MCGREGOR,
Covenant Lodge, Toronto.

Rep. J. Pryke moved,
Seconded by Rep. J. S. McMahon,

That the members of Durham Lodge No. 78—now suspended—who are present in this city, be admitted to the morning session to-morrow, to give their views on the report of the committee then to be considered.

The chair ruled that the motion was out of order.

The report of the Committee on Revision of Constitution was then taken up.

On motion of the Committee to adopt Clause (11) Eleven, the following amendment was adopted:

Rep. George Midgley moved to amend by striking out clause eleven (11) and substituting the amendment proposed by the Hamilton Lodges; that is, to leave the constitution as it now stands.

On motion to adopt clauses 22, 23 and 24 the following was agreed to.

Moved by Rep. J. H. McGregor,
Seconded by Rep. L. McFarlane,

That the further consideration of the report of the Committee on Revision be postponed until after the election of officers.

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The hour of four o'clock having arrived, which being fixed by the constitution for the nomination and election of officers, the Grand Lodge proceeded with that order of business, and the chair named as tellers, Reps. W. Geo. Mutton, W. J. Cole.

GRAND MASTER.

P. G., J. T. Hornibrook, nominated byRep. Hu Blain.

P. G., J. Ham Perry, " " " D. Martin.

P. G., Cl. T. Campbell, " " " Alex. Grant.

P. G., Cl. T. Campbell declined the nomination.

P. G., J. Ham Perry declared duly elected.

DEPUTY-GRAND MASTER.

P. G., Robert Evans, nominated byJas. Smith, P.G.M.

P. G., Cl. T. Campbell, " "E. Beltz, P.G.

P. G., G. W. Jessop, " "W. F. Watson, P.G.

P. G., Cl. T. Campbell declared elected on first ballot.

GRAND WARDEN.

P. G., J. T. White, nominated by..... W. Fitzsimmons, P.G.M.

P. G., C. B. Stevens, " "Jas. Smith, P.G.M.

P. G., J. B. Tracey " "Jno. Gibson, P.G.M.

P. G., F. Fowler " "Hu Blain, P.G.

P. G., R. M. M. Patton, " "P. Rutherford, P.G.

P. G., L. Ferguson, " "W. M. Lyon, P.G.

P. G., W. R. Davis, " "J. M. O'Connor, P.G.

P. G., D. M. Telford, " "

P. G., J. S. McMahan, " "

P. G., L. McFarlane, " "G. H. Carey, P.G.

- P. G., W. Geo. Mutton, " " .. .J. Ritchie, Jr., P.G.
 P. G., J. B. McIntyre, " "H. Wilson, P.G.
 P. G., F. W. Johnston, " "J. Beck, P.G.
 P. G., W. W. Griffey, " "L. A. Cole, P.G.
 P. G., G. W. Jessop, " "W. F. Watson, P.G.

P. G.'s W. G. Mutton and F. W. Johnston declined the nomination.

P. G.'s J. T. White, R. M. M. Patton, L. W. Ferguson, D. M. Telford, J. S. McMahon and L. McFarlane withdrew after first vote.

P. G.'s W. R. Davis and G. W. Jessop dropped on first ballot.

P. G., R. Tracey withdrew after third ballot.

P. G., W. W. Griffey dropped on the third ballot.

P. G., Fife Fowler declared elected on the fourth ballot.

GRAND SECRETARY.

P. G., J. B. King, nominated by Hu Blain, P. G.

On motion, P. G., Hu Blain was requested to cast the ballot, when P. G. J. B. King was declared elected unanimously.

GRAND TREASURER.

- P. G., Edmund Beltz, nominated by... ..W. F. Howell, P. G.
 P. G., W. Badenach, " "G. Wright, P. G. M.
 P. G., W. Chatfield, " "N. Hugo, P. G.

P. G. W. Chatfield dropped on first ballot.

P. G. Wm. Badenach declared elected on second ballot.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE.

Pending the nominations for this office, a motion to adjourn was lost.

P. G. M., Wm. Fitzsimmons,	nominated by A. Bucham,	P. G.
P. G. M., Jas. Woodyatt,	"	" Jno. Ritchie, jr., P.G.
P. G. M., W. N. Ford,	"	"
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P. G. M., John Murray,	"	"
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P. G. M., James Smith,	"	" T. Partridge, P.G.M.
P. G. M., Henry McAfee,	"	"
P. G., Robt. Evans,	"	" G. H. Carey, P. G.

James Woodyatt, P. G. M., declared elected on first ballot.

The Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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MORNING SESSION.

St. CATHARINES, Aug. 4, 1875.

9 O'CLOCK.

The Grand Lodge met and opened in regular form.

Prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

Roll called. Present:

H. E. BUTTREY.....	M. W. Grand Master
J. T. HORNIBROOK	R. W. Deputy Grand Master
ROBT. EVANS...:	R. W. Grand Warden
J. B. KING.....	R. W. Grand Secretary
WM. BADENACH	R. W. Grand Treasurer
GEORGE WRIGHT	R. W. Grand Representative
J. J. WHITE.....	R. W. Grand Marshal
W. W. GRIFFEY.....	R. W. Grand Conductor
D. M. TELFORD	R. W. Grand Guardian
W. HUGHSON.....	R. W. Grand Chaplain

And Representatives from a majority of Lodges.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

The request of Past Grand Masters Jas. Woodyatt and John Gibson to be relieved from acting on the special Committee on

Centennial Correspondence was granted, and the Chair named Reps. Alfred Noxon and J. S. Tennant to take their places.

The following was referred to the Committee on Districts :

Moved by Rep. G. W. Raines,
Seconded by W. N. Ford, P.G.M.

That District No. 1 be divided so that the Counties of Lanark, Renfrew and Carlton shall be District No. —, and that the remaining Counties of Leeds, Grenville, Dundas, Stormont, Glengarry, Prescott and Russell be District No. 1.

A telegram from Bro. D. D. Rose of Seaforth, asking that an appeal formerly brought by him be brought forward the present session—he feeling that an injustice had been done to him,—was laid on the table.

The following was laid on the table upon a motion to that effect;

Moved by Rep. Geo. W. Jessop,
Seconded by Rep. R. H. Perry,

That when this Grand Lodge adjourns, it does so to meet in the Town of Guelph on the first Wednesday in August, 1877.

The following was referred to the Committee on Finance :

Moved by Rep. J. Menish,
Seconded by Rep. E. Abbot,

That the sum of two dollars each be paid to T. Healy, P.G., and A. Purvis, P.G., for services rendered the R. W. Grand Lodge at its last session in the City of London.

Several accounts were read and referred to the Committee on Finance. (See report of Committee on Finance.)

Grand Representative Bro. Geo. Wright from the Committee on Appeals presented the following report, which was adopted:

Report of Committee on Appeals.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

In the matter of
C. B. STEVENS
vs.

WALKERTON LODGE, No. 84.

Your Committee to whom was referred the appeal of Bro. C. B. Stevens, P. G., against Walkerton Lodge, No. 84, I. O. O. F., find

That inasmuch as said brother C. B. Stevens does not in his appeal set forth the ground upon which his appeal is made, your Committee would recommend that said appeal be referred back to Bro. C. E. Stevens for further particulars.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

We therefore submit the following:

Resolved,—That the foregoing report be adopted.

GEORGE WRIGHT,
H. B. TAYLOR,
WM. FITZIMMONS,
W. GEORGE MUTTON,
JOHN CAMPBELL.

Grand Representative Bro. George Wright from the same Committee, presented the following report, which was adopted:

Report of Committee on Appeals.

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

In the matter of
HUGH WALKER, P.G.,
vs.

BELLEVILLE LODGE, No. 81.

Your Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the appeal of Brother Hugh Walker against Belleville Lodge, No. 81, beg to report:

That the Committee appointed by Belleville Lodge, No. 81, to investigate the charges preferred against Bro. Hugh Walker by Bros. John M. Benson

and Allen McFee were illegally and unconstitutionally elected, inasmuch as the vote appointing the several members of the Committee was not a majority vote, and that the ground of appeal on this point is well taken.

Your Committee would therefore recommend that the appeal be sustained and a new trial ordered.

We therefore submit the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

WM. FITZIMMONS,
GEORGE WRIGHT,
H. B. TAYLOR,
JOHN CAMPBELL,
W. GEORGE MUTTON.

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

Report of Committee on Appeals.

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

In the matter of
THOMAS LEWIS
vs.
UNITY LODGE, No. 47.

Your Committee to whom was referred the appeal of Thomas Lewis of Excelsior Lodge, No. 44, against the action of Unity Lodge, No. 47, after a careful consideration of the several matters relating to said appeal, beg leave to present the following report:

They find that the appellant presented certain charges against Bro. Jacob Smith, a member of Unity Lodge, for conduct unbecoming an Oddfellow; that said charges were referred to a properly constituted Committee; that said Committee met in due form and heard the case; that a majority report was presented, signed by four members of said Committee, stating that the charges had been fully sustained, and recommending that the offending brother should be admonished; that at the same meeting a minority report was presented, signed by one member of the Committee, stating that the charges had not been sustained, and recommending that the brother charged be exonerated, and that the appellant be admonished.

Your Committee find that the discussion upon these reports occurred on the same night on which they were presented, and that the minority report

was adopted. They are of the opinion that the objection of appellant to this part of the proceedings is not well taken, as they are not aware of any law interdicting the final disposal of such reports when they do not involve suspension or expulsion.

Your Committee also think it was quite competent for the Lodge to receive a minority report, provided such report was in all regards regular; but inasmuch as said minority report recommended that a brother outside of the Lodge should be admonished, your Committee are of opinion that Unity Lodge exceeded its jurisdiction, and think upon this point the appeal should be sustained.

They beg therefore to present the following :

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

H. B. TAYLOR,
GEORGE WRIGHT,
WM. FITZIMMONS,
W. GEORGE MUTTON,
JOHN CAMPBELL.

The following questions were read and referred to the Committee on the State of the Order :

By Rep W. R. Davis :

In case a member of a Subordinate Lodge has been expelled, and afterwards reinstated by this Grand Lodge, would he have to pay his dues during time of expulsion; or, if not, how would he be admitted?

By Rep. J. M. O'Connor :

Can a Noble Grand give degrees when there are Past Grands unless he has got the past official's degrees?

By Rep. Thos. Woodyatt :

Is it legal to use the funds of a Subordinate Lodge for the purpose of hiring a band for street processions of our Order?

By Rep. John Howard:

Is a sick brother justly entitled to benefit, that was sick four or five weeks previous to being a member six months, the said brother's sickness not being

notified by the Visiting Committee, or any other brother, or the sick brother himself, he being a member of the said Visiting Committee? Is a member of the Visiting Committee justified in bringing a report before his Lodge six or seven months after the said brother was taken sick, claiming twenty-eight weeks' benefits; the said sick brother living in the same place, and attending his Lodge nearly every meeting?

What steps had the Lodge better take in the course of the said sick brother, the Lodge having passed a resolution granting the said sick brother benefits one week prior to being notified of the fact of the said brother's sickness; the said brother refusing to accept the said benefits, and wishing a withdrawal card, which the Lodge do not feel inclined to grant to the said brother on account of the present state of health of the same?

By Rep. Geo. Midgely:

The report of Committee on Appeals having been adopted by this R. W. Grand Lodge without any recommendation, what position does it place the two parties concerned in said appeal, namely, in the appeal of Bro. Thos. Lewis *vs.* Unity Lodge?

The following was resolved in the affirmative:

Moved by Rep. A. McFee,

Seconded by Rep. Jno. Graham,

That the members of Shannonville Lodge, No. 118, who were clear on the books of that Lodge when it ceased to exist be granted cards that they may affiliate with other Lodges.

Also, that the following members of Shannonville Lodge: Bros. Dr. McLaren, Mattis and Appleby, who were not clear on the books of said Lodge, be granted cards on payment of the amount of their arrears to the time the Lodge ceased to exist.

Rep. W. R. Davis from the Committee on Printing submitted the following report, which was considered *seriatim* as read:

Report of Committee on Printing.

ST. CATHARINES, August 3, 1876.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

We your Committee on Printing beg to report as follows:

1st.—We approve of the action of the R. W. Grand Secretary in having

two hundred extra copies of the Journal of last Grand Lodge printed. Also the manner in which contracts for other printing were let. The work is all well done, the paper good and prices charged very reasonable.

2nd.—We would recommend that he be instructed to have printed twelve hundred copies of the proceedings of the present Grand Lodge session, for distribution, retaining as this year two hundred copies for distribution at the next session.

3rd.—As to clause five of R. W. Grand Secretary's report, we would recommend that owing to the great and growing demand for copies of proceedings of Grand Lodge for past years that a reprint of say one thousand copies of the whole work be ordered, and that a reasonable charge be made for each copy so as to cover the outlay of printing.

4th.—We would also recommend the printing of a sufficient number of supplies, as they would prove, especially to new Lodges, very convenient in giving a complete and uniform outfit.

5th.—Your Committee have carefully considered clause twenty-five of the R. W. Grand Secretary's report as referred to our consideration, and highly approve of his action and forethought in having a condensed report of the returns published in the leading journals of the Dominion. By this course general and important information as to the standing of the Order has been laid broadcast before the public.

6th.—We would further recommend that the whole of the printing required for this Grand Lodge should be let by tender.

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

W. R. DAVIS.
H. P. NELLES.

Clauses one and two were adopted.

The question being to adopt clause three it was

Moved by Rep. Thos. Woodyatt,

Seconded by Rep. F. G. Lowe,

That clause No. 3 of the report of Committee on Printing be struck out.

Moved by Grand Rep. Geo. Wright,
Seconded by Rep. J. F. O'Neil, in amendment,

That the report be referred back to Committee for the purpose of ascertaining the probable cost of the proposed reprint of the proceedings of this R. W. Grand Lodge, and to report at the next session of this Grand Lodge.

The question being on the amendment proposed by Grand Rep. Geo. Wright it was resolved in the negative.

The question recurring on the motion of Rep. Thos. Woodratt it was agreed to.

Clauses four, five and six of the report were severally adopted, and the report as amended was adopted.

The following was concurred in :

Moved by Rep. J. F. O'Neil,
Seconded by Rep. Henry Neal,

That the R. W. Grand Secretary be instructed to procure estimates as to the cost of printing five hundred to one thousand copies of the entire proceedings of this R. W. Grand Lodge, and submit the same at the next session.

The following was adopted :

Moved by Rep. John C. Lander,
Seconded by Rep. E. C. Landon,

That this Grand Lodge do now proceed to the exemplification of the secret work.

J. W. Stebbins, M. W. Grand Master of the State of New York, being present the Grand Lodge by unanimous voice requested him to exemplify the unwritten work—Grand Representative Bro. George Wright being present and concurring.

Whereupon the distinguished brother proceeded and most ably performed that task.

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After one hour and a half spent in secret session the Grand Lodge resumed its regular business, when the following resolution was adopted unanimously by a standing vote; and in accordance therewith the thanks of the Grand Lodge tendered to Bro. J. W. Stebbins, and acknowledged by that brother:

Moved by Grand Rep. Bro. Geo. Wright, and seconded,

Whereas, Bro. J. W. Stebbins, M. W. Grand Master of the State of New York, has kindly and so fully exemplified the secret work of our Order, in accordance with the request extended to him, therefore be it

Resolved, That this R. W. Grand Lodge do fully appreciate the labor of our distinguished visitor, Bro. J. W. Stebbins, in giving us the secret work of our Order.

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge be and are hereby tendered to Bro. J. W. Stebbins, M. W. Grand Master of the State of New York; and that the voice of the Grand Lodge be taken by a standing vote.

The following was adopted:

Moved by Rep. Woodyatt,
Seconded by Rep. Parker,

That Rep. E. C. Landon, of Gananoque Lodge, be excused from further attendance at this session.

The following was adopted:

Moved by J. T. Hornibrook, D.G.M.,
Seconded by Rep. Geo. Schofield,

That the R. W. Grand Lodge do grant Rep. Dr. McFarlane, of Covenant Lodge No. 52, leave of absence for the balance of the present session, and that the Grand Treasurer be instructed to forward him his mileage and per diem.

Rep. Hu Blain from the Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Finance.

ST. CATHARINES, August 3, 1876.

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

Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred the following accounts recommend that they be paid :

D. D. Grand Master Geo. W. Jessop, No. 14, Guelph ..	\$28 85
W. C. Trimble & Co., for printing and stationary	51 50
Excelsior Lodge, No. 44, appeal from the Grand Lodge of Ontario to the Grand Lodge U. S. sustained by G. L. U. S.	12 00
D. D. Grand Master D. A. Ferguson, District No. 26 ..	7 00
D. D. Grand Master W. N. Ford, District No. 21, after deducting \$1.00 error in addition.....	29 00

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved, That the above be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HU BLAIN,
A. H. McGAUGHEY,
H. H. MADDOCK,
JOHN J. DICKSON,
JAMES SMITH.

Rep. W. G. Mutton from the Committee on Appeals presented the following report, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Appeals.

ST. CATHARINES, August 3, 1876.

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario :

GEORGE SCHOFIELD
vs.
METROPOLITAN DEGREE LODGE.

Your Committee to whom was referred the appeal of George Schofield vs. Metropolitan Degree Lodge beg to report that they have carefully considered

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this matter, and are of opinion that the appeal of Bro. Schofield should be sustained, as in Ontario Digest page 45, sections 1 and 4, the law states:—"That a candidate must have received the three Past official degrees before he can be nominated for the office of Degree Master." Also see White's Digest, section 518.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

W. GEORGE MUTTON,
 GEORGE WRIGHT,
 WM. FITZSIMMONS,
 H. B. TAYLOR,
 JOHN CAMPBELL.

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

Report of Committee on Appeals.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

In the matter
 W. J. DIAMOND

vs.
 BELLEVILLE LODGE, No. 81.

Your Committee to whom was referred the appeal of Bro. W. J. Diamond from the action of Belleville Lodge, No. 81, find from an examination of the papers in their possession that the Committee before whom Bro. Diamond was tried was not legally constituted, inasmuch as the vote appointing the several members of said Committee was not a majority vote; and that the ground of appeal on this point was well taken.

Your Committee would therefore recommend that the appeal be sustained and a new trial ordered.

We therefore submit for adoption the following :

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

H. B. TAYLOR,
 GEORGE WRIGHT,
 W. GEORGE MUTTON,
 WM. FITZSIMMONS,
 JOHN CAMPBELL.

On motion the Grand Lodge adjourned at one o'clock to meet at two o'clock p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

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St. CATHARINES, August 4, 1876.
2 o'clock p.m.

The Grand Lodge re-assembled, and duly opened, pursuant to adjournment. Deputy Grand Master J. T. Hornibrook in the chair.

Roll called. Present: All the Grand Officers, and a majority of Representatives.

The minutes of last session were read and confirmed.

Rep. R. Law, of Niagara Falls Lodge No. 53, submitted the following question, which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order :

Is it the intention of this Right Worthy Grand Lodge to recommend a set of By-Laws for Subordinates? Niagara Falls Lodge is now without a really correct copy to work by, and is very anxious to get them printed forthwith.

James Smith, P. G. M., from the Committee on Finance, presented the following report, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Finance.

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

Your Committee on Finance beg to submit, that they have examined the

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Auditors' Accounts, as herewith annexed, which we find correct, and recommend that they be paid:

P. G. Hu Blain.....	\$21 00
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Resolved,—That the above be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES SMITH,
A. H. McGAUGHEY,
JOHN J. DICKSON.

The following was agreed to:

Moved by Rep. J. S. McMahon,
Seconded by Rep. A. R. Narraway,

That owing to the very large amount of important business which has yet to be presented before this R. W. Grand Lodge, that when we adjourn this evening, we do stand adjourned until to-morrow morning at 8.30 o'clock, and that the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem be instructed to compute the per diem for four days for all those who may be in attendance that length of time.

The following was adopted:

Moved by Rep. J. S. McMahon,
Seconded by Rep. W. F. Howell,

That hearing with pleasure of the contemplated Excursion from Hamilton to Philadelphia and return, under the auspices of the Brotherhood in Hamilton, the cordial co-operation of the various Lodges in this jurisdiction be invited to lend a friendly assistance to the undertaking by appointing Committees to dispose of tickets, and otherwise aid the enterprise.

The following was read, and stands as a notice to amend the Constitution:

Representative H. Wilson, of Naomi Lodge, No. 116, hereby gives notice that at the next annual meeting of the R. W. Grand Lodge, he will move that that part of the Constitution relating to election of Grand Officers be changed to read as follows: "That the election of the Officers of this R. W. Grand Lodge be on the first day of the annual meeting, at three o'clock p. m."

The following was adopted:

Moved by Rep. J. S. McMahon,
Seconded by Rep. A. R. Narraway,

That the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem be instructed to compute the mileage at the rate of (4c.) four cents per mile for the whole distance, going and returning, to the present session of this R. W. G. Lodge, by the nearest travelled route, and that the per diem be (\$2) two dollars.

Thos. Partridge, P.G.M., from the Committee on Legislation submitted the following report, which was considered and adopted:

Report of Committee on Legislation.

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

Your Committee on Legislation beg leave to report:

That they find clause 26 of the Grand Secretary's report, which was referred to them, is in fact in the hands of the Committee on Revision, who will no doubt report upon it.

With regard to the important circular as to re-adjustment of the fees, submitted by Bro. A. McGregor of Covenant Lodge, for which your Committee feel this Grand Lodge is much indebted, your Committee would beg leave to recommend that the said circular be referred to a special Committee of five members, to report in full upon the matter therein contained at next meeting of this Right Worthy Grand Lodge. Your Committee fully appreciate the great importance of the circular referred to, and have no doubt the Committee to be appointed will give it their earnest consideration.

All which is respectfully submitted.

We submit for adoption the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

THOS. PARTRIDGE,
W. JAFFRAY,
L. McFARLANE,
WM. F. HOWELL,
THOS. T. IRVING.

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. W. George Mutton,
Seconded by Rep. J. Ritchie, Jr.,

That as soon as possible after this R. W. Grand Lodge adjourns the Grand Master be requested to draft a circular to be sent to all the Grand Lodges under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the United States, setting forth certain reasons why the name of the Grand Lodge of United States should be changed to "The Supreme Lodge of I. O. O. F.," and that the several State Grand Lodges be requested to take the matter into consideration and instruct their representatives to G. L. of U. S. to bring about this change if possible.

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

Report of Committee on Laws of Subordinates.

St. CATHARINES, August 4th, 1876.

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

Your Committee have examined the By-Laws of the undermentioned Lodges, and would recommend their approval, subject to the corrections in each case noted.

The first thirty-two were examined at meetings of the Committee held during the recess; and the remainder at the present session.

The authority for corrections made will be found at the end of the Report.

The following Lodges have never presented their By-Laws for approval, viz:—Nos. 106, 114, 123, 127, 136, 140, 142, 155, 157, 163, 165, 167, 169, 172, 174, 175, 176, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189.

We would recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to notify these Lodges of the fact that they are neglecting the explicit commands of this Grand Lodge.

SYCAMORE LODGE, No. 151.

a. Only One copy. Not certified.

PARTRIDGE,
FRAY,
ARLANE,
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T. IRVING.

*Constitution incorrect.—Article II, clause 1.

By-Laws correct.

AYLMER LODGE, No. 94.

a. Only one copy. Not certified.

*Constitution incorrect. Art. II, cl. 1, 5, 8, 13; Art. III, cl. 7; Art. IV, cl. 14, 16; Art. V, cl. 6, 10; Art. VI, cl. 3, 4, 10, 12, 15.

f. By-Law 12, 12th line, after word "committees" insert "originally appointed by him."

m. 14th line, strike out "except ballotings for membership and the election of officers."

*Rules of Order not properly arranged.

ROSE LODGE, No. 28.

*Constitution incorrect; Art. II, cl. 5, 8, 13; Art. III, cl. 7; Art. IV, cl. 1, 4, 6; Art. V, cl. 6, 10; Art. VI, cl. 3, 4, 10, 12, 15.

d. By-Law 9, 6th line; after word "Lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."

ANCASTER LODGE, No. 138.

a. By-Laws not certified.

*Constitution incorrect. Art. II, cl. 8, 13; Art. III, cl. 7; Art. IV, cl. 1, 4, 6; Art. V, cl. 6, 10; Art. VI, cl. 3, 4, 10, 12, 15.

u. By-Law 7, 5th line. After word "done," insert "by a P.G. or N.G."

m. By-Law 8, 4th line on p. 18. Strike out "balloting for membership and the election of officers," and insert "ballotings and votes."

d. 7th line. After word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

g. By-Law 9, 3rd line. Strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P.G."

x p. By-Law 43. Strike out "\$25," and insert "\$20."

MINTO LODGE, No. 98.

Amendments to By-Laws correct.

WATERLOO LODGE, No. 107.

a. Not properly certified.

*Constitution incorrect; Art. III, cl. 7.

x. By-Law 5. Strike out two last lines.

u. By-Law 14, 6th line. After word "done," insert "by a P.G. or N.G."

d. By-Law 15, 29th line. After word "requisite," insert "except those decided by ballot."

n. By-Law 21. Add "and provided also, that the accused has first received a fair trial, according to Art. VI, cl. 6-11 of Constitution."

l. By-Law 22. Strike out "after which age none shall be admitted by initiation."

c. By-Law 58. Strike out.

c. By-Law 59, 2nd line. After word "charges," insert "on any matter pertaining to his right to benefits."

BELLEVILLE LODGE, No. 81.

a. Not certified.

The copies submitted have the corrections ordered last year in the By-Law marked in ink; they should be on printed slips pasted in.

*Corrections ordered in Constitution not made.

BOTHWELL LODGE, No. 74.

a. Not certified.

u. By-Law 18, 4th line. After word "done," insert "by a P.G. or N.G."

f. By-Law 19, 18th line. After word "Committees," insert "originally appointed by him."

m. 20th line. Strike out "except ballotings for membership, and the election of officers."

d. 22nd line. After word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

n. By-Law 26. Add "And provided also, that the accused has first received a fair trial, according to Art. VI, cl. 6-11, Constitution."

c. By-Law 71. Strike out.

c. By-Law 75, 2nd line. After word "him," insert "on any matter pertaining to his right to benefits."

b. By-Law 87, 22nd line. After word "effect," insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in cases of suspension for N. P. D."

AMITY LODGE, No. 80.

Approved.

MARION LODGE, No. 131.

Approved.

Amendment relating to dues approved.

CORINTHIAN LODGE, No. 61.

a. Not properly certified.

"Constitution incorrect. Art. III, cl. 7; Art. 6, cl. 14.

By-Laws approved.

ff. Lodges are prohibited by the G. L. U. S. from printing "Funeral and other ceremonies."

SUTTON LODGE, No. 168.

a. Not properly certified.

u. By-Law 8, 6th line. After word "done," insert "by a P.G. or N.G."

WESTERN STAR LODGE, No. 149.

Amendment relating to dues approved.

SAXON LODGE, No. 121.

Approved.

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RIVERSIDE LODGE, No. 145.

* Constitution incorrect. Art. II, cl. 1, 5, 13; Art. IV, cl. 1, 6; Art VI, cl. 4, 12, 15.

c. By-Laws. Art. I, clause 1. Strike out "and not over 50."

i. Art I, cl. 19: strike out.

l. Art III, cl. 6; strike out.

u. Art. IV, cl. 1, 5th line; after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

f. Art IV, cl. 2, 24th line; after word "committees," insert "originally appointed by him."

m. 26th line; strike out "except ballotings for membership, and the election of officers."

d. 29th line; after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

g. Art. IV, cl. 3, 3rd line; strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

n. Art. V, cl. 1, 4th line; after word "preceding," insert "and provided also, that the accused has first received a fair trial, according to Art. VI, cl. 5-11, Constitution."

gg. Art XI, cl. 8, 6th line; strike out all after "widowhood."

b. Art. XV, cl. 4, 5th line; after word "effect," insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in cases of suspension for N. P. D."

ALPHA LODGE, No. 154.

g. By-Law 1, 5th line; strike out "or by the V. G. or R. S."

u. By-Law 7, 6th line; after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

d. By-Law 8, last line on p. 4; after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

hh. By-Law 17; strike out "an investigation committee."

hh. By-Law 21; strike out.

ii. By-Law 28; amend so that no portion of quarterly dues shall be applied to a contingent fund.

jj. By-Law 52. Amend this By-Law so that it shall not apply to a brother suspended for N. P. D. (but not ceased membership), if he offers to pay the full amount of his arrears.

OAK LEAF LODGE, No. 159.

g. By-Law 1; strike out "or by the V. G. or R. S."

u. By-Law 7, 5th line; after word "done," insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

d. By-Law 8, 1st line on p. 22; after word "Lodge," insert "except those decided by ballot."

hh. By-Law 17; strike out "and an investigation committee."

hh. By-Law 24; strike out.

ii. By-Law 37; amend so that no portion of quarterly dues shall be applied to a contingent fund.

jj. By-Law 61; amend so that this shall not apply to a brother suspended for N. P. D. (but not ceased membership), if he offers to pay the full amount of his arrears.

CRESCENT LODGE, No. 104.

a. Only one copy not certified.

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

g. By-Law 1. Strike out "or by the V. G. or Secretary."

u. By-Law 7, 5th line. After word "done" insert "by a P.G. or N.G."

f. By-Law 8, 21st line. After word "committee" insert "originally appointed by him."

m. 23rd line. Strike out "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."

d. 26th line. After word "lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."

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g. By-Law 9, 3rd line. Strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

b. By-Law 61, 5th line. After the word "effect" insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in cases of suspension for N. P. D."

kk. Amendments to By-laws on printed slips approved, except the first in so far as it applies to the election of Treasurer, who must be elected semi-annually.

PYRAMID LODGE, No. 156.

a. Not certified.

u. By-law 8, 6th line. After word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

MONTANA LODGE, No. 177.

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

3. By-law, Art I, sec. 6, 5th line. After word "to" insert "a ballot for."

j. Art. II, sec. 3, cl. 2. Strike out "not being an officer of this lodge."

ll. Art. III, sec. 1, cl. 1. Strike out all after word "election" in ninth line to word "ballot" in thirteenth line.

l. Clause 6. Strike out.

u. Sec. 4, 6th line. After word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

f. Sec. 5 page 32, 8th line. After word "committee" insert "originally appointed by him."

m. 10th line. Strike out "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."

d. 14th line. After word "lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."

g. Sec. 6, 3rd line. Strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

n. Sec. 12, cl. 1. Add "And provided also that the accused has first received a fair trial according to the constitution."

xmm. Sec. 14, cl. 1. Strike out all except that part requiring notice of an election to be issued to the members.

c. Art. III. sec. 1, cl. 3. Strike out "brother under charges required to have notice."

b. Sec. 4, cl. 4, 5th line. After word "effect" insert "and the consent of the G. L. thereto, except in cases of suspension for N. P. D."

EXCELSIOR LODGE, No. 44.

Amendments to By-laws approved. Rules of order and order of business cannot be changed by a Subordinate Lodge.

AURORA LODGE, No. 148.

Amendment relating to ballot for Degrees approved.

EMERALD LODGE, No. 178.

a. Only one copy not properly certified

* Constitution incorrect: Art. II, cl. 5; Art. VI, cl. 9.

nn. Strike out after word "himself" in 15th line.

CLINTON LODGE, No. 88.

e. By-Law 1. Strike out "and not over fifty."

nn. By-Law 31, 10th line. Strike out all after word "himself."

nn. By-Law 43. Strike out "except as specified in No. 31 of their By-laws."

ALLISTON LODGE, No. 171.

By-laws approved.

LINDSAY LODGE, No. 100.

Amendments to By-laws approved.

PETERBOROUGH LODGE, No. 111.

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

These corrections were ordered in report of Committee last year.

nn. By-Law 31. Strike out last two lines.

COOKSTOWN LODGE, No. 162.

By-laws correct.

DENOVO LODGE, No. 170.

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

u. By-law 10, 5th line. After word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

d. By-law 11, page 27, 10th line from bottom. After word "lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."

e. By-law 30, 8th line. Strike out "after which age none shall be admitted."

Page 52, form of appeal. Strike out "your committee" and insert "the Grand Lodge."

DUFFERIN LODGE, No. 186.

a. This Lodge submits one copy of the By-laws of another Lodge, purporting to be adopted by Dufferin Lodge, but not properly certified.

* Constitution incorrect in Art. IV, cl. 1, 3; Art. VI, cl. 4.

u. By-law 8, 4th line. After word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

g. By-law 10, 2nd line. Strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."

Page 39, form of appeal. Change the address to "R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario," and substitute "the Grand Lodge" for "your Committee."

HARMONY LODGE, No. 115.

Amendments relating to fees approved.

ST. LAWRENCE LODGE, No. 187.

a. Only one copy of printed By-laws and manuscript amendments.

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

- i. By-Laws. Art. I, cl. 5. Strike out.
- ii. Art. III, cl. 1. Strike out all after word "election" in 9th line.
- u. Art. IV, cl. 1, 5th line. After word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N. G."
- m. Art. IV, cl. 2, 21st line. Strike out "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."
- d. Art. IV, cl. 2, 24th line. After word "lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."
- g. Art. IV, cl. 3, 3rd line. Strike out "or cause the same to be done by a P. G."
- n. Art. V, cl. 1. After word "preceding" in eighth line insert "and provided also that the accused has received a fair trial according to the constitution."

BEAVER LODGE, No. 82.

- a. Only one copy not certified.
- * Constitution incorrect: Art. II, cl. 5, 8, 9, 13; Art. III, cl. 7; Art. IV, cl. 1, 4, 6, 9; Art. V, cl. 4, 6, 10; Art. VI, cl. 4, 5, 10, 12, 15.
- u. By-Law 8, 5th line. After word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N.G."
- f. By-Law 9, 23rd line. After word "committees" insert "originally appointed by him."
- m. By-Law 9, 25th line. Strike out "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."
- d. By-Law 9, 28th line. After word "lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."
- c. By-Law 54, 2nd line. After word "him" insert "on any matter pertaining to his right to benefits."
- * Page 39. Strike out "Order of Business," which conflicts with that laid down in Rules of Order.

Page 49, form of appeal. Change address to "R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario," and substitute "the Grand Lodge" for "your committee,"

OXFORD LODGE, No. 77.

Correct, as amended.

GLENCOE LODGE, No. 138.

* Constitution incorrect: Art. II, cl. 13; Art. III, cl. 9.

m. By-Law 9, 6th line. Strike out "except balloting for membership and the election of officers."

d. By-Law 9, 9th line. After word "lodge" insert "except those decided by ballot."

BROCK LODGE, No. 9.

Amendments relating to Widows' Benefits approved.

RELIANCE LODGE, No. 89.

* Constitution incorrect: Art. II, cl. 1, 5, 13; Art. III, cl. 7; Art. IV, cl. 1, 4, 6, 10; Art. VI, cl. 3, 4, 10, 12, 15.

a. Only one copy; not properly certified.

x. By-Law 14. Strike out "unless the P. S. is present to vouch for his compliance therewith."

l. By-Law 21. Strike out "and said tellers shall in no case count any blanks as votes."

u. By-Law 23, 5th line. After word "done" insert "by a P. G. or N. G."

m. By-Law 24, 2nd line on page 26. Strike out "except balloting for membership and for the election of officers."

mm. By-Law 35. Amend so that there shall be two nights of nomination previous to the election.

e. By-Laws 48 and 49. In both strike out the words "after which age none shall be admitted."

UNITY LODGE, No. 47.

Amendments approved.

EUREKA LODGE, No. 80.

Amendments approved.

SARNIA LODGE, No. 126.

a. Only one copy; not certified.

aa. By-Law 74. Strike out.

PROGRESS LODGE, No. 158.

Amendments approved.

Your Committee therefore submit the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

CL. T. CAMPBELL,
W. S. CAMPBELL,
W. A. RAWLINGS,
ROBERT KIRKPATRICK.

Authorities for Above Corrections.

* All Lodges are referred, for inaccuracies in their Constitution, to the form adopted at the present session, which will be found in the Journal of Proceedings.

a. Duplicate copies, authenticated by Seal of Lodge and signatures of N. G. and Secretary, should be submitted.—Const. Sub., Art. VIII, cl. 2.

b. Suspended members cannot be restored before their term expires, without the consent of Grand Lodge or Grand Master.—Digest 1697.

c. A member under charges retains all his rights, except those specified in Digest 1828, 1832, 325a.

d. N. G. has casting vote in all cases of tie, except where the vote is by ballot.—Ont. Digest p. 82.

e. Membership cannot be restricted to persons not over a certain age.—Digest 1093b.

f. N. G. can only fill vacancies in committees originally appointed by him.—Journal G. L. Ont., p. 1245.

- g.* In absence of N. G., V. G. takes chair.—Digest 1377, 1379.
- h.* Const. Subs. as amended in 1874; Art. II, cl. 5.
- i.* G. L. U. S. provides form of Visiting Card.—Digest 222.
- j.* Officers, as well as members, must wear regalia.
- k.* Const. Subordinates, Art. III, cl. 7, as amended in 1874.
- l.* Blank votes are to be counted.—Digest 1914.
- m.* Though other officers or members may assist at examination of ballot box, or scrutiny of votes, and announce the condition of the vote, the N. G. alone declares the result.—Jour. G. L. U. S., pp. 6286, 6315.
- n.* Every member must have a fair trial before he can be punished.—Constitution Subordinates, Art. VI, clauses 6, 12.
- o.* Lodge cannot make a By-Law dispensing with payment of benefits.—Digest 152, 1311.
- p.* Funeral benefit for a Brother's wife not to exceed half of the amount fixed for funeral benefit of a brother.—Const. Sub. Art. V. cl. 8.
- q.* N. G. alone can call special meetings, or V. G. when acting as N. G.—Const. Sub. Art. IV, cl. 2.
- r.* A Subordinate cannot alter its Constitution.—Const. Sub. Art. VIII, cl. 5.
- t.* Constitution Grand Lodge, clause 9.
- u.* P. G.'s charge can only be given by a P. G. or N. G.—Digest 925.
- v.* Constitution Subordinates, Art. IV, cl. 6.
- w.* No one can leave room during initiation.
- x.* Every brother before receiving any of the Degrees must present a certificate from P. S. that he has paid all charges therefor, and is not in arrears.—Const. Sub.-Art. II, cl. 10.
- y.* Degrees must be applied for when Lodge is open in Initiatory Degree.—Digest 465.

z. Voting for a withdrawal card must be by ballot.—Digest 243.

aa. A P. G. should not be fined because the returns to G. L. have not been made and forwarded.—Journal Ont., p. 1454.

bb. Qualifications for elective officers are specified in constitution, and cannot be altered by a Subordinate Lodge.

cc. Cannot refuse a sick brother his benefits simply because his illness arose from some cause outside of his ordinary business, provided it was not the result of immoral conduct.—Journal Ont., p. 1454.

ff. Lodges are forbidden by G. L. U. S. printing funeral ceremony or any other copyrighted form.

gg. Cannot refuse a widow or orphan benefits because she may be an inmate of some charitable institution.—Journal Ont., p. 1407.

hh. If no charge is brought against a brother it is not proper to have any investigation into his conduct.—Journal Ont., p. 1411.

ii. Constitution Subordinates, Art. V cl. 4.

jj. Journal Ont., p. 1444. (Note to report on By-laws of Unity Lodge.)

kk. Constitution Subordinates, Art. III cl. 6.

ll. Constitution Subordinates, Art. III cl. 7.

mm. In electing an officer to fill a vacancy there must be two nights of nomination, as in a regular election.—Constitution Subordinates, Art. III cl. 4, 14.

nn. All fines for neglect of duty go to the W. & O. Fund.—Constitution Subordinates, Art. V cl. 5.

The Report of the Special Committee appointed to consider clauses 10 and 11 of the Grand Master's Report, and clause 7 of the Grand Secretary's Report, (see page 1623) which was laid on the table last night, was now taken up and considered.

The question being to adopt the Report, it was moved by Rep. J. Pryke, seconded by Rep. Geo. Midgely, and carried,—

That the report under consideration be divided and considered clause by clause.

The question now being to adopt clause one, Rep. W. H. Scott, seconded by Rep. R. Coulter, moved the following :

Resolved.—That the first clause of the Report of the Committee to whom was referred the 10th and 11th clauses of the Grand Master's Address, and clause 7 of the Grand Secretary's Report, be not concurred in, but that the Charter of Durham Lodge be restored, and a new trial ordered in the case of the appeal of Brother J. A. Montgomery against Durham Lodge.

The Yeas and Nays being called for and sustained, appeared as follows :

YEAS.—Reps. Abbott, Patton, Peers, Newman, Barton, Hosiel, Narraway, Barbour, Bartlett, Steel, Pryke, Midgley, Wilson of Unity, Coulter, Nettleton, Thompson of Canada, Dodds, O'Connor, Law, Donough, Bird, Shaw, Gibbs, McFedries, Sinclair, Burden, Perry of Fergus, Proctor, Andrews, Cole, Buckham, Inksater, Rutherford, Payne, Henderson, McBride, Mitchell, Campbell of Cataract, Austine, O'Neil, Thomas, Wheeler, Landon, Scott of Peterboro', Tennant, Cassie, Howard, Nevills, Scott of Palmerston, Williams, Barr, Martin, McSween, Gallagher, Broadwell, Wilcocks, Marshall, Pease, Nott, Mathews, Hoover, Decow, Noxon, Wyatt, Roberts, Harris, Stevens of Emerald, Shoemaker, Wilton, Lyman, Prout, Wallace, Jaffray of Cambridge, Rudd.—74.

NAYS.—Reps. Kernahan, Gilleland, Kay, Dennis, George, Lowe, Fletcher, Porter, Irving, Welsh, Campbell of Avon, Edgar, Bowden, Howell, Schofield, Carter, Duncan, Campbell of Fidelity, Morrison, Francis, Harrison, Guy, Fowler, Powell, Hunter, Bishop, Taylor, Perry of Eastern Star, Murray, Russell, McFee, Tracey, McNutt, Callander, St. John, Graham, Parnell, Gourley, McGregor, Burns, Lyon, Pressprich, Jaffray of Grand Union, Watson, McGaughey, Edwards, Dickson, Wilson of Naomi, Parmenter, Owens, Mills, Smith, Lucas, Addison, Wood, Ferguson of Glencoe, Thompson of Peaceful Dove, Memish, Conger, Jessop, Hodgson, Ferguson of Simcoe, Winlaw, Wilson of Denovo, Peckham, Somerville, Hugo, Bowman, Stevens of Dufferin, Wright.—70.

And the resolution was agreed to.

The question being now to adopt clause two, Rep. W. H.

Scott, seconded by Rep. J. Pryke, moved the following, which was agreed to :

Resolved.—That clause (2) two of the Report under consideration be struck out.

Rep. J. S. Tennant, from the Special Committee on that subject, presented the following Report, which was considered :

Report of Special Committee.

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

Your Special Committee, appointed on Centennial Correspondence, beg leave to report that we have examined the correspondence touching this matter, and find that a special committee was appointed at the last session of the B. W. G. L. of U. S., to make arrangements and invite the different Jurisdictions of I.O.O.F. on this Continent to send delegates from their respective Grand Bodies to be present and participate in the grand parade of the Order, at Philadelphia, on the 20th day of September prox.

Your Committee would recommend that in conformity with the invitation extended to this Grand Body, that the Elective Grand Officers, P. G. Masters and Past Grand Representatives of this jurisdiction, be a delegation from this R. W. G. L. to represent the Grand Lodge of Ontario on the said grand parade, to be held at the City of Philadelphia, on the said 20th day of September, and recommend an appropriation of Twenty dollars to each of the delegates who may go and participate in the demonstration.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved, That the above Report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

HENRY McAFEE,
J. HAM PERRY,
ALFRED NOXON,
JNO. S. TENNANT, M. D.

The question being to adopt the report,

Rep. J. Welsh, seconded by Rep. Marten, moved the following, which was not agreed to :

Resolved, That the words " Past Grand Masters and Past Grand Representatives" be struck out, and that the words "twenty dollars" be struck out and the words 'fifty dollars' inserted."

The question recurring upon the adoption of the report it was resolved in the negative.

Rep. Hu Blain from the Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Finance.

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

Your Committee on Finance beg to submit, that they have examined the annexed accounts, which they find correct, and recommend that the same be paid:—

Account of Special Committee on Constitution	\$39 40
" " " Laws of Subordinates.	42 20
" Grand Master, postage, express, telegrams, &c.....	20 00
Account of special session of R. W. Grand Lodge at Hamilton:	
Rep. Dr. Wright	\$ 3 40
Rep. Dep. Grand Master J. T. Hornibrook.....	3 40
Rep. Grand Secretary J. B. King, and other sundries re- lative to the late Grand Treasurer	21 10

We submit as follows:

Resolved, That the above be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HU BLAIN,
JAMES SMITH,
A. H. McGAUGHEY,
JOHN J. DICKSON,
H. H. MADDOCK.

Rep. Hu Blain from the same Committee presented the following report, which was considered clause by clause as read:

Report of Committee on Finance.

St. CATHARINES, August 4, 1876.

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee to whom was referred clauses 13 and 14 of the Grand Master's report, and clauses 18, 19, 22, 28, 29, 31 and 32 and pages 10 to 24 of the Grand Secretary's report, beg leave to submit the following:

Grand Master's Report:

1st.—Clause 13. We recommend that the first half be referred to the Special Committee appointed to report upon the unexpected death of our late R. W. Grand Treasurer; that the second part of this clause be referred to Committee on State of the Order.

2nd.—Clause 16. That they have examined the financial statement on pages 5 and 6, and find it correct. We also recommend that the summary on page 6, taken from the semi-annual returns, be referred to the Committee on Returns.

Grand Secretary's Report:

3rd.—Clause 18. Your Committee find the amounts correctly credited to the various Lodges, and recommend the approval of the action of the Grand Secretary.

4th.—Clause 19. We would recommend the adoption of this clause.

5th.—Clause 22. Your Committee fully concur in the views of our R. W. Grand Secretary that the frequent delinquency of Secretaries occasion him great inconvenience, and while we do not approve of the course proposed, as it would be scarcely just to representatives, we would recommend that all remittances from Subordinate Lodges be made direct to the Grand Secretary, and that a fine of five dollars for each month or part thereof be charged to all Lodges neglecting to comply with the constitution, and that the Grand Secretary be required to enforce this fine in every instance.

6th.—Clause 28. Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

7th.—Clause 29. Correct.

8th.—Clause 31. Your Committee sympathize with these Lodges in their loss; and feeling that the fiscal concerns of our Order are of the utmost importance would recommend each Lodge to keep its effects fully insured.

9th.—Clause 32. We note with the utmost pleasure the extraordinary advancement of our Order, and receive with equal pleasure the assurance of the Grand Secretary that the financial position is so satisfactory.

We have also examined pages ten to twenty-four by comparing them with the Grand Secretary's books, and find them correct.

We have also examined page thirty-two, and find it correct.

We therefore submit the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

HU BLAIN,
A. H. McGAUGHEY,
H. H. MADDOCK,
JOHN J. DICKSON,
JAMES SMITH.

Clauses 1, 2 and 3 were adopted.

The question being to adopt clause four, Rep. W. F. Howell, seconded by Rep. A. Burns, moved the following amendment, which was not agreed to:

Resolved, That two copies of the Digest of the Grand Lodge of Ontario be presented to each Subordinate Lodge in this jurisdiction.

The question recurring on the adoption of clause four it was adopted.

Clauses 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 were adopted, and the report as a whole was adopted.

John Gibson, Grand Representative, from the Committee on Districts, presented the following report, which was concurred in:

Report of Committee on Districts.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
ST. CATHARINES, Aug. 5, 1876.

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

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

- 1st. We recommend that no change be made in District No. 1.
- 2nd. That York District, No. 8, be divided into two Districts, viz:—That the County of York, with the exception of the Village of Yorkville, comprise District No. 8; and that the City of Toronto and Village of Yorkville constitute a new District, to be known as Toronto District No. 27.
- 3rd. That Districts Nos. 11 and 12 constitute two separate Districts.

We therefore submit for adoption the following:

Resolved,—That the Report be adopted.

JOHN GIBSON,
ROBERT TRACEY,
J. MENISH,
C. B. STEVENS,
ROBERT KAY.

H. McAfee, P.G.M., who was one of the bondsmen for our late R. W. Grand Treasurer, asked to have his bond returned to him, which was on motion granted, and the bond was returned.

At 6.30 o'clock p. m. the Grand Lodge took recess until 8 o'clock sharp.

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EVENING SESSION.

ST. CATHARINES, Aug. 4, 1876.

8 O'CLOCK.

The Grand Lodge re-assembled at 8 o'clock.

Roll called. Present: All the Grand Officers, and a majority of Representatives.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last session was dispensed with.

Rep. G. W. Jessop from the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem submitted their report, on reading which there appeared some errors, and on motion the report was referred back to the Committee to correct.

Rep. J. S. McMahon from the Committee on State of the

Order presented the following report, which on motion was taken up clause by clause as read :

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

ST. CATHARINES, Aug. 4, 1876.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

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

1st.—It is a subject of congratulation that the Order in this jurisdiction continues to prosper, and that the great principles of Odd Fellowship are becoming better known and more widely spread in the various parts of the jurisdiction, as referred to by the Grand Master in his report, clauses 1, 2 and 3. We join with the Grand Master in hoping that the expressions in clause 4 may be fully carried out.

2nd.—We deeply sympathize with the Grand Master in the very trying and severe illness through which he has passed since our last session, and congratulate the Grand Lodge that an all wise Providence has restored him to sufficient health and strength as to allow of his presiding at our present session.

3rd.—In reference to clauses 14 and 15 we would beg to refer you to our report on the same subject in Grand Secretary's report. We join with the R. W. Grand Master in his expressions of approval in reference to the organizations referred to in clause 18, and would recommend the encouragement of such societies if properly conducted on good sound principles.

4th.—We congratulate the M. W. Grand Master and the Grand Lodge on the appointment of the D. D. G. M. referred to in the latter part of clause 15 and hope that future Grand Masters may be as successful in securing the services of brothers as competent as the brother referred to to fill the high and responsible office of D. D. G. M.

5th.—Clause 9. We approve of the following answers to the questions submitted to the M. W. Grand Master:

No. 1, 2, 3, 4; but would recommend that questions and answers Nos. 5

and 4 do not appear in the printed proceedings. Answers 5, 6, 7 approved. No. 8 approved, with the following added: "In the absence of a qualified brother." Answers 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 approved.

Answer No. 9 reversed. See Ontario Digest, page 21, on Ballot.

Answer No. 10 we reverse. We answer, "Yes, by vote of the Lodge to reconsider."

Answer No. 13 we reverse. We answer, "Only on night of installation."

6th.—Answer No. 17 we reverse. We answer, "No. A member in arrears is not entitled to benefits."

We submit the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

J. S. McMAHON,
JOHN RITCHIE, JR.,
WM. N. FORD,
JAS. WOODYATT,
FIFE FOWLER.

Clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 adopted.

The question being to adopt clause six it was not agreed to, the decision of the Grand Master being sustained.

The report with this exception was adopted.

Rep. Hu Blain, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report, which was considered seriatim as read, and the clauses severally adopted, and as a whole adopted:

Report of Committee on Finance.

ST. CATHARINES, August 4th, 1876.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the salary of the R. W. Grand Secretary be seven hundred dollars for the present year.

Resolved, That the salary of the late R. W. Grand Treasurer for nine and a half months during last year, at the rate of one hundred dollars, be \$79.17.

Resolved, That the salary of the present R. W. Grand Treasurer for two and a half months for last year, at the rate of one hundred dollars, be \$20.83.

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Secretary be paid the sum of \$75 for rent of office, use of safe, &c., &c., for the past year.

Resolved, That P. G. A. P. Friesman, caretaker, be paid the sum of \$2 per day during the present session of this R. W. Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That the salary of the Assistant Grand Secretary be at the rate of \$2 per day during the present session, and recommend payment of the same.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be authorized to renew the policy on Grand Lodge effects.

We therefore submit the following:

Resolved, That the above Report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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Rep. Hu Blain from the same Committee submitted the following report, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Finance.

ST. CATHARINES, August 4, 1876.

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

Your Committee on Finance beg to submit:

That they have examined the accounts of the following D. D. G. M.'s, all of which they submit as correct, and recommend that the same be paid:

D. D. G. M., C. B. Stevens, Nos. 11 and 12	\$74 14
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“ J. S. McMahon, No. 16	19 00
“ J. E. Johnston, No. 8.....	31 70
“ Amos H. Gillet, No. 10	23 50

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HU BLAIN,
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JAMES SMITH,
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Rep. H. H. Maddock from the same Committee presented the following report, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Finance.

ST. CATHARINES, August 4, 1876.

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario:

We, your Finance Committee, to whom was referred the account of J. S. Coulston, for installation and visitation, for the sum of five dollars, recommend that the same be referred back for particulars.

Also, that the resolution of Rep. Menish, seconded by Rep. Abbott, for the payment of two dollars each for services last year by P. G., W. H. Cole

and P. G., A. Purves, be not adopted, they only having served a portion of a day, and Bro. Purves having declined to accept any compensation.

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. H. MADDOCK,
HU. BLAIN,
JAMES SMITH,
J. J. DICKSON,

Jas. Woodyatt, from the Special Committee on that subject, presented the following report, which was agreed to :

Report of Special Committee.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

In the matter of
NIAGARA FALLS LODGE, No. 53,
vs.
QUEEN CITY LODGE, No. 56.

We, your Special Committee, to whom matters of difference between the above Lodges were referred, beg leave to report :

That we have examined all the documentary evidence produced, and have heard both the parties in the case, and find the charge made by Niagara Falls Lodge against Queen City Lodge not sustained.

We respectfully submit the following :

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

JAMES WOODYATT,
JOHN GIBSON,
WM. N. FORD,
JAMES SMITH,
THOS. PARTRIDGE.

Rep. J. Ritchie, Jr., from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

ST. CATHARINES, August 4, 1876.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

Your Committee on the State of the Order beg to submit the following report on matters submitted to them from the Grand Secretary's report :

Clause 13,—

When a brother accepts of the important and responsible position of D. D. G. M. he should do so with a full and thorough knowledge of the high office which is conferred upon him, and no slight consideration should cause any failure on his part of fulfilling the whole duties of his office during the year.

Your Committee regret to learn that by this 13th clause of the Grand Secretary's report it would appear that a number of the D. D. G. M.'s of the past year have not performed their duty in that satisfactory manner so desirable for the permanent progress of our Order.

Clause 21,—

Your Committee approve of the action of the Grand Master and Grand Secretary in assuming the resumption of the charter of Shannonville Lodge; and that the charter charge and other books, papers, moneys and properties be retained by the Grand Secretary until disposed of by the Grand Lodge, or the Executive Committee thereof.

Clause 23,—

It is with unalloyed pleasure your Committee have read the correspondence between the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Chili and our Grand Secretary, and are rejoiced to learn that within eighteen months from the institution of the first Subordinate Lodge a Grand Lodge is formed, with all the rights, privileges and powers of Grand bodies of our Order.

The Grand Lodge of Ontario, the most northern on this continent, extends the right hand of friendship to the Grand Lodge of Chili, the most southern in America, and congratulates the Order that another Grand Lodge will be in the roll call at the next meeting of the R. W. G. L. of U. S.

Let the Grand Lodges of Ontario and Chili gradually close towards each

other until every foot of territory on the continent of North and South America is under the influence and government of Oddfellows.

We therefore respectfully submit the following :

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

JOHN RITCHIE, Jr.,
WM. N. FORD,
FIFE FOWLER,
J. S. McMAHON,
JAMES WOODYATT.

Rep. J. Ritchie, Jr., from the same Committee, presented the following report which was considered seriatim, and adopted :

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

St. CATHARINES, August 4, 1876.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

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

On the question by Rep. T. Woodyatt :

Is it legal to use the funds of a Subordinate Lodge for the purpose of hiring a band for street processions of our Order ?

Ans.—It is lawful if the Lodge has a contingent fund for such purposes or for celebrating the anniversary of the Order.

By Rep. John Howard :

Is a sick brother justly entitled to benefits, that was sick four or five weeks previous to being a member for six months, the said brother's sickness not being notified by the Visiting Committee, or any other brother, or the sick brother himself, he being a member of the said Visiting Committee ?

Ans.—No.

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ing twenty-eight weeks' benefits, the said sick brother living in the same place and attending nearly every meeting?

Ans.—The appointment of Visiting Committee, their reports and the disposal thereof, is under the control of the Subordinate Lodge.

By the same :

What steps had the Lodge better take in the case of the said sick brother, the Lodge having passed a resolution granting the said sick brother benefits one week prior to being notified of the fact of the said brother's sickness; the said brother refusing to accept the said benefits?

Ans.—Pass the amount to the Widow and Orphans' Fund.

By the same :

And wishing a withdrawal card, which the Lodge do not feel inclined to grant to said brother on account of the present state of health of the same?

Ans.—Sickness is no bar to a brother receiving a withdrawal card.

We therefore respectfully beg to submit the following :

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

JOHN RITCHIE, Jr.,
WM. N. FORD,
FIFE FOWLER,
J. S. McMAHON,
JAMES WOODYATT.

George Wright, Grand Representative, from the Committee on Appeals, submitted the following report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on Appeals.

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

In the matter of the appeal of
ALPHA LODGE, No. 154,

vs.
BRO. JAS. McGAW, D. D. G. M.

Your Committee, to whom was referred the appeal in this matter, having carefully considered the various matters relating thereto, beg leave to report as follows :

They find that no copies of the By-laws of the Lodge, upon which several of the specifications are based, have been furnished by the Lodge, and that there are no certified and duly authenticated copies of the minutes of the Lodge at the meetings in question accompanying the appeal.

They therefore recommend that the appeal be referred back to the Lodge with instructions to furnish all necessary papers in the case.

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

GEORGE WRIGHT,
W. GEORGE MUTTON,
WM. FITZSIMMONS,
JOHN CAMPBELL,
H. B. TAYLOR.

Rep. Fife Fowler from the Committee on State of the Order submitted the following report, which was considered seriatim as read:

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee on the State of the Order, to whom were referred the following questions, beg leave to report as follows:

1.—By Rep. R. Law:

Is it the intention of this R. W. Grand Lodge to recommend a set of By-laws for Subordinates? Niagara Falls Lodge are now without a really correct copy to work by, and are very anxious to get them printed forthwith.

Ans.—Yes. See proceedings of present and last session for full information regarding this question.

2.—By Rep W. R. Davis:

In case a member of a Subordinate Lodge has been expelled, and afterwards reinstated by this Grand Lodge, would he have to pay his dues during the time of expulsion, or if not, how would he be admitted?

Ans.—He would have to pay his dues in any case.

3.—By Rep. J. M. O'Connor:

Can a N. G. give degrees where there are P. G.'s unless he has got the Past Official Degrees?

Ans.—Yes.

4.—By Rep. W. Murphy, Secretary of Wardsville Lodge, No. 60:

(For question see page 1614-1615.)

Ans.—We are of opinion that the Lodge is not liable to pay the claims mentioned.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. N. FORD,
JAMES WOODYATT,
JOHN RITCHIE, Jr.,
PIFE FOWLER,
J. S. McMAHON.

Clauses 1, 2, 3, adopted.

The question being to adopt clause 4, Rep. W. G. Mutton, seconded by Rep. A. L. Bowman, moved the following, which was agreed to:

Resolved,—That the further consideration of clause 4 of the Report now under consideration, referring to the question asked by Wm. Murphy, P. G., of Wardsville Lodge, No. 60, be postponed until the next session of this Grand Lodge.

On motion, Rep. Bro. Dr. F. Fowler, and Grand Rep. Bro. Dr. Geo. Wright, were excused from further attendance at the present session.

Rep. W. N. Ford, from the Committee on State of Order, submitted the following, which was considered *seriatim* as read:

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

St. CATHARINES, August 4, 1876.

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee on State of the Order beg leave to submit the following report on the matters submitted to them:

1st. The question submitted by R. Kay, of Rose Lodge, No. 28:

A Lodge became defunct, and the members in good standing divided the funds. When the Lodge was resuscitated, two members acknowledged receiving a share of the funds, which they have no right to retain. To whom must this money be paid—Grand Lodge or the Subordinate? The Lodge had been defunct about seventeen years.

Ans.—To the Grand Lodge.

2nd. By Excelsior Lodge, No. 44:

A point of Order is raised in a Lodge, and we have nothing to guide us in our Constitution or Digest, by what Parliamentary practice are we to be guided?

Ans.—The N. G. decides questions of order, subject to appeal. Cushing's Manual is used by the G. L. U. S., to govern their proceedings. The practice of the Canadian Parliament would be the guide in this jurisdiction.

3rd. By Unity Lodge, No. 47:

A proposition is duly moved and seconded, and put to the Lodge; a Brother moves to amend said motion by striking out certain words and inserting other words, so as to amend the motion; a Brother moves to amend the amendment; on being put to the Lodge, it is lost; the amendment is then put and carried, that the motion shall be amended; the N. G. then rises to put the motion as amended. Can any Brother then move to still further amend the motion at that stage of the proceedings? The N. G. ruled that he could not receive any further amendment, the Lodge having amended the motion, but that he must put the motion as amended. Was that decision correct?

Ans.—Amendments may be made at any time previous to the putting of the final question, unless the previous question is moved.

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By-Law No. 40 of this Lodge reads: "That no motion in any way relating to the investment of the funds of this Lodge, or any part thereof, or for the appropriation or expenditure of the funds of this Lodge, over the amount of ten dollars, for other purposes than those laid down in these By-Laws, shall be put to the Lodge without due notice of motion being given, and said notice being read at two regular meetings." In accordance with that By-Law, a Brother gave notice that in two weeks he would move that the sum of thirty dollars be donated to the Joint Library of this Lodge and Crescent Lodge, on certain conditions. At the proper time the motion was made, seconded, and put to the Lodge; when, without any previous notice, a Brother moved to amend by striking out thirty and inserting forty-five. A point of order was raised, that the amendment would grant fifteen dollars contrary to the above By-Law. The N. G. ruled the amendment in order, and upon appeal, the D. D. G. M. sustained the decision of the N. G. Was that decision correct? Can any amendment to a motion granting money be entertained if said amendment is for a larger sum than the motion, no previous notice being given of such amendment? Could it be considered as being read at two Lodge meetings?

Ans.—To the first part of the question we answer, the decisions were incorrect; to the latter part we answer No.

5th. By the same:

Can a member, suspended for N. P. D., but not declared dropped from the books, come to the Lodge, pay his dues, and be reinstated or unsuspended, without any vote or action of the Lodge, at any time he might choose to do so, he having been suspended either by a By-Law or motion for that purpose?

Ans.—A member suspended indefinitely for N. P. D., may pay his arrears at any time, and upon such payment, the N. G. should declare him reinstated, unless the By-Laws of the Lodge provide otherwise.

6th. By the same:

What different position does a Brother stand in suspended for N. P. D., from one dropped from the books, so far as regards actual membership in the Lodge?

Ans.—The one suspended is a member of the Lodge without any right to any of its benefits or privileges, and liable to have a charge brought against him, while the other is not a member in any sense.

7th. By the same:

Should a suspended member be counted in total membership, or is he to all intents and purposes as though he were dropped from the books?

Ans.—He should be counted in the report as a suspended member.

8th. By the same:

Clause 70 of our By-Laws reads: "That no motion to repeal, suspend or amend these By-Laws, or any part thereof, shall be put to vote until the same shall have been read at two consecutive regular Lodge meetings." A Brother gives notice to amend a certain By-Law, and at the proper time such motion is put to the Lodge. Can the N. G. entertain an amendment to the motion, no previous notice having been given of such an amendment? Could such amendment be considered as read at two Lodge meetings?

Ans.—No.

9th. By the same:

Our D. D. G. M. has decided that such amendment would be in order. Is he correct?

Ans.—No.

10th. By Dominion Lodge, No. 48:

Has the D. D. G. M. the right to refuse to communicate A. P. W. of the degree of Rebekah to the Noble Grand of a regularly instituted Rebekah Degree Lodge when installing that officer in the January term? If so, what construction does this Grand Lodge put upon the obligation of the N. G., as laid down in the R. D. installation book?

Ans.—If the officers of a Rebekah Degree Lodge are entitled to be installed the installing officer should communicate the A. P. W. of the degree.

11th. By the same:

Can a brother visiting by card enter a Subordinate Lodge with Encampment Regalia only; he stating that he is in possession of the Encampment degrees, but his card representing him as a member of the Scarlet degree?

Ans.—Yes.

12th. By the same :

A charge was brought against a brother for conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow. The Lodge proceeded to elect a committee. A brother was present who was in arrears. Roll called, said brother voted. Ballot declared illegal by the N. G. During the taking of the next ballot said brother paid up, and proceeded to cast his vote. The N. G. rules that said brother cannot vote for said Committee. Was N. G. right in his ruling?

Ans.—The brother had a right to vote.

13th. By Bissell Lodge, No. 51 :

Can a P. G. instal officers without himself being in possession of the Pass Word of the current term?

Ans.—Yes.

14th. By the same :

Where a D. D. G. M. fails to put in an appearance can a Lodge instal officers without permission from said D. D. G. M.

Ans.—Yes.

15th. By the same :

Is a senior P. G. joining another Lodge by card to be considered a senior P. G. in the Lodge so joined?

Ans.—Seniority of P. G.'s dates from the time of their becoming P. G.'s.

16th. By the same :

Can a Junior P. G. instal officers in the absence of the D. D. G. M., while a Senior P. G. is in the Lodge room?

Ans.—If the N. G. or the Lodge so desire.

17th. By Corinthian Lodge, No. 61 :

Would it be in order to receive and discuss communications on political matters?

Ans.—Decidedly No.

18th. By Marion Lodge, No. 131:

If a P. S., elected for one year, is elected to an office at the end of six months, is he eligible for office if handing in his resignation previous to election?

Ans.—If the Lodge accepts his resignation, and he has served twenty-six nights, he is eligible for another office.

19th. By Leamington Lodge, No. 140:

Can a Lodge vote more than the regular funeral benefit upon the death of a *bona fide* Brother, he not at all being in indigent circumstances at the time of his death?

Ans.—Not without having given the regular notice.

20th. By Eastern Star Lodge, No. 72:

Does the fact of a Brother being in arrears for dues for a certain time suspend such Brother from membership without the action of his Lodge? If so, what is the prescribed time?

Ans.—It depends upon the By-Laws.

21st. By the same:

When does a Brother cease membership for N. P. D.?

Ans.—It depends upon the By-Laws.

22nd. By the same:

Is the vote required to reinstate a Brother a majority vote, or will three black balls reject?

Ans.—See sec. 1687, Digest G. L. U. S.

23rd. By Aurora Lodge, No. 148:

Can a member of a Subordinate Lodge compel his Lodge to pay his doctor's bill, when the Lodge has not duly elected a physician?

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24th. By the same:

Has the Grand Lodge power to compel its D. D. G. M.'s to visit every Lodge within their jurisdiction at least once during the year?

Ans.—He cannot be compelled; but it is a duty he undertakes to perform, and such cases should be reported to the Grand Master.

25th. By Howard Lodge, No. 58:

If a Lodge fails to meet twenty-six nights, without sufficient excuse, what is the penalty?

Ans.—Our present Law provides no penalty, provided the returns have been made.

26th. By the same:

If a V. G. be absent more than a majority of nights in any term, without any excuse being offered, could said V. G. be eligible for office of N. G. without further service, when not sufficient cause was shown why said officer did not attend regularly?

Ans.—No.

27th. By Victoria Lodge, No. 64:

Can a member enter or retire from a Lodge while a candidate is in the ante room being prepared to work his way into the Lodge room; that is, is the initiation considered finished before the candidate has been introduced to the Lodge as a Brother?

Ans.—No.

28th. By Amity Lodge, No. 80:

Is it necessary that a Lodge that has taken the benefit of the Act termed "An Act for the Incorporation of Benevolent Societies," and that the necessary documents have been legally drawn up and deposited in the Registry Office of the town where said Lodge belongs; will it be the duty of the said Lodge to apply to this Grand Lodge for permission to incorporate under them, or is aforementioned incorporation all that is necessary?

Ans.—Yes. The consent of this Grand Lodge is not necessary if the Lodge has been duly incorporated.

29th. By Rep. W. F. Howell :

Is it not proper for the Degree Master of a regular Degree Lodge to be in possession of the A. T. P. W. ?

Ans.—Yes, if otherwise entitled to it.

30th. By Lucknow Lodge, No. 112 :

A By-Law states that all dues must be paid in advance. When is a Brother three months in arrears ?

Ans.—According to Ontario Digest, a Brother not paying his dues in advance at the beginning of the Quarter would then be thirteen weeks in arrears.

31st. By Western City Lodge, No. 93 :

A Brother charged another Brother with being accessory to helping another Brother to defraud his creditors. The Brother brought a charge against him for doing so. A committee was appointed to investigate the same. The majority of the committee reported the charge as not proven, but recommended that the Brother be reprimanded for using the language which he did. The matter came before the Lodge, when some of those who were present at the investigation said that all the evidence given at the time of the trial was not taken down. Could the Lodge refer the matter back to the same Committee for further consideration, and take down the evidence which they did not take down at the time of trial? When an appeal against a committee's report to hear charges against a Brother is sustained by the Lodge, can the Lodge refer the charges back to the committee for further consideration on the ground of their not having taken down the whole evidence given at the time of trial for their consideration?

Ans.—It cannot be referred back to the committee; but the committee should, as they are required by the Constitution, take, and submit to the Lodge with their report, all the evidence offered.

32nd. By the same:

Can the Lodge order the erasing of a motion out of the R. S. book without first moving for a reconsideration?

Ans.—If the motion was not carried and so declared, it may be ordered

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33rd. By the same:

Can a member of another Lodge be on a committee in a Lodge of which he is not a member, the Brother being O. G., and according to the By-Laws the O. G. is to be a member of the Property Committee?

Ans.—No.

34th. By the same:

Can the N. G. cast a ballot for an elective officer while occupying the chair as N. G.?

Ans.—Yes.

35th. By Oak Leaf Lodge, No. 159:

A Lodge having by its By-Laws provided for a physician, is it necessary that candidates for that position should be present at election; or, in the event of absence, and no excuse having been sent in, must the name be dropped?

Ans.—It is not necessary he should be present, unless so provided in the By-Laws of the Lodge.

36th. By Alliston Lodge, No. 171:

A Brother joins our Lodge by card, being in connection with the Order some eight years; does he pay dues according to his age when admitted to our Lodge, or when he first joined Odd Fellowship?

Ans.—He pays dues according to age at time of entering the Lodge.

37th. By Rep. J. S. Parmenter:

Rule 4 of Rules of Order for subordinates reads as follows: "No question shall be put by the Presiding Officer unless regularly moved and seconded, nor be open for consideration until so put." In accordance with the above rule of order, would it be in order for a Brother, in rising to make a motion,

to precede his motion with any lengthened remarks relative to the merits of the motion he is about to make?

Ans.—No.

And the Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved,—That the foregoing report be adopted.

W. N. FORD,
JAMES WOODYATT,
FIFE FOWLER,
J. S. McMAHON,
J. HAM PERRY,
JOHN RITCHIE, JR.

Clauses one to fifteen, inclusive, adopted.

On motion to adopt clause (16) sixteen, Rep. Thos. Woodyatt, seconded by Rep. John Welsh, moved as follows, which was resolved in the affirmative:

Resolved,—That the words "the N. G. or," be struck out.

Pending the discussion on the motion to adopt clause seven-teen (17), a motion to adjourn was carried.

Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at 8.30 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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FOURTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

St. CATHARINES, August 5, 1876.

The Grand Lodge assembled at 8.30 o'clock a.m. pursuant to adjournment.

Roll called. Present:

H. E. BUTTREY	M. W. Grand Master
J. T. HORNIBROOK	R. W. Deputy Grand Master
ROBT. EVANS.	R. W. Grand Warden
J. B. KING	R. W. Grand Secretary
WM. BADENACH	R. W. Grand Treasurer
GEORGE WRIGHT	R. W. Grand Representative
J. T. WHITE	R. W. Grand Marshal
W. W. GRIFFEY	R. W. Grand Conductor
D. M. TELFORD	R. W. Grand Guardian
W. HUGHAN	R. W. Grand Chaplain

And Representatives from a majority of Lodges:

Prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

On motion the reading of the minutes of last session was dispensed with.

Rep. G. W. Jessop from the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem submitted the following report, which was adopted:

Report of Committee on Mileage and Per Diem.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Your Committee on Mileage and Per Diem beg respectfully to submit the following report and tabular statement of mileage and per diem which officers and Representatives of this Grand Lodge are entitled to receive in accordance with resolution adopted at the present session, the same being computed at the rate of four cents per mile each way, and two dollars per day.

Your Committee submit the following:

Resolved, That the mileage and per diem in the accompanying table to each Officer and Representative is hereby ordered to be paid.

GEO. W. JESSOP,
E. E. HENDERSON,
T. W. RAINES,
J. F. O'NEIL,
C. B. JOHNS.

TABLE OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

LODGE.	LOCATION.	Miles Travelled.	Mileage.	Number of Days.	Per Diem.	Total.	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE.
GRAND OFFICERS :							
H. E. Ruttrely, G.M.	London	218	\$ 8 72	4	\$ 8 00	\$ 16 72	
J. T. Hornbrook, D.G.M.	Toronto	142	5 68	3	6 00	13 68	
Robt. Evans, G.W.	Hamilton	64	2 56	3	6 00	8 56	
J. B. King, G.S.	Frankford	138	5 52	5	10 00	15 52	
Wm. Badenach, G.T.	Toronto	142	5 68	4	8 00	13 68	
John Barr, G. Rep.	Hamilton	64	2 56	3	6 00	8 56	
Geo. Wright, G. Rep.	Toronto	142	5 68	3	6 00	11 68	
J. T. White, G. Marshal	Brockville	558	22 32	4	8 00	30 32	
D. W. Grifley, G. Com.	Ungersoll	178	7 16	4	8 00	15 16	
D. M. Ford, G. Comr.	Stratney	340	13 60	4	8 00	21 60	
Rev. W. Hughan, G. Chap.	London	218	8 72	4	8 00	16 72	
Brock	Brockville	558	22 32	4	8 00	30 32	W. Fitzsimmons, P.G.M.
"	"	558	22 32	4	8 00	30 32	E. Abbot.
Catsaraqui	Kingston	464	18 56	3	6 00	24 56	W. H. Martin.
Union.	St. Catharines.	464	18 56	3	6 00	24 56	James Kernahan.
"	"	464	18 56	3	6 00	24 56	Walter Chatfield.
"	"	464	18 56	3	6 00	24 56	W. B. Gilleland.
Rose	Amherstburgh.	491	19 64	4	6 00	25 64	Robert Kay.
Chatham	Chatham	346	13 84	3	6 00	19 84	R. M. M. Patton.
"	"	346	13 84	3	6 00	19 84	Joseph Peers.
Eureka	London	218	8 72	4	8 00	16 72	Wm. George.

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Eureka	30	London	218	\$ 8 72	4	\$ 8 00	16 72	Joseph Newmal.
"	30	London	218	8 72	3	6 00	14 72	D. Barton.
Erie	34	Port Burwell	242	9 68	4	8 00	17 68	J. H. Hosiak.
Gore	34	Brantford	138	5 52	4	8 00	13 52	A. R. Narraway.
"	34	"	138	5 52	4	8 00	13 52	Thomas Woodyatt.
Summitan	35	Lugersoll	178	7 12	4	8 00	15 12	Walter Barry.
"	35	"	178	7 12	4	8 00	15 12	George Dennis.
St. Marys	36	St. Marys	206	8 24	4	8 00	16 24	R. Barbour.
"	36	"	206	8 24	4	8 00	16 24	John Bassett.
Forest City	38	London	218	8 72	4	8 00	16 72	Thomas C. Love.
"	38	"	218	8 72	4	8 00	16 72	John W. Fletcher.
"	38	"	376	1 48	4	8 00	16 72	J. J. Porter.
Rond Eau	40	Blenheim	376	1 48	4	8 00	22 80	Thomas Steel.
Aven	41	Stratford	182	7 28	4	8 00	15 28	Thomas T. Irving.
"	41	"	182	7 28	4	8 00	15 28	John Welsh.
"	41	"	182	7 28	4	8 00	15 28	Cl. T. Campbell.
Excelsior	44	Hamilton	64	2 56	4	8 00	10 56	John Pryke.
"	44	"	64	2 56	4	8 00	10 56	J. S. McMahon.
Frontier	45	Windsor	436	17 44	4	8 00	25 44	Joseph S. Edgar.
"	45	"	436	17 44	4	8 00	25 44	John Bowden.
Mt. Zion	46	Newbury	Not present.		4	8 00	10 56	Wm. F. Koomie.
Unity	47	Hamilton	64	2 56	4	8 00	10 56	George Magley.
"	47	"	64	2 56	4	8 00	10 56	Jos. H. Wilson.

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Howard	58	Strathroy	260	\$ 10 40	4	\$ 8 00	18 40	George M. Francis.
"	59	"	250	10 40	3	6 00	16 40	F. L. Harrison.
Kingston	59	Kingston	464	18 56	3	6 00	24 56	L. Guy.
"	59	"	464	18 56	3	6 00	24 56	F. Fowler.
Wardville	60	Wardville	296	11 84	4	8 00	19 84	D. Gibb.
Corinthian	61	"	210	8 40	4	6 00	14 40	Robert Gott.
"	61	Oshawa	210	8 40	4	8 00	16 40	James McFedries.
Huron	62	Godrich	272	10 88	3	6 00	16 88	N. Campbell.
"	62	"	272	10 88	3	6 00	16 88	Joseph Beck.
"	62	"	270	10 80	4	8 00	18 80	John Powell.
Barrie	63	"	64	2 56	3	8 00	8 56	Charles Hunter.
London	64	Hamilton	320	12 80	4	8 00	20 80	John S. Hunter.
Kingston	65	Petrolia	280	11 20	4	6 00	17 20	Sam'l Barton.
Florence Nightingale	66	Bowmanville	286	11 44	3	6 00	17 44	Charles Senior.
Exeter	67	Exeter	216	8 64	3	6 00	14 64	Harry Bishop.
North Star	68	Stayner	234	9 36	3	6 00	15 36	R. McLean.
Hope	69	Harrietsville	142	5 68	4	8 00	13 68	W. G. Munton.
Lucan	70	Lucan	142	5 68	4	8 00	13 68	J. Ritchie.
The Toronto	71	Toronto	142	5 68	4	8 00	13 68	W. G. Taylor.
"	71	"	207	8 28	3	6 00	14 28	H. B. Taylor.
Eastern Star	72	Whitby	207	8 28	4	8 00	16 28	J. H. Perry.
"	72	"	188	7 52	4	8 00	15 52	R. H. Perry.
Fergus	73	Fergus	188	7 52	4	8 00	15 52	R. H. Perry.
Bothwell	74	Bothwell	300	12 00	4	8 00	20 00	J. R. Procter.

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Warrior	75	Post Perry	248	\$ 9 92	4	\$ 8 00	\$ 80 00	I. J. Davis.
St. Thomas	76	St. Thomas	248	9 92	4	8 00	17 92	A. Murray.
Oxford	77	Ingersoll	178	7 12	4	8 00	17 92	D. Ferguson.
Nipissing	79	Uxbridge	248	9 92	3	6 00	15 12	John Andrews.
Amity	80	Prescott	582	23 28	3	6 00	15 12	L. A. Cole.
Belleville	81	Belleville	368	14 72	4	6 00	15 92	W. B. Russell.
Beaver	81	Belleville	368	14 72	4	6 00	29 28	A. Buckhan.
Chatham	82	Rathven	498	19 84	3	8 00	22 72	J. S. Huntingdon.
Walkerton	83	Chatham	356	14 84	4	8 00	20 24	Robert Tracey.
Constellation	84	Walkerton	300	13 00	4	8 00	20 00	A. T. Chagnut.
Napanee	85	Burgessville	180	7 50	4	8 00	20 00	A. B. St. John.
Empire	87	St. Catharines	416	16 64	3	6 00	22 64	E. H. Snyder.
Olive Branch	87	St. Catharines	416	16 64	3	8 00	8 00	John Graham.
Reliance	88	Woodstock	160	6 40	4	8 00	8 00	T. Farnell.
Ivy	89	Guelph	156	6 24	3	8 00	8 00	Robert Gourley.
Grand River	91	Paris	122	4 88	4	8 00	14 40	James Sutherland.
							12 40	George D. McKay.
							14 24	H. H. Maddock.
							12 24	J. H. McGregor.
							12 24	Alexander Burns.
							12 88	George Inkwater.

Fergus	188	7 92	4	8 00
Bothwell	300	12 00	4	8 00
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J. R. Procter	8 00

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Milton	92	Milton	124	4 96	4	6 00	\$ 24	R. Jones.
Western City	93	Chatham	242	19 68	4	8 00	21 84	P. Rutherford.
Aylmer	94	Aylmer	242	19 68	4	8 00	17 68	W. M. Lyon.
Fort Stanley	95	Fort Stanley	246	10 64	4	8 00	18 64	M. Payne.
Niagara	96	Niagara	210	8 40	4	8 00	16 40	O. Pressprich.
Niagara	97	Niagara	150	6 00	4	8 00	14 00	W. J. Jeffrey.
Grand Union	98	Harrison	252	10 08	4	8 00	18 08	W. J. Johnson.
Maple	99	Ward	284	11 36	3	6 00	17 36	E. Henderson.
Maple	100	Lindsay	366	14 64	4	8 00	22 64	E. Henderson.
Lindsay	101	Brampton	200	8 00	3	8 00	16 00	W. A. Mitchell.
Golden Star	101	"	200	8 00	4	8 00	16 00	W. A. Mitchell.
Dosoronto	102	Mill Point	430	17 20	4	8 00	25 20	A. H. McCaughey.
Cataract	103	Drummondville	26	1 54	4	8 00	9 54	J. Campbell.
Crescent	104	Hamilton	64	2 56	4	8 00	10 56	W. McDonald.
"	104	"	64	2 56	4	8 00	10 56	W. McDonald.
Manilla	105	Manilla	972	10 88	4	8 00	18 88	A. Edwards.
St. Clair	106	Point Edward	350	15 04	4	8 00	23 04	H. P. Nellis.
Waterloo	107	Calabash	136	5 04	4	8 00	13 04	H. P. Nellis.
Royal Oak	108	Fest	300	12 00	3	6 00	18 00	E. P. Thomas.
Orion	109	Georgetown	200	8 00	4	8 00	16 00	T. J. Wheeler.
Pesadore	110	Yorkville	146	5 84	4	8 00	13 84	T. J. Wheeler.
Pesadore	111	Peterborough	330	13 20	3	6 00	19 20	W. H. Scott.
Lucknow	112	Lucknow	334	13 36	4	8 00	21 36	J. S. Tennant.

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Trenton	113	Trenton	344	13 76	2	\$ 4 00	\$ 17 76	C. McLellan.
Gannanoque	115	Gannanoque	513	25 56	4	6 00	21 56	E. J. Jackson.
Harmony	133	Harford	183	7 62	4	6 00	13 62	J. D. Keson.
Valley City	116	Marshall	186	7 44	3	8 00	13 44	H. Wilson.
Maillard	117	Dundas	78	3 12	4	8 00	11 12	J. S. Parmenter.
Midland	119	Wingham	320	12 80	3	6 00	18 80	George Cassie.
Sydenham Valley	120	Wallaceburg	380	15 20	4	8 00	23 20	John Howard.
Saxon	121	Albion Craig	250	10 00	3	6 00	16 00	J. E. Nevills.
Streetsville	122	Streetsville	136	5 44	4	8 00	13 44	J. G. Owens.
Palmerston	123	Palmerston	242	9 68	4	8 00	17 68	James Scott.
Dresden	124	Dresden	360	14 40	3	6 00	20 40	William Ruddy.
Stella	125	Carleton Place	650	26 00	4	8 00	34 00	R. W. Bell.
Sarnia	126	Sarnia	348	13 92	4	8 00	21 92	H. Neal.
Alzaph	128	Killbuck	368	14 08	3	6 00	20 08	J. H. Mills.
Myrtle	127	Chippewa	262	10 48	3	6 00	16 48	A. Smith.
Charric	129	Shanawanda	248	9 92	3	6 00	15 92	Thos. Brown.
Liverstone	130	Thorold	8	0 32	4	8 00	8 32	Thos. Brown.
Marion	131	Rendrew	8		4	8 00	8 00	Wm. Williams.
Oakville	132	Oakville	746	29 84	3	6 00	35 84	M. Addison.
Glencoe	133	Glencoe	100	4 00	3	6 00	10 00	C. E. Wood.
Orient	134	Welland	288	11 52	4	8 00	19 52	D. A. Ferguson.
Peaceful Dove	135	Cannington	28	1 12	4	8 00	9 12	N. E. Colcock.
			260	10 40	3	6 00	16 40	Wm. Thompson.

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Cobourg	Cobourg	280	\$ 11 20	4	8 00	19 20	Wm. Barr.
St. Lawrence	137 Brockville	568	22 32	4	8 00	30 32	L. M. Meach.
Ancaster	138 Ancaster	76	3 04	3	8 00	9 04	R. E. Hammill.
Garnet	139 Mt. Forest	320	12 80	4	8 00	20 80	D. Martin.
Leamington	140 Leamington	500	28 16	4	8 00	36 16	Wm. McSteen.
Capital	141 Ottawa	484	19 36	3	6 00	25 36	F. Gallagher.
Concord	142 Kingsville	432	17 28	3	6 00	23 28	G. Broadwell.
Bay of Quinte	143 Picton	332	13 28	4	8 00	21 28	J. W. Conger.
Ridgetown	144 Ridgetown	610	24 40	3	6 00	30 40	G. W. Willocks.
Riverside	145 Ingersoll	702	28 08	4	8 00	36 08	David Fink.
Vivian	146 Aurora	508	12 32	4	8 00	20 32	James Marshall.
Model	147 Wyoming	202	8 08	3	6 00	14 08	L. H. F. case.
Aurora	148 Aurora	300	12 00	3	6 00	18 00	Wm. McSteen.
Western Star	149 Brussels	78	3 12	3	6 00	9 12	C. H. Matthews.
Brampton	150 Ridgeway	322	12 88	3	6 00	18 88	W. H. Hoover.
Sycamore	151 Arkona	198	8 92	4	8 00	16 92	H. Conzen.
Hayden	152 Norwich	224	9 92	3	6 00	15 92	Alex. Grant.
Willey	153 Granton	624	26 48	3	6 00	32 48	T. W. Raines.
Alpha	154 Almonte	202	8 08	3	6 00	14 08	J. W. Wonch.
Brougham	155 Brougham	Not present	Not present	Not present	Not present	Not present	L. Atkinson.
Pyramid	156 Newmarket	316	12 64	4	8 00	20 64	John Decow.
Thamesville	157 Thamesville	156	6 24	4	8 00	14 24	G. W. J. Jessop.
Progress	158 Guelph	156	6 24	4	8 00	14 24	G. W. J. Jessop.

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Oak Leaf	159	Hamilton	64	2 56	64	W. J. Hodgson
Listowel	160	Listowel	302	12 08	18 08	A. Nokon.
Simcoe	161	Simcoe	140	8 00	8 00	L. Ferguson.
Cookstown	162	Cookstown	292	11 68	17 68	W. S. Wallace.
Oriental	163	Cornwall	674	26 96	26 96	C. J. Matlice.
Romeo	164	Stratford	182	7 28	15 28	C. E. Johns.
Beethoven	165	Brooklin	214	8 56	16 56	D. P. Wyatt.
Oswego	166	Canboro	102	4 08	12 08	C. Roberts.
Hillsburg	167	Hillsburg	392	Not Present	19 88	J. D. Winlaw.
Stephan	168	Durham	337	13 28	21 28	H. Wilk.
Denovo	169	Durham	350	14 00	23 00	J. S. Wilson.
Albion	170	Port Elgin	310	12 40	18 40	N. Dicker.
Penetangore	171	Alliston	374	14 96	23 96	J. R. Peckman.
Fenelon	172	Kincardine	88	3 52	11 52	Charles Stevenson.
Emerald	173	Dunnville	136	5 44	13 44	J. Shoemaker.
Dolman	174	Ayr	300	12 00	18 00	Joseph Wilton.
Lorne	175	West Lorne	280	11 20	17 20	M. K. Lyman.
Dauncy	176	Theford	280	11 20	18 64	Robert Paulin.
Montana	177	Wroxeter	316	12 64	22 96	F. Sommerville.
Wellington Square	178	Wellington Square	78	3 12	21 44	T. W. Hugo.
Madoc	179	Madoc	424	16 96	13 28	J. Prout.
Wren Sound	180	Wren Sound	586	15 84		
Ark.	181	Springfield	252	9 28		

Pyramid	316	12 64	4	8 00	20 64	John Decow.
Thamesville	157	6 24	4	8 00	14 24	G. W. J. easop.
Progress	156	6 24	4	8 00		

TABLE OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM—(CONCLUDED).

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Tennsach	182	Otterville	200	\$ 8 00	4	\$ 8 00	16 00	Geo. Laycock.
Teeswater	183	Teeswater	154	6 16	4	8 00	14 16	I. Fairbairn.
Germania	184	Waterloo	84	3 36	4	8 00	11 36	R. W. Bowman.
Live Oak	185	Greensville	316	12 64	4	8 00	20 64	C. B. Stevens.
Dufferin	186	Flesherton	242	5 28	4	8 00	17 68	J. W. Wright.
Cyprus	187	Bradford	132	5 28	4	8 00	13 28	H. J. Jeffrey.
Cambridge	188	Preston	218	8 72	4	8 00	16 72	Thomas Partridge
Past Grand Masters		London	206	8 24	4	8 00	16 24	William N. Ford
		St. Marys	138	5 52	4	8 00	13 52	James Woodyatt.
		Brantford	182	7 28	4	8 00	15 28	John Gibson.
		Stratford	218	8 72	4	8 00	16 72	Jas. Smith.
		London	496	17 44	3	6 00	23 44	H. McAfee.
		Windsor	218	8 72	4	8 00	16 72	P. Wigmore.
		London	22	0 88	1	2 00	2 88	John Murray.
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Rep. J. F. O'Neil, seconded by Rep. Jos. S. Edgar, moved the following, which was agreed to :

Resolved,—That the number of Daunecy Lodge be 176, that being the number entered and used by the Grand Secretary in the books and reports of this Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge now took up the Report of the Committee on State of the Order, which was under consideration when the Grand Lodge adjourned last evening. (See page 1676'1634.)

Clause sseventeen (17) to twenty-eight (28) were adopted.

On motion of the Committee to adopt clause twenty-nine (29); Thos. Partridge, P. G. M., moved the following, which was agreed to :

Resolved,—That the answer of the Committee be not concurred in, but that the Lodge has power to refer the Report back to the Committee for further evidence.

The rest of the clauses were severally adopted, and the Report as amended was adopted.

Rep. R. H. Perry submitted the following notice of motion to amend the Constitution :

REPRESENTATION.—That is, "Every Lodge within this jurisdiction shall, at its first meeting in July, annually elect by ballot, from among its Past Grands in good standing, one representative, and such representative shall be entitled to one vote for every fifty members, or fraction of fifty members, in good stan ling, belonging to the Lodge he represents."

Rep. Hu Blain gave the following notice of motion to change clause 9 of the Constitution of Grand Lodge, as follows :

By striking out "first" in the first line, and insert "last" in lieu thereof ; and by striking out " July" in second line, and insert the word " June" in lieu thereof.

Rep. Thos. Woodyatt gives notice of motion to amend the Constitution of Grand Lodge, Rules of Order, etc.

(As the notice proposes to alter the whole Constitution, it will be found in the Appendix, being too lengthy for insertion here.)

Rep. W. G. Mutton, from the Committee on Appeals, submitted the following Report, which was considered :

Report of Committee on Appeals.

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

In the matter of the appeal of

JAMES DOHERTY,
vs.
BISSELL LODGE, No. 51.

Your Committee to whom was referred the appeal of Bro. James Doherty against the action of Bissell Lodge, No. 51, having carefully considered all the particulars of the case, beg leave to report as follows:

Your Committee found it impossible to dispose of this case satisfactorily in consequence of the absence of any authenticated minutes of the Lodge, showing how the trial committee were elected; also, whether or not the proceedings in the case were regular in every particular.

Your Committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved,—That the Appeal be referred back to the Lodge for all the documentary evidence bearing upon the case.

Fraternally submitted.

GEORGE WRIGHT,
W. GEORGE MUTTON,
WM. FITZSIMMONS,
JOHN CAMPBELL,
H. B. TAYLOR.

The question being to adopt the Report, Rep. W. R. Davis, seconded by Rep. J. M. O'Connor, moved the following, which was, by consent, withdrawn:

Resolved,—That the Report of the Committee on James Doherty's Appeal be not concurred in, and that the appeal be dismissed.

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The question again being to adopt the Report, Rep. J. Pryke, seconded by Rep. Geo. Midgley, moved to amend as follows, which was agreed to :

Resolved,—That all after the word “resolved,” be struck out, and the following inserted: “That the Lodge be ordered to grant a new trial.”

The Report, as so amended, was adopted.

Rep. R. W. Bell, from the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, submitted the following, which was concurred in :

Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence,

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario :

We, the undersigned Committee on Petitions, &c., submit the following report in regard to Lodges applying for dispensations to organize :

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

Alliston Lodge.....	No. 171.....	Alliston.
Penetangore“	“ 172.....	Kincardine.
Emerald “	“ 173.....	Dunnville.
Dolman “	“ 174.....	Ayr.
Lorne “	“ 175.....	West Lorne.
Dauncey “	“ 176.....	Thebford.
Montana “	“ 177.....	Wroxeter.
Wellington Square Lodge.....	“ 178.....	Wellington Square.
Madoc Lodge.....	“ 179.....	Madoc.
Owen Sound“	“ 180.....	Owen Sound.
Ark “	“ 181.....	Springfield.
Tecumseh “	“ 182.....	Oiterville.
Teeswater “	“ 183.....	Teeswater.
Germania “	“ 184.....	Waterloo.
Live Oak “	“ 185.....	Greensville.
Dufferin “	“ 186.....	Flesherton.
Cypress “	“ 187.....	Bradford.
Cambridge “	“ 188.....	Preston.
Parry Sound“	“ 189.....	Parry Sound.

We therefore move the adoption of the above Report.

DR. R. W. BELL,
H. J. BOYD,
J. S. HUNTINGTON,
C. THOMPSON.

Rep. R. W. Bell, from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was adopted:

Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario:

We, your Committee to whom was referred the petition for a charter for the institution of a Lodge at London East, to be called "Chorazin Lodge," beg leave to report as follows:

We recommend that the request be granted.

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

DR. R. W. BELL, Chairman.
J. S. HUNTINGTON,
J. H. MILLS,
H. J. BOYD,
C. THOMSON.

Rep. R. W. Bell, from the same Committee, submitted the following, which was agreed to:

Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

We, your Committee to whom was referred the petitions for charters for the institution of Lodges at Gorrie and Springfield, beg to submit for adoption the following:

Resolved,—That the action of the M. W. G. M. be sustained in refusing to grant warrants for the institution of Lodges at said places.

Respectfully submitted.

DR. R. W. BELL, Chairman.
J. S. HUNTINGTON,
H. J. BOYD,
J. H. MILLS,
C. THOMSON.

The question being to adopt the resolution accompanying the Report, Rep. Thos. Woodyatt moved the following which was agreed to:

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Resolved,—That the resolution be amended by adding the words: "But that the application from Gorrie be referred to the incoming Grand Master."

Rep. R. W. Bell, from the same Committee, submitted the following, which was agreed to :

Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

We, your Committee to whom was referred the correspondence of J. D. Simpson and others of Sault Ste. Marie, members of the Manchester Unity of Odd Fellows, in regard to opening a Lodge of the I. O. O. F., beg leave to submit for adoption the following :

Resolved, That the applicants be informed that there is only one method by which they can become connected with this Order, viz., by initiation in the ordinary form.

Respectfully submitted.

DR. R. W. BELL, Chairman,
C. THOMSON,
J. H. MILLS,
J. S. HUNTINGTON,
H. J. BOYD.

Rep. R. W. Bell, from the same Committee, submitted the following, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.

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

Your Committee beg leave to recommend that a card be granted to Bro. Mahlon Burwell Wilson of late Long Point Lodge.

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

(Signed)

DR. R. W. BELL,
H. J. BOYD,
J. S. HUNTINGTON,
J. H. MILLS.

Rep. R. W. Bell, from the same Committee, submitted the following, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

We, your Committee to whom has been referred the petition of Robert Dodds, P.G., and others of Canada Lodge, No. 49, Toronto, to establish a Rebekah Degree Lodge, recommend that a warrant issue for the institution of said Lodge.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

DR. R. W. BELL,
C. THOMSON,
J. S. HUNTINGTON,
H. J. BOYD.

Rep. R. W. Bell, from the same Committee, submitted the following report, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

We, your Committee to whom was referred the correspondence from Stephen Lodge in reference to negligence on the part of D.D.G.M., C. B. Stevens in not ascertaining previous to instituting Dufferin Lodge the capabilities of the charter members in working a Lodge, find that no blame is attachable to D.D. G. M., C. B. Stevens ; but request the M. W. Grand Master to caution the D. D. G. M.'s to be more careful in future.

We move the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That the above report be adopted.

Fraternally submitted.

DR. R. W. BELL,
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Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, from the Special Committee on that subject, submitted the following report and resolution, which were concurred in :

Report of Special Committee on Death of G. Treas. Irwin.

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

Your Committee to whom was referred the clauses in the reports of the Grand Master and Grand Secretary bearing on the death of Brother George Irwin, late Grand Treasurer of this Grand Lodge, have to report :

That the officers of this Grand Lodge in their reference to the melancholy death of our late Brother Irwin have given expression to the true sentiments of the entire fraternity. A worthy and consistent member of the Order, ever active in Lodge work, and highly respected in his business relations, Brother Irwin brought to the responsible position of Grand Treasurer—to which he was elected two years ago—a reputation for zeal and probity which he fully sustained in the transaction of his official duties. But in the midst of a life of usefulness, by a sad disaster on the railway with which he was connected, he has been suddenly removed from our number. He might have been with us to-day had he regarded his own life more than the lives of those entrusted to his care. But the self-denying tenets of Odd Fellowship, long since implanted in his heart, bore fruit in the hour of trial as well as in the time of ease, and were illustrated in our brother's death as well as in his life. He lived not for himself alone, and he died for others; so will he long live in the memory of those he has left behind.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved, That in the death of Brother George Irwin, R. W. Grand Treasurer, this Grand Lodge recognizes the loss of a member whose services entitled him to the love of the Brotherhood, and whose character has secured for him the esteem of all good men.

That in his life and death we find illustrated those virtues which adorn the noblest of the race, and those unselfish principles which our Order teaches to all its members.

That the Grand Lodge tenders its sincere and fraternal sympathy to the family of the deceased in their great bereavement, and commends them for consolation to the memory of our brother's well-spent life and noble death, and to the tender care of the Great Father of all.

That the Grand Secretary be instructed to forward a copy of this report to the family of our deceased brother.

Fraternally submitted.

HU BLAIN,
CL. T. CAMPBELL,
W. B. GILLELAND.

The hour set apart as a special session to hear and determine applications from Subordinate Lodges for permission to become incorporated having arrived, the Grand Lodge proceeded with that business, when permission was granted to the following Lodges, viz.:

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North Star.....	" 68
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Constellation.....	" 85
Reliance.....	" 89
Milton	" 92
Grand Union	" 97
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Waterloo	" 107
Royal Oak.....	" 108
Lucknow	" 112
Gananoque	" 114
Maitland	" 119
Streetsville	" 122
Palmerston	" 123
Livingston.....	" 130
Glencoe	" 133
Peaceful Dove	" 135
Model.....	" 147
Aurora	" 148
Western Star	" 149
Simcoe	" 161
Romeo	" 164
Oswego	" 166
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Rep. J. W. Fletcher, from the Committee on Returns, submitted the following, which was adopted:

Report of Committee on Returns.

St. CATHARINES, August 5th, 1876.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

Chatham Lodge, No. 29, June report, error of 6 in membership, carried from previous report. Error of 1 in suspended members. Present membership should read 153 instead of 160.

St. Marys Lodge, No. 36, June report, neglect in not stating amount in W. and O. fund.

Forest City Lodge, No. 38, Error of 2 in membership continued in each report. Membership should read 299 instead of 301.

Rondeau Lodge, No. 40, December report, error of 1 in membership, carried from previous report. June report, total membership should be 65 instead of 55.

Unity Lodge, No. 47, December report, error of 1 in suspended members, carried into June report. Present membership should read 234.

Canada Lodge, No. 49, December report, error in addition of total expenditure. Should be increased \$100.00.

Bissell Lodge, No. 51, December report, error in total expenditure, \$74.50 too much.

Covenant Lodge, No. 52, December report, error in financial statement, \$10.09 too much.

Wardsville Lodge, No. 60, Dec. report, error in membership of 4, carried into June report. Present membership should be 23.

Huron Lodge, No. 62, Dec. report, error in addition of total expenditure of \$2.00. June report, error of 3 in membership from last report. Present membership should be 117.

Barrie Lodge, No. 63, Dec. report, error of 1 in membership, continued in each report. Present membership should be 38.

Friendship Lodge, No. 65, error of 5 in membership, continued in each report.

Exeter Lodge, No. 67, error of 1 in membership, continued in each report. Present membership should be 55.

North Star Lodge, No. 68, Dec. report, error of 4 in membership, from previous report. Should be 39.

Hope Lodge, No. 69, error of 3 in membership, continued in each report. Present membership should read 40.

The Toronto Lodge, No. 71, June report, error in capita tax. Should be increased \$1.50.

Bothwell Lodge, No. 74, June report, error of 4 in membership, carried from previous report. Present membership should read 52.

Oxford Lodge, No. 77, Dec. report error of 2, carried forward from previous report. Error in addition in total expenditure of \$27.25.

Walkerton Lodge No. 84, Dec. report, error in addition of total expenditure. Should be increased \$26.00. June report, present membership should read 57.

Napanee Lodge, No. 86, Dec. report, error in membership from last report of 5.

Ivy Lodge, No. 90, error in each report of 5 too many in membership.

Western City Lodge, No. 93, June report, error in present membership 68. Should be 65.

Aylmer Lodge, No. 94, error in membership of 3 too few, continued in each report. Present membership should read 65.

Peabody Lodge, No. 99, error in membership of 2 too many, continued in each report. A member admitted by card, not counted. Present membership should be 31.

Dosoronto Lodge, No. 102, Dec. report, error of 1 in membership. 48 should be 42.

Cataract Lodge, No. 103, June report, nothing noted for dues, and financial statement incorrect.

Crescent Lodge, No. 104, Dec. report, mistake in total expenditure. Should be increased by \$86. June report, error in membership of 18. Should be 133. Amounts for visiting cards under the head of dues.

St. Clair Lodge, No. 106, Dec. report, error of 2 in membership. June

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Royal Oak Lodge, No. 108, Dec. report, error of 4 in membership, no financial statement. June report, error in membership of 6, present membership 44. Mistake in addition of \$19.00.

Laurel Lodge No. 110, error in each report of 3. Membership should be 92.

Trenton Lodge, No. 113, Dec. report, no Seal, error in total receipts of \$10.00. No widows and orphans fund. June report, no financial statement.

Gananoque Lodge, No. 114, Dec. report, error of 2 in membership. Should be 36.

Harmony Lodge, No. 115, Amount spent for Regalia should be included in assets.

Maitland Lodge, No. 119, Dec. and June, error of 2 in membership. Should be 47.

Saxon Lodge, No. 121, Dec. report, one expelled, not counted out, error in expenditure of \$32.96. June report, same error as to membership. Should be 33.

Palmerston Lodge, No. 123, June report, error in membership of 3. 46 should be 49.

Dresden Lodge, No. 124, Dec. report, error in total expenditure of \$237.21. June report, error of 2 in membership as per last report. Should be 70.

Sarnia Lodge, No. 126, Dec. report, no seal, error in addition of \$1.00.

Livingston Lodge, No. 130, December report, error of 1 in membership. June report, error of 2 in membership. 147 should be 149.

Marion Lodge, No. 131, Dec. report, present membership not stated.

Oakville Lodge, No. 132, Dec. report, error of 2 in membership. 40 should be 38. June report, no name of Lodge, date and signature of Secretary, and no seal.

Peaceful Dove, No. 135, Dec. report, error of total expenditure, \$8.00. June report, no amount returned for current expenses, and no financial statement.

Cobourg Lodge, No. 136, Dec. report, error of 1 in membership. 48 should be 47.

St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 137, June report, no seal.

Leamington Lodge, No. 140, June report, error of 2 in membership. 41 should be 43.

Capitol Lodge, No. 141, June report, error of 7 in membership. 52 should be 45.

Bay Quinte Lodge, No. 143, error in membership of 1, also error in addition. No account of Widows' and Orphans fund in each report. Present membership 42 should be 43.

Ridgetown Lodge, No. 144, Dec. report, mistake in membership of 3. Errors carried in June report; errors in addition of expenditure \$15. 41 should be 44.

Riverside Lodge, No. 145, Dec. and June, no financial statement.

Model Lodge, No. 147, no seal, error of 2 in membership, in each report. 39 should be 37.

Aurora Lodge, No. 148, Dec. report, error of \$1.00 in total receipts.

Western Star Lodge, No. 149, Dec. report, no statement of general funds.

Bertie Lodge, No. 150, Dec. and June reports, error of 1 in membership. 56 should be 55.

Sycamore Lodge, No. 151, invested funds stated as disbursements should be in assets. Also error of \$99.96 in total receipts.

Willey Lodge, No. 153, statement of receipts, expenditure and finances not plain.

Alpha Lodge, No. 154, Dec. and June report, no widows and orphans fund.

Brougham Lodge, No. 155, June report, no statement of expenditure.

Pyramid Lodge, No. 156, Dec. report, error in total amount of all funds of \$45. June report, term expenditure not particularized.

Thamesville Lodge, No. 157, Dec. report, error of 1 in membership. June report, error of 3 in membership. Should be 30 instead of 33.

Oak Leaf Lodge, No. 159, June report, error in amount invested.

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Beethoven Lodge, No. 165, June report, error in addition of membership of 1. 29 should be 28.

Hillsburg Lodge, No. 167, no report for June.

Sutton Lodge, No. 168, June report, error in total expenditure \$7.00.

Stephen Lodge, No. 169, June report, error in total expenditure of \$7.80.

Denovo Lodge, No. 170, June report, error of \$1.00 in financial statement, and error of 1 in membership, carried from last report. 38 should be 37.

Alliston Lodge, No. 171, Dec. report, no widows and orphans fund. June report, error of 1 in membership. 37 should be 36.

Lorne Lodge, No. 175, Dec. report, no account of widows and orphans fund, also error in total funds of \$402.35.

Wellington Square Lodge, No. 178, Dec. report, 26 members admitted and no statement of dues. Nothing placed to the credit of widows and orphans fund.

Dauncey Lodge, No. 176, June report, no seal.

Owen Sound Lodge, No. 180, June report, error in expenditure of \$88.33

Tecumsth Lodge, No. 182, June report, name of Rep. not given

In December of 1874, the R. W. Grand Secretary, at the instigation of the Grand Lodge, changed somewhat and greatly simplified the blanks for the returns. At the time of sending the blanks to Lodges, he copied and concluded the returns made in June, 1874, and returned them to the Lodges, with the blank for December return, with the number of numbers per last report, as shown by the returns in his hands copied in, at the same time sending a circular to Lodges requesting Secretaries (in case the members so carried in did not agree) to make it do so with the number on the ledger of the Lodge, so that the return then made might be a correct starting point.

There are submitted to your Committee a number of letters stating that the number shown by the returns now given are not correct—that Secretaries do not keep the importance of correctness of returns in view.

In the opinion of your Committee should they compare the returns with their books before forwarding them to the Grand Secretary, there would be no need to write explanations.

There is on the blank a space upon which to enter members who cease membership for N. P. D., but as they are counted off when suspended, if counted off when ceased, the report will be incorrect, or the same name will be twice counted off.

The number of members upon which per capita tax is paid is the correct number to be carried into the next report. All members initiated, reinstated, admitted by card, added, and all members deceased, withdrawn by card, suspended and expelled, deducted.

Some of the returns have neither the name of Lodge, number, seal, signature of officers, location, nor widows' or orphans' fund written upon them, and the post office stamp, in some cases, on the envelope enclosing them is the only way to learn where they came from.

Your Committee would recommend that the Representatives call the attention of the Secretary of their Lodge to this report, and require them to make the corrections herein recommended, and that the D. D. G. M. be also required to see that the corrections have been made before installing the officers, as it is from the returns that the Grand Secretary must get the number of members. And as the principal revenue of this Grand Lodge is from capita tax on members, it is of importance that they be correct.

Your Committee are of opinion that Lodges should make the office of Secretary as near permanent as possible, not making it a stepping stone to that of V. G. Get a good officer and pay him, and have the work properly done. As proof of this, see those Lodges that adopt this plan—their returns are neat and correct.

Your Committee submit the following:

Resolved, That the foregoing report be adopted.

J. W. FLETCHER,
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Rep. Hu Blain presented the following which was referred to the Committee on Legislation :

COVENANT LODGE, No. 52, I. O. O. F.
TORONTO, July 29th, 1876.

Hu Blain, Esq., Representative.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER :

I am instructed to call your attention to the following motion which was passed at the meeting held on July 11th.

That our representative to the Grand Lodge be instructed to advocate the changing of clause 5, article 3 of our constitution so as to make it read :

"No Brother shall be nominated who has not signified his willingness to accept the office for which he may be named, and no nominee shall be allowed to retire after the nominations have been declared closed."

Yours respectfully,

WILLIAM SLOAN, R. S.

Rep. Thos. Woodyatt, seconded by Rep. Hu Blain, moved the following which was adopted :

Resolved,—That the Special Committee appointed at last session of the Grand Lodge to prepare and submit a revised constitution for this Grand Lodge, and subordinates, be discharged.

Rep. Hu Blain, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following :

Report of Committee on Finance.

St. CATHARINES, August 4, 1876.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to respectfully submit the following :

THAT WHEREAS the present system of the appointment of the District

Deputy Grand Master is one that is likely to be of a very serious financial consideration to this R. W. Grand Lodge;

For the information of this R. W. Grand Lodge, we beg to submit a palpable fact, and one that will, we believe, be apparent to every member of this Grand Lodge;

That is, that the accounts submitted to your Committee by D. D. G. Masters for the past year amounted to the very large sum of \$490.13, besides the following D. D. G. Masters to be heard from with regard to their accounts:

- No. 1, James McGawOttawa.
 " 4 and 5, S. A. McMurtyLindsay.
 " 6, D. MacKay.....Oshawa.
 " 20, George ShawLondon.
 " 24, Elisha BurnhamPetrolia.

In view of the vast increasing expenses in the present system, your Committee hereby give notice that at the next session of this R. W. Grand Lodge they will move that the present system be changed, and that the mode to be then adopted be as follows: That a D. D. G. M. be appointed in every Lodge, except in cities, towns and villages where more than one Lodge is situated; then one Deputy to be appointed for such city, town or village, except in cases in which Lodges are sufficiently near to prevent any expense to this R. W. Grand Lodge.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Hu. BLAIN,
 H. H. MADDOCK,
 JAMES SMITH,
 A. H. MCGAUGHEY,
 JOHN J. DICKSON.

Rep. Hu Blain, seconded by Rep. R. Rutherford, moved the following which was adopted:

Resolved.—That the Grand Secretary be instructed to correspond with, and require Reps., who may have been overpaid mileage, to refund such amount overpaid.

Rep. J. Pryke, seconded by Rep. Geo. Midgely, moved the following which was adopted:

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That this Right Worthy Grand Lodge desire to render their thanks to the Great Creator of the Universe that the M. W. Grand Master has been spared to perform the important functions of his office:

Therefore be it resolved,—That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due to our M. W. Grand Master, that under the bodily afflictions with which he has labored, he determined to the extent of his power to perform those duties which were entrusted to him, and that the thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge are hereby tendered to him. Hoping that the Great Architect of the Universe may long spare him to his family, and that he may be fully restored to health, and enabled to enjoy many Lodge meetings.

The motion of Rep. G. W. Jessop, which was laid on the table and which reads as follows, was now taken up:

Resolved,—That when this Lodge adjourns it does so to meet in the town of Guelph, on the first Wednesday in August, 1877.

Rep. R. M. M. Patton, moved to amend by striking out the word "Guelph," and substituting the word Chatham.

Rep. J. Menish, moved to amend the amendment by striking out the word "Chatham," and substituting the word Brockville, which was resolved in the negative.

J. T. Hornibrook, D. G. M., seconded by Rep. F. Gallagher, moved to amend the amendment by striking out "Chatham," and substituting the word Ottawa. Resolved in the negative.

The question being to adopt the amendment of Rep. R. M. M. Patton;

Rep. W. N. Ford, P. G. M., seconded by Rep. A. McFee, moved further to amend by striking out "Chatham" and inserting Belleville, which motion was resolved in the affirmative.

The question now being on the amendment of Rep. Patton as amended; Rep. W. F. Howell moved the previous question,

which was sustained by the Grand Lodge and the amendment of Rep. Patton, as amended, was adopted.

The question being now on the original motion as amended it was adopted.

The Installation of officers was now proceeded with.

J. Ham Perry, M. W. Grand Master elect, was presented to the chair by Past Grand Masters James Woodyatt and Wm. Fitzsimmons, was duly obligated and conducted to his chair, and proceeded to instal the rest of the officers.

Dr. Cl. T. Campbell, R. W. Deputy Grand Master elect was presented by Past Grand Masters John Gibson and W. N. Ford, obligated and conducted to his chair.

Dr. Fife Fowler, R. W. Grand Warden elect, (being absent by leave) his installation was deferred.

J. B. King, R. W. Grand Secretary elect, was presented by H. E. Buttery, Past Grand Master, and Rep. C. B. Stevens, obligated and conducted to his seat.

Wm. Badenach, R. W. Grand Treasurer elect, was presented by Reps. R. W. Bell and John Welsh, was obligated and conducted to the chair of his office.

The Grand Master then made the following appointments, each of which was severally obligated and conducted to his chair.

JOHN CAMPBELL.....	R. W. Grand Marshal.
J. ELIAS DURHAM.....	R. W. Grand Conductor.
ALLEN McFEE.....	R. W. Grand O. Guardian.
DR. R. W. BELL.....	R. W. Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Master asked concurrence in the appointment of the following District Deputy Grand Masters. (See appendix

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W. H. SCOTT, M. P. P.	" 4
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JAMES BROWN	" 6
W. B. RUSSELL	" 7
HENRY WILSON	" 8
JOHN POWELL	" 9
AMOS S. GILLET	" 10
CHAS. B. STEVENS	" 11
A. B. ST. JOHN	" 12
JOHN CAMPBELL	" 13
RICHARD NOAKES	" 14
R. WILKINSON	" 15
WM. J. HODGSON	" 16
D. MCCONACHIE	" 17
W. T. CRIPPS	" 18
JAMES SUTHERLAND	" 19
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E. E. CHIPMAN	" 21
HENRY McAFEE, P. G. M.	" 22
JAMES CLEEVE	" 23
HENRY NEAL	" 24
WM. JAFFRAY	" 25
J. R. PROCTOR	" 26
JOHN DONOGH	" 27

The following, moved by Rep. R. Coulter, seconded by Rep. Geo. Midgely, was resolved in the negative.

Resolved.—That "W. J. Hodgson" be struck out, and Thos. Austin inserted as D. D. G. M. for District No. 16.

Rep. Harris, seconded by Rep. Marten, moved the following which was not agreed to :

Resolved.—That this R. W. Grand Lodge respectfully request that the M. W. Grand Master will cancel the appointment of Representative C. B.

Stevens as D. D. G. M. of District No. 11, and appoint Representative N. Hugó, of Owen Sound Lodge, No. 180, as D. D. G. M. for District No. 11.

Rep. D. A. Ferguson, seconded by Rep. A. L. Bowman, moved the following Preamble and resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, the members of this R. W. Grand Body have been treated with distinguished consideration, and have met with many kind courtesies at the hands of the various Lodges of this "Infant City of St. Catharines," and the citizens generally, especially those who particularized themselves in illuminating and decorating their premises, and that every effort has been made to render their visit one to be remembered with grateful pleasure, and that no means have been neglected to secure their comfort and enjoyment; therefore be it—

Resolved,—That these many kindnesses have been received by this R. W. Grand Lodge with a just appreciation of the kind spirit which prompted them;

Resolved,—That the sincere thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge be hereby tendered to the Lodges of the city, and the citizens at large, for the favors enjoyed;

Resolved,—That a copy of this preamble and resolutions be furnished to the local papers for publication.

Rep. A. R. Narraway, seconded by Rep. John Welsh, moved the following which was adopted:

Resolved,—That the thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge be tendered to Union Lodge, No. 16, for the free use of their beautiful Hall and ante-rooms, and other courtesies extended to this R. W. Grand Lodge, and that the R. W. Grand Secretary be instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to Union Lodge.

Rep. A. R. Narraway, seconded by Rep. C. B. Johns, moved the following which was agreed to:

Resolved,—That the thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge be tendered to the various R. R. and Steamboat Companies for their courtesy extended to the members of this R. W. Grand Lodge, and that the R. W. Grand Secre-

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tary be instructed to forward copies of this resolution to the respective companies.

The business of the Session being concluded the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at Belleville, on the 1st Wednesday in August, 1877.



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APPENDIX TO JOURNAL, 1876.

REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVES
TO THE
R. W. GRAND LODGE
OF THE UNITED STATES,

SESSION OF 1876.

HELD AT PHILADELPHIA, PENN.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

Your Representatives to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States beg leave to submit the following report of the proceedings of that R. W. Grand Body, at its session held in the City of Philadelphia, commencing on the 18th and terminating on the 23rd September, 1876 :

The Hon. M. J. Durham, M. W. Grand Sire, presided over the meeting until Saturday morning, the 23rd inst., when in consequence of his necessary absence, the Grand Sire elect, J. W. Stokes, presided during the remainder of the session.

GENERAL RETURNS.

The following general returns from the Report of the R. W. Grand Cor. and Rec. Secretary, indicate a very gratifying advance upon the operations of

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the previous year, and afford an additional assurance of the increasing stability and general usefulness of our benevolent Institution:

	Year 1874.	Year 1875.	Increase.	Decrease.
Grand Lodges	46	48		2
Subordinate Lodges	5,987	6,395		408
Rebekah Degree Lodges ..	632	879		247
Grand Encampments	38	39		1
Subordinate Encampments	1,634	1,756		122
Lodge Initiations	55,065	50,043		4,962
Lodge members	438,701	454,689		
Encampment members	83,692	87,450		3,758
Relief by Lodges	\$1,374,742 54	\$1,510,854 21	\$ 136,111 67	
Relief by Encampments ..	159,350 36	180,969 43	21,619 07	
Relief by Rebekah Lodges	4,542 51	7,045 28	2,502 77	
Total relief	1,538,635 41	1,698,868 92	160,233 51	
Revenue of Lodges	4,006,331 26	4,193,665 45	187,334 19	
Revenue of Encampments.	466,670 01	488,421 55	21,751 54	
Revenue of Rebekah Ldgs.	38,664 22	32,154 70		
Total Revenue	4,511,665 49	4,714,241 70	202,576 21	\$6,509 52

I continue the statement presented last year on page 6421, Journal, to the close of the year 1875, adding the information obtained from the Journals of the Grand Lodges of Australia and Germany, and estimating for the years in which the statistics do not appear in those Journals.

The grand aggregate, if complete returns were accessible, would be found to exceed the statements in the following table:

FROM 1830 TO DECEMBER 31, 1875.

Initiations	980,780
Members relieved	729,189
Widowed families relieved	97,077
Members deceased	65,481
Total relief	\$22,273,386 63
Total receipts	60,065,926 52
Present membership	460,414

CONCLUSION.

I rejoice, my brethren, to offer you sincere congratulations at the general prosperity which rewards our labors everywhere, whether at home or abroad. Odd Fellowship continues its onward progress as an unflinching minister to the ills of life, and as a sympathizing friend of humanity. It exerts the same zeal and persistent toil in the moral and material aid of the needy and suffer-

ing as has been its paramount office for more than half a century. Its field of labor is where men are struggling in the battle of life. There it strives to uplift the fallen, to champion humanity, to be the true friend of man, to be his guide and hope, his refuge, shelter and defence. There it ever has and will stand, inviting the co-operation of kindred allies, until the divine spirit of fraternity which it proclaims, shall generally prevail.

DECISIONS.

The following decisions of the Most Worthy Grand Sire during recess were presented. The manner of their disposal by the Grand Lodge is here-with appended:

A considerable number of decisions have been made by me on questions propounded. Most of them were unimportant. The following are such as I desire to report for your supervision:

- 1st. It is improper for a Lodge to donate to an initiate a part of his initiation fee upon the ground that he had made a bargain with certain members of the Lodge before sending in his petition, that he should have part of his initiation fee back.
- 2nd. That the law of 1870, in regard to suspension of members for non-payment of dues and also for their reinstatement, repeals all former laws on that subject.
- 3rd. That an Indian presenting a regular card, having the pass-word, passes an examination, should be permitted to visit a Lodge; the fault is in the Lodge which initiated him.
- 4th. That the several jurisdictions of the several States have the right to determine whether the dead can be buried by a committee of the Lodge or by the whole Lodge.
- 5th. That a Lodge cannot, in a body as a Lodge, attend the funeral of a deceased "Ancient Odd Fellow," and conduct the services according to the ritual of the Order.
- 6th. It is not illegal that members of a Lodge, by appointment of the N. G., shall, when the Lodge is opened under the head of "the good of the Order," deliver addresses or read essays on Odd Fellowship.
- 7th. That the seal of a Lodge should only be used in transacting the legitimate business of the Lodge.

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The Judiciary Committee, made the following report which was adopted :

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States :

The Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred the decisions made by the M. W. Grand Sire, and submitted by him for your approval, respectfully recommend that the second, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh decisions be approved.

As to the first decision we remark, that if the remission of a part of the initiation fee was in violation of the local law then the decision would be right. And even if the local law be silent on the subject, it seems to your Committee to be highly inexpedient for Lodges to recognize the validity of such bargains.

But while we entertain these views, and thus far concur with the principles involved in the Grand Sire's decision, nevertheless, we are of the opinion that it is a subject governed by local law. "The question of the right of subordinates to remit initiation fees belongs to the State Grand Bodies."—Digest, section 572. And we are of the opinion that the Grand Sire should have so decided. For these reasons we recommend that the first decision be not sustained.

The third decision presents a question of much importance. The Grand Sire decides "that an Indian presenting a regular card, having the password, passes an examination, should be permitted to visit a Lodge; the fault is in the Lodge which initiated him."

The Constitution is explicit in confining membership in the Order to "free white males." (See Art. XVI, Sec. 2, Const. G. L. U. S.) And it has been decided, in conformity with this constitutional provision, that Indians are not eligible in the Order. (Digest, Sec. 1,097.) In short, under our laws, an Indian is incapable of becoming an Odd Fellow. But, in the case decided by the Grand Sire, an Indian has been initiated by one of our Lodges. The question is, whether such a person holding a card, having the pass-word, and passing an examination, can be permitted to visit a Lodge?

This Grand Lodge has held "that persons who, from no fault of their own are illegally initiated, cannot be discharged from membership for that reason, but are entitled to all the rights enjoyed by other members of similar rank; and the same rule governs the case of an unworthy person who may have been inadvertently admitted." (Digest, 1,151. See also Sections 1,149, 1,150.

But it is evident, we think, that these decisions have reference to a class of persons who are *prima facie* eligible under the Constitution. They refer either to the character of the "free white male" received into the Order, or to the regularity of the proceedings of the Lodge receiving him; such as receiving a man into the Order by a simple vote of the Lodge, when the law requires a ballot, or inadvertently admitting to membership one of bad character, or who is otherwise unworthy.

But these and similar decisions to be found in the Digest, do not touch the case of a person who, by the fundamental law of the Order, is utterly excluded from membership, or of a person who is wholly incapacitated by the Constitution from enjoying any of its privileges.

It is obvious, we think, that if these decisions be construed to give validity to all initiations without exception, they overrule the Constitution in every case in which a person is initiated who is excluded from membership by its provisions. They give a remedy, it is true, that of expulsion by the Lodge that has committed the wrong, but it is a remedy which appeals not to the supreme law of the Order, but to the decisions of this Body which are subordinate to the constitutional provision. To hold that the initiation of an Indian, a Negro, a Chinese or a woman, shall be valid, and that they must be treated and regarded as members until regularly tried and expelled, must necessarily be a violation of the Constitution which excludes all and each of them from becoming members of our Subordinate Lodges.

For these reasons we are of opinion that no Lodge can lawfully permit an Indian to visit it under any circumstances whatever. We, therefore, recommend that the third decision be not sustained.

NEW LEGISLATION.

The following items of legislation during the recent session are appended as possessing general interest to the Order.

That by universal usage and the common law of all legislative bodies, no newly elected member has any rights as such until his credentials have been properly passed upon by the body to which he has been elected. It follows that until he is so admitted to membership in the body, he has no right in any manner or for any purpose to claim the title or exercise any of the functions of a member of the body. Such being the existing law, we see no reason for an enactment on the subject.

Moreover, a change may be made in the day of our annual sessions, and to fix a day when the representative term shall begin, may be the cause of in-

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convenience. It is sufficient that he is authorized, as the case now stands, to present himself at the proper session and take his seat on the floor.

Resolved,—That Section 1117, of the Digest, be so amended as that the word ten therein contained, be stricken out and the word five be inserted in lieu thereof; so that five years' previous membership, instead of ten, shall be required of non-affiliated Odd Fellows who seek to become non-beneficial members.

Resolved,—That Lodge libraries are a necessity of the Order, and should by all means be encouraged; and that funds of Lodges may be appropriated for that purpose; but that the manner and measure of such appropriations are proper subjects of local legislation.

The Legislative Committee, to whom was referred the resolution of Rep. Nason, of Illinois, asking an amendment of the law in reference to restoring the names and numbers of extinct subordinates, would respectfully report that they have fully considered the subject, and recommend that paragraph 414 a, Supplemental Digest, be amended so as to read as follows:

"No. 414 a. Any Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment may permit the use of the names and numbers of extinct Subordinate Lodges or Encampments, in their respective jurisdictions, that have been extinct more than twenty years; and any law that conflicts with this resolution is hereby repealed."

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

The following notices of proposed amendments to the Constitution were presented in due form, signed by the Representatives named under each notice:

Amend Article XII of the Constitution of the R. W. Grand Lodge, by striking out the word "annually," and inserting "biennially," so that the Article shall read as follows:

This Grand Lodge shall meet biennially on the third Monday in September, at 9 o'clock A.M., at such place as the Grand Lodge shall from time to time determine. It may also meet on its own adjournments. It may also meet specially on the call of the Grand Sire, of which the Grand Sire shall cause three months' notice to be given to the Representatives of the several State, District or Territorial Grand Lodges and Encampments, communicating to them the purpose for which the special meeting is called; and in no

case shall any business be transacted at special meeting unless notice thereof be given as above stated,

A. C. DEUEL, Ohio.
 WM. W. MORRIS, Kentucky.
 E. B. SHERMAN, Illinois.

Amend Article XVII, as follows:

The Officers and Grand Representatives, (except such officers as receive stated salaries,) shall receive a compensation for their services to be fixed by law, and paid out of the Treasury of the Grand Lodge of the United States, provided that this Grand Lodge shall not allow a compensation, (except such per diem as it may think proper,) to any Grand Representative coming from a jurisdiction beyond the limits of the North American Continent.

EDW. W. FITZHUGH, Va.,
 NATHAN PORTER, Cal.,
 E. B. SHERMAN, Ill.
 SAMUEL F. GWINNER, Pa.

1st. Repeal Article I, Section 1.

2nd. Substitute for Article I, Section 1, the following:

"Article I, Section 1. This Lodge shall be known by the name, style and title of the 'Supreme Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.'"

3rd. That the word "Supreme" shall be substituted for the word "Grand," in each and every subsequent article and section of the Constitution, where the same refers to the name of this Grand Lodge.

J. HAM PERRY, Ontario.
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 JOHN GIBSON, "
 JAS. WOODYATT, "
 JOHN H. WHITE, New York.
 E. B. SHERMAN, Illinois.
 A. C. DUEL, Ohio.
 JNO. F. HAVENNER, Dist. of Columbia.
 SAML. F. GWINNER, Pennsylvania.
 W. J. DEGRESS, Chile, South America.

HENRY F. GAREY, Maryland.
NATHAN PORTER, California.
S. T. GRISAMORE, Louisiana.
J. W. STEBBINS, New York.
T. P. ST. JOHN, "
P. VAN VECHTEN, JR., Wisconsin.
DEXTER GRAY, Michigan.
WM. H. SMITH, Maine,
J. L. SPRING, New Hampshire.
S. J. OSGOOD, "
JONATHAN LIVERMORE, Massachusetts.
JULIUS L. CLARKE, "
HORATIO WELLINGTON, "
AMOS HILL, "
J. A. HAYNIE, Texas.
I. C. STAFFORD, "
A. T. MCKINNEY, "
C. M. BUSBEE, North Carolina.
THOS. ROBERTSON, L. P. B. N. America.
L. K. BARBER, Mississippi.
WM. W. MORRIS, Kentucky.
JAS. HOLLINSWORTH, West Virginia.
G. W. HURLEY, Arkansas.
N. W. COX, "
W. A. SHIELDS, Alabama.
T. S. SPATES, West Virginia.
W. C. WILSON, Louisiana.
LUTHER HOLMES, "
JOHN H. ROSLER, West Virginia.
THEODORE RODOLF, Wisconsin.
C. C. PEARCE, Florida.
JOHN H. VIVIAN, Wisconsin.
W. T. CURRY, Kentucky.
M. S. DOWDEN, "
JOHN C. UNDERWOOD, Kentucky,

L. J. GLENN, Georgia.
 E. J. LEECH, Iowa.
 E. W. HARTMAN, "
 CHAS. G. KRETSCHMER, Iowa.
 WILLIAM BLATT, Dakota.
 B. C. STONE, Maine.
 WARREN E. PRESSEY, Maine.
 C. P. ELDER, Colorado.
 F. M. LAUGHTON, Maine.
 J. F. DRISCOL, Rhode Island.
 ISRAEL HARRIS, New Jersey.
 AARON B. CRANE, "
 GAYLORD L. MOORE, Delaware.
 ROBT. H. McDANEL, "
 W. C. WILLISTON, Minnesota.
 WERDEN REYNOLDS, Wisconsin.
 SILAS JOHNSTONE, South Carolina.
 W. L. KUYKENDALL, Wyoming.
 FAYETTE S. DAY, Michigan.
 WM. S. JOHNSTONE, Rhode Island.
 WM. J. MILLER, "
 W. R. HAZLETT, Ohio.
 JAS. A. ARMSTRONG, Ohio.
 M. RICHARDS MUCKLE, Pennsylvania.
 CHARLES N. HICKOK, "
 JOHN RICHARDS, L. P. B., North America.
 L. G. STILES, of Vermont.
 D. D. HATFIELD, Illinois.
 N. C. NASON, "
 THOMAS F. MITCHELL, Illinois.
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ALEX. MCKINSTRY, Alabama.
ISAAC FOLSOM, Arkansas.
JOHN F. COTHRAN, Alabama.
LOUIS FELDMAN, Connecticut.
J. S. TYSON, Georgia.
CHAS. C. KIBBEE, Georgia.
WM. H. CLOWARD, Delaware.
M. HEISEY, Iowa.
S. C. COCHRAN, Mississippi.
D. A. CLINE, Nebraska.
W. S. STRETCH, " "
WM. R. MCLEAN, District of Columbia.
J. E. BARRETT, Indiana.
J. D. MINOR, Nevada.
WM. H. BAGLEY, North Carolina.
D. N. BARROWS, Mississippi.

The following report from the Special Committee on Dues and Benefits, as it contains much valuable information upon this very important subject, has been thought worthy of a place in your Representatives' report:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Special Committee on Dues and Benefits report:

We reiterate the views expressed in our several previous reports. The facts desired have not yet been obtained, but each year adds to our knowledge. In different States valuable statistics have been gathered, sometimes from a whole jurisdiction, and sometimes from individual Lodges. These statistics we deem proper to embrace in our report for the information of the Order.

From the report of the Grand Secretary of Pennsylvania, we take the following:

"SICK RATE.

"The semi-annual reports of the Subordinate Lodges in relation to the number of weeks' sickness have been carefully collated, and it will be found that there is a general increase of averages, particularly noticeable in the oldest Lodges. Whilst a large per centage of the increase is owing to the want of regular employment, causing a depressed mental condition, and increased susceptibility to sickness on the part of the membership, yet it is but the indication of an unerring law that the demands upon the treasury of a Lodge increase with its age—the average age of the members mounting upward steadily year by year.

Lodges numbering from		Number of members in each 50 Lodges.	Number of weeks' sickness in each 50 Lodges	Average weeks' sickness in 50 Lodges for every 100 members.	Average weeks' sickness in 100 Lodges for every 100 members.
No.	No.				
1	to 51	9,045	9,717	187 43-100	
51	" 101	9,012	7,585	84 17-100	95 82-100
101	" 151	7,604	6,742	88 67-100	
151	" 201	6,689	4,970	74 34-100	81 50-100
201	" 251	6,418	4,770	71 21-100	
251	" 301	5,434	4,264	78 47-100	74 84-100
301	" 351	5,555	3,872	69 70-100	
351	" 401	5,413	3,240	59 86-100	64 78-100
401	" 451	4,319	2,610	60 43-100	
451	" 501	4,458	3,117	69 92-100	65 15-100
501	" 551	4,717	2,596	55 3-100	
551	" 601	4,583	2,552	55 68-100	55 35-100
601	" 651	3,608	1,297	35 95-100	
651	" 701	4,478	1,973	44 6-100	40 44-100
701	" 751	3,960	1,425	36 65-100	
751	" 801	3,425	1,405	41 2-100	38 76-100
801	" 851	3,110	1,006	32 35-100	
851	" 901	2,732	438	16 3-100	24 19-100
		94,580	63,579		
		312*			
901	" 907	94,802			

*New, and paid no sick benefits.

"General average, Lodges No. 1 to 901=67 22-100 weeks' sickness in every 100 members during the fiscal year.

"It may not be out of place to give a brief history of the subject of dues and benefits in our Order, to correct misapprehensions. Nothing could be more crude than the system was in its inception. The first knowledge that we have of the system of relief in the Lodges of England was the taking up of a collection when a member was reported in need of assistance; this had the effect to lessen the attendance at the meetings, as the absentees were not called upon to contribute, therefore a weekly contribution was called for from each member, to be paid into a common fund, out of which pecuniary relief was afforded to those entitled. If there was anything remaining in the treasury at the end of the year, a pro rata division was made, and a new start was made. In the course of time the unavoidable result of this arrangement became apparent; the aged and sickly were left out when the new year was entered upon, so that no man could tell when his turn would come to be deprived of all the advantages of membership. An effort was then made to create a permanent fund in each Lodge, with a continuous existence of the Lodge and its membership, but there was the most profound ignorance as to what the relative proportion ought to be, between what the members should vote to pay into the funds of the Lodge, and what the Lodge should pay the members when sick. In this condition of affairs the Order was introduced into this country, and Thomas Wildey could no more have decided what the proper relation between the dues and the benefits in a Lodge ought to be, in order for the Lodge to fulfil its obligations and maintain its existence for a century, than he could have solved some of the astronomical problems of the age. The system was founded in this country upon mere guesswork, for there was no man living who could have given a scientific basis, in the absence of statistics, of the sick ratio. When Pennsylvania Lodge, No. 1, was instituted, it started out upon the same problematical career; Lodge after Lodge copied the by-laws of No. 1, knowing no more upon the subject than that existing Lodges had adopted the same rates of dues and benefits, never inquiring what the basis was upon which the proportion had been established.

"The friendly Societies of Great Britain, among which the Independent Order of Odd Fellows (Manchester Unity) is the leading organization, stimulated by acts of Parliament, undertook some years ago the collection of statistics, which were placed in the hands of the Board of Actuaries, who framed a series of tables to which all the Friendly Societies are compelled to conform. The dues vary, or rather increase, with age, differing entirely in this respect from our system, but there are some results set forth in those tables that arrest attention; an abstract of one is here given.

"Table from calculations of rates of dues, confirmed by twenty-five years' positive experience, showing the lowest rate that can safely secure till seventy years of age *five dollars per week* during sickness.

Age at initiation in periods of five years.	Dues Annually.	Dues Weekly.	When rates vary in periods of ten years.	Dues Yearly.	Dues Weekly.
21 and 25	\$ 8 14	\$0 15			
25 " 30	9 37	18	Between 21 and 30	\$ 8 75	\$ 0 17
30 " 35	10 79	21	Between 30 and 40	11 72	22
35 " 40	12 66	24	Between 40 and 50	16 74	32
40 " 45	15 12	29	Between 50 and 60	25 57	49
45 " 50	18 36	35			
50 " 55	22 62	43	Between 21 and 40	10 23	20
55 " 60	28 52	54	Between 40 and 60	21 15	41
			Between 21 and 60	15 87½	30½

"Applying our system to the English rate, it would require the payment of thirty and a half cents per week on the part of each member to entitle to the payment of five dollars per week when sick: an amount far beyond what the membership of this country are called upon to pay. One great advantage to the Order in ascertaining the proper rate would be the concentration of interest in a Lodge, and an immense saving to the members, who frequently contribute to the management and working expenses of three or four organizations in order to be entitled to draw a sum adequate to keep themselves from want when sick, when it might all be done by one Lodge. If the experience of the Order shows that a Lodge can safely pledge itself to the payment of five dollars benefits for fifteen cents weekly dues, then the Lodge could agree to pay ten dollars benefits for twenty-five cents dues, and fifteen dollars benefits for thirty-five cents dues. Having paid their share of the expenses in the first payment, there would be no necessity of repeating it they would thus save a share of the maintenance of two other organizations, as well as the admission fees. Their interest being thus consolidated, their attendance at the meetings would naturally be more frequent, and the benign teachings of the Order would have a wider field of action.

"In looking at the sick rate, it should be borne in mind that our Order is not only a beneficial, but it is a charitable organization. Our laws declare that 'subordinate Lodges are instituted for the encouragement and support of brothers of the Order when in sickness, distress, or on travel, and for the purposes of benevolence and charity;' and again, 'A wise and prudent dispensation of donations is an integral portion of the objects of the Order.' That this is the case is shown by the records of the Order. The amount donated last year, and during the whole existence of the Order, to widowed

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families, was based upon no legal right, but simply upon the charitable disposition of the members, influenced by the teachings of the Order. When the contributions made by the Lodges to the sufferers of Chicago, Michigan, Somerset, Memphis, Norfolk, and Ireland are considered, in connection with the almost nightly contribution of the Lodges to individual objects of charity, for an individual to declare that our order is not a charitable society is merely to display his ignorance of the history and merits of one of the greatest charities of the age, and, on the other hand, in fixing the dues, a large percentage must be added to the sick rate and expenses, in order that there may be the means on hand to follow the dictates of charity."

The Grand Lodge of Virginia, at its last session, adopted the following to be again acted on next year:

Art. V. The members composing a Lodge shall each pay into the funds of such Lodge a sum not less than six and one-quarter cents per week. When a Lodge fixes the weekly benefits to a sick brother at \$3 a week, the weekly dues shall be at least nine cents per week. In all other cases the weekly dues shall be not less than three per cent. upon the amount fixed for weekly benefits. Thus, if the weekly benefits be \$4, the dues shall be at least 12 cents per week; if the weekly benefits be \$5, the dues shall be at least 15 cents per week; if the weekly benefits be \$6, the dues shall be at least 18 cents per week, and so on in the same relation and proportion.

We again urge State Grand Bodies to require of their subordinates the statistics suggested in our report of 1873, and to take such further steps in the premises as they think wise. As the subject of dues and benefits now stand, with the hitherto announced doctrine of this body, that subordinates be permitted to regulate their own finances, reform must begin with the State jurisdictions. They act directly upon the subordinate. They have local finances and local sickness and death as it were, within daily sight. Their commands upon the subordinate are felt to be imperative, and can be enforced without jar; and hence the duty of steady effort on their part to establish the financial system of their jurisdiction upon a sound basis.

One of the first things to be done by the State Grand Bodies is to institute a thorough examination into the *working expenses* of Lodges, and to insist upon cutting them down to the lowest practicable point. The percentage of expenses to receipts now seems to be from 45 to 50. This is very large, and can certainly be reduced. In short, State Grand Bodies owe it to the vast interests they control to see, as far as possible, that the funds of subordinates are not wasted.

We recommend that this Committee be continued, with instructions to further report at the next session.

The following reports of the Committee on Appeals are herewith appended, as possessing general interest to subordinate jurisdictions.

Rep. Batterman, of Nevada, from the Committee on Appeals, made the following report, which was adopted :

To the *R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States* :

In the appeal of Stella Lodge, No. 133, from the action of the R. W. Grand Lodge of New Jersey, your Committee submit the following report. The facts appear to be as follows :

1st. Charges were preferred in Stella Lodge, No. 133, against Bro. Wellington H. Smith; a trial Committee of five (5) was appointed, three (3) by the N. G. and two (2) by the V. G.; afterwards a vacancy occurring in the Committee, the N. G. of the Lodge was appointed by the V. G. on the said Committee.

2nd. The accuser requested to be allowed to appear before the Trial Committee by counsel of his own choosing, which request was denied, and a P. G. appointed by the N. G. as prosecutor.

From this action, and the appointment of the N. G. on the Trial Committee, Bro. John S. Hughson appealed to the Grand Lodge of the State of New Jersey, and upon which appeal the following action was had: "Your Committee cannot find any authority in the Constitution and By-Laws giving the N. G. power to appoint a prosecuting officer on behalf of the Lodge, and it appears to be consistent with the principles of natural justice that a brother, whether the accuser or accused, should and does have the right to appoint a friend to act for him in his absence, and report the following resolution :

Resolved,—That the appeal of Bro. John S. Hughson be sustained, and that it is contrary to the principles of this Order for the N. G. to act upon the Committee on Trial."

From this action of the R. W. G. L. of New Jersey, Bro. Lockwood, on behalf of Stella Lodge, No. 133, was granted permission to appeal to the Grand Lodge of the United States.

From the record presented to your Committee it does not appear that any injustice was done the prosecutor by the refusal of the Lodge to allow him to select his own counsel; and the weight of testimony presented would lead

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your Committee to infer that the general custom in the jurisdiction of New Jersey has been for Lodges to select the prosecuting counsel.

Your Committee is of opinion that the appointment of the N. G. by the V. G., as one of the Trial Committee, was an error, the N. G. being the executive officer of the Lodge, through whom its mandates must be enforced. We therefore recommend that the action of the R. W. G. Lodge of New Jersey be sustained, and the appeal therefrom dismissed.

Rep. St. John, of New York, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was adopted :

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States :

Your Committee, to whom was referred the appeal of A. W. Berggren, from the action of the Grand Lodge of Illinois, respectfully report, That the following written proposition to amend the Constitution of said Grand Lodge, viz. :

Resolved,—That Section 9 of Article V, Constitution of the Grand Lodge, be amended by striking out all after the words "attendance of the same," and inserting the words following: "and shall compute the mileage of each representative and officer at the rate of eight cents per mile, one way, for each mile so traveled in reaching the session of the Grand Lodge, and three dollars per day for each day of actual attendance upon the same, and report the amount due each member, as above, to the Grand Lodge," had been regularly presented, referred to and favorably reported upon by a proper Committee, and no objection appears to have been raised to the regularity of the proceedings.

The resolution was duly taken up for action, whereupon a representative moved to amend the resolution by striking out the word "eight" and inserting the word "ten" in lieu thereof. Representative Berggren raised this point of order, "that it is not in order, when an amendment to the Constitution of this Grand Lodge is taken up for action, to entertain an amendment to said amendment." Grand Master ruled "that an amendment germane to the pending amendment may be acted upon without delay." From this decision an appeal to the Grand Lodge was taken, and the decision of the Grand Master was sustained.

Your Committee are of opinion that the ruling of the Grand Master, and the sustaining of that ruling on appeal by the Grand Lodge was wrong. Section 1 of Article VIII of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of Illinois provides that,

§ 1. This Constitution shall be altered or amended only by a proposition therefor in writing at a regular annual communication, which proposition

shall be entered upon the Journal, and shall not be acted upon until the next annual communication of this Grand Body, at which time such alterations or amendments may be considered, and if agreed to by a two-thirds vote of the Representatives present shall be adopted; which

Clearly defines the mode and limits the manner by which alterations of the Constitution may be made, and should be strictly followed.

The Grand Lodge of the United States has passed upon a question of the same character as that involved in the present case, in acting upon a proposed amendment to its own Constitution, as contained in the Revised Journal at page 863. See Section 45 of the Digest, which reads as follows: "When a proposition to amend the Constitution comes up for action, it is not in order to amend such proposition."

Your Committee therefore recommend that the appeal of A. W. Berggren be sustained.

Rep Woodratt, of Ontario, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was adopted:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Committee on Appeals, upon the appeal of Decatur Lodge, No. 103, I. O. O. F., of Indiana, from the action of the Grand Lodge of Indiana, respectfully report that charges were preferred in Decatur Lodge against Bro. W. H. Iddings, for conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow, on the specifications:

1st. In an attempt to draw benefits from the Lodge when he knew he was not entitled to them.

2nd. With charging John Israel, before a Grand Lodge Committee, with swearing falsely in a deposition presented to said Grand Lodge Committee, in the case of W. H. Iddings vs. Decatur Lodge, in the Grand Lodge of Indiana.

3rd. In that he notified the N. G. that he should claim benefits from March 6th, 1875, to October 18th, 1875; and that he was attending to his regular business at least a great part of the time he claims benefits for.

The Lodge, by ballot, declared the charges sustained, and then, by ballot, determined to suspend Bro. Iddings, for eighteen months.

From this action of Decatur Lodge Bro. Iddings appealed to the Grand Lodge of Indiana.

The evidence and documents in the case were carefully noted and commented upon by the Committee on Grievances and Appeals of the Grand

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Lodge of Indiana, and the Committee reported, among other things, the following, viz:

"The brother having been entitled by the law of the Order to the benefits claimed by him, it follows that he was not guilty of 'conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow,' in making application for the same, and hence the first specification is not sustained. Allowing the second specification to have been fully and entirely proven as stated, it could not possibly sustain the charge. There is no law or rule of Odd Fellowship that prevents a brother from stigmatizing as false and corrupt any affidavit or other evidence sought to be used against him, unless it shall appear that such charges are maliciously and wilfully made, and are not justified by probable cause.

"The third specification is like the second, and if proven as stated would not sustain the charge. The mere notice by a brother to the N. G. that he will claim any special amount of benefits from the Lodge is no violation of any rule or law of the Order. There must be an actual claim presented and an attempt made to defraud the Lodge by drawing therefrom illegal benefits, before a brother can be held liable for any infraction of duty as an Odd Fellow, and there is nothing of the sort shown by the evidence in this case.

"There are other errors appearing upon the record that would entitle the appellant to a reversal of this case, but your Committee deem it unnecessary to notice the same in this report, enough to show that the appeal should be sustained having been already pointed out.

"Your Committee therefore recommend that the appeal of Bro. W. H. Iddings, be sustained, and that Decatur Lodge, No. 103, be required to restore said brother to full fellowship in such Lodge from the 24th day of January, 1876."

The Grand Lodge adopted the report.

It is from this action of the Grand Lodge of Indiana that Decatur Lodge appeals.

Your Committee, after a careful examination of the case, are of opinion that the action of the Grand Lodge of Indiana was just and proper in the premises; and as no exception is taken by Decatur Lodge as to the legal right and power of the Grand Lodge to make the order for re-instatement of the brother, your Committee recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved,—That the appeal of Decatur Lodge be dismissed.

Resolved,—That this report shall not be construed so as to reverse the action of said Grand Lodge in November, 1875, at which time the said Grand Lodge refused to sustain an appeal of W. H. Iddings, in which he claimed one week's benefits in the month of March, 1875.

Rep. Porter, of California, from the Committee on Appeals, made the following report, which was adopted.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Committee on Appeals, on the appeal of Magenenu Encampment, No. 4, against the Grand Encampment of the District of Columbia, respectfully report:

That the law of said Magenenu Encampment provides for paying sick benefits to any member who is sick two weeks. Patriarch Wm. Paul Brown, of that Encampment, was taken sick on Sunday, the 12th of Sept., (before noon,) and was reported off the sick list from Saturday night, the 25th of the same September. He was reported by the Chief Patriarch as entitled to two weeks' benefits. From which decision an appeal was taken, and the chair was not sustained.

An appeal was then taken from the action of the Encampment to the Grand Encampment, which Grand Body reversed the action of the Subordinate, but seemed to base their action on the ground that the Patriarch had been sick twelve working days, and that twelve working days make two weeks under our laws.

This Committee while they sustain the action of the Grand Encampment, desire to dissent from the reasoning of the Committee of the Grand Encampment, to wit: That twelve working days can make two weeks under our laws; but they decide that Patriarch Brown was sick in fact two weeks. He was sick on Sunday the 12th. There were no parts of days recognized, and the Sunday he was first sick was one day; counting that he was sick fully fourteen days.

Wherefore your Committee recommend that the action of the Grand Encampment be sustained and the appeal be dismissed.

Your Representatives are pleased to be able to announce that the legislation desired by a resolution of this R. W. Grand Lodge, passed at its last annual communication, was generously granted, as will be seen from the following report of the Finance Committee, which was unanimously adopted.

Rep. Wright, of Ontario, from the Committee on Finance, made the following report, which was adopted:

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To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States :

Your Committee to whom was referred that portion of the report of the Committee on Supplies, found on page 24 of the Journal, referring to the Ontario Digest, after due consideration of the same, respectfully recommend that so soon as the Grand Lodge of Ontario shall furnish a copy of said Digest, with the emendations required by the resolution passed at its last session, satisfying this Grand Lodge that the portion infringing upon the copyright of this Grand Lodge has been removed, the royalty, as agreed upon last year, shall be remitted.

The following amendment to the Rules of Order, Grand Lodge U. S., was adopted, with the view of affording greater facilities for the more deliberate consideration of the various subjects of appeal to the Grand Lodge:

Amend Rule 9, of Rules of Order, so as to read as follows:

The Grand Sire shall then appoint the following Committees, to wit: Committee on the State of the Order, Judiciary Committee, Legislative Committee, Committee on Finance, and two Committees on Appeals, each to consist of nine members, four of whom shall constitute a quorum; the Committees on Appeals to be designated as Appeal Committee, No. 1, and Appeal Committee, No. 2. That all appeals from the New England and "Middle States," and the Dominion of Canada, shall be referred to Appeal Committee No. 1, and appeals from all other jurisdictions shall be referred to Appeal Committee No. 2, unless otherwise ordered. Committee on Correspondence, Committee on Constitutions, Committee on Petitions, Committee on Returns, and Committee on Grand Bodies not Represented, each to consist of seven members. Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, and Committee on Printing, each to consist of five members.

- The following report from the Committee on Constitutions is herewith appended, as settling a question which has hitherto been the subject of much discussion, and one also upon which much diversity of opinion has existed in our own Grand Lodge:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States :

The Committee on Constitutions, to whom was referred the amended Constitution and By-Laws of Paradise Lodge, No. 2, Santa Fe, New Mexico, beg leave to report that they have carefully considered the same, and recommend their approval with the following amendments:

1. Section 5 of Article II of the Constitution, strike out the word "reconsidered," and insert the words "null and void."

2. Same Section, strike out as follows: "When less than the requisite number of black balls for rejection appear, it shall be the duty of the N. G. to announce the ballot is not clear, and his decision shall be deferred until the next regular meeting, at which time, no member having reported to the N. G. any valid reasons for the black balls cast, he shall declare the applicant to have been elected; but if, before the meeting after the ballot, any member shall offer to the N. G. valid reasons against the applicant, he shall, carefully concealing the name of his informant, state those reasons to the Lodge, when the final ballot shall be had upon the applicant;" it being contrary to the laws of this Grand Lodge, which provides that only one ballot can be had. (See G. L. U. S. Digest, Section 127 a.

3. Strike out of Section 1, Article III, the words which are as follows: "Members shall pay three dollars dues in advance," they being in violation of Section 560 of the Digest G. L. U. S., which says that dues accrue weekly.

4. Section 4, Article VI, strike out all after the word "appointment," in the sixth line, as follows: "In default of which the N. G. may declare the office vacant, except in case of sickness; and the N. G. may appoint another to fill the office, if it be filled by appointment, or the Lodge may elect another to fill the office, if it be an elective one," said penalty being inflicted in case the officers fail to learn their charges in four weeks.

5. Strike out Section 4, Article VIII, which reads: "The J. P. G., N. G., V. G. and Secretary of this Lodge shall compose the Degree Committee to confer the degrees of the Order upon any member of this Lodge who has been balloted for and elected to receive the same, according to the provisions of this article;" it being in conflict with the laws of this Grand Lodge, which makes it the prerogative of the N. G. of the Lodge. Journal G. L. U. S., 1875, pages 6573, 6641.

6. Section 1, Article IX, strike out the words "either or permanent;" insert a new section in the same article, in reference to withdrawal cards, to be called Section 3, as follows: "When a brother desires to withdraw his membership, he shall signify his desire in open Lodge, personally or in writing, when, if he is clear of the books, and receive the affirmative vote by ballot of a majority of the members present, he shall be entitled to a withdrawal card."

Particular attention is called to clause 3 of the above report, inasmuch as it has been held in this jurisdiction that Subordinate Lodges had the right to require payment of dues in advance.

A motion was made to have that part of the report struck out; a debate ensued and the question was squarely decided, that under the *present laws* Lodges have not the right to require payment of dues in advance.

If, therefore, it should be deemed advisable that Subordinate Lodges be invested with the power to pass By-Laws requiring payment of dues in advance, new legislation should be sought at the next session of the Grand Lodge.

In conclusion, your Representatives beg to say, that in all regards, the session held in Philadelphia on the occasion of the celebration of the Centennial of the Great American Republic, was more attractive than that of any previous year in our history as an Order. It would have been interesting to have referred more at length to the very successful reunion of P. G. Sires and Representatives on Tuesday evening, Sept. 19, and to the extraordinary assemblage of Odd Fellows in the Grand Parade of Wednesday, the 20th Sept. But as this would have necessitated a much more extended report, it has not been thought best to do more than give these most imposing gatherings a passing notice.

With renewed expressions of thanks for past confidence and the sincere hope that the tokens everywhere present of the growing influence of our beloved Institution may continue to mark our history, this report is respectfully submitted.

GEORGE WRIGHT,
JAMES WOODYATT,

Special attention of Subordinate Lodges is called to the following resolutions, adopted by the Grand Lodge of the United States, at the session held in Atlanta, Ga., in Sept., 1874.

IMPOSTERS TO BE EXPELLED.

Resolved,—That a member of the Order in good standing, evidenced by holding an unexpired Visiting Card, issued in conformity to the laws of the Order by his Lodge or Encampment, and having the A. T. P. W., being in distress, or pretending so to be, and needing money, and who having asked for and received from a Lodge or Encampment, or a member thereof, a sum of money under the assurance and promise that he will return or repay the same within a given time, or so soon as he returns home, but who shall neglect so to do after a reasonable time thereafter, without a satisfactory excuse being rendered, shall be deemed guilty of conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow; and due notice of such facts having been officially communicated to his Lodge by the Lodge or Encampment so loaning him the money, it shall be the duty of his Lodge to notify him of such indebtedness or loan, and to demand payment thereof, and if he then refuse or neglect to pay the same, his Lodge shall prefer charges against him, try him, and if found guilty, and without sufficiently mitigating circumstances, to expel him from the Order. If there be such mitigating circumstances, then to impose such penalty as the Lodge may deem best.

Resolved,—That the respective State Grand Lodges cause the foregoing resolution to be embodied in their proceedings, and the attention of the Subordinate Lodges and Encampments especially called to it.

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REP. R. H. PERRY submitted the following notice of motion to amend the Constitution :

REPRESENTATION.—That is, "Every Lodge within this jurisdiction shall at its first meeting in July, annually elect by ballot, from among its Past Grands in good standing, one representative, and such representative shall be entitled to one vote for every fifty members, or fraction of fifty members, in good standing, belonging to the Lodge he represents.

REP. HU BLAIN gave the following notice of motion to change clause 9 of the Constitution of Grand Lodge, as follows :

By striking out "first" in the first line, and insert "last" in lieu thereof, and by striking out "July" in second line, and insert the word "June" in lieu thereof.

REP. THOS. WOODYATT gives notice of motion to amend the Constitution of Grand Lodge, Rules of Order, and of a Constitution, etc., for the formation and government of Rebekah Degree Lodges.

PREAMBLE.

Whereas, it has been found expedient and of the utmost importance to the well being of all organized Institutions, to govern the same by sound and uniform laws and regulations :

Therefore, the Grand Lodge of Ontario, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, with the view of ensuring a co-operation and uniformity of action, of providing for the best interests of the Order, and of securing more effectually the permanence of the blessings to be derived from the right exercise of those ennobling and Heaven-born principles of *Friendship, Love and Truth*, on which it is founded, doth ordain, declare, and establish the following articles as the Constitution for the Government thereof :

TITLE.

1.—This Grand Lodge shall be known and hailed by the name, style and title of "The Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows."

POWERS.

2.—This Grand Lodge shall have jurisdiction in Odd Fellowship, within that section of the Dominion of Canada called and known as Ontario, being the Superior Tribunal of all Subordinate Lodges within its jurisdiction.

3.—No Lodge can be formed, or continue to exist, within its jurisdiction, without the express sanction of this Grand Lodge.

4.—It possesses within its jurisdiction the right and power of granting, suspending or annulling Charters for proper cause; of receiving, hearing and determining appeals from the decisions of Subordinate Lodges, and of redressing all grievances arising therein; of regulating the means of its own support; and of performing all such other acts and things as shall have for their object the promotion of the true and best interests of the Order, or shall appertain to it by ancient usage or custom, and are not in violation of the laws of the land or the regulations of the Order.

MEMBERSHIP.

5.—This Grand Lodge shall be composed of all duly qualified Past Grands within its jurisdiction, who shall be entitled to

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all the privileges pertaining to their rank, as prescribed by the Usages and Laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States: but its legislative functions shall be vested in and exercised solely by such Representatives as shall be elected and appointed in the manner prescribed by this Constitution.

6.—Any Past Grand, on presenting a Certificate of his official services, and after satisfactory examination in the Degrees pertaining thereto, shall be entitled to receive the Grand Lodge Degree.

7.—No Past Grand shall be admitted as a Representative in this Grand Lodge unless duly certified as having been elected thereto; nor until he has been instructed in the Grand Lodge Degree, and has signed a promise faithfully to support, maintain and abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of this Grand Lodge.

8.—Every Past Grand Master, in good standing in a Subordinate Lodge under this jurisdiction, and all officers in this Grand Lodge, shall have the right of debating and making motions.

9.—Any Lodge not having a properly qualified P. G., may nominate one so qualified from any other Lodge within the jurisdiction.

REPRESENTATION.

10.—The Jurisdiction shall be divided into such Districts as the Grand Lodge shall from time to time determine.

11.—Each District shall be entitled to representation in the Grand Lodge on the following basis of membership, namely; one representative for each full one hundred and fifty unsuspended members, as shown in the semi-annual returns of the Lodge in the District for the term ending on the last day of December in each year, and if a District be less than one hundred and fifty, it shall nevertheless be entitled to representation.

12.—Each Lodge shall at its first meeting in the month of April in each year nominate by ballot from among its Past Grands in good standing, for the office of representative, one or more Past Grands, based on membership as follows: where the number of unsuspended members returned in the next preceding semi-annual report shall be one hundred or less, one may be nominated, over one hundred and under two hundred, two, and over two hundred, three.

13.—The nominations so made, with the post office address of the nominees, are to be immediately sent to the Grand Secretary, who shall notify each Lodge in the District of such nominations and of the number of representatives that the District is entitled to elect, and shall also notify the several nominees.

14.—At the last meeting in the month of June every Lodge shall vote by ballot on the names of the parties in nomination, and may vote for as many candidates as the District is entitled to representatives.

15. The result of the ballot for each candidate shall be certified to by the N. G., V. G. and Secretary, with the seal of the Lodge and immediately transmitted to the Grand Secretary, who shall examine the certificates and notify the several Lodges in the District, and the representative elected of the result, and shall have the certificates at the next session of the Grand Lodge.

16.—The candidates having the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In the event of a tie between two or more candidates the Lodges shall be notified of the same, and shall at the first meeting after the receipt of such notice proceed to vote by ballot on the names of the candidates who have received an equal number of votes, and immediately forward a certificate of ballot in the manner before mentioned.

17.—Should the office of any representative become vacant by death, resignation or otherwise, the candidate who has re-

ceived the highest number of votes next in order to an elected candidate shall be representative, and so notified by the Grand Secretary.

18.—Lodges which shall be instituted after the date fixed for nomination for representatives shall be entitled to vote thereon.

TRIAL OF MEMBERS.

19.—Whenever charges affecting the character or standing of any member shall be submitted to the Grand Lodge in writing, by one or more members thereof, the same shall be immediately referred to a Committee of five members, to be elected by ballot, who shall, with as little delay as possible, examine carefully into the charges, and report the result of such examination to this Grand Lodge.

20.—The Grand Lodge, after having heard the member thus charged in his defence, shall proceed to determine the case, by the acquittal, reprimand, suspension from his seat in the Grand Lodge, or expulsion therefrom of the implicated member, as the Grand Lodge may deem fit and proper.

21.—Whenever any member shall be suspended or expelled, intimation of the same shall be forthwith given to the N. G. of his Lodge, and the Grand Lodge may require that he be tried by the Subordinate Lodge to which he belongs.

OFFICERS.

ELECTIVE OFFICERS.

22.—The Elective Officers of this Grand Lodge shall be :

- The Most Worthy Grand Master.
- “ Right Worthy Deputy Grand Master.
- “ “ “ Grand Warden.
- “ “ “ Grand Secretary.
- “ “ “ Grand Treasurer.

23.—Nomination and election of one candidate for each of the said offices shall be held in the several Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction in manner and form as follows :

24.—The Past Grands in good standing in each Lodge, may by a majority vote at the last regular meeting in December of each year, nominate one candidate for each office, and for Representatives to the G. L. U. S., and such nominations shall be transmitted with the Semi-Annual Report then due to the Grand Secretary, whose duty it shall be to transmit to each person so nominated, notice thereof on or before the first day of April in each year, and each person so notified shall signify by letter to the Grand Secretary his acceptance or declination of such nomination on or before the first day of May in each year. On or before the first day of June in each year the Grand Secretary shall issue a circular to each Subordinate Lodge containing the names of all the candidates who have accepted nomination, and the name or names of the Lodge or Lodges by which they were respectfully nominated.

25.—The Election shall be by ballot at the last regular meeting in June of each year, and only one ballot shall be held for each office.

26.—The result of the ballotings for all the offices including the names of the Candidates, the office for which they were proposed and the number of votes received by each, shall, after having been certified by the N. G., V. G. and Secretary of the current term and the seal of the Lodge, be without delay transmitted to the Grand Secretary under a separate enclosure, and sealed, plainly addressed *Election Returns*, and shall only be opened in Grand Lodge by the Committee on elections, which business shall be made a *Special Order* upon the first day of each Annual Session.

27.—Past Grands in good standing shall alone be eligible to nominate or vote at such nominations and elections in Subordinate Lodges ; and at each Election for Grand Officers the

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Noble Grand shall appoint two members of the Scarlet Degree as tellers, who shall receive the ballot of each Past Grand as his name is called by the Secretary; after which they shall proceed at once to count the ballots and announce to the Lodge the result in detail.

28.—A majority of the votes so cast by the Past Grands of the several Subordinate Lodges shall be necessary to a choice in each case. Should there be no choice in any case, or should the party elected not be present in Grand Lodge, a ballot upon the said case shall forthwith be taken by the Representatives present in Grand Lodge for a choice from among the other candidates already nominated by the Subordinate Lodges, and a majority of such ballots shall also be necessary to an election. Should there be more than two candidates in nomination, the name of the candidate receiving the smallest vote shall be dropped on proceeding to each succeeding ballot, and no ballot shall be counted as part of the poll for a person not in nomination.

29.—The Elective Grand Officers shall be installed according to the Grand Lodge order of business, unless otherwise ordered by the Grand Lodge, and shall serve until the next Annual Session, and until the installation of their successors.

30.—The sitting Grand Master or any P. G. Master or the highest Officer present, shall instal the Grand Master elect, who shall thereafter instal the other Officers.

31.—Should any Officer elect fail to present himself for installation at the time duly appointed for that ceremony, his office shall be declared vacant, unless sufficient cause be shown for such non-attendance, and the Grand Lodge shall forthwith proceed to fill the same in the same manner as prescribed in cases where no election is had, the successful Candidate at which shall be immediately installed. Should sufficient cause be shown, as aforesaid, the installation of the Officer elect, so absent, may take place at such time, and in such manner as the Grand Lodge may then specially direct.

32.—The Grand Representative or Representatives to represent this Grand Lodge in the Grand Lodge of the United States, shall be elected in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of the said Grand Lodge of the United States, and in the form and manner herein perscribed for the nomination and election of Grand Officers.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

33.—The appointed Officers of the Grand Lodge shall be :

The Worthy Grand Marshal.	
“	“ Conductor.
“	“ Guardian.
“	“ Chaplain.
“	“ Herald.

To be appointed by the Grand Master immediately after his installation, subject to the approval of the Grand Lodge.

34.—The Grand Master shall, as soon after his installation as may be, appoint, subject to the approval of the Grand Lodge, a District Deputy Grand Master for each District under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, and within which one or more Subordinate Lodges may be in operation.

VACANCIES.

35.—Should a vacancy occur in the office of Grand Representative, R. W. Grand Warden, R. W. Grand Secretary, or R. W. Grand Treasurer, by death, resignation or otherwise, during the recess of this Grand Lodge, such vacancy shall be filled by a person to be chosen by a majority of the remaining Elective Officers and Grand Representatives, provided always that the person so chosen shall serve only until the next annual session of this Grand Lodge, when in the event of the term of the vacant office being still unexpired, the Representatives present shall elect by ballot a person to serve for the remainder of such unexpired term.

DUTIES AND POWERS.

86.—The M. W. Grand Master shall preside at all meetings of the Grand Lodge when present; he shall preserve order and decorum therein, and decide all questions of order, subject, however, to an appeal to the Grand Lodge; he shall have the casting vote upon all occasions when the Grand Lodge is equally divided, except in cases decided by ballot; he shall appoint, *pro tem.*, in the absence of the regular incumbents, all officers whose appointment is not otherwise provided for by the Grand Lodge; sign all requisite orders on the Grand Treasurer, and all regular documents requiring his signature, and transmit, or cause to be transmitted regularly, previous to the commencement of each term, to each Subordinate Lodge within this jurisdiction, the Passwords necessary; he shall be, *ex-officio*, a member of all Committees of this Grand Lodge, whose meetings he may choose to attend; he may grant warrants to open new Lodges, and petitions of a Subordinate Lodge to reinstate an expelled member; and he shall, in person or by deputy, visit and inspect the books, proceedings and work of each Subordinate Lodge within this jurisdiction, whenever he may deem it necessary in the furtherance of their interests; the necessary expenses incurred in making such visit to be defrayed by the Grand Lodge.

87.—The R. W. Deputy Grand Master shall act as the Assistant of the Grand Master, and during the absence of that officer shall be invested with all his powers. In the event of the death, resignation, or removal from office of the Grand Master, he shall, *ex-officio*, become Grand Master until the next regular session thereafter.

88.—The R. W. Grand Warden shall preside in the absence of the Deputy Grand Master; he shall assist the Grand Master in the ceremonies of the Order, and in the preservation of decorum in the Grand Lodge; he shall confer the Grand Lodge Degree on all Past Grands qualified to receive it; and shall, subject to the Grand Master, have charge of the Lodge room during all

meetings of the Grand Lodge. And in the event of a vacancy in the office of R. W. Deputy Grand Master, he shall perform the duties of that office until the first regular session thereafter.

39.—The duty of the R. W. Grand Secretary shall be to attend in person every meeting of the Grand Lodge, and when absent to transmit the books and records thereof; he shall keep a just and true record of all proceedings, and intimate to each Subordinate Lodge such portion thereof as may affect it; he shall also keep a just and true account between each Subordinate Lodge and the Grand Lodge, and also of the affairs of this Grand Lodge; he shall preserve all books and file all documents belonging to his office; attest all orders drawn on the Grand Treasurer, pay over to him monthly all moneys coming into his hands on account of this Grand Lodge; receive all documents relative to the Grand Lodge, and submit the same to the Grand Master, at the Grand Lodge, if in session; conduct all correspondence on behalf of the Grand Lodge; furnish all Committees with such official documents as may be necessary for their reference; transmit to the Grand Lodge of the United States a regular report of the Order, made up to the 31st day of December in each year; notify all Subordinate Lodges of each regular or special session of this Grand Lodge, at least two weeks previous to its commencement; prepare all Charters granted by the Grand Lodge; affix the Grand Seal to such Charters, and to all other documents requiring it; perform all the duties of the Grand Treasurer in his absence; and attend to all other business not herein enumerated, and coming properly within his duty. He shall have his books properly closed, and shall have a sufficient number of his Annual Report printed for the use of the Grand Lodge. Prior to installation he shall execute in favor of this Grand Lodge a satisfactory bond for the faithful performance of his duties; and shall receive such salary as may be fixed upon, at each annual session.

40.—The R. W. Grand Treasurer shall receive and take charge of the moneys of this Grand Lodge, depositing the same in some Chartered Banking Institution of this Province, to be named by the Grand Lodge, within three days at furthest, after receipt thereof, unless otherwise directed by this Grand Lodge; he shall pay all orders drawn on him by the Grand Master, and countersigned by the Grand Secretary, and none other; he shall keep his accounts in a fair, clear, and legible manner, exhibiting, in as far as possible, the sources of all receipts, and the destination of all disbursements, with the amount of both; he shall have his accounts closed immediately before every regular Session, and submit them thereat to this Grand Lodge; and shall prior to installation execute, in favor of this Grand Lodge, a satisfactory Bond for the due and faithful performance of his duties.

41.—The R. W. Grand Representatives shall attend the meetings of the Grand Lodge of the United States, and act thereat on behalf of this jurisdiction; they shall be furnished with certificates of election in the form required by the Grand Lodge of the United States. They shall also attend the meetings of this Grand Lodge, and submit a synopsis of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the United States at the Sessions thereof, attended by them to appear in the annual printed proceedings of this Grand Lodge.

42.—The R. W. Grand Chaplain shall open and close every meeting of this Grand Lodge with prayer.

43.—The R. W. Grand Marshal shall examine Past Grands applying for the Grand Lodge Degree, and shall otherwise assist the Grand Master in the ceremonies of the Grand Lodge, according to his office.

44.—The R. W. Grand Conductor shall assist the Grand Marshal in the ceremonies of the Grand Lodge.

45.—The R. W. Grand Herald shall securely guard the outer door of the Lodge Room; he shall permit no one to enter with-

out examination and receiving from him the semi-annual P. W.; he shall receive the Cards of Travelling Brothers desiring to visit this Grand Lodge and deliver the same to the Grand Guardian to be laid before the Grand Lodge.

45.—The R. W. Grand Guardian shall have the charge of the inner entrance of the Grand Lodge Room, and permit none to enter or depart without the usual formalities.

47.—Each R. W. District Deputy Grand Master shall act as the representative of the Grand Master, with the Subordinate Lodge or Lodges situated within the District over which he may be appointed; it shall be his duty to see that the work of the Order is performed therein uniformly and correctly, and to instal the Officers of each Lodge or Lodges, or cause the same to be done by a competent Officer; he shall be entrusted with the charge of, and shall countersign and issue all Dispensations granted to any Lodge in this District; he shall report to the Grand Master, at least two weeks previous to each regular Session, such Dispensations as may have passed through his hands together with all other matters coming within his sphere of duty; and he shall remit forthwith to the Grand Secretary all Dues, Charges, and other funds, which may have been received by him on account of this Grand Lodge. The necessary expenses, including one visit, to be paid by this Grand Lodge.

48.—The Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, (or District Deputy Grand Master,) shall not hold office in a Subordinate Lodge while holding either of those offices.

COMMITTEES.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

49.—The Elective Grand Officers and Grand Representatives shall constitute an Advisory Board, who shall meet on the summons of the Grand Master, and whose duty it shall be to

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render assistance and advice to the Grand Master, on such matters as he shall deem it necessary in the discharge of his official duties, to introduce and submit to its notice and consideration, during the recess of the Grand Lodge.

50.—The following Standing Committees shall be appointed from among the Representatives or Past Grands by the Grand Master at or before the opening of each Annual Session, to serve until their successors shall be appointed, unless sooner discharged by vote of the Grand Lodge, viz :

Committee on Credentials ;
“ Returns ;
“ Finance ;
“ Elections ;
“ Appeals ;
“ Laws of Subordinates ;
“ Printing ;
“ Legislation ;
“ State of the Order ;
“ Mileage and Per Diem ;
“ Petitions and Correspondence ;
“ Districts.

51.—The Committee on Credentials shall be composed of three members, of whom the Grand Secretary shall be one, who shall report to this Grand Lodge, without delay, on the qualification of Brothers claiming admission as representatives, and on the validity of their credentials.

52.—The Committee on Returns shall consist of eight members, who shall examine and report to this Grand Lodge, without delay, on the regularity of the Returns of Subordinate Lodges.

53.—The Committee on Finance shall consist of five members, whose duty it shall be to examine, at each regular session,

the reports of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, and accounts of this Grand Lodge, and report thereon; and to suggest such measures of finance as they may deem to be expedient and necessary.

54.—The Committee on Elections shall consist of three members, who shall examine the election returns from the Subordinate Lodges, and report the state of the ballot to the Grand Lodge.

55.—The Committee on Appeals shall be composed of five members, of whom three shall form a quorum, to whom shall be referred all appeals and grievances from Subordinate Lodges, or from members thereof, (unless in the case of charges against members of this Grand Lodge,) on which they shall report without delay, recommending such action in the case as they may consider necessary; provided always that no member of this Committee shall act as such, on any appeal to which he himself may be a party.

56.—Upon the investigation of the appeal by the Grand Lodge, if it shall appear that there has been irregularity or informality in the form of the charges made or in the manner of preferring them, or in the appointment of the Committee of Trial, or in the proceedings of the Committee or of the Lodge; or that incompetent evidence has been received, or competent evidence excluded; or that a fair opportunity has not been given the appellant to produce his evidence; or if it appear that the decision is contrary to evidence or the weight of evidence; then the decision of the Lodge may be reversed, and the case referred back for a new trial.

57.—If it shall appear on the second trial, that the charges are not such as the Lodge by its Constitution and By-Laws, or by the laws and usages of the Order, can take cognizance of; or that the evidence produced was not sufficient to prove the charges, then the decision of the Lodge may be reversed, and the member

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under sentence restored to all the rights and privileges which he may have lost by the action of his Lodge; and no further proceedings in regard to the subject matter of such charges shall be taken against him, except by appeal to the G. L. U. S.

58.—If the penalty inflicted upon the accused after second trial has been contrary to the Constitution and Laws of the Lodge, or the laws and usages of the Order, or disproportioned to the offence committed, the case may be referred back, and the Lodge instructed to impose such penalty as may be legal or appropriate.

59.—The Committee on Laws of Subordinate Lodges shall consist of three members, to whom shall be referred all By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges, sent in for approval. It shall be the duty of the Committee, at the earliest possible opportunity to notify such Lodges of their approval or disapproval of the By-Laws submitted, pointing out all regulations therein (if any) which may violate or conflict with the laws and usages of the Order. All By-Laws so approved will be operative upon the Lodge until next session of Grand Lodge, and no By-Laws shall be operative until so approved. The Committee shall make a full report to the Grand Lodge at its next session.

60.—The Committee on Printing shall consist of three members, of whom the Grand Secretary shall be one, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the printing required by this Grand Lodge, and the necessary correction and condensing of material for the Journal of Proceedings of the Grand Lodge, previous to publication.

61.—The Committee on Legislation shall consist of five members, to whom shall be referred all questions pertaining to the making or amending of Laws.

62.—The Committee on the State of the Order shall consist of five members, to whom shall be referred the decisions of the M. W. Grand Master during the recess, all questions relating to

the interpretation of the Laws and usages of the Order in this Province, and all matters concerning the condition and prospects of the Order.

63.—The Committee on Mileage and Per Diem shall consist of five members, whose duty it shall be to arrange a table of the mileage and per diem of the Officers and Representatives and members of Committees of this Grand Lodge in accordance with such resolutions as may be adopted from time to time, fixing the rate of such mileage and per diem.

64.—The Committee on Petitions and Correspondence shall consist of five members, to whom shall be referred all petitions and correspondence.

65.—The Committee on Districts shall consist of five members, whose duty it shall be to divide the jurisdiction into districts.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

66.—All Special Committees shall be named by the Grand Master, unless provided for by special vote, and shall report at the next meeting following their appointment, unless otherwise ordered by this Grand Lodge.

67.—All Committees meeting during recess to be paid Mileage and Per Diem at the same rate as paid to Representatives of Grand Lodge, at the following Session, the chairman of each Committee to present the account.

68.—The Reports of all Committees must be made in writing.

69.—Two auditors shall be appointed by the Grand Master, whose duty it shall be to examine the books, accounts, vouchers, &c., of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, prior to each annual session, and report upon the same.

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SESSIONS.

70.—The Grand Lodge shall meet annually on the second Wednesday in August in each year, at such place as may be appointed at the preceding session thereof.

71.—The Grand Master shall have the power to convene special meetings of the Grand Lodge, whenever and wherever, in his judgment, it would be for the true interests and benefit of the Grand Lodge and Odd Fellowship generally within its jurisdiction, and the importance of the subject matters for consideration is such as to justify the expense necessarily involved in such meetings; provided always, that two weeks' notice shall be given to each Subordinate Lodge of the time and object of such meeting.

72.—At any special meeting of the Grand Lodge, no business shall be transacted other than that for which the meeting was called.

73.—At all regular and special meetings, the Grand Lodge may adjourn from time to time, as may be found expedient.

74.—To constitute a regular or special meeting of this Grand Lodge, there must be in attendance a majority of the Representatives of all the Districts within the jurisdiction present.

SUBORDINATE LODGES.

INSTITUTION.

75.—Brothers desirous of establishing a new Lodge under this jurisdiction shall transmit to this Grand Lodge a written application to that effect, accompanied with their Cards of Withdrawal, or Dismissal Certificates.

76.—Such application must be signed in every instance by at least five Brothers of the Scarlet Degree, and be accompanied by the sum of thirty dollars, being the Charter Fee. Should one

Lodge, or more, be already established in the proposed location, the signatures of at least ten Brothers, qualified as above, shall be requisite.

77.—On receipt of a formal application for a Charter, as above required, the Grand Master may issue a warrant for the immediate institution of the Lodge petitioned for.

78.—The necessary Charges and Lectures shall be furnished by this Grand Lodge to every new Lodge on its institution, to be paid for at such rates as may be charged by this Grand Lodge. The traveling expenses of the Instituting Officer shall also be payable by the Lodge instituted.

79.—The first Noble Grand of a new Lodge shall be entitled to the Past Vice-Grand and Past Secretary's Degree, and the first V. G. shall be entitled to the Past Secretary's Degree, in addition to the Degrees acquired by actual service.

GOVERNMENT.

80.—The Grand Lodge shall stand invested with full power, and it shall be its duty to issue, for the government of its Subordinate Lodges, a Form of Constitution and Rules of Order, subject to approval by the Grand Lodge of the United States.

81.—Every Subordinate Lodge under this jurisdiction must adhere strictly to its Constitution and Rules of Order, as issued by the Grand Lodge; and also to the By-Laws framed by the Lodge, in accordance therewith, and confirmed by this Grand Lodge, and shall, in all cases, yield implicit obedience to the further regulations that may from time to time be promulgated by this Grand Lodge.

82.—No public celebration of any kind shall be held by Lodges under this jurisdiction, without the express permission of the Grand Master or District Deputy Grand Master of said District, nor any controversy entered into relating to the Order

through the public prints, without the express permission of the Grand Master.

83.—No communication from a Subordinate Lodge shall be recognized as official, unless attested by its Secretary, and having its Seal affixed, of which seal an impression shall be furnished to this Grand Lodge, as soon as may be.

84.—This Grand Lodge shall divide the Province of Ontario into Districts, making such arrangements thereof from time to time, as circumstances may suggest and require, and as shall seem most fit and expedient.

85.—The Grand Lodge, or in its recess, the Grand Master thereof, shall have power to issue Dispensations, countersigned by the Grand Secretary, to any Lodge under its jurisdiction, to exempt it, in any particular case, from the operation of any of the various regulations, other than financial, by which it is governed, or to enable it to proceed in any matter with other than the usual and prescribed formalities, whenever the Grand Lodge or Grand Master may deem it for the interest and welfare of the Order so to do.

FORFEITURE OF CHARTER.

86.—Any Subordinate Lodge failing to make the Returns and pay the Dues required by its Constitution, for twelve months, shall become liable to the forfeiture of its Charter, which may thereupon be recalled by the Grand Master, or by vote of the Grand Lodge at any regular session, should any Lodge fail to forward its returns promptly to the Grand Lodge, as required by its constitution, the Grand Secretary shall immediately, upon receipt of such return, enter to the debit of such Lodge, a fine of two dollars per month for the time which may have elapsed since such return was due.

87.—In the event of any Lodge failing to meet for three

consecutive months, it shall thereby become extinct; and it shall be the duty of the officers last installed to transmit to this Grand Lodge the Charter, Books, Funds, and other property of said Lodge.

88.—The funds and properties of Subordinate Lodges are by the provisions of their Charters and the Laws of the Order, held only in trust for charitable purposes, and must be applied solely to these purposes, and the donating or in any manner dividing them among the members individually is a violation of the trust and the law, the penalty for which is expulsion. And if a Subordinate Lodge shall fail from any cause to work, all moneys and properties, together with the Charter, shall be surrendered to the Grand Lodge to be held in trust and applied as hereinafter provided.

89.—Upon the suspension or expulsion of a Lodge, or surrender, or forfeiture of its Charter, it shall be the duty of its last installed Officers and Members having the custody of the Charter, books, papers, properties and funds of the Lodge to assign, transfer, and deliver the same on demand to the Grand Master, or the D. D. Grand Master of the District, or to such Past Grand as may be specially deputed by the Grand Master or Grand Lodge to receive the same, and the same shall be held subject to the order of the Grand Lodge. Any Officer or Member having such properties in custody, refusing such demand, shall be forever excluded from membership or fellowship in the Order, notwithstanding such Lodge should afterwards be restored to good standing.

90.—All effects or funds received by the Grand Lodge from any Subordinate or Degree Lodge under Clauses 88 and 89, shall be kept separate and apart from the property and funds of the Grand Lodge, and such funds shall not be estimated as part of the funds of the Grand Lodge, but shall be held in trust; first, for the benefit of any Brother and Widow or Orphans en-

titled to benefits in accordance with the By-Laws of such Lodge at the time of the dissolution or suspension of the same, and the balance, if any, to be restored should such Subordinate Lodge ever be reinstated, or upon the expiration of the period of its suspension; provided, however, that in the event said Lodge should not be restored to fellowship within five years, the funds and properties of said Lodge shall be disposed of or used under the direction of the Grand Lodge in aiding or assisting any working Lodge or proposed Lodge needing assistance, or to such other charitable purpose as in the judgment of the Grand Lodge may be deemed advisable.

91.—Members of extinct Lodges, who were clear of the Books of such Lodge, at the time of its dissolution, or who shall have paid to this Grand Lodge all arrears then due, may, upon application to the Grand Secretary, receive a Withdrawal Card under the Seal of this Grand Lodge, which shall have all the force of a Withdrawal Card regularly granted. Provided always, that the Grand Master and Grand Secretary shall be satisfied that the applicant was not implicated in the breaking up of the Lodge, or in the illegal distribution or use of the funds of the same.

92.—Upon the application of five or more members of an extinct Lodge, to the Grand Lodge for the restoration of such Lodge to fellowship, such applicants as the Grand Lodge may approve, may be restored to fellowship in said Lodge, together with the Charter and effects belonging to such Lodge at the time of its extinction, unless such effects shall have been disposed of as provided in Clause 90 of this Constitution.

FUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

93.—The Grand Lodge shall be entitled to receive from each Subordinate the sum of forty cents a year, payable half

yearly, for each unsuspended member on its books, as shown by its Semi-Annual Return.

94.—In case of failure or deficiency in the funds of this Grand Lodge, the sum may be supplied by an assessment upon the Lodges under its jurisdiction, apportioned according to the number of unsuspended members in each Lodge, according to its last Semi-Annual Return.

EXPENDITURE.

95.—All claims against the Grand Lodge shall be first placed in the hands of the Grand Secretary, and by him submitted to the Finance Committee, who shall examine and report on the correctness of the same.

96.—Claims reported correct shall be submitted to this Grand Lodge, at a regular session, and if then approved, the Grand Master shall issue his warrant for the payment of the same, on the Grand Treasurer, which shall be attested by the Grand Secretary, and shall be duly entered in the books of the Grand Lodge by the Grand Treasurer.

97.—In cases of urgency, during the recess of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master may, in his discretion, issue such warrant, making report thereof to the Grand Lodge at its next regular session.

BY-LAWS, ETC.

BY-LAWS.

98.—This Grand Lodge shall stand fully invested with the power to adopt from time to time, such By-Laws and Resolutions as it may deem expedient; provided they do not, in any wise, contravene any part of the Constitution, or of the Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States, or the general laws, principles, or customs of the Order.

99.—Copies of such By-laws shall be immediately forwarded in duplicate, to the Grand Lodge of the United States for approval, authenticated by the Seal of this Grand Lodge, and the signatures of its Grand Master and Grand Secretary.

100.—All By-Laws and Resolutions of this Grand Lodge shall be provisionally in force from the time of their enactment; but any portion thereof not conforming to Clause 98, may be annulled by the Grand Lodge of the United States, and such annulment may also have retro-active effect.

AMENDMENTS.

101.—This Constitution, or any part thereof, shall not be altered, amended, suspended or annulled, unless by action of this Grand Lodge at its Annual Communication, and upon notice being given by the Grand Secretary, three months previous thereto, to each of the Subordinate Lodges, of the proposed alteration.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1st.—The members will clothe themselves in their appropriate Regalia.

2nd.—The Guardian will close the door.

3rd.—The Officers will take their respective Chairs.

4th.—The Grand Master will make *pro tem.* appointments if needed.

5th.—The Grand Marshal and Grand Conductor will examine all present in the G. L. and Semi-Annual Pass-Word.

6th.—The Grand Chaplain will offer prayer.

7th.—The Grand Lodge will rise according to usage, and

the Grand Marshal will declare the Grand Lodge open for business.

8th.—The Grand Secretary will submit the Credentials of Representatives and new members.

9th.—The Grand Master shall appoint the Committee on Credentials, which shall report with as little delay as possible.

10th.—The reception and adoption of the Report of the Credential Committee.

11th.—The reception of new Members and Representatives, and the calling of the Roll of Officers and Representatives.

12th.—The Reading and adoption of the Minutes of the last Annual Session, and all Special Meetings of the year past.

13th.—The Appointment of Regular Committees.

14th.—The Reading and Reference to Appropriate Committees of the Reports of the Grand Officers.

15th.—The Reception of Petitions, Communications and Appeals, and the reference of the same to Committees.

16th.—The Roll of Lodges shall be called for the presentation of Questions and business, and proper references of the same.

17th.—The Election of Officers.

18th.—Unfinished business in order of its priority.

19th.—The reports of Committees shall be read and considered.

20th.—The presentation and disposal of miscellaneous business.

21st.—The adjournment of the Grand Lodge.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I.—After each adjournment the Grand Lodge shall be opened in the manner prescribed in the Order of Business, and the minutes of the preceding sitting shall be read and approved.

RULE II.—During the continuance of the Session the most decorous order shall be observed, no one leaving the room without the permission of the Grand Master, nor entering without the consent of the Grand Warden.

The order of procedure, after opening adjourned session, shall be as follows:

- 1.—The calling of the Roll of Officers and Representatives.
- 2.—The consideration of any excuses which may be offered by Absentees from previous meetings.
- 3.—The receiving and consideration of any Reports from the Committee on Credentials, on claims for admission as Representatives or Members.
- 4.—The admission and instruction (when requisite) of new Members.
- 5.—The reading by the Grand Secretary of the Minutes of last meeting, the consideration of any objections which may be made to any part thereof, and their approval, with or without amendment, as the case may require.
- 6.—Reading of Accounts, Petitions, and other communications.

7.—Reports of Standing Committees in the following order :

- On Returns.
- “ Finance.
- “ Elections.
- “ Appeals.
- “ Laws of Subordinates.
- “ Printing.
- “ Legislation.
- “ State of the Order.
- “ Mileage and Per Diem.
- “ Petitions and Correspondence.
- “ Districts.

8.—The receiving of any reports from Special Committees, in the order of their seniority.

9.—New business.

10.—Unfinished business, in order of priority at previous meeting.

11.—Closing or adjournment (as the case may be), of the Grand Lodge.

RULE III.—Notwithstanding the Order of Business in Rule II, the Grand Lodge may, by resolution, make the consideration of any matter coming before it, a special order for any particular hour or day.

RULE IV.—No question, unless regularly moved and seconded, and submitted in writing, shall be put to the Grand Lodge by the Presiding Officer.

RULE V.—No question shall be open for consideration until regularly put from the chair ; and when so put, no other motion shall be receivable, unless it be a motion—

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- 1—To adjourn ;
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- 3—To put the previous question ;
- 4—To postpone ;
- 5—To refer ; or
- 6—To amend.

These several motions, if made, shall have precedence in the order above stated, and the first, second and third thereof, shall be decided without debate.

RULE VI.—The previous question shall be put from the chair, only after it shall have been ascertained that the call therefor is sustained by a majority of the representatives of the Grand Lodge present, and shall then always be put in the words following: "*Shall the question be now put?*" which words shall be understood to have reference to whatever question may be pending immediately before such call for the previous question may have been made.

RULE VII.—If the vote of the Grand Lodge, taken pursuant to such call for the previous question, be in the affirmative, the Presiding Officer shall thereupon put forthwith to vote the question so pending, immediately before such call, and shall not allow any amendment or further debate thereon.

RULE VIII.—Before taking the vote on any motion, the Presiding Officer shall ask "*Is the Grand Lodge ready for the question?*" and, should no member stand up to speak, the Presiding Officer shall rise to take the vote, after which no member shall have a right to speak on the question.

RULE IX.—After any question, except that of indefinite postponement or the previous question, may have been decided, any two members, having voted in the majority, may, at the same or next meeting of the next session, move for a re-consideration.

eration, but no discussion on the main question shall be allowed upon such motion.

RULE X.—Any representative may require the division of a question, when the sense will admit of it.

RULE XI.—When a blank is to be filled, the question shall first be taken on the highest sum or number, or on the longest or latest time proposed.

RULE XII.—The Yeas and Nays shall be taken and recorded on the call of any three representatives.

RULE XIII.—Every representative present may be required to vote on any question, unless excused by the Grand Lodge, personally interested in the result, or otherwise incapacitated.

RULE XIV.—Any member intending to speak on a question shall rise in his place, and respectfully address the Presiding Officer, confining himself to the question under debate, avoiding all personality and indecorous language, as well as any reflection on the Grand Lodge or its members.

RULE XV.—No representative shall speak more than once on the same question, until every member entitled to speak shall have had an opportunity of doing so; nor more than twice, unless by permission of the Presiding Officer.

RULE XVI.—Should more than one member rise to speak at the same time, the Presiding Officer shall determine which is entitled to the floor; and no member shall interrupt the business of the Grand Lodge, or in any manner disturb another in his speech, unless to call him to order for words spoken, or rules infringed.

RULE XVII.—Any member, called to order while speaking, shall resume his seat, and the debate shall forthwith be suspen-

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RULE XVIII.—The decision of the Presiding Officer on questions of order shall be without debate, unless, entertaining doubts on the point, he should invite it; and on such questions alone shall he have the privilege of speaking from the chair.

RULE XIX.—In all cases where a member may appeal from the decision of the chair, he shall use the words following, and none other, unless it be for necessary explanation: "*Most Worshipful Grand Master, I respectfully appeal from the decision of the Chair to the Grand Lodge,*"—and the Grand Lodge shall, after such explanation as the Presiding Officer may deem necessary, proceed forthwith to consider and vote upon the question:—"*Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the Grand Lodge?*"

RULE XX.—Any member who may have been ruled out of order for manifestation of temper, or improper feeling, must apologise to the Grand Lodge, or to any aggrieved party if required so to do by the Presiding Officer; and shall not speak again on the pending question, except to explain and apologise, unless specially permitted so to do by the Presiding Officer.

RULE XXI.—Visiting Past Grands, not members of this Grand Lodge, may address the Grand Lodge, on receiving permission to that effect from the Presiding Officer.

RULE XXII.—A motion to alter or suspend the Order of Business for the remainder of a meeting may at any time be carried by a two-thirds vote, but no motion to suspend or alter any such order of business for a longer term shall at any time be put to vote.

RULE XXIII.—These Rules of Order, or any part thereof, shall only be altered, amended, suspended or annulled, (except in the case provided for by Rule 22nd) by action of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, in the same mode as required in Clauses 98, 99, 100 and 101, of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge.

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PREAMBLE.

For the purpose of ensuring, as much as possible, uniformity in the administration of the privileges, honors and benefits of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows within its jurisdiction, the Grand Lodge of Ontario—the Superior Tribunal of all Lodges within the limits of the Province of Ontario—doth hereby ordain the following Articles, as the Constitution of all Subordinate Lodges working under its immediate jurisdiction :

TITLE AND POWERS.

1.—This Lodge shall be constituted of at least Five Members of the Scarlet Degree, and shall be hailed and entitled, _____ Lodge, No. _____, I. O. O. F., of Ontario, and shall possess the full powers and privileges of a Subordinate Lodge, holding a legal, unreclaimed and valid Charter, duly granted and formally presented by the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

MEMBERSHIP.

ADMISSION.

- 2.—Candidates for Membership by Initiation in this Lodge must be free white males of not less than 21 years of age, of good moral character, and in sound health, and residents within the jurisdiction of this Lodge at least six months.
- 3.—Every proposition for membership must be submitted in writing by a Brother of this Lodge, and must state the name of the Applicant, and his residence, age and occupation, supported by a reference to at least one other member of the Lodge.
- 4.—The proposition so made shall be referred to a Committee of three Brothers, two of whom shall be appointed by the N. G., and one by the V. G., and who shall report thereon at the next regular meeting, unless excused by a two-thirds vote of members present, or the petition be withdrawn by the proposer.
- 5.—A ballot shall be taken on the proposition immediately after the presentation of such report; when, if less than three black balls be found, the Candidate shall be accepted; if three or more, he shall be rejected, and so declared.
- 6.—Any Brother or Ancient Odd Fellow desirous of joining this Lodge, must present a Withdrawal Card or dismissal Certificate from the Lodge of which he was previously a member, and his application shall then be disposed of according to the above regulations.
- 7.—Every member, on his admission, shall sign a promise to support and abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of this Lodge and to pay all legal demands against him so long as he shall remain a member.
- 8.—Any Candidate requiring admission more than thirteen weeks after his election, must be again proposed and balloted for, as in the case of a new Candidate.

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9.—The rejection of any Candidate for membership shall be immediately intimated to every Subordinate Lodge, in the City, Town or Village, in which such rejection takes place.

10.—No Candidate who has been rejected can be again proposed for membership, until, at least, six months after his rejection.

11.—No person shall be admitted to Honorary Membership in any Subordinate Lodge, nor hold membership in more than one Subordinate Lodge at the same time.

12.—No proposition for membership either by initiation or by card shall be received or acted upon, if the applicant's residence be out of this jurisdiction, (without the consent of the Grand Master of the jurisdiction in which he resides); nor if his residence be nearer to any other Lodge, unless consent of the latter be obtained.

DEGREES.

13.—Every Brother, previous to his receiving any of the Five Degrees, shall present a certificate from the P. S. that he is not in arrears to the Lodge, and that he has paid all charges for the said Degrees, and shall then be balloted for.

14.—If, on such ballot three or more black balls appear, he shall be rejected; otherwise, he shall be considered eligible and shall be admitted to the Degree or Degrees, in question. In case of a rejection, two weeks' notice in open Lodge must be given, before a ballot can again be had.

15.—No certificate for Degree shall be granted until after the Candidate shall have paid the amount required thereof.

16.—No Brother having been less than one month in Membership, shall be eligible for Degrees; and not more than three Degrees shall be conferred on any Brother at one and the same meeting except by dispensation.

WITHDRAWAL CARDS.

17.—Any brother in good standing and clear of the books, desiring to withdraw from a Lodge, may signify such desire either personally in open Lodge, or by a letter addressed to the Secretary, whereupon the Lodge shall proceed to a ballot, with ball ballots, and a majority vote of the members present shall be necessary to the granting of such Withdrawal Card. If a majority of the members present refuse to grant such card, the applicant therefor may tender a written resignation of his membership, and shall be entitled to receive from the Secretary, under the Seal of the Lodge, a certificate that he has resigned membership, and such certificate shall be sufficient evidence that the brother was in good standing at the time of his resignation; provided, that upon the refusal of the card, the member applying for the same shall have the right of appeal to the Grand Lodge.

RE-ADMISSION.

18.—Should any brother receiving a Withdrawal Card from this Lodge, apply within twelve months thereafter to be again admitted a member of this Lodge, and be accepted, the Lodge may remit in his favor the Entrance Fee, or such proportion thereof as it may think fit.

OFFICERS.

ELECTIVE OFFICERS.

19.—The Elective Officers of this Lodge shall be Noble Grand, Vice Grand, Recording Secretary, Permanent Secretary, and Treasurer; and the Lodge may also provide, by its By-Laws, for the election of a Degree Master and a Physician.

20.—Any Brother to be nominated for the office of D. M., must be a P. G. having the three P. O. Degrees; for the office of N. G., a V. G. or P. V. G.; and for any other of the Elective

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21.—All officers shall be eligible for re-election.

22.—Nomination for the Elective Offices shall be made only at the two meetings next preceding that fixed for the Elections thereto, and any nominee may decline.

23.—The election of officers shall take place at the last regular meeting in each term, except in the case of D. M., P. S., and Physician, who shall be elected to serve for a term of six or twelve months, as the Lodge by its By-Laws determine.

24.—If, for any Elective Office, only one Brother shall be in nomination, such Brother shall be declared elected by acclamation; should there be two or more candidates duly nominated, the members present shall proceed to elect one of such candidates by ballot, and only members in good standing shall be entitled to a vote.

25.—A majority of all the legal votes cast shall be necessary to election; should there be no choice of an officer at any ballot, a new ballot shall forthwith take place, and after each ballot, the name of the candidate who may have received the smallest number of votes as well as those who shall receive no votes shall be withdrawn.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

26.—The appointed Officers of this Lodge shall be W. C., O.G., I.G., R.S.N.G., L.S.N.G., R.S.V.G., L.S.V.G., and R. and L.S.S.; and the Lodge may, at its option, add a Chaplain.

27.—These Officers shall be appointed by the N. G. immediately after his Installation; except the R. and L.S.V.G., who shall be appointed at the same time by the V. G.

28.—All Brothers appointed as Officers must be in good standing, and the W. O. G., and I. G., must have attained the Scarlet Degree.

29.—The N. G., with the consent of the Lodge, may appoint as O. G. a Brother of the Scarlet Degree belonging to any other Lodge.

VACANCIES.

30.—Any office, the occupant of which may have been absent without satisfactory excuse from three successive regular meetings, may be declared vacant by vote of the Lodge, on a motion to that effect; provided notice of such motion has been given at the regular meeting previous to that at which the vote is taken.

31.—Any vacancy in office shall be filled by election or appointment as the case may be; in the case of elective officers the election may take place on the second night of nomination; and Brothers so elected or appointed, shall be entitled to the privileges of the office, provided they complete the term.

DUTIES AND POWERS.

32.—The Officers of this Lodge shall perform such duties, and be invested with such powers as are prescribed by the Charge-Books and Usages of the Order, the laws of the Grand Lodge, and the Lodge to whom they belong.

33.—This Lodge shall have authority to add thereto such duties and powers, as may not be inconsistent with the provisions of the preceding Clause of this section.

SESSIONS, TERMS AND RETURNS.

SESSIONS.

34.—This Lodge shall hold its meetings weekly or fortnightly, on such evening and at such time as may be provided by its

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By-Laws; provided always, that as decided by the Grand Lodge of the United States, twenty-six nights' service be required as the term of office.

35.—Special Sessions may be called by the N. G., such notice thereof being given as may be required by the By-Laws of the Lodge. The notice shall contain the particular reason for calling the same, and no business but that expressed in such notice shall be entered upon at such special meeting.

36.—No business shall be transacted at any regular or special meeting unless at least five members of this Lodge be then present, nor otherwise than according to the Rules of the Order, annexed to this Constitution.

37.—Members of other Lodges may be admitted as Visitors, provided they give the Pass-word for the Term, present a proper Card, or are introduced by an Elective Officer of the Grand Lodge, or by any Representative to the G. L. U. S., from the Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment of Ontario.

38.—This Lodge shall have no power to resolve itself, at any time, into Committee of the Whole.

TERMS.

39.—The Terms of this Lodge shall be Semi-Annual or Annual, as provided by its By-Laws, and shall commence on the first regular meetings in July and January respectively if semi-annual: and on the first regular meeting in January, if annual. Should the D. M., P. S., or Physician, be elected semi-annually, their Terms shall commence at the first regular meetings in July and January respectively; and, if annually, then at the first regular meeting in January.

40.—Every Term shall be held to close on the day on which the succeeding one may commence.

RETURNS.

41.—It shall be the duty of the last Past Officers to prepare and forward to the Grand Secretary of Ontario, immediately on the expiry of their term of Office, a regular Return of the work of such Term, with the result of the Election of Officers, &c., in accordance with such blank form of semi-annual or annual return, as the Grand Lodge may from time to time direct to be used.

42.—Such semi-annual return shall be accompanied by the amount due the Grand Lodge; the same being 20 cents for each unsuspended member on said return.

43.—A fine of two dollars shall be payable by this Lodge for every month that may elapse after the close of any semi-annual term previous to the Returns required by Clause 41 being placed in the possession of the Grand Lodge.

44.—Should this Lodge, or the Officers thereof, fail to make the Returns required by the preceding Clauses, for twelve months, it shall thereby become liable to the forfeiture of its Charter; and it shall be the duty of the last installed Officers, to transmit or surrender to the Grand Master on requisition from him to that effect, (or to such other Brother as may be appointed, by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master to receive the same,) the Charter, books, papers, furniture and funds of the Lodge.

FUNDS.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

45.—There shall be two regular Funds of this Lodge, to be known respectively as the Widows and Orphans' Fund and the General Benefit Fund; and the Lodge may provide, by its By-Laws, for the institution of a Special Fund or Funds for any of the benevolent purposes contemplated by the Order; provided

always, that in the case of every such Special Fund the receipts and disbursements on account thereof shall be kept altogether distinct from the Regular Funds hereby established.

46.—The Entrance Fee of this Lodge must be paid in every case previous to the admission of the candidate, and shall not be less than five dollars.

47.—The charges for Degrees shall not be at a less rate than one dollar for each of the five Degrees ; and all moneys received on account of Degree charges shall be applied to the General Benefit Fund.

48.—The Contributions of each member to the regular Benefit Funds of this Lodge, shall be determined by the By-Laws ; such portion thereof shall be placed to the credit of the W. & O. Fund as the Lodge may see fit, provided it be not less than one-fifth nor more than one-third, the remainder to be placed to the credit of the General Benefit Fund.

49.—The Lodge shall have the power of exacting such Fees for Visiting and Withdrawal Cards, and Dismissal Certificates, except when otherwise provided by the G. L. U. S., (to be applied to the General Fund) and such fines for neglect of duty, &c., (to be applied to the Widows and Orphans' Fund) as may be determined by the By-Laws.

DISBURSEMENTS.

50.—Every member, qualified as required by the By-Laws, if rendered incapable of following his usual or other attainable occupation, by sickness or disability, not occasioned by drunkenness or other immoral conduct on his part, shall be entitled to receive from the General Fund, such weekly Sick Benefit as may be fixed by the By-Laws ; Provided always that the Lodge shall not be held to pay such Benefit for any term of sickness shorter than one week unless specially so provided by its By-Laws.

51.—In case of the death of a Brother, qualified as required by the By-Laws, there shall be paid to his nearest of kin, or other legal representative, from the General Fund, towards defraying the funeral expenses, if any are incurred by the family or legal representatives, such sum as may be fixed by the By-Laws of this Lodge, and the Lodge may also provide by its By-Laws for the payment of a Funeral Benefit to a duly qualified Brother, on the demise of his wife, to assist in defraying the expenses of her funeral.

52.—The Lodge may, by its By-Laws, make such provisions as shall seem meet for the relief of Brothers in a state of pecuniary distress.

53.—The Lodge shall make such disposition of the Widows and Orphans' Fund, for the relief and benefit of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Brothers of this Lodge, by annuity or otherwise, as it shall see fit.

PENALTIES.

54.—Any Brother who shall violate any of the principles of the Order, or infringe the Constitution or By-Laws of this Lodge, shall be subject to be fined, reprimanded, suspended or expelled, as the By-Laws may direct, ancient usage require, or the Lodge determine.

TRIALS.

55.—Every Brother charged with any offence involving reprimand, suspension or expulsion, (unless for non-payment of dues), shall be entitled to a fair trial, in accordance with the provisions of Clause 58.

56.—No member of this Lodge shall be put on trial, unless charges duly specifying his alleged offence shall first be submitted to the Lodge in writing, by one or more Brothers of the Order in good standing.

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57.—Any charge or charges so preferred, shall be referred to a Committee of five Members, of whom three shall be a quorum, to be chosen by ballot; which Committee shall, with as little delay as the case will admit, summon the parties, and examine and determine the matter in question in accordance with the Constitution and Rules of Procedure in Trials. In selecting this Committee, only one name shall be written upon any ballot.

58.—Should the decision of the Committee not involve the suspension or expulsion of a member, and should no appeal be made therefrom, it shall be final, without further action from the Lodge.

59.—Should the Committee be convinced of the necessity of suspending or expelling a Member, a motion to that effect shall be submitted to the Lodge by three or more of their number, in their name.

60.—Any motion for the suspension or expulsion of a Member shall be announced at the two regular meetings previous to that on which it is to be decided, which last meeting the Brother under charge shall be summoned to attend; and at the time so appointed, whether the implicated Brother be present or not, the Lodge may proceed to consider and determine the question.

61.—The Lodge shall have the power, at the meeting appointed for the decision, to vary the penalty to one more or less severe than that contained in the motion submitted by the Committee.

APPEALS.

62.—Any member shall have the right to appeal to the Lodge from the decision of a Committee, given under Clause 58; and notice of the meeting appointed for trying the appeal shall be given at least one regular meeting previous.

63.—On the evening appointed, the Committee shall present to the Lodge, in writing, the grounds on which their decision was

founded, and the parties interested shall have the privilege of being heard before the Lodge; and the decision shall then be confirmed, annulled, or modified, as a majority of the members present shall determine.

64.—Any member interested shall have the right of appeal to the Grand Lodge of Ontario, provided such appeal be forwarded to the Grand Secretary within three months from the date of the final action of the Lodge on the matter to be appealed against; and the Lodge shall be required to provide the appellant with a copy of all the proceedings in the case, regularly certified upon receiving the costs and charges of copying and mailing the same; which charges shall be refunded to the appellant in the event of his appeal being sustained.

65.—Upon the investigation of the appeal by the Grand Lodge, if it shall appear that there has been irregularity or informality in the form of the charges made, or in the manner of preferring them, or in the appointment of the Committee of Trial, or in the proceedings of the Committee or of the Lodge; or that incompetent evidence has been received, or competent evidence excluded; or that a fair opportunity has not been given the appellant to produce his evidence; or if it appear that the decision is contrary to evidence or the weight of evidence; then the decision of the Lodge may be reversed, and the case referred back for a new trial.

66.—If it shall, on second trial, appear that the charges are not such as the Lodge by its Constitution or By-Laws, or by the laws and usages of the Order, can take cognizance of; or that the evidence produced was not sufficient to prove the charges, then the decision of the Lodge may be reversed, and the member under sentence restored to all the rights and privileges which he may have lost by the action of his Lodge; and no further proceedings in regard to the subject matter of such charges shall be taken against him, except by appeal to the G. L. U. S.

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67.—If the penalty inflicted upon the accused after a second trial has been contrary to the constitution and laws of the Lodge, or the laws and usages of the Order, or disproportioned to the offence committed, the case may be referred back, and the Lodge instructed to impose such penalty as may be legal or appropriate.

RE-INSTATEMENT.

68.—When any Brother, suspended for a definite period, for any other cause than non-payment of dues, desires to be re-instated before the expiration of his suspension, his case shall be referred to a Committee of five Brothers, who after due investigation, shall report at the next regular meeting; and if a majority of the members then present shall vote in his favor, he shall thereupon be declared eligible for re-instatement, and with the consent of the Grand Lodge, may be re-instated.

69.—No Brother shall be re-instated until he shall have paid any arrearages against him at the time of his suspension, and all dues that may have accrued since then.

70.—No Brother who has been legally expelled, or who has ceased to be a member for non-payment of dues, except members of defunct Lodges, and those possessing dismissal certificates, shall be again admitted to membership in any Lodge of this Order without the consent of the Lodge from which he was expelled or dropped, and in no case shall he be re-admitted without compliance with all the forms for new applicants, excepting the ceremony of initiation.

71.—Any Brother suspended for non-payment of dues, may at any time prior to six months thereafter, become re-instated in his Lodge upon payment of the amount due by him at the date of his suspension, together with such sum as may have accrued since that time. Any Brother so suspended for six months, shall cease to be a member.

REGALIA AND JEWELS.

REGALIA.

72.—The regalia of the Order shall be as follows, to wit: Collars of Subordinate Lodges shall be white, trimmed with the emblematical color of the degree intended to be represented, namely: First degree, white; second degree, pink; third degree, blue; fourth degree, green; fifth degree, scarlet; rosettes of the appropriate colors can be worn on the collars. Among those who may have attained the Royal Purple Degree, rosettes composed of black, yellow and purple, may be worn on the collar either in connection with the other colors or as a separate rosette. The Noble Grand shall wear a scarlet collar; Vice-Grand, blue collar; Secretary, green collar; Treasurer, green collar; each of them trimmed with white or silver. Supporters of Noble Grand, scarlet sashes; of the Vice-Grand, blue sashes; Warden and Conductor, black sashes; Scene Supporters, white sashes; Chaplain, white sash; Outside Guardian, red sash; Inside Guardian, blue sash.

JEWELS.

73.—The jewel of a P. G. is a five-pointed star; of Noble Grand, crossed gavels; of Vice-Grand, hour glass; of Secretary, crossed pens; of Treasurer, crossed keys; of Warden, crossed wands; of Conductor, crossed axes; of Guardian, crossed swords; supporters of the N. G., a wand having branching arms connected with three links, and encompassing a gavel; supporters of the V. G., a wand arranged same as that of the supporter of the N. G., encompassing an hour glass; Scene Supporter, arranged in same manner, encompassing a burning torch; Chaplain, arranged in same manner, encompassing a bible; all to be of white metal. Past Grands, having the Royal Purple Degree, may have trimmings of yellow.

FUNERAL REGALIA.

74.—Funeral Regalia consists of a black crape rosette, having a centre of the color of the highest degree to which the

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75.—The ordinary mourning badge to be worn by Brothers in memory of a deceased Brother, is a strip of black crape passed through one button hole of the left lappel of the coat, tied with a narrow ribbon of the color of the highest degree the wearer has attained. To be worn for one month.

76.—Past Officers and Members of the Encampment Degrees, and all other Members of the Order, WHEN VISITING Grand or Subordinate Lodges or Encampments, are entitled to wear the Regalia and Jewels pertaining to the highest Degree they have taken.

BY-LAWS, ETC.

BY-LAWS.

77.—This Lodge shall stand fully invested with the power to adopt, from time to time, such By-Laws and Resolutions as may be deemed expedient; provided they do not in anywise contravene any part of this Constitution, the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, or the principles or customs of the Order.

78.—All such By-Laws shall be immediately forwarded, in duplicate, to the Grand Secretary, authenticated by the Seal of the Lodge, and the signature of its N. G., and Secretary; one copy to be retained by the Grand Lodge, and the other to be returned to the Lodge, certified as approved, or otherwise, as the case may be, and no such By-Laws shall be operative until approved by the Grand Lodge, or in its recess, by its Committee on Laws of Subordinates.

AMENDMENTS.

79.—This Constitution, or any part thereof, shall not be altered, amended, suspended or annulled, unless by action of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I.—As soon as the Presiding Officer shall have taken the Chair, the Officers and Brothers present shall take their respective stations, and the Lodge shall then be opened in ancient form.

RULE II.—The order of procedure after opening, shall be as follows :

- 1.—The calling of the Roll of Officers.
- 2.—The reading by the Secretary of the Minutes of the last Lodge night ; the consideration of any objections which may be made to any part thereof, and their approval, with or without amendment, as the case may require.
- 3.—The consideration of any excuses which may be offered by Absentees from previous meetings.
- 4.—The receiving and consideration of any Reports from the Visiting Committee, or from other Brothers who may have to report the fact of any Brother being sick or in distress.
- 5.—The nomination or election of Officers, on the evenings designated for such nomination or election.
- 6.—The receiving and consideration of reports of Committees on Character, and balloting thereon.
- 7.—The Initiation of Candidates for Membership.
- 8.—The receiving of Propositions for Membership, and their reference to Committees on Character.

9.—The receiving and consideration of any Reports of Officers or Standing Committees, which may require to be made in pursuance of the By-Laws.

10.—The receiving and consideration of any Reports of Special Committees, in the order of their seniority.

11.—The reading and consideration of Accounts and other Communications in the hands of the Secretary.

12.—Good and Welfare: being *first*, Unfinished business, in order of priority at former meetings; and *secondly*, New Business.

13.—The closing of the Lodge.

RULE III.—Any member offering a motion must do so in writing, if a request to that effect be made by the Secretary, the Presiding Officer, or the Lodge.

RULE IV.—No question shall be put by the Presiding Officer, unless regularly moved and seconded; nor be open for consideration until so put; and, when put, no other motion shall be receivable, unless it be a motion—

- 1—To adjourn;
- 2—To lay on the table;
- 3—To put the previous question;
- 4—To postpone;
- 5—To refer; or
- 6—To amend.

These several motions, if made, shall have precedence in the order above stated, and the first, second and third thereof, shall be decided without debate.

RULE V.—The previous question shall be put from the chair, only after it shall have been ascertained that the call there-

for is sustained by a majority of the members of the Lodge present, and shall then always be put in the words following: "*Shall the question be now put?*" which words shall be understood to have reference to whatever question may be pending immediately before such call for the previous question may have been so made.

RULE VI.—If the vote of the Lodge, taken pursuant to such call for the previous question, be in the affirmative, the Presiding Officer shall thereupon forthwith put to vote the question so pending, immediately before such call, and shall allow no amendment or further debate thereon: and if, on the other hand, the vote of the Lodge be in the negative, the Presiding Officer shall be thereby precluded from putting to vote, during the remainder of the current term, the question so pending as aforesaid.

RULE VII.—Any member may require the division of a question, when the sense will admit of it.

RULE VIII.—When a blank is to be filled, the question shall first be taken on the highest sum or number, and longest or latest time proposed.

RULE IX.—The Yeas and Nays shall be taken and recorded, on the call of any member, duly seconded.

RULE X.—After any question, except that of indefinite postponement or the previous question, may have been decided, any two members, having voted in the majority, may, at the same or next regular meeting, move for a re-consideration thereof; but no discussion on the main question shall be allowed upon such motion.

RULE XI.—Any question decided by the Lodge shall not again be brought before it, otherwise than by re-consideration, as provided in the foregoing Rule, unless notice thereof shall have been given at the meeting immediately preceding; and such

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RULE XII.—Every member shall have the privilege of speaking twice on any question, but not oftener, unless by permission of the Presiding Officer.

RULE XIII.—Any Brother intending to speak on a question, shall rise in his place, and respectfully address the Presiding Officer, confining himself to the question, and avoiding personalities; and should more than one Brother rise to speak at the same time, the Presiding Officer shall determine which is entitled to the floor.

RULE XIV.—The Presiding Officer, or any member, may call a Brother to order while speaking; and, in such case, the debate shall be forthwith suspended, and the Brother so called to order shall not proceed, until the point of order thus raised be determined, nor speak upon such point of order, unless it be to make necessary explanation, or appeal from the decision of the Chair.

RULE XV.—In all cases where a member may appeal from the decision of the Chair, he shall use the words following, and none other, unless it be for necessary explanation:—"N. G., I respectfully appeal from the decision of the Chair to the Lodge," and the Lodge shall, after such explanation from the Presiding Officer as he may deem necessary, proceed forthwith to consider and vote upon the question:—"Will the Lodge sustain the decision of the Chair?"

RULE XVI.—Any Brother who may have been called to order for manifestation of temper, or improper feeling, must apologize to the Lodge or to any aggrieved party, if required so to do by the Presiding Officer; and shall not speak again on the pending question, except to explain or apologize, unless specially permitted so to do by the Presiding Officer.

RULE XVII.—The Presiding Officer of the Lodge may, at any time, require all members present to vote upon any pending question, or may excuse any member or members from so doing.

RULE XVIII.—Brothers, not members of this Lodge, may address the Lodge, on receiving permission to that effect from the Presiding Officer.

RULE XIX.—No Brother shall retire while the Lodge is open, without the permission of the Presiding Officer.

RULE XX.—A motion to suspend or alter the Order of Procedure, as contained in Rule II, for the remainder of a meeting, may, at any time, be carried by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon; but no motion to suspend or alter such Order of Procedure for a longer term, shall at any time be put to vote.

RULE XXI.—These Rules, or any part thereof, shall only be altered, amended, suspended, or annulled (except in the case provided for by Rule XX), by action of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

CONSTITUTION

AND GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR THE FORMATION AND GOVERNMENT OF DEGREE LODGES.

1.—Whenever it may appear to the brethren of any Lodge or Lodges in any city or town under the jurisdiction of the R.W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, that it would be consistent with the interests of the Order to establish a Degree Lodge in such place, it

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shall be proper for them to authorize ten brothers of the Scarlet Degree to make a written application to this Grand Lodge to that effect.

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

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

4.—As soon as the necessary authority shall have been obtained from the Grand Master, the D. D. G. M. shall summon all Scarlet Degree members in good standing in their Lodge or Lodges, and proceed with the institution of the Lodge and the election and installation of the officers, after the manner and form prescribed for the same.

5.—A Degree Lodge shall be composed of members in good standing in the Order of the Scarlet Degree, resident within the jurisdiction of the Degree Lodge, and all business (except that of conferring the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Degrees of this Order), shall be transacted when open in the Scarlet Degree, and five members shall constitute a quorum.

6.—The Elective Officers of a Degree Lodge shall be a Degree Master, Deputy Degree Master, 1st Assistant Deputy Degree Master, 2nd Assistant Deputy Degree Master, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually by a majority of the votes polled for that purpose.

7.—Nominations for Elective Officers shall be made upon the last two meetings in the Term, and the election shall be held upon the last regular meeting in the Term, and the installation of Officers shall take place on the first regular meeting of the succeeding term.

8.—The Appointed Officers shall be a Warden, Conductor, and Outside and Inside Guardians, to be appointed by the Degree Master, upon the night of his installation.

9.—No brother shall be eligible for the office of Degree Master or Deputy Degree Master, who is not a P. G. in good standing in some Subordinate Lodge of this Order in Ontario.

10.—Loss of good standing, suspension or expulsion from membership in a Subordinate Lodge, shall at once similarly affect the member's standing in the Degree Lodge, and re-instatement in the Subordinate shall work re-instatement in the Degree Lodge.

11.—The Degree Master shall preside, and shall have power to convene special meetings, and perform such other duties as are prescribed by the official obligations and the usages of the Order.

12.—The Deputy Degree Master shall occupy the usual position of the V. G., assist the Degree Master in the discharge of his duties, and in his absence shall preside.

13.—The 1st A. D. D. Master, 2nd A. D. D. Master, Treasurer, Warden, Conductor, Inside Guardian and Outside Guardian, shall perform the duties assigned to them at their installation, and by the usages of the Order.

14.—The Secretary shall keep accurate minutes of the transactions of the Degree Lodge, he shall conduct all correspondence, and report promptly to their respective Lodges the names of brothers upon whom Degrees are conferred, and also

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the date and the name or names, or numbers of the Degrees conferred. He shall make out for the Grand Lodge, at the first regular meeting in each term, a report of the Officers for the current term, and the numbers of each Degree conferred, and also of the funds of the Degree Lodge, particularizing the sources whence such funds have been derived. He shall enter in a separate book or record, the name of every brother receiving Degrees, together with the name of his Lodge, and date of receiving the said Degrees, and perform such other duties as are prescribed by his charge of office, and the laws and usages of the Order.

15.—The application of a brother for any Degree, with the fee for the same, must be received by his Subordinate Lodge, in which Lodge he shall be balloted for by the members of the Degree for which he applies, when opened in that Degree. If he be not opposed by more than three black balls, he shall be deemed eligible, and a certificate to that effect shall be granted him, which certificate, on being presented to the Degree Lodge, shall be its authority for conferring the Degree or Degrees applied for.

16.—A Degree Lodge may, with the consent of two-thirds of the members of the Subordinate Lodge or Lodges connected with it, present and voting at a regular meeting of such Subordinate Lodge or Lodges, charge its members an entrance fee and stated dues. Should no fees or dues be charged, the expenses of the Degree Lodge shall be borne by the Subordinate Lodge or Lodges to which the Degree members belong.

17.—A Subordinate Lodge may provide by its By-Laws for the payment to the Degree Lodge of a part or the whole of the regular charge for the Degrees.

18.—Any Degree Lodge shall have power to adopt necessary By-Laws, rules and regulations for its government, conformable to this Constitution, and to the Constitution and Laws of the

Grand Lodge of Ontario, and the laws and usages of this Order.

19.—Degree Lodges shall be subject to all the laws applying to Subordinate Lodges in the matter of sessions, terms, returns, trials, and penalties, and forfeiture of Charter; except that they shall not be required to pay per capita tax to the Grand Lodge.

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CONSTITUTION

AND GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR THE FORMATION AND GOVERNMENT OF REBEKAH DEGREE LODGES.

1.—Rebekah Degree Lodges may be instituted on the application of ten or more persons in possession of that Degree; five of whom shall be members in good standing of some Subordinate Lodge or Lodges in this Jurisdiction, and five wives of Scarlet Degree members in good standing in the Order. Such application shall be signed by the applicants, and shall be accompanied by the Charter Fee of \$5, by certificates of qualification from the Lodges to which the applicants or their husbands may belong, and by a recommendation from the Lodge or Lodges in the city or town from which the application comes.

2.—Rebekah Degree Lodges shall have power to confer the Degree of Rebekah on such Scarlet Degree members and their wives as present certificates from Subordinate Lodges within this

Jurisdiction; and also upon widows of Odd Fellows presenting certificates from Lodges of which their husbands were members at the time of their decease. No fee shall be charged for conferring such Degree, but the Lodge may ordain fees of admission and dues, to be paid by all who may be admitted to membership.

3.—Rebekah Degree Lodges shall have power to adopt such By-Laws and Rules of Order as they may see fit; Provided always, that no such By-Laws or Rules of Order shall become operative until after they have been approved by the Grand Lodge of Ontario, or in its recess, by its Committee on Laws of Subordinates.

4.—Rebekah Degree Lodges shall be subject to all the laws applying to Subordinate Lodges in the matter of sessions, terms, returns, trials and penalties, and forfeiture of Charter; excepting that they shall not be required to pay a per capita tax to this Grand Lodge.

Abstract from Semi-Annual Returns.

LODGE.	Number.	Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Deceased.	Withdrawn by Card.	Suspended	Expelled	Membership Per Last Report.	Present Membership	Total No. Week's Sickness.	No. of Brothers Relieved.	Widowed Families Relieved.
Brock	9	19	1	1	1	1	31	153	140	19	6	10	
Cataraqui	10	26	8	1	1	1	2	14	46	...	...	...
Union	16	36	2	1	1	1	2	259	267	143	32	10	
Rose	28	10	27	1	259	267	143	32	10
Chatham	29	6	2	...
Eureka	30	25	...	...	...	...	14	162	153	103	18	7
Erie	33	6	...	...	...	...	...	274	286	248	34	14
Gore	34	11	...	...	...	...	...	49	50	22	6	1
Samaritan	35	11	...	...	...	...	...	110	108	127 3-7	18	11
St. Marys	36	23	...	...	...	...	...	172	174	71	20	3
Forest City	38	29	...	...	...	...	...	127	143	18	10	...
Rond Eau	40	2	...	...	...	...	...	299	289	272	48	15
Avon	41	15	...	...	...	...	...	75	65	40	11	2
Excelsior	44	8	...	...	...	...	...	222	219	194 6-7	32	2
Frontier	45	18	...	...	...	...	...	203	176	92	16	14
Mt. Zion	46	...	...	...	...	...	...	164	163	35	11	12
Unity	47	26	...	...	...	...	...	27	19	13	2	...
Dominion	48	35	...	...	...	...	...	241	234	59	29	...
Canada	49	42	...	...	...	...	...	203	201	142	34	...
Otter	50	7	...	...	...	...	...	242	260	77	18	10
Bissell	51	30	...	...	...	...	...	93	103	58	22	6
Covenant	52	21	...	...	...	...	...	114	132	42	15	...
Niagara Falls	53	11	...	...	...	...	...	253	235	94	15	4
Collingwood	54	10	...	...	...	...	...	113	107	60	14	4
Fidelity	55	16	...	...	...	...	...	6	18	...	4	3
Queen City	56	30	...	...	...	...	...	111	123	14	5	2
Maple Leaf	57	9	...	...	...	...	...	233	217	42	18	3
Howard	58	15	...	...	...	...	...	51	53	24	4	2
Kingston	59	26	...	...	...	...	...	165	154	29	13	2
Wardsville	60	3	...	...	...	...	...	103	111	25	12	...
Corinthian	61	12	...	...	...	...	...	43	23	19	4	4
Huron	62	22	...	...	...	...	...	138	143	115 4-7	31	4
Barrie	63	9	...	...	...	...	...	105	117	34	18	...
Victoria	64	9	...	...	...	...	...	23	38	3	1	...
Friendship	65	8	...	...	...	...	...	111	99	32	5	...
Flor Nightingale	66	5	121	105	15	7	1	
Exeter	67	7	101	99	46	7	1	
North Star	68	10	47	55	11	6	...	
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Brock	9	\$ 70 75	\$ 844 57	\$ 54 00	\$ 331 00	\$..	\$ 30 00	6	10	0	0
Cataraqui	10	19 00	637 13	468 00	320 00	6 56	..	32	10	0	0
Union	16	132 25	2813 00	468 00	..	..	..	34	7	0	0
Rose	28	12 50	317 37	48 00	..	..	..	34	14	0	0
Chatham	29	77 75	1129 62	241 00	..	..	..	34	1	0	0
Eureka	30	141 00	2084 47	621 80	90 00	50 00	20 00	36	11	0	0
Erie	33	24 75	318 73	53 00	528 00	3 00	320 00	36	3	0	0
Gore	34	53 00	1251 37	442 00	5 00	5 00	30 00	36	15	0	0
Samaritan	35	85 50	1148 39	196 00	157 50	..	60 00	38	1	0	0
St. Marys	36	68 50	1273 51	64 00	60 00	30 00	30 00	38	2	0	0
Forest City	38	147 00	2483 88	773 00	..	38 00	15 00	38	14	0	0
Rond Eau	40	33 00	460 64	115 00	386 50	..	113 40	40	12	0	0
Avon	41	109 50	6777 49	433 23	30 00	15 00	..	41	1	0	0
Excelsior	44	87 00	1283 01	287 10	30 00	32 80	20 00	44	4	0	0
Frontier	45	80 75	1260 55	105 00	260 00	..	100 00	44	9	0	0
Mt. Zion	46	9 50	77 00	33 20	230 00	24 74	180 00	44	4	0	0
Unity	47	117 00	2199 82	224 95	..	..	..	46	10	0	0
Dominion	48	101 00	1491 00	413 00	..	98 80	25 00	48	2	0	0
Canada	49	123 50	1936 52	183 00	..	30 00	..	49	1	0	0
Otter	50	50 75	886 64	138 00	138 75	71 00	80 00	50	4	0	0
Bissell	51	64 50	1132 23	118 00	90 00	15 00	15 00	50	5	0	0
Covenant	52	118 75	1913 84	281 00	..	5 00	..	51	4	0	0
Niagara Falls	53	53 50	647 57	146 00	64 00	119 00	..	51	3	0	0
Collingwood	54	28 75	489 90	..	75 00	..	60 00	53	3	0	0
Fidelity	55	59 75	1999 80	42 00	60 00	20 00	..	54	3	0	0
Queen City	56	105 00	1520 10	184 00	22 50	..	16 00	55	3	0	0
Maple Leaf	57	26 50	419 82	44 00	104 00	76 00	70 00	56	4	0	0
Howard	58	77 00	1236 40	77 00	16 00	..	..	57	4	0	0
Kingston	59	53 50	1021 58	67 00	38 50	..	32 50	58	1	0	0
Wardsville	60	11 25	176 60	56 00	..	117 00	36 30	59	1	0	0
Corinthian	61	71 00	1004 95	346 95	70 00	24 00	45 00	60	1	0	0
Huron	62	59 00	1185 87	100 00	67 50	24 50	60 00	61	1	0	0
Barric.	63	15 50	276 67	9 00	..	10 00	62 30	62	1	0	0
Victoria	64	48 25	488 98	116 55	..	..	..	63	1	0	0
Friendship	65	52 00	887 35	80 00	40 00	25 00	..	64	1	0	0
Flor Nightingale	66	50 00	646 76	152 00	60 00	19 00	58 00	65	1	0	0
Exeter	67	26 00	350 55	30 00	40 00	9 18	..	66	1	0	0
North Star	68	20 75	427 15	80 00	..	70 00	15 00	67	1	0	0

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Hope.....	69	4	38	40	29	13	...
Lucan.....	70	9	2	5	2	...	55	59	29	4	...
The Toronto.....	71	11	1	1	1	23	116	103	42	4	...
Eastern Star.....	72	17	...	1	2	3	14	...	131	139	42	9	...
Fergus.....	73	15	...	...	...	1	8	...	71	77	17	6	...
Rothwell.....	74	12	1	1	...	3	14	1	56	52	5	1	...
Warriner.....	75	12	1	1	1	11	1	1	89	88	35	10	...
St. Thomas.....	76	27	3	1	2	5	20	...	148	152	33	3	...
Oxford.....	77	20	...	2	...	14	...	...	105	113	50	15	...
Durham.....	78	5	2	...	...	1	72	...	67	...	2	1	...
Nipissing.....	79	5	...	...	3	4	1	75	72	11	3	...	
Amity.....	80	22	1	1	2	16	...	...	101	105	30	9	...
Belleville.....	81	20	...	...	5	2	1	112	124	32	6	...	
Beaver.....	82	6	...	...	2	1	...	...	41	44	...	1	...
Clinton.....	83	11	1	2	1	3	...	...	60	66	5	3	...
Walkerton.....	84	20	2	1	...	6	3	1	44	57	14	6	...
Constellation.....	85	5	...	...	1	1	...	...	32	35	3	1	...
Napanee.....	86	20	1	1	...	2	1	...	63	82	43	7	...
Empire.....	87	21	1	...	1	9	...	...	131	142	51	16	...
Olive Branch.....	88	19	3	...	5	7	...	...	102	112	18	6	...
Reliance.....	89	21	1	...	1	13	...	...	102	109	52	4	...
Ivy.....	90	23	1	2	1	10	4	...	62	73	38	10	...
Grand River.....	91	9	1	...	...	8	1	1	93	93	26	13	...
Milton.....	92	5	1	1	...	5	2	...	53	53	13	2	...
Western City.....	93	5	1	...	...	3	15	...	77	65	35	8	...
Aylmer.....	94	4	1	2	...	6	14	...	77	64	53	17	...
Port Stanley.....	95	11	...	...	1	2	4	...	40	44	23	7	...
Nith.....	96	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	44	53	9	5	...
Grand Union.....	97	12	1	1	1	15	4	...	78	72	35	7	...
Minto.....	98	10	1	...	...	2	1	...	47	55	14	1	...
Peabody.....	99	3	1	...	...	3	2	...	32	31	4	1	...
Lindsay.....	100	8	2	...	1	3	5	...	54	55	25	4-7	...
Golden Star.....	101	13	1	1	...	5	8	1	105	106	30	1-3	...
Dosoronto.....	102	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	42	45	5	3	...
Cataract.....	103	4	...	1	...	4	...	...	45	42	12	3	...
Dosoro.....	104	29	1	2	...	2	22	...	125	133	22	10	...
Manilla.....	105	7	4	3	...	45	45	72	9	...
St. Clair.....	106	6	2	1	2	1	74	78	21	6	...

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Waterloo	107	26	1	10	2	..	64	79	33	7	..
Royal Oak	108	9	1	1	6	..	51	44	16	3	..
Orion	108	16	1	2	1	3	6	..	57	66	10	4	..
Laurel	110	19	1	..	..	6	..	..	78	92	31	..	..
Peterboro	111	9	..	1	..	4	7	..	71	70	7	2	..
Lucknow	112	13	..	..	..	2	1	..	44	54	8	..	..
Trenton	113	8	..	..	..	2	..	..	21	27	17	..	..
Gananoque	114	7	1	..	..	..	10	..	38	36	..	2	..
Harmony	115	5	1	..	..	1	4	..	35	36	8	..	..
Naomi	116	5	..	..	..	2	5	..	44	42	6	3	..
Valley City	117	27	..	..	..	8	4	..	68	83	7	1	..
Maitland	119	10	4	3	..	8	9	..	47	47	13	3	..
Sydenham Valley	120	17	1	1	..	..	6	..	37	50	4	1	..
Saxon	121	6	1	..	1	2	4	1	34	33	8	1	..
Streetsville	122	5	..	..	3	..	..	..	46	48	2	1	..
Palmerston	123	16	..	..	1	2	3	..	39	49	15	6	2
Dresden	124	10	..	..	1	2	3	..	66	70	..	1	..
Stella	125	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	60	64	5	2	..
Sarnia	126	12	1	..	..	2	7	..	22	27	5	1	..
Mispah	127	22	..	..	2	7	1	1	45	56	16	5	..
Mystic	128	10	..	..	3	..	..	..	35	42	10	1	..
Charity	129	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	34	30	5 2-3	..	..
Livingstone	130	47	2	..	..	1	12	1	114	149	31	10	..
Marion	131	6	..	1	..	3	..	..	22	26	3	1	..
Oakville	132	3	..	1	1	2	6	..	46	41	5	3	..
Glencoe	133	6	..	..	2	1	..	..	34	37	7	3	..
Orient	134	23	1	..	1	6	10	1	74	80	5	2	..
Peaceful Dove	135	13	1	..	..	1	1	..	42	55	9	5	..
Cobourg	136	13	..	..	..	3	..	..	39	49	9	3	..
St. Lawrence	137	14	2	..	..	1	3	..	44	56	4	3	..
Ancaster	138	3	..	..	..	..	5	..	24	22	5 4-7	5	..
Garnet	139	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	34	5	..	..
Leamington	140	9	3	..	..	1	1	..	33	43	8	2	..
Capitol	141	15	..	..	1	1	..	..	42	45	3	4	..
Concord	142	10	..	..	4	6	2	..	27	36	..	2	..
Bay of Quinte	143	9	1	1	34	43	11	4	..
Ridgetown	144	9	1	3	6	..	43	44	28	6	..
Riverside	145	13	1	2	..	40	52	67	8	..

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Waterloo	107	\$ 35 75	\$ 767 27	\$ 103 50	\$..	123 00	\$..
Royal Oak	108	22 25	170 85	47 00	..	1 75	..
Orion	109	30 75	572 83	33 00	..	5 00	72 52
Laurel	110	44 50	676 20	83 00	..	14 00	..
Peterboro	111	34 50	356 12	21 00	..	..	..
Lucknow	112	25 75	489 42	34 00	..	..	..
Trenton	113	12 75	210 05	34 00	..	..	15 00
Gananoque	114	18 00	217 57	20 50	..	..	..
Harmony	115	18 50	467 00	27 30	..	..	..
Naomi	116	21 50	322 44	13 00	..	..	..
Valley City	117	40 00	835 34	20 00	..	..	..
Maitland	119	21 25	344 86	21 00	..	2 50	25 00
Sydenham Valley	120	23 25	388 50	4 00	..	..	..
Saxon	121	17 25	285 75	24 00	..	..	..
Streetsville	122	24 50	307 50	..	..	10 00	..
Palmerston	123	23 00	427 90	27 00	48 75	..	..
Dresden	124	34 75	658 80	30 00	..	7 00	30 25
Stella	125	14 25	228 50	7 50	..	..	35 00
Sarnia	126	31 50	490 75	45 00	..	..	..
Mizpah	127	26 75	685 52	28 00	..	..	..
Mystic	128	19 75	550 95	..	..	2 00	40 00
Charity	129	16 00	182 50	35 00	..	..	..
Livingstone	130	70 00	1113 33	93 25	..	..	..
Marion	131	12 25	218 90	4 50	..	2 50	..
Oakville	132	19 75	271 99	13 00	..	2 00	..
Glencoe	133	18 75	295 78	21 00	..	..	..
Orient	134	41 50	1056 49	70 57	..	..	..
Peaceful Dove	135	26 25	460 38	24 00	..	..	21 50
Cobourg	136	24 00	394 22	23 55	..	10 00	..
St. Lawrence	137	26 25	379 12	17 00	..	23 61	..
Ancaster	138	12 00	158 00	..	..	..	15 00
Garnet	139	15 50	257 60	15 00	..	..	..
Leamington	140	21 00	339 35	13 60	..	..	..
Capitol	141	23 50	476 75	11 00	..	..	30 00
Concord	142	16 50	323 72	..	..	..	..
Bay of Quinte	143	19 75	399 63	23 00
Ridgetown	144	23 00	407 09	38 00	7 00
Riverside	145	25 75	302 25	134 00	..	5 00	..

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LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Deceased.	Withdrawn by Card.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Membership Per Last Report.	Present Membership.	Total No. of Week's Sickness.	No. of Brothers Relieved.	Widowed Families Relieved.
Vivian	146	1				1			24	24			
Model	147	12			1	2			28	37		3	
Aurora	148	17	1						35	47	4		
Western Star	149	11	1						29	41	10		
Bertie	150	11	1			1			44	55	4		
Sycamore	151	13			4				32	41	3		
Hayden	152	17	1			5			25	39			
Wilsey	153	4	1			1			21	25	1		
Alpha	154	7				2			25	30	3		
Brougham	155	5	1						15	21	3		
Pyramid	156	16	1			7			41	51			
Thamesville	157	13					1		19	30	3		
Progress	158	35	3						38	76			
Oak Leaf	159	15			1				43	57	24		
Listowel	160	23				3			26	46	1		
Simcoe	161	10	2		1				26	37			
Cookstown	162	14				3			22	33	5		
Oriental	163	11							18	29			
Romeo	164	18	2			2			33	51	16		
Beethoven	165	17			1				12	28	17½		
Oswego	166	5							10	13			
Hillsburg	167	17				2	1		9	26			
Sutton	168	21							16	36	6		
Stephen	169	25						1	10	26			
Denovo	170	30	8			9			37	1			
Alliston	171	28	11			1			36	3	1		
Penetangore	172	71	8			3			79	2			
Emerald	173	28	6		1				33		2		
Dolman	174	28	6			1			33			1	
Lorne	175	20	7						27				
Danucey	176	30	9						39	13			
Montana	177	22	6						24			1	
Wellington Square	178	25	10			4			34				
Madoc	179	12	7			1			19				
Owen Sound	180	10	8						18	1		1	
Ark	181	12	6			1			17				
Tecumseh	182	9	6						15				
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LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	Per Capita Tax.	Receipts During Term.	Paid for the Relief of Brothers.	Paid for the Relief of Widowed Families.	Paid for Charity.	Paid for Burying the Dead.
Vivian	146	\$ 11 75	185 27	..	..	\$ 45 97	..
Model	147	18 00	399 17	\$ 12 00	..	..	..
Aurora	148	23 75	443 31	47 00	..	..	39 20
Western Star	149	19 50	414 91	21 50	..	15 00	..
Bertie	150	26 25	587 96	130 37	..	..	..
Sycamore	151	20 50	1043 34	7 50	..	..	..
Hayden	152	18 25	478 80	3 00	..	..	15 00
Willey	153	12 60	166 44	..	..	..	15 00
Alpha	154	15 00	421 95	58 00	..	4 25	..
Brougham	155	9 50	171 43	..	..	..	..
Pyramid	156	24 75	527 67	5 00	..	..	..
Thamesville	157	13 75	380 63	3 00	..	..	19 25
Progress	158	34 25	1436 32	..	..	..	..
Oak Leaf	159	27 50	587 59	69 00	..	..	..
Listowel	160	20 00	497 85	1 50	..	12 14	..
Simcoe	161	17 00	368 77	..	..	..	..
Cookstown	162	14 75	335 87	10 00	..	..	..
Oriental	163	12 75	362 13	..	..	5 00	..
Romeo	164	23 00	604 91	..	..	..	..
Beethoven	165	12 75	383 96	31 50	..	25 00	..
Oswego	166	6 75	73 00	52 50	..	..	..
Hillsburg	167	11 25	397 24	7 00	..	..	..
Sutton	168	16 75	440 50	6 00	..	..	..
Stephen	169	12 25	604 61	..	..	10 00	..
Denovo	170	16 00	497 54	..	..	7 80	..
Alliston	171	15 00	566 47	2 00	..	..	..
Penetangore	172	34 25	1176 42	9 00	..	..	..
Emerald	173	15 00	744 59	56 00	..	..	..
Dolman	174	15 25	506 25	..	..	..	30 00
Lorne	175	11 25	541 13	22 40	..	4 50	..
Dauncey	176	17 00	664 40	19 00	..	..	..
Montana	177	11 25	429 83	..	..	..	..
Wellington Square	178	15 00	773 50	..	..	..	..
Mado	179	4 75	309 88	..	..	..	..
Owen Sound	180	4 50	383 27	3 00
Ark	181	4 25	194 06
Tecumseh	182	3 75	201 75
Teeswater	183	7 50	356 30

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LODGE.	Number of Lodges.		Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Deceased.	Withdrawn by Card.	Suspended.	Expelled.	Membership Per Last Report.	Present Membership.	Total No. of Week's Sickness.	No. of Brothers Relieved.	Widowed Families Relieved.
												
Germania.....	184	14	12	26
Live Oak.....	185	14	9	23
Dufferin.....	186	9	11
Cypress.....	187	11	16
Cambridge.....	188	9	17
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LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	Per Capita Tax.	Receipts During Term.	Paid for the Relief of Brothers.	Paid for the Relief of Widowed Families.	Paid for Charity.	Paid for Burying the Dead.
Germania	184	\$ 6 50	\$ 229 50	..	..	..	..
Live Oak	185	5 75	229 95	..	..	..	..
Dufferin	186	2 75	182 00	..	..	..	..
Cypress	187	4 00	207 76	..	..	..	..
Cambridge	188	4 25	135 62	..	..	..	..
		\$5475 75	\$104680 26	\$11531 02	\$3792 85	1716 00	\$2543 88

N. B.—The footings on the opposite page should read: Initiated, 2283, Admitted by Card, 266, Reinstated, 66, Deceased, 72, Withdrawn by Card, 386, Suspended, 954, Expelled, 23, Membership per last Report, 10,186, Present Membership, 11,366. The discrepancy between these totals and those in the summary on page 1593, is owing to the fact, that the several Lodges whose returns were not received until after the report had been made up for the Session of Grand Lodge are included in this report.

J. B. KING, Grand Secretary.

Abstract from Semi-Annual Report.

LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	Current Expenses.	Total Expenditure.	General Fund.	Widow and Orphan's Fund.
Brook	9	\$ 339 86	\$ 754 86	\$ 1475 42	371 72
Cataraqui	10	210 27	210 27	461 76	41 20
Union	16	1148 50	1943 06	13280 75	5677 42
Rose	28	181 40	229 40	67 87	16 50
Chatham	29	267 75	668 75	2854 37	1495 51
Eureka	30	275 26	174 06	2666 98	2879 27
Erie	33	45 00	138 00	1061 33	625 07
Gore	34	235 46	894 96	3065 51	1510 50
Samaritan	35	417 68	733 68	3544 87	1660 97
St. Marys	36	488 95	605 95	7733 00	
Forest City	38	877 23	2150 13	7141 10	3175 30
Rond Eau	40	231 12	391 12	751 97	192 85
Avon	41	319 30	885 33	6490 20	1802 83
Excelsior	44	867 60	1484 70	2178 66	1283 86
Frontier	45	826 60	1366 34	6909 58	473 85
Mt. Zion	46	87 95	121 15	169 15	163 95
Unity	47	987 32	1136 07	3672 54	1781 20
Dominion	48	241 00	684 00	4150 00	1525 00
Canada	49	862 13	1334 88	3441 00	861 55
Otter	50	320 86	578 86	1930 53	267 92
Bissell	51	267 35	390 35	2130 84	433 77
Covenant	52	856 40	1320 90	3327 69	1657 02
Niagara Falls	53	314 95	595 95	962 09	645 26
Gollingwood	54	210 60	290 60	720 74	92 95
Fidelity	55	925 03	1005 53	1977 56	488 30
Queen City	56	1155 63	1539 63	2065 02	916 87
Maple Leaf	57	211 11	271 11	189 61	253 15
Howard	58	451 52	599 52	2293 73	1121 77
Kingston	59	719 93	940 23	1598 30	533 44
Wardsville	60	98 12	293 12	281 17	75 10
Corinthian	61	339 47	838 42	950 79	866 14
Huron	62	427 24	599 54	1433 25	684 78
Barrie	63	226 20	235 20	31 80	29 62
Victoria	64	262 61	404 16	704 68	256 40
Friendship	65	272 89	469 89	2309 65	508 79
Flor Nightingale	66	302 13	523 31	785 00	520 00
Exeter	67	195 11	310 11	344 89	217 10
North Star	68	170 31	250 31	186 47	94 21

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LODGE.	Number.	Current Expenses.	Total Expenditure.	General Fund.	Widow and Orphan's Fund.
Hope.....	69	\$ 59 41	\$ 138 41	\$ 698 45	\$ 170 64
Lucan.....	70	175 32	260 32	1125 09	282 67
The Toronto.....	71	654 78	807 78	261 24	409 33
Eastern Star.....	72	330 10	565 85	2272 48	520 00
Fergus.....	73	305 65	384 15	766 61	584 30
Bothwell.....	74	123 36	178 86	467 69	141 82
Warriner.....	75	252 86	426 36	1571 24	366 96
St. Thomas.....	76	343 18	549 68	1400 98	547 35
Oxford.....	77	231 24	403 39	1400 98	326 33
Durham.....	78	337 37	468 37	214 76	319 56
Nipissing.....	79	314 21	392 21	315 39	181 70
Amity.....	80	506 90	686 40	1341 41	298 05
Belleville.....	81	471 55	653 20	1760 91	508 29
Beaver.....	82	104 07	114 07	915 76	106 58
Clinton.....	83	189 57	303 07	800 03	241 50
Walkerton.....	84	174 90	238 90	784 25	150 00
Constellation.....	85	98 94	107 94	340 06	101 90
Napanee.....	86	190 18	361 68	878 77	86 65
Empire.....	87	325 65	504 15	1596 26	413 49
Olive Branch.....	88	214 43	285 43	1558 27	369 33
Reliance.....	89	271 17	495 27	1700 38	283 15
Ivy.....	90	166 17	306 67	441 58	250 96
Grand River.....	91	290 83	396 83	706 63	439 41
Milton.....	92	135 66	171 66	124 74	202 40
Western City.....	93	232 19	351 19	533 94	163 52
Aylmer.....	94	225 00	383 00	144 85	189 33
Port Stanley.....	95	139 81	391 81	567 96	90 01
Nith.....	96	157 14	185 14	528 93	198 26
Grand Union.....	97	356 43	518 93	647 63	256 76
Minto.....	98	201 51	295 21	457 42	188 55
Peabody.....	99	70 07	93 33	315 19	118 65
Lindsay.....	100	92 80	208 80	1146 23	211 71
Golden Star.....	101	308 18	468 18	707 28	392 19
Dosoronto.....	102	254 07	290 72	531 42	59 04
Cataract.....	103	161 56	186 06	431 16	133 97
Crescent.....	104	827 06	1005 91	481 94	500 80
Manilla.....	105	98 18	271 68	460 18	182 61
St. Clair.....	106	192 63	258 63	3350 00	277 60

Abstract from Semi-Annual Returns.

LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	Current Expenses.	Total Expenditure.	General Fund.	Widow and Orphan's Fund.
Waterloo	107	\$ 205 61	\$ 432 11	\$ 1256 56	\$ 214 18
Royal Oak	108	104 15	152 90	67 32	114 48
Orion	109	252 61	363 13	757 25	230 79
Laurel	110	427 39	524 39	1246 68	258 00
Peterboro	111	313 28	334 28	.....	268 28
Lucknow	112	179 38	228 38	440 45	203 70
Trenton	113	217 93	251 93	30 25	.....
Gananoque	114	222 58	243 08	100 00	20 00
Harmony	115	138 82	164 12	853 57	189 64
Naomi	116	148 84	161 84	480 30	108 90
Valley City	117	360 08	407 58	989 78	256 40
Maitland	119	250 87	271 87	481 59	153 60
Sydenham Valley	120	125 28	129 28	320 63	74 71
Saxon	121	176 71	210 71	90 98	79 42
Streetsville	122	194 71	194 71	317 70	142 80
Palmerston	123	326 42	432 42	325 75	71 38
Dresden	124	250 03	322 03	561 05	161 60
Stella	125	220 41	227 91	44 45	51 60
Sarnia	126	309 50	357 50	136 15	141 36
Mizpah	127	231 19	301 19	1162 14	67 94
Mystic	128	185 48	185 48	445 59	68 75
Charity	129	115 36	115 36	54 79	70 33
Livingstone	130	328 42	424 17	1167 67	197 61
Marion	131	254 96	261 46	328 89	68 80
Oakville	132	73 73	86 73	142 99	148 72
Glencoe	133	180 16	201 16	277 91	57 53
Orient	134	395 41	487 48	471 01	122 63
Peaceful Dove	135	292 79	326 79	649 95	80 00
Cobourg	136	315 74	362 90	493 80	57 12
St. Lawrence	137	187 20	219 20	239 69	76 93
Ancaster	138	150 16	150 16	300 00	83 32
Garnet	139	191 62	206 62	65 48	24 57
Leamington	140	163 07	206 67	17 21	47 76
Capitol	141	584 48	595 48	106 37	53 13
Concord	142	259 73	259 73	89 62	61 68
Bay of Quinte	143	170 60	193 60	825 27
Ridgetown	144	366 50	411 50	46 97	72 00
Riverside	145	137 84	276 84	195 93

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LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	Current Expenses.	Total Expenditure.	General Fund.	Widow and Orphan's Fund.
Vivian	146	\$ 122 44	\$ 168 41	\$ 233 43	\$ 40 88
Model	147	234 10	285 30	88 11	65 06
Aurora	148	150 78	212 78	537 40	87 49
Western Star	149	343 65	365 15	226 40	61 93
Bertie	150	133 88	264 25	619 45	96 83
Sycamore	151	145 36	167 86	557 53	39 50
Hayden	152	69 38	87 38	357 49	66 33
Wilday	153	8 32	12 57	384 52	34 89
Alpha	154	147 92	205 92	85 40	27 68
Brougham	155	92 20	92 20	504 25	.....
Pyramid	156	362 02	386 27	254 35	68 54
Thamesville	157	139 12	142 12	272 61	29 50
Progress	158	653 93	653 93	203 74	88 11
Oak Leaf	159	311 37	392 51	350 83	91 73
Listowel	160	52 40	53 90	479 98	42 63
Simcoe	161	556 43	556 43	22 50	61 31
Cookstown	162	212 72	227 72	108 15	.....
Oriental	163	324 02	324 02	38 11	.....
Romeo	164	142 91	199 41	576 90	49 37
Beethoven	165	207 22	259 92	306 90	32 04
Oswego	166	129 99	129 99	25 00	15 00
Hillsburg	167	233 83	239 83	107 27	10 90
Sutton	168	402 53	412 53	347 00	43 70
Stephen	169	192 05	199 85	149 50	14 30
Denovo	170	139 75	141 75	378 81	40 75
Alliston	171	407 30	416 30	116 42	32 00
Penetangore	172	234 35	290 35	858 92	68 38
Emerald	173	223 15	253 15	400 05	27 40
Dolman	174	465 80	492 70	.....	25 45
Lorne	175	519 70	519 70	21 12	20 65
Dauncey	176	506 28	525 28	325 00	13 00
Montana	177	286 29	286 29	80 41	15 31
Wellington Square	178	368 22	368 22	237 11	16 50
Madoc	179	301 28	301 28	251 35	7 20
Owen Sound	180	129 19	132 19	230 46	23 62
Ark	181	233 53	233 53	187 80	6 26
Tecumseh	182	124 86	124 86	76 89
Teeswater	183	75 41	75 41	280 89	6 41

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LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	Current Expenses.	Total Expenditure.	General Fund.	Widow and Orphan's Fund.
Germania.....	184	\$ 139 22	\$ 139 22	\$ 83 68	\$ 6 60
Live Oak	185	20 00	20 00	209 95	.....
Dufferin	186	86 30	86 30	82 90	6 34
Cypress	187	192 85	192 85	14 91	1 45
Cambridge	188	73 51	73 51	342 10	1 91
		\$46124 87	\$64708 32	\$155464 84	\$51016 77

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LODGE.	No. Degrees Conferred		Rejected.	Total of all Funds.	Date of Institution.
	Number.	No. Degrees Conferred			
Brook	9	18	4	\$ 1847 14	March 5th, 1846.
Cataraqui	10	32	1	502 96	Resuscitated May 25, 1875.
Union	16	88	6	18958 17	March 16th, 1846.
Rose	28	30	4	84 37	Resuscitated May 6, 1875.
Chatham	29	30	..	4349 88	January 13th, 1854.
Eureka	30	30	6	5546 25	Feb. 2nd, 1854.
Erie	33	3	1	1686 40	Oct. 5th, 1854.
Gore	34	50	5	4635 91	Dec. 25th, 1854.
Samaritan	35	39	5	5205 84	January 13th, 1856.
St. Marys	36	76	5	7733 00	November 6th, 1856.
Forest City	38	51	..	10316 40	February 9th, 1857.
Rond Eau	40	12	1	944 82	Resuscitated July 18, 1872
Avon	41	37	1	8293 03	January 9th, 1861.
Excelsior	44	38	..	3462 52	" 9th, 1863.
Frontier	45	69	2	7382 43	" 27th, 1864.
Mt. Zion	46	..	..	339 10	" 18th, 1866.
Unity	47	104	2	5453 74	April 3rd, 1867.
Dominion	48	111	10	5675 00	September 18th, 1867.
Canada	49	93	1	4302 55	January 14th, 1868.
Otter	50	37	4	2198 45	March 16th, 1868.
Bissell	51	148	7	2564 61	October 15th, 1868.
Covenant	52	67	1	4984 71	" 22nd, 1868.
Niagara Falls	53	23	3	1597 35	April 20th, 1869.
Collingwood	54	52	..	813 69	October 7th, 1869.
Fidelity	55	52	3	2465 86	March 8th, 1870.
Queen City	56	87	1	2981 89	" 10th, 1870.
Maple Leaf	57	19	3	442 76	" 24th, 1870.
Howard	58	62	2	3415 60	" 17th, 1870.
Kingston	59	35	2	2131 74	April 14th, 1870.
Wardsville	60	9	..	356 27	" 26th, 1870.
Corinthian	61	56	6	1816 93	May 5th, 1870.
Huron	62	88	6	2118 03	" 31st, 1870.
Barrie	63	2	1	61 42	July 31st, 1870.
Victoria	64	22	..	961 08	August 22nd, 1870.
Friendship	65	27	5	2818 44	January 13th, 1871.
Flor Nightingale	66	16	..	1305 00	" 25th, 1871.
Exeter	67	24	..	561 99	" 27th, 1871.
North Star	68	45	1	280 68	March 3rd, 1871.

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LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	No. Degrees Conferred.	Rejected.	Total of all Funds.	Date of Institution.
Hope	69	26	1	\$ 569 09	March 23rd, 1871.
Lucan	70	41	6	1407 76	March 30th, 1871.
The Toronto	71	21	..	670 67	May 8th, 1871.
Eastern Star	72	15	8	2792 48	" 11th, 1871.
Fergus	73	23	..	1350 91	" 31st, 1871.
Bothwell	74	31	2	609 51	June 23rd, 1871.
Warriner	75	37	..	1938 20	" 27th, 1871.
St. Thomas	76	84	1	2084 88	July 14th, 1871.
Oxford	77	28	1	1727 31	" 27th, 1871.
Durham	78	13	1	534 32	August 18th, 1871.
Nipissing	79	34	..	497 09	October 12th, 1871.
Amity	80	73	5	1639 46	" 12th, 1871.
Belleville	81	73	6	2269 20	December 13th, 1871.
Beaver	82	7	..	1022 34	January 12th, 1872.
Clinton	83	60	2	1041 53	" 16th, 1872.
Walkerton	84	77	1	934 25	" 17th, 1872.
Constellation	85	6	1	441 96	January 22nd, 1872.
Napanee	86	56	..	965 42	February 8th, 1872.
Empire	87	49	7	2010 75	March 13th, 1872.
Olive Branch	88	99	2	1927 60	" 14th, 1872.
Reliance	89	41	2	1983 53	" 15th, 1872.
Ivy	90	61	1	692 54	April 24th, 1872.
Grand River	91	46	4	1146 04	May 31st, 1872.
Milton	92	11	..	327 14	June 11th, 1872.
Western City	93	21	..	697 46	" 13th, 1872.
Aylmer	94	41	..	334 18	" 14th, 1872.
Fort Stanley	95	21	2	657 97	July 16th, 1872.
Nith	96	42	5	727 19	" 30th, 1872.
Grand Union	97	59	2	904 39	August 2nd, 1872.
Minto	98	31	2	645 97	" 3rd, 1872.
Peabody	99	10	..	433 74	September 11th, 1872.
Lindsay	100	62	1	1357 94	" 24th, 1872.
Golden Star	101	66	2	1099 47	October 10th, 1872.
Dosoronto	102	24	2	590 46	November 15th, 1872.
Cataract	103	32	1	565 13	December 5th, 1872.
Crescent	104	103	2	982 74	January 31st, 1873.
Manilla	105	11	..	642 79	February 26th, 1873.
St. Clair	106	34	5	3627 50	" 27th, 1873.

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Abstract from Semi-Annual Returns.

LODGE.	Number of Lodges.	Nc. of Degrees Conferred.	Rejected.	Total of all Funds.	Date of Institution.
Waterloo	107	75	4	\$ 1470 74	March 10th, 1873.
Royal Oak	108	34	2	181 80	" 18th, 1873.
Orion	109	53	1	988 04	" 20th, 1873.
Laurel	110	58	2	1504 68	May 5th, 1873.
Peterboro	111	24	..	268 28	" 12th, 1873.
Lucknow	112	68	..	644 15	" 20th, 1873.
Trenton	113	20	..	30 25	June 11th, 1873.
Gananoque	114	15	2	120 00	" 16th, 1873.
Harmony	115	18	..	1043 21	" 26th, 1873.
Naomi	116	27	..	589 20	July 1st, 1873.
Valley City	117	92	4	1246 18	" 10th, 1873.
Maitland	119	23	..	635 19	August 4th, 1873.
Sydenham Valley	120	25	3	395 34	September 5th, 1873.
Streetsville	121	34	3	170 40	" 17th, 1873.
Palmerston	122	10	..	460 59	November 28th, 1873.
Dresden	123	40	2	397 13	January 1st, 1874.
Stella	124	59	3	722 65	" 8th, 1874.
Sarnia	125	37	1	96 05	" 23rd, 1874.
Mixpah	126	25	3	277 51	" 26th, 1874.
Mystic	127	110	..	1230 08	February 6th, 1874.
Charity	128	25	..	514 34	" 19th, 1874.
Livingstone	129	8	..	125 12	March 3rd, 1874.
Marion	130	119	3	1365 28	" 3rd, 1874.
Oakville	131	42	..	394 69	" 5th, 1874.
Glencoe	132	12	..	291 71	" 9th, 1874.
Orient	133	39	1	335 49	" 11th, 1874.
Peaceful Dove	134	107	2	593 04	" 25th, 1874.
Cobourg	135	42	2	729 95	" 27th, 1874.
St. Lawrence	136	37	4	550 92	" 30th, 1874.
Ancaster	137	28	2	316 62	April 10th, 1874.
Garnet	138	4	..	383 32	" 14th, 1874.
Leamington	139	15	1	90 05	" 29th, 1874.
Capitol	140	40	..	64 47	May 7th, 1874.
Concord	141	46	1	159 50	" 13th, 1874.
Bay of Quinte	142	27	..	101 30	" 25th, 1874.
Ridgetown	143	34	2	825 27	June 5th, 1874.
Riverside	144	50	1	118 97	" 11th, 1874.
	145	61	..	195 93	" 30th, 1874.

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LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	No. of Degrees Conferred.		Total of all Funds.	Date of Institution.
		Accepted.	Rejected.		
Vivian	146	11	..	\$ 279 31	June 22nd, 1874.
Model	147	60	..	153 17	July 27th, 1874.
Aurora	148	56	..	624 89	September 17th, 1874.
Western Star	149	31	..	288 33	" 29th, 1874.
Bertie	160	74	2	716 28	November 9th, 1874.
Sycamore	151	65	2	597 03	" 24th, 1874.
Hayden	152	81	1	423 82	" 26th, 1874.
Willey	153	22	2	419 41	" 26th, 1874.
Alpha	154	45	1	504 25	January 1st, 1875.
Brougham	155	13	2	113 08	" 29th, 1875.
Pyramid	156	33	2	322 89	February 18th, 1875.
Thamesville	157	31	1	302 11	March 4th, 1875.
Progress	158	69	7	291 85	" 5th, 1875.
Oak Leaf	159	57	6	442 56	" 11th, 1875.
Listowel	160	42	8	522 61	" 11th, 1875.
Simcoe	161	35	3	83 81	" 18th, 1875.
Cookstown	162	48	..	108 15	" 26th, 1875.
Oriental	163	16	1	38 11	April 15th, 1875.
Romeo	164	75	..	626 27	" 13th, 1875.
Beethoven	165	41	..	338 94	June 16th, 1875.
Owego	166	8	..	40 00	" 17th, 1875.
Hillsburg	167	57	..	118 17	" 18th, 1875.
Sutton	168	100	3	390 70	" 25th, 1875.
Stephen	169	98	3	163 80	" 28th, 1875.
Denovo	170	84	4	419 56	July 21st, 1875.
Alliston	171	76	3	148 42	August 2nd, 1875.
Penetangore	172	185	15	927 30	September 7th, 1875.
Emerald	173	108	2	427 45	" 29th, 1875.
Dolman	174	91	1	25 45	October 15th, 1875.
Lorne	175	37	2	41 77	" 28th, 1875.
Dauncey	176	12	2	338 00	November 24th, 1875.
Montana	177	55	3	95 72	" 24th, 1875.
Wellington Square	178	132	2	253 61	December 6th, 1875.
Mado	179	..	..	258 55	January 10th, 1876.
Owen Sound	180	55	2	254 08	" 20th, 1876.
Ark	181	34	3	194 06	" 27th, 1876.
Tecumseh	182	35	..	76 89	February 10th, 1876.
Teeswater	183	74	2	287 30	" 23rd, 1876.

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LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	No. of Degrees Conferred.	Degrees.	Total of all Funds.	Date of Institution.
Germania,	184	50	3	\$ 90 28	February 28th, 1876.
Live Oak	185	18	..	209 95	March 28th, 1876.
Dufferin	186	15	1	89 24	April 4th, 1876.
Cypress	187	15	1	16 36	June 7th, 1876.
Cambridge	188	27	..	344 01	May 31st, 1876.
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SUBORDINATE LODGES.

LODGE.	Number.	LOCATION.	Night of Meeting.
Brock.....	9	Brockville	Tuesday
Cataraqui.....	10	Kingston	Tuesday
Union.....	16	St. Catharines	Monday
Rose.....	28	Amherstburg	Wednesday
Chatham.....	29	Chatham	Tuesday
Eureka.....	30	London	Tuesday
Erie.....	33	Pt. Burwell	Thursday
Gore.....	34	Brantford	Thursday
Samaritan.....	35	Ingersoll	Wednesday
St. Marys.....	36	St. Marys	Tuesday
Forest City.....	38	London	Monday
Road Eau.....	40	Blenheim	Friday
Avon.....	41	Stratford	Wednesday
Excelsior.....	44	Hamilton	Thursday
Frontier.....	45	Windsor	Wednesday
Mt. Zion.....	46	Newbury	Thursday
Unity.....	47	Hamilton	Wednesday
Dominion.....	48	London	Wednesday
Canada.....	49	Toronto	Friday
Otter.....	50	Tilsonburg	Monday
Bissell.....	51	Mitchell	Monday
Covenant.....	52	Toronto	Tuesday
Niagara Falls.....	53	Clifton	Tuesday
Collingwood.....	54	Collingwood	Thursday
Fidelity.....	55	Seaforth	Wednesday
Queen City of Ontario.....	56	Toronto	Wednesday
Maple Leaf.....	57	Orangeville	Thursday
Howard.....	58	Strathroy	Wednesday
Kingston.....	59	Kingston	Friday
Wardsville.....	60	Wardsville	Monday
Corinthian.....	61	Oshawa	Thursday
Huron.....	62	Goderich	Thursday
Barrie.....	63	Barrie	Monday
Victoria.....	64	Hamilton	Tuesday
Friendship.....	65	Petrolia	Friday
Florence Nightingale.....	66	Bowmanville	Wednesday
Exeter.....	67	Exeter	Tuesday
North Star.....	68	Stayner	Alternate Friday
Hope.....	69	Harrietville	Saturday
Lucan.....	70	Lucan	Tuesday
The Toronto.....	71	Toronto	Monday
Eastern Star.....	72	Whitby	Tuesday
Fergus.....	73	Fergus	Tuesday
Bothwell.....	74	Bothwell	Tuesday
Warriner.....	75	Port Perry	Monday
St. Thomas.....	76	St. Thomas	Wednesday
Oxford.....	77	Ingersoll	Monday
Durham.....	78	Port Hope	Tuesday
Nipissing.....	79	Uxbridge	Thursday
Umity.....	80	Prescott	Thursday
Belleville.....	81	Belleville	Thursday
Beaver.....	82	Ruthven	Tuesday
Clinton.....	83	Clinton	Tuesday

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LODGE.	Number.	LOCATION.	Night of Meeting.
Walkerton	84	Walkerton	Friday
Constellation	85	Burgessville	Tuesday
Napanee	86	Napanee	Tuesday
Empire	87	St. Catharines	Thursday
Olive Branch	88	Woodstock	Monday
Reliance	89	Guelph	Monday
Ivy	90	Park Hill	Thursday
Grand River	91	Paris	Thursday
Milton	92	Milton	Tuesday
Western City	93	Chatham	Wednesday
Aylmer	94	Aylmer	Tuesday
Port Stanley	95	Port Stanley	Monday
Nith	96	New Hamburg	Thursday
Grand Union	97	Berlin	Friday
Minto	98	Harriston	Friday
Peabody	99	Watford	Thursday
Lindsay	100	Lindsay	Thursday
Golden Star	101	Brampton	Thursday
Dosoronto	102	Mill Point	Wednesday
Cataract	103	Drummondville	Thursday
Crescent	104	Hamilton	Friday
Manilla	105	Manilla	Wednesday
St. Clair	106	Point Edward	Thursday
Waterloo	107	Galt	Monday
Royal Oak	108	Forest	Monday
Orion	109	Georgetown	Monday
Laurel	110	Yorkville	Monday
Peterboro'	111	Peterborough	Thursday semi-monthly
Lucknow	112	Lucknow	Friday
Trenton	113	Trenton	Wednesday
Gananoque	114	Gananoque	Monday
Harmony	115	Bramford	Tuesday
Naomi	116	Markham	Monday
Valley City	117	Dundas	Thursday
Maitland	119	Wingham	Friday
Sydenham Valley	120	Wallaceburg	Friday
Saxon	121	Ailsa Craig	Wednesday
Streetsville	122	Streetsville	Friday
Palmerston	123	Palmerston	Thursday
Dresden	124	Dresden	Monday
Stella	125	Carleton Place	Monday
Sarnia	126	Sarnia	Monday
Mizpah	127	Belleville	Friday
Mystic	128	Kilbride	Monday
Charity	129	Sunderland	Tuesday
Livingstone	130	Thorold	Tuesday
Marion	131	Renfrew	Wednesday
Oakville	132	Oakville	Monday
Glencoe	133	Glencoe	Wednesday
Orient	134	Welland	Tuesday
Peaceful Dove	135	Cannington	Thursday
Cobourg	136	Cobourg	Friday
St. Lawrence	137	Brockville	Monday

LODGE.	Number.	LOCATION.	Night of Meeting.
Ancaster	138	Ancaster	Monday
Garnet	139	Mt. Forest	Tuesday
Leamington	140	Leamington	Thursday
Capital	141	Ottawa	Thursday
Concord	142	Kingsville	Friday
Bay of Quinte	143	Picton	Wednesday
Ridgetown	144	Ridgetown	Wednesday
Riverside	145	Iroquois	Friday
Vivian	146	Arnprior	Tuesday
Model	147	Wyoming	Monday
Aurora	148	Aurora	Tuesday
Western Star	149	Brussels	Thursday
Bertie	150	Ridgeway	Monday
Sycamore	151	Arkona	Tuesday
Hayden	152	Norwich	Friday
Willey	153	Granton	Tuesday
Alpha	154	Almonte	Monday
Brougham	155	Brougham	Thursday
Pyramid	156	Newmarket	Tuesday
Thamesville	157	Thamesville	Thursday
Progress	158	Guelph	Thursday
Oak Leaf	159	Hamilton	Thursday
Listowell	160	Listowell	Tuesday
Simcoe	161	Simcoe	Thursday
Cookstown	162	Cookstown	Tuesday
Oriental	163	Cornwall	Wednesday
Romeo	164	Stratford	Tuesday
Beethoven	165	Brooklin	Wednesday
Oswego	166	Canboro	Thursday
Hillsburg	167	Hillsburg	Friday
Sutton	168	Sutton	Friday
Stephen	169	Durham	Monday
Denovo	170	Pt. Elgin	Thursday
Alliston	171	Alliston	Friday
Penetangore	172	Kincardine	Tuesday
Emerald	173	Dunnville	Tuesday
Dolman	174	Ayr	Wednesday
Lorne	175	West Lorne	Thursday
Dauncey	176	Theford	Wednesday
Montana	177	Wroxeter	Wednesday
Wellington Square	178	Wellington Square	Monday
Madoc	179	Madoc	Monday
Owen Sound	180	Owen Sound	Alternate Monday
Ark	181	Springfield	Thursday
Tecumseh	182	Otterville	Thursday
Teeswater	183	Teeswater	Monday
Germania	184	Waterloo	Wednesday
Live Oak	185	Greensville	Thursday
Dufferin	186	Flesherton	Alternate Tuesday
Cypress	187	Bradford	Tuesday
Cambridge	188	Preston	Monday
Parry Sound	189	Parry Sound	Wednesday
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IN MEMORY

OF

George Armin,

PAST GRAND OF

FRONTIER LODGE, No. 45,

P. C. P. OF

FRONTIER ENCAMPMENT, No. 2,

R. W. GRAND TREASURER OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO.

Who, while driving his train on the Great Western Railway,
was suddenly killed at Hyde Park Junction, on Thursday,
May 18th, 1876.

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“Though seeing his danger, he kept his post, saved his
train, and met his death like a brave man.”

No.	Name	Address	City	State
1	W. H. Jones	100 Main St.	London	Ohio
2	W. H. Jones	100 Main St.	London	Ohio
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LIST OF DISTRICTS.

1823

Dist No.	Comprising the Counties of	Lodges.	No	Location.	D. D. G. M. and P. O. Address.
1	Leeds, Grenville, Dundas, Stormont, Glengary, Prescott, Russell, Carleton, Lanark and Renfrew, (except the village of Gananoque.)	Brock	9	Brookville	J. T. White, Brookville.
		Amity	80	Prescott	
		Stella	125	Carleton Place	
		Marion	131	Renfrew	
		St. Lawrence	137	Brookville	
		Capitol	141	Ottawa	
		Riverside	145	Iroquois	
		Vivian	146	Arnprior	
		Alpha	154	Almonte	
	Oriental	163	Cornwall		
2	Frontenac, Ad- dington, Lennox, & village of Gan- anoque	Cataraqui	10	Kingston	A. L. Morden Napanee.
		Kingston	59	"	
		Napanee	86	Napanee	
		Gananoque	114	Gananoque	
3	Prince Edward & Hastings	Belleville	81	Belleville	T. G. Carson Picton.
		Dosoronto	102	Mill Point	
		Trenton	113	Trenton	
		Madoc	179	Madoc	
		Mispah	127	Belleville	
		Bay of Quinte	143	Picton	
4	Northumberland and Peterborough	Peterborough	111	Peterborough	W. H. Scott, Peterborough
		Cobourg	136	Jobourg	
5	Durham and Vis- toria	Flo. Nightingale	66	Bowmanville	W. H. Scott, Peterborough
		Durham	78	Port Hope	
		Lindsay	100	Lindsay	
6	South Ontario ..	Corinthian	61	Oshawa	James Brown, Oshawa.
		Eastern Star	72	Whitby	
		Brougham	155	Brougham	
		Beethoven	165	Brooklin	
7	North Ontario ..	Warriver	75	Port Perry	W. B. Russell, Uxbridge.
		Nipissing	79	Uxbridge	
		Charity	129	Sunderland	
		Peaceful Dove	135	Cannington	
		Manilla	105	Manilla	
8	York, (excepting city of Toronto & village of York- ville.)	Naomi	116	Markham	Henry Wilson, Markham.
		Aurora	148	Aurora	
		Pyramid	156	Newmarket	
		Sutton	168	Sutton	
9	Simcoe	Collingwood	54	Collingwood	John Powell, Barre.
		Barrie	63	Barrie	
		North Star	68	Stayner	
		Cookstown	162	Cookstown	
		Alliston	171	Alliston	
		Cypress	187	Bradford	
		Parry Sound	189	Parry Sound	

Dist No.	Comprising the Counties of	Lodges.	No	Location.	D. D. G. M. and P. O. Address.
10	Peel and Halton	Milton	92	Milton	A. S. Gillet, Milton.
		Golden Star	101	Brampton	
		Orion	109	Georgetown	
		Streetsville	122	Streetsville	
		Mystic	128	Kilbride	
		Oakville	132	Oakville	
		Wellington Sq. ..	178	Wellington Sq. ..	
11	Grey	Stephen	169	Durham	C. B. Stevens, Walkerton.
		Owen Sound	180	Owen Sound	
		Dufferin	186	Flesherton	
12	Bruce	Walkerton	84	Walkerton	A. B. St John, Walkerton.
		Lucknow	112	Lucknow	
		Denovo	170	Denovo	
		Penetangore	172	Kincardine	
		Teeswater	183	Teeswater	
13	Huron	Fidelity	55	Seaforth	J. Campbell, Seaforth.
		Huron	62	Goderich	
		Exeter	67	Exeter	
		Clinton	83	Clinton	
		Maitland	119	Wingham	
		Western Star	149	Brussels	
		Montana	177	Wroxeter	
14	Wellington and town of Orangeville.	Maple Leaf	57	Orangeville	Rich'd Noakes Harriston.
		Fergus	73	Fergus	
		Reliance	89	Guelph	
		Minto	98	Harriston	
		Palmerston	123	Palmerston	
		Garnet	139	Mt. Forest	
		Progress	158	Guelph	
		Hillsburgh	167	Hillsburgh	
15	Brant and South Riding Waterloo (excepting village of New Hamburg)	Gore	34	Brantford	R. Wilkinson, Galt.
		Grand River	91	Paris	
		Waterloo	107	Galt	
		Harmony	115	Brantford	
		Dolman	174	Ayr	
		Cambridge	188	Preston	
16	Wentworth and Haldimand	Excelsior	44	Hamilton	W. J. Hodson, Hamilton
		Unity	47	"	
		Victoria	64	"	
		Crescent	104	"	
		Valley City	117	Dundas	
		Ancaster	138	Ancaster	
		Oak Leaf	159	Hamilton	
		Oswego	166	Camboro	
		Emerald	173	Dunnville	
		Live Oak	185	Greensville	
		Jarvis	191	Jarvis	

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Dist No.	Comprising the Counties of	Lodges.	No	Location.	D. D. G. M. and P. O. Address.
17	Lincoln and Welland	Union	16	St. Catharines ..	D. McConachie Welland.
		Niagara Falls ..	53	Clifton	
		Empire	87	St. Catharines ..	
		Cataract	103	Drummondville ..	
		Livingston	130	Thorold	
		Orient	134	Welland	
18	Elgin and Norfolk	Bertie	150	Ridgeway	W. T. Cripps, St. Thomas.
		Erie	33	Pt. Burwell	
		St. Thomas	76	St. Thomas	
		Aylmer	94	Aylmer	
		Port Stanley ..	95	Pt. Stanley	
		Simcoe	161	Simcoe	
19	Oxford and village of Harrietsville...	Lorne	175	West Lorne	J. Sutherland, Woodstock.
		Ark	181	Springfield	
		Samaritan	35	Ingersoll	
		Otter	50	Tilsonburg	
		Hope	69	Harrietsville	
		Oxford	77	Ingersoll	
		Constellation ..	85	Burgessville	
		Olive Branch ..	88	Woodstock	
20	Middlesex E & W (except villages of Harrietsville, Wardsville, Newbury and Glencoe) and city of London.	Hayden	152	Norwich	W. F. Howell, London, Box 61, E.
		Tecumseh	182	Otterville	
		Eureka	30	London	
		Forest City	38	"	
		Dominion	48	"	
21	Perth, South (except town of Mitchell) and villages of Point Edward, Forest, Thedford and Arkona, and Middlesex North,	Howard	58	Strathroy	E. E. Chipman Park Hill.
		Chorazin	190	London East	
		St. Marys	36	St. Marys	
		Lucan	70	Lucan	
		Ivy	90	Park Hill	
		St. Clair	106	Pt. Edward	
		Royal Oak	108	Forest	
		Saxon	121	Ailsa Craig	
		Sycamore	151	Arkona	
22	Essex	Wilsey	153	Granton	H. McAfee, Walkerville.
		Dauncey	176	Thedford	
		Rose	28	Amherstburg	
		Frontier	45	Windsor	
		Beaver	82	Ruthven	
23	Kent (except village of Bothwell),	Leamington	140	Leamington	Jas. Cleeve, Chatham.
		Concord	142	Kingsville	
		Chatham	29	Chatham	
		Rond Eau	40	Blenheim	
		Western City ..	93	Chatham	
Sydenham Val. .	120	Wallaceburg			

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23	(Kent continued.)	Dresden	124	Dresden	Jas. Cleeve, Chatham.
		Ridgetown	144	Ridgetown	
		Thamesville	157	Thamesville	
24	Lambton (except village of Pt. Edward, Forest, Theford, and Arkona)	Friendship	65	Petrolia	Henry Neal, Sarnia.
		Peabody	99	Watford	
		Sarnia	126	Sarnia	
		Model	147	Wyoming	
25	North Perth, North Waterloo and villages of Mitchell and New Hamburg	Avon	41	Stratford	Wm. Jaffray, Berlin.
		Bissell	51	Mitchell	
		Nith	96	New Hamburg ..	
		Grand Union ..	97	Berlin	
		Listowel	160	Listowel	
		Romeo	164	Stratford	
		Germania	184	Waterloo	
26	Villages of Wardsville, Newbury, Glencoe, and Bothwell	Mt. Zion	46	Newbury	J. R. Proctor, Bothwell.
		Wardsville	60	Wardsville	
		Bothwell	74	Bothwell	
		Glencoe	133	Glencoe	
27	Toronto and village of Yorkville	Canada	49	Toronto	John Donogh, Toronto, P. O. Box 1233
		Covenant	52	"	
		Queen City Ont.	56	"	
		The Toronto	71	"	
		Laurel	110	Yorkville	

LIST OF PAST GRAND MASTERS.



*THOMAS REYNOLDS, M. D.....	Brookville, 1856 to 1859
†CHAUNCEY YALE.....	St. Catharines, 1859
S. G. DOLSON.....	" 1860
WILLIAM BISSELL.....	London, 1861
H. C. BINGHAM.....	Brantford, 1862
JAMES WOODYATT.....	" 1863
JAMES SMITH.....	London, 1864
JAMES D. TAIT.....	St. Catharines, 1865
RICHARD WIGMORE,	London, 1866
HENRY McAFEE.....	Windsor, 1867
JOHN BARR.....	Hamilton, 1868
THOMAS PARTRIDGE.....	London, 1869
WILLIAM N. FORD.....	St. Marys, 1870
JOHN GIBSON,.....	Stratford 1871
JOHN MURRAY.....	Clifton, 1872
GEORGE WRIGHT, M. D.....	Toronto, 1873
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