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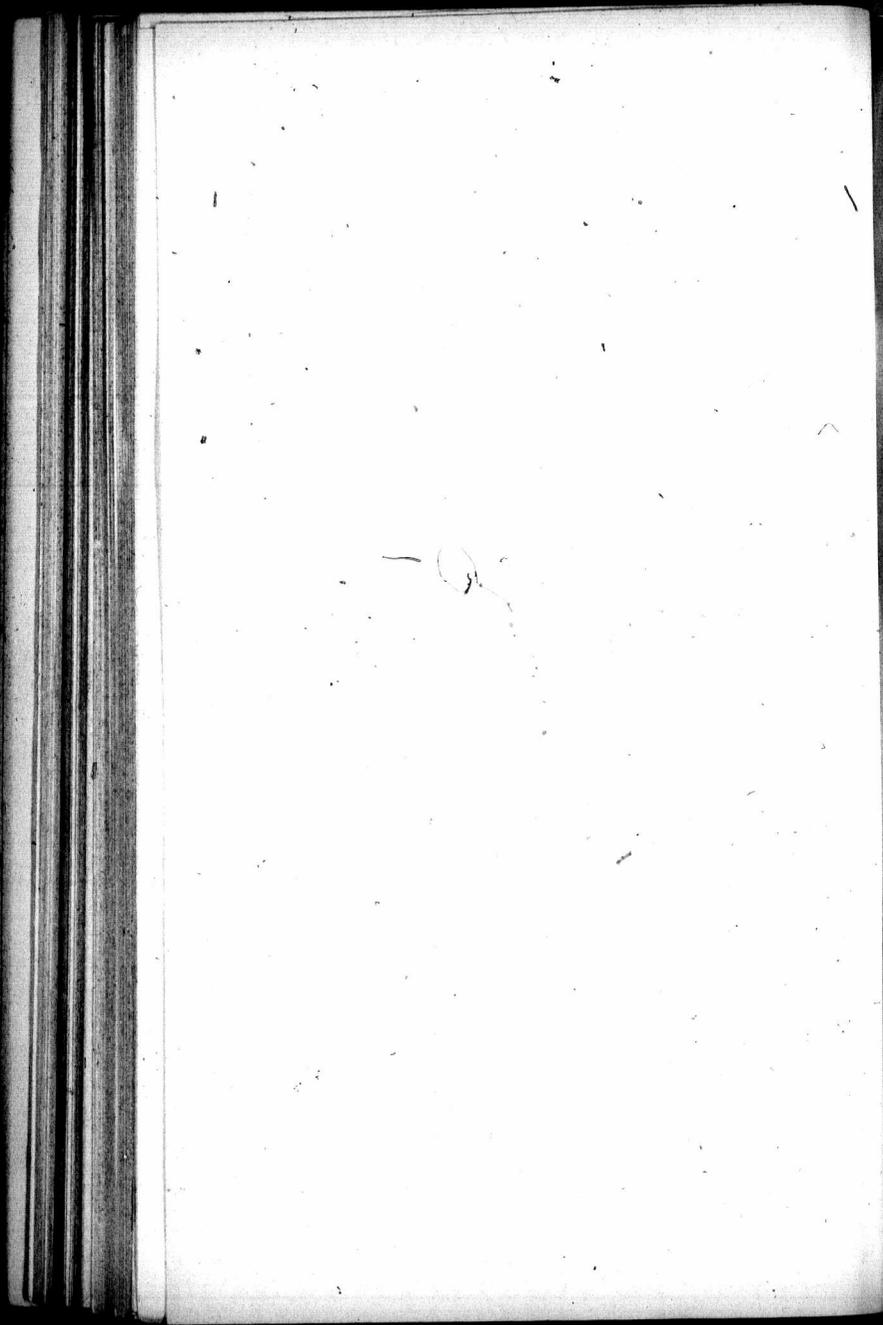
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The regular annual communication of the R. W. Grand Encampment of the Province of Ontario, met at the City Hall, in the City of Kingston, at 9 a. m.

The Grand Officers took their seats as follows :

John Ham Perry.....	M. W. Grand Patriarch.
John Gibson.....	M. E. Grand High Priest.
P. B. Hatch.....	R. W. Grand Sr. Warden.
M. D. Dawson.....	R. W. Grand Scribe and Treas.
Hugh Blain.....	R. W. Grand Jr. Warden.
Adana Purves.....	R. W. Grand Representative.
John Graham.....	W. Grand Sentinel.
C. S. Male.....	W. Grand O. Sentinel.

Also a quorum of Representatives.

The Grand Jr. Warden, by order of the M. W. Grand Patriarch, then declared the Grand Encampment of Ontario open for the transaction of business.

The M. W. Grand Patriarch then appointed the following
COMMITTEES.

On Credentials.—Grand Scribe Dawson, Rep. Young, No. 10, and Rep. J. G. Sisterson, No. 1.

On Finance.—Rep. Coles, No. 9, Rep. Beltz, No. 3, and Rep. John A. Parker, No. 13.

On Correspondence.—Rep. McDonald, No. 21, Rep. Durham, No. 24, and Rep. Rogers, No. 13.

On By-Laws of Subordinates.—Rep. Buttrey, No. 3, Rep. Midgley, No. 7, Rep. Wales, No. 1, Rep. Knox, No. 6, and Rep. Paecckert, No. 5.

On Returns.—Rep. Wilson, No. 1, Rep. Rice, No. 2, and Rep Moore, No. 19.

On Mileage and per diem.—Rep. Dr. Rae, No. 11, Rep. W. T. Cripps, No. 20, and Rep. Jas. Towhey, No. 22.

On Distribution.—Rep. Wingfield, No. 8, Rep. Burden, No. 12, and Rep. McDonald, No. 16.

On Appeals.—Rep. D. Fowler, No. 15, Rep. Murray, No. 23, and Rep. D. C. McGregor, No. 17.

The Committee on Credentials brought in the following report :

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

The Committee on Credentials respectfully report that they have examined all the certificates which have been referred to them, and find the same correct, and the following Representatives entitled to seats in this Grand Encampment :—

- Union No. 1.—John G. Sisterson, Harper Wilson and George Wales.
- Frontier No. 2.—F. T. Rice and Walter Shoreland.
- Harmony No. 3.—John Hunter, E. R. Robinson, E. Beltz, H. E. Buttrey and Geo. Shaw.
- Brant No. 4.—E. Cameron and Thos. Woodyatt.
- Charity No. 5.—Chas. Paeckert and Thos. T. Irving.
- Beaver No. 6.—A. W. Knox and Wm. Box.
- Burlington No. 7.—Thos. Cox and George Midgely.
- Toronto No. 8.—Wm. Badenach, A. A. Miller, J. L. Bird and J. M. Wingfield.
- Brock No. 9.—W. H. Cole.
- Chatham No. 10.—Isaac Smith and John P. Young.
- Ontario No. 11.—Dr. Rae and M. Weston.
- Albert No. 12.—Saml. Burden and John Kidd.
- Whitby Nov. 13.—John A. Parker and Robt. Fraser.
- Fidelity No. 14.—J. R. Clarke and J. Fullerton.
- Kingston No. 15.—Dr. F. Fowler and D. Gorden.
- Mount Ararat No. 16.—Robt. McDonald.
- Hebron No. 17.—D. C. McGregor.
- Northern Star No. 18.—C. B. Rogers.
- Quinte No. 19.—John G. Moore.
- Elgin No. 20.—W. T. Cripps.
- Unity No. 21.—Jas. F. McDonald and W. C. Bell.
- Guiding Star No. 22.—John Towhey.
- Niagara Falls No. 23.—John Murray.
- Friendship No. 24.—J. E. Durham.
- Victoria No. 25.—C. S. Male.

Your Committee are pleased to notice that the Credentials of Representatives and Past Chief Patriarchs from a great many of the Encampments were promptly forwarded with the Returns to the Grand Scribe, thus saving much valuable time for this Grand Encampment, but there are a few who neglected the particular instructions given them, and consequently some little delay has been the result. It is to be hoped in future more attention will be given to this matter.

We also recommend that the following P. C. P.'s be admitted and instructed in the Grand Encampment Degree, viz. :—

E. R. Robinson	Brant No. 4.
Ewen Cameron	Harmony No. 3.
T. T. Irving	Charity No. 5.
A. W. Knox	} Beaver No. 6.
Wm. Box	
W. N. Ford	
Thos. Cox	} Burlington No. 7.
Geo. Midgley	
J. L. Bird	} Toronto No. 8.
Wm. Badenach	
A. A. Miller	
J. T. White	Brock No. 9.
James Moore	Chatham No. 10.
Matthew Weston	Ontario No. 11.
J. Kidd	} Albert No. 12. Bowman-
S. Burden .....		ville
Robt. Fraser	} Whitby No. 13.
J. A. Parker	
Hector Urquhart	} Fidelity No. 14.
Jas. Fullerton	
W. D. Gordon	Kingston No. 15.
Robt. McDonald	Mount Ararat No. 16.
Duncan C. McGregor	Hebron No. 17.
C. B. Rogers	} Northern Star No. 18.
John J. Shaw	
John G. Moore	Quinte No. 19.
Jason H. Post	Do. do.
W. T. Cripps	Elgin No. 20.
Jas. F. McDonald	Unity No. 21.
John Towhey	Guiding Star No. 22.
John Murray	Niagara Falls No. 23.
J. Elias Durham	Friendship No. 24.

Respectfully submitted,

M. D. DAWSON.
G. SISTERTSON.
JOHN P YOUNG.

On Motion the above Report was adopted.

All the above candidates, with the exception of Patriarch Jas. Moore, of Chatham No. 10, being in waiting were received and the candidates received and instructed in the Grand Encampment Degree.

Moved by Rep. Woodyatt and seconded by G. Jr. Warden Blain;

That the minutes of last session be amended as follows:

Page 106. Add "carried" after resolution on the report of the Committee on Distribution.

Page 108. To report of Committee on Returns, add "Resolved that the foregoing be adopted. Carried."

Page 110. To supplementary report of Committee on State of the Order, add "which was adopted."

- Page 111. To report on Committee on Mileage and per Diem, add "which was adopted."
- Page 112. To supplementary report of Committee on Returns, add "which was adopted."
- Page 113. Add "carried" to motion made by Rep. Woodyatt, seconded by Rep. Buttrey.
- Page 114. To report of Committee on State of the Order, add "which was adopted."
- Page 117. To expunge the last resolution as not made and unnecessary. The resolution was put and declared carried.

Moved by Rep. Woodyatt, seconded by G. Jr. War. Blain,
That the minutes as amended be adopted and the reading of them be dispensed with. Carried.

On Motion it was carried that the Grand Patriarch's Report, as printed, be received and distributed.

The following is the Report:—

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

PATRIARCHS:

In pursuance of the requirements of our Constitution, it becomes my pleasing duty to present for your consideration and approval the Fifth Annual Report of our Grand Encampment, "exhibiting the condition of the Order in this jurisdiction, the date of the institution of subordinates," and such other matters of interest and importance to this branch of our Order, as have occurred since the date of our last Session. The Official year just closed has truly been one of Peace, Harmony and Prosperity. No new appeals to be presented for settlement, no misunderstandings or differences of opinion agitating or disturbing the harmony of the Patriarchs, but our twenty-five subordinates, with the chain unbroken, daily exemplifying that beautiful sentiment—"Behold how good and how pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in unity. It is like ointment upon the head, which ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard, that ran down to the skirts of his garment." The true spirit of Odd Fellowship is abroad in our land, and the spirit of good-fellowship finds a resting place in every tent.

NEW ENCAMPMENTS.

(1)

Since the Annual Session, August, 1873, the Executive Committee, under the authority of Sec. 2, Article 8, of the Constitution, have issued dispensations for the institution of five new Encampments.

UNITY ENCAMPMENT, No. 21, INGERSOLL, was instituted on the 6th Oct., 1873, assisted by M. E. G. High Priest Gibson, Grand Scribe Dawson, Past Grand Patriarchs McAfee and Purves, and visiting Patriarchs from London and St. Catharines. The Charter members numbered seven, and fifteen candidates were admitted and

advanced to the G. R., and eight exalted to the R. P. Degree. There never was, and is not now, a doubt as to the bright future of Unity, No. 21. In Ingersoll, Odd Fellowship means work and progress. The report for 1st July shows a membership of fifty-four. Patriarch E. Beltz, of London, accepted the position of its first D. D. Grand Patriarch, and has most satisfactorily performed the duties of the office.

GUIDING STAR, No. 22. MANILLA, instituted 8th December, 1873, assisted by D. D. Grand Patriarchs Warriner and Male, and a goodly number of visiting Patriarchs from Port Perry and Whitby. There were nine Charter members, and eleven candidates admitted, advanced, and exalted to the R. P. D. The membership is now reported at twenty-five, with excellent prospects of a good increase during the current term. Guiding Star will draw "supplies" from the subordinate lodges located at Manilla, Sunderland, Cannington and Lindsay. This is the fourth Tent firmly planted in Ontario County within three years. Patriarch R. Warriner was appointed D. D. Grand Patriarch, and has ably performed the duties of the office.

NIAGARA FALLS ENCAMPMENT, No. 23, CLIFTON. Assisted by Grand Scribe Dawson, Past Grand Patriarchs Purves and Dolson, D. D. Grand Patriarch Cuff, and many visiting Patriarchs from St. Catharines, the Tent of Niagara Falls, No. 23, was placed in position on 11th March, 1874. This Camp started with ten Charter members, thirteen candidates admitted and advanced, and six exalted to R. P. D. Under the skillful guidance of its presiding officer, Past Grand Master Murray, strangers will find hospitable quarters and not be sent empty away. Patriarch J. E. Cuff, of St. Catharines, has efficiently acted as the first D. D. Grand Patriarch. The membership on 1st July stood at twenty-five.

FRIENDSHIP ENCAMPMENT, No. 24, PETROLIA. Again assisted by Grand Scribe Dawson, Friendship Encampment was instituted on 31st March, with seven Charter Members. The three degrees were conferred on eleven candidates. I am deeply indebted to Patriarchs Telford and Chamberlain, and D. D. G. P., Clarke, all of Strathroy, for valuable assistance and acting as Grand Officers *pro tem*. The Officers of Friendship are the right men in the right place, and the Odd Fellows of Petrolia know their duty to the stranger—and do it. D. D. Grand Patriarch Clarke has charge, and reports a membership of twenty-five. For three month's work, the result is satisfactory.

VICTORIA ENCAMPMENT, No. 25, PORT HOPE, instituted 7th May, 1874, with seven Charter members. M. E. Grand High Priest Gibson and Grand Scribe Dawson were present, and occupied their proper chairs. Several visiting Patriarchs rendered brotherly aid and assistance during the institution, installation and admission of

new members. Thirteen candidates were admitted, and received the G. R. and R. P. D. That old and highly esteemed Patriarch, Bro. C. S. Male, of Whitby, assumed charge as D. D. Grand Patriarch. Victoria, No. 25, gives promise of great future usefulness and prosperity.

It will now be necessary to confirm the action of the Executive Committee in granting the dispensations, by the issue of Charters in the usual manner.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

(2)

The commendable example of former Grand Patriarchs, in visit during their term of office each of the Subordinate Encampments, I have been able to continue. I have to thank the Officers and members of several Camps for their ready and favorable response to my request for special meetings, in order to assist me in the performance of this portion of my duties. Without exception, the visits, to myself personally, were of the most enjoyable character, and, I have reason to believe, that in a measure they have been of service to the Camp, and of benefit to the Order at large. On each occasion my reception as a Grand Officer has been becoming and dignified, to the Grand Encampment, and to myself as a Brother and a Patriarch, most hearty and flattering. I am under heavy obligations to numerous warm and generous-hearted Patriarchs for brotherly courtesy and boundless hospitality. These visits enabled me to witness the Patriarchs "at work" under the shadows of their own Tents. To partake of food and rest with the Patriarchs by their own Camp fires, to hear the command given and the response received: "Do unto others as you would have them under similar circumstances do unto you," and to listen to the cheerful music of the Patriarchs always so pleasant and acceptable to the toil-worn traveller, is indeed a privilege to be highly prized, and a realization of the precepts and teachings of our Order, never to be effaced from my memory.

DATE OF VISITATIONS.

No. 1	Union Encampment,	St. Catharines,	17th June, 1874.
No. 2	Frontier "	Windsor	24th July, "
No. 3	Harmony "	London,	23rd July "
No. 4	Brant "	Brantford,	19th June, "
No. 5	Charity "	Stratford,	12th June, "
No. 6	Beaver "	St. Marys,	11th June, "
No. 7	Burlington "	Hamilton,	11th May, "
No. 8	Toronto "	Toronto,	4th June, "
No. 9	Brock "	Brockville,	20th May, "
No. 10	Chatham "	Chatham,	22nd July, "
No. 11	Ontario "	Oshawa,	10th July, "
No. 12	Albert "	Bowmanville,	13th July, "

No. 13	Whitby	“	Whitby,	3rd July,	“
No. 14	Fidelity	“	Strathroy,	21st July,	“
No. 15	Kingston	“	Kingston,	3rd Aug.	“
No. 16	Mt. Ararat	“	Napanee,	9th July,	“
No. 17	Hebron	“	Parkhill,	27th July,	“
No. 18	Northern Star	“	Port Perry	30th June,	“
No. 19	Quinte	“	Belleville,	8th July,	“
No. 20	Elgin	“	St. Thomas,	20th July,	“

MISCELLANEOUS.

(3)

During the year it has been my privilege to join with my brother Odd-Fellows on many public occasions, such as Anniversary Demonstrations, Concerts, Excursions, Dedication of Halls, and Institution of Lodges. Most sincerely I thank the brothers who had the management of those gatherings, for an opportunity of being present, and joining with them in their pleasures and duties.

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1873—AUGUST 12TH. With a large number of I. O. O. F. from Whitby, Oshawa, Bowmanville, Port Hope and other points, and with a goodly representation of Grand and Past Grand Officers, visited the City of Rochester, on the invitation of the combined lodges of that City. The reception of the Canadian Brotherhood by our American Brothers, was warm, hearty, and magnificent beyond precedent. The arrangements for the comfort and edification of the visitors were made on the most extensive and liberal scale. American Odd-Fellows never do things by halves, but on this occasion they fairly outshone and outdid themselves. The visit and reception partaking somewhat of an international character, I think it well to put on record the sentiments offered, and responded to in speeches, brotherly, eloquent and interesting.

Sentiment given by Rochester Odd-Fellows :

“England’s Queen, and the Queen’s Dominions pre-eminent among Sovereigns in the maternity of her reign.”

By Ontario in reply :

“President Grant, the chief magistrate of the United States, whose rule rests on what monarchs *cannot grant*, the Sovereign will, the intelligence and virtue of a free people.”

By Rochester :

“The Odd-Fellows of Canada fringing with the golden beams of our Order the horizon of the Queen’s Dominions, as the gray of the morning is fringed by the rays of the rising sun.”

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By Ontario in reply :

"The Odd-Fellows of the United States, an universal Brotherhood based upon the eternal principle of Friendship, Love, and Truth, whose sun-lit unity their Brethren of Canada fraternally greet and turn to, as the sun-flower to the God of Day."

Grand Representative Woodyatt was the Orator of the day on the part of the Canadians, and fully sustained his well earned reputation as an earnest, eloquent speaker. The whole Demonstration was carried to a successful issue, and by the untiring exertions of the Rochester Brethren every wish was anticipated and every want supplied.

1874—FEBRUARY 3RD. I accepted the polite invitation of D. D. Grand Master Harper Wilson, of St. Catharines, to be present at the dedication of the Hall of Niagara Falls Lodge, No. 53, Clifton. The ceremony was pleasingly and correctly performed by Brother Wilson, ably assisted by visiting Brothers. The Hall is of comfortable size, conveniently situated and tastefully furnished. The Odd-Fellows of Clifton have good reason to be proud of their success in firmly planting the Order in that thriving town.

1874—FEBRUARY 4TH. Had the honor of assisting our distinguished Grand Master, Dr. Wright, in dedicating the Hall of Unity Lodge, No. 47, Hamilton. The large attendance of members and their families at once prove that Odd-Fellowship in Hamilton has struck congenial soil. The Hall is elegantly furnished, decorated and carpeted. In all its appointments, neatness and utility are everywhere observable. The Grand Master conducted our beautiful Dedication Service in an impressive and orderly form, and at the close gave a lengthy and eloquent speech on Odd-Fellowship. Our Hamilton Brethren richly deserve their new and comfortable Lodge Room, and long may they live to enjoy it, and carry out the noble commands of our Order.

1874—MARCH 25TH. I had the good fortune to be able to join with a number of Brothers from St. Catharines in instituting Orient Lodge, No. 134, in the town of Welland. The work was under the direction and supervision of D. D. Grand Master Wilson, which of itself is a guarantee that it was both correct and impressive. The leading men of Welland have taken Odd-Fellowship by the hand, and Orient will speedily take a high position in our rapidly increasing army of subordinate lodges.

1874—APRIL 27TH. Was kindly invited to preside at the Anniversary Odd-Fellows' Concert in Oshawa, under the auspices of Corinthian Lodge, No. 62. The reputation so richly earned of giving the best and most acceptable concerts of the year, was on this occasion fully sustained by Corinthian. The Lodge having no need of special funds the concert was given in aid of local charities,

and thus brought prominently before the citizens of that thriving town our imperative command to relieve the sick and distressed.

1874—MAY 11TH. Met with the Standing Committee on appeals in Hamilton to consider and decide on the question of appeal, (mentioned on page 108 Grand Encampment Journal, 1873). The Committee, Past Grand Patriarch Dolson, of St. Catharines, Past Chief Patriarch Weir, of London, assisted by the valuable advice and counsel of Grand Representative Purves, arrived at an unanimous decision on the question at issue. The result of their investigation will be presented for your approval at this session by the Chairman of the Committee.

1874—JUNE 12TH. On the invitation of the Managing Committee I was present at a concert in the Town Hall, Stratford, given in aid of Brother Bloss Corey, under the direction of Avon Lodge, No. 41. The concert was a complete success in every particular, in number of patrons, in amount realized for Brother Corey, in the admirable arrangement of the programme, and the successful carrying out of the same, thus giving to the public another striking proof that our Order at all times and at all hazards "relieve the distressed and visit the sick." The whole affair was worthy of Brother Corey, worthy of Avon Lodge, and worthy of the generous hearts of the people of Stratford.

During the year I was forced to forego the pleasure of accepting many pressing invitations to be present at social gatherings of our Order. In all these cases I endeavored to explain fully the cause of my absence, and that nothing but imperative public duties prevented me from joining my Brother Odd-Fellows on those happy occasions.

STREET UNIFORMS.

(6)

Toronto Encampment No. 8, under date of Sept. 4th, 1873, submitted the following questions for my official answer on the subject of Street Uniforms:

1st—Can the new Uniform, adopted at the last Session of the Grand Encampment, held at Stratford, Aug. 5th, 1873, be worn by a Patriarch while in his own Encampment? Answer—No.

2nd—Can a Patriarch wear it while in his own Subordinate Lodge? Answer—No.

3rd—Can a Patriarch or Patriarchs wear it while visiting a Subordinate Lodge? Answer—No.

4th—Can a Patriarch or Patriarchs wear it while visiting an Encampment? Answer—Yes; when visiting as a body? Answer—No; when visiting as single members?

5—Can a Patriarch or Patriarchs wear it while attending the funeral of a deceased Brother? Answer—No.

6—Can it be worn at the funeral of a deceased Patriarch?
 Answer—Yes, as a body.

7th—Or if at none of these, or any of them, can the Grand Patriarch, if he sees fit, grant a dispensation to allow it to be worn on any of the occasions, answers in the negative? Answer—I would not assume the responsibility of granting a dispensation without further legislation on the subject.

At the Session of the Grand Lodge of the U. S. held at Baltimore, in September, 1872, (See page 5527 and 5549, Proceedings 1872) the following report was presented and adopted: "Resolved—That Encampments be permitted to wear such style of Street Uniform on parade as may be sanctioned by the Grand Encampments of their respective jurisdictions, but under no circumstance shall the funds of an Encampment be appropriated to meet any expense incurred thereby."

Under the authority granted in the above report this Grand Encampment at its Session held in Stratford, Aug. 5, 1873, (See page 116 proceedings) adopted the following resolution: Resolved— "That the Uniform now submitted by Representative Blain, or something similar, be adopted by this Grand Encampment, but it is understood that no Encampment is compelled to adopt the Uniform."

It is evident that the intention was that the Uniform should be "Street" Uniform for Encampment members, to be worn only on "Parade." For such purposes I understand that the Uniform has been successfully introduced in some of the older Grand Jurisdictions, and where introduced it is claimed to have had a beneficial effect on both branches of the Order.

STATISTICS.

(7)

As a matter of record, convenient for future reference, herewith is briefly submitted the yearly leading statistics of "number of subordinates" and "number of members" in the Patriarchal branch, commencing with the year of the institution of this Grand Encampment, August 6th, 1869:

Date	Subordinates	Members	Increase
6th August, 1869	6	157	
1st July, 1870	8	247	90
" " 1871	9	354	107
" " 1872	13	557	203
" " 1873	20	768	211
" " 1874	25	1192	424

The rapid annual increase of "Tents" and "Patriarchs" must be hailed with lively satisfaction by the early workers, the "advance guard" of the Order in this Province. Year by year, not only are our cords *lengthened* by the institution of new Encampments, but

our stakes are strengthened by largely increased membership. For the past year the increase in numbers has been from 768 to 1192; an increase equal to the two previous years combined. Indeed, we may well say, "a little one has become a thousand, and a small one a mighty nation."

HISTORY OF ODD-FELLOWSHIP.

(8)

At the last Session of the Grand Lodge held in Baltimore, September, 1873, it was resolved: "That a work should be prepared containing a complete history of Odd-Fellowship, treating of its popular, moral, practical, general, local, legislative, judicial, executive and biographical details." The R. W. Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary, Brother James L. Ridgely, of Baltimore, U. S., was appointed Historiographer for the above purpose. Grand Encampments are now requested to aid in the work by furnishing all information, books, papers, charts, plates, records, &c., in their power, or within their custody and control. It is also desired that a State Historiographer or Annalist be appointed for each Grand Body. The interesting communication of Grand Secretary Ridgely on this subject, I am sure, will receive your warm approbation. It is important that Odd-Fellowship in Ontario should be fully and correctly reported for a work of such magnitude, and a history of the Order that will be handed down from generation to generation.

CAMPS OF INSTRUCTION.

(9)

I think the time has arrived when Camps of Instruction could with advantage to the Subordinate's and without expense to the Grand Encampment, be organized at a few central points. Our members are fully alive to and carry out the "written work" of the Order, but it is desirable to have greater uniformity in our secret work. To secure this end, Camps of Instruction could be organized at such points as would give convenient access to surrounding Subordinate Camps. The meetings for one or two days, if attended by our Grand Officers, Grand Instructors, and as many as possible of Patriarchs, would truly be interesting seasons, and could not help being in many ways most beneficial to both branches of the Order. It would bring members together from distant points, and enable the Grand Patriarch and Officers to see that the "word" was correctly rendered and the "instructions" properly given. Uniformity in this branch, as well as in the Subordinate Lodges, is of the first importance, and I keenly feel that some course should be adopted to secure so desirable an object.

OFFICIAL REPORTER.

(10)

The proceedings of the Grand Encampment not only interest ourselves, and the ten thousand Odd-Fellows in Ontario, but the reading and thinking portion of the community throughout the Province. Heretofore no efficient or systematic plan has been adopted to give to the public through the press reliable and full proceedings of this Grand Body. At the present day the world moves fast; what is news to-day, to-morrow is old. Therefore, to keep up with the spirit of the times, and to give to the Order at large prompt authentic reports of our proceedings, in my judgment, it is advisable to appoint an Official Reporter specially charged with the above duties.

CONCLUSION.

In retiring from the high and honorable position of your Chief Officer, permit me to return to you, one and all, my grateful acknowledgment for your many acts of kindness and thoughtful consideration during the year. On assuming the duties and responsibilities of the office, I asked for your counsel and assistance, and without which, so generously and at all times by you so willingly given, I would not have been able to administer the important affairs of this department in that satisfactory manner their importance demanded and the welfare of the Order required. To my brother Grand Officers I am indebted for active co-operation and constant advice. More especially am I under obligations to our worthy Grand Scribe Dawson, who "wearies not in well doing," for many conferences and numberless reports and communications. I beg also to acknowledge valuable aid and words of cheer, from Past Grand Patriarchs Woodyatt, Dolson, McAfee and Purves. I have also thus publicly to express my heartfelt thanks to the District Deputy Grand Patriarchs for uniform kindness and promptness in our official intercourse. Throughout the year just closed the activity and great desire on their part to work up this branch of our Order, and to say to our Brothers in the Subordinate Lodges, in words so plain that he who runs may read, "Come up higher," has never been excelled and but seldom equalled. To their determination and perseverance, we are now entitled to a second Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States, thereby placing the jurisdiction of Ontario with its four representatives, in the same position, and on the same footing as the wealthiest and largest Grand Jurisdiction on this Continent.

Patriarchs: I have now in the discharge of my official duties arrived at the "fourth watch," and will in a short time take my place in the private ranks of the Order. Let us, Brothers, continue without fainting in the good work, neither turning to the right hand

nor to the left. Let us ever "move onward until misfortune has no want to relieve, and sorrow no tear to dry." Let us remember that "the world is our field of labor," and that we must flinch not from our obligations and our duty, until we have laid the "broad foundations of that universal Brotherhood, which shall link in a golden chain of an ever expanding sympathy, heart with heart, and man to man."

Fraternally submitted,
J. HAM PERRY,
 GRAND PATRIARCH.

WHITBY, AUGUST 4TH, 1874.

On motion, it was carried That the Grand Scribe's Report, as printed, be received and distributed.

The following is the Report :

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE R. W. GRAND SCRIBE AND
 TREASURER.

To the Officers and Representatives of the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F.

PATRIARCHS :—

Another year of Odd-Fellowship has just closed, and I have much pleasure in presenting you with a detailed report of our statistical and financial progress for careful perusal.

In giving an account of my stewardship it is quite unnecessary to preface it with any remarks outside of the work placed in my charge, and the commissions entrusted to me by this Grand Encampment, save to say, that our advancement has largely exceeded my most sanguine anticipations. We have now twenty-five healthy Encampments, exhibiting a total membership of 1,192, an increase of 424 over our record of last year, and I feel assured that the addition to our tents and ranks is composed of the best material in Odd-Fellowship.

In accordance with your instructions and in conjunction with Past Grand Patriarchs Woodyatt and Purves, an appropriate letter of condolence and sympathy was drawn up and sent to P. Gd. H. P., John Hunter, of London, who expressed himself deeply grateful for the kind and thoughtful consideration of this Grand Encampment. I have much pleasure to report that, though still deeply afflicted in body, he is somewhat better, and was unanimously elected by his Encampment as a Representative to this Grand Encampment, hoping that the trip to Kingston might assist in restoring his shattered health.

(1)

Not considering the Grand Lodge Charters suitable for the use of this Grand Encampment, I communicated with the R. W. Grand Scribe of Michigan, as I learned the Grand Encampment of that State had had their Charter Stones destroyed by the disastrous fire in Chicago, and were about procuring new ones. They made two offers, either to share with us the united expense, which would be about \$300, or sell us copies in blank at a reasonable profit. On making inquiry, I found that we could procure one drafted and designed to suit ourselves, engraved in Toronto for about the same price, or at a very trifling increase on the offer made by the Michigan friends, and then it would be entirely our own. I have much pleasure in submitting a drawing of the proposed Charter, which can be engraved and 100 copies supplied for the sum of \$150 00. I thought it advisable before incurring so large an expense to receive the sanction of this Rt. Worthy Grand Body.

(2)

In compliance with your resolution of last session, I had 250 copies of the Journal of Proceedings of last session printed and circulated in the jurisdiction, and transmitted copies to sister Grand Encampments throughout the United States. In return, I have received journals from a large number of State Grand bodies, as well as the Journal of Proceedings of our own R. W. Grand Lodge.

(3)

STATE OF THE ORDER.—Five new tents have been added to our number during the year, viz.: Unity Encampment, No. 21, Ingersoll, organized October 4th, 1873; Guiding Star, No. 22, Manilla, organized December 6th, 1873; Niagara Falls, No. 23, Clifton, organized March 11th, 1874; Friendship Encampment, No. 24, Petrolea, organized March 31st, 1874, and Victoria Encampment, No. 25, Port Hope, organized April 30th, 1874. Each one of them are in thriving and prosperous towns, and already bear abundant evidence of a successful future. The December term of every Encampment in the Province exhibited an increase in membership, while Burlington, No. 7, Hamilton, nearly doubled its membership, having increased from 40 to 75, while Harmony, No. 3, London, jumped from 87 to 126, and Toronto, No. 8, from 82 to 105. The increase in the others has not been so large as they have not so good a field to draw from, but all are flourishing and not a single complaint or appeal has been registered.

(4)

STATISTICS.—Returns from Subordinates for the year are all received, and I may be allowed to thank the D. D. G. P.'s for their promptness, and particularity in carrying out the instructions given

them. The Certificates of Representatives, in nearly every case, accompanied the Returns, which will be a saving of trouble and delay to this Grand Encampment. Some of the Scribes of Subordinates are not particular enough in their Returns, as in some instances names of Patriarchs are returned as suspended for non-payment of dues, and in a following return, the same names are again produced as expelled for non-payment of dues, which is sure to make a statistical error. Our membership, at the present time, from 25 Encampments is 1192, an increase of 424 over last year. The total revenue is \$5034 56, an increase of \$1062 13 over the previous year. 371 have been initiated, 47 admitted by card, 7 rejected, 41 withdrawn, 8 reinstated, 44 suspended, while 4 have been expelled and 10 have died. The dues to this R. W. Grand body amount in sum total to \$554 00, an increase of \$216 75 over last year. The following is a detailed statement of the semi-annual Returns for the past year :—

(5) Abstract of Semi-Annual Returns of Subordinate Encampments to Grand Encamp't of Ont., I. O. O. F. for the term ending Dec. 31, '73

NAME.	No.	WHERE HELD.	Initiations.	Admitted by Ord.	Rejections.	Withdrawn.	Re-instated.	Sus. or Drop'd.	Expelled.	Deaths.	Degrees Conferred.	Members on the Books.	Dues to Grand Encampment.	Revenue.	DATE OF MEETING.
Union	1	St. Catharines	8	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	23	70	\$17 50	\$115 30	1st and 3rd Wednesday.
Frontier	2	Windsor	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	14	48	12 00	82 00	2nd and 4th Friday.
Harmony	3	London	34	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	72	126	31 50	236 95	2nd and 4th Thursday.
Brant	4	Stratford	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	42	10 50	70 38	1st and 3rd Friday.
Charity	5	Stratford	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	52	13 00	73 69	2nd and 4th Friday.
Beaver	6	St. Mary's	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	39	9 75	30 25	1st and 3rd Thursday.
Burlington	7	Hamilton	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	32	73	18 75	174 47	2nd and 4th Monday.
Toronto	8	Toronto	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	44	105	26 25	292 70	2nd and 4th Thursday.
Brook	9	Brookville	4	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	32	8 00	54 00	1st and 3rd Friday.
Chatham	10	Chatham	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	47	11 75	89 13	1st and 2nd Thursday.
Ontario	11	Oshawa	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	53	13 25	86 48	2nd and 4th Friday.
Albert	12	Bowmanville	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	67	16 75	79 85	2nd and 4th Monday.
Whitby	13	Whitby	10	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	23	53	12 50	145 50	1st and 3rd Friday.
Fidelity	14	Strathroy	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	50	10 50	130 30	1st and 3rd Tuesday.
Kingston	15	Kingston	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	36	42	10 50	40 25	2nd and 4th Monday.
Mt. Ararat	16	Napanee	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	21	5 25	60 00	2nd and 4th Thursday.
Hebron	17	Parkhill	7	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	92	26	5 50	91 50	1st and 3rd Wednesday.
Northern Star	18	Port Perry	4	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	22	5 50	55 00	2nd and 4th Wednesday.
Quinte	19	Belleville	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	15	3 75	43 50	1st and 3rd Monday.
Edgmont	20	St. Thomas	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	16	4 00	33 50	1st and 4th Friday.
Unity	21	Ingersoll	28	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	77	35	8 75	171 00	2nd and 4th Friday.
Guiding Star	22	Manilla	11	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	33	20	5 00	110 00	1st and 3rd Monday.
			187	20	3	15	6	26	...	4	513	1024	\$256 00	\$2166 05	

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

Abstract of Semi-Annual Returns of Subordinate Encampments to Grand Encamp't of Ont., I. O. F. for the term ending June 30, '74.

NAME.	WHERE HELD.	Inflations.	Admitted by C'd.	Rejections.	Withdrawn.	Re-instated.	Expelled.	Deaths.	Degrees Conferred.	Members on the Books.	Dues for Grand Encampment.	Revenue.	DATE OF MEETING.
1 Union	St. Catharines	14	14	0	10	1	0	1	32	78	\$19 50	\$188 95	1st and 3rd Wednesday.
2 Frontier	Windsor	4	4	0	1	1	0	1	10	50	12 50	152 70	2nd and 4th Friday.
3 Harmony	London	3	3	1	1	1	4	1	31	126	31 50	146 85	2nd and 4th Thursday.
4 Brant	Brantford	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	11	45	11 25	86 62	1st and 3rd Friday.
5 Charity	Stratford	4	4	0	2	0	0	0	12	53	13 25	56 25	2nd and 4th Friday.
6 Beaver	St. Mary's	6	6	0	1	0	0	0	18	45	11 25	62 76	1st and 3rd Thursday.
7 Burlington	Hamilton	15	15	0	1	0	0	0	46	89	22 25	191 88	2nd and 4th Monday.
8 Toronto	Toronto	21	21	0	9	0	0	0	59	117	29 25	344 88	2nd and 4th Thursday.
9 Brock	Brookville	4	4	0	1	0	0	0	10	34	8 50	44 00	1st and 3rd Friday.
10 Chatham	Chatham	8	8	0	1	0	0	0	22	53	13 25	124 10	1st and 3rd Thursday.
11 Ontario	Oshawa	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	2	52	13 00	76 60	2nd and 4th Friday.
12 Albert	Bowmanville	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	18	61	15 25	112 40	2nd and 4th Monday.
13 Whitty	Whitty	7	7	0	8	0	0	0	14	56	14 00	131 70	1st and 3rd Friday.
14 Fidelity	Strathroy	7	7	0	8	0	0	0	17	41	10 25	97 14	1st and 3rd Tuesday.
15 Kingston	Kingston	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	19	32	8 00	84 25	2nd and 4th Monday.
16 Mt. Ararat	Napanee	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	28	7 00	38 00	2nd and 4th Thursday.
17 Hebron	Parkhill	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	9	21	5 25	22 50	2nd and 4th Monday.
18 Northern Star	Port Perry	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	9	18	4 50	50 00	1st and 3rd Wednesday.
19 Quince	Belleville	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	9	18	4 50	48 00	2nd and 4th Wednesday.
20 Edin	St. Thomas	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	7	19	4 75	35 87	1st and 3rd Monday.
21 Unity	Ingersoll	19	19	0	0	0	0	0	54	54	13 50	148 00	2nd and 4th Friday.
22 Guiding Star	Manilla	15	15	0	0	0	0	0	45	25	6 25	70 00	1st and 3rd Monday.
23 Niagara Falls	Clifton	15	15	0	0	0	0	0	45	25	6 25	923 66	2nd and 4th Wednesday.
24 Friendship	Petrolia	16	16	0	0	0	0	0	47	25	6 25	174 45	2nd and 4th Tuesday.
25 Victoria	Port Hope	13	13	0	0	0	0	0	39	26	5 00	190 00	2nd Friday.
	December Term.	180 27	434 213	4	7	552 1192	298 00	2901 06				2166 05	
		187 20	315 626	4	4	513	256 00	2166 05				5067 11	
		367 47	749 839	4 11	10 65	1192	554 00	5067 11					

Revenue. The following exhibit will show the proceeds of the Grand Encampment. After paying the expenses of the R. W. Grand Encampment, U. S. Grand Encampment, and the R. W. Grand Encampment, the balance of the revenue is as follows: Revenue, \$188 95; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$19 50; Revenue, \$152 70; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$12 50; Revenue, \$146 85; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$31 50; Revenue, \$86 62; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$11 25; Revenue, \$56 25; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$13 25; Revenue, \$62 76; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$11 25; Revenue, \$191 88; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$22 25; Revenue, \$344 88; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$29 25; Revenue, \$44 00; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$8 50; Revenue, \$124 10; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$13 25; Revenue, \$76 60; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$13 00; Revenue, \$112 40; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$15 25; Revenue, \$131 70; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$14 00; Revenue, \$97 14; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$10 25; Revenue, \$84 25; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$8 00; Revenue, \$38 00; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$7 00; Revenue, \$22 50; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$5 25; Revenue, \$50 00; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$6 25; Revenue, \$48 00; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$4 50; Revenue, \$35 87; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$3 75; Revenue, \$148 00; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$13 50; Revenue, \$70 00; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$6 25; Revenue, \$923 66; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$6 25; Revenue, \$174 45; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$6 25; Revenue, \$190 00; Dues for Grand Encampment, \$5 00.

FINANCE.—The following exhibit will show the present financial standing of this Grand Encampment. After paying account in full to the R. W. Grand Lodge, U. S., besides a double Representative tax, and all incidental expenses for the current year, we have a balance of Cash in Treasury and supplies, &c., as annexed statement :

(6)	
ASSETS.	
Cash on hand.....	\$622 27
Amounts due by Subordinates.....	31 81
71 Withdrawal and Visiting Cards at 25c.....	17 75
5 Encampment Charge Books at \$2 00.....	10 00
4 Register Books at \$3 50.....	14 00
5 Black Books at \$2 00.....	10 00
6 Proposition Books at \$3 25.....	19 55
11 Draft Books at \$2 00.....	22 00
12 Receipt Books at \$1 75.....	21 00
200 Rep. and P. C. P. Certificates at 2c.....	4 00
100 Notices of Rejections at \$1 00.....	1 00
300 Notices of Arrears at \$1 00 per 100.....	3 00
300 Notices to Attend Meetings at \$1 00 per 100.....	3 00

\$779 38

The following statement exhibits the Receipts and Disbursements for the past year : (7) LONDON, AUGUST 1ST, 1874.

M. D. DAWSON, R. W. GRAND SCRIBE AND TREASURER.

IN ACCOUNT WITH THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO, I. O. O. F.

		Dr.	
1873.	1 To Cash on hand.....		\$450 25
AUG.	5 " from Pat. Male, bal. due by Ontario Enc. No. 11	25	
OCT.	4 " Dispensation for St. Thomas.....	30 00	
"	10 " Harmony Enc. No. 3, London, supplies.....	9 25	
DEC.	6 " Dispensation Fee, Manilla.....	30 00	
1874.			
JAN.	5 " Brant No. 4, Brantford.....	11 75	
"	9 " Chatham No. 10, Chatham.....	11 75	
"	12 " Mt. Ararat Enc. No. 16, Napanee.....	23 12	
"	12 " Brock Enc. No. 9, Brockville.....	8 00	
"	12 " Charity Enc. No. 5, Stratford.....	13 00	
"	16 " Kingston Enc. No. 15, Kingston.....	5 25	
"	16 " Harmony Enc. No. 3, London.....	31 50	
"	16 " Toronto Enc. No. 8, Toronto.....	26 25	
"	16 " Quinte Enc. No. 19, Belleville.....	3 75	
"	22 " Beaver Enc. No. 6, St. Mary's.....	9 75	
"	23 " Fidelity Enc. No. 14, Strathroy.....	21 00	
"	28 " Frontier Enc. No. 2, Windsor.....	12 00	
FEB.	4 " Ontario Enc. No. 11, Oshawa.....	19 50	
"	5 " Northern Star Enc. No. 18, Port Perry.....	4 00	
"	5 " Guiding Star Enc. No. 22, Manilla.....	5 00	
"	6 " Unity Enc. No. 21, Ingersoll.....	8 75	
"	23 " Whitby Enc. No. 13, Whitby.....	12 50	
"	23 " Chatham Enc. No. 10, Chatham.....	3 00	
"	25 " Burlington Enc. No. 7, Hamilton.....	18 75	
"	26 " Elgin Enc. No. 20, St. Thomas.....	22 12	
"	26 " Unity Enc. No. 21, Ingersoll.....	18 12	

358 36

\$808 61

		To amount brought over,	\$ 808 61
MAR. 6,	To Cash,	Guiding Star Enc. No. 22, Manilla.....	16 00
" 6	"	Union Enc. No. 1, St. Catharines.....	17 50
" 6	"	Charity Enc. No. 5, Stratford.....	3 00
" 7	"	Beaver Enc. No. 6, St. Mary's.....	4 50
" 7	"	Union Enc. No. 1, St. Catharines.....	3 00
" 7	"	Albert Enc. No. 12, Bowmanville.....	16 75
" 7	"	Niagara Falls Enc. No. 23, Clifton, Dispensation, &c.....	36 00
" 14	"	Toronto Enc. No. 8, Toronto.....	4 50
" 19	"	Albert Enc. No. 12, Bowmanville.....	4 50
" 20	"	Hebron Enc. No. 17, Parkhill.....	5 25
" 27	"	Albert Enc. No. 12, Bowmanville.....	6 25
" 31	"	Friendship Enc. No. 24, Petrolea, Dispensat'n	30 00
" 31	"	Harmony Enc. No. 3, London.....	4 50
" 28	"	Toronto Enc. No. 8, Toronto.....	1 50
" 28	"	Elgin Enc. No. 20, St. Thomas.....	3 00
" 31	"	Friendship Enc. No. 24, Petrolea, supplies..	18 50
APR. 18	"	Victoria Enc. No. 25, Port Hope, Dispensat'n	30 00
" 18	"	Fidelity Enc. No. 14, Strathroy.....	3 00
" 24	"	Guiding Star Enc. No. 22, Manilla.....	3 00
" 28	"	Whitby Enc. No. 13, Whitby.....	3 00
MAY 26	"	Beaver Enc. No. 6, St. Mary's.....	1 50
JUNE 17	"	Brock Enc. No. 9, Brockville.....	3 00
" 17	"	Union Enc. No. 1, St. Catharines.....	75
JULY 4	"	Chatham Enc. No. 10, Chatham.....	13 61
" 6	"	Brant Enc. No. 4, Brantford.....	15 75
" 6	"	Beaver Enc. No. 6, St. Mary's.....	11 75
" 6	"	Victoria Enc. No. 25, Port Hope.....	5 00
" 6	"	Union Enc. No. 1, St. Catharines.....	3 75
" 10	"	Victoria Enc. No. 25, Port Hope.....	18 50
" 10	"	Whitby Enc. No. 13, Whitby.....	14 00
" 11	"	Niagara Falls Enc. No. 23, Clifton.....	18 75
" 11	"	Mt. Ararat Enc. No. 16, Napanee.....	10 00
" 11	"	Quinte Enc. No. 19, Belleville.....	7 50
" 11	"	Charity Enc. No. 5, Stratford.....	13 25
" 13	"	Northern Star Enc. No. 18, Port Perry.....	9 00
" 13	"	Guiding Star Enc. No. 22, Manilla.....	6 25
" 14	"	Brock Enc. No. 9, Brockville.....	8 50
" 15	"	Hebron Enc. No. 17, Parkhill.....	5 25
" 15	"	Kingston Enc. No. 15, Kingston.....	8 00
" 15	"	Ontario Enc. No. 11, Oshawa.....	13 00
" 15	"	Friendship Enc. No. 24, Petrolea.....	6 25
" 15	"	Fidelity Enc. No. 14, Strathroy.....	10 25
" 16	"	Harmony Enc. No. 3, London.....	31 50
" 18	"	Northern Star Enc. No. 18, Port Perry.....	25
" 18	"	Unity Enc. No. 21, Ingersoll.....	13 50
" 20	"	Union Enc. No. 1, St. Catharines.....	19 50
" 22	"	Elgin Enc. No. 20, St. Thomas.....	4 75
" 22	"	Ontario Enc. No. 11, Oshawa.....	3 00
" 22	"	Toronto Enc. No. 8, Toronto.....	29 25
" 22	"	Frontier Enc. No. 2, Windsor.....	12 50
" 22	"	Kingston Enc. No. 15, Kingston.....	3 00
" 29	"	Burlington Enc. No. 7, Hamilton.....	22 25
AUG. 1	"	Brant Enc. No. 4, Balance of Account.....	3 12
" 1	"	Albert Enc. No. 12, Bowmanville.....	15 25
			575 23
Total.....			\$1383 84

		(8)		Cr.
1873	August	5	By Order No. 33 (Rep. Woodyatt, omitted from last year's account.....)	\$ 2 00
	"	5	By Order No. 1 Rep. Dorr.....	9 36
	"	5	do 2 " Wales.....	9 36
	"	5	do 3 " Delson.....	9 36
	"	5	do 4 M. W. G. P., A. Purves.....	9 36
	"	5	do 5 Rep. Lindsay.....	9 36
	"	5	do 6 " Rice.....	13 36
	"	5	do 7 " Reid.....	13 36
	"	5	do 8 " Fletcher.....	2 00
	"	5	do 9 " Shaw.....	4 56
	"	5	do 10 " Weir.....	2 00
	"	5	do 11 " Hatch.....	2 00
	"	5	do 12 " Campbell.....	2 00
	"	5	do 13 " T. Woodyatt.....	5 12
	"	5	do 14 " Gibson.....	2 00
	"	5	do 15 " Cassels.....	2 00
	"	5	do 16 " Falconer.....	2 80
	"	5	do 17 " Barbour.....	2 80
	"	5	do 18 " Moore.....	2 00
	"	5	do 19 " Bryant.....	6 80
	"	5	do 20 " Evans.....	6 80
	"	5	do 21 " Blain.....	2 00
	"	5	do 22 " Hornbrook.....	2 00
	"	15	do 23 " Wingfield.....	9 04
	"	15	do 24 " Cole.....	2 00
	"	15	do 25 " J. Smith.....	2 00
	"	15	do 26 " J. Young.....	2 00
	"	15	do 27 " Dr. Rae.....	2 00
	"	15	do 28 " Gott.....	2 00
	"	15	do 29 " Parry.....	11 44
	"	15	do 30 " J. R. Clarke.....	2 00
	"	15	do 31 " Dr. Fowler.....	21 92
	"	15	do 32 " J. Graham.....	2 00
	"	15	do 33 " R. J. Potter.....	5 20
	"	15	do 34 " R. Warriner.....	2 00
	"	15	do 35 " H. E. Buttery.....	3 36
	"	15	do 36 " C. S. Male.....	18 08
	"	15	do 37 Gd. Sen. War. E. Beltz.....	2 00
	"	15	do 38 Gd. H. P. McAfee.....	2 00
	"	15	do 39 Grand Scribe.....	4 56
	"	15	do 40 Grand Scribe.....	4 00
	"	15	do 41 Grand Scribe.....	1 15
	"	15	do 42 Rep. Chas. Prokart.....	50 00
	"	15	do 43 Supplies.....	2 00
1874	FEBRUARY	23	do 44 Printing Journal and Supplies.....	53 16
	APRIL	1	do 45 Supplies and Rep. Tax.....	142 00
	JULY	1	do 46 Postage Account to date.....	207 31
	"	1	do 47 Express Charges, &c.....	11 18
	"	1	do 48 Telegraphing.....	16 15
	"	1	do 49 Supplies and Stationery.....	1 25
	"	1	do 50 Total.....	39 00
			By amount to Balance.....	\$743 90
				640 64
				\$1383 84

(9) **CORRESPONDENCE.**—The most fraternal and friendly feeling has marked all correspondence during the past year. The D.D.G.P's. with whom I have had frequent intercourse, have been prompt and efficient and rendered me every assistance in their power, and the many acts of personal kindness shown while visiting in different places will not soon be forgotten. Not a single appeal has been registered, and our 25 tents are enjoying peace, prosperity, and contentment, and endeavouring to distribute those heaven-born charities, so beautifully illustrated in the sublime teachings of the Encampment Ritual.

(10)

In conclusion, I may be permitted to express my unqualified admiration of the manner in which the Grand Patriarch, J. H. Perry has discharged his responsible duties. He has carried a life and vigor into his work worthy of imitation, and did much to awaken new interest and fresh zeal in every portion of the jurisdiction, besides endearing himself to the entire brotherhood. Few Grand Patriarchs have been enabled to devote so much time to the work, and as a Representative man, we have good reason to be proud of our Chief. In the duties of my office, I have received from him the greatest assistance and encouragement, as well as the kindest courtesy from the other Grand Officers, so much so, that a work of labor has certainly been a labor of love. Believing that the work of the present session will be marked with brotherly love and wise legislation,

I remain,

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

M. D. DAWSON

Grand Scribe and Treasurer.

London, Aug. 1st, 1874.

The Report of the R. W. Grand Representative, A. Purves, was then received and distributed as printed.

The following is the Report:—

To the Right Worthy Grand Encampment of Ontario.

REPRESENTATIVES AND PATRIARCHS.

According to custom, it is now my duty as your Representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States, to submit a report of such of the proceedings of that Grand body as will be of interest to this Grand Encampment.

The Forty-Ninth Annual Session was held in Baltimore, Maryland, and commenced on Monday, September 15th, 1873, at nine o'clock a. m., and closed on Saturday, September 20th, at 5 o'clock p. m.

The Officers and Representatives were directed to assemble at Barnum's Hotel, where they were formed in procession by the Grand Marshal; and escorted by the Grand and Subordinate Encampments of Maryland, they marched through several of the prominent streets of the city to the hall. Bunker Hill Encampment, No. 5, of Charlestown, Massachusetts, the guest of the Baltimore Patriarchs, formed a part of the procession, and presented a handsome appearance in their new uniform. The proficiency in drill exhibition, elicited universal admiration. About an equal number of the Baltimore members were uniformed, so that there were nearly two hundred wearing chapeaux, swords, etc., and making a very brilliant display.

OFFICERS PRESENT.

M. J. DURHAM, Deputy Grand Sire, of Kentucky,
 (Presiding in the absence of Grand Sire C. A. Logan.)
 JAS. L. RIDGLEY, Grand Cor. and Rec. Secretary, Baltimore, Md
 JOSHUA VANSANT, Grand Treasurer, Baltimore, Md.
 Rev. J. W. VENABLE, Grand Chaplain, Versailles, Ky.
 CALEB RAND, Grand Marshal, Massachusetts.
 ALBERT COHEN, Grand Guardian, Arkansas.
 JOHN W. HUDSON, Grand Messenger, Wisconsin.

REPRESENTATION.

Every Jurisdiction was represented,—members from forty one Grand Lodges and thirty-six Grand Encampments.

John W. Stokes, of Pennsylvania, was appointed Deputy Grand Sire, *pro tem*.

ADDRESS OF THE DEPUTY GRAND SIRE.

Our distinguished Brother M. J. Durham addressed the Grand Lodge as follows :

REPRESENTATIVES : Sincerely regretting the absence of our much loved Chief, I have taken the chair as Deputy Grand Sire, fully aware of the difficulty of the position which I occupy. I am free to confess that, inexperienced as I am, I am not without apprehension that I may be wanting in those peculiar qualifications so essential to render a presiding officer efficient and the deliberations of the body over which he presides prompt and harmonious. Relying however confidently upon your indulgence and generous support, I enter upon the duties of this chair with a firm purpose to administer them impartially and to the best of my ability. More you will not expect : less would be unworthy of the incumbent of so exalted a position.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

Our Grand Secretary made a full and valuable report. We extract the following :—

GENERAL RETURNS OF 1871 AND 1872 COMPARED.
(Jan. 1, 1871, to Dec. 31, 1872.)

	1871	1872	Increase.
Lodges	1871	4,292	
"	1872	5,045	753
Initiations	1871	49,257	
"	1872	59,250	9,993
Members	1871	327,877	
"	1872	385,097	57,220
Revenue, G. Lodge and G. Encampment	1871	\$3,310,009 53	
"	1872	4,291,071 12	\$981,061 59
Relief " " " " "	1871	1,092,095 42	
" " " " "	1872	1,503,471 40	411,375 98

The statistical table, prepared by the Grand Secretary for the Encampment Branch, show the following :—

Number of Encampments	1,393
" Initiated	10,476
" Admitted by Card	1,394
" Reinstated	607
" Suspended or Dropped	3,673
Withdrawn by Card	1,670
Expelled	137
Deceased	714
Members in good standing	73,740
Number of Patriarchs relieved	6,180
Widowed families relieved	201
Paid for relief of Patriarchs	\$129,782 91
" " Widowed families	8,392 17
" Education of Orphans	218 00
" Burying the dead	22,256 86
Total relief	\$160,649 94
Total receipts	\$462,761 17

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER.

The report of this officer, for the year from September 16, 1872, to September 15, 1873, shows :

Cash balance, September 16, 1872	\$22,699 03
Received for Supplies and Representative Tax	49,759 95
Received for two notes paid	697 00
Received for Interest on Bonds	957 15
Total	\$74,113 13
Expended during the year	\$38,958 23
Invested in United States Bonds	11,682 50
	<u>50,640,73</u>

Cash balance.....	\$23,472 40
United States Bonds, at par	24,000 00
Total assets.....	\$47,472 40
Assets September 16, 1872.....	36,999 03

Increase during the year..... \$10,473 37

The expenses were \$5410 19 less than the expenses of the preceding year, and \$12,455 87 less than the revenue for the year.

To this we are sure we need add nothing. It tells its own eloquent story. Statistics have, perhaps justly, acquired a dull and prosaic character, but these form a noble exception, for they tell us of burdens lightened, of sorrows assuaged, of griefs dispelled, of hopes rekindled amid a gloom of despair by a splendid charity, the magnitude of whose operations is upon an equal scale with the grand achievements of the age in which it exists.

RIGHT OF AN ENCAMPMENT TO ASSESS ITS MEMBERS.

Rep. Woodyatt, from the Committee on Appeals, made the following report, which was adopted.

The Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the appeal of John H. White, against the action of the Grand Encampment of New York, have considered the same, and find that the appeal is made from the answer to a question as follows, viz :

"Has an Encampment the right to assess its members a specific sum for necessary expenses in fitting up a hall and procuring necessary fixtures."

"Answer in the affirmative, unless prohibited by special local legislation."

"Your Committee are of the opinion that the answer is incorrect. Encampments are authorized to adopt certain rates of regular dues necessary for providing funds with which to pay their legitimate expenses." They may not demand more from their members, *unless authorized by special local legislation*. Your committee submit the following :

Resolved, That the appeal of John H. White be sustained, and the decision of the Grand Encampment of New York be reversed.

PAST HIGH PRIESTS.

On this subject the following were passed :

Resolved. That this Grand Lodge will not interfere with the right of State Grand Encampments to determine the question as to whether Past High Priests shall or shall not be members of its body.

Resolved. That a member of any Grand Encampment under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, shall, if in good standing, on due proof of such membership under existing laws, be entitled to visit any other of the Grand Encampments of the Order, anything to the contrary in any local law notwithstanding.

MERGEMENT.

Representative Porter, of California, proposed certain amendments to the constitution of the G. L. U. S., looking to the abolition of Encampments as a separate branch of the Order. The main amendment was this.

Add to Article I. the following:

Sec. 10. "The number of degrees pertaining to Subordinate Lodges shall be *nine*, and shall be designated as follows: The Initiatory, the First or White, the Second or Covenant, the Third or Blue, the Fourth or Remembrance, the Fifth or Scarlet, the Sixth or Patriarchal, the seventh or Golden Rule, and the Eighth or Royal Purple, and all Subordinate and Degree Lodges are authorized to confer said degrees."

The amendment will come up at the next session. The Encampments were never so flourishing, and I think never less likely to be blotted out than now.

FINANCIAL SCRIBES.

Grand Encampments are authorized to permit their subordinates to elect Financial Scribes, if they so desire, and the new Encampment Charge book will contain the proper obligations, &c., for said officer.

Dismissal certificates hereafter must be authenticated by the signature of the G. C. and R. Secretary, the same as cards.

FUNERAL CEREMONY.

A committee of five, Grand Chaplain, J. W. Venable, Chairman, was appointed to prepare a form and report next session.

STREET UNIFORMS.

Resolved, That a special committee of five be appointed by the Grand Sire, whose duty it shall be to report to this Grand Body at its next session a suitable uniform which may be used by subordinate Lodges and Encampments on parade, in order that street uniforms for Lodges and Encampments be the same in all jurisdictions.

NEXT SESSION.

The next annual communication of the Grand Lodge will be held in the city of Atlanta, Georgia, a resolution to that effect being unanimously adopted in response to an invitation from the Grand Lodge of that State.

I have endeavored to be as brief as possible, and now submit the above for your consideration.

Fraternally submitted,

A. PURVES,

Grand Representative.

KINGSTON, AUG. 4TH, 1874.

It was moved and seconded, that the Reports of the Grand Patriarch, Grand Scribe and Right Worthy Grand Representative be referred to the Committee on Distribution. Carried.

The Grand Patriarch presented his account for postage and telegrams for the past year, of \$16 73.

The Standing Committee on Appeals, *Re* Wettenhall, presented their account of Disbursements of Special Meeting in Hamilton, of \$14.

On motion, it was *Resolved*—"That the above accounts be handed to the Committee on Finance."

On motion, the Grand Encampment adjourned at 11 o'clock to assemble again at 11.30.

SECOND SESSION.

Grand Encampment assembled pursuant to adjournment.

Present: All the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

The Committee on Distribution then presented the following Report:—

Committee Rooms, Kingston, Aug. 4, 1874.

To the M. W. Grand Patriarch and Representatives of the Grand Encampment of Ontario.

Your Committee on Distribution beg to submit to your R.W.G. Body, that they have numbered the paragraphs of the M. W. G. Patriarch's Report and recommend that they be referred to the following Committees, viz:—

No. 1, to Committee on Petitions.

Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, referred to Committee on State of the Order.

Nos. 8, 9 and 10, to a special Committee of five Patriarchs.

The Report of the Grand Representative we recommend be referred entire to Committee on State of the Order.

We have also numbered the paragraphs of the Grand Scribe and Grand Treasurer's Report, and submit that they be referred as follows:

Nos. 1, 6, 7 and 8, referred to Committee on Finance.

Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 9 and 10, referred to Committee on State of the Order.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. WINGFIELD,
S. BURDEN,
R. McDONALD,

} Committee.

On motion, it was *Resolved*—That the above Report be adopted. Moved by Grand Representative Purves and seconded by M. E. Grand H. Priest Gibson, that the nomination and election of Officers take place at 4 o'clock, p.m., sharp, this afternoon. Carried.

The M. W. Grand Patriarch appointed the following special Committee on clauses 8, 9 and 10 of his Report, viz. :—P. G. P's Jas. Woodyatt, Henry McAfee, A. Purves and Grand H. P. Gibson, and Grand Jr. Warden Blain.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

The Committee on Correspondence presented the following report :—

GRAND ENCAMPMENT COMMITTEE ROOMS,
KINGSTON,
4th August, 1874.

To R. W. Grand Encampment, I. O. O. F. of Ontario.

We, your Committee upon Correspondence, beg leave to report that we have carefully examined the correspondence of the Grand Officers for the previous year and find that the same has been efficiently conducted, that of the Grand Patriarch Perry has been voluminous and must have required a large share of his time and attention; we beg to compliment him and Grand Scribe Dawson upon the efficiency with which they have conducted this laborious portion of their duties.

All of which is respectfully submitted by
Yours in F. H. and C.,

JAMES F. McDONALD,
J. ELIAS DURHAM, } Committee.
C. B. ROGERS,

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted. Carried.

It was moved by Grand Jr. Warden Blain and seconded, that the communication of Bro. Ridgely addressed to the M. W. Grand Patriarch, on the appointment of a Historiographer for the Order be referred to the Select Committee previously appointed. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

The Committee on Finance presented the following Report :—

To the Most Worthy Grand Patriarch.

Your Committee on Finance would beg to report that we have examined and would recommend the payment of the following accounts :

Grand Patriarch's account for postage & telegraphing, of \$16 75, also Account of Committee on Appeals, amounting to \$14 00.

Your Committee would respectfully beg leave to recommend that the sum of \$75 00 be paid the Grand Scribe and Treasurer for his valuable services for the past year.

All of which is most respectfully submitted.

W. H. COLE,
EDMUND BELTZ, } Committee.
JNO. A. PARKER.

Resolved,—That the foregoing Report be adopted. Carried.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

To the Most Worthy Grand Patriarch.

Your Committee on Finance would beg leave to report that they have examined the books of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer, and find them correct and also the vouchers and accounts submitted in connection with them, showing a balance in hand of \$622 27, to which is to be added the return of two Encampments which have come in since the 1st of August, making the total amount of cash on hand of \$640 64.

All of which is most respectfully submitted..

W. H. COLE,
EDMUND BELTZ, } Committee.
JOHN A. PARKER.

Resolved,—That the foregoing Report be adopted. Carried.
On motion, the Grand Encampment adjourned at 12.25 to meet again at 2 o'clock p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

City Hall, Kingston, Aug. 4th, 1874.

Grand Encampment assembled pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT—All the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

The Committee on Appeals, appointed last year, presented the following Report in the Wattenhall Appeal Case under consideration during the past year :—

Committee Rooms, Kingston,
4th Aug., 1874.

To the Grand Patriarch, Officers and Patriarchs in Session at Kingston.

Your Committee appointed at last Session of the Grand Encampment to investigate the matter of Appeal by Patriarch

Wettenhall against the decision of Burlington Encampment, met at the City of Hamilton, on 11th May, 1874. After due notice to all parties concerned and carefully considering the facts touching said Appeal, your Committee have arrived at the following conclusions which are respectfully submitted for your consideration.

The refusal of Burlington Encampment to grant Withdrawal Card as requested by Patriarch Wettenhall was contrary to law and without precedent. At the time of application for such Withdrawal Card there were no charges whatever pending against Patriarch Wettenhall. The question of defrauding a brother was brought before the Encampment subsequent to the decision refusing to grant the Card, and appears to your Committee to be a business matter of dispute beyond their province to investigate and cannot therefore be sustained.

Your Committee would recommend that Burlington Encampment be instructed to reconsider their decision and grant the Withdrawal Card applied for by Patriarch Wettenhall from date of application.

SAML. G. DOLSON, }
 J. M. WEIR, } Committee.
 J. HAM PERRY. }

On motion, the above with protest from Pat. Wettenhall and accompanying documents, was laid over until some of the Burlington Representatives were present, as well as other members of the Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

The Committee on the State of the Order presented the following Report:—

Kingston, Aug. 4th, 1874.

To the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario.

Your Committee on the State of the Order to whom was referred portions of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer's Report, beg leave to report.

1. That clause No. 5 of the said Report is an abstract of semi-annual Returns, and should be referred to the Committee on Returns

Resolved,—That we ask to be discharged from further consideration of that clause, and referred to the Committee on Returns.

THOS. WOODYATT. }
 A. PURVES. } Committee.

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted. Carried.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

Moved by Bro. Patriarch Blain, seconded by Rep. Woodyatt, that the following be a notice of motion: "Every Subordinate Encampment shall be entitled to one Representative, and every Encampment having more than 100 members shall be entitled to two Representatives, and more than 200 members to three Representatives."

Patriarch T. T. Irving gives notice of motion to amend Constitution, seconded by Patriarch J. Murray, so as to read "every Encampment having a membership of 50 and under, be entitled to one Representative, over 50 two, and that the representation be limited to two."

Moved by Rep. J. M. Wingfield, seconded by Rep. F. T. Rice, "Every Subordinate Encampment shall be entitled to one Representative, and every Encampment having sixty members shall be entitled to two Representatives, and one Representative for each additional sixty members."

Rep. Thos. Woodyatt, of Brant Enc., No. 4, moved in accordance with notice of motion given at last session, that Article I., Sec. 4 of the Constitution be amended by striking out "last regular session in June," and inserting instead, "first regular session in July." The motion was seconded by Rep. Blain, of Toronto Enc. No 8. Carried.

Rep. Woodyatt moved in accordance with notice of motion postponed by resolution last year, that Art. I., Sec. 3, of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment be amended so as to read, "every Subordinate Encampment shall be entitled to one Representative, and every Encampment having sixty members shall be entitled to two Representatives, and no Encampment shall be entitled to more than two Representatives." The motion was seconded by Rep. Murray, of Niagara Falls Enc., No. 23.

The motion was put and on division, was declared *lost*.
All the other Notices of Motion were ruled out of order.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The hour of 4 o'clock having arrived, the Grand Patriarch declared the nomination of Officers open.

Representatives Ford and Badenach were appointed scrutineers.

The following was the result:—

JOHN GIBSON, Stratford, (1st Ballot).....	M. W. Grand Patriarch.
HARPER WILSON, St. Catharines, (2nd Ballot).....	M. E. Grand High Priest.
HUGH BLAIN, Toronto, (2nd Ballot).....	R. W. Grand Sen. Warden.
M. D. DAWSON, London, (1st Ballot) re-elec'd.....	R. W. Grand Scribe & Treas.
W. H. COLE, Brockville, (4th Ballot).....	R. W. Grand Jr. Warden.
J. HAM PERRY, Whitby, (1st Ballot).....	R. W. Grand Representative,

[G. L., U. S.]

Moved, seconded and carried that the Grand Encampment do now adjourn for one hour.

EVENING SESSION.

Met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT,—All the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.

The Committee on Returns presented the following Report:—
Encampment Rooms, Kingston,
Aug. 4th, 1874.

To the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F.
Your Committee on Returns beg to report that we have carefully examined the reports from the several Encampments for the terms ending December 31st, 1873, and June 30th, 1874, in which we find the following errors and omissions:—

	DEC. 31, 1873.	JUNE 30, 1874.
Union Enc. No. 1	Correct.....	Correct.
Frontier Enc. No. 2	Do.	Error in per centage of 25 per cent. due G. Encampment.
Harmony Enc. No. 3	Do.	Correct.
Brant Enc. No. 4	Do.	Do.
Charity Enc. No. 5	Do.	Error in Degrees Conferred, should be 12 instead of 8.
Beaver Enc. No. 6	Do.	Correct.
Burlington Enc. No. 7	Error in Degrees Conferred, should be 32 instead of 22.	Do.
Toronto Enc. No. 8	Error in Summary, should be 14 instead of 13.	Error in not writing the name of Pat's. receiving Golden R. Degree, and Pat's. exalted in their proper column
Brock Enc. No. 9	Correct.....	Error in Membership, should be 35 instead of 34. Receipts in total, items not given, error in per centage, should be 25c. additional.
Chatham Enc. No. 10	Error in Degrees conferred, should be 11 instead of 5.	Error in Degrees conferred, should be 22 instead of 14.
Ontario Enc. No. 11	Error in No. of Degrees conferred, should be 23 instead of 15.	Error in placing the Initiation Fee on 3 heads, namely—Initiation Degree, 2nd and 3rd, and Proposition Fee, when all should be under the head of Initiation Fee.

Albert Enc. No. 12.	{ Error in not giving names of Patriarch's receiving Golden Rule Degrees and Royal Purple Degrees.	{ Error in Membership, should be 64 instead of 61, also in per centage due G. Encampment, should be \$16 instead of \$15 25 ; also night of meeting not given.
Whitby Enc. No. 13.	Correct.	Correct.
Fidelity Enc. No. 14.	{ Error in not giving names of Patriarchs receiving G. R. Degree and R. P. Degree.	{ Do.
Kingston Enc. No. 15.	Correct	{ Error in Membership, should be 28 instead of 32 ; error in per centage to G. Encampment should be \$7 instead of \$8
Mt. Ararat Enc. No. 16.	{ Error in not giving names of Patriarchs receiving G. R. Degree and Patriarchs exalted.	{ Correct.
Hebron Enc. No. 17.	Correct.	Do.
Northern Star, Enc. No. 18	Do.	Do.
Quinte Enc. No. 19.	Do.	Do.
Elgin Enc. No. 20.	Do.	Do.
Unity Enc. No. 21.	Do.	Do.
Guiding Star Enc. No. 22.	{ Error in Degrees conferred, should be 33 instead of 22, and names of Patriarchs rec'g G. R. and Pats. exalted not given.	{ Do.
Niagara Falls Enc. No. 23.	Correct.	Do.
Friendship Enc. No. 24.	{ Do.	{ Error in not giving names of Patriarchs receiving G. Rule Degree and Patriarchs exalted.
Victoria Enc. No. 25.	{ Do.	{ Error in not giving names of Patriarchs receiving G. Rule Degree and Patriarchs exalted.

Your Committee would beg to suggest that full instructions be given by the D. D. G. Patriarchs in regard to the proper manner of making out the returns, as the same mistakes occur in a great many of the Encampments.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

HARPER WILSON,
JOHN G. MOORE, } Committee.
F. T. RICE,

Moved by Rep. H. Wilson, seconded by Rep. Moore, that the foregoing report be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS OF SUBORDINATES.

The Committee on By-Laws of Subordinates presented the following Report:—

Kingston, Aug. 4, 1874.

To the Most Worthy Grand Patriarch:

Your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws of Subordinates, beg to report that we have carefully examined the following By-Laws, and submit the following:

BROCK, No. 9.—One copy submitted in manuscript; Constitution omitted. Neither signed or sealed.

Art. I, By-Law.—Strike out the word "of" on the fourth line between the letters I. O. and O. F. and on the 6th line between the letters I. O. O. F.

Art. III, Clause 1.—Strike out the words "two members" on the fifteenth line, and insert the word "member."

Art. VIII, Clause 1.—Strike out.

UNION No. 1.—One copy submitted not certified.

Art. XI, Clause 2.—Constitution. Strike out all the words after declared on the 8th line, to the word "and" on the 11th line, and strike out all the words after "United States."

Art. III, Sec. 1.—By-law. Strike out the words, "two members," and insert the word "member."

Art. VIII, Sec. 4.—Strike out.

FRIENDSHIP No. 24.—Two copies submitted signed, but not sealed.

Art. XI, Sec. 2.—Constitution. Insert the words "in writing" after the word member on the second line.

Art. II, Sec. 6.—Insert the word "all" between the words "to and the" on the third line.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

H. E. BUTTREY,
GEORGE MIDGLEY,
G. WALES,
A. W. KNOX,
CHAS. PAECKERT, } Committee.

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The Special Committee appointed to consider clauses 8, 9 and 10 of Grand Patriarch's report, also letter of James L. Ridgely, Grand

Secretary Grand Lodge, U. S., presented the following Report :—
 Committee Rooms, Grand Encampment,
 KINGSTON, 4th August, 1874.

*To the Grand Patriarch, Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment,
 I. O. O. F. of Ontario.*

Your Special Committee appointed to consider clauses 8, 9 and 10 of the Grand Patriarch's Report, and the communication of the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the U. S., after careful attention to the subjects mentioned, beg to submit as follows :—

With reference to clause 8 :

That they would recommend that our first Past Grand Patriarch Jas. Woodyatt, and Past Chief Patriarch M. D. Dawson, Grand Scribe, be appointed by this Grand Encampment, and requested to collect and condense such statistics and other information as can be obtained, and forward the same together with any supplementary remarks which may be appropriate, to Bro. Ridgely, as requested.

Upon clause 9 :—That whenever five or more Subordinate Encampments locate within a reasonable distance of each other, shall petition the Grand Patriarch to establish an Encampment of Instruction, it shall be competent for that Officer to comply with such petition. The expense of the Grand Officers shall in all cases be borne by the Subordinate Encampment making such application.

With regard to clause No. 10 :—Your Committee, while acknowledging the advantages of an early and complete report of the proceedings of this R. W. G. Encampment in the daily press, regret that our financial position does not warrant the Committee in recommending the appointment of an official reporter at present.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES WOODYATT,
 JOHN GIBSON,
 HUGH BLAIN,
 A. PURVES, } Committee.

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

The Committee on the State of the Order presented the following Report :—

Committee Rooms, Kingston, 4th Aug., 1874.
To the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario.

The Committee on the State of the Order to whom was referred certain paragraphs of the Grand Patriarch's Report, the Report of the Grand Representative to the G. L., U. S., and portions of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer's Report, beg leave to report :—

That the rapid increase in the membership of the Order, is a matter for congratulation and pride, as the large addition to our ranks during the past year, must show progress in ratio to that of any State under the jurisdiction of the G. L. U. S. We have now attained a membership which entitles us to representation equal to any other jurisdiction in the supreme body, and this year will be privileged to elect another representative to attend the session in Atlanta, Georgia.

The Most Worthy Grand Patriarch is deservedly entitled to the sincere and hearty thanks of this Grand Encampment, for the time and attention given by him to the interests of the Order, in visiting the various Subordinates, the institution of New Encampments, and in the discharge of the large amount of correspondence which devolved upon him.

In relation to the decisions of the Most Worthy Grand Patriarch, in answer to questions submitted to him by Toronto Encampment No. 8, we approve of the decisions numbered 1, 2, 3, 5 and 6.

We dissent from decision numbered 4, as we are of opinion that the new uniform mentioned is not such regalia as is decided to be worn in the meeting of Encampments. As the matter of the uniform has been referred to a Special Committee of the G. L. U. S., in all probability the subject will be finally decided at the approaching Session. Commenting upon the Report of the Grand Representative, we would recommend that our Representatives to the G. L. U. S., be instructed to oppose the amendment to the Constitution proposed by Rep. Porter, of California, tending towards the mergerment of the Lodges and Encampments.

In accordance with the legislation adopted at the last Session of the G. L. U. S., we would recommend that Article 5, Section 1 of Constitution of Subordinates be amended by inserting "Financial Scribe, if desired," between Scribe and Treasurer.

Special attention is again called to the great desirability of having all Returns in from Encampments promptly, and that they should be made in a correct manner.

This Body is to be congratulated upon the harmony which prevails throughout the Province, as well as the great prosperity which has attended us during the whole year.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. WOODYATT,
A. PURVES,
WM. BADENACH.

} Committee.

Resolved.—That the foregoing be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

The Committee on Mileage and per Diem presented the following Report:—

Encampment Rooms, Kingston, Aug. 4th, 1874.

To the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario.

We, your Committee on Mileage and per Diem, beg leave to submit that the following named Patriarchs be paid three cents per mile, and two dollars per Diem, for their attendance at the present Session of the R. W. Grand Encampment:

				Mileage.	P. Diem.	Total.
Union	No. 1,	Pats.	Sisterson.....	\$13 92	\$2 00	\$15 92
"	"	"	Wilson.....	13 92	2 00	15 92
"	"	"	Geo. Wales.....	13 92	2 00	15 92
Frontier	No. 2,	"	Rice.....	23 16	2 00	25 16
"	"	"	Shoreland.....	23 16	2 00	25 16
Harmony	No. 3,	"	Jno. Hunter.....	16 56	2 00	18 56
"	"	"	E. Beltz.....	16 56	2 00	18 56
"	"	"	Buttrey.....		2 00	2 00
"	"	"	Robinson.....		2 00	2 00
"	"	"	Shaw.....		2 00	2 00
Brant	No. 4,	"	Cameron.....	14 22	2 00	16 22
"	"	"	Thos. Woodyatt.....	14 94	2 00	16 94
Charity	No. 5,	"	T. Irving.....		2 00	2 00
"	"	"	C. Paeckert.....		2 00	2 00
Beaver	No. 6,	"	A. W. Knox.....	15 54	2 00	17 54
"	"	"	Wm. Box.....	15 54	2 00	17 54
Burlington	No. 7,	"	Thos. Cox.....		2 00	2 00
"	"	"	Geo. Midgely.....		2 00	2 00
Toronto	No. 8,	"	Wm. Badenach.....	9 66	2 00	11 66
"	"	"	A. A. Millar.....	9 66	2 00	11 66
"	"	"	J. L. Bird.....	9 66	2 00	11 66
"	"	"	J. M. Wingfield.....	2 79	2 00	4 79
Brock	No. 9,	"	Isaac Smith.....	20 40	2 00	22 40
Chatham	No. 10,	"	J. P. Young.....	20 40	2 00	22 40
"	"	"	Dr. F. Rae.....	7 62	2 00	9 62
Ontario	No. 11,	"	M. Western.....		2 00	2 00
"	"	"	S. Burdon.....	7 08	2 00	9 08
Albert	No. 12,	"	J. Kidd.....	7 08	2 00	9 08
"	"	"	J. A. Parker.....		2 00	2 00
Whitby	No. 13,	"	R. Frazer.....	7 86	2 00	9 86
"	"	"	Fullerton.....	17 76	2 00	19 76
Fidelity	No. 14	"	Dr. Fowler.....		2 00	2 00
Kingston	No. 15,	"	R. McDonald.....	1 56	2 00	3 56
Mt. Ararat	No. 16,	"	B. G. McGregor.....	17 34	2 00	19 34
Hebron	No. 17,	"	C. B. Rogers.....	8 94	2 00	10 94
Northern Star	No. 18,	"	J. G. Moore.....	2 88	2 00	4 88
Quinte	No. 19,	"	W. T. Cripps.....	17 64	2 00	19 64
Elgin	No. 20,	"	J. F. McDonald.....	15 38	2 00	17 38
Unity	No. 21,	"	Jno. Twohey.....	9 72	2 00	11 72
Manilla	No. 22,	"	Jno. Murray.....	14 58	2 00	16 58
Niagara Falls	No. 23,	"	J. E. Durham.....		2 00	2 00
Petrolia	No. 24,	"	C. S. Male.....	7 86	2 00	9 86
Victoria	No. 25,	"	J. H. Perry, G. C. P.....		2 00	2 00
			Jno. Gibson, G. H. P.....		2 00	2 00
			M. D. Dawson, G. S.....	16 56	2 00	18 56

P. B. Hatch, G. S. W.....	14 22	2 00	16 22
Hugh Blain, G. J. W.		2 00	2 00
Jno. Graham, G. S.....		2 00	2 00
A. Purves, G. R., G. L. U.S.	13 92	2 00	15 92
			\$542 01

All of which is respectfully submitted,

(Signed), FRANCIS RAE,
W. T. CRIPPS, } Committee.
JOHN TWOHEY, }

Resolved,—That this Report be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Rep. Thos. Woodvatt, seconded by Rep. H. Wilson, that the form of Semi-Annual Return at present issued to Subordinate Encampments be amended and revised, so as to show dates of initiation and expulsion, and also to comprise a statement more in accord with Sec. 5, Article VIII. of the Constitution; and in addition should show the amount of funds invested or otherwise belonging to each Encampment, and such other details as may be of interest.

QUESTIONS ASKED:

Rep. Buttrey asked,—“Is it proper for Encampments to ballot for Candidate in each Degree separately, or is one ballot sufficient for all three Degrees?”

Referred to Committee on “State of the Order.”

The Report of the Committee, appointed last year, on Appeals, *Re* Wettenhall, was again brought up, and the following amendment to the Report was adopted.

Moved by Rep. Badenach, seconded by Rep. Wingfield, that the action of Burlington Encampment be reversed and they be instructed to reinstate Patriarch Wettenhall in his Encampment. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Grand Encampment Rooms, Aug. 4th, 1874.

To the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario.

Your Committee on the State of the Order to whom was referred the question of Rep. Buttrey—“Is it proper for Encampments to ballot for each Degree separately or is one ballot sufficient for all three Degrees,”—beg leave to report:

That one ballot is all that is contemplated or necessary by Art. 2, Sec. 1 of the Constitution of Subordinates.

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted. Carried.

THOS. WOODYATT,
A. PURVES, } Committee.
WM. BADENACH. }

Rep. Geo. Midgley asked permission to appeal against the decision of this Encampment in its action on the appeal case of Patriarch Wettenhall against Burlington Encampment No. 7, Hamilton.

On motion, the request of Rep. Midgley was granted. Moved by Rep. Murray, seconded by Grand Rep. A. Purves, that the Grand Scribe be authorized to have 250 copies of the Journal of Proceedings printed and distributed in the usual way. Carried. Grand Rep. Purves, assisted by Grand Rep. Woodyatt, here exemplified the secret work of the Order.

The installation of Grand Officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with in the usual way.

The M. W. Grand Patriarch, John Gibson, announced the following appointments of Subordinate Officers and D. D. Grand Patriarchs, all of which were approved :

Patriarch Jas. Young, Chatham Enc. No. 10, Grand Sentinel.
 " Fullerton, Fidelity Enc. No. 14, O. Sentinel.

D. D. GRAND PATRIARCHS.

Patriarch J. B. McIntyre.....	Union No. 1.
" F. T. Rice.....	Frontier No. 2.
" Geo. Shaw.....	Harmony No. 3.
" Thos. Woodyatt.....	Brant No. 4.
" Dr. Campbell.....	Charity No. 5.
" A. W. Knox.....	Beaver No. 6.
" George Midgley.....	Burlington No. 7.
" Wm. Badenach.....	Toronto No. 8.
" Wm. Cook.....	Brock No. 9.
" John P. Young.....	Chatham No. 10.
" Dr. Rae.....	Ontario No. 11.
" Saml. Burden.....	Albert No. 12.
" John Parker.....	Whitby No. 13.
" Hector Urquhart.....	Fidelity No. 14.
" Fife Fowler, M. D.....	Kingston No. 15.
" Robt. McDonald.....	Mt. Ararat No. 16.
" D. McGregor.....	Hebron No. 17.
" R. Warriner.....	Northern Star No. 18.
" John G. Moore.....	Quinte No. 19.
" Geo. Shaw.....	Elgin No. 20.
" J. F. McDonald.....	Unity No. 21.
" R. Warriner.....	Guiding Star No. 22.
" John Murray.....	Niagara Falls No. 23.
" J. Elias Durham.....	Friendship No. 24.
" C. S. Male.....	Victoria No. 25.

Moved by Rep. M. H. Cole, seconded by Grand Representative Purves, that the Most Worthy Grand Patriarch, previous to the opening of the Grand Encampment at its next Session, appoint from among those Representatives who we know will be present upon that occasion, the Committee on Credentials, into whose hands the Grand Scribe will place all the Representative's certifi-

cates, said committee to meet time enough to have their report prepared to present to the Grand Encampment on its opening. Carried.

Moved by Rep. Beltz, seconded by Rep. Robinson, that when this Grand Encampment adjourns it stands adjourned to meet again in London, or such other place as the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario decides to meet in, on Tuesday preceding the 1st Wednesday in August, 1875, at 9 o'clock a. m. Carried.

M. D. DAWSON,
Grand Scribe.



SUBORDINATE ENCAMPMENTS AND OFFICERS, FOR TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1874.

No.	Encampment	Post Office.	Night of Meeting.	Chief Patriarch	High Priest.	Sothe.	Treasurer.	Warden.	Jr. Warden.	Representatives to Grand Encampment
1	Union	St. Catharines	1st & 3rd Wednesday	W. A. Rawlins	J. M. Laurie	E. S. Ness	A. Purves	A. L. Rieglius	W. Greenwood	J. G. Sinton, H. Wilson, G. Wales
2	Frontier	Windsor	2nd & 4th Thursday	J. R. Edgar	F. Bell	W. A. Allen	H. M. Caffee	W. H. Young	F. T. Rice, Walter Shoreland	
3	Harmony	Stratford	1st & 3rd Friday	W. R. Brown	W. Woods	W. A. Warren	J. C. Callis	W. M. Smith	J. H. Hanser, E. R. Robison, H. E. Sawyer	
4	Charity	Stratford	2nd & 4th Friday	J. R. Narvaay	J. Dolmead	F. H. Cowley	J. Woodysat	W. M. Smith	E. Cameron, T. Woodysat, E. Shaw	
5	Beaver	Hamilton	1st & 3rd Thursday	J. H. Fricker	P. Goodbow	T. Greenville	D. S. Murray	D. O. Springston	C. T. Campbell, W. C. Mackert	
6	Burlington	Rockville	2nd & 4th Thursday	W. G. Carey	H. Allen	A. H. McKenzie	J. C. White	D. O. Springston	Thos. Cox, Geo. Midgely	
7	Boronto	Rockville	1st & 3rd Thursday	J. S. Briggs	J. F. Craig	Robt. Doods	W. E. Sluder	J. S. Richards	Thos. Sadanach, A. Miller, J. L. Bird, J. W. H. Cole	
8	Chatham	Chatham	2nd & 4th Friday	T. E. Stanton	A. E. M. Richard	A. J. Powell	Isaac Carle	Wm. Barclay	Isaac South, John F. Young	
9	Ontario	Chatham	1st & 3rd Friday	J. E. Hawkins	J. S. Pellow	J. A. Powell	Isaac Carle	Wm. Barclay	Isaac South, John F. Young	
10	Whitby	Whitby	2nd & 4th Monday	J. E. Hawkins	T. Burden	R. Young	Dr. F. Rose	W. E. Clark	Wm. H. Burden	
11	Fidelity	Bowmanville	1st & 3rd Tuesday	W. Adams	J. S. Pellow	R. Young	Dr. F. Rose	W. E. Clark	Wm. H. Burden	
12	Kingston	Kingston	2nd & 4th Monday	Geo. Lee	Geo. Killip	Geo. A. Carson	H. E. Taylor	G. S. Shute	Geo. Hayle	
13	Hebron	Port Perry	1st & 3rd Wednesday	W. H. Post	SG Chamberlin	Geo. A. Rese	H. W. Verna	W. McCammon	J. A. Clarke, J. Fullerton	
14	Quinte	Port Perry	2nd & 4th Wednesday	W. H. Post	J. B. McIver	Geo. A. Rese	H. W. Verna	W. McCammon	Dr. Fowler, W. D. Gordon	
15	Uxley	Port Perry	1st & 3rd Wednesday	W. H. Post	J. B. McIver	Geo. A. Rese	H. W. Verna	W. McCammon	Dr. Fowler, W. D. Gordon	
16	Uxley	Port Perry	2nd & 4th Wednesday	W. H. Post	J. B. McIver	Geo. A. Rese	H. W. Verna	W. McCammon	Dr. Fowler, W. D. Gordon	
17	Uxley	Port Perry	1st & 3rd Wednesday	W. H. Post	J. B. McIver	Geo. A. Rese	H. W. Verna	W. McCammon	Dr. Fowler, W. D. Gordon	
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24	Uxley	Port Perry	2nd & 4th Wednesday	W. H. Post	J. B. McIver	Geo. A. Rese	H. W. Verna	W. McCammon	Dr. Fowler, W. D. Gordon	
25	Uxley	Port Perry	1st & 3rd Wednesday	W. H. Post	J. B. McIver	Geo. A. Rese	H. W. Verna	W. McCammon	Dr. Fowler, W. D. Gordon	

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND PATRIARCHS FOR 1874 AND 1875.

14.	Strathroy	HECTOR URQUHART.
15.	Kingston	DR. FOWLER.
16.	Napasee	ROBT. McDONALD.
17.	Parkhill	D. MCGREGOR.
18.	Pt. Perry	R. WARRINER.
19.	Belleville	JOHN G. MOORE.
20.	Belleville	GEO. SHAW.
21.	Ingersoll	J. F. McDONALD.
22.	Manilla	R. WARRINER.
23.	Clifton	JOHN MURRAY.
24.	Petrolia	J. ELIAS DURHAM.
25.	Pt. Hope	C. S. MALE.

Encampment	Deputy Grand Patriarch
UNION	FIDELITY
FRONTIER	KINGSTON
HARMONY	MT. ARAERAT
BRANT	HEBRON STAR
CHARITY	NORTHERN STAR
BEAVER	QUINTE
BURLINGTON	ELGIN
TORONTO	UNITY
BROCK	GUIDING STAR
CHATHAM	NIAGARA FALLS
CHATHAM	FRIENDSHIP
ALBERT	VICTORIA
WHITBY	

SPECIAL NOTICE TO SCRIBES.

The Certificates of the Past Chief Patriarchs and Representatives to Grand Encampments should be forwarded to the Grand Scribe immediately after the Installation of officers.

Past Chief Patriarchs and Representatives should be furnished with a duplicate Certificate by the Scribe in order to avoid any possible inconvenience arising out of the miscarriage of the original. Especially should this be the case when Past Chief Patriarchs represent themselves for admission to the Grand Encampment some time after they have passed the chairs.

The per Capita Tax is twenty-five cents for each member upon the roll at the last stated meeting in the term.

Charge Books cannot be delivered except upon the special order of an Encampment signed by the Chief Patriarch and Scribe, and attested by the seal, and the old Charge Books must in all cases be returned to the Grand Scribe.

When old Charge Books cannot be returned by the hands of a Patriarch, they should be sealed up and sent by express.

Post Office money orders are recommended as a safe mode of transmitting money.

Supplies are furnished to Encampments in this jurisdiction at the following rates, viz:—

CHARGE BOOKS.....	\$2 00 cts each.
VISITING CARDS.....	25 "
WITHDRAWAL CARDS.....	25 "
REGISTER BOOKS.....	3 50 "
PROPOSITION BOOKS.....	3 25 "
BLACK BOOKS.....	2 00 "
DRAFT BOOKS.....	2 00 "
RECEIPT BOOKS.....	1 75 "
NOTICES OF MEETINGS.....	1 00 per 100.
NOTICES OF ARREARS.....	1 00 "
NOTICES OF REJECTIONS.....	1 00 "
REP'S. AND P. C. P. CERTIFICATES.....	2 cts, each

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 9, Brockville JOHN P. YOUNG.
 10, Chatham DR. R. E. BRIDEN.
 11, Oshawa JOHN PARKER.
 12, Bowmanville JOHN PARKER.
 13, Whitby JOHN PARKER.

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| HARPER WILSON, M. W. Grand High Priest..... | <i>St. Catharines.</i> |
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