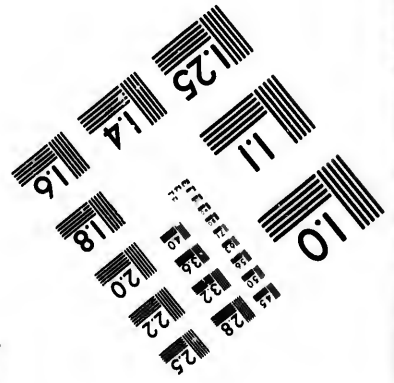
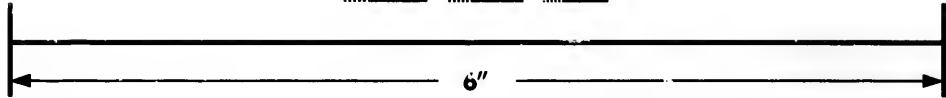
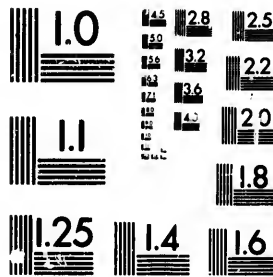


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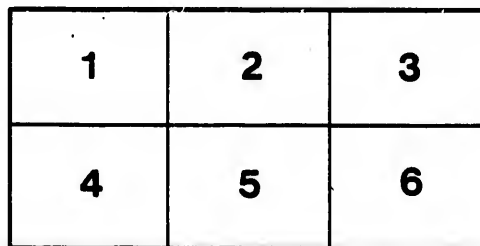
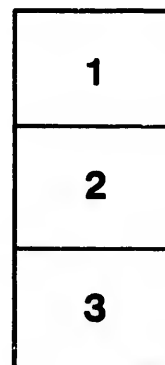
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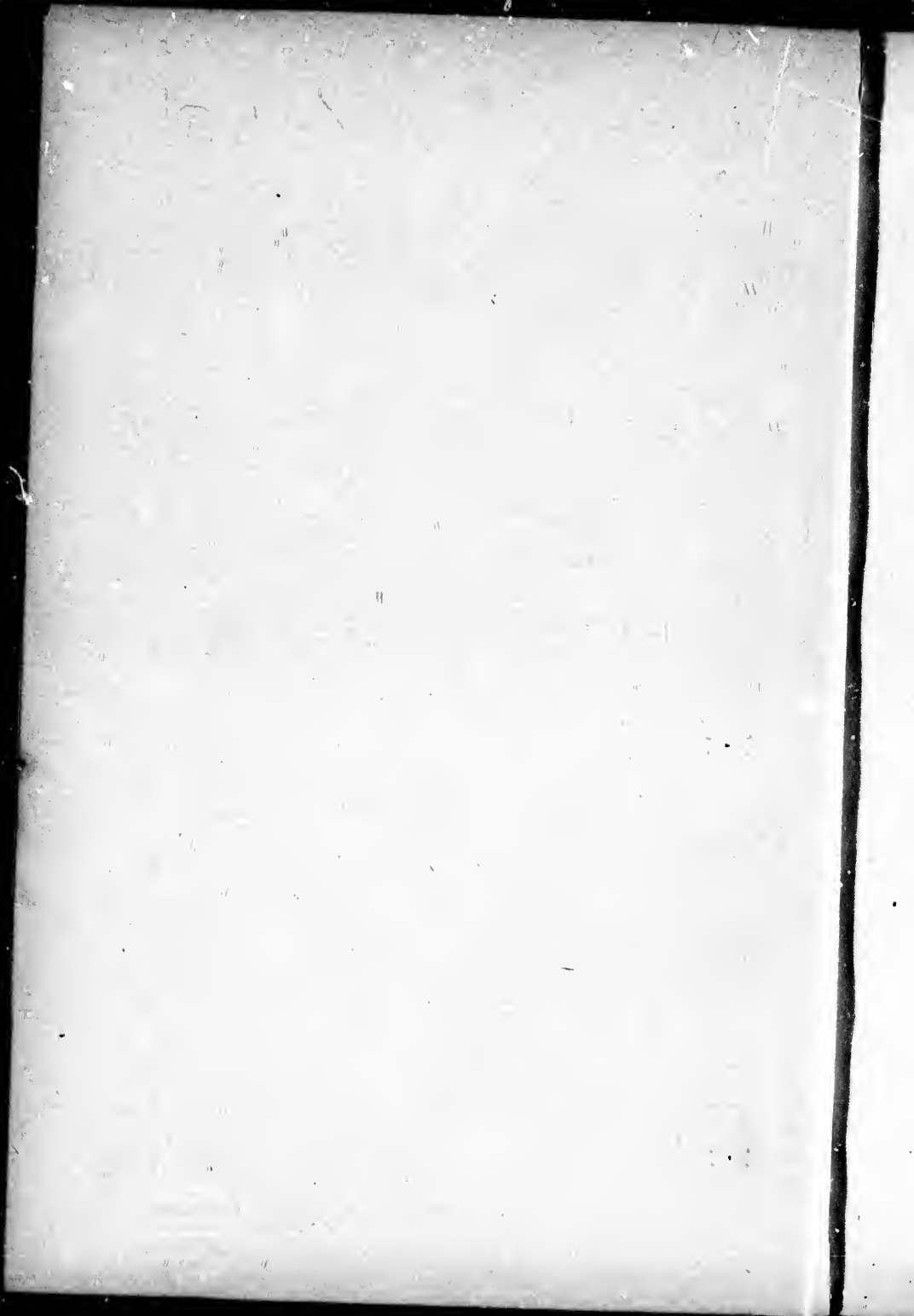
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THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT
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The Grand Encampment of Manitoba, I. O. O. F.

ARTICLE I.

TITLE AND POWERS.

SECTION 1. The Grand Encampment of Patriarchs of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Manitoba, is the supreme tribunal of all Encampments of Patriarchs in said Province. By virtue of its Charter from the Sovereign Grand Lodge, it possesses full powers of granting Charters to Encampments, and of suspending or revoking the same for proper causes; to pass laws for the working and regulation of Subordinate Encampments; receive, investigate, and decide all appeals from them or their members, and redress grievances and complaints, as their wisdom may dictate; and do and perform all such other acts as in their judgment may tend to promote the best interests of the Patriarchal Branch of the Order: *Provided, always,* That such action be not in derogation of the Constitution or Laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, nor inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of this Province.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 2. The Grand Encampment shall consist of the officers duly elected and installed, and Past Grand Patriarchs, who shall be entitled to participate in the deliberations of this Grand Body. *Provided, however,* said Past Grand Patriarchs shall not be entitled to draw pay for per diem and mileage; and of Past Chief Patriarchs who shall receive the Grand Encampment Degree before taking their seats as members.

SEC. 3. Every Subordinate Encampment shall be entitled to one Representative, and every Encampment having fifty members shall be entitled to two Representatives, and one Representative additional for every fifty members. Every P. C. Patriarch shall be entitled to receive the Grand Encampment Degree, to attend the sessions of the Grand Encampment, and to vote on the election of Grand Officers and all other questions coming before the Grand Encampment.

SEC. 4. Each Subordinate Encampment shall, at the last regular session in December of each year, elect separately, by ballot, from among the P. C. Patriarchs who are in good standing in the Encampment, and qualified according to the preceding Clauses, such number of Representatives as the Encampment is entitled to, to serve for one year from the third Tuesday in February ensuing.

SEC. 5. Subordinate Encampments not having a Past Chief Patriarch qualified to serve as Representative, may elect in the same manner and for the same, or less time, any qualified Past Chief Patriarch of another Encampment, who shall be invested with full powers as a Representative for the Subordinate Encampment so electing, for the time being.

PENALTY FOR IMPROPER CONDUCT.

SEC. 6. Any member of this Grand Encampment or Past Officer entitled to attend its sittings, who is guilty of conduct unbecoming a Patriarch, upon conviction shall be fined, reprimanded, suspended or expelled, as may be determined by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at a regular session.

QUESTIONS AND VOTES.

SEC. 7. All questions before the Grand Encampment, except propositions to alter or amend the Constitution, By-Laws, or Rules of Order, or on the trial of a Patriarch, shall be decided by a majority of the votes given.

ARTICLE II.

ELECTIVE AND APPOINTED OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The elective Grand Officers of the Grand Encampment, shall be a Grand Patriarch, Grand High Priest,

Grand Senior Warden, Grand Scribe, Grand Treasurer, Grand Junior Warden, and one or more Grand Representatives, who shall be elected annually, except Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, one of whom shall be elected each year, to serve for two years. The appointed officers shall consist of a Grand Marshal, Grand Inside Sentinal, Grand Outside Sentinal, and a District Deputy Grand Patriarch, for each Subordinate Encampment, (except in cities and towns where there are more than one Encampment) who shall be appointed annually, by the Grand Patriarch, by and with the approbation of the Grand Encampment.

VACANCY OF OFFICE.

SEC. 2. All vacancies in the offices occasioned by death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled in the manner heretofore prescribed, and for the residue of the term; *Provided*, That in case a vacancy should occur from any of the causes above mentioned, during the interim of the sessions of the Grand Encampment, the Grand Patriarch shall have power to fill such vacancy by the appointment of a qualified Past Officer to the office. If the office vacant shall be an elective one, the appointment shall be until the next session of the Grand Encampment, and until the election and installation of a qualified Past Officer to the office. If an appointed office, the appointment shall be for the balance of the term, subject to the approval of the Grand Encampment at its next session.

ARTICLE III.

DUTIES OF THE GRAND PATRIARCH.

SECTION 1. The Grand Patriarch shall preside at all sessions of the Grand Encampment; he shall preserve order, and may enforce it by fine; he shall decide all questions of order, (but an appeal may be taken from such decisions to the Grand Encampment). He shall appoint any Grand Officer, *pro tem.*, and all committees, unless otherwise ordered by the Grand Encampment. He may order special sessions of the Grand Encampment, whenever he may deem proper, and shall call special sessions on the written request of ten

Past Chief Patriarchs representing three Subordinate Encampments ; he shall, in all cases, except on an appeal from his own decision, give the casting vote when the Encampment is equally divided. In cases of emergency, he may grant dispensations to Subordinate Encampments in all such matters as he may deem promotive of the interests of the Order, and not inconsistent with the laws or usages thereof. After any sum of money has been voted, he shall order the Grand Treasurer to pay the same ; and when officially visiting the Subordinates, shall be received with the honors of the Order ; he shall, at the opening of the regular annual session, present a report, exhibiting the condition of the Order in this jurisdiction, the date of the institution of Subordinates during his term of office, and make such suggestions as he may deem advisable ; and he may remove any D. D. Grand Patriarch from office, for conduct unworthy of his standing in the Order, or for inattention to the duties of his office.

DUTIES OF THE GRAND HIGH PRIEST.

SEC. 2. The Grand High Priest shall preside and act in the absence of the Grand Patriarch. In case of the office of the Grand Patriarch becoming vacant by any cause, he shall have the full powers of Grand Patriarch until the next regular session, and until such vacancy be filled. And he shall perform such other duties as are embraced in the charge of his office.

DUTIES OF THE GRAND SENIOR WARDEN.

SEC. 3. The Grand Senior Warden shall assist the Grand Patriarch in presiding and preserving order. And, in the absence of the Grand Patriarch and Grand High Priest, he shall preside.

DUTIES OF THE GRAND SCRIBE.

SEC. 4. The Grand Scribe shall make a just and true record of the proceedings of the Grand Encampment at every meeting, and transmit printed copies thereof to the Subordinates, immediately after the closing of each regular session ; he shall keep the accounts between the Grand Encampment

and its Subordinates, and receive all monies due the Grand Encampment, and pay the same over to the Grand Treasurer monthly; he shall notify each of the Subordinates of the annual and special sessions of the Grand Encampment, at least one month prior thereto; he shall provide all stationery for the use of the Grand Encampment, and superintend such printing as the Grand Encampment may direct; and for the faithful performance of his duties shall be entitled to such salary as the Grand Encampment shall determine.

DUTIES OF GRAND TREASURER.

SEC. 5. The Grand Treasurer shall receive and take charge of the moneys of the Grand Encampment; he shall pay all orders drawn on him by the Grand Patriarch when properly attested; he shall make such investment of the funds as the Grand Encampment may direct; he shall keep the accounts in a fair and legible manner, exhibiting the sources and amount of receipts, the purposes and amount of disbursements, and to whom paid; and he shall have his accounts closed at every session, and submit them to the Grand Encampment. He shall also execute to the two first named Grand Officers, in trust, bonds to be approved by the Grand Encampment for the faithful performance of the duties of said office.

DUTIES OF THE GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

SEC. 6. The Grand Representatives shall attend the meetings of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and shall faithfully represent the wishes of the Grand Encampment therein; and they shall be furnished with certificates of election in the form required by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

DUTIES OF THE GRAND JUNIOR WARDEN.

SEC. 7. The Grand Junior Warden shall open and close the Grand Encampment according to his office; and he shall introduce into the Grand Encampment all new members, after their credentials have been duly examined and approved.

DUTIES OF GRAND MARSHAL AND GRAND SENTINELS.

SEC. 8. The Grand Marshal shall assist the Grand Junior Warden in the Grand Encampment; and he shall attend

the Grand Patriarch in his official visitations when requested so to do, and he shall have charge of all processions of the Grand Encampment and obey the commands of the Grand Patriarch.

SEC. 9. The Grand Inside Sentinel shall have charge of the inner entrance to the Grand Encampment, and permit none to enter or depart without the proper formalities. The Grand Outside Sentinel shall have charge of the outer entrance; and assist the Grand Inside Sentinel in the performance of his duties.

SEC. 10. The D. D. Grand Patriarchs shall be the organs of the Grand Patriarch, in their respective Subordinates, and it shall be their duty to see that the work is performed correctly, to install the officers of the Encampment or Encampments under their charge, and to decide all questions submitted to them in writing by their respective Subordinate Encampments, subject to an appeal to the Grand Patriarch; and they shall report semi-annually to the Grand Patriarch, the state of the Order in their respective Subordinates; and, previous to installing the officers, they shall receive the reports and dues of their respective Encampments, and immediately transmit the same to the Grand Scribe.

SEC. 11. All Grand Officers shall, in addition to the duties specified in this Constitution, perform such others as the Grand Encampment may enjoin.

ARTICLE IV.

TIME AND MODE OF ELECTION.

SECTION 1. The election of Grand Officers shall take place at the annual session, at such time as the Grand Encampment may determine, and the nomination for each office shall be immediately succeeded by the election for the same. At an election, no vote shall be counted as part of the poll unless it be for a previously nominated candidate.

SEC. 2. All elective Grand Officers shall be voted for by ballòt, and elected by a majority of the valid votes given;

and in case no candidate has such a majority, balloting shall be continued until a choice is made. *Provided always*, that when only one candidate is in nomination he shall be declared elected by acclamation.

SEC. 3. At the time of election the presiding Grand Patriarch shall appoint two Tellers, who shall receive the ballots of the members, and deposit the same in a ballot box; and when the poll shall have been declared closed, the Tellers shall at once proceed to canvass the ballots, and report the result to the Grand Patriarch, who shall announce the same to the Grand Encampment.

SEC. 4. The Grand Officers shall be installed at such time during the annual session as the Grand Encampment may determine. The present Grand Patriarch, or any Past Grand Patriarch, or the Senior Member present, shall install the Grand Patriarch elect, who shall afterwards install the other Grand Officers.

SEC. 5. All Grand Officers shall be installed to serve until the next annual session, and until the installation of their successors.

ARTICLE V.

PENALTIES AND TRIALS.

SECTION 1. Any Grand Officer may be removed from office for conduct unworthy of his standing in the Order, or for inattention to the duties of his office; but he shall be entitled to a fair trial, and two-thirds of the votes of the members present shall be necessary to removal.

SEC. 2. No officer shall officiate in the Grand Encampment during the time occupied in his trial. Should the Grand Patriarch be under charges, a Past Grand Patriarch, provided one be present, shall preside, while any question arising therefrom shall be under consideration.

ARTICLE VI.

STANDING COMMITTEES AND THEIR DUTIES.

SECTION 1. There shall be appointed at each annual session, the following Standing Committees, viz :

1. Committee on Elections and Returns.
2. Committee on Finance.
3. Committee on Correspondence.
4. Committee on By-Laws of Subordinate Encampments.
5. Committee on the State of Order.
6. Committee on Petitions.
7. Committee on Legislation.

SEC. 2 The Committee on Elections and Returns shall consist of three members, of whom the Grand Scribe shall be Chairman ; the other two shall be appointed by the Grand Patriarch, or the incumbent of the Chair at the time of opening the session ; and whose duty it shall be to examine and report to the Grand Encampment without delay, on the regularity of the returns of the Subordinates, and the eligibility of members.

SEC. 3. The Committee on Finance shall consist of three members, who shall be appointed by the Grand Patriarch, with the advice and consent of the Grand Encampment ; and whose duty it shall be to examine and report on all accounts and claims against the Grand Encampment, previous to their being passed for payment by the Grand Encampment ; to examine the accounts of the Grand Treasurer and Scribe, annually, and report thereon ; and to suggest such measures of finance as they may deem expedient.

SEC. 4. The Committee on Correspondence shall consist of three members, whose duty it shall be to examine and report on all correspondence of the Grand Encampment ; and to suggest any measures in the nature of the business of their appointment.

SEC. 5. The Committee on By-Laws of Subordinate Encampments shall consist of three members, appointed by the Grand Patriarch, with the approbation of the Grand Encampment ; whose duty it shall be carefully to inspect, examine and approve, or disapprove, all By-Laws or amendments thereto submitted to them, and determine whether they are in conformity with the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Encampment and with the usages of the Order, and upon the approval of the Committee, the By-Laws or amendments so approved, shall be in full force and effect,

Provided, That the action of the Committee in approving or disapproving, may be appealed to the Grand Encampment, by the Encampment interested or any member thereof.

SEC. 6. The committee on the state of the Order shall consist of three members, appointed by the Grand Patriarch, with the approbation of the Grand Encampment, to whom shall be referred all questions which may come before the Grand Encampment from its Subordinates, requiring the decision of the Grand Encampment, and it shall be their duty to report thereon at the same session, unless otherwise ordered by the Grand Encampment.

SEC. 7. Every matter of appeal or grievance which shall come before this Grand Encampment, from Encampments or members of Encampments, shall be referred to a Special Committee of three, to be appointed by the Grand Patriarch, with the approbation of the Grand Encampment, and such Committee to be subject to challenge for reasons given of either party interested, and whose duty it shall be to investigate fully, and report such action as may be deemed necessary by this Grand Encampment.

ARTICLE VII.

SESSIONS.

SECTION 1. There shall be one regular session in each year, which shall be held on the third Tuesday of February. The Grand Encampment shall also hold special sessions on the call of the Grand Patriarch; and during any of the sessions it may adjourn from time to time until the business of the session is disposed of; and all sessions shall be held at such place as the previous regular session may have designated.

SEC. 2. At the regular session the Subordinates shall have their reports, returns and sums due; presented as required by these Articles; new members shall be admitted to their seats, the Grand Officers shall be elected and installed, and all manner of business within the power of the Grand Encampment may be transacted.

SEC. 3. At special sessions no business shall be transacted except that for which the session has been called, which shall

be distinctly stated in the notification to the Subordinate Encampments; and nine members belonging to three different Encampments, shall constitute a quorum at any regular or special session.

ARTICLE VIII.

SUBORDINATES.

SECTION 1. Five Royal Purple Degree Patriarchs, or more, in good standing in the Order, and members of Lodges subordinate to the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, may petition the Grand Encampment, in writing, for a Charter to constitute an Encampment of Patriarchs; which petition must be accompanied by the sum of *thirty dollars*, as the Charter fee. Should the Charter be granted, the Grand Patriarch, or such other qualified Patriarchs as he may delegate, shall open the Encampment and present the Charter. Traveling expenses, if any are incurred, to be borne by the Encampment opened.

SEC. 2. The Grand Patriarch, the Grand Senior Warden, and the Grand Scribe, shall constitute an Executive Committee, with power to receive and act on petitions for establishing Subordinate Encampments, presented in the interim of the sessions of this Grand Encampment, and the Grand Patriarch may, at the request of a majority of said committee, issue dispensations for the same, which shall be valid if confirmed at the next session of this Grand Encampment. And the Grand Patriarch, or his deputy at his request, may confer the Patriarchal degrees on Scarlet Degree members to make them eligible as petitioners for a new Encampment, provided there is no Encampment in the county where said Encampment is to be instituted.

SEC. 3. The terms of the Subordinate Encampments shall consist of twelve regular sessions; those meeting semi-monthly shall commence at the first regular session in July and January, and those meeting monthly shall commence at the first regular session in January. All terms shall be completed on the day the succeeding ones commence.

SEC. 4. The Subordinates shall, at the end of each term, report to the Grand Encampment, at its next regular session, the name of the Patriarchs initiated, admitted by Card, rein

stated, and those exalted to the R. P. Degree; the number on whom Degrees have been conferred, the names of Patriarchs withdrawn by Card; deceased, suspended or expelled, the names of Brothers rejected, the result of the election of officers and the amount of all monies due the Grand Encampment.

SEC. 5. Each Subordinate Encampment shall report, in addition, up to the first day of January annually, a full return of members, ranked according to Degrees taken, and a statement of the number of Patriarchs relieved, widowed families relieved, Brothers buried, and the amount of money applied to each of these purposes, designating the amount paid for the education of orphans.

SEC. 6. Each Encampment Subordinate to this Grand Encampment, shall pay semi-annually, as dues, twenty-five cents for each member in good standing, as may appear by their semi-annual reports; and in case the funds of this Grand Encampment should fail, the deficiency shall be made up by an assessment on the Subordinate Encampments. And no Representative from any Subordinate Encampment shall be permitted to take his seat, as such Representative, in this Grand Body, if his Encampment shall owe the Grand Encampment any amount at the opening of the session, or shall have failed to make their reports to the Grand Encampment.

ARTICLE IX.

SECTION 1. The Grand Patriarch, in addition to the powers heretofore granted, shall have the power to demand the Charter of any Subordinate Encampment whenever he shall see sufficient cause so to do, and the work of such subordinate shall be suspended until the case shall be considered by the Grand Encampment.

ARTICLE X.

AMENDMENTS.

SECTION 1. Any proposal to alter or amend this Constitution, or any portion thereof, must be proposed at a regular session, in writing; or a written or printed notice of such amendment sent by the proposer thereof, through the Grand

Scribe, to every Subordinate Encampment, at least three months before the Annual Session; and if at the next regular session following such proposed amendment, it shall receive the votes of two-thirds of the members present, it shall be adopted as part of this Constitution—subject to the approval of the SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE OF THE I. O. O. F.

SEC. 2. This Grand Encampment is fully authorized to adopt or amend at any regular session, such By-Laws and Rules of Order as two-thirds of the members present may determine.

BY-LAWS

—OF—

The Grand Encampment of Manitoba, I. O. O. F.

ARTICLE I.

OF MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. The Grand Encampment of the I. O. O. F., of Manitoba, will convene at all sessions at 9 o'clock, A.M.

SEC. 2. Within thirty minutes after the time of meeting, the presiding Grand Patriarch shall proceed to open the Grand Encampment, should there be a quorum present; and at the expiration of that time, should there not be a quorum, the members assembled shall organize informally, and adjourn the meeting to such time as may be agreed upon.

SEC. 3. In the absence of the Grand Patriarch, Grand High Priest, and Grand Senior Warden, the chair may be taken, *pro tem.*, by a Past Grand Patriarch, and if none are present, by any Past Chief Patriarch who may be called to it by a majority of the members present.

ARTICLE II.

OF SUBORDINATES.

SECTION 1. The funds, properties, etc., of the Subordinate Encampments, having been raised for the purpose of relieving sick and distressed brethren, and other charitable uses in the Order, are not liable to be divided in any manner, among the members individually, but shall remain for its legitimate pur-

pose, the property of the Encampment, so long as the Charter is unreclaimed, and five Patriarchs remain in good standing in the Encampment.

SEC. 2. In all cases where an Encampment shall have been suspended or expelled, or its Charter shall have been forfeited, the Charter, funds, books, properties and effects of all kinds, shall revert to the Grand Encampment. And it shall be the duty of the last installed officers of such Encampment to deliver immediately, to the Grand Patriarch by him deputed to receive them, such funds and other effects belonging to said Encampment.

SEC. 3. Members of a suspended or expelled Encampment or which may have surrendered its Charter, who are in good standing at the time of suspension, expulsion, or surrender, as may appear by the records of such Encampment, or who may have paid all arrearages then due to the Grand Encampment, shall, upon application to the Grand Scribe, receive a certificate under the seal of the Grand Encampment, to enable them to make application for admission to membership in another Encampment: *Provided*, that no such certificate shall be given to a member of a suspended or expelled Encampment, unless ordered by a special vote of the Grand Encampment.

SEC. 4. Any patriarch who shall be concerned in organizing, or who shall give countenance and support to, or shall knowingly visit any Encampment purporting to be Odd Fellows, and not possessing a legal, unreclaimed and valid Charter, duly granted and presented, or confirmed by this Grand Encampment, shall be deemed unworthy of fellowship; and such Patriarch, upon satisfactory proof, shall be expelled at the option of the Encampment of which he is a member. Any Patriarch so expelled, shall not be reinstated, unless the Grand Encampment assents thereto.

SEC. 5. Every Subordinate Encampment shall have a suitable seal (a proof impression of which shall be deposited with the Grand Scribe), and all its official communications shall be sealed therewith.

SEC. 6. No Encampment shall have a public procession without the permission of the Grand Patriarch, unless to attend the funeral of a deceased Patriarch.

SEC. 7. The By-Laws of each Encampment chartered by this Grand Encampment, immediately on their adoption, shall be forwarded to this Grand Encampment for approval and neither By-Laws nor amendments thereto, shall be binding till approved by the Grand Encampment or its Committee on By-Laws except that the By-Laws of a new Encampment shall be binding on the Encampment until the next session of the Grand Encampment.

SEC. 8. Any Subordinate Encampment failing to make its returns as required by Clause 4 of Article VIII, of the Constitution, for three terms, shall forfeit its Charter, and the Grand Patriarch shall reclaim the same and cause its effects to be returned to the Grand Encampment without delay.

SEC. 9. The following shall be the form of a certificate of a Representative to the Grand Encampment of Manitoba.

..... ENCAMPMENT, No....., I. O. O. F.

To the Grand Encampment of Manitoba, I. O. O. F.:

This to certify that P. C. P. has been duly and regularly elected Representative of this Encampment, to your Grand body, to serve until the regular annual session in 18.., and that at the time of his election he was qualified to act as such Representative, according to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Encampment.

In testimony whereof, we hereunto affix our hands and the seal of our Encampment, this day, 18...

....., C. P.

[L. S.] , H. P.

(Attest)

....., SCRIBE.

SEC. 10. Any P. C. P. presenting a certificate in the following form, duly filled up and attested, shall be entitled to receive the Grand Encampment Degree, to attend the sittings of the Grand Encampment, and to vote for Grand Officers,

and any or all motions and resolutions that may properly come before the Grand Encampment., and the Grand Encampment shall not confer the said Degree on any Patriarch who fails to have such a certificate on file with the Grand Scribe :

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To the Grand Encampment of Manitoba, I. O. O. F. :

This is to certify that P. C. P., has served his term of office as Chief Patriarch in this Encampment, for the term ending....., 18., and is therefore entitled to a seat in the Grand Encampment, agreeable to the provisions of the Constitution.

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RULES OF ORDER

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RULE I.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Upon the calling of the roll and a quorum being found present, the following shall be the order of business, viz :

1st. The Grand Patriarch shall request the Patriarchs to clothe themselves in proper regalia, and direct the officers and members to take their respective stations, and then call up the Grand Encampment.

2nd. While standing, the Grand High Priest shall address the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, in prayer.

3rd. Proclamation shall be made by the Grand Junior Warden, of the opening of the Grand Encampment.

4th. Certificates shall be received and referred to the proper Standing Committee for immediate action.

5th. The Committee on Elections and Returns shall report on the eligibility of members.

6th. New members admitted and instructed.

7th. The minutes of the last meeting shall then be read, and if no objection be made to any part thereof, they shall stand as approved.

8th. Reports of the Grand Officers shall be read and referred.

9th. The Committee on Elections and Returns shall report on the returns from the Subordinates.

10th. Petitions read and referred.

11th. Communications read.

12th. Financial accounts read and referred.

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- 13th. Appeals read and referred.
 - 14th. Reports of Committee on Finance.
 - 15th. Reports of Committee on Correspondence.
 - 16th. Reports of Committee on State of the Order.
 - 17th. Reports of Committee on By-Laws of Subordinates.
 - 18th. Reports of Special Committees by seniority.
 - 19th. Unfinished business by priority.
 - 20th. Election and Installation of Officers.
 - 21st. New Business.
 - 22nd. The report of Committee on Election and Returns shall take precedence of all other business.
 - 23rd. The Order of Business may at any time, be changed or dispensed with, by a two-thirds vote of the Grand Encampment.

RULE II.

DECORUM.

1st. During the continuance of the meeting, the most decorous silence must be observed ; the officers and members retaining their respective seats, and no one leaving the room without permission of the Grand Patriarch, nor entering without the consent of the Grand Senior Warden

2d. No member shall speak to another, so as to interrupt the business of the Grand Encampment ; or refuse to obey the Chair.

3d. Every officer and member shall be designated, in debate or otherwise, by his proper office or title, according to his standing in the Order.

4th. No member shall be permitted to vote or speak unless clothed in regalia.

5th. If a member shall have been fined by the Grand Patriarch, or presiding officer, he shall not thereafter be permitted to enter the Grand Encampment until the fine be paid, or remitted by a two-thirds vote of the Grand Encampment.

RULE III.

OF THE CHAIR.

1st. The Grand Patriarch, while presiding, shall state every question coming before the Grand Encampment, and

immediately before putting it to vote shall ask: "*Is the Grand Encampment ready for the question?*" Should no member rise to speak, and a majority indicate their readiness, he shall rise to take the question; and after he has risen, no member shall be permitted to speak upon it. He shall pronounce the votes and decisions of the Grand Encampment on all subjects. His decisions on questions of order shall be without debate, unless entertaining doubts on the point, he invite it. And he shall have the privilege of speaking only on such questions from the chair. When his decision has been appealed from, the question shall be put thus: "*Will the Grand Encampment stand by the Chair in its decision?*"

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OF DEBATE.

1st. Every member, when he is speaking or offering a motion, shall rise, and shall respectfully address the Chair, and when he has finished shall sit down. While speaking, he shall confine himself to the question under debate, avoiding all personality and indecorous language, as well as any reflection upon the Grand Encampment, or a member thereof.

2nd. Should two or more members rise to speak at the same time, the Chair shall decide which is entitled to the floor.

3rd. No member shall interrupt another while speaking, unless to call him to order for words spoken, which objectionable words shall be reduced to writing.

4th. If a member, while speaking, be called to order, he shall cease speaking, and take his seat, until the question of order is determined by the Chair, and if not declared out of order, he may again proceed; but if declared out of order, he shall not again proceed without permission from the Chair.

5th. No member shall speak more than once on the same question, until all the members wishing to speak shall have an opportunity to do so; nor more than twice, without permission of the Chair. But no member shall have the privilege of speaking more than once on a question of order, after an appeal from the decision of the Chair.

RULE V.

OF QUESTIONS AND VOTES.

1st. When a communication, petition or memorial, is presented, before it is read, or any vote taken on it, a brief statement of its contents may be made by the introducer or the Chair. And after it has been read, a brief notice of the purport shall be entered on the journal.

2d. No motion shall be subject to action, until seconded and stated by the Chair, and at the desire of the Chair, or any member, shall be reduced to writing.

3d. When a blank is to be filled, the question shall be taken first upon the highest sum or number, and the longest time proposed.

4th. Any member may call for a division of a question, when the sense will admit of it.

5th. When a question is before the Grand Encampment, no motion shall be received, unless to adjourn, the previous question, to lie on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a certain time, to refer, or to amend, and they shall have precedence in the order here arranged, the first three of which shall be decided without debate.

6th. After any question, except one of indefinite postponement, has been decided, any two members who voted in the majority may, at the same, or next succeeding meeting, move for a reconsideration thereof.

7th. The previous question can be called for by two members, and if seconded by a majority, shall be put in this form: "*Shall the main question be now put?*" If carried, all amendments, not already adopted, shall be precluded, and the main question taken without further debate.

8th. When one-fifth of the members rise in favor of taking a question by yeas and nays, they shall be ordered to be so recorded.

9th. No member personally interested in the result of a vote shall be allowed to vote, but any member may decline to vote on any question before the Grand Encampment, and the fact that he so declined shall be entered on the proceedings.

10th. Every member is bound to serve on committee, and accept nominations, unless excused by vote.

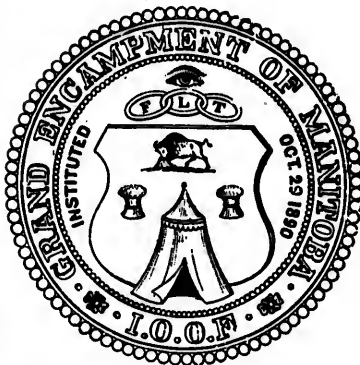
11th. Any member has a right to protest, and his protest spread on the journal.

12th. No more than two amendments to a proposition shall be entertained at the same time—that is, an amendment and an amendment to an amendment—and the question shall be first taken on the latter.

[The foregoing Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of Order, for the Grand Encampment of Manitoba, I. O. O. F., were adopted on the 17th day of February, A. D. 1891, at the First Annual Session, held at Portage la Prairie, Man.

A. E. M. Simon

Grand Scribe.



CONSTITUTION

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF ALL

SUBORDINATE ENCAMPMENTS

UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT
OF MANITOBA.

PREAMBLE.

For the purpose of ensuring uniformity in the Patriarchal Order within this jurisdiction, THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF MANITOBA, the Supreme tribunal of all Encampments within its limits, without whose sanction and control no Encampment can exist, ordains the following articles as the Constitution of the Subordinate Encampments of Patriarchs :

ARTICLE I.

This Encampment shall be constituted by at least five members of the R. P. degree, and shall be hailed and entitledEncampment No. . . . , I. O. O. F., of Manitoba, and shall possess the full powers and privileges of a Subordinate Encampment, holding a legal, unreclaimed and valid Charter, duly granted and formally presented, by the Grand Encampment of Manitoba.

ARTICLE II.

OF MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. No person shall be admitted into this Encampment who is not a Scarlet Degree member in good standing of a Subordinate Lodge in good standing, and a resident of the Province of Manitoba, [nor unless by deposit of card], until he shall have been a resident of the territory over which the Encampment has jurisdiction for not less than two months next preceding his application for membership,

nor for a less sum than six dollars, which shall include all the degrees.

SEC. 2. Applications for membership by initiation shall be made in writing, setting forth the age, occupation, and residence of the applicant, and duly signed by him and endorsed by two Patriarchs of the Encampment as reference, and shall be accompanied by a certificate from the Subordinate Lodge of which the applicant is a member, setting forth that he is a member in good standing and has received the Scarlet Degree, which certificate shall be signed by the Secretary with the seal of the Lodge affixed. The application shall be entered on the record and the subject referred to three Patriarchs for investigation, who shall make diligent inquiries as to the character and qualifications of the applicant, and report at the next regular meeting, when the applicant shall be balloted for with ball ballots (unless the Encampment shall postpone the balloting until the next regular meeting, which they shall have power to do by a two-thirds vote), and if, upon the ballot being taken, less than two black balls appear, the applicant shall be elected, but if two (2) or more appear, the applicant shall be rejected and so declared, and no further balloting shall be allowed, and any applicant so rejected shall be ineligible to membership in any Encampment for the space of six months, unless all the Patriarchs who cast the black balls, within four regular meeting nights thereafter voluntarily move for a reconsideration of the same, when the vote shall be taken by ball ballot, and if all the balls be white, the reconsideration shall be had, whereupon the application shall lie over till the next regular meeting, when another vote by ballot shall be had, and if the same be unanimously in favor of the applicant, he shall be elected, but if one or more black balls appear he shall be rejected, and in no case shall a reconsideration be had except upon the voluntary motion of all who cast the black balls, and never more than one motion for a reconsideration shall be allowed in the same case.

SEC. 3. Applications for membership shall be made to the Subordinate Encampment nearest the place of residence of the applicant, unless there shall be two or more in the city where he resides, in which case he may apply to either.

SEC. 4. A Patriarch of the Order wishing to become a member, shall present a petition together with his card from the Encampment of which he was formerly a member, which shall be referred to a committee of three, and in other respects disposed of as provided for by section two, for applicants, and on being admitted shall pay a sum of not less than fifty cents for each degree attained.

SEC. 5. An Ancient Patriarch holding an expired withdrawal card (or proof of the loss of the same), or the holder of a dismissal certificate desiring to gain membership, will present a petition together with his card or dismissal certificate, which shall be referred to a committee of three, and in all other respects disposed of as provided for in Section 2 of this Article, and on being admitted shall pay not less than one dollar for each degree attained.

SEC. 6. The membership of a Patriarch of this Encampment is not affected by his taking a Withdrawal Card from, or being suspended for non-payment of dues, by his Lodge, for one year from the date of his Card, or being so suspended. But at the expiration of one year from the date of his Card, or the action of his Lodge in suspending him, his active membership in his Encampment ceases, unless in the meantime he shall have acquired active membership in a Subordinate Lodge. When a Patriarch holding a Withdrawal Card from a Lodge, or who has been suspended for non-payment of dues, allows one year to expire without gaining active membership in a Lodge, and thus loses membership in his Encampment, he shall be entitled to a Withdrawal Card from his Encampment: *Provided*, That a majority of the members present vote therefor by ball ballot, and, *Provided*, That his dues are paid to the expiration of his active membership in the Encampment, and no charges are pending against him.

SEC. 7. When a candidate has been rejected, notice thereof shall be sent without delay to all the Encampments having concurrent jurisdiction.

SEC. 8. Any Patriarch of this Encampment who is in arrears eleven months for dues and legal assessments, shall be notified thereof by the Scribe in writing, and informed that unless such dues and assessments are paid or reduced below the amount of one year's dues within one month of

date of notice, that he will be suspended for non-payment of dues. At the expiration of one month from date of notice if such dues and assessments are not paid or reduced below the amount of one year's dues, the Scribe shall report the Patriarch as liable to suspension, whereupon the Encampment shall, by formal action, suspend the Patriarch for non-payment of dues, unless further time is granted by the Encampment. Any Patriarch under suspension for non-payment of dues and assessments, may be reinstated at any regular session, by a two-thirds vote of the members present: *Provided*, That the Encampment may, if they desire information as to the character or health of an applicant for reinstatement, refer the application to a committee, to report at the next regular session, and any Patriarch reinstated within one year of suspension, shall pay the amount of one year's dues, and any Patriarch reinstated after one year of suspension shall pay the same amount as an initiate of the same age, or such less sum as may be fixed in the By-Laws of the Encampment. And any Patriarch refused reinstatement, shall, on proper application and the payment of one dollar, receive a Dismissal Certificate.

SEC. 9. When an applicant by Card is duly elected, it shall be the duty of the C. P., upon such applicant presenting himself in the ante-room during the session of the Encampment, to appoint a committee of three, of which the S. W. or P. C. P., known to be in possession of the A. T. P. Word shall be one, who shall examine the applicant in the A. T. P. Word and work of the Order, and upon the report of the committee that he is correct, he shall be introduced to the Encampment, and sign the Constitution, after which he shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of membership. The provisions of this Section shall apply to Patriarchs admitted under the provisions of Sections 5 and 6 of this Article, except Patriarchs admitted on expired Withdrawal Cards or Dismissal Certificates, shall not be required to be in possession of the A. T. P. Word.

SEC. 10. The territorial jurisdiction of an Encampment shall extend half way from the place of meeting of the Encampment to the nearest Encampment by an air line; and no Encampment shall initiate or admit to membership any person living within the jurisdiction of another Encampment,

without the consent of the Encampment under whose jurisdiction the applicant resides, such consent to be in writing and under Seal. And any Encampment violating the provisions of this Section shall pay to the Encampment under whose jurisdiction the applicant resides, all moneys received from such applicant for initiation and degrees.

ARTICLE III.

CONTRIBUTIONS AND BENEFITS.

SECTION 1. The regular contributions and special assessments to the Encampment fund shall be determined by the By-Laws: *Provided*, That should there be insufficient in the Encampment fund to pay the dues or any assessment made by the Grand Encampment, the Encampment shall have power to assess the sum necessary to pay the same upon its members, and such assessment shall be at once due and payable.

SEC. 2. The amount of sick and funeral benefits to be paid to members, shall be determined by the By-Laws of the Encampment, and shall be paid to such members as are not disqualified from receiving benefits by the provisions of the By-Laws.

ARTICLE IV.

PENALTIES AND TRIALS.

SECTION 1. Any Patriarch who shall violate any of the principles of the Order, or offend against these Articles, or the By-Laws, shall be subject to be fined, reprimanded, suspended or expelled, as the By-Laws may direct, ancient usage require, or the Encampment determine.

SEC. 2 Every member shall be entitled to a fair trial for any offense involving reprimand, suspension or expulsion; but no member of this Encampment shall be put on trial, unless charges in the following general form be presented to the Encampment, in writing and signed by two Patriarchs of the Order:

1st. The general charge shall be an averment of conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow.

2d. The specification or specifications on which the charge is based, shall state definitely the time, place and circumstances connected with the alleged offense or offenses, and each offense alleged shall be the subject of a separate specification. *Provided*, That any Patriarch suspended or expelled by his Lodge on charges duly preferred, shall cease to be a member of this Encampment; in case of suspension, during the term of his suspension; in case of expulsion, his membership shall entirely cease.

SEC. 3. When charges have been preferred against a Patriarch in a proper manner, they shall be referred to a special committee of five members, who shall, if possible, be chosen from among the peers of the implicated Patriarch; and they shall, with as little delay as the case will admit, summon the parties, and examine and determine the matter in question; and if not involving the expulsion or suspension of a member, or no appeal to be taken from their decision to the Encampment, it shall be final without further action from the Encampment. Should the committee be convinced of the necessity of suspending or expelling a member, they shall submit a motion for the purpose to the Encampment for action.

SEC. 4. When a motion for the expulsion or suspension of a Patriarch shall have been submitted in due form, it shall be announced at a regular session, when submitted, and made the special order of business for the next regular session; and the accused shall be summoned to be in attendance at the Encampment, at the time when it may have been determined to consider the question; at which time, whether the implicated Patriarch be present or not, the Encampment may proceed to consider and determine it; two-thirds of the members present voting in favor of the motion, it shall be carried; and the Encampment shall be fully competent, while such motion is under consideration, to vary the penalty from the original motion.

SEC. 5. When the decision of a committee appointed under section three, for the adjustment of grievances, shall not be satisfactory to all parties, either of those interested shall have the privilege of an appeal to the Encampment; and at the time appointed for trying the appeal, the committee shall

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SESSIONS

SECTION 1. This Encampment shall hold two regular sessions in each month, which shall be styled the regular semi-monthly sessions. Adjourned sessions may be holden, or special sessions may be called on the written request of five Patriarchs, as the By-Laws may direct.

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TERMS.

Regular semi-annual terms, consisting of two regular sessions in each month, shall commence on the first regular sessions of July and January only; and all terms shall end on the day on which the succeeding ones commence.

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CARDS.

SECTION 1. Withdrawal Cards may be granted to members who are clear of the books, according to law, by a majority vote, by ballot, of the members present when the application is made. Should the Encampment refuse to grant the card, the applicant, on tendering a written resignation of membership, and paying all dues, shall be entitled to receive from the Scribe a certificate, under seal of the Encampment, to that effect; and such certificate shall be sufficient evidence of good standing at the time of such resignation.

SEC. 2. Visiting Cards may be granted upon application in open Encampment, or they may be issued by the Chief Patriarch and Recording Scribe to members in good standing upon application in writing, but in either case the dues of the

applicant must be paid up to the end of the time for which the card is granted, which time shall not exceed one year from the date of the card.

ARTICLE XI.

RETURNS.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the last Past officers to prepare and forward to the Grand Scribe immediately on the installation of the officers, the result of the elections, and a regular report of the work of the term, including the names of those admitted, advanced and exalted, admitted by card, rejected, withdrawn by card, suspended or expelled, and the cause thereof, reinstated and deceased, the whole number in membership, the amount of receipts and the result of the election of officers.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Encampment, also, to forward to the Grand Scribe, a full return of the members of the Encampment, ranked according to the degrees attained, and a statement of the number of Patriarchs and the number of widowed families relieved by the Encampment in the past term; the number of Patriarchs buried, with the amount of money applied to each of these purposes, designating the amount paid for the education of orphans also the number of week's sickness for which benefits were paid accompanied by whatever amount may be due to the Grand Encampment.

ARTICLE XII.

FORFEITURE OF CHARTER.

Should this Encampment fail to make its returns, as required by Article VIII of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment, for three terms, it shall become the duty of the last installed officers to transmit or surrender to the Grand Patriarch (or such other Patriarch as may be appointed by the Grand Encampment to receive them,) the Charter, books, papers, furniture and funds of the Encampment.

ARTICLE XIII.

DEGREES.

Not more than two degrees shall be conferred on a Patri-

arch at the same meeting, unless a dispensation in writing be obtained from the Grand Patriarch, or D. D. Grand Patriarch.

ARTICLE XIV.

OF AMENDMENTS, ETC.

SECTION 1. When doubts arise of the true meaning of any part of these Articles, it shall be determined by the Grand Encampment.

SEC. 2. These Articles, nor any part thereof, shall be altered, amended, suspended or annulled, except on motion made in the Grand Encampment.

SEC. 3. This Encampment shall stand fully invested with power to adopt such By-Laws and Resolutions, from time to time, as may be deemed expedient ; *provided*, they do not in any way contravene any part of these Articles, the Laws and Constitution of the Grand Encampment, the Sovereign Grand Lodge, or the principles of this Order.

SEC. 4. All By-Laws shall be submitted through the Grand Scribe, to the Committee on By-Laws for approval, immediately after their adoption, and shall be in force from the date of their approval by such committee, subject to the approval of the Grand Encampment.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF SUBORDINATE ENCAMPMENTS.

As soon as the Encampment shall have been opened for a regular meeting, the business shall be taken up in the following order :

1. Calling the roll of officers and reading the minutes of the last regular and intervening special meetings.
2. Presentation of visiting cards.
3. Does any brother know of a Patriarch who is entitled to our aid and sympathy ?
4. Report of committees on investigating the character of candidates and balloting for the same.
5. Candidates admitted and degrees conferred.
6. Reports of committees : First, Visiting Committee ; second, Finance Committee ; third, Special Committees.
7. Unfinished business.
8. Excuses of absentees.
9. Proposals for membership received and referred.
10. Communications and bills read and disposed of.
11. Election and Installation of Officers.
12. New business.
13. Has any Patriarch anything to offer for the good of the Order ?
14. Receipts of the evening.
15. Closing ceremonies.

This order of business may be changed at the discretion of the presiding officer.

RULES OF ORDER

FOR

SUBORDINATE ENCAMPMENTS

SECTION 1. The time of opening an Encampment at its stated meetings shall be at such hours as may be determined by resolution or By-Law.

SEC. 2. When the C. P. takes the chair, the officers and members shall take their respective seats.

SEC. 3. The C. P. shall preserve order and decorum, and pronounce the decision of the Encampment on all subjects; he may speak to points of order, rising from his seat for that purpose; he shall decide questions of order without debate, unless entertaining doubts on that point, subject to an appeal to the Encampment by any two Patriarchs, on which appeal no Patriarch shall speak more than once.

SEC. 4. No Patriarch shall disturb another in his speech, unless to call him to order; nor when a member is speaking, pass between him and the chair, or leave the hall.

SEC. 5. Every member, when he speaks, shall rise and respectfully address the chair. Members speaking shall confine themselves to the question under debate, and avoid all personalities, indecorous and sarcastic language, as well as any reflection upon the Encampment or its members.

SEC. 6. If two or more members rise to speak at the same time, the C. P. shall decide which is entitled to the floor.

SEC. 7. No member shall speak more than once on the same subject or question until all the members wishing to speak shall have had an opportunity to do so; nor more than twice without permission of the chair.

SEC. 8. If a member, while speaking, be called to order by the chair, he shall cease speaking and take his seat until the question of order is determined and permission given him to proceed.

SEC. 9. No motion shall be subject to debate until it shall have been seconded and stated by the chair, and it shall be reduced to writing, if desired by any member.

SEC. 10. Any member may call for a division of a question, which shall be divided, if it comprehends two or more distinct propositions.

SEC. 11. When a question is before the Encampment, no motion shall be received except for the previous question, to lie on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a certain time, to divide, to commit or amend, which motions shall severally have preference in the order herein arranged.

SEC. 12. When a question is postponed indefinitely, it shall not be acted on again during the term.

SEC. 13. On the call of five members, the Encampment may demand that the previous question shall be put; and until it is decided, all further amendments to the main question and all debate is precluded.

SEC. 14. The previous question shall be put in this form: "Shall the main question be now put?"

SEC. 15. When a blank is to be filled, and different sums, numbers, or times shall be proposed, the question shall first be taken upon the highest sum or number and the longest or latest time.

SEC. 16. Every member present shall, if requested, vote on any question before the Encampment, unless for special reasons the Encampment shall excuse him.

SEC. 17. No motion for reconsideration shall be received unless moved by a member who voted in the majority in the first instance, and made at the same or next regular meeting.

SEC. 18. The person first named on a committee shall act as chairman thereof, until another is chosen by themselves.

SEC. 19. The consequences of a measure may be reprobated in strong terms, but to arraign the motives of those who propose or advocate it is personality and against order.

SEC. 20. While the C. P. is putting a question or addressing the Encampment, no member shall walk about or leave the Encampment, or entertain private discourse.

SEC. 21. No motion can be made by one member while another is speaking, and no motion can be made without rising and addressing the chair.

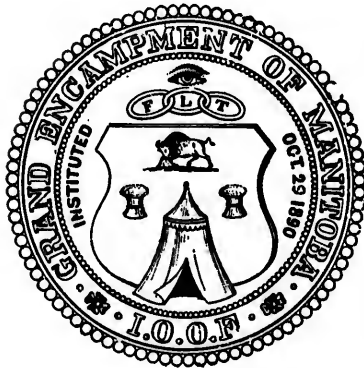
SEC. 22. No Patriarch shall rise to speak until the one occupying the floor shall have taken his seat; and if the member wishing to follow has spoken upon the subject twice, he shall not be recognized by the C. P. until others have had an opportunity to speak.

SEC. 23. No Patriarch shall commence speaking to the question until recognized by the C. P.

The foregoing Constitution, Order of Business and Rules of Order, for the Government of Subordinate Encampments, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment of Manitoba, I. O. O. F., were adopted on the 18th day of February, 1891, at the First Annual Session, held at Portage la Prairie, Man.

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